



Westchester County Detachment

Marine Corps League

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

Next Meeting: 6 July 2011 – First Wednesday

Muster 7:30 PM, Meeting 8 PM

Legion Hall • 57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY

Commandant: Kevin Fischer

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MEMBERSHIP FY 2011 471

Ask that Marine to associate with our detachment.

Welcome Aboard!

New members: Welcome Aboard **Jerome Newman** of NYC sponsored by Lu Caldara.

Renewal = \$26 New = \$31

New Life Member:

Vince McGowan of NYC. 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

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**Sick & Distress? Contact:
Chaplain Kurt Michaelson
914-438-6926**

chaplain@mclwestchester.org

TAPS

Life Member Walter "Ray" Bell Jr. passed away 23 May. Ray was a WWII veteran of the Pacific campaigns. See Obituaries.

Sick Call

Donald Shelton is still in the Nursing / Rehab facility of the Bronx VA. **Paul Rusinko** is also at the Nursing Home at Bronx VA. SSgt Dawes of the Peekskill Recruiting Office was a casualty of a motorcycle accident. Recovering, banged up but no broken bones.

Calendar

July 4: Monday "Independence Day Parade" Hyde Park. Arrival 8:45am

July 4: Monday "Independence Day Celebration" Arrive 6:45pm Port Chester HS Field.

Nov 6: Marine Anniversary Brunch Antun's. \$35 per person.

2011 MCL R&P Shoots
Colonie, NY

17 Sept Rifle; 18 Sept Pistol

Member News

Lt Dan Burns USMC has finished his Iraq assignment and is back to base on Okinawa. **May 21: Sgt Tintu Parameswar USMC**, NCOIC White Plains, put on a "Family Day" event at Tibbetts Brook Park for about 100 Recruits and family. Two of our YM's are in the DEP Pool and are to leave June and July for PISC. **LtGen Jay Paxton USMC**, after making the rounds for Fleet Week, in NYC, took the "Red Eye" to Europe for Belleau Woods memorial services. General Paxton is the CG of II MEF. **LtCol Tony Cardon USMC** is retiring this month. Tony's son is now in his 2d year at the USNA. **LtCol Chris Rust USMC** is now the PWST Officer at 6th Comm Bn.

Detachment Activities

May 22: Memorial Day Eastchester. USMC Parris Island Band marched and performed. Our YM's represented us.

May 26: Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast ceremonies, Gracie Mansion, NYC. **Cmdt Kevin Fischer** led our Detach. Delegation of members attending: LtGen Jay Paxton USMC, Vince McGowan, Al Striffler, Mike Acevedo, Lu Caldara..

May 26: USS Iwo Jima UN Officers reception. Kevin Fischer, LtCol Glenn Sadowski USMCR (US Mission to UN), LtGen Jay Paxton USMC, LtCol Tony Scenna USMC ret, Al Striffler, Lu

Caldara, Major Dan McSweeney USMCR, Capt Anton Sattler USMCR. **May 27: Commanders reception**, NYAC, NYC. LtGen Jay Paxton USMC, LtCol Tony Scenna USMC ret, Lu Caldara attending. **May 28: ShopRite Vets Appreciation event**, Croton. **Sgt Martha Herrera USMC** and some Marines home on leave provided the Red Hummer and Marine display at the shopping center. **Lu Caldara** was there raising funds for H4W and our YMs.

May 29: Veterans Appreciation Day. Rye Playland Sunday Noon – 5pm. Many of our members attended. **Sgt Tintu Parameswar USMC**, his RSS Marines and DEPers put on a super display at the event. Our YM's assisted in providing the food service to our vets and service members.

May 30: Memorial Day. White Plains, Parade then ceremonies at the Rural Cemetery. Legion Hall ceremonies followed.

June 2-4 NY State Convention: Vernon Downs.

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 4/10/2010=\$5,835.99

Donation \$33.50 "Loose Change"

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**

2010 Awardee Rafael Rodriguez

Cpl James J. Jackowski USMC
John Jay HS
2011 Awardee Zachary Ziemba
 Economics
 (See "Awardee")
As of 12/31/2010=\$18,762.79

Young Marines of White Plains

May 22: Eastchester Memorial Day Parade.

May 28: Memorials , graves flag placement detail at County Center and Chappaqua Cemetery.

Shoprite – Croton: Information table raised \$100 in donations.

May 29: Veterans Appreciation Day, Rye Playland. The YM's assisted in serving the veterans and active duty servicepeople. USMC Osprey / Helo demo landing and assault as part of the Fleet Week events.

May 30: Memorial Day White Plains. YM's marched; performed the flag raising detail at the ceremonies held at Rural Cemetery and AL Post 135.

June 10: Flag Day ceremonies at BPOE, Mamaroneck.

Special thanks to **Agostino Von Hassel** and **Bob Stevens** for both sponsoring an Aviation School tuition to send 2 YMs to Atlanta, GA..

2011 Scholarship Awardee John Jay HS

Zachary Ziemba is the 2011 recipient of the Corporal James Jackowski Marine Memorial Scholarship Award. Zach plans to study economics this Fall. He is a member of the Varsity Bowling team, a youth basketball coach for the past 3 years and a sports camp counselor each summer. He is a member of "Bridges to Community" and the "Junior Statesman of America" and has taken service trips to Nicaragua for the past three years over the spring break.

From the Wire

A bit of news about one of your members - Colonel Richard H. Esau, Jr. He is featured in a new book, Dr. Tom's War - A Daughter's Journey by Lucia Viti (<http://www.bedazzledink.com/drtoms-war>). A whole chapter is devoted to the stories he tells of his tour of duty in

Vietnam. We thought that your membership would be interested in this news. Thanks, **(Ms) C.A. Casey** Bedazzled Ink Publishing Company

Obituaries

WALTER "RAY" BELL, JR., Walter or "Ray" peacefully passed away May 23, 2011. Born in Port Chester, NY on October 30, 1920, Ray moved with his family to Armonk in 1929, Ray enlisted in the Naval Reserves and was stationed in both the Philadelphia and Brooklyn Naval Yards. Three months after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he proudly joined the U.S. Marines on March 26, 1941 and served with B-1-2 from 9/42 to 7/44 where he participated in the Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan and Tinian campaigns. As a machine gunner, he was wounded on Tarawa on 11/22/43 and again on Saipan on 7/8/44, which awarded him two purple hearts. Ray was very proud of being a Marine and many would say that the Marines were his life. In the 50's he began a 30 year vocation in the Readers Digest, where he retired in 1982. Ray had four loves - his faith, his country, his family and his many friends. Upon his retirement from the Readers Digest, he found he had a talent for writing poetry (where he began to use the name Walter) and wrote over 50 poems reflecting his love of country, his battles in WWII, his love of nature and animals and his love of God. Ray was a Life Member of North Castle American Legion Post #1097 and Marine Corps League plus numerous Marine Corps Associations

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Wounded Warrior Regiment

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