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The Newsletter of The Ohio Valley Marine Corps League Detachment No. 882

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE 882

Detachment Meeting at Glenfield Valley Vets - Tuesday, April 30th
Devil Dog Growl at Glenfield Valley Vets - June 4th
PA Department Convention - June 19th thru 23rd
National Convention - August 4th thru 9th

"You were designed for accomplishment, engineered for success, and endowed with the seeds of greatness. " ~Zig Ziglar~

ELECTED OFFICERS



Commandant Bill Shaffer (724)-321-0056

Senior Vice Jim Brown (412)-370-0846



Junior Vice Nick Rymarchyk

Judge Advocate Scott McBride



APPOINTED OFFICERS



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HONOR

COURAGE

COMMITMENT

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Call to Order

The meeting of the Ohio Valley Detachment 882 was called to order at 1930 by Sr. Vice Commandant Jim Brown at the Glenfield Valley Vets.

Officer's Roll Call

Showed Commandant Bill Shaffer, JA Scott McBride, Sgt. at Arms Carl Curtis and Chaplain Ray Tedford absent..

Introduction of Guests
None.

Application for Membership

None.

Minutes

A motion was made by Nick Rymarchyk to accept the minutes of last months meeting as printed in the Newsletter, 2nd by Mike Shaffer, motion carried.

Correspondence

Adjutant read correspondence consisting of Veterans Service Newsletter for the month of March, Department of PA meeting agendas and schedules.

Report of the Paymaster

Marilou Farole gave the financial report for the month of February. Motion made by Bob Wagner to accept 2nd by Mike Shaffer, motion carried.

Report of Members Sick and in Distress

None.

Minutes of Ohio Valley Detachment 882 March 26, 2019

Rifle Team

Jim Dempsey reported on matches scheduled for the month of April. An Offhand match at 100 yards on the 20th, NRA matches 14th and 28th.

Color Guard

Gary reported that the Detachment color guard participated on March 9th at St. Stephens Church for the kickoff for the Brave American Classic race. Ray Tedford, Tom Mann, Jim Brown, Mike Shaffer and Gary Farole. A request from the Sewickley Memorial Day Parade and events for Memorial Day May 27th.

Quartermaster

Gary Farole reported that supply items are available, if anyone needs additional items to let him know.

Devil Dogs

Jim Brown reported that the upcoming Growl will held on June 4th at 1930 at the Valley Vets. Nick Rymarchyk reported on a fun Growl held on March 5th with an Irish bowling event.

POW / MIA

No Report

Old Business

Gary Farole reported on the Department of PA Convention meeting held on March 10th at the Ramada Inn in Greensburg. All Detachments are requested to donate \$100.00 seed money for the Hospitality Room and a basket for the Chinese Auction fundraiser. A good meeting was held with 22 members in attendance representing 9 Detachments.

New Business

Gary Farole conducted the 2nd nomination of Detachment officers with the following results: Commandant -Jim Brown, Sr. Vice - Nick Rymarchyk, Jr. Vice - Mike Shaffer; Judge Advocate - Tom Mann. All other positions are appointed. Gary Farole made a motion to cast a unanimous vote for the slate of officers as nominated, 2nd by Marilou Farole, motion carried. Jim Brown reported that the Marine of the Year will be selected at the April meeting with announcement of the MOY and AOY at the May meeting. A written ballot was cast by all members present for the Associate of the Year. Mike Shaffer reported that the annual Family Picnic will be held on July 14th at Plum Park, Leet Township from 1:00 to 5:00.

Good of the League

Installation of officers will be conducted by District Vice Fred
Neilen at the April meeting. All
elected and appointed officers are
urged to wear their uniforms. Gary
Farole presented Jim Brown a check
in the amount of \$10,000.00 as a
donation from the Sewickley VFW
Post 5756.

Announcements

Next meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2019.

Adjournment

The regular Meeting adjourned at 2020

14 members and were on board.



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MCL Activities Calendar



Detachment Meeting

Tuesday, April 30th, at 1930 hrs Glenfield Valley Vets

Devil Dog Growl

Tuesday, June 4th, at 1930 hrs Glenfield Valley Vets

Department Convention

June 19th thru 23rd Ramada Inn, Greensburg

National Convention

August 4th thru 9th Billings Convention Ctr., Billings, MT



May Birthdays

Sandy Brandenburg Ed Diehl Skip Hornbake Bill Shaffer

Upcoming Rifle and Pistol Shoots





Rifle

The Millvale shooting schedule is: April shoot: 50 Shot NRA - 28th May shoots: 100 Yard offhand - 11th

50 Shot NRA - 19th and 26th

Pistol

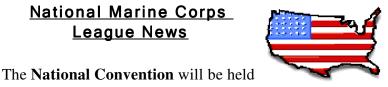
No pistol shoots are scheduled for now at the Millvale Club.

Of Special Note:

The installation of officers and the selection of the Marine of the Year will be held at the April meeting. The MOY and AOY will be announced at the May meeting.

For shooting info, call Gary Farole at 412-741-7898 or Jim Dempsey at 724-266-7828.

National Marine Corps League News



on August 4th thru 9th at the Billings Convention Ctr., Billings, MT Three of the hotels are already sold out so for reservations, go online to the National site to see what's available. For any National info, their website is: www.mclnational.org/Home/tabid/569/Default.aspx

Pennsylvania State Marine Corps League News

The **Department Convention** will be

held on June 19th thru 23rd at the Ramada Inn in Greensburg. Since our District 10 is hosting it, members will be needed to help out in the Hospitality Room from 17:00 to 23:00 on one of the days. Gary Farole needs to know how many can commit so he can inform the committee. If you can help out, he wants to hear from you. For any Departmental info, use the Department website at: www.pamcleague.org

Devil Dog Update Ohio River Devil Dogs, Pound 133

Devil Dogs and Marines!

The Spring Growl was held on March 5th at the Valley Vets. If you missed it, then you missed a good Growl, but we hope you can get to the next Growl on June 4th. And as always, if you can invite a Marine friend to come with you, do so because I know they'll have a howling good time. Also, Woof! if you are not a Devil Dog and want to join Woof!

us, contact me or Gary Farole. It'll be great to see you there!

> DD Jim Brown Pound Keeper - Pound #133

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Detachment Activities Donation and Award



Gary Farole, representing VFW Post 5756, presents Sr. Vice Jim Brown with a check in the amount of \$10,000.



Gary Farole presents the Dept. of PA "Gung Ho" Award to MIDN 1/C Evan Glauberman at the Carnegie Mellon Univ. NROTC Awards ceremony on April 12th.

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VA National Cemetery Administration partners with Carry The Load

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Veterans

Affairs (VA) today announced that its National Cemetery Administration (NCA) is partnering with Carry The Load, a nonprofit organization that provides active ways to connect Americans to the sacrifices made daily by the U.S. military, Veterans, first responders and their families. NCA will participate in Carry The Load's Memorial May awareness campaign, which covers 40 states, leading up to Memorial Day 2019.

Participants will march or ride bicycles in an 11,500-mile national relay along three routes — East Coast, West Coast and Midwest — handing off an American flag every few miles. Each participant walks or rides to "carry the load" for a deceased military service member or Veteran, remembering them and honoring their sacrifice. Twenty-six VA national cemeteries in 17 states will serve as relay points for Carry The Load memorial marches.

"The VA is delighted to partner with Carry The Load in this important initiative of honoring those who sacrificed for our freedom to ensure no Veteran ever dies," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "It's a mindset that every one of VA's employees emulates. And nowhere is the sacrifice made by our Veterans more evident than in our national cemeteries."

In conjunction with the Carry The Load national relay, each VA national cemetery along the three routes will host a brief ceremony unveiling a commemorative plaque dedicated to America's fallen Veterans and their families. To view the list of the 26 participating VA national cemeteries and the dates and times they will host the Carry The Load relay and "Tribute to the Fallen and Their Families" plaque dedication ceremonies, download the calendar.

VA operates 136 national cemeteries and 33 soldiers' lots and monument sites in 40 states and Puerto Rico. For Veterans not buried in a VA national cemetery, VA provides headstones, markers or medallions to commemorate their service. Information on VA burial benefits is available from local VA national cemetery offices,

online at https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/ or by

calling VA regional offices toll-free at 800-827-1000.

This Month in Marine Corps History



2 March 1867: Jacob Zeilin, Colonel Commandant of the Marine Corps from 30 June 1864, was this date promoted to the rank of Brigadier General Commandant, the first time Congress authorized this rank for the Marine Corps. The statute, however, was repealed in June 1874 so that the rank of Commandant would again revert to colonel upon Zeilin's retirement.

8 March 1965: The 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade landed at DaNang, Republic of Vietnam as the first U.S. ground combat troops to be committed to that conflict. The 3,500 men arrived both across the beach with Battalion Landing Team 3/9, and at DaNang Airfield with Battalion Landing Team 1/3.

11 March 1778: Marines participated the action when the Continental Navy frigate BOSTON, enroute to France, sighted, engaged, and captured the British merchant ship MARTHA. As the drum of the BOSTON beat to arms, John Adams seized a musket and joined the Marines on deck until the frigate's captain, Samuel Tucker, sent him below for safety.

13 March 1943: The first group of 71 Women Marine officer candidates arrived at the U.S. Midshipmen School (Women's Reserve) at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts. The Navy's willingness to share training facilities enabled the Marine Corps to begin training Marine Corps Women's Reserve officers just one month after the creation of the MCWR was announced.

17 March 1967: The first woman Marine to report to Vietnam for duty, Master Sergeant Barbara J. Dulinsky, began her 18-hour flight to Bien Hoa, 30 miles north of Saigon. MSgt Dulinsky and the other officer and enlisted Women Marines that followed were assigned to the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam (MACV) based in Saigon. Most worked with the Marine Corps Personnel Section providing administrative support to

Marines assigned as far north as the DMZ, but two Lieutenant Colonels, Ruth Reinholz and Ruth O'Holleran, served as historians with the Military History Branch, Secretary Joint Staff, MACV.

25 March 1945: After 35 days of bitter fighting, the amphibious assault on the rocky fortress of Iwo Jima finally appeared over. On the night of 25 March, however, a 300-man Japanese force launched a vicious final counterattack in the vicinity of Airfield Number 2. Army pilots, Seabees and Marines of the 5th Pioneer Battalion and 28th Marines fought the fanatical Japanese force till morning but suffered heavy casualties --more than 100 killed and another 200 American wounded. Nearly all of the Japanese force was killed in the battle.

27 March 1953: The 5th Marines, supported by the 2d Battalion, 7th Marines, in the first full day of fighting after the Chinese assault the previous evening of Outpost Vegas on Korea's western front, counterattacked to regain enemy-held positions. Companies E and F of 2/7, down to only three platoons between them, managed to regain partial control of Outpost Vegas that day.

31 March 1801: On this date, LtCol Commandant William W. Burrows rode with president Thomas

Jefferson to look for "a proper place to fix the Marine

Barracks on." President Jefferson was a personal friend of the Commandant, and deeply interested in the welfare of the Corps and accompanied Burrows on horseback on the morning of 31 March. They chose a square in Southeast Washington, bounded by 8th and 9th streets, and A & I streets, because it lay near the Navy Yard and was within easy marching distance of the Capitol.

If you see Mike Shaffer, congratulate him on the birth of his son, Barrett Michael Shaffer, delivered by his beautiful wife, Samantha.

May he grow up bright and healthy.

Detachment Website

Take some time and check out the Detachment website at: https://www.ohiovalleymcl882.com

Health Care Enrollment

Important reminder!

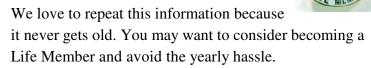
Don't forget that there is a Veteran's

Outreach Center located in our area.

You do not have to go to a major Veteran's Hospital for service. The VA Primary Care and Outpatient Clinic office location has changed from Aliquippa, PA to 300 Brighton Rd. Rochester, PA. The telephone number is 724-709-6005.

Remember, now you can get your new VA identification card at the Veteran's Outreach Center in Monaca.

<u>Life Membership</u> "Once a Marine, Always a Marine"



Life Membership Information and Fees as of 2013. These are the prices:

Ages up to 35 \$500.00 36 - 50 \$400.00 51 - 64 \$300.00 65 and over \$200.00

You can contribute monthly smaller amounts towards a Life Membership at any time. That way you can become a life member without paying the large lump sum up front.

You can apply for a Life Membership after you have been a member for a minimum of one year. Also note, when your annual membership becomes due, and your Life Membership payment is not yet complete, you must make the annual payment as well.



MCL License Plate Information

The Department is accepting

applications for the Pennsylvania Marine Corps League Specialty License Plate. Show your pride for the Marine Corps League. For your convenience, a copy of the new applications for the Pennsylvania Marine Corps League Specialty License Plate. Show your pride for the Marine Corps League. For your convenience, a copy of the application form can be downloaded in PDF format by going to this website: http://pamcleague.org/mclpalic.htm

Military Funeral Services

Our Detachment will provide a service for any member. Family members may contact any Officer should the need arise.

Also, a funeral service is not automatic. A family member must request one.



"A great accomplishment shouldn't be the end of the road, just the starting point for the next leap forward." ~Harvey Mackay~

"Nothing stops the man who desires to achieve. Every obstacle is simply a course to develop his achievement muscle. It's a strengthening of his powers of accomplishment.

~Thomas Carlyle~

"Accomplishments give you a sense of confidence and encouragement."

~Catherine Pulsifer~

The Title

It cannot be inherited, nor can it ever be purchased. You and no one alive can buy it for any price. It is impossible to rent and it cannot be lent. You alone and our own have earned it with your sweat, blood and lives.

You own it forever.

UNITED STATES MARINE

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