



Marine Corps League

Westchester County Detachment

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NEWSLETTER



Commandant Kevin O'Keefe (718) 644-3101

April 2016

MEETING NOTICE:

First Wednesday of the Month

Next Meeting: 4 May 2016

Location: American Legion Post 135
57 Mitchell Place, White Plains, NY 10602

NOTICE: NEW MEETING START TIME

Muster: 7:30 PM

Meeting: 8:00 PM

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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
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914-377-6700

MEMBERSHIP

FY 2015 (July-June): We are at **402 Members** with **283 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 Members: William Leo of the Bronx sponsored by Donald O'Keefe. Donald Wemer Jr. of Hastings-on-Hudson, NY, Marcos Cintron of Wappingers Falls, NY and William Brown of Cortlandt Manor, NY sponsored by Steve Topilnycky

SICK & DISTRESS?

Contact: chaplain@mclwestchester.org

CALENDAR

2-4 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 241st Birthday of the Marine Corps. --SAVE THE DATE--Details to follow.

MEMBER NEWS

Detachment Life Member Gen. **John M. Paxton Jr.**, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, and a procession of Marines from Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., marches through Arlington National Cemetery, Va. during a full honors funeral for Gen. Earl Edward Anderson, Mar. 31, 2016. Anderson was the first active duty Marine Naval Aviator to be promoted to a four-star rank, and he became the assistant commandant of the Marine Corps on April 1, 1972. (Official Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Chi Nguyen/Released)



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Who Are You Going to Call?

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Detachment Member Laurence "Chuck" Windsor Jr. was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation from the Secretary of the Army for outstanding meritorious service as a civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army for Southern New York from November 2005 to March 2014.

DETACHMENT ACTIVITIES

Detachment Sr. & Jr. Vice Commandants Donald O'Keefe and Kevin Fischer, represented our Detachment at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Yonkers. The Detachment has now formed a Budget Committee. It will be chaired by the Detachment Paymaster Steve Topilnycky, and the two committee members are Detachment Associate Member Carla Lucchino and Detachment Life Associate Member Kelly Topilnycky.

Detachment Jr. Vice Commandant Donald O'Keefe is spearheading an effort to honor Marine Corps & Navy Cross recipient Cpl Patrick Gallagher (KIA 3 March 1967, S. Viet Nam) asking Secretary Maybus to have a US Navy Ship named to honor him. To learn more visit <http://www.patrickgallagherusmc.info/>

PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION

The proposed bylaws was brought to a vote at the April meeting and passed unanimously. The proposed changes 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

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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