

# Marine Corps League

Westchester County Detachment

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## **NEWSLETTER**



Commandant Kevin O'Keefe (718) 644-3101

March 2016

#### **MEETING NOTICE:**

First Wednesday of the Month

Next Meeting: 6 April 2016

Location: American Legion Post 135

57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY 10602 Muster: 7:00 PM Meeting: 7:30 PM

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## Newsletter Team:

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New job, promotion, transfer or participated in a League activity or Corps event, or got some awesome news, we would like to hear from you! Contact our Editor using one of the methods above.

> Westchester County Veterans Service Agency 914-995-2145 / 2146

> Yonkers Veterans Service Agency 914-377-6700

## **MEMBERSHIP**

FY 2015 (July-June): We are at 418 Members with 287 Life Members. Invite those Marines to associate with our Detachment.

**Renewal** = \$31

**New** = \$35

Active Duty: Renewal = \$15 **New** = \$20

## Think LIFE!

**Life Member Dues:** To age 35 = \$500; 36-50 = \$400; 51-64 = \$300; 65+=\$200

You can pay our dues online at http://www.mclwestchester.org/renew/, It's quick and, easy, save a stamp and envelope and the check writing time. Try it, you'll like it!

#### Welcome Aboard!

New Member: Oscar Esteves Ramos, Starling Caraballo, Luis Henriquez Ortega and William Aiken all from the Bronx and sponsored by Donald O'Keefe. Kerrick Agee of Chappaqua, NY, sponsored by Steve Topilnycky

New Life Members: Jerry Mark of Fishskill, NY; Mario Garcia of Ossining, NY; Manny Antoniou of Yonkers NY.

#### SICK & DISTRESS?

Contact: chaplain@mclwestchester.org

Life Member Geno Egiziaco has been transferred to Montrose VA Hospital.

## **CALENDAR**

1 & 2 April 2016: Marine Corps League North East Division Meeting, will be held in Wilks-Barre, PA.

14-15 April 2016: Department of New York Staff Meeting. Quality Inn (Rotterdam), 2788 Hamburg St, Schenectady, New York

9-12 June 2015: Department of New York Convention. The Convention will be held at the Embassy Suites, 6646 Old Collamer Rd, Syracuse, NY

6 November 2016: Detachment Birthday Brunch Celebrating the 241<sup>st</sup> Birthday of the Marine Corps. -- SAVE THE DATE—Details to follow.

#### MEMBER NEWS

Member **Patrick Ford** has been elected at the new Commanding Officer of the Young Marines of Westchester.

Detachment Life Member Jim Maisano was presented with the Key to the August R. Mascaro







#### Veterans in Crisis

Free confidential support to Veterans in crisis, as well as their family and friends. Save this number to your phone: **1-800-273-8255** (press 1 for Veterans). You can also chat online or text professional responders at 838255.

## Who Are You Going to Call?

#### **General Communications:**

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## Membership Issues:

Jr. Vice Commandant Donald O'Keefe (718) 796-6582 ■ okeefebx@aol.com

## Payment/Dues Issues / Meeting Minutes:

Adjutant / Paymaster Steve Topilnycky (914) 263-0840 ■ spt1@mclwestchester.org

## Sick & Distress/Taps:

Chaplain

chaplain@mclwestchester.org

#### **Bylaws/Grievances/Detachment Policy:**

Judge Advocate Drew McFadden (917) 796-6638 ■ drewmcfadden@aol.com

## **Newsletter Editor/Web Site Issues:**

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Clubhouse of the Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle.

Detachment Member Andrea Molina (MolinaMesa) was recognized for Women's History Month by the Westchester County Legislators. After her service, Marine Molina came home to Westchester and now is an advocate on veteran issues.

## DETACHMENT ACTIVITIES

The newly elected Detachment
Officers were installed by
Department of New York South East
Area Vice Commandant, **Steve Topilnycky** 



Pictured (Left to Right): Lyndon Williams, Andrea Molina, County Legislator and Detachment Member Jim Maisano, Mike Kaplowitz

#### PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION

The proposed bylaws revisions were presented at the February and March meetings. The proposed changes will be presented for a vote at the 6 April meeting. Once passed they will be sent to the Judge Advocate of the Department of New York for approval. Once approved by the Department the revisions will be adopted as our new bylaws

#### **NEWSLETTER**

We have resumed mailing via postal mail the newsletter to those members who do not have an email address. We are requesting any member who is receiving the newsletter via postal mail, and has an email address, to please contact us so that we can change the method of delivery to save the Detachment a few dollars. Contact the editor **Steve Topilnycky** at spt1@mclwestchester.org.

**WANTED:** Detachment Members to be part of the Detachment Audit Committee. Audits are required annually per our bylaws. The Detachment is also seeking a member to serve as Detachment Chaplain. All those interested please contact Commandant **Kevin O'Keefe** at (718) 644-3101 or kevinnycl46@gmail.com.

## 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 Children's Home, Yonkers

In memory of Westchester County Marines who were killed in the terrorist bombing of the Marine Barracks in Beirut, Lebanon October 23, 1983.

LCpl Craig Wyche USMC Ossining HS

Cpl James J. Jackowski USMC John Jay HS

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