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NEWSLETTER FOR THE  
MACOMB COUNTY DETACHMENT  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AND AUXILIARY



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## Marines & Auxiliary Members:

### June Meeting Notice

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Thursday 6 June 2019 at 7:30 pm.(1930)

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

### July Meeting Notice

The July General Membership Meeting will be held on Thursday 11 July 2019 at 7:30 pm (1930).

Our normal meeting date falls on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

### DETACHMENT BIRTHDAYS IN MAY/ JUNE

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| WILLIAM ACKERMAN | RONALD PARKS    |
| DAVID AUWEN      | GREGORY PAWLIK  |
| JOHN BISHOP      | JOHN POLANCO    |
| KEVIN BREWER     | RONALD ROMAN    |
| DAVID DEBLAUWE   | JOHN SPEHAR     |
| JAMES DEWEY      | JAMES SZCZESNY  |
| DENNIS. HALL     | FRANK TILTON    |
| RANDY HAYES      | DAVID TREVINO   |
| GERALD MIZE      | LAURENCE TUCKER |
| JEROME NADOLSKI  | ROBERT WESTFALL |
| JOHN OWINGS      |                 |

### 50/50 ATTENDANCE DRAWING

May 50/50 winner Clement Buck

Attendance drawing would have been won by Jose Ramirez had he been present. Next drawing starts at \$106.15.

### Adjutant/Paymaster

Current membership stands at:  
143 Members (5 delinquent)

If you are an annual member, and would like to become a life member, please talk to me.

Is your information up to date? If you have moved, gotten a new phone number or email address, please send me the information so you can continue to receive the newsletter and the Semper Fi magazine.

### Calendar of Events

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| June 6   | <b>1930</b> General Membership Meeting   |
| June 6-9 | Department of Michigan 2019 Convention. Bay City, MI   |
| June 15  | <b>1000-1600</b><br>Walmart flag fundraiser/membership drive<br>Walmart on M59 at I 94       |
| July 11  | <b>1930</b> General Membership Meeting   |
| Aug. 1   | <b>1930</b> General Membership Meeting<br>1 <sup>st</sup> round of nominations for officers. |
| Aug. 3   | Veterans Picnic - Raffle Drawing   |
| Sept. 5  | <b>1930</b> General Membership Meeting<br>Final nominations for officers and election.       |
| Oct. 3   | <b>1900</b> General Membership Meeting<br>Installation of Officers                           |
| Nov. 7   | <b>1930</b> General Membership Meeting   |
| Nov. 10  | Marine Corps Birthday Party  |
| Dec. 6   | <b>1900</b> General Membership Meeting<br>and Detachment/Auxiliary Christmas Party           |

## **Detachment News**

I want to thank all the Marines that came out for our annual fun Shoot. Ron Hudas came in 2nd for Marine shooters. We had a good time and enjoyed the camaraderie. We did not have a women shooter and the spot was empty.

Four members our Detachment brought home trophies from the Marine Corps League National marksmanship competition that is held every year. They were Ron Hudas, Dean Miles (Sr. Vice), Gary Titus and Rick Kinkaid. This event is held every year in October, so we have plenty of time to get snapping in and start shooting. This is a rifle and pistol competition. I would like put together a couple of teams for both the rifle and pistol competition. Go to National Website and read the rules. Our very own Marine Scott Neff, Chairman and Norm Pfaff are on the committee for the marksmanship competition.

Our color guard posted colors for the NRA Banquet this year again. The food was as usual fantastic.

The Devil Dogs went to the VA hospital to bring a little cheer to the Vets on the last Sunday in April. We had 9 Dogs show up and 6 from our Detachment. Scott Neff Pound Keeper, Don Teeple, Commandant, Dean Miles Sr. Vice, Ron Hudas, John Sottrell and Norm Pfaff

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary host's bingo at the VA hospital every fourth Thursday of the month. If you want to help out, give me a call. We meet at the Mount Clemens YMCA and car pool from there.

Lastly if you have any old, clean clothes that you like to donate to the Vets bring them to the next meeting and I will take them to the "Vets Returning Home". If you have any old books (no magazines) that are in good shape, you can also bring them to our next meeting and I can take to the John Dingell Veteran Hospital.

Semper Fi Marines  
Respectfully Submitted  
Norm Pfaff

## **Department of Michigan Convention**

Marine Corps League and Auxiliary 2019 Department Convention.

June 6-9, 2019

Double Tree Hotel

One Wenonah Park Place

Bay City, MI 48708

Details at: <http://www.michiganmarines.org/>

## **Devil Dogs Visit VA Hospital**



Pictured are the Dogs that gathered at the VAMC Detroit on April 28, 2019 and passed out Canteen Books and Flags to the Patients who are admitted. The patients were very appreciative.

## **2019 3 Gun Raffle**

Tickets for the raffle are available at the General Membership meeting. If every member of the detachment sells 10 tickets, we can have a very successful raffle. Drawing at the Veterans Picnic August 3, 2019 @1600.

**Prizes for the raffle are:**

**Henry Repeating Arms Mare's Leg Lever Action  
Pistol .45 LC 12.9" Barrel 5 Round**

**Ruger American Rifle 450 Bushmaster in camo**

**WASR-10 AK-47 Folding Stock 7.62x39mm**

Tickets are available from Sr. Vice  
Commandant Dean Miles. 586-457-7008

## **Walmart Flag Fundraiser Recruitment Drive**

June 15th 1000-1600  
Walmart on M59 at I 94

We are scheduled for the flag fundraiser/ membership drive please consider volunteering to work the stand for a couple of hours, We will also be able to sell raffle tickets at the same time.

If you can work a 2-hour shift, please email [Macomb.marines@gmail.com](mailto:Macomb.marines@gmail.com) or call 586-925-5010.



## Memorial Day 2019

Members of the Detachment participated in the annual Memorial Day ceremony at Clinton Grove on Sunday and then moved over to the memorial wall at the Mount Clemens Firehouse.

### 1/24 Memorial Dedication

On Sunday, May 26, 2019 the dedication ceremony for the 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment Memorial took place at the Chesterfield Township Parks and Recreation site located at 47275 Sugarbush Rd. Chesterfield Twp. 48047.

The ceremony started at 2pm. (rain and all) After the ceremony, attendees were invited to the Sugarbush Tavern, located at 27900 21 Mile Road, Chesterfield for the after-event camaraderie.

In 2006-2007, members of the 1st Battalion, 24th Marines, were deployed to Iraq, and 22 were killed in combat operations. After more than a decade of planning, fundraising and construction, the memorial has been completed and this Memorial is the culmination of that endeavor.



5 Past Detachment Commandant's that attended the dedication.

Arnold Blumenthal, David Trevino, Gregory Pawlik, Mark Spooner, and Christine Tonegatto-Salo



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