



Scuttlebutt

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Dan Luty, editor

Commandant's Report July 2020

It is July already, and while most of our activities are cancelled, including the 4th of July parade, at least we have our award-winning newsletter back! Our county is now in the green phase of reopening and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic. We have been able to restart a couple of our programs in the last couple of weeks.

On June 16th we had a good turnout for the first Adopt-a-Highway of the year. It was great to see all the guys again. The Honor Guard is also back to work and participated in a WWII Marine Veteran's funeral last week. Of course, masks were worn, and social distancing was practiced at both events.

Speaking of funerals, while we were shut down, four Detachment members passed away. John Haynal, John Cook, Nancy Dodge, and Hank Velardi are no longer with us. It is sad that we could not send these great men and women off with the honors they deserved. May they Rest in Peace.

The Detachment Officers will meet on Tuesday, 30 June, at American Legion Post 805 to discuss plans for moving forward with Detachment activities such as HUHO, summer picnic, scholarships, etc. The July general meeting will be held on Tuesday, 7 July, at 1930 hours.

We will be taking precautions at the July meeting. All in attendance will have their temperature taken at the door. Everyone must wear a mask and observe social distancing. We will have hand sanitizer available. If you are not feeling well, please do not attend. As most of our members are in the vulnerable age category, we completely understand if you are not comfortable going out yet.

Stay safe and we will get through this together!!

Semper Fi,

Jim Flynn
Commandant

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"SCUTTLEBUTT" BOOSTER CLUB



Help support our award-winning newsletter and become a member of the Booster Club!

Any monetary contribution helps offset the cost of publication and mailing. We wish to thank our current boosters. With their assistance, we can continue our **award-winning** newsletter!

JULY BOOSTERS

- Bud Davis
- Joe Direso
- Paul Donohue
- Jim Flynn
- Jim/Beth Herbst
- Dominick Longhi
- Dom Mattioni
- Con McGinley
- Gerald McGuckin
- Bob Spano
- Phil Spinelli

Thank You Boosters!

Bob Spano

Paymaster

If you are interested in being a "Scuttlebutt" Booster, please see Bob Spano.

Birthday Greetings for July

The Detachment staff sends best wishes to the following members who are celebrating a birthday this month:

- Gerald McGuckin
- Ronald Miller
- James Mulhern
- Thomas O'Leary
- Peter Patrucci
- John Quinn
- Philip Spinelli



Happy Birthday...and many, many more!

General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Officers

Commandant	Jim Flynn
Sr. Vice Commandant	Dominick Mattioni
Jr. Vice Commandant	Jerry McGuckin
Adjutant	Charles (Bud) Davis
Paymaster	Bob Spano
Judge Advocate	Paul Ferguson
Sergeant-At-Arms	Dominic D'Alessandro
Chaplain	Christopher Bush
Service Officer	Jim Herbst
Director	Bill Kinney
Director	Ben Sides
Director	Paul Donohue
Jr. Past Commandant	Dominic D'Alessandro

General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Committee Chairmen

Adopt-A-Highway	Jim Flynn
Americanism Team	J.Mulhern, E. Drake, D. Fitzpatrick
Auxiliary Liaison	Chris Bush
Awards	James Herbst
Ceremonies	Dom D'Alessandro
Color Guard	Wayne Williams
Flag Collection	Dominic D'Alessandro
Historian	OPEN
Home Association	Bob Spano
Honor Guard	OPEN
Honor Guard Assistant	Ben Sides & Mike Milliken
Marksmanship	Gene Kern
Membership	James Herbst
Newsletter (Scuttlebutt)	Dan Luty
Newtown Twp Vets Park	Bill Kinney
Nominations	Dominic D'Alessandro
Property	Bob Spano
Communications	John Burfete
Scholarships	Wayne Williams
Scouting	Ed Seidl
Toys-For-Tots	Paul Ferguson
V.A.V.S.	Jim Herbst & Claude Falcone
Web Master	Ilene Silvers

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

General & Healthcare Benefits	
VA Hotline	800-827-1000
Veterans' Healthcare	877-222-8387
Education	888-442-4551
Grave Markers	800-697-6947
Life Insurance	800-669-8477
Website	www.va.gov

Looking Ahead

DETACHMENT EVENTS

*****NOTE - SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO CORONAVIRUS*****

July

- 3 Observance – Independence Day
- 4 Independence Day
- 7 MCL General Meeting at Knights of Columbus Hall, Rt. 252 in Newtown Square at 1930.
- 28 Staff Meeting at Marple Memorial Post #805 at 1930.

August

- 4 MCL General Meeting at Knights of Columbus Hall, Rt. 252 in Newtown Square at 1930.

OTHER VETERANS' & FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS' REGULAR EVENTS

AmVets: Harold P. Saks Post #118, 211 N. Morton Ave., Morton, PA 19070. Meetings the first Wednesday of every month at 1930.

American Legion: Broomall Post #805, 2340 West Chester Pike, Broomall, PA. Meetings the second Wednesday of every month, at 1900.

American Legion Nunan-Slook Post #338, Meets the second Tuesday at 7:00 PM of every month at the corner of Ralston & Graslynn Avenues, Havertown, PA.

Upper Darby Detachment #884 MCL, 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2000, 1026 Providence Rd. Secane, PA. 19018

Disabled American Veterans, Delaware County Chapter 113, meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30PM. Meetings are held at the Nunan-Slook American Legion Post #338. The Post is located at the corner of Ralston & Graslynn Avenues in Havertown.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 67, AmVets, Harold P. Saks Post #118, 211 N. Morton Ave. in Morton, PA meeting is 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 PM - no meetings July or August.

Other Organizations' Events (Cont'd.)

Delaware County Detachment MCL, Breakfast, 3rd Sun of the month (except Jun, Jul & Aug), 0800-1130, \$10.00/person. DELCO Detachment, Upland, PA.

M.O.D.D. "Devil Dogs" Triboro Pound #19, Pack of Penna., Growls (meetings) are the second Wednesday of the month at 1930. Growls are held at the Upper Darby Detachment Home, 1026 Providence Road, Secane, PA 19018.

Veterans of Foreign Wars: Broomall Post #7390, Meetings the second Thursday of the month at 1930. Meetings are held at the Marple Twp. Municipal Building, Sproul & Springfield Roads, Broomall, PA.

Veterans of Foreign Wars: Herbert W. Best Post #928, Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month except in September, it will be the day after Labor Day, the 2nd (Tuesday and the 3rd Monday) Meetings are held at Herbert W. Best Post #928, VFW, MacDade Blvd. and Sutton Avenue, Folsom, PA.

Knights of Columbus: Mater Dei Council #4129, 327 N. Newtown Street Rd., Newtown Square, PA. Meetings the first Thursday of the month at 2000.

MARK YOUR 2020 CALENDAR

Stayed tuned for this year's events!!!

Veteran's Picnic:	Saturday, 22 August
Det. Birthday Ball:	Saturday, 7 November
Toys4Tots Dinner:	Tuesday, 1 December

Dominick Mattioni
610-692-4335

SICK CALL

John Burfete Wes Tomlinson Earle Drake	Joe Tier Rich Bortner
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Please remember to notify Chaplain Chris Bush (610.353.5569) of an illness, or of a member or family member passing away.



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Smedley D. Butler Detachment

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Newtown Square, PA19073-0184

Honor-Courage-Commitment



Next Meeting
7 July 2020, at 1930
Knights of Columbus
327 N. Newtown Street Rd.
(Route 252)
Newtown Square, PA 19073