



WHITEWATER VALLEY MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
RICHMOND, INDIANA
NEWSLETTER
JULY & AUGUST 2010



A MARINE MAY LEAVE THE CORPS
...BUT THE CORPS WILL NEVER LEAVE THE MARINE

WEB ADDRESS: www.wvmla.org

National Bylaws Article Six-Members, Section 645-Life Members:

Any member of the Marine Corps League who is in good standing may become a Life Member, upon proper payment of the fee, as is required herein. A Life Member shall be subject to payment of no further dues of a Detachment, or National, such member shall have all the privileges, rights, and benefits enjoyed as a member so long as that Life Member shall live.

Life Membership Price Information as of January 1, 2009

Up to and including age 35 - \$500.00

Age 36 up to and including age 50 - \$400.00

Age 51 and up to and including age 60 - \$300.00

Age 61 and over - \$150.00

Happy Birthdays



JULY

5th- Gary Swearingen
Lynn Walker
8th- Vana Sheve
9th- Ollie Miller
11th-Charles Rose
13th-Debbie Heppard
Deborah Barnett
14th-Sandra Rowe
15th-Steve Marshall
17th-Larry Kendall
18th-Darin Childress
Ron Casey
20th-Gary Gifford
Joyce White
21st-Dale Williamson
23rd-Don Ponder
Wendy Byrd
24th-Michael Campbell
Dallas Abrams
25th-Ronald Rammy
27th-Steve Sprouse
Liz Demao
29th-Toney Tate

AUGUST

1st- Brian Cox
Gordon Moore
Bobby Minor
4th- Larry Williams
5th- John Steele
7th- James Clark Sr.
8th- Deborah Carter
Chris Blackwell
Todd Dooley
9th- Rick Holliday
Charlie Young
10th-Darrell Hoskins
Shane Stephens
13th-Chuck Devers
Mark Minor Sr.
Melissa McCarty
14th-Charlie Ragen
16th-Terri Witham
18th-Bob Ellington
George Sauer
Sylvia Dungan
Midge Robinson
20th-Ann Hunsinger
Dale Harrison
21st-Carol Johnson
22nd-Carl Lindsey
27th-Tony Stinson
29th-Betty Lou Steele
Steve Coates
Cathy Helton
30th-Jeff Parker
Jerry Byrd
Larry Kendall Jr.

Commandant's Report



I would first like to invite all Marines and Associate Members to our monthly meeting. The meetings take place the fourth Sunday of each month at 1530 hrs (3:30). Lately the attendance has been low, and this is the time to ask questions or make complaints, or make suggestions, so come on down to the club and attend.

Ann H. finally contacted Major B.A. Murray (Ret.) about Toys for Tots, and he is working with us so that we will be on board this year. Ann Hunsinger and Cathy Helton will be going to Leesburg, Va. this Sep. for the Toys for Tots conference.

Friday night dinners are still happening, if anyone would like to do a meal or help, contact Connie Gross or myself and we will schedule you in.

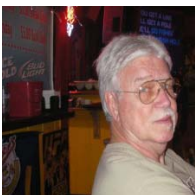
We have been trying different activities at random and it doesn't always make it to the newsletter, so please ask while you are in the club or look at the boards, we always hang flyers, or write upcoming events on the board above the coffee pot.

We had a few Members that showed up at all three (3) Memorial Day events, the ones that didn't show missed out .

I would like to close and remind everyone to PLEASE keep our Troops and their family members in your prayers.

Commandant, Bill McFarland

House Committee Report



No report at this time.

New report in next Newsletter

Chaplain's Report



One day I was at the club and as I sat at the bar, I looked around at all the patrons setting at the bar and tables and realized what a crowd of great people we have. I seen purple heart recipients, veterans from many different wars, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq. Mothers and Fathers of veterans, sons and daughters of those that served, and I thought of a scripture I had read. Where for seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sun which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us-Hebrews 12:1. Great are the things done by good people not by Great Men. Doing great things is what makes one Great. We have so many who have witnessed great things and sometimes we forget that. Sometimes we forget what that person sitting in that seat around us has done or what that father, mother, son, daughter or grandparent has sacrificed or given up for God and Country. In the Bible God used simple men and women to do Great things; like a sheep herder, farmers, slaves, and carpenters. Not Kings, Queens, or Politicians. It's not what one is that makes one great but what one does. So I thank all of you for letting be in your company. We may not all agree at all times but we all have the same goal in mind.

Let me leave you with this, no matter what or who you believe in or don't believe in this verse is true and applies to all...for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap-Galatians 6:7.

Mark A Minor Sr., Chaplain MCL

Auxiliary Report



We had a great turn out for Convention in Indianapolis, we learned some new things and met some new people. Congrats to our Whitewater Valley Ladies for their new positions in State office; Kim Parker is new Senior Vice, Theresa Clark is Secretary, and Kay South is on the Scholarship Committee.

Don't forget about the Motorcycle Benefit rides on the first Sunday of every month, except July which will be on the 11th.

July Meeting will be at 5:30 p.m.. This will be held at MCL Cafeteria, so make a note.

We will be doing a monthly dinner and bingo on the fourth Friday of the month.

Thanks to all who participated in the gift bags. Great fun and we didn't do to bad either. Keep coming up with ideas so that we can continue to do what we do best.

Connie Gross, President

AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER

WWV Marine Corps League Auxiliary Unit are hosting a Tupperware fundraiser to raise money for Care Packages that are mailed out to any/all military persons for which we have names and address for overseas. 40% of all sales will benefit the Care Packs.

If you would like to support our effort, please visit <http://www.tinyurl.com/wwwmclatupper/> for the fundraiser products. Or you can contact one of your Auxiliary members at the club. All items will be shipped directly to you, so even if you're out of town, you can still support this mission.

We are always looking for new names and addresses of people and their Units. If you have any, please let me know at ebhaskett99@yahoo.com. Also, feel free to FW this email on to your friends and family if you think they would like to make a purchase.

Thank you so much for your support! Erin Haskett, Auxiliary Member

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE



Important Information


The following was offered at the 2010 Central Division Conference by National Junior Vice Commandant Jim Tuohy, and I thought it was worth reading. How to kill an organization:

1. Don't participate beyond paying your dues, let them handle things-then complain that members have no voice in management.
2. Decline all committee appointments and offices-you're too busy. Then offer vociferous advice on how things should be done.
3. If appointed to a committee, don't work; it's a courtesy appointment-then complain that the organization has stagnated.
4. If you attend meetings, don't initiate new ideas-then play "devil's advocate" to those submitted by others.
5. Don't rush to pay your dues-they're too high anyway-then complain about poor management.
6. Don't encourage others to become members-that's selling-then complain that membership is not growing.
7. Don't read the newsletter or other communications-they're not important-then complain you're not being kept informed.
8. Don't volunteer your talents-that's ego fulfillment-then complain that you're never asked and never appreciated.
9. Have faith in no one and nothing. Don't take any chances on untried procedure-you're not a gambler; let someone else put their reputation on the line-then be sure to enjoy the benefits from another's leap of faith.
10. If by chance, the organization grows, despite your lack of contributions, grasp every opportunity to tell the young members how tough it was and how hard you worked in the old days to bring the group to its present level of success!

Please read-IMPORTANT INFO ON NEWSLETTER MAILINGS:

Due to the higher cost of postage, we are going to try to send our Newsletter out via email to our members who are on the internet starting with our next Newsletter. If you have an email address, we ask that you either send your information (your email address) to andreaminor5@yahoo.com or stop into the club and see a bartender. The bartender will have a sheet for you to complete with all your information. If we don't receive any information from you, we will continue to mail you the Newsletter.

JULY 2010

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4 Independence Day 	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Benefit Ride leaves club @ noon	12	13 House Committee	14 Staff Meeting @ 6pm	15	16	17
18 Auxiliary Meeting @ 5:30pm-we will meet at MCL Cafeteria	19	20	21	22	23 Friday Nite Dinner@ 6pm- Fried Chicken, potatoes, & veggie: Brown Bag Bar Bingo @7pm	24
25 Motorcycle Meeting @ noon Monthly Meeting @ 3:30pm	26	27	28	29	30	31

AUGUST 2010

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Aug. 8-14: National Convention to be held in Greensboro, NC- need more information on this? Visit our [website](#) or <http://www.mcl2010.org/>