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2016 ~ 2017**



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LA BRIGADE MARINE AMERICAINE AU BOIS DE BELLEAU

Deutsches Kriegsministerium

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2017 Schedule

Detachment monthly meetings 1st Wednesday of the month - starts 1930 ***UPSTAIRS HALL*** at Post #155 American Legion Home 13-23 Legion Place Whippany 07981 phone# 973- 884- 2494

June 7th - meeting - 1930, Legion home Whippany

June 14th - at dusk - Flag retirement ceremony Legion Home (Flag day)

Jun 17th - 0800-1500, Marine Rose Event, Shoprite of West Caldwell

June 24th - 10 am-4 - Marine Rose Outing at Shop Rite Route 206, Chester.

June 24th - Detachment bimonthly coffee social at VA hospital community care center Lyons campus: Meet at Legion post 155 at 0900 to car pool to Lyons Campus leave Legion at 0930

July 5th - meeting - 1930, Legion home Whippany

July 27th - 11th annual LCPL Chris Cosgrove III Golf outing at Picatinny Arsenal

Aug 2nd - meeting - 1930, nomination of officers - Legion home Whippany

Sept 6th - meeting - 1930, election of officers - Legion home Whippany

Sept 10th - 0900-1500, Marine Rose event rain date is 17th at the Corvette Car Show - Anthony Fiorentino event Sgt.

Sept 24th - 0900-1500, Marine Rose event at the North Jersey Corvette Club car show (National Glass - Anthony Fiorentino event Sgt.

Oct 4th - installation of officers - 1900 Legion home Whippany yes at 1900 food served

Oct 28th - 10 am-4 - Marine Rose Outing at Shop Route 206, Chester.

Nov 1st - meeting - 1930, Nominations for Detachment Marine of the Year - Legion home Whippany

Nov 11th - Veterans day ceremony - 1100 meet at Legion Home Whippany at 1030

Dec 6th - meeting - 1930, Legion home Whippany

Dec 7th - 2000 Pearl Harbor day ceremony, Legion Home Whippany



Get 2017 Golf Flyer here: www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/files/2017golf.pdf

This Month in USMC History

JUNE

2 June 1918: At dawn on this date, the crack German 28th Division attacked along the axis of the Paris-Metz road hitting the American 2d Division, including the 4th Marine Brigade. The Marines opened with deadly rifle fire and helped hand the German troops a setback which set the stage for Marine victory at Belleau Wood which would soon follow, although at great cost.

8 June 1995: A Marine tactical recovery team from the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit stationed on board the USS Kearsarge rescued a downed U.S. pilot, Captain Scott O'Grady, USAF, from Bosnian-Serb territory in Bosnia.

10 June 1898: The First Marine Battalion, commanded by LtCol Robert W. Huntington, landed on the eastern side of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The next day, Lt Herbert L. Draper hoisted the American flag on a flag pole at Camp McCalla where it flew during the next eleven days. LtCol Huntington later sent the flag with an accompanying letter to Colonel Commandant Charles Heywood noting that "when bullets were flying, ...the sight of the flag upon the midnight sky has thrilled our hearts."

12 June 1961: President John F. Kennedy signed a Presidential Proclamation calling for the American flag to be flown at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, "at all times during the day and night." Discussions between the Attorney General's office and Marine Corps officials earlier in 1961 on improving the visibility and appearance of the monument led to the proposal to fly the Flag continuously, which by law could only be done by Congressional legislation or by Presidential proclamation.

15 June 1944: Preceded by naval gunfire and carrier air strikes, the V Amphibious Corps assaulted the west coast of Saipan, Marianas Islands. By nightfall, the 2d and 4th Marine Divisions, moving against heavy opposition, had established a beachhead 10,000 yards wide and 1,500 yards deep.

20 June 1993: The 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit returned to Mogadishu, Somalia, to stand ready to assist United Nations forces in maintaining peace in the war-torn country. Earlier that month, the 24th MEU had been ordered to cut short Exercise Eager Mace 93-2 in Kuwait to respond to possible contingency operations in Somalia.

25 June 1950: Shortly before dawn, eight divisions of the North Korean People's Army crossed the 38th Parallel and invaded the Republic of Korea. Within three days, the South Korean capital city of Seoul had been captured. On 30 June, President Harry S. Truman ordered a naval blockade of the Korean coast and authorized the sending of U.S. ground troops to Korea. Two days later, General Douglas MacArthur, the Commander in Chief Far East, formally requested that a Marine regimental combat team be deployed to the Far East.

25 June 1966: In Vietnam, Operation Jay began about 30 kilometers northwest of Hue, and lasted nine days. The 2d Battalion, 4th Marines landed north of the North Vietnamese 812th Main Force Battalion, and the 2d Battalion, 1st Marines landed south of the enemy's position. Caught in between the two Marine units, the enemy suffered over 80 dead in nine days of fighting.

26 June 1918: BGen James G. Harbord, the Commanding General of the 4th Marine Brigade, notified American Expeditionary Force Headquarters that Belleau Wood was "now U.S. Marine Corps entirely." After 20 days of combat, and at a cost of over 4,000 casualties, the 4th Brigade of Marines had proven its fighting heart. The grateful Commander of the French Sixth Army would soon decree that in all official correspondence, Belleau Wood would henceforth bear the name, "Bois de la Brigade de Marine."



General Chin Chun The 22nd Commandant
of the Korean Marine Corps Reserves



With the Korean Marine Corps Veterans Association of NJ help celebrate their 68th Birthday Ball and Command ceremony note the guest of honor was General Chin Chu 22nd Commandant of the Korean Marine Corps reserves Note all Korean uniforms we had on was in Korea, Henry's gear was his fathers from Korea, Dom's was Bruce Jensen. What I had was Bruce Jensen

Mike Szymanski, Henry Zimmermann General Chin Chun The 22nd Commandant of the Korean Marine Corps Reserves, his wife , his assistant, Dom and me

Marines Care Foundation Fundraiser



4/27/17 the 6th Annual fundraising cocktail party sponsored by the Law Offices of Geoffrey D Muller raises \$5,429. in donations for the Marines Care Foundation Inc.

Slattery detachment represented by Henry Zimmerman, Mario & Domenick Monaco

Marine Rose Outing



Marine Rose Event at Chester ShopRite Thanks to the Staff at the shopRite Supermarket and its customers for their generous donation totaling \$ 1,384.19

(L-R) Craig Shoemaker, Don Campbell, Bob Dante, Ron Matusiak, John Andrews: present but not in photo Dave Katz, Tom Miller, Ted Jermas, Bob Stalzer Events coordinator Bob Stalzer thanks all the volunteers for their time and support!

Marine Corps League National Hqtrs. Bulletin

Marines of the Marine Corps League;

The Marine Corps League has agreed with the American Military University (AMU) for AMU to award two regular Marine Corps League members a full scholarship (four years) to receive a Bachelor Degree or a Master's Degree in any degree offered by AMU. You must have an accredited Bachelor's Degree in applying for the Master's Degree. AMU is the full sponsor of this program.

Only current, regular Marine Corps League members who are interested in applying for one of these degree programs can apply. Application must be submitted no later than 15 July 2017.

Visit American Military University | [Online Degrees & Certificates](#) | 877-755-2787 or info@apus.edu for choices of degrees and complete information on AMU.

This is a great opportunity to further your education. These scholarships cover full tuition as well as the digital books (library) for attending. Some degrees that require lab equipment, the awardees would be responsible for purchases of that lab equipment.

Please read the attached application and "fact sheet" on AMU for further details. AMU is an on-line University. This is a full four year scholarship for a Bachelor Degree or a full two year scholarship for a Masters Degree. Their classes start at your convenience. As soon as you are awarded the scholarship, you should be prepared to start the classes soon afterwards.

Look over the attachments and if you have a question, please e-mail me. Go to AMU website and see who they are. It is a great institution offering two Marine Corps League members a GREAT opportunity.

Semper Fi,
Johnny Baker
National Judge Advocate

Get attachments [Attachments HERE](#) www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/college.pdf

International School of Hospitality and Tourism Management's Annual Scholarship Gala



Two of our Slattery members were the Grand Marshals of a parade that kicked off the 2017 Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) International School of Hospitality and Tourism Management's Annual Scholarship Gala. Marines Al Bishop and Jack Gartenberg along with an Army and a Navy World War II veteran were the honored guests at the gala which featured WWII veterans. FDU was founded in 1942 and the connection to the start of the college was a natural. Doctor Ruth Hladyk, Director of Internships & Professional Development for the School of Hospitality and Tourism and main co-organizer for the event said, The war connection was a given and these guys were great.

Prior to the starting parade, Jack Gartenberg gave a speech about Iwo Jima which kept the invited guest in the audience at attention. "Gunny" Mario Monaco along with three other veterans (Hetal "Doc" Patel, Henry Zimmermann, and Mike Szymanski) came dressed in WWII uniforms then escorted the Grand Marshals in Gunny's jeep. The parade ended at the Mansion. A flag folding took place in front of the mansion where the main events were presented.

There were different events that dealt with the 1940's war era like a canteen, swing music, era dancing, the movie "Casablanca" was shown along with popcorn and rootbeer floats. Gourmet food at two different food stations along with wandering waiters with speciality plates and many wine, beer and soda bars.

The honored guest veterans were encouraged to talk about their wartime experiences as the gala provided each of them an area to talk and have a bit to eat. Along with the ability to talk to these vets the guests could also see some of Tom Miller's art which was located outside. He was showing mainly WWII pieces. As the weather was cool to say the least, there wasn't a mad rush to be outside.

The event ended about 1800, long after the Grand Marshals left for the day. They however seemed to have a good time. Hats off to Al and Jack.

Pillows

Hello to my two "favorite" Dons! Remember the last set of pillows sent to you, well this 90ish Mom named Julia Lauria (daughter is Gail) was the instigator for doing them. Now she is getting ready to get started on her next 100. What an inspiration!
Liz Hackett (also known as Omi)

Helene's Warriors



(L-R) Angelina Monaco, Gunny Mario Monaco, Helene Swank and Isabella Monaco.

5k run today for Helene's warriors (ain't no mountain high enough) to break the silence on ovarian cancer great day for a run. Run with my daughters Isabella and Angelina they did a great job today. At one point in the run Isabella said dad can I run with the flag? I said do you got and can you do it? Dad I got it and will take it all the way from here!

Commandant's Corner

Marines,

This year as every year we will meet at The American Legion Post in Whippany, NJ at 0730 hours the Saturday prior to Memorial Day, on May 27th. We will travel to Gates of Heaven Cemetery to place American Flags on the graves of American Veterans. Upon completion we will return to the Legion Hall for lunch

On Monday, May 29th we will participate in a brief Memorial Day ceremony at Hanover Township Town Hall, Rt 10 and Jefferson Rd. Breakfast will be served starting at 0700. We will then be transported to Whippany Park High School where we will muster for the Annual Memorial Day Parade from that point down Whippany Road and around the corner and ending at The American Legion Hall. At the Legion Hall we will again participate in a brief ceremony before falling out for lunch. Bring your friends, family, grandchildren to watch the parade and ceremony and enjoy the picnic afterwards.

We would like to have All Hands participate in the above activities. Red shirts, baseball covers, old pants and shoes appropriate for Saturday flag placement. Please wear Red shirts, MCL cover, black trousers, black socks and shoes or Marine Corps League white shirts and uniforms are requested for The Memorial Day activities. Be there to represent our Detachment please.

Our July Meeting normally scheduled for Wednesday, July 5th will instead be held on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 1930 hours. July 6th this year marks the 50th anniversary of L/Cpl Robert J. Slattery's death. L/Cpl Slattery, a native of Whippany was KIA while serving with the 81 mm Platoon, H&S Company, 2nd Btn., 3rd Marine Regiment at Fire Base Gio Linh in Quang Tri Province, South Viet Nam. Honors will be given and Os and drink following. Please attend this important meeting. Recruit one new member and bring him or her to one of our next meetings in June or July.

Remember the Block Party and Rose Outing at Lake Hopatcong from 1000 to 1700 on May 13th. I'm sorry I wont be able to attend as I'll be away. See you May 27th.

Semper Fidelis,
William E. Freeman
Commandant



"Once a Marine, Always a Marine"

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Division, and a Battalion Commander for
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Lieutenant General Richard Zilmer

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Served in Operation Iraq Freedom (2006
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The Organizers of both car shows have provided the detachment with a table for the Marine Rose fundraising event. "Volunteers Welcomed" Meet Tony Fiorentino at 0900 at the location of your choice volunteer for a couple of hours Tony would appreciate your company

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SPECTATOR Entrance Fee - \$3.00 - Children Under 12 Free

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The Organizers of both car shows have provided the detachment with a table for the Marine Rose fundraising event. "Volunteers Welcomed" Meet Tony Fiorentino at 0900 at the location of your choice to volunteer for a couple of hours. Tony would appreciate your company.



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High School Enlistee Recognition Ceremony



(L-R Top photo) Director of Veterans Services FDU ~ Martha Garcia NJ National Guard Recruiter Co ~ Major Joseph Gagnon Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen President of Our Community Salutes ~ Dr. Kenneth E. Hartman Commander, Mid- Atlantic Recruiting Battalion ~ Lt Col Edward Croot USMC Recruiter Co ~Major M. McDaniel Sharber Jr. Air Force Recruiter Co ~ Lt Col George Peasant Army Chaplin ~ Cpt Rachel Zarnke Navy Reserves ~ Lt Melanie Miller

(Bottom photo) All kids going into Army Navy Marines Air Force and NJ Army National Guard with recruiters (#1) Army 16 kids, Navy 11 kids, New Jersey Army National Guard 5 kids, Air Force 3 kids, Marine Corps 90 kids

On Wednesday, May 10, Fairleigh Dickinson University hosted the "Our Community Salutes of North Jersey" honoring high school senior enlistees to all branches from 10 different Northern New Jersey counties. There were approximately 120 enlistees of the 239 that were invited. Of the attending participants 104 were future Marines. Along with the responding enlistees was their family members and their military recruiters from the various branches.

The event began a little after 7:00 p.m. due to a bomb scare on campus. It was held in the Italian Gardens next to the Tromby Mansion. Martha Papson Garcia, the Director of Veterans Services for Outreach from FDU, coordinated this event that featured an information session on how to use your new GI educational benefits, followed by an awards ceremony and several special featured speakers including U.S. Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen.

Fairleigh Dickinson University, local businesses and individuals underwrote the entire cost of the ceremony in honor of their commitment to our country. Light refreshments of coffee and cookies were served.

Taking charge and assisting at the ceremony plus giving needed commands, from the Slattery Detachment, were Dominic and Mario Monaco dressed in their Dress Blues. After the ceremony the enlistees returned to Lenfell Hall in the FDU Mansion to collect their personal certificates. At this time each was also presented a signed and numbered large print ("Recon") from Slattery's Senior Vice Commandant Tom Miller. Also handed out were Slattery brochures. Maybe in some future day some will become Slattery members.



“Chosin Few” Memorial

My Chaplain was there during those battles of late Nov. 1950. He was on “Fox Hill” as a Cpl. with Fox 2/7 and was wounded. He made a pledge, similar (but more in depth) to mine, that if God got him out of there he would devote his life to God. Later, in 1965, Chaplain Walter Hiskett would join my 2/7 as our chaplain and fight along side of us in Vietnam. In the mid-80's, he would become The Chaplain of the Marine Corps. Great man, great friend and a super Marine. He is one of the men I base my traits after along with my father, my Bn. C.O. (Col. Leon Utter) and a friends father.

The depiction at the MC Museum of Korea is about Fox Hill as it was one of the more important “stands” in MC history. Because they held the ground against overwhelming odds it paved the way for the rest of the troops to exit the Chosin without being wiped out.

Are there any other pics of this memorial?

Semper Fi,
Tom

Marines, Veterans & Supporters

Last week the new “Chosin Few” Memorial near the National Museum of the Marine Corps, not far from MCB Quantico was dedicated to all Korean combat veterans during the Changjin Lake Campaign. Only they can understand the granite stones true meaning for what it has become, their story etched into the monument is an honorarium for their efforts, courage and selfless sacrifices in 1950.

Yesterday, we had presented to a Representative our amended and final proposal for consideration to honor these same brave warriors and others who encountered not only the face of our enemy, but the face of adversity with Americas highest honor, the Congressional Gold Medal, we named this act as the “Battles of Valor.” We will post their decision, once their findings are complete.

Regards,
Semper Fidelis
Chicago MARINES
George Mulvaney

photo credit courtesy of KVV Ntl.Dir.Comm.



Charles A. Turrisi, the brother of Charlene Bowie

On April 5, Charles A. Turrisi, the brother of Charlene Bowie unexpectedly passed away. At 52 years old, he left behind a wife and 3 children. Within that week the detachment made a donation of \$250 to the “Go-fund-me” Memorial Fund for Charles A Turrisi. Later, at the May meeting, another \$750 was sent to this fund by the Slattery Detachment. The donations will assist the family as they go through these terrible days. If you would like to add to this fund, go to “GoFundMe” and to the Memorial Fund for Charles A Turrisi.