

# Westchester County Detachment Marine Corps League

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Next Meeting: 4 November 2009 – First Wednesday Muster 7:30 PM, Meeting 8 PM

Legion Hall • 57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY

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MEMBERSHIP FY 2010 372

Ask that Marine to associate with our detachment.

# Welcome Aboard!

**New members:** Welcome aboard: **Neil Hunt** of Hancock sponsored by Bob Stephens.

Renewal = **\$26** New = **\$31** New Life Members: **Alan Wolfert** of Chappaqua.

We are now at **315** Life Members. Think LIFE!

Life Member Dues: To age 35=\$500; 36-50=\$400; 51-60=\$300; 61+=\$150

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Sick & Distress? Contact: Chaplain Kurt Michaelson 914-438-6926 ktmichaelson@yahoo.com

Sick Call

**Donald Shelton** is still in the hospital in the Bronx (VAMC Bronx). He has undergone additional surgical procedures and is back in ICU.

Calendar Nov2 – USS NY Crew Reception. NYAC 6pm \$50. Nov 5 – NYPD Birthday Celebration. 1 PP, NYC. Noon. Nov 7 - USS NY Commissioning. NYC.

Nov 8 – USMC Anniversary Brunch, Antuns, Elmsford. 11-3pm. \$30 per person. Accepting reservations.

Member News Capt Peter "Joe" Matthews USMC ret was among the honorees at the

Once A Marine Always A Marine

Yonkers JrROTC (1979-1999) reunion held at the Regency Hotel on Sept. 19. Joe was one of the unit's Military leaders along with LtCol Peter Duggan USMC ret. USMC New York East Coast Media Symposium 19-22 OCT -The Marines of the MTU are headed up by Life Member LtCol Mike Norton USMCR. 2dLt Dan Burns USMC is reporting to Little Creek on October 4th for GIOC (Ground Intelligence Officer Course). Congratulations! Member Jason Dubois has been meritoriously promoted to Corporal. He crossed paths with fellow member Sqt Mike Bizzoco at the Camp Lejeune PX. Small Marine World. LCpl Frank Cona **USMC** has shipped to Afghanistan with 3d Bn 4<sup>th</sup> Marines. William Clavijo's son Capt Anthony Clavijo USMC, a member of MITT team 1 is back from Iraq after a 12 month tour. Rick Hyland is now a Professor -Instructor at Westchester Community College. Frank Morganthaler did a fundraiser for "Canines for Combat Veterans", with the sponsorship of NYSC and Shoprite in Croton. Kurt Michaelson and Kristi have tied the knot. Congratulations and many Happy & healthy years before you.

**Detachment Activities** Sep 19 – Sendoff party for Sgt Tim Hill USMCR, by the Scarsdale Fire Department. Members in attendance: Lu Caldara, Bob Donnelly, John Daly, Ray Bailey, Arvid Johansen. Some members from the Rockland and Putnam County Detachments were also there. Tim was our Toys for Tots coordinator for Scarsdale Fire Department.

Oct 1–3: Members attended and participated in the wake and funeral ceremonies for Cpl John J. Malone USMC KIA Afghanistan.

Oct 1: Chaplain Kurt Michaelson participated in the homecoming event for members of 6<sup>th</sup> Comm Bn returning from the Middle East. Oct 4: Columbus Day Parade, White Plains.

Honor · Courage · Commitment · Tradition · History

Oct 10 – Department Staff Meeting, Kingston, NY. Members Ricardo Sheppard, Kurt Michaelson, James Mazzone and Lu Caldara attended. Oct 15 – Lu Caldara spoke at the 2/25 IRR briefing at Garden City.

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 Donation: \$54.54 Alan 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 <u>2009 Awardee David Schwartz</u> University of Pennsylvania Engineering As of 4/24/2009=\$18,562.46 Donation: \$100 Owen Mangan (\$50 to each scholarship).

## **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.

Semper Fidelis

### Young Marines of Westchester

Sept 18-20: Reg. Encampment Camp Edwards, MA – Succesful trip with the Color Guard taking 3d place. Oct 4: Columbus Day Parade. Recruit Training Cycle has begun.

#### 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 \$2,965 received Our goal has been reached but is still accepting support / donations for other equipment Donation:

USMC Uniform Support Center 800-368-4088

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

#### Note from Life Member Gen Bob Magnus USMC ret

Just came back from PI. Was parade reviewer for 492 new Marines including two series of women. About 40 Marine Corps Leaguers were there, including at least one World War II Leatherneck.

For those folks who think "they don't make like they used to," they're wrong. We still make Marines the tough way so they are physically, mentally and morally tough...and a team. But the recruits are not like they used to be. These recruits are, of course, volunteers and are the most highly educated and morally fit in our history. Their generation is not as physically tough as the lean kids of the Depression years, but these men and women are by far the best of their generation and as tough as any Marines who went to war before them. Semper Fidelis, Bob

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 Al Ramsey, Director Member Geno Egiziaco, Counselor 914-377-6700

USMC Recruiting Service Westchester 682-4785 - White Plains 969-0550 – Yonkers 213-3951 - 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: \$ 36.95 Long Sleeve: \$ 38.95