### "THE GRUNT"





### **MCL Lakeland Detachment #744 Newsletter**

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### **Commandants Corner March 2017**



COMMANDANT'S CORNER
Marine Corps League
Lakeland Detachment—744
March 2017

### THE TITLE

IT CANNOT BE INHERITED.

NOR CAN IT EVER BE PURCHASED.

NEITHER YOU, NOR ANYONE ELSE ALIVE
CAN BUY IT FOR ANY PRICE.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RENT.
AND IT CANNOT BE LENT.
YOU ALONE AND OUR OWN
HAVE EARNED IT
WITH YOUR BLOOD, SWEAT AND WITH LOST
LIVES.
YOU OWN IT FOREVER
THE TITLE

UNITED STATES MARINE



### **Commandants Corner Cont.**

At every wake we attend, the above poem is read with pride in our Corps and with reverence to honor a fallen Marine. But we should also honor those living who have gone through the trials of becoming a Marine, have lived the life of a Marine and have honored that Title in their daily lives through service to their fellow man, their country and their God. The title Marine is not to be taken lightly, it represents a commitment to be the very best and to follow and adhere to our core values of

HONOR, COURAGE AND COMMITMENT.

Semper Fidelis,

Charlie

**HONOR—COURAGE--**



COMMITMENT

### **Service Officers Report March 2017**

We're off to a great start this year providing comradeship and fun for our veterans at the Paramus Veterans Nursing Home!

I was informed the other day, that 11 Veterans from the home have passed since the beginning of the year. While I find that sad, I'm happy that it's possible

that some of them were at our monthly Bingo's!

Our support with a few dollars and some morale support goes a long way!

Even though it's only a little time once a month that we spend with them, anyone who has volunteered finds it as a rewarding experience!

Our next Bingo is on March 30th, at 2:00pm. at the Paramus Veterans Home, Paramus.

Come join us!

**Paul Thompson** 

### What is eBenefits?

eBenefits provides electronic resources in a self-service environment to Servicemembers, Veterans, and their families. Use of these resources often helps us serve you faster! Through the eBenefits website you can:

- Submit claims for benefits and/or upload documents directly to the VA
- Request to add or change your dependents
- Update your contact and direct deposit information and view payment history
- Request a Veterans Service Officer to represent you
- Track the status of your claim or appeal
- Obtain verification of military service, civil service preference, or VA benefits
- And much more!

Enrolling in eBenefits is easy. Just visit <a href="www.eBenefits.va.gov">www.eBenefits.va.gov</a> for more information. If you submit a claim in the future, consider filing through eBenefits. Filing electronically, especially if you participate in our fully developed claim program, may result in a faster decision than if you submit your claim through the mail.

### \*\*\*\*PAY ADJUDANT NEWS\*\*\*\*

Marine Corps League National Headquarters has informed Detachment Commandant and Pay Masters that there has been a change to when Detachment Members annual dues are due. Effective September 1, 2017 Detachment Members Annual Dues will be due

Effective January 1, 2017 "Detachment Members" will no longer be receiving their "Membership Renewal Notice" from National Headquarters informing them when their "Annual Dues" are due.

The Detachment PayMaster will be notifying by "Mail" Detachment Members when their Annual Dues have expired.

Any question in reference to the above matter, please call (973-839-5693) Peter J. Alvarez (PayMaster)







# Department of Veterans Affairs Women Veterans Workshop/Claims Clinic & Information Fair "Enhancing the Veteran Experience"

Hosted by

Bergen Community College &

Lillie Nuble,
Director, Newark Regional Office

**WHO:** Veterans, Service-members, dependents and any organization or individual who works with or on behalf of Veterans

**WHAT: Women Veterans Workshop** 

**WHERE:** Bergen Community College

400 Paramus Road Paramus, NJ 07652

**Moses Family Meeting & Training Center (TEC 128)** 

WHEN: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 / 5PM – 7PM

**WHY:** To receive information regarding the VA Benefits claims process and other information regarding: pension, vocational rehabilitation and employment, and education benefit programs.

For more information contact Jennifer Myers at 973-297-3384 or <a href="mailto:jennifer.myers6@va.gov">jennifer.myers6@va.gov</a>

## Bringing the VA to VETERANS!



<u>Driving Directions to:</u>
Bergen Community College
400 Paramus Road
Paramus, New Jersey 07652

### FROM THE NORTH

(Via Garden State Parkway)

Take Exit 165, turn right (west) on Ridgewood Road, then right onto Ridgewood Avenue (crossing over Route 17) and continue to Paramus Road. Turn left onto Paramus Road and continue approximately two miles to college, proceed around jug handle to main entrance. (Via Route 17) Turn right off Route 17 onto Ridgewood Avenue (west) to Paramus Road. Turn left onto Paramus Road and continue as above.

#### FROM THE EAST

Take Route 4 (via George Washington Bridge from New York City) to Paramus Road, Paramus. (From the east, Paramus Road is approximately 3/4 miles past Route 17 intersection). Turn right onto Paramus Road and proceed north for approximately two miles to college entrance on right side of Paramus Road.

### FROM THE SOUTH

(Via Garden State Parkway) Take Exit 160 (Passaic Street). Turn left onto Passaic Street. Continue over Route 4 onto Paramus Road (Passaic Street becomes Paramus Road north of Route 4 overpass). Continue north about two miles on Paramus Road to college entrance on right.

(Via Route 17) Take Century Road, second exit to the right, proceed around clover leaf over Route 17 onto Century Road (west). Continue to Paramus Road and turn right onto Paramus Road to college entrance on right.

### **FROM THE WEST**

Take Route 4 to Paramus Road, Paramus (exit under overpass). Turn right onto Paramus Road and proceed north for approximately two miles to college entrance on right side of Paramus Road.

Our Facilities Are Designed to Accommodate People with Disabilities







### MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

### **LAKELAND DETACHMENT 744**

### 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

**Preakness Valley Golf Course** 

209 Totowa Road, Wayne, NJ 973-881-4921

Date: Friday June 2nd 2017

TIME 8 AM Register & Breakfast—9AM Shotgun start
PRICE: \$135.00 per Golfer, includes Breakfast,
Lunch,Golf & Cart,Plus Beer & Soda on course& @ Lunch
Best ball Team Prize & prizes for all

Reservations & Payments by May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017

(CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED)

### GOLF COMMITTEE

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Dennis Kievit 201-825-0183—dkievit@yahoo.com

# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE LAKELAND DETACHMENT 744

Friday June 2nd, 2017

# TEE & HOLE SPONSORS NEEDED

18th Annual Golf outing

SGT'S \$100.00

CPL'S \$50.00

PFC'S \$25.00

**Sponsors Name & Address** 



SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017 - 10A.M.-1P.M.

WAYNE YMCA

1 PIKE DRIVE, WAYNE, NJ 07470

### Co-sponsors:

- Township of Wayne Mayor Chris Vergano
- Passaic County Veterans Services
- Community Hope
- Passaic County
   Board Of Chosen Freeholders
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- American Legion Post 174 & Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Jewish War Veterans Post 695
- Military Order of the Purple Heart
- Lakeland Chapter-Marine Corps League Detachment 744
- U.S. Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen, NJ-11

For More Information Please Contact:

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Office Of
U.S. Representative
Rodney Frelinghuysen
30 Schuyler Place, 2<sup>nd</sup>Floor
Morristown
(973) 984-0711

### Rose Program 2017



benefit the Detachment and our veterans the most. We should see our Rose event calendar start to develop soon!

Semper Fidelis

Mike McNulty

### **Garden State Detachment**



Due to the overwhelming success of the Platoon Tee Shirt program and requests from Marines, we have decided to try a Platoon Sweat Shirt program. I will order shirts as I get enough for a minimum order, so your shirt (s) may take a while or not. You can make copies of this order form and pass it along to other Marines.

These Sweat Shirts are specially made with your Parris Island platoon number and the year you graduated. The lettering is gold. These sweat shirts are Jerzees Brand, 50% Cotton/ 50% polyester ribbed collar and cuffs and waistband with spandex. In addition we will have a choice of colors.

This is a ONE TIME program that will expire on October 1, 2017

Pricing: S - M \$30.00

L-XL \$32.00

XXL - XXXL \$35.00

(Includes Shipping)

COLORS:

Forest Green - Black - Red - Navy Blue - Ash

\*\* Make check out to: Garden State Detachment\*\*

Be sure to specify size, platoon number and year of graduation\_when Ordering

UNITED STATES MARINE COPRS



You're Platoon Number Here

### MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT PARRIS ISLAND

MAIL CHECKS TO:

Rich Basile
Past Department
Commandant Trustee
Garden State Det. Adjutant
5 Stonehill Lane
Belvidere, NJ 07823
908-475-8732

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### Department of New Jersey 2017 Shooting Program Schedule

Pistol	DATE	TIME	<u>MATCH</u>	LOCATION
	3/12	8:30 AM	Combat Pistol Match	Union County Sheriff's Pistol Range
	3/26	8:30 AM	Three Gun Aggregate	Union County Sheriff's Pistol Range
	4/23	8:30 AM	Pistol Qualification	Union County Sheriff's Pistol Range
	5/07	8:30 AM	MCL – NJ Championship	Union County Sheriff's Pistol Range
	5/21	8:30 AM	600 Aggregate	Union County Sheriff's Pistol Range
Rifle				O
	6/25	8:30 AM	Garand Match	Cherry Ridge Range - Highland Lakes, NJ
	8/06	8:30 AM	Four Position Match	Cherry Ridge Range - Highland Lakes, NJ
	8/27	8:30 AM	Rifle Qualification Match	Cherry Ridge Range - Highland Lakes, NJ
	10/29	8:30 AM	Carlos Hathcock Match	Cherry Ridge Range - Highland Lakes, NJ

### Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Riley Shooting Program Chairman (201) 592-6093 (Home) (201) 983-1019 (Cell) joseph.riley10@verizon.net



### **March Calendar**

March 12th Eagle Scout court of Honor Troop 104 Packnack clubhouse Wayne 1300

March 14th Board meeting American Legion 17:00

March 17th Breakfast Prep 10am—1pm

March 18th Breakfast 8am-12pm

March 23rd Detachment Meeting 7:30 pm

March 25th Veterans Job Fair 10am-1pm Wayne YMCA

March 26th Eagle Court of Honor Troop 76 Ringwood 1400

March 26th Bingo Paramus Veterans Home 1400

### **April Calendar**

**April 1** Eagle Court of Honor Troop 12 Livingston 1700

April 1 Leadership school for Bill and Mona Harris

**April 10 Bingo Paramus Veterans Home 1400** 

**April 11 Executive Board Meeting 1900** 

April 15 Third Saturday Breakfast 0800-1200

April 22 Provide Color Guard for opening ceremony for Comedy Night fundraiser Carn anavale center Pompton Lakes 1830

**April 27 Detachment Meeting 1930** 

### \*\*\*\*\* **Veterans Information**

### **Marine Corps League** Information

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### **Paul Thompson**

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**Lakeland Detachment 744** 

Marine Corps League

**Veterans Service Officer** 

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**Veterans Administration** 

**Department Of Veterans Affairs** 20 Washington Place Newark, New Jersey 07102-3174 Phone 1 800 827 1000

### **Veterans Campus Lyons**

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### **Veterans Service Officer Vietnam Veterans of America**

**Margaret Wojciechowicz** 973-297-3227

#### **PASSAIC**

**Veterans Service Office** 930 Riverview Drive, Suite 200 **Totowa, NJ 07512** 973-569-4090 John Harris VSO/ Richard Mannes VSO

### **BERGEN**

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Richard Daul, Director

**Marine Corps league National Website** 

http://www.mcInational.org/

Marine Corps League NJ State Website

http://www.njmcl.org/

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http://www.usmcl744.org/

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