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Marine Corps Ball Committee

by Paula Landers

The first 237th Marine Corps Ball Committee meeting was held prior to our Detachment Membership meeting on Wednesday, January 25th. The meeting was well attended, and we got a couple of things covered already. Committee Chairperson Art Midle presented several different Fundraising ideas to the committee that were well excepted and we will be looking more in depth at a few of these.

Each year we strive to make our Birthday Ball even better than the previous one. With your help this can be accomplished. Below is a brief survey, please e-mail your

comments to Art Midle at amidle3081@wild4music.com be sure to put *Ball Survey* in the subject line or mail the completed form to:

River Cities Detachment #1090
Attn: Ball Committee
P. O. Box 6581
Evansville, IN 47719-0581

If you did not attend last years Ball please comment on the last event you attended. Also let us know why you decided not to attend last year. This information will assist in putting together a celebration that everyone can enjoy and be proud of.

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Marine Corps Ball Survey

1. What did you *like* about the 2011 Ball?

2. What did you *dislike* about the 2011 Ball?

Previous Years:

1. Gifts?

2. Locations?

3. Entertainment?

4. Speakers?

Public Relations Officer

By Barbara Kortz

As the Public Relations Officer I try to pass on events that are going on. This month I have asked some of the Marines in our league to put articles in the newsletter. For those of you that are not active in our league, a small group of our Marines are very busy. We do Marines' funerals, color guard, parades, work on the LST, Monday morning breakfast at Pie Pan. These are a few of the things that go on all the time. We also do Toys for Tots and the Marine Corps Ball. There are many other events that come up during the year that we volunteer for. Come join us and be a part of our league.

We have a senior couple in our MCL. Jean is 91 and Keith is 89. Both are legally blind. Jean was having trouble seeing the sidewalk at night when

I picked them up for the monthly meeting. I requested that some of our Marines help repair a light that was not working along side the walkway. Three of our league members gave up a day and repaired the light. They had to dig a trench and put in a new wire. The light now works and the Benedicts are so thankful. Thank you Larry Scott, Tom Kick and Bob Reutter. This was truly Marines helping Marines.

The Women Marines are having their 69th birthday on Feb. 13th. We use to be called Women Marines. Now we are just called Marines.

Semper Fi

Enough Said Pound 294

By PDD Don Landers, Dog Robber

Woof, Woof Devil Dogs! If you missed the January Grow you missed out on a good time. We were honored to initiate three new PUPS into our Pound. Mad Dog Larry Scott did an excellent job in getting them in the right frame of mind to become PUPS of Pound 294.

The following Marines of Detachment 1090 became PUPS in Pound 294 1/25/2012.

PUP Gary Burk
PUP Jim Grayson
PUP Art Midle

All three work hard for the detachment throughout the year and were duly invited by several members of the Pound to become members. During the Growl a motion was made to have February's Growl at PDD Kelly Williams house, BYOB.

Growl will start promptly at 1830 (6:30 PM)

Address: 400 Marlene Drive

Evansville, IN 47712

Woof, Woof

Web Sergeant Report

By Paula Landers

I would like to invite everyone to visit our new updated web site at www.mclrivercities.org. I hope that everyone finds it easy to navigate and informational. Please use the comments page to let me know what you think of our site and if you encounter any problems navigating through the pages.

Semper Fi



Marine Wife Quotes

"If you love a Marine, raise your glass. If not, raise your standards"

"God found some of the strongest women and made their match a Marine"

Chaplain's Corner

by Don Counts



First Prayer in Congress

As recorded in the *Journals of the Continental Congress* the Rev. Mr. Jacob Duche, an Episcopal clergyman, was invited to open the First Congress with prayer which was held in Carpenters' Hall in Philadelphia, PA. The Rev. Mr. Duche first read Psalms 35 from the Psalter for the Seventh day of September, 1774, then proceeded to extemporaneously pray the following prayer:

"Be Thou present O God of Wisdom, and direct the counsel of this Honorable Assembly; enable them to settle all things on the best and surest foundations; that the scene of blood may be speedily closed; that Order, Harmony and Peace may be effectually restored, and that Truth and Justice, Religion and Piety, prevail and flourish among the people. Preserve the

health of their bodies, and the vigor of their minds, shower down on them, and the millions they here represent, such temporal blessings as Thou seest expedient for them in this world, and crown them with everlasting Glory in the world to come. All this we ask in the Name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, Thy Son and our Savior, Amen."

Washington was kneeling there, and Henry, Randolph, Rutledge, Lee, and Jay, and by their side there stood bowed in reverence, the Puritan Patriots of New England, who at that moment had reason to believe that an armed soldiery was wasting their humble households. It was believed that Boston had been bombarded and destroyed.

They prayed fervently "for America, for Congress, for the Province of Massachusetts Bay, and especially for the town of Boston," and who can realize the emotion with which they turned imploringly to Heaven for Divine interposition and - "It was enough" says Mr. Adams, "to melt a heart of stone. I saw the tears gush into the eyes of the old, grave pacific Quakers

MCLA Southern Belles Unit 441

by Dani Cook



January has already flown by so now we have to get to work. We need all hands on deck for February 4th at 8:00 am to make Pizzas from our Fundraiser. We will be making them at AmVets Post #84 on the corner of Barker and Broadway.

NOW is time to start getting our sponsors and prize donations for our Bowling Fundraiser. It will be here before you know it. If we can get running on this hard right now there will be a lot less we have to do at the end. I know my ladies can

make this **FANTASTIC**. I believe in all of you. The starting gun has fired so lets get running on this.

The 2012 Central Division Conference will be April 19 - 21st in Bay City, Michigan. The hotel is the Double Tree, Bay City, Riverfront. If you are going make sure Paula Landers knows so we can get you registered.

If I don't see you all before, have a special and safe Valentine's Day.

Semper Fi,

SUPPORT MARINES! AVAILABLE IN 2012



MARINES TAKING CARE OF MARINES: This is the ONLY Marine License plate in Indiana that supports all Marines and FMF Corpsmen. Available at Indiana BMV February 2012.

The MARINE license plate is sponsored by the Marine Foundation of Indiana, Inc. and will be available in 2012 to support all Marines and their Family Members throughout the State of Indiana. This will include Active Duty, Reserve, Retired and former honorably discharged Marines and FMF Corpsman.

Cost: The cost of the Marine license plate includes vehicle registration fees and taxes, a group fee of \$25, and an administrative fee of \$15. Funds from the sales of this plate will go to the Marine Foundation of Indiana to assist Marine and FMF Corpsmen, Veterans and their families in times of financial hardship.

Availability: This plate can be ordered by any Marine supporter through www.myBMV.com, at license branches, and other customer service locations. You will receive the plate in the mail within 14 days.

Vehicle Types: You will be able to display this plate on passenger cars, trucks up to 11,000 pounds, motorcycles, and recreational vehicles.

Sponsoring Organization: MARINE FOUNDATION OF INDIANA, INC., 550 South Audubon Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46219-8110 www.SemperFiIN.org

Marine Corps League Conferences and Conventions

2012 Spring Conference

hosted by **Albert E. Shockey Detachment #960**

Saturday - Sunday, March 10 & 11, 2012

at the

Quality Inn & Suites
1709 E. Lincoln Road
Kokomo, IN

Reservations: 1 (765) 459-8001

Rooms are \$59.00 plus tax, per night Single or Double occupancy. Please contact the hotel directly to book your accommodations. Rooms are held under-"Marine Corps League"

Registration is \$15 per person in advance or \$20 at the door.

ALL MEALS WILL BE ON YOUR OWN

*Direct any questions to: Jeff Handy,
Commandant Albert Shockey Detachment
(765) 438-4565 jeffhandy33@comcast.net*

2012 Central Division Conference

hosted by **Dept. of Michigan MCL Auxiliary**

Friday - Sunday, April 19-21, 2012

at the

Double Tree Hotel,
One Wenonah Park Place
Bay City, MI 48708

Reservations: 1(989) 891-6000

Baycityriverfront.doubletree.com

Rates: \$89.00 / night plus tax
(currently 11%)

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS
NO LATER THAN MARCH 29, 2012**

No guarantee on room availability or price after that date

Registration fee: \$5.00 Hospitality Room: \$10.00

Banquet (buffet): \$40.00 Sat. Luncheon: \$12.50

Welcome Letter and Registration Form
can be found on our web site at:
www.mclrivercities.org

2012 Department Convention

hosted by **Hiram I Bearss Detachment**

Friday - Sunday, June 1 - 3, 2012

at the

LaQuinta Inn and Suites
5120 Victory Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Reservations: 1 (317) 783-7751

Rooms are \$74 plus tax, per night

Information as it becomes available



2012 National Convention

hosted by **P.L. Wilson Detachment #447**

August 12 - 18

Mobile, Alabama

at the

Battle House and Riverview Plaza
Renaissance Hotels

ROOM RATE at BOTH HOTELS - \$107 plus 14% tax
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Hot breakfast buffet in both hotels - Free self parking -
Free wireless internet in guest rooms - 42" flat screen TVs
in all rooms - Fitness center - In-room safe - micro fridge in
all rooms

**Hotel and reservation information
can be found at**

<http://www.mobilemarines.org/2012NatI.html>

**The Department of Michigan will be hosting the 2013
National Convention at the Amway Grand Hotel in
Grand Rapids Michigan**

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Southern Belles Unit 441

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Newsletter Booster Club

<i>Booster Member</i>	<i>Expires</i>
Southern Belles Unit 441	Feb - 12
Kenneth R. Curtis	Feb - 12
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Bob & Linda Reutter	Apr - 12
Larry & Casey Scott	Apr - 12
Jean & Keith Benedict	May - 12
Tim Jones	May - 12
Joe & Kathy Filipczak	May - 12
A. J. Hardin	May - 12
Steve & Jan Johnson	Oct - 12
Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Mitsdarffer	Oct - 12
Gene Culiver	Nov - 12
Jasper & Judy Marshall	Nov - 12
James & Rose Bruce	Nov - 12
David Jones	Dec - 12
Mike Kremer	Dec - 12
Brenda Gilmore	Dec - 12
Gary Burk	Dec - 12
John & Dottie Mills	Dec - 12
Butch & Linda Effinger	Dec - 12
Dot Odom	Jan - 13
Art & Mary Beth Midle	Feb - 13
Irene Blessing	Feb - 13
Bob Little	Feb - 13

A big thank you to all those that donate to the Newsletter Booster Club. We still need Booster Members, **a donation of \$5.00 per individual or more** is all it takes to become a member. As a Booster Member you get your name listed in the Newsletter for 1 year. This lets everyone know that you help support the River Cities News. The Booster Club and Advertisements help to defray the cost of printing and postage.

NEWSLETTER BOOSTER MEMBER

NAME: _____

DONATION: _____

Please Mail to: River Cities Detachment
P.O. Box 6581
Evansville, IN 47719-0581

We have space available in our ad pages.

Advertisements are available at the following rates.

- Business Card Size....\$15.00 for 6 months
- 1/4 page \$25.00 for 6 months
- 1/2 page\$50.00 for 6 months

Visit our web site for the forms to submit an advertisement. www.mclrivercities.org. Anyone can use these forms to put an ad in the newsletter. The editor has the right to reject an ad that is not appropriate such as loan companies, adult entertainment etc.

Information on Life Membership

The person applying for Life Membership must first be a member in good standing

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.

Current Life Membership Price Information

- Up to and including age 35 - \$500.00**
- Age 36 up to and including age 50 - \$400.00**
- Age 51 up to and including age 60 - \$300.00**
- Age 61 and over - \$150.00**

The cost of replacing a Life Membership Gold Card is \$10.00

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Benny Benjamin
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New Life Member

James Johnson
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Associate Members

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Associate Renewals

Sharon Grigsby

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Newsletter Articles for March are due no later than February 22nd. This newsletter belongs to all of us and your comments are valued and appreciated. If you have any submissions for the <i>Member's Corner</i> E-mail them to rivercities@insightbb.com put Attn: Editor in the subject line.		1	2 Marine Family Support Group Red Cross Bldg 6 pm Veteran's Council Coliseum 6:30 pm	3	4
5	6 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	7	8	9	10
12	13 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m. Happy Birthday Women Marines	14 <i>Happy Valentines Day</i>	15	16	17
19	20 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	21	22 Detachment Meeting 7:00 p.m. VFW 1114	23	24
26	27 Southern Belles 6:30 p.m. VFW 1114	28	29	For information about the location of the February Devil Dog Growl see page 2.	



Frank Counts 2/9
 Joe Shimek 2/22
 James Miller 2/24

Note: If we did not list your birthday, it was an oversight or we don't have it on our roster. Please contact us so we can correct the error next year.