



Westchester County Detachment

Marine Corps League

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

Next Meeting: 1 July 2009 – First Wednesday

Muster 7:30 PM, Meeting 8 PM

Legion Hall • 57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY

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MEMBERSHIP 485

We have to beat 2008's 514 by
June 15, 2009
29 more to go

Ask that Marine to associate with
our detachment.

Welcome Aboard!

New members: Welcome aboard: **Sgt Maria Ramirez USMC** of Wappingers Falls; **Capt Michael Hartley USMC** ret of Ridgewood, NY; **Orley Pacheco** of the Bronx; **LtCol Albert Ridenhour USMC** of Quantico, VA sponsored by Lu Caldara; **PFC Daniel Sousa USMC** of Mount Vernon sponsored by SSgt Jaime Alvarez USMC. **John Lawlor** of White Plains sponsored by Steve Topilnicky.

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/

Sick & Distress? Contact:

Chaplain Kurt Michaelson

914-438-6926

ktmichaelson@yahoo.com

Sick Call

Donald Sheldon is still in the hospital
in VA. **Charlie Williams** is at the
Bronx VAMC

Calendar

July 4 – Independence Day Parade,
Hyde Park. 9:30am muster Roosevelt
Shopping Center.

July 4 – Independence Day Port
Chester HS 7pm. Fireworks.

Aug 16 – VA Hospital Picnic. Bldg 15
Chalet VAMC Montrose. 11am – 2pm.

Nov 7 - USS NY commissioning. NYC

Host Post

Memorial Day – White Plains, NY

Grand Marshall and Guest Speaker:

LtCol Chris Rust USMCR

Veteran Flag Honoree: **Win Howard**

Member News

2dLt Dan Burns USMC completed
TBS on May 14. Congratulations. New
member **Sgt Maria Ramirez USMC** is
the USMC Recruiter stationed in
Ossining, at the new Main Street
office. New member **Pfc Daniel Sousa**
USMC was a Recruiter's Assistant at
the White Plains office and just
shipped out to Camp Pendleton.

Sgt Charles You USMCR has been
activated. **LCpl Jason Dubois USMC**
is with the 2d CLB, Camp Lejeune. He
participated in the "Vets Appreciation
Day" at Playland. **Alfredo Reyes** has
picked up Staff Sergeant USMC and is
transferred to Ft. Worth, TX. Congrats!
Jerry Krawczyk is retiring, as a
veterans counsellor, from the WC
Veterans Service Agency.

Detachment Activities

May 8 – SUNY Maritime

Commissioning Ceremony. USS
Intrepid, NYC. Past Commandant
Mickey Winston presented the USMC
Officers Sword to the "Outstanding
USMC Selection Graduate" on behalf
of our detachment. **2dLt David Haas**
USMC was the recipient. David was a
Staff Sergeant student in the MCEP
program.

Members attending: Mickey Winston,
Lu Caldara, Ricardo Sheppard, Ray
D'Alessandro, Bob Stephens, Kevin
Fischer, Bob Wolf, Sal Monastra.

May 11- SSMAC Awards Luncheon,
21 Club, NYC. PO Susan Porcello was
one of the "Heroine" awardees.

Members participating: Lu Caldara and
Mickey Winston.

May 16 – Armed Forces Day:

Tarrytown. Mem. **Frank Morgenthaler**
represented our detachment in the
parade..

May 19 – Film Premiere – Directors
Guild Theatre, NYC – "Ronald
Reagan: Rendezvous with Destiny."
Monica Crowley MC; Guest speaker
Newt Gingrich, former Speaker of the
House. **Elizabeth Quinones** did the
National Anthem. YM Color Guard.
Members attending: Mickey Winston,
Lu Caldara, Capt Mike Hartley USMC
ret, Elizabeth Quinones.

May 22 – Commanders' Reception,
NYAC, NYC. Members participating:
Wayne McGrath, Bill Lochridge, Lu
Caldara, Rory Capra.

May 24 – Veterans Appreciation
Day, Rye Playland. Volunteer support
and participation. Great turnout of our
members. Two USMC helicopters, with
crews, landed in a simulated raid. We
hosted the Marines from Fleet Week.
Miss Westchester joined us for the
afternoon and ceremonies. Member **Sgt**
Maria Ramirez USMC Ossining
Recruiter assisted the Peekskill
Recruiters with the "strength tests."

May 24 – Memorial Day:
Washington, DC: LtGen John "Jay"
Paxton USMC was recognized leading
the USMC contingent on the PBS
Channel 13 "Memorial Day" special.

May 25 – Memorial Day:
White Plains: Our detachment was
Host Post. **LtCol Chris Rust USMCR**
was the Grand Marshall and featured
speaker. **Win Howard** was eulogized
by his family.

Crestwood: **LtCol Glenn Sadowski**
USMCR was the Grand Marshall and
featured speaker.

Harrison: **Ben Defonce** chaired the
ceremonies and parade.

Brewster: **Jack Duncan** represented
the detachment.

Welcome Home

LCpl Zack Qualand USMC returned
to Camp Lejeune from Iraq. **CW3 Ed**
Deguisto NY ANG returned home
from Iraq.

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 4/20/2009=\$5,773.67
Donations: \$54.54 Al Jacobs**

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**

2009 Awardee Elizabeth McMahon

**Cpl James J. Jackowski USMC
John Jay HS**

2009 Awardee David Schwartz

University of Pennsylvania
Engineering

**As of 4/24/2009=\$18,562.46
In Memorium**

Mrs Jeanette Barth of, Las Vegas, donated \$100 to our Grave Marker program, in memory of her husband George S. Barth.

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.

Donations: \$120 **Gen Bob Magnus USMC ret**; \$100 **Joanne Florer** of Orlando, FL.

Young Marines of Westchester

May 9 – Loucks Games, White Plains HS Track – Opening Ceremonies for the International Track & Field Games. 1stSgt Rayo led the color detail of LCpl's Deguisto, Lacativa, Campos, Avery.

May 14 – NWRC, NYC. Opening Ceremonies. Mike Huckabee was the keynote speaker. 1stSgt Rayo led the

color detail including Lacativa, Marshall, Avery.

May 23 – Flag placement at WWI Memorial Markers at the County Center.

May 24 – Servicemans / Veterans Appreciation Day, Rye Playland.

YM's assisted with the food line and were the ceremony color guard.

May 25– Memorial Day. White Plains. Parade & Flag detail at the cemetery and at Legion Hall ceremonies.

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

\$2,725 received

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

USMCR Family Assistance Fund

Donation: \$75 **Jacqueline Callari** of Fairport, NY

<http://members.aol.com/forvets/dd214.htm>
www.VeteransAlert.com
Helping Veterans with the important things in life.

Westchester County Veterans Service Agency

914-995-2145,6

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

USMC Recruiting Service Westchester

682-4785 - White Plains

969-0550 – Yonkers

- Ossining

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: \$

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