



# Westchester County Detachment

## Marine Corps League

PO Box 505 • White Plains • NY • 10602-0505

Next Meeting: 6 May 2009 – First Wednesday

Muster 7:30 PM, Meeting 8 PM

Legion Hall • 57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY

Commandant: Ricardo Sheppard

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### MEMBERSHIP

456

We have to beat 2008's 514 by  
June 30, 2009  
58 more to go

Ask that Marine to associate with  
our detachment.

### Welcome Aboard!

**New members:** Welcome aboard:

**Michael Praileau** of Scarsdale  
sponsored by Lu Caldara. **Edward  
Robinson** of Davenport, transfers in.

**Renewal = \$26 New = \$31**

New Life Members:

We are now at **316** Life Members.

**Think LIFE!**

Life Member Dues:

**To age 35=\$500; 36-50=\$400;  
51-60=\$300; 61+=\$150**

### Online dues payment

Visit our website and save a  
stamp, envelope and that check  
writing time. Try it, you'll like it!

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

### TAPS

Life Member **Stanley Chmelecki**, of  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida passed away  
on April 2, 2009. Stan was a Viet Nam  
veteran.

**Sick & Distress? Contact:**

**Chaplain Kurt Michaelson**

914-438-6926

ktmichaelson@yahoo.com

### Calendar

**May 24** – Veterans Appreciation Day.  
Rye Playland. Hosted by Westchester  
County. Fleet Week USMC Helo Raid.

**May 25** – Memorial Day. White Plains  
9:30am muster at WP Library.

**Nov 7** - USS NY commissioning. NYC

### Member News

**Ed Robinson** was a member of the  
former Hudson Valley Detachment of  
Peekskill. **LCpl Ed Deguisto IV USMC**  
is now stationed at New River Air  
Station, Jacksonville, NC. **Fred  
Hillmann** attended the Posthumous  
Navy Cross presentation, for LCpl  
Jordan Haerter and Cpl Jonathan  
Yale, at the National Museum of the  
Marine Corps, Quantico, VA Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Their extraordinary acts of heroism,  
while engaged against the enemy, in  
Iraq April 22nd, 2008. Their action  
prevented a suicide bomber from  
detonating a truck bomb where it could  
have killed at least 50 other Marines  
and Iraqi police. **Willie Morgan** is now  
stationed at Quantico, VA. Congrats  
are in order with Willie picking up  
another rocker to Master Sergeant.  
**Jim Lint**, CEO, Lint Center for National  
Security Studies has had his charity  
approved as a Certifying Organization  
for the Presidential Volunteer Service  
Award. **Rosalind Reyes-Medina** is  
the Treasurer of the New York League  
of Puerto Rican Women, Inc.. **Ed "Bo"  
Boeringer** has returned from his tour  
in Afghanistan and moved to Virginia.  
He will be doing training of US Forces  
in Counter IED strategy.

### Installation of Officers

Commandant: Ricardo Sheppard

SrVice: Drew McFadden

JrVice: Kevin Fischer

Judge Advocate: Robert Stephens

Adjutant: Glenn Sadowski

Paymaster: Lu Caldara

Chaplain: Kurt Michaelson

Installation ceremonies were  
performed by SE Area Vice Cmdt  
James Mazzone. Dennis Tobin, Sr  
Vice Commandant, Dept of New York  
sent his regrets. He was unable to  
attend due to the hospitalization of his  
mother. We all wish her a speedy  
recovery.

### Detachment Activities

**March 11** – WC "Town Hall" meeting  
at County Center, White Plains. Table  
manned by **Lu Caldara** with **Fischer,  
Rupprecht, D'Alessandro, Monastra,  
Preiss** participating.

**March 14** – St Patrick's Day Parade,  
White Plains. Color Guard: **Ricardo  
Sheppard, Wil Calderon, Lu Caldara**.  
Member **Mark Capetillo**, assisted by  
Iris Davis, led our Young Marine  
contingent of 17 youngsters. Member  
Owen Mangan was a part of the NYC  
Transit Police Pipers who led our MCL  
& YM unit.

**March 15** – AAIB Boxarama  
Founders 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon.  
Honored guest Heavyweight Champ  
Ken Norton. **LtCol Glenn Sadowski  
USMC** received the Rocky Marciano  
AAIB Iraq Veterans Award presented  
by **Lu Caldara** and Board Chairman  
Steve Acunto.

**March 25** – NYC. Life Member  
**Joseph M. Murphy**, Country Bank  
Chairman hosted a luncheon for LtGen  
Ron Christmas USMC ret Chairman,  
Marine Corps Heritage Foundation and  
area former Marines, to promote the  
Museum's new funding needs. **Lu  
Caldara** participated.

**March 27** – MC-LEF Semper Fidelis  
Dinner, Waldorf=Astoria, NYC. CMC  
General Conway USMC was one of  
the honored guests. Members

attending: **Gen Robert Magnus  
USMC ret, BGen Robert Wolf NYNM,  
CAPT Liam Murphy NYNM, LtCol  
William Lochridge NYNM, Joseph M.  
Murphy, Lu Caldara, Al Striffler.**

**March 29** – NE Division Meeting,  
Binghamton. Members attending:  
**Pat Ford PhD, Lu Caldara, Joe  
Kane**. Pat did a Vet Center  
presentation to the attendees. Pat  
is a Clinical Psychologist at the  
Binghamton Vet Center.

**Marine Memorial Scholarship  
Funds  
"Lest We Forget"**

In memory of former Marine and fellow  
Detachment member

**SGT Anthony Kalladeen  
NYARNG**

**KIA Iraq 8 Aug 2005  
Andrus Childrens Home, Yonkers  
As of 3/20/2009=\$5,773.67  
Donations: Loose Change  
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In memory of Westchester County  
Marines who were killed in the  
bombing of the Marine Barracks in  
Beirut, Lebanon in 1983.

**LCpl Craig Wyche USMC  
Ossining HS**

**2008 Awardee Francis Puziferri**  
Villanova School of Engineering  
**Cpl James J. Jackowski USMC**  
John Jay HS

**2008 Awardee Daniel Barson**  
Princeton University  
Molecular Biology & Economics  
As of 1/24/2009=\$18,562.46

**Project We Care**

Our troops are still serving in many far  
of lands and are looking for gifts and  
letters from the folks at home. Show  
"We Care." With continual rotations,  
please get us **the names and  
addresses** of those military personnel,  
serving in the conflicts who would like  
to receive mail.

**Young Marines of Westchester**

**Mar 8** – St Patricks Day Parade,  
Yonkers.

**Mar 14** – St Patricks Day Parade,  
White Plains.

**April 3** – Color Guard. NYC NWRC

**LPD 21 USS New York  
Gym Equipment Project**

Sr. Vice Cmdt **Drew McFadden** and  
Adjutant **LtCol Glenn Sadowski**  
**USMCR** are spearheading this project  
to supply a "Bowflex" and gym  
equipment for the ship's workout area.  
**Donations** to our PO Box with  
"USS NY" in Memo section.

**Minimum Goal \$2,500**

Donations: \$100 Bob Stephens

**\$2,725 received**

**Our goal has been reached but  
is still accepting support /  
donations for other equipment**

**Got an Email?  
Receiving the hard copy  
newsletter?  
Save the detachment a few  
bucks and processing by  
sending your email  
address to:  
[LLC1@mclwestchester.org](mailto:LLC1@mclwestchester.org)**

<http://members.aol.com/forvets/dd214.htm>

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

Helping Veterans with the  
important things in life.

**Westchester County  
Veterans Service Agency**  
Member Jerry Krawczyk, Counselor  
914-995-2145,6

**Yonkers Veterans Agency**  
Member Geno Egiziaco, Counselor  
914-377-6700

**USMC Recruiting Service  
Westchester**  
**682-4785 - White Plains**  
**969-0550 – Yonkers**  
**737-7887 – Peekskill**

Uniform shirts are available at:

***New England Sportswear***  
**66 Fulton St**  
**White Plains, NY 10606**  
**914-358-1505**

White w/epaulets and permanent  
creases. Patches sewn on free. MCL  
Patches are at the store and are at no  
charge. They have been provided by  
the detachment.

By mail: shipping & handling extra.

Credit Card orders accepted.

Short Sleeve: \$29.92.

Long Sleeve: \$32.95