

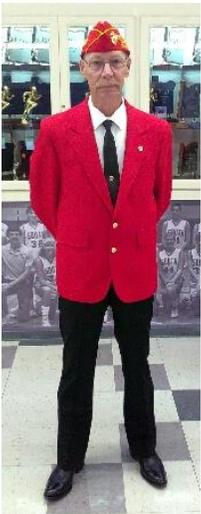


SEPTEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

Our next monthly meeting is set for: **15 September 2021**



CHAPLAIN & CORPSMAN



Dave Huber – Dave's brother Rex passed away 27 July 2021 in Battle Mountain, Nevada, from a sudden heart attack. Dave is working his way through funeral arrangements and getting access to his brother's legal affairs. Please keep Dave in your thoughts and prayers as Dave meets the challenges of losing his 3rd close relative in a relatively short period of time.



Jeanne & Eddie Mosteller – Jeanne’s brother Scott, in Texas, passed away suddenly. Scott was dealing with prior medical concerns but then contracted COVID. His passing was sudden. Please keep Jeanne and Eddie in your thoughts and prayers as they work through this sudden loss of a brother (and brother-law).

Chaplain's Corner



It can be tempting to put our trust and confidence in things we can see or measure, but that’s not the way of faith. So, it’s often difficult, when we’re willing to depend on God, to “be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power “(Ephesians 6:10), we can go into situations with courage and confidence, even when we feel overwhelmed and unqualified. His presence and power can do amazing things in and through us.

Blessings to each of you.
Nancy

Good of the League Announcements

Emerald Empire Detachment # 917 Newest Member & Associate Member

James F. Swogger, Sr. is the detachment's newest regular member. James served in the Marine Corps from 1966 – 1969.

Barbara A. Swogger is the detachment's newest associate member. Barbara is James' wife, and care provider.

Their applications for membership were received, verified and voted on during the August monthly meeting.

Photos of the newest members will come in the near future. Seems the newsletter editor was not on the ball in August.

Guest

Emerald Empire Detachment #917 member Joseph Lamm brought his friend Greg Mead to the August meeting.

Greg Mead served as an engineer assigned to the 27th Marines, 3rd Marine Division. Greg served from 1968 – 1969.

Detachment Picnic

A previously sent out email solicited detachment members input regarding a good date to conduct a picnic and small work party at the Emerald Empire Young Marines youth camp.

Due to the severe **FIRE DANGER RATING**, the planning for this event is postponed until the area receives a significant amount of rain / moisture.

If / When it is safe to have the picnic, without fear of fire, then the word will get passed via email.

Detachment Commandant Peter Bock advised the members at the August meeting that his grand-nephew was currently serving in Afghanistan with his Marine Corps unit and had been there for 3 months. Initially, it was planned they his unit would be returning from their soon; however, we all know what has been occurring there.

So, keep all of our deployed military members in your thoughts and prayers.

Pilgrim Degree Awarded to Martin Holland



Martin Holland (Blue Coat) receives his Pilgrim Degree, which is the Highest Degree of the Moose Fraternity, on 21 August 2021 at the Moose Lodge #1726, Springfield, Oregon.

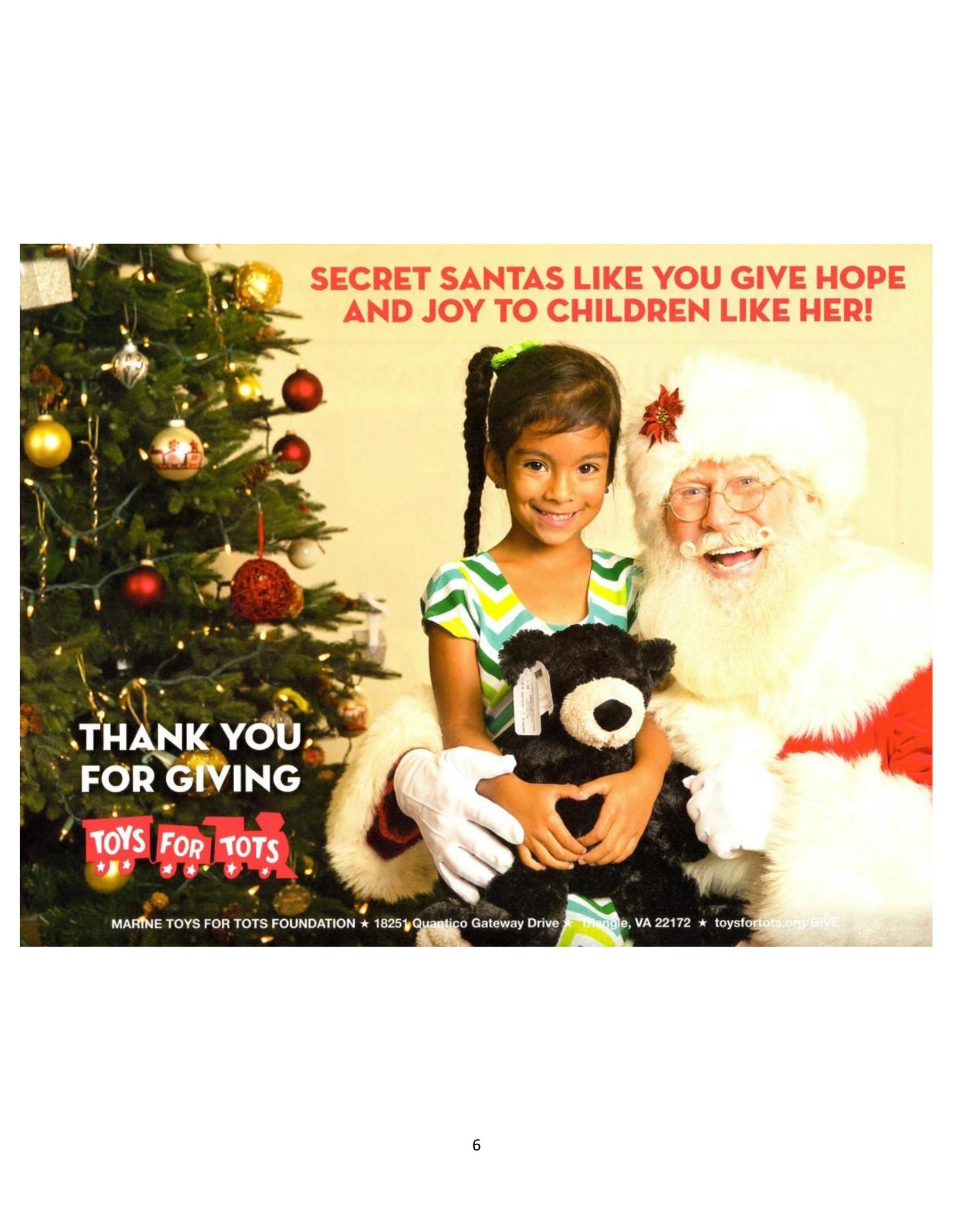
Martin is the son of Emerald Empire Detachment #917 member Ruth Holland.

Martin has been very instrumental within the Moose Lodge with helping to bring the Emerald Empire Young Marines, and the Emerald Empire Detachment # 917, Marine Corps League, to the Moose Lodge facilities.

Martin Holland, Ruth Holland, and the Martin Holland family. (Photo to the right)



Several detachment members were able to attend, and wore the red detachment shirt with red cover.

A young girl with dark hair in two braids, wearing a green and white striped shirt, is smiling and holding a black teddy bear. To her right is a man dressed as Santa Claus, wearing a white beard, glasses, and a red hat with a white pom-pom. They are standing in front of a decorated Christmas tree with gold and red ornaments. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

**SECRET SANTAS LIKE YOU GIVE HOPE
AND JOY TO CHILDREN LIKE HER!**

**THANK YOU
FOR GIVING**



MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDATION ★ 18251 Quantico Gateway Drive ★ Triangle, VA 22172 ★ toysfortots.org/GIVE



The YOUNG MARINES

The donated travel trailer is still in the works, as the owner must first remove personal property still inside the trailer. When that is completed, the word will get passed about a work party to complete the demo and repairs prior to moving the trailer to the Moose Lodge lot in Springfield.

On 16 August, nine Young Marines participated in a shooting qualification at a private range provided by the property owner in the west Eugene area. They shot for qualification with 22 caliber rifles.

The Young Marines also helped with a dinner service at the Moose Lodge (photos courtesy of Nancy Lukasik).





EMERALD EMPIRE DETACHMENT #917 Fund-Raising Breakfast Service for 15 August 2021





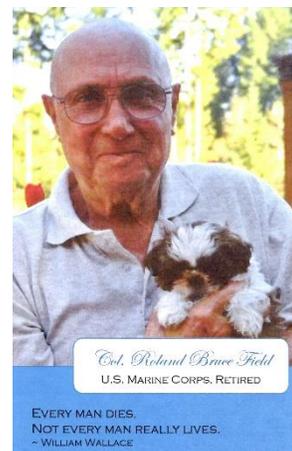
The total taken in during the August breakfast service was \$217.00 (purchased meals) + \$13.00 (tips) for a total of \$230.00. Another successful effort. With each passing event we refine the process and menu.

ATTENTION TO CHANGE OF ORDERS:

The next breakfast service will be the 2nd Sunday of September (12 September 2021) instead of the 3rd Sunday. This is for September ONLY.

SEPTEMBER 2021

BIRTHDAYS



19 September – Roland Field **Deceased**

Please take a moment and remember Roland on the day he was born.

If I have not displayed your birthday during your birth month that is because I do not have the day and month (do not send the year) of your birth. If you would like to appear on the birthday list, please get me the information.

Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League, Tracking of Community Service Hours

To facilitate the tracking, accounting, and reporting of Community Service Hours performed by Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League, members (Life/Regular/and Associate) we are asking each member to submit the following information.

Anytime a member performs Community Service Hours (Toys for Tots, Scouting, Young Marines, Funeral Honors, Parades, Assistance to Marines/ FMF Corpsmen / FMF Chaplains, Marines 4 Life, Rose Program, general assistance, etc.) we need to gather that information under the type of assistance or community service and the total number of hours performed for those tasks.

To simplify this task, we ask each member to track their own community service and the number of hours spent performing that service. Then submit this information each month using the monthly meeting date (3rd Wednesday of each month) as the due date of each submission. This information will be collected, and tallied by the detachment each month so that at the end of the year we are able to submit the required information needed to complete the Detachment Annual Report. The easiest method of delivery would be to bring it with you to the monthly meetings. If unable to attend then the information can be submitted via email. Please submit only one monthly report and not a report for each activity each time performed.



DETACHMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Detachment Number: _____ **Department:** _____

Funeral Honors

How many Funeral Honors has your Detachment performed between January 1st and December 31st?

Community Service

How many Community Service Hours has your Detachment performed between January 1st and December 31st (examples: Toys 4 Tots, Scouting, Young Marines, Funeral Honors, Parades, etc.)?

Toys 4 Tots

How many children has your Detachment helped in the past Toys 4 Tots season?

How many toys have been collected by the Detachment in the past Toys 4 Tots season?

How dollars were collected in donations for Toys 4 Tots in the past season?

Transitioning Marines and their Family

How many Marines, FMF Corpsman, and FMF Chaplains and their families have been assisted between January 1st and December 31st? (This includes Marine 4 Life events, Rose Program, general assistance, etc.)

Other Notes of Interest

Detachment Commandant

Email

Phone

Email this form to your Department Commandant. Departments to NVC. NVC to the COO.

Marine Corps League “Mission Statement”

Detachment Commandant Dave Huber has tasked the Senior Vice-Commandant with reading the Marine Corps League Mission Statement at each meeting so that we all are reminded on a regular basis what the “mission” of the Marine Corps League is, and what we should be striving for.

Marine Corps League Mission Statement (As shown on our detachment website)

Members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps, banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy, voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines, FMF Corpsmen and former Marines and FMF Corpsmen and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.

The Mission of the Marine Corps League (as shown on national website)

The mission of the Marine Corps League is to promote the interest and to preserve traditions of the United States Marine Corps; strengthen the fraternity of Marines and their families; serve Marines, FMF Corpsmen, and FMF Chaplains who wear or who have worn the Eagle, Globe and Anchor; and foster the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism.

Emerald Empire Detachment #917 Advertising Pens



The pens are available to detachment members for \$1.00 each pen. This covers the cost of the pens and earns the detachment approximately 23 cents per pen.

The pens are for handing out to Marines, Corpsmen, Chaplains, and persons we want to try and recruit for membership.

HATS & VISORS



Eagle, globe, anchor & “Semper Fi” White Sun visors and Black Marine Corps League hats - **\$1.00** each – **What a Deal.** Hats/Visors are now available at the monthly meetings.



DETACHMENT COINS / CHIPS



Available for \$1.50 each which off-sets the cost of buying them and earns the detachment 45 cents on each one purchased. They are available for purchase in-person during the monthly meetings and from the detachment paymaster.



You can carry one on you as your representation of the detachment when “challenged.” You can also give them out to Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains, and persons who may want to be associate members as recruiting tools; or as gifts to family, friends, and acquaintances who are veterans themselves.

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3rd Wednesday of the Month

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Meeting Starts @ 1900 hours

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Department Web Site: <http://www.mcl-oregon.org>

National Website: www.mclnational.org

2021 Meeting Dates **(Tentative) – ALL** **WEDNESDAYS**

**AS OF FEBRUARY – Meetings are at Moose Lodge 1726 Springfield,
Oregon**

15 September

20 October

17 November

15 December