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

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE 882

National Mid-Winter Conf. - Feb. 23rd - 25th, Sheraton Waterside, Norfolk, VA

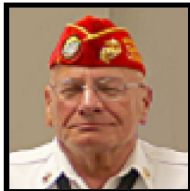
Detachment Meeting - Feb. 28th, at 7:30, at the Valley Vets

Dept. of PA Spring Mtgs, Mar. 17th - 18th, Hdqtrs Bldg, Ft. Indiantown Gap

Northeast Division Conf. - Mar. 31st - Apr. 1st, Crowne Plaza, Plainsboro, NJ

"The thinking mind is best controlled by the imagination." ~Carson McCullers~

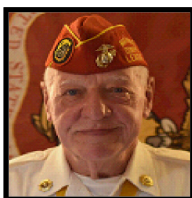
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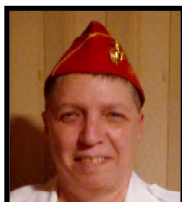
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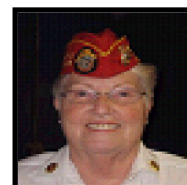
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HONOR

COURAGE

COMMITMENT



Call to Order

The meeting of the Ohio Valley Detachment 882 was called to order at 1930 by Commandant Nick Rymarchyk at the Valley Vets.

Officer's Roll Call

Showed Chaplain Ray Tedford absent and Sgt. At Arms Carl Curtis on Vacation. .

Introduction of Guests

None.

Application for Membership

None.

Minutes

A motion was made by made by Marilou Farole to accept the minutes of last months meeting, 2nd by Deb McLaughlin, motion carried.

Correspondence

Veterans Service newsletter for January, Department Newsletter with convention forms and thank you letters from Veterans Place and the Semper Fi Fund for donations.

Report of the Paymaster

Marilou Farole gave the financial report for the months of November & December, a motion to accept was made by Tom Mann, 2nd by Jim Dempsey, motion carried.

Report of Members Sick and in Distress

Tom Mann said that his sister is not doing very well. Joanne Trella is getting outpatient therapy for recent knee surgery.

Minutes of Ohio Valley Detachment 882 Detachment Meeting of January 31st, 2023

Rifle Matches

Gary Farole reported that the rifle matches for 2023 are now being planned. The Department rifle matches sponsored by Ohio Valley are set for April 29th and September 9th at the Millvale Club.

Pistol Matches

Pistol matches for the Department are set for 2023. Two matches at Millvale on July 13th and August 17th.

Color Guard

Sewickley Memorial Day activities on May 29th with firing detail requested.

Quartermaster

Bob Wagner reported that he has many uniforms and parts available that he received from the family of Bud Williams, a member of our detachment that passed away. They are free to anyone wanting or needing them.

Devil Dogs

Jim Brown reported that the Growl is now scheduled for April 11th at 7:00 here at the club.

Old Business

Detachment Holiday party was held at the club with 32 in attendance.

New Business

District 10 meeting will be held on March 26th at the Allegheny Valley Detachment home at 1:00. Final plans for the Department Convention hospitality room will be discussed. Detachment nomination of officers will be held at February meeting with election in March and installation in April. Commandant Rymarchyk discussed the need for a fund raiser for

this year. All members are asked to come up with some ideas and give them to the Commandant or any of-ficers.

Good of the League

Marilou Farole reported that the Valley Vets is having a Chili Cookoff at the club on February 18th at 4:00. Come and support the club with a \$5.00 donation for tasting all. Valley Vets needs Veterans Members to attend their meetings in order to get a Veterans quorum, February 15th at 7:00.

Announcements

Next meeting is scheduled for February 28th, at 19:30, at the Valley Vets.

Adjournment

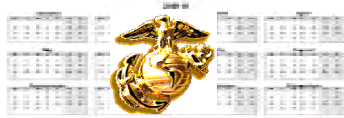
The regular Meeting adjourned at 2015. 15 members were on board.



"Imagination is the beginning of creation. You imagine what you desire, you will what you imagine, and at last, you create what you will."
~George Bernard Shaw~

"Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world."
~Albert Einstein~

MCL Activities Calendar



National Mid-Winter Conference
 February 23rd thru 25th
 Sheraton Norfolk Waterside, Norfolk, VA

Detachment Meeting
 Tuesday, February 28th, 7:30 P.M.
 Glenfield Valley Vets

Dept. of PA Spring Meetings
 March 17 & 18
 Dept. of PA Headquarters, Ft. Indiantown Gap

District 10 Meeting at Allegheny Valley Det. 827
 March 26th at 1:00
 838 Pittsburgh St, Springdale, PA

Northeast Division Conference
 March 31st & April 1st
 Crowne Plaza Princeton, Plainsboro, NJ



March Birthdays

Jim Dempsey	Bob Fratangelo
Curt Koah	Rich Kost
Ashley Kowtko	Mike Reuland

Due\$ Due

This Member still owes dues (\$25)
 Parker Gresh

Dues are due by August 31st each year. Made checks payable to Ohio Valley Det. 882 and send to: Paymaster, 654 Charette Place, Sewickley, PA 15143 or pay Marilou Farole at the Detachment Meeting.

"Imagination is the eye of the soul."
 ~Joseph Joubert~

Upcoming Rifle and Pistol Shoots



Rifle

The Millvale shooting schedule is:

March shoot:
 Offhand - 18th

Pistol

Two matches have been scheduled at Millvale for this year on July 13th and August 17th.

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



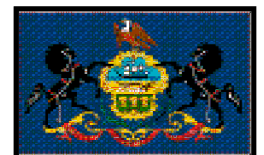
National Marine Corps League News

The **National Mid-Winter Conference** will be held on **February 23rd through 25th** at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside, 777 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA 23210

The **Northeast Division Conference** will be held on **March 31st and April 1st** at the Crowne Plaza Princeton, 900 Scudders Mill Road, Plainsboro, NJ (609) 936-4200
 Room rate is \$115 / night (+tax) - Group Rate Block MCL
 Online registration at <https://www.princetoncp.com/>
 Watch for more information @ <http://nedmcl.org/>

For any and all info, the national website is:
www.mclnational.org/Home/tabid/569/Default.aspx

Pennsylvania State Marine Corps League News



The **District 10 Meeting** will be held on **March 26th at 1:00 P.M.** at the **Allegheny Valley Detachment # 827**. The address is 838 Pittsburgh St, Springdale, PA.

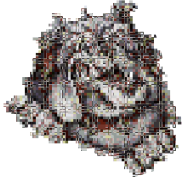
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Marine Corps League News (cont.)

The **Spring Department Meetings** will be held on **March 17th and 18th** at the **Headquarters Building** in Ft. Indiantown Gap.

For this and any Departmental info, use the PA Department website at: www.pamcleague.org



Devil Dog Update
Ohio River Devil Dogs
Pound 133

Devil Dogs and Marines!

Hey, Dogs, I know that we missed out on that last Growl, so I plan to hold a Spring Growl on April 11th at the Valley Vets. Until then, enjoy this crazy weather and be careful out there.

DD Matt Popovich
Pound Keeper - Pound #133

Woof!
Woof!



Passing
Walter H. Emrich, Jr

Walter H. "Bronco" Emrich, Jr., age 96, of Kennedy Twp., died on Friday, February 17, 2023. Beloved husband of the late Lyda Springer; loving father of Margaret Mary (Dean) Mariani, Michele Sibal, Walter H. (Laura) Emrich, III, Faith Theresa Ashrof and the late Christine Josephine Hurley. Also survived by many grandchildren. Walt was a proud U.S. Marine Corps veteran, serving during WWII and the Korean War, retiring with the rank of Master Sergeant. He was also an electrician for the P & LE Railroad. He was member of the U.S. Marine Corps Veterans, Inc., the Mon Valley Leathernecks Marine Corps League, and an at large member of the VFW and the American Legion, participating in the Funeral Honors groups. In his past time, he enjoyed crossword puzzles and watching old western movies. Friends received on



Walter Emrich and his daughter Margaret "Margie" Mariani.

.Sunday from 2 – 4 and 6 – 8 pm at R. D. COPELAND, LTD., 867 Fifth Avenue, Coraopolis, where a Blessing Service will be held on Monday at 12 pm. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Caring and Sharing, 5727 Saltsburg Rd., Verona, PA 15147 or the Toys for Tots at <https://www.toysfortots.org/donate/forms/simple/Default.aspx>.

Detachment Activities

There are no activities to post.

"Without leaps of imagination, or dreaming,
we lose the excitement of possibilities.
Dreaming, after all, is a form of planning."
~Gloria Steinem~



"If you fall in love with the imagination,
you understand that it is a free spirit.
It will go anywhere,
and it can do anything."
~Alice Walker~

"Imagination is the only weapon
in the war against reality."
~Jules de Gaultier~

The Month of February in Marine Corps History



1 February 1967: Operation Prairie II was begun in Quang Tri province by elements of the 3d Marine Division. During the 46-day search-and-destroy operation which terminated 18 March, 93 Marines and 693 of the enemy were killed.

2 February 1944: The 4th Marine Division, as part of the first assault on islands controlled by the Japanese before the start of World War II, captured Namur and eight other islands in the Kwajalein Atoll.

6 February 1968: Two reduced Marine battalions, the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines with two companies, and 2d Battalion, 5th Marines with three, recaptured Hue's hospital, jail, and provincial headquarters. It would take three more weeks of intense house to house fighting, and nearly a thousand Marines killed and wounded, before the imperial city was secured.

13 February 1943: The Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. Thomas Holcomb, announced the formation of the USMC Women's Reserve. Commissioned status was opened to enlisted women to take advantage of their experience, and at the same time, build morale and spirit de corps.

15 February 1898: 28 Marines and 232 seamen lost their lives when the battleship MAINE was mysteriously sunk by an explosion in the harbor of Havana, Cuba. Though no definitive evidence linked the Spanish with the sinking, the cry went up, "Remember the Maine!," and by late April the U.S. and Spain were at war.

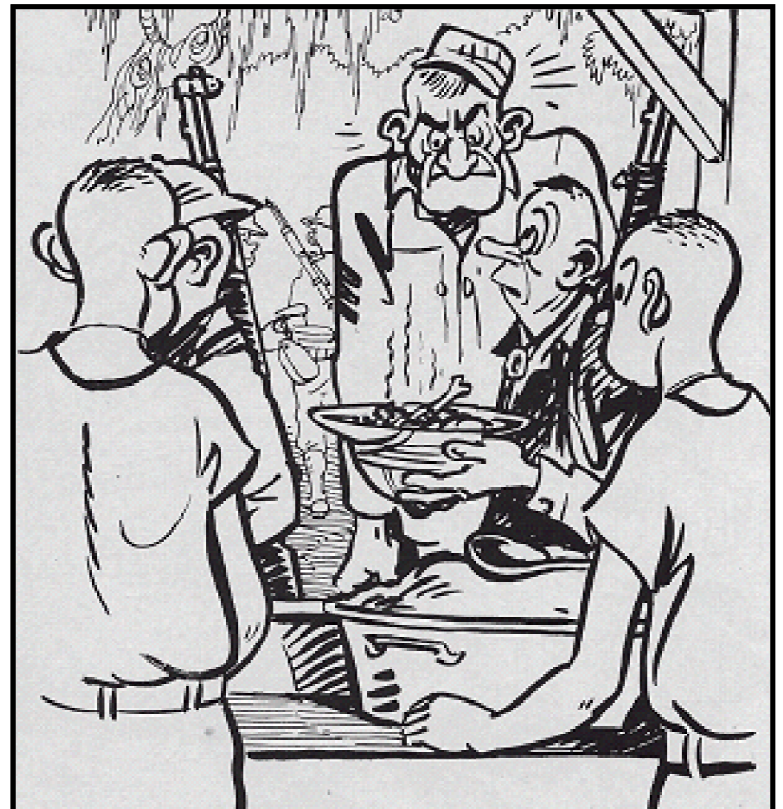
In 1918, the Secretary of Navy allowed women to enroll for clerical duty in the Marine Corps. During that year some 300 women first entered the Marine Corps to take over stateside clerical duties from battle-ready Marines who were needed overseas. June 12th, 1948, Congress passed the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, and made women a permanent part of the

regular Marine Corps.

19 February 1945: The invasion of Iwo Jima began and continued until March 26, 1945. Of the 21,000 Japanese soldiers present at the onset, all were killed except for the 1,083 that were taken prisoner. The island was officially declared "secured" after the night of March 25, when a 300-man Japanese force launched a final, and fatal, counterattack.

24 February 1991: The I Marine Expeditionary Force and coalition forces began a ground assault on Iraqi defenses in the final chapter of Operation Desert Storm. The 1st and 2d Marine Divisions stormed into the teeth of Iraqi defenses while heavily armored allied forces attacked the Iraqi defenses in Iraq from behind. In 100 hours, U.S. and allied forces defeated the Iraqi Army.

28 February 1991: Operation Desert Storm ended when the cease-fire declared by President George Bush went into effect. I Marine Expeditionary Force has a strength of more than 92,000 making Operation Desert Storm the largest Marine Corps operation in history. A total of 24 Marines were killed in action during the Gulf War.



"I forgot my mess gear, Sir."



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.

Life Membership

"Once a Marine, Always a Marine"

We love to repeat this information because it never gets old. You may want to consider becoming a Life Member and avoid the yearly hassle. 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 application for the Pennsylvania Marine Corps League Specialty License Plate 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.

Detachment Website and Facebook Page

Be sure to check out our Detachment website at: <https://www.ohiovalleymcl882.com> and our Facebook Page at **Ohio Valley MCL Detachment 882**

*"The world of reality has its limits; the world of imagination is boundless."
~Jean-Jacques Rousseau~*

*"You can't depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus."
~Mark Twain~*

*"Imagination is the voice of daring. If there is anything godlike about God, it is that. He dared to imagine everything."
~Henry Miller~*

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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