



JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

Our next monthly meeting is set for: **16 June 2021**

**DINNER MENU AVAILABLE AT JUNE 2021
MEETING – PROVIDED BY MOOSE LODGE**



(THESE PHOTOS ARE ONLY FOR REPRESENTATIVE PURPOSES ONLY – NOT THE ACTUAL ITEMS)

Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes & corn.

Cost: \$12.00



CHAPLAIN & CORPSMAN



Joseph Lamm – Joseph reported that his twin girls Shelby and Riley are much better but still recovering from the motor vehicle accident that sent them both to the hospital.

Joseph also thanked the members for the cards and thoughts during this traumatic event.

Shelby is still having some trouble walking but is healing.

Riley suffered a broken nose / concussion and is also on the road to recovery.

Please continue to keep Joseph and his family in your thoughts and prayers.



Jim Pilling – Status

While dining at “Long Comes Trudy,” Stephen and Lois Price ran into (figuratively speaking) Jim Pilling and his family. Jim informed them he is doing okay, and keeps an eye on our detachment webpage. Jim also knows we have changed meeting locations.

Chaplain's Corner

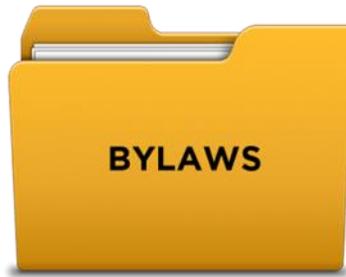


Detachment Chaplain Nancy Lukasik

Sometimes life throws us difficult situations. We put on a fake smile and pretend everything is okay. There is a better way: Praise the Lord quietly! Give yourself over to the spirit of faith! The spirit of faith is the Holy Spirit, and we are called to praise him.
Be well as you read this. God cares for you. In fact, he loves you like crazy!

Good of the League Announcements

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES:



From: Judge Advocate, Emerald Empire Detachment #917
To: Commandant, Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League, Post Office Box
70455, Springfield, Oregon
Subj: Change in the Detachment Bylaws

In accordance with our detachment by-laws, any proposed changes need to be read at the monthly meeting, and published in the detachment Newsletter. A copy of the letter containing the proposed changes follows below. These proposed changes are to bring our written by-laws into compliance with national dues requirements. Please read through the proposed changes and come to the June monthly meeting ready to discuss and vote on the proposed changes.

Change to Article 2 of the Bylaws for Emerald Empire Detachment #917

Currently reads: "As a subsidiary organization of the Marine Corps League, incorporated by the United States Congress on August 4, 1937, the Emerald **Valley** Detachment #917 shall have the same purposes and objectives of that organization."

Change: "As a subsidiary organization of the Marine Corps League, incorporated by the United States Congress on August 4, 1937, the Emerald **Empire** Detachment #917 shall have the same purposes and objectives of that organization."

Respectfully submitted,

Thad E. Lukasik
Judge Advocate
Emerald Empire MCL #917



Detachment Fund Raising Yard Sale

We are looking at 23rd (Friday), 24th (Saturday), and 25th (Sunday) of July 2021 to conduct the Detachment's (normally) Annual Fund-Raising Yard Sale.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The annual detachment yard sale has been our primary fund-raising event. Due to Covid-19 we did not have one in 2020. So, we should have lots of items to clean out of our homes with all that time tied to home for the last year plus.

Items should be clean and priced upon arrival or prior to donating. The more done before donating the less we have to do to set up.

The more items we have to sell - the more likelihood we have of generating a larger quantity of funds for those things that our detachment supports. Maybe we

can surpass our record amount of: **\$1,785.26**

The location will be at the Moose Lodge (most likely indoors), and there is talk about selling hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, water and soda as additional fund raising.

The yard sale committee consists of:

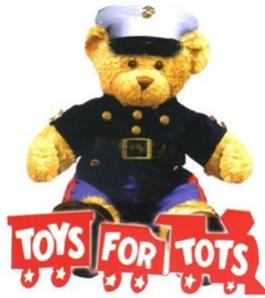
Paul Grinde

Joseph Lamm

Debbie Barker

Lois & Stephen Price

STAND-BY FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION AS WE GET IT FORMALIZED.



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League, has completed a Distinguished Service Award for now retired United States Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant Boylan for his outstanding work as the Toys for Tots Coordinator 2020. This certificate will be forwarded to Gunny Boylan via the United States Marine Corps Reserve Unit, Springfield, Oregon.

246th United States Marine Corps Birthday Cake Cutting Celebration

Start planning for the 246th United States Marine Corps Birthday Cake Cutting Celebration which will occur on 10 November 2021 (Wednesday) at the Moose Lodge (see address at the end of this newsletter).

The Moose Lodge made this possible by volunteering to move their normal monthly meeting to the following Wednesday.

This cake cutting ceremony will following the typical order we have in the past:

Reading of the 1st Birthday Message of General John A. Lejeune {Marine Corps Order No. 47}, and the Birthday Message from the 38th Commandant of the United States Marine Corps General David H. Berger.

There will be a cake cutting, and probably a round (maybe 2, or 3) of the Marine Corps Hymn.

Most importantly there will be camaraderie, socialization and merriment celebrating the 246th Birthday of the United States Marine Corps.

So, look for more details when we get closer to the actual event.



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL

There is some initial talk of having a Marine Corps Birthday Ball on 13 November 2021 (Saturday). This would be the Formal Event (Ceremony, Dinner, Music).

STAND BY FOR MORE DEFINITIVE WORD.

EMERALD EMPIRE YOUNG MARINES

Detachment Junior Vice-Commandant Stephen Price reported that he and detachment member & Mr. Bug Pest Control (see card below) business owner Joseph Lamm made a trip up to the “Don Austin Youth Camp.” A complete pest control spraying and trapping plan was put into place. So, the camp should be much more acceptable for occupancy when the time comes.

Stephen also advised that about July there needs to be some more work done to include completing one roofing project. Several members volunteered to help when the time comes and is announced.



A trip that was planned for the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, in McMinnville, Oregon was cancelled to on-going Covid-19 concerns.

The Emerald Empire Young Marines are currently looking for a “water tight” storage container large enough for equipment storage and to house a small office.

There is still the Drastic Need for Adult Leadership to ensure the continuation of the Young Marines.



At the Young Marines graduation, which was held at the Moose Lodge, there was a dinner following the graduation ceremony and then a 2-piece band played music.

Almost everyone from the graduation stayed around, and the kids were on the dance floor having a good time.

The Moose Lodge donated the proceeds from the dinner, and part of the bar, for a total donation to the Young Marines of \$715.00.

The Moose Lodge has been a very positive influence upon the Emerald Empire Young Marines organization. So much so, that it was unanimously approved by a vote of the members present that a Certificate of Appreciation should be prepared and presented to the Moose Lodge #1726, Springfield, Oregon for their generous support of the Emerald Empire Young Marines.



Your 2021 – 2022 Emerald Empire Detachment Officers are:

I inaccurately reported in the May newsletter that only nominations would be conducted at the May meeting; however, elections needed to occur to maintain the proper timeline within the detachment by-laws.

So, during the 19 May 2021 monthly meeting, the nominations for elected detachment officers (Commandant, Senior-Vice Commandant, Junior-Vice Commandant, and Judge Advocate) did occur and that was followed by voting.

Elected was:

Detachment Commandant Peter Bock

Senior Vice-Commandant Debbie Barker

Junior Vice-Commandant Stephen Price

Judge Advocate Thad Lukasik

During the 16 June 2021 meeting the Installation of Officers will take place, and the newly elected officers will take charge of the meeting.

Appointed Positions

Paymaster: Lois Price carries on

Adjutant: Ray Miller carries on

Sergeant-At-Arms: Rudy Grein

Chaplain: Nancy Lukasik carries on

Web-master: Debbie Barker carries on

EMERALD EMPIRE DETACHMENT #917 Fund-Raising Breakfast
Service



On 16 May 2021 (3rd Sunday of May), the Emerald Empire Detachment #917 hosted its first ever Sunday morning breakfast at the Moose Lodge 1726, Springfield, Oregon.

Detachment members Dave Huber, Ray & Linda Miller, Lois & Steve Price, Nancy & Thad Lukasik, Ruth Holland, and cooking and baking extraordinary Rudy Grein served up scrambled eggs, sausage, gravy and toast.





Dave Huber reported that the attendance was “a little lite,” and most likely due to Covid-19 directions and changes issued by the governor prior to the event.

Still the Emerald Empire Detachment brought in:
\$176.00 (paid by persons dining) - \$50.00 to the Moose Lodge for use of their supplies + some items donated by members = a \$115.50 to Emerald Empire Detachment #917.

The next Emerald Empire Detachment #917 hosted breakfast will be:

FATHER’S DAY

20 June 2021 (3rd Sunday of the month)

Detachment members preparation runs from 0730-0900

Breakfast service runs from 0900-1100

(fathers will eat for free – continuing a long-standing Moose Lodge tradition)

The menu will be expanding for our second hosting of the breakfast.

DEPARTMENT OF OREGON
SUMMER CONVENTION
9 & 10 July 2021

Here is the latest word from Department of Oregon, Marine Corps League:

Detachment Commandant's,

Below you will see a forwarded email from National in regards to elections. Due to the "level system" for the counties in Oregon, I will assume that you will make the best call needed to get your detachment elections taken care of. All that I ask is that you send your new ROI's to Lou (neube@att.net) so that he can account for them and get them forwarded up the chain.

SUMMER CONVENTION - July 9th & 10th, Klamath Falls, OR.

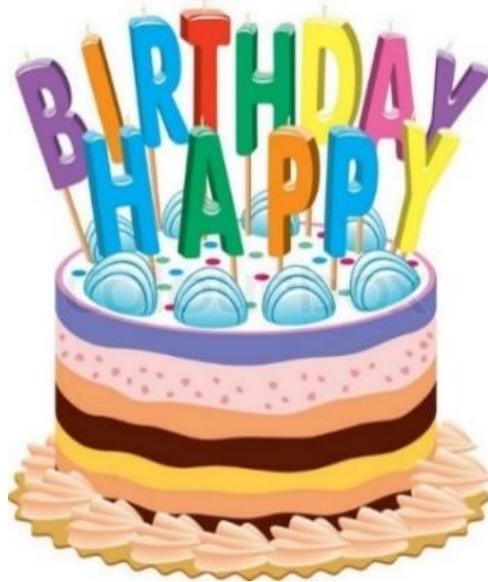
Agenda is still being worked on, but there are a few things I wanted to fill you in on:

- Dinner will be Friday evening - Social Hour 1700, Dinner Buffet starts at 1800 - cost \$16 (menu in registration)
- Hotel accommodations are being worked on for a discount rate - it is easier to have an approx head count of who is coming so we can reserve enough blocks of rooms.
- Saturday meeting - 0800-1200 - uniform = MC/MCL Polo shirt and slacks (black or tan)
- The meeting will be organized and structured to follow the guidelines - but we do have a lot to cover in a short amount of time.
- Nominations/Elections for Department staff will need to happen too.
- ALL POSITIONS (minus the Chaplin) for OR MCL Department will be open. So, if you have Marines interested or have someone in mind, please email me directly.

That is all I have for the moment. I know there is a lot more to talk about, but I will try to keep these emails shorter.

Semper Fi!
AJ Davila
Sr. Vice Commandant
OR Dept MCL

JUNE 2021 BIRTHDAYS



12 June – John Lane **Deceased**

15 June 1950 – Dan Stombaugh

23 June – Thomas H. Williams **Deceased**

24 June – Teresa Robinowitz

Please take a moment and remember each of these persons on the day they were 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.

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 Chaplains, and persons we

membership.

to Marines, Corpsmen, want to try and recruit for

HATS & VISORS

Eagle, globe, anchor & “Semper Fi” White Sun visors and Black Marine Corps League hats – FOR SALE - \$5.00 each – What a Deal



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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Detachment Web Site: www.mcl917.org

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

National Website: www.mclnational.org

2021 Meeting Dates

(Tentative) – ALL WEDNESDAYS

AS OF FEBRUARY – Meetings at Moose Lodge Springfield, Oregon

16 June

21 July

18 August

15 September

20 October

17 November

15 December