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Message from the Commandant

At our October general membership meeting I read some correspondence from the Westminster Maryland Detachment. They held a raffle last year to benefit wounded men and women. They are holding a second raffle and are asking for our help. Officers who want to try and sell raffle tickets, please see me.

We had to buy a new freezer this month, since one we had died a terrible death — from old age!

I would like to urge all of our members to take home any extra bottles they have stored here. We are desperately trying to relieve the stress on our bar shelves. It is feared that the weight could cause a problem and a lot of damage for us and for you if excess bottles are not removed. Your help would be

greatly appreciated in this matter.

The Sr. Vice, Danny Williams, The Jr. Vice, Bill Watson, Ladies Auxiliary President, Peggy Moore and Andrea Watson attended the Department of VA Fall Staff Meeting where the Mickey Finn Detachment was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for carrying the largest number of votes at the National Convention. It was nice to bring another streamer home for our flag at the Mickey Finn Detachment.

The detachment will be hosting the Spring 2008 Staff Meeting here in March. Keep in mind this is a big event so we will be asking for your help. The officers will get together and pick a date soon.

Congratulations to Diedra Ware on being awarded the Dorie Miller Award, which is the highest award the National Naval

Officers Association gives each year.

Additionally, congratulations to Pam Bienenbender on being the new Division Representative from the Board of Directors of the Young Marines.

On October 21 the detachment and the Band of Brothers USMC Motorcycle Riding Club hosted a wonderful party for the Marines preparing to leave for Iraq and their families. We wish them all fair winds and following seas, and God speed.

Our next major event will be the Marine Corps Birthday Ball on 10 November. I look forward to seeing all of you there.

David Elms, Commandant

Sr. Vice Commandant

I would like to thank all the volunteers that continue to make Mickey Finn operate. My intention is to sponsor everything and anything that will help give back to the members of the detachment and benefits our members.

Marine Corps League coins are now on sale. Buy one not only

for yourself, but to give to friends. They also make nice keepsake presents for friends and loved ones.

The dinners for the other detachments also help increase the funds for our entertainment committee. They can only continue when you volunteer to help

operate those dinners.

A special thank you also to Regina and Yvonne for operating special games on their time to assist in the fund raising for the Entertainment Committee.

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Chaplain's Corner by Euel J. Tritt

Diedra's Ware's brother in law, Tyronne Ware, passed away, Marine Chase Savage has had some trouble with his arm, and we lost Harry Bodine who was a lifetime member. Our thoughts and prayers are with these Marine's and their families.

Additionally, we had a big send off for the Marines who are going to Iraq and possibly into harm's way. Please keep them and their families in your daily prayers.

I have found that Psalm 27 is perfect for those who are going into harm's way.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? 2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple. 5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord.

7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

8 When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek. 9 Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been

my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. 10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up.

11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty. 13 I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. 14 Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

If anyone needs anything just call my cell. 540-845-3852.

God Bless!

Euel Tritt, Chaplain

"...we continue to need the help of many members to make this birthday a memorable one."

Sr. Vice (continued)

Marine Corps Ball tickets are on sale for all members now. Please get your tickets quickly because if this year is like the past several years, we will be sold out well before the birthday ball.

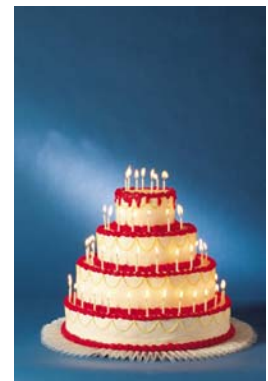
For those of you who are wondering about the raise in price, we asked our caterer to add extra serving people to ensure a smoother process for our members to receive their meals at the birthday ball. The

added cost is for the additional wait personnel.

We will need the help of many members to make this ball, like the ones before it, a memorable one. Please see me or Regina or our Commandant to see what you can do to help in this endeavor.

Danny Williams, Sr. Vice

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Jr. Vice Commandant

We would like to re-welcome Stanley Shakelford also known as Peanut! Stanley had been a member in the past and we are glad to welcome him back to the fold.

Look around you when you are in the detachment and when you see people you do not know, introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome.

Our latest membership figures are as follows:

Total: 797

New: 1

Regular: 187

Associate: 182

Life Member: 200 of which 182 are regular members.

Bill Watson

“Introduce yourself to new members and make them feel welcome.”

Military Friendly Job Fair
 15 November 2007
 10 Am to 2 PM
On-site recruiting of military, former military and their families!
 This event is being hosted by the American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax, VA 22030
 This event is also open to the public!
 Some of the employers represented are: Safeway, USDA, United Litho, SAIC, Air Tran, FedEx, U.S. foodservice, Farmers Insurance, Metro Health Quote, Dominion Resources, and others.
 Please direct questions to Paul Livengood, Fairfax VA Employment Commission

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank all its members and the other ladies who contributed to making the McGuire VA Hospital visit a success. Detachment members and patients alike enjoyed the bingo party. One of the interesting people we met was a 96 year old woman who had served in Europe.

The next visit is scheduled for January 6th and we would welcome any member who

wishes to go with us and could help in making this an even bigger success. Your participation in this event and others like it are what make this detachment able to continue to give some light and entertainment to other veterans. It is also one of the many things that shape the face of Marine Corps League detachments everywhere.

Peggy Moore, President



November Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Montford Point Assoc. Meeting	2	3
4	5	6	7 25 CENT WINGS Warrant Officers Professional Assoc.	8	9	10 Marine Corps Birthday Ball
11 Veterans Day	12	13 Ladies Aux. Meet- ing @ 1930	14 25 CENT WINGS	15	16	17 Band of Brothers Meeting @ Noon
18	19 7 PM Officer Meeting	20	21 25 CENT WINGS 7 PM Gen. Mem- bership Meeting	22 Thanksgiving 	23	24
25	26	27	28 25 CENT WINGS	29	30	