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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MONTHLY - COATESVILLE VETS HOSPITAL**  
(POC - Walt Zamorski (215-368-5186 or  
[rosemariezamorski@gmail.com](mailto:rosemariezamorski@gmail.com))

JANUARY 2019

**19 CAR SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Bonnet Lane Diner, York Road, Abington.  
0800 hrs.  
Looking for members to join the committee.  
Contact Mark Carver, 215-284-2869

**28 DETACHMENT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**, North Penn VFW Post 676 –  
1900 hrs  
**PLEASE NOTE THE DATE FOR JANUARY'S  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS THE  
FOURTH MONDAY, INSTEAD OF THE THIRD  
MONDAY!!**

FEBRUARY 2019

**4 OFFICER'S MEETING**  
North Penn VFW Post 676 –  
1900 hrs

**11 DETACHMENT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**, North Penn VFW Post 676 –  
1900 hrs  
**PLEASE NOTE THE DATE FOR FEBRUARY'S  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS THE  
SECOND MONDAY, INSTEAD OF THE THIRD  
MONDAY!!**

## COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a wonderful holiday season.

Our installation of detachment officers will be at the January meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, we ask that everyone please wear their winter uniforms.

We also have to wrap up our very successful Toys 4 Tots Campaign for the 2018 season. Anyone that can volunteer, please contact Dan Geiser at 215-715-1440.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, at 1845.

Semper Par

Phil Amann  
Commandant

## YOUR DETACHMENT NEEDS YOU!

As stated in the By-Laws of this Detachment:

"The Purpose of the Detachment, as stated in the Articles of Incorporation in addition to those stated in the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures of the Marine Corps League, are to receive, administrate and expend funds to originate and support various community and patriotic events..."

**WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR YOUR  
DETACHMENT LATELY???**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!**



## EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Commandant:  
**Phil Amann** (cell) 215-817-9020

Senior Vice Commandant:  
**Bob Cannon** (cell) 215-817-6179

Junior Vice Commandant:  
**Pat Geiser** (cell) 215-939-6636

Judge Advocate:  
**Steve Irwin** (home) 215-947-1793

Adjutant:

Paymaster:  
**Angelo Mercado** (cell) 215-206-2640

Chaplain:  
**Tom Croke** (cell) 215-651-3933

Sergeant-At-Arms:  
**Bobby James** (cell) 215-327-8430

Service Officer:  
**Tom Brady** (cell) 215-353-2192

Trustees:

**Domenic Ciliberto** (cell) 215-290-3226

**John DiGiosa** (cell) 424-269-8176

**Steve Phillips** (cell) 215-870-9554

Junior Past Commandant:  
**Angelo Mercado** (cell) 215-206-2640

Detachment Historian:  
**Roman Sudler** (cell) 215-680-6043

Webmaster:  
**Steve Phillips** (cell) 215-870-9554

Facebook:  
**Bob Cannon** (cell) 215-817-6179

**If you contact a PROSPECTIVE MEMBER,  
PLEASE let Phil Amann know, so we can  
follow up.**

### NEXT MEETING DATE:

**Monday, 28 JANUARY, 2019 – 1900 hours**

**North Penn VFW Post 676  
2519 Jenkintown Road, Glenside, PA 19038**

## UNIFORM IN AFFECT:

### Winter

Red covers with appropriate Ornament, Long Sleeve Aviator White Shirts w / Tie, Blue Trousers, Khaki Web Belt and Brass Buckle, or Black Trousers with black belt; black plain toed shoes and black socks.

Anyone requiring uniform items should contact Jim Fay,  
(215) 887-9738

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

### !!!! ATTENTION !!!!

### ALL MGYSGT JOHN W. ZAENGLE DETACHMENT MEMBERS!

LETTERS WERE SENT OUT TO THOSE  
OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT YET PAID  
YOUR DUES. YOUR DUES ARE TO BE  
PAID BY SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH  
YEAR.

### AT THIS TIME, PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR DUES OF \$37, EITHER AT THE NEXT MEETING, OR VIA MAIL.

Make Checks Payable to "Marine Corps League #1023"  
and mail to:

Attn: Paymaster Angelo Mercado  
MGySgt John W. Zaengle Detachment #1023  
Post Office Box 342  
Abington, PA 19001

Be sure to include your membership number in the  
Memo section of the check or money order.

**DO NOT SEND CASH!**

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Sign up with  
Senior Vice Commandant, Bob Cannon.

Life rates: as of 04/01/2009

Up to 35 years of age \$500.00

Age 36 to 50 \$400.00

Age 51 to 64 \$300.00

Age 65 and Over \$200.00



## **"BOOSTER BRIGADE"**

### **January 2019**

All members who choose to can support the Detachment Newsletter's postage expense by your donation of \$5.00 or \$10.00 per year; those donating \$5 will have their name listed in this spot for a period of 6 months commencing the month after their donation; and, those donating \$10 will have their name listed in this spot for a period of 12 months commencing the month after their donation. We Thank You For Your Support!!

#### **Booster Brigade:**

**John Xibos - January 2019**

**Francis Hart - March 2019**

**Phil Amann - April 2019**

**Tim Illingworth - May 2019**

**Walt & Rose Zamorski - August 2019**

**Jim Fay Sr. - December 2019**

**Chip Jones - December 2019**

**Ken Bostwick - July 2020**

**Roman Sudler - August 2020**

**Ed Doyle - December 2019**

## **IN MEMORIAM**

<b>John F. Kerstulja</b>	<b>2003</b>
<b>John W. Zaengle</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>George A. Roesing, Jr.</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Maks J. Lawnicki</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Marlin Miller</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Glenn Noret</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Michael W. Gillespie</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Melvin Stockdale</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Daniel F. McGeary</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>George Evanick, Jr.</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>William "Bill" Miller</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>George DeLong</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Arthur Thompson, Jr.</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Russel J. Crouthers, Sr.</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Edward W. Carver, Jr.</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Richard A. Duncan</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Anthony J. Miletto</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Lawrence B. DiJoseph</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Alan Morris</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Daniel J. Callahan</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Jon D. Fox</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Richard L. Vettraino</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Charles Green</b>	<b>2018</b>

## **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

### **WELCOME TWO NEW MEMBERS:**

**PATRICIA MAIN AND RICHARD LANG!!!**



## **LOOKING FOR .....**

### **COATESVILLE VA HOSPITAL MUSEUM**

Walt Zamorski is looking for Military uniforms, items, patches, etc. for the Coatesville VA Hospital Museum.

If you have any items to donate, please contact Walt at

**215-368-5186 or by email to**

**[rosemariezamorski@gmail.com](mailto:rosemariezamorski@gmail.com)**





## EVENTS

**DATE:** October 13, 2018  
**EVENT:** Ardsley Community Day and Car Show  
**LOCATION:** Ardsley Community Center

### MEMBERS PARTICIPATING:

Mark Wardle, Phil Amann Jim Fay, Sr.

**GUESTS:** Lesley Amann

### EVENT SUMMARY:

The Detachment started set up at 1015 hrs. We were accepting donations. We talked to a lot of people and had a good time.

Everything wrapped up at 1730 hrs.

**DATE:** December 16, 2018  
**EVENT:** Eagle Scout Court of Honor  
**LOCATION:** Ambler Boro Hall

### MEMBERS PARTICIPATING:

Dave Twining and Jim Fay Sr.

### EVENT SUMMARY:

Took part in an Eagle Scout Court of Honor, for Troop#540's, newest three Eagle Scouts, Greg Orr, Ian Abrahams and Connor Laux. Court convened at 1300 hrs. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The new Eagles were introduced along with their parents and their achievement's to become Eagle Scouts. Dave presented each with a letter from our Commandant and an Eagle Scout Citation. Court adjourned 1440 hrs.

**DATE:** January 13, 2019  
**EVENT:** Eagle Scout Court of Honor  
**LOCATION:** Congregation Adath Jeshurun  
Elkins Park, PA

### MEMBERS PARTICIPATING:

Dave Twining and Jim Fay Sr.

### EVENT SUMMARY:

Detail met at Adath Jeshurun, to honor, Jason E. Lieberman, as Troop#72's, newest Eagle Scout. Court convened at 1415, with the posting of our colors and Pledge Allegiance.

Advancement awards were presented to some of the younger scouts and Jason was introduced, given some awards, along with Dave presenting him with ours.

Benediction given by Cantor Glantz, after which, he sang a song.

Colors retired, court adjourned at 1540 hrs.

## MARINE CORPS HISTORY FOR JANUARY

### 3 January, 1945

VMF-213 and VMF-124, from the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Essex, struck Formosa and the Ryukyu Islands, in the first Marine land strike from a carrier.

### 6 January, 1859

Brig. Gen. Archibald Henderson died in office, having served thirty-nine years as the fifth Commandant of the Marine Corps.

### 15 January, 1943

Capt. Joe Foss shot down three Japanese planes, bringing his total to a record of twenty-six kills.

### 18 January, 1961

Sgt. Major Bertha Peters was the first woman Sgt. Major in the Marine Corps.

### 24 January, 1968

The 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment held the Khe Sanh' Combat Base, Vietnam.

### 28 January, 1942

The 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment was assigned to support the Philippine Scouts on Bataan.

### 29 January, 1991

Marines participated in the first major ground action of Operation Desert Storm.

### 31 January, 1944

The American Flag was first raised on Japanese soil by B-Co., 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, in the Marshall Islands.

## CAR SHOW VOLUNTEERS

**LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO JOIN THE  
CAR SHOW COMMITTEE. FIRST CAR  
SHOW MEETING IS JANUARY 19, 2019,  
0800, AT BONNET LANE DINER, YORK  
ROAD, ABINGTON.**

**YOU CAN CONTACT MARK CARVER AT  
215-284-2869 OR  
[DCHARGER73SE@VERIZON.NET](mailto:DCHARGER73SE@VERIZON.NET)**



## About VA Insurance Options and Eligibility

Are you a Servicemember, Veteran, or Spouse or dependent child of a Servicemember? Find out which life insurance programs may be right for you.

**Are you ending your military tour of duty soon?** You'll need to get new coverage quickly. In some cases, you must act within 120 days of leaving the military to ensure no lapse in coverage.

Keep in mind that some life insurance policies provide dividend options (cash payments made to policy holders when the company makes a profit.)

**Learn more about dividend options.**

<https://www.benefits.va.gov/insurance/dividends/options.asp>

**Learn the truth about dividend rumors.**

<https://www.benefits.va.gov/insurance/dividends/special.asp>

**Search for unclaimed funds.**

<https://insurance.va.gov/UnclaimedFunds/>

### VA Life Insurance Options

**Servicemember's Group Life Insurance (SGLI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/sqli/>

Get group life insurance while you're serving.

**Family Servicemember's Group Life Insurance (FSGLI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/fsgli/>

Add coverage for your spouse and dependent children (children who rely on you for financial support).

**Traumatic Injury Protection Program (TSGLI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/tsgli/>

Get short-term financial support to help you recover from a severe injury.

**Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/vgli/>

Get group life insurance once you've ended your service.

**Service-Disabled Veterans Insurance (S-DVI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/s-dvi/>

If you're disabled because of an injury or illness caused—or made worse—by your active service, continue your life insurance beyond 2 years after you leave the military.

**Veterans' Mortgage Life Insurance (VMLI)**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/options-eligibility/vmli/>

If you have a severe service-connected disability, get mortgage protection insurance for a home that's been adapted to meet your needs.

### More Information about your benefits

**Managing your Policy**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/manage-your-policy/>

Already have VA life insurance? Manage your policy online.

**Claims for Disabled and Terminally Ill Policyholders**

<https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/totally-disabled-or-terminally-ill/>

If you become totally disabled or terminally ill, find out if you can get certain benefits.



## Military/Veteran/Dependent Scholarship Opportunities

It is that time of year when many are applying for scholarships. Here are 3 links to scholarship opportunities for military/veterans/dependents. Additional spouses maybe also eligible for tuition assistance for training, certifications, etc.

**Navy League Foundation** (<https://www.navyleague.org/programs/scholarships>): The Navy League Foundation awards scholarships to high school seniors who will attend college in the fall. Navy League Foundation scholarships are available to children and grandchildren of veterans or active duty sea service men and women, as well as members of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps. Scholarships for the 2019-2020 school year are due by **Feb. 15, 2019**.

**Defense Commissary Agency:** (<https://www.militaryscholar.org/sfmc/index.html>) offers \$2000 scholarships to unmarried dependent children (under age of 23) of military---active, reserve or retired. Deadline **Feb. 15, 2019**.

Information on other scholarships for military dependents can be found at: <https://www.militaryscholar.org/>

Additionally spouses of military members are eligible for **The My Career Advancement Account Scholarship** which is a workforce development program that provides up to \$4,000 of tuition assistance. The scholarship assists military spouses in pursuing licenses, certificates, certifications or associate degrees necessary to gain employment in high-demand, high-growth portable career fields and occupations. Spouses may use their My Career Advancement Account Scholarship funds at any academic institution approved for participation in the scholarship. For further info call Military One Source, 800-342-9647, <https://mycaa.militaryonesource.mil/>

## Resources for Marines and their Families



The Veterans Crisis Line is a free, confidential resource that's available to anyone, even if you're not registered with VA or enrolled in VA health care. The caring, qualified responders at the Veterans Crisis Line are specially trained and experienced in helping Veterans of all ages and circumstances.

Visit [MilitaryCrisisLine.net](http://MilitaryCrisisLine.net) if you are an active duty Service member, Guardsman, or Reservist.



**1-855-838-8255**  
**Vets4Warriors.com**

"Vets 4 Warriors is the leading national peer support and resource connection network for veterans, service members, family members and caregivers who need answers and understanding from someone who knows what they are going through."

[www.vets4warriors.com](http://www.vets4warriors.com)

Call 855-838-8255

Follow @vets4warriors on social media



**SEMPER K9**  
Assistance Dogs  
[www.SemperK9.org](http://www.SemperK9.org)

Semper K9's mission is to enhance the quality of life for wounded, critically ill and injured members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families by providing them assistance dogs.

[www.semperk9.org](http://www.semperk9.org)

Call: 571-494-5144





Marine For Life Network (M4L) connects transitioning Marines and their family members to education resources, employment opportunities, and other Veterans services that aid in their career and life goals outside of military service.

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/marine-for-life-network>.

[www.usmc-mccs.org/services/career/marine-for-life-network/](http://www.usmc-mccs.org/services/career/marine-for-life-network/)

Marine Corps League POC: David Ossian

email: [dossian@mcleague.org](mailto:dossian@mcleague.org)



Supporting Our Heroes recover, transition, & thrive. Semper Fi Fund focuses on innovative and effective programs that make a difference.

[www.semperfund.org](http://www.semperfund.org)

Call: 760-725-3680



The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) is the leading national organization providing compassionate care and survivor support services for the families of America's fallen military heroes.

[www.taps.org](http://www.taps.org)

TAPS Helpline: 800-959-8227 (TAPS)



The mission of Focus Marines Foundation (FMF) is to develop and administer programs for wounded warriors which will assist them in their transition from military to civilian lives.

[www.focusmarines.org](http://www.focusmarines.org)

Call: 314-243-4140

email: [help@focusmarines.org](mailto:help@focusmarines.org)



The Marine Executive Association is a national, volunteer, non-profit organization of former and current active duty Marines.

MEA provides resume review, job hunting tips and tools, job posting by employers, resume posting by Marines, and resume and interview coaching by volunteer Marines.

[www.marineea.org](http://www.marineea.org)

email: [ExecDir@MarineEA.org](mailto:ExecDir@MarineEA.org)

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or like us on Facebook: Marine Corps League  
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**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

ALL NEWSLETTERS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TEN (10) DAYS PRIOR TO THE MONTHLY MEMBER MEETINGS, WHICH ARE THE 3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING OF INTEREST THAT YOU WOULD LIKE THE DETACHMENT TO KNOW ABOUT, PLEASE CONTACT US AT

[MgySgtJohnWZaengleDet@gmail.com](mailto:MgySgtJohnWZaengleDet@gmail.com) or,

if you need to mail it in, please send it to:  
Nancy Richard, 11 Carriage Drive, Horsham, PA 19044  
cell: 215-530-8863

FEBRUARY'S NEWSLETTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON FEBRUARY 1ST, SO IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO APPEAR IN THE NEWSLETTER, IT NEEDS TO BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 31ST.

THANK YOU!