



SKUTTLEBUTT

NEWSLETTER FOR THE
MACOMB COUNTY DETACHMENT
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AND AUXILIARY



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Marines & Auxiliary Members:

SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTICE

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Thursday September 6th 2000.

Join us at the American Legion, Post 351, 46146 Cass Avenue located in Utica. The telephone number to the Post is: (586) 731-9833.

50/50 ATTENDANCE DRAWING

Ron Hudus won the 50/50 drawing at the August meeting.

The attendance raffle would have been won by Richard Flynn had he been present.

ADJUTANT/PAYMASTER

Notice to members that pay their dues annually. Membership expires on September 1, 2018. I will be sending out renewal notices this month. Please have dues to me no later than August 5th. Dues are \$32.00 per year.

Life membership dues are as follows.

__ 35 and under	\$500
__ 36 to 50	\$400
__ 51 to 64	\$300
__ 65 and over	\$200

If you would like to become a life member and cannot afford the dues please speak with me and we can work out a payment plan.

Donald Lyon
Adjutant/Paymaster

2018 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations for Detachment officers began at the August meeting. Are you willing and able to serve?

ELECTED POSITIONS

Commandant
Sr. Vice Commandant
Jr. Vice Commandant
Judge Advocate
Chaplin
Adjutant/Paymaster
Sergeant at Arms

You must be a member in good standing to be elected to an office. If nominated and unable to attend the meeting when the election is held, you may accept the nomination in writing.



Judge Advocate Christine Tonegatto-Salo
Presenting Convention ribbon
To Commandant Don Teeples

Auxiliary News

It's that time of year again to start collecting dues for members who pay annually. Dues are \$30 a year and your check should be payable to "Macomb County MCLA". Dues will be collected at our meetings or can be mailed to the Auxiliary treasurer: Irene Spooner, 39869 Duluth, Harrison Twp., MI 48045. If you are interested in becoming a Life Member, the fees are:

Up to age 35:	\$500
36 to 40	\$400
41 to 50	\$350
51 to 60	\$300
61 and over	\$150

Our next meeting is Thursday, September 6, 2018. Starting time is 8:00 pm. This is a very important meeting because we will be discussing our list of officers for the 2018-2019 term. Our participation rate has declined over the years. If our membership rolls continue to fall, we will be forced to turn in our Charter and disband. So, if you are currently a member, please show up. If you are thinking of becoming a member, come to a meeting and join. Our Auxiliary has done some wonderful things over the years and we want to continue our work. But we need **YOU**.

Here's a short overview of our meetings through the end of the year:

September 2: Election of Officers for 2018 to 2019
October 4: Installation of Officers, meeting starts at 7pm, an hour earlier than usual
November 1: Final preparations for the Marine Corps Birthday Party on Nov. 10
December 6: Christmas Party, meeting starts at 7pm, an hour earlier than usual.

This is a busy time of year for us, especially planning for the Birthday Party. Baskets are needed for the Charity Raffle as well as donations. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and volunteers will be needed at the Birthday Party to sell tickets. Mark your calendars accordingly.

The Auxiliary has started a new fundraiser, selling Perfect Cloths. These cloths are very reasonably priced at \$4 a piece or 3 for \$10. Perfect Cloths cleans using water only. Wet, it wrings it and wipe any surface. Clean glass, mirrors or windows without streaking. We'll have these available at Auxiliary meetings and discuss ways of marketing them. Your ideas will be helpful.

The Auxiliary along with the Detachment had a Flag and Marine Corps Rose Give-Away Fundraiser on Saturday, August 11 at the Walmart on Hall Road at Mound. We were there from 10 am to 1 pm. We'll have the tally on the funds collected at our next meeting. The vast majority of people are so very supportive of our Detachment and Auxiliary and the work we do. It was very reassuring to hear all the positive comments about

our country, our military and our American way of life. We may be doing another one of these before it gets too cold outside.

Looking forward to our next Auxiliary meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 8pm.

Semper Fidelis,
Irene Spooner
Treasurer/Secretary
Macomb County MCLA

A BOOT CAMP MEMORY IN 1969

The long shank lock

One morning we're ordered to gather up our gear. We are being reassigned to another row of Quonset huts, and we're carrying everything in one move. We've got to move quickly. Back in the day we kept our rifles locked to our bunk, using a long shank combination lock (I've got these things figured out by now). We gather up our footlockers, bedding and rifles and move down to our new homes. No sooner than we've set everything down on our bunks, we're called "ON THE ROAD!" the command to get on the platoon street. I suddenly realize I don't have my long shank lock! "Oh S\$^%!!" I take my rifle with me, what's going to happen to me now? When I get to formation, I see that I wasn't the only one that screwed up. There are five other privates that have brought their rifles with them. We stand at attention for some time. Then the DI's come out of their hut, one of them carrying our long shank locks, all locked together! They did a walkthrough of the huts when we left and found the locks hanging on the bunks. The six of us step forward and lay our rifles down. We are told to each take a lock, and we're now in a circle facing each other. A DI is looking at his watch and says "you have forty five seconds to find your lock, ready, GO!" We are frantically spinning the dials of the locks as the seconds tick away. Eventually, "click, click, click, click" four of the locks are free. "STOP", shouts the DI. You guessed it, me and another recruit are standing there holding each others locks. The other four recruits are dismissed with the rest of the platoon. The two of us await our fate. "**ON MY COMMAND, SQUAT THRUSTS FOREVER, READY, EXERCISE!**" Squat thrusts forever, one sir. Squat thrusts forever, two sir. Squat thrusts forever, three sir. Squat thrusts forever, four sir.....

Greg Pawlik
Detachment Historian

Upcoming Events

October 4, 2018 installation of officers
Meeting starts at 1900

November 1, 2018 general membership meeting
2000 at post 351

November 10, 2018 marine corps birthday party

December 6, 2018 general membership meeting and
Christmas party 1900 at post 351

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From: Raymond R. Rayl - Adjutant
To: Department Staff
Detachment Commandants
Amy Vallie, President, Department of Michigan,
Marine Corps League Auxiliary

Subject: Official Call to the 2018 Fall Staff Rally

The Department of Michigan, Marine Corps League's Annual Fall Staff Rally will convene on Saturday, 13 October 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the American Legion Post at 46146 Cass Ave, Utica, Michigan.

Uniform of the Day is civilian – Casual.

Written Reports are not required.

All Department Staff are expected to attend this meeting, unless excused by the Department Commandant prior to the meeting. Detachment Commandants are encouraged to attend this meeting. Following the Fall Staff Rally, there will be a VSO meeting.

Little Roller\$ Raffle Information

Doors open at 5 P.M.

Dinner at 6 P.M.

Raffle starts at 6:30 P.M.

If you feel a need to contact other members about this meeting, please feel free to do so.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me

Raymond R. Rayl. - Adjutant

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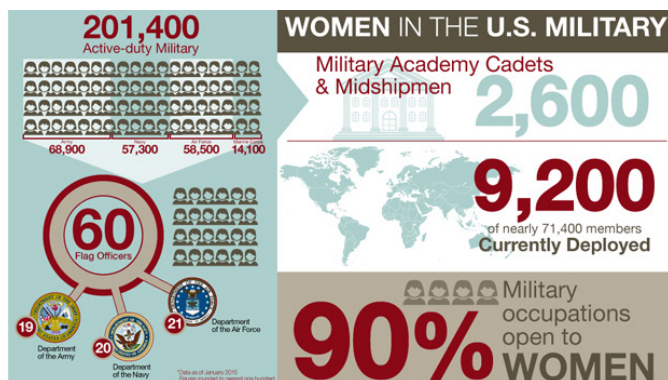
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