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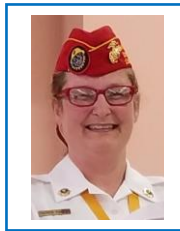
Greetings From The Commandant:

Welcome once again to all my Marine Brothers and Sisters. I hope all visitors to the Department and Detachment Websites enjoyed our very first Newsletter in January. We hope to keep it very informative and interesting, enjoy it. Looking into the year ahead: You will see that in the past month the Detachment continued to reach out to the community, as seen in the following pages. The Detachment is gearing up to a full year of activities including our annual picnic in June, fund raisers such as the Hot Dog Wagon and Tree Farm Food Stand, and several events still in the planning stages. It'll truly be a fun filled and eventful year.

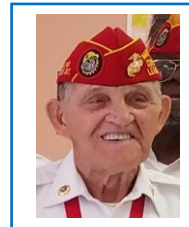


Semper Fi & Woof Woof –Ron Burns, Sr.

Sr. Vice Commandant Daphne Kappos



Jr. Vice Commandant Richard Niepert



Judge Advocate Ray Hughes



Adjutant Dan Betts



Paymaster Herb Knobeloch, Jr.



Sgt @ Arms Roger Holtgrave



Chaplain Henry Steiner





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Events of the Month

Bingo at Jefferson Barracks, Feb. 18th

Several members attended a make-up session of Bingo for the Veterans hospitalized in Bldg. #51, Psyche Trauma Center. A session scheduled for December 17th, 2016 was postponed due to weather conditions. There was a good turnout of 22 Veterans, and they enjoyed the Bingo, Canteen Coupon Books as prizes, soda, chips and candy bars. Shown in the photo are Judge Advocate Ray Hughes at the far left, Paymaster Herb Knobloch, Jr. (red jacket), and Department Adjutant Robert Weber (near the window). Not shown are Commandant Ron Burns, Sr., Adjutant Dan Betts, Jim Blankenship, and Jr. Vice Commandant Dick "Hollywood" Niepert (a superb number caller).



Donations to Local Charities or Veterans Organizations, Feb. 24th

Several Detachment members were present for the donation of \$300 checks to local organizations during this month. A sum of \$900 was raised in the fall of 2016 and it was voted to donate equally to the Salvation Army of Belleville, IL; the Joseph Center of East St. Louis, IL; and the USO of MO located at the St. Louis International Airport. Our first stop was the Belleville Salvation Army Center. Shown in the this photo are Adjutant Dan Betts, Department Adjutant Robert Weber, Judge Advocate Ray Hughes, Salvation Army Receptionist Seely Brown, Ministry Intern Sherry Hobbs, Paymaster Herb Knobloch, Jr., and Commandant Ron Burns, Sr.





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Donations to local Charities or Veterans Organizations, Feb. 24th (Cont.)

Our second stop this day was at the Joseph Center, East St. Louis, IL. This organization helps local poor and homeless with clothes, furniture, food, etc as they are able based on donations received. Shown in this photo are Commandant Burns, Sr., Paymaster Knobloch, Jr., And the Reverend John S. Herring, Sr. Also present but not shown were Adjutant Betts, Judge Advocate Hughes, and Department Adjutant Weber. A group photo failed to turn out due to “operator error” or “human error”, whichever be the case (the phone did not click!). The check was no less happily received by the Reverend Herring, Sr.



Our third stop this day was at the Lambert International Airport USO of Missouri. Again the donation was received with happiness and praise for Veterans who would help out those Active Duty Armed Forces members who pass through or have been occasionally stranded at the St. Louis airport. Shown are Adjutant Betts, MO USO Operations Manager Cary Warner, “that man with the money” Paymaster Knobloch, Jr., Judge Advocate Hughes, Department Adjutant Weber, and Commandant Burns, Sr. Cary showed us the facilities and explained how they try to help Active Duty traveling personnel and families who use the facility. It was amazing to see those young men and women and try to recall being that young (and slim!) once. A Detachment Challenge coin was also presented Mr. Warner to put in his display case, which housed over 100 coins from other such organizations or Veterans.





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In Our Thoughts

Chaplain Henry Steiner had a major intestinal issue this last month, with surgery the only resolution. He is back in the pink as of this printing.

Upcoming Events

- The National Mid-Winter Convention will be held at Fredericksburg, VA March 4-12.
- The Department 3rd Staff Conference will be held at Rock Island, IL March 10-12.
- March 15th will be the next meeting of 7th District Detachments.
- March 16th will be the next Detachment meeting, VFW Hall 1377 in Greenville at 1930 hours.
- March 26th will be the next Growl of the Untamed Dogs Pound 351, VFW Hall 1377, 1300 hours.
- The Department Convention will be held May 31-June 4 in Springfield IL.
- The National Convention will be held August 13-18 in Overland Park KS. Several Detachment Devil Dogs will be elevated to Pedigree Devil Dog at this time. Will need to be "Strong of Heart" for 4 days!

Submissions to the Newsletter

If you have something that you would like to be added to the Newsletter please contact Editor Daphne Kappos at 618-402-7620. Photos must be in MS Office Picture Manager Format.

"Semper Fi & Woof Woof"

