## ATTENTION ON DECK

2015 DETACHMENT OF THE YEAR

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## COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

October is upon us, meaning *Marine Corps Ball* season is rapidly approaching. We have a unique situation being that we are so close to *Camp Pendleton & Miramar Air Station*. And we have *Temecula Valley Young Marines (TVYM)* and *MCJROTC* units we support. Therefore, take advantage of it. In fact, <u>21</u> October is the TVYM Birthday Ball at Pechanga. Attack *Theresa Aguilar & Ron Guilliams* if you wish to attend.

Our September meeting was a good one. Welcome Aboard MSgt (Ret) James "Chino" Pereyra! It is always a good day and meeting when we have a new join to support our cause. We had 26 members present, 3 guests and 1 speaker on deck for our meeting. Ken Murray, guest of Don Krampe, from Toastmasters was our guest speaker. During our meeting we collected \$85 in scholarships at meeting, \$16.35 in coffee donations, and \$51 in fundraising opportunity. Following our August meeting, a few of us headed over to the Veteran's EXPO at the Wildomar Elks Lodge. This is an annual event sponsored by Assembly Woman Melissa Melendez. Ed Wiggs had our table set up and running. Paul Kraxberger, Chino, and I were on deck to provide supporting fires.

Thanks go out to *Ed Wiggs*. He set up our booth at Ammo Bros grand opening of their new store in Perris on Saturday, 9 September. *I* was able to provide supporting fires and help him tear down at day's end. We were able to sell cookbooks and promote our detachment. Also, special thanks to *Gene Evans* and *Chaplain Scott Burris* for visiting *John Siddall*, Army WWII Vet, at the Yorkshire House/nursing home in Hemet. I received an out-of-state call from a FMF Corpsman, *Bob Dent*, who is a member from another MCL. That's MCL networking at its best! *Mr. Dent* informed me *John* does not have many visitors; therefore, I sent out an email to us all. Since that email, he has had a few visitors. *John* is a WW2 vet who served with *Patton. John* is at the Yorkshire House, 26933 Cornell St. Hemet, California. The facility phone is 951-658-1068. He is in room 27. I recommend calling first if you choose to visit this deserving Soldier.

It is always good to keep our detachment on the forefront when charitable community events are taking place. Thanks go out to **LtCol** (**Ret**) *Ron Guilliams* and *Nina* & *Bill "Red" Schrader* for their involvement in Murrieta United Methodist Church Charity Golf Dinner & Tournament that was held on 10 & 11 September at Bear Creek Golf Club, Murrieta, CA. The annual fundraiser supports the Food Pantry, which provides basic food supplies to as many as 200 families in surrounding communities every week. *Ron* and *I* also sponsored a Marine team of 4 golfers.

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#### **OFFICERS and STAFF**

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#### MCL 2017 meetings

30 September \*Location: Fountain Glen at Grand Isle (Conference Room) 24405 Village Walk Place Murrieta, California 92562-5238

28 October 25 November \*Location: Wildomar VFW 1508 Wildomar, California

\*Meetings: Last Saturday of every

month \*Time: 0900

\*\*\*No meeting in December



#### Good Day Marine Corps League!

September is here and with it comes the baseball playoffs season. Meanwhile, many any of us are doubly rewarded with the return of the football season. As the schools reopen for the year and our heat waves convert into more like warm waves, the change of season becomes more and more apparent.

There are a couple of festive, religious holidays of particular note this month. Besides September 21st being the Autumnal Equinox, a significant time for our Pagan brothers and sisters, both the Muslim and Jewish faith communities also have major celebrations. Both celebrate "new beginnings" in the month of September.

On August 31st - September 1st, our Muslim brothers and sisters celebrated "Eid Al-adah", commemorating the Book of Genesis story, when Father Abraham was willing to follow God's instruction to sacrifice his first-born son, Isaac, but his hand was stayed by an angle of God (Gen.22.v1-18). This observance is the most reverent of the Muslim year. It calls upon all humans to make sacrifices for one another. Within the Muslim community, the day is remembered with communal feasts and gift giving, and giving thanks.

"Rosh Hashana" is the Jewish New Year and signals prosperity for the coming year. It commemorates the creation of the Universe, a time for all humans to pass before the eyes of God, who will decide the amount of prosperity to bestow upon His people for the up-coming year. The ceremonies take place in Chobani Jewish Centers and involve the sounding of the "Shofar" (Ram's Horn). There are Chobani Jewish Cultural Centers with planned observances open to the public in cities such as Riverside, Lake Forest and Aliso Viejo, and Laguna Niguel. If you make the acquaintance of a Jewish brother or sister on September 21 or 22, you may offer them the wish of a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

This month also is a sobering reminder, that on the 11<sup>th</sup> of this month, sixteen years ago, 3,000 men, women and children lost their lives in the single greatest act of terrorism conducted on American soil. At this time, please observe a moment of silence to give reverence to those who died on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September, 2001......"In God's name, may they rest in peace".

Since that horrific day in our history, we have proven to the world that we are resilient. Our country is comprised of Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Shin-toe, Pagan, Atheist, Agnostics, and many other religions. But as Americans, we are bonded together by our capacity to love one another, and to make our society work together in peace.

As Marines, we have committed ourselves to the protection of all Americans, no matter their religious beliefs or political opinions. Being a Marine means protecting the American way of life, which includes the protection of those with whom we continue to disagree. Therefore, let us ask our Lord and Creator to give strength to our arms and our voices, which we may continue to protect and defend the United States of America.

Members of our Detachment continue to need our prayers. We lift our prayers for those in need at this next meeting. Since it is our last meeting at Village Walk Apartments, let us offer a special prayer of thanksgiving for *Martin and Carol Vogt*. Let us continue to pray for their Prosperity for the upcoming year, and for the blessing upon all members of Marine Corps League Detachment 1057.

Semper Fidelis, Chaplain Scott Burris

#### **COMMITTEES:**

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All from the Heart:

Jean Krampe Sandy Wiggs

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Jean Krampe

Historian:

Dorothy Skidmore

Marine Rose Program:

Tonya Dallas Carole Vogt

\*Members interested in any of the above committees, contact the persons' name (s) listed.

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# ...OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU

Ray Bates & his wife Marcelo (Speedy) Gonzalez, Jr. Victor "Ski" Grzybowski, Jr. Martin & Carole Vogt

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We should have some concrete information on the Pins and Pockets fundraiser during our September meeting. *Clark Pace* is heading this charge. Be prepared to step up and sell tickets and make this a successful event.

We are looking for a <u>Judge Advocate to replace *Marty*</u> and a <u>replacement for Carole's Adjutant position</u>. <u>She will remain our Paymaster</u>.

Finally, as a reminder, <u>starting in October our future meetings will be held</u> at the Wildomar VFW Post 1508, 21180 Waite St.,

<u>Wildomar, California 92595.</u> The number there is (951) 674-4735. Take care and remain Semper Fidelis!

R/S Larock W. Benford Commandant





#### Uniform Items:

New memebrs, the one item that we should/must wear at our meetings or official functions that we are representing our detachment is the MCL Cover & Gold EGA (Eagle, Globe, & Anchor) Cap Ornament or the Associate Member's Cap Ornament. That is the main/official requirement; however, I do recommend the wearing of the MCL Red Golf Shirt doing our meetings, etc. Here is an excerpt from National Bylaws UNIFORM CODE-MARINE CORPS LEAGUE ENCLOSURE THREE (3):

#### "V MARINE CORPS LEAGUE COVER

A. The basic uniform of the Marine Corps League is the unique cover that identifies the members of the Marine Corps League. Because all other parts of the uniform that are designated in this enclosure are optional, the cover remains as the only consistent identifier for Marine Corps League members, which is why the cover is worn indoors at appropriate Marine Corps League functions. When Marine Corps League Members are wearing the appropriate cover, as listed below, they are considered to be in uniform. NO OTHER TYPE OF COVER MAY BE WORN AT A MARINE CORPS LEAGUE FUNCTION OR MEETING.

**B.** All members of the Marine Corps League are authorized to wear the **RED COVER**. The Semper Fi Store: http://semperfistore.org Contact us at merchandise@mcleague.org 703-207-9588

<u>u1 Detachment Cover</u> Men's Detachment Cover (RED) lettered with MARINE CORPS LEAGUE. \$29.00

wa121 Golf Shirt Red MCL Golf Shirt, Red with pocket, Marine Corps League with EGA

\$ 22.00

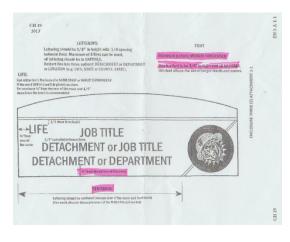


u3 Women's Cover Detachment Cover (RED) lettered with MARINE CORPS LEAGUE. \$ 29.00

u13 Cap Ornament Regular Member (Marine/FMF Corpsman & Chaplain) \$ 4.50

u13a Cap Ornament~Associate (Non-Marine/FMF Corpsman & Chaplain)
\$ 5.50





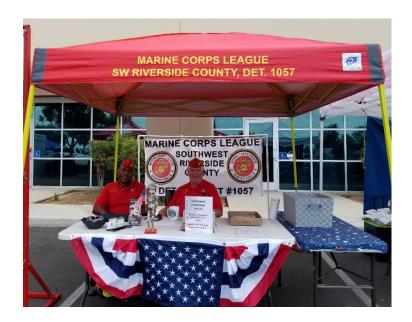
Excerpt from *National Uniform By Laws* (Uniform Cover Guidance). If you need someone to sew or embroider your MCL Polo/Golf Shirt or Cover, you can contact: Tim Sisson (GySgt Ret), at T&D Designs 30546 Mill Valley Ct, Murrieta, CA 92563.

Phone: (951) 303-5948

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Ammo Bros in Perris. Grand Opening, Saturday, 9 September 2017. *Ed Wiggs* and Commandant *Larock Benford* are holding down the fort and promoting our detachment.

#### **HAPPENINGS:**

\*Membership information: Contact Larock Benford, Commandant

\*Quartermaster, Newsletter Editor, Adjutant, and Judge Advocate positions available. Interested parties contact *Larock Benford*, Commandant

\*Members' dues are to be paid to *Carole Vogt*, and <u>not mailed</u> to Nationals. Cash or checks only.

\*Membership News: The change in the <u>expiration date</u> of members from individual dates to a single-expiration date of 1 September for all members, effective September 1, 2017. <u>National will no longer be mailing renewal notices</u>. <u>Renewal will be the responsibility of the individual member and his/her detachment.</u>

\*Unclaimed Veterans" Memorial Service, every third Wednesday, of the month, at Riverside National Cemetery shelter "G" at 0900. POC *David "Doc" Hooper* 

\*Members requiring assistance, at Murrieta (CA) VA Clinic: Contact *Chaplain Scott Burris* at (951) 290-6500 ext. 50318

\*Needed: Donated motorized mobility handicap scooters (working or not). There are a waiting list of Veterans who are in need of scooters. Non-operational scooters are refurbished before distribution. For pick-up contact *Ed and Sandy Wiggs* at (951) 301-9553

\*Rancho Army Navy Store, will donate used uniforms for Military personnel wanting to be buried in uniform. POC Ken Lepore or David "Doc" Hooper

\*The Semper Fi Store: http://semperfistore.org

\*Detachment Cookbook: Submit your favorite recipe(s) to Ed & Sandy Wiggs. Include a picture

\*VA Loma Linda Ambulatory Care Center (ACC), 26001 Redlands Blvd., Redlands, CA 92373. Monday – Friday (not open on holidays), 0800-1630 (909) 825-7084 \*\*\*No Emergency Services

\*Lestonnac Free Medical Clinic, 39429 Suite C, Los Alamos Road, Murrieta, CA. (951) 691-8204.



26 August, swearing in our newest member, MSgt (Ret) *James "Chino" Pereyra*, USMC.



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Veteran's EXPO, 1000-1400/26 August 2017 at the Wildomar Elks Lodge, 33700 Mission Trail, Wildomar, CA. This is an annual event sponsored by **Assembly Woman** *Melissa Melendez*. *Ed Wiggs*, Commandant *Larock Benford*, & Jr Vice Commandant *Paul Kraxberger* on deck to provide supporting fires.



Welcome Aboard MSgt (Ret) James "Chino" Pereyra!



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