



# Jarhead News

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## The Newsletter of The Ohio Valley Marine Corps League Detachment No. 882

### WHAT'S NEW WITH THE 882

Detachment Meeting at Glenfield Valley Vets - Tuesday, June 26th

Department of Pennsylvania Convention - June 20th thru 24th

National Convention - August 12th thru 18th

**“A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity;  
an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”**

**~Winston Churchill~**

#### ELECTED OFFICERS



**Commandant  
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Jim Brown**  
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**Junior Vice  
Nick Rymarchyk**

**Judge Advocate  
Scott McBride**

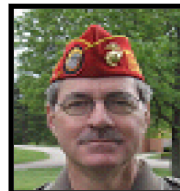


#### APPOINTED OFFICERS



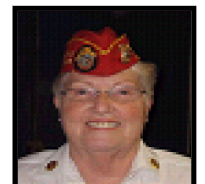
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**HONOR**

**COURAGE**

**COMMITMENT**



### Call to Order

The meeting of the Ohio Valley Detachment 882 was called to order at 1930 by Commandant Bill Shaffer at the Glenfield Valley Vets.

### Officer's Roll Call

Showed Jr. Vice Nick Rymarchyk and J. A. Scott McBride absent.

### Introduction of Guests

None

### Application for Membership

None

### Minutes

A motion was made by Howdy Thielman to accept the minutes of last months meeting as printed in the Newsletter, 2nd by Ray Tedford, motion carried.

### Correspondence

Adjutant read correspondence consisting of Veterans Information Service newsletter, flyer from Beaver County Marines regarding the Golf Outing fundraiser on July 22nd and the Marine Corps Ball on November 10th, letter of thanks from PADOT for highway cleanup, Dept. of PA news regarding upcoming Department convention and National Convention in Buffalo, Marine Corps Heritage Foundation regarding purchase of bricks, and request for participation at the Leetsdale 4th of July parade.

## Minutes of Ohio Valley Detachment 882 29 May, 2018

### Report of the Paymaster

Marilou Farole gave the financial report for the month of April. Motion made by Tom Mann to accept 2nd by Tony Hetzer, motion carried.

### Report of Members Sick and in Distress

Nothing to report.

### Rifle Team

Jim Dempsey reported on Millvale matches for the month of May. The NRA matches will be held on June 3rd and 10th, and a 100 yard offhand on June 16th.

### Pistol Team

Gary Farole reported that he will schedule a shoot at the Millvale Club for June 10th at 9:00.

### Color Guard

Gary reported on the the request for participation in the 4th of July parade in Leetsdale at 2:00 and noted that he will send out an email to all and see if we can get enough for a color guard.

### Quartermaster

Gary Farole reported that supply items are available, if anyone needs additional items to let him know. He also reported that he purchased USMC digital utility covers for sale.

### Devil Dogs

Nick Rymarchyk reported on the next Growl to be held on July 19th at the Jim Brown's waterfront property on Neville Island at 7:00.

### POW / MIA

Howdy Thielman gave a report on the current listing of the recovered remains of POW, MIA and KIA.

### Unfinished Business

Commandant Bill Shaffer reported on fundraisers for 2018 with a lottery raffle with a cash prize to go off on July 4th and noted that Marilou Farole has the tickets. Please get some and sell.

### New Business

Commandant Bill Shaffer turned over the meeting to Gary Farole to announced the Marine of the Year and Associate of the Year. Gary called on all Past MOY present and announced the 2017 MOY was Rich Hahn. Rich was not on board and Gary noted that he would go and make the presentation at his house. He then call on all Past Associate of the Year present and announced the 2017 AOY is Don Wilson. A cake was presented for both. Commandant reported on a potential fundraiser for the Detachment being an Amazon Smile program that registers the Detachment, and people that purchase from Amazon can have the Detachment receive .05% of their purchase to go into a fund for us. Bill will get the registration started. Commandant Shaffer reported on a family picnic possibly for July 7th or 28th. Gary will check for the availability.

### Good of the League

Craig Lawhead dropped off the tickets for the Pirates Game ball game on June 16th at 4:05. Commandant Bill Shaffer talked about recruiting.

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**Minutes (cont.)**  
**Good of the League**

Carl Curtis reported that Beaver County is having a Support the Troops Rally on June 10th from 3:00 to 6:00 across from the court house and thought that we could set up a table to recruit and possibly sell some raffle tickets. Gary Farole reported on the great turnout with American Eagle Outfitters for the annual Highway Cleanup on May 11th.

**Announcements**

Next meeting is scheduled for June 26th, 2018.

**Adjournment**

The regular Meeting adjourned at 2030.  
18 members and were on board.



**MCL Activities Calendar**



**Detachment Meeting**

Tuesday, June 26th, at 1930 hrs  
Glenfield Valley Vets

**Department of PA Convention**

June 20th thru 24th  
Wyndham Garden, York, PA

**National Convention**

August 12th thru 18th,  
Buffalo, New York



**July Birthdays**

Joe Cirelli    John Marabito  
Paul Mrkonja

“Optimism refuses to believe that the road ends without options.”  
~Robert H. Schuller~

**Upcoming Rifle and Pistol Shoots**



**Rifle**

The Millvale shooting schedule is:  
**July Shoots:** 50 shot NRA - 8th & 22nd  
100 Yd Offhand - 28th.

**Pistol**

There was a pistol shoot on June 10th. In attendance were Jim Brown, Tom Mann and his friend, Bob Comer, and Gary Farole. No other shoots are scheduled. As always, for any and all shooting info, call Gary Farole at 412-741-7898 or Jim Dempsey at 724-266-7828.

**National Marine Corps League News**

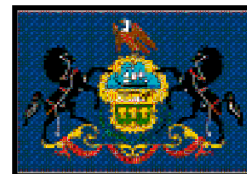


The **National Convention** will be held on August 12th thru 18th in Buffalo, New York.

Two hotels are already filled up, so to reserve a room, contact: Holiday Inn Express, 601 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14203 (716)-854-5500  
60 rooms are being held for August 10th to August 18th, 2018. Room Rate: \$139 + 13.75% tax  
Cutoff date to make reservations: July 9th, 2018.  
For any National info, their website is:  
[www.mclnational.org/Home/tabid/569/Default.aspx](http://www.mclnational.org/Home/tabid/569/Default.aspx)

**Pennsylvania State**  
**Marine Corps League News**

**The Department of PA Convention** will take place from **June 20th thru the 24th** at **Wyndham Garden, 2000 Loucks Rd, York, PA.**



May 21st was the deadline for reserving a room.  
For any Departmental info, use the Department website at: [www.pamcleague.org](http://www.pamcleague.org)

“Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier.”  
~Colin Powell~

**Devil Dog Update**  
**Ohio River Devil Dogs, Pound 133**

**Devil Dogs and Marines!**

If you missed the **Mid Winter Growl** that was held at the Valley Vets in March, well then, you just don't know what's good for you! Now, I know what's good for you, and that would be a great night of fun at the **Summer Growl**, which is scheduled for **July 19th at Brown's Marina and International Resort** on Neville Island at 19:00 hrs. And, if you can, invite a Marine friend to come because I know that it would be good for them, too. If you are not a Devil Dog and feel like you need a written invitation, well, here it is! Hope to see you there!



DD Nick Rymarchyk  
Pound Keeper - Pound #133

**Detachment Activities**  
**Officer Installation**



Jim Walters (rt.) swears in our new officers, (from lt. to rt.), J.A. Scott McBride, Paymaster Marilou Farole, Adjutant Gary Farole, Commandant Bill Shaffer, Sr. Vice Jim Brown, Jr. Vice Nick Rymarchyk, and Chaplin Ray Tedford. Sgt. at Arms Carl Curtis was absent.



**Support the Troops Rally**  
Gary and Marilou Farole did some recruiting and sold raffle tickets while representing our Detachment at the Support the Troops Rally in Beaver on June 10th. Kitty Curtis, Tony Hetzer, and Paul Mrkonja also participated.

**HONOR**

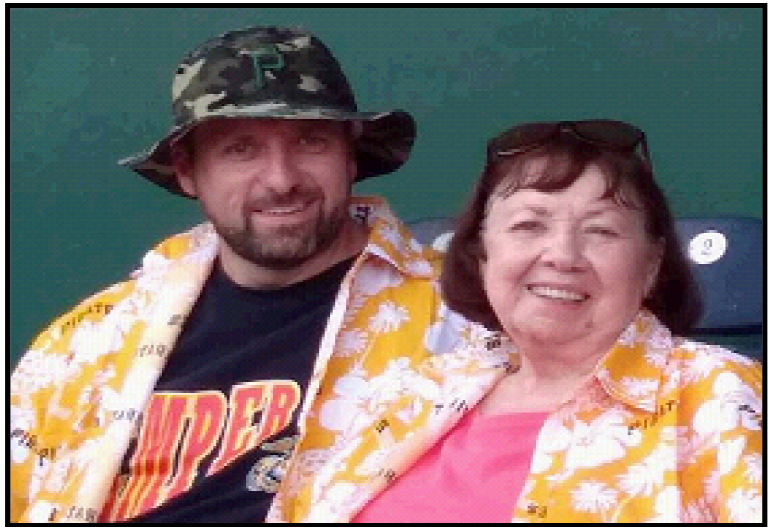
**COURAGE**

**COMMITMENT**

**Detachment Activities**  
**Pirates Baseball Game**



Sr. Vice Jim Brown and his brother-in-law Bob enjoy shirt day at the game.



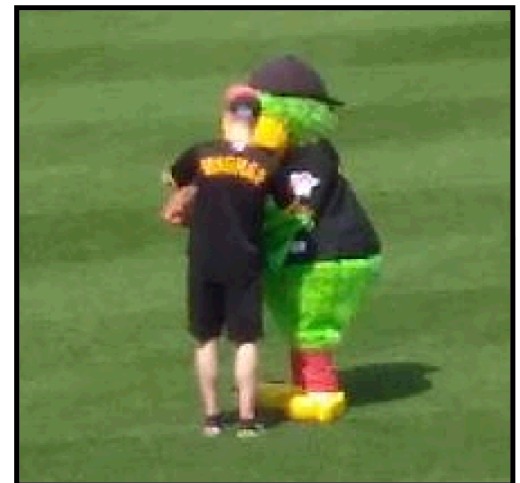
Craig Lawhead and his mom, Joann, enjoy the game.



A view of the Detachment member and guest seating area. Thanks to Gary Farole, who took all the pictures.



The Detachment members and guests atch the game. Paul Mrkonja, (rt.) organized this Detachment outing.



The Pirate Parrot was up to his normal antics and activities out on the field.

**Please Help with the Detachment Raffle**  
You can still help out with this years Detachment fundraiser by selling tickets based on the PA Lottery that goes off on July 4th. There are about 30 tickets left. If you wait to pick them up at the June Meeting, you won't have long to sell them. So, don't wait! Contact Gary Farole. We need your help to sell every ticket!

*“Pessimism leads to weakness, optimism to power.” ~William James~*

This Month in Marine Corps History

**2 June 1918:** At dawn on this date, the crack German 28th Division attacked along the axis of the Paris-Metz road hitting the American 2d Division, including the 4th Marine Brigade. The Marines opened with deadly rifle fire and helped hand the German troops a setback which set the stage for Marine victory at Belleau Wood which would soon follow, although at great cost.

**8 June 1995:** A Marine tactical recovery team from the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit stationed on board the USS Kearsarge rescued a downed U.S. pilot, Captain Scott O'Grady, USAF, from Bosnian-Serb territory in Bosnia.


**10 June 1898:** The First Marine Battalion, commanded by LtCol Robert W. Huntington, landed on the eastern side of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The next day, Lt Herbert L. Draper hoisted the American flag on a flag pole at Camp McCalla where it flew during the next eleven days. LtCol Huntington later sent the flag with an accompanying letter to Colonel Commandant Charles Heywood noting that "when bullets were flying, ...the sight of the flag upon the midnight sky has thrilled our hearts."

**12 June 1961:** President John F. Kennedy signed a Presidential Proclamation calling for the American flag to be flown at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, "at all times during the day and night." Discussions between the Attorney General's office and Marine Corps officials earlier in 1961 on improving the visibility and appearance of the monument led to the proposal to fly the Flag continuously, which by law could only be done by Congressional legislation or by Presidential proclamation.

**15 June 1944:** Preceded by naval gunfire and carrier air strikes, the V Amphibious Corps assaulted the west coast of Saipan, Marianas Islands. By nightfall, the 2nd and 4th Marine Divisions, moving against heavy opposition, had established a beachhead 10,000 yards wide and 1,500 yards deep.

**25 June 1950:** Shortly before dawn, eight divisions of the North Korean People's Army crossed the 38th Parallel and invaded the Republic of Korea. Within three days, the South Korean capital city of Seoul had been captured. On 30 June, President Harry S. Truman ordered a naval blockade of the Korean coast and authorized the sending of U.S. ground troops to Korea. Two days later, General Douglas MacArthur, the Commander in Chief Far East, formally requested that a Marine regimental combat team be deployed to the Far East.

**25 June 1966:** In Vietnam, Operation Jay began about 30 kilometers northwest of Hue, and lasted nine days. The 2d Battalion, 4th Marines landed north of the North Vietnamese 812th Main Force Battalion, and the 2d Battalion, 1st Marines landed south of the enemy's position. Caught in between the two Marine units, the enemy suffered over 80 dead in nine days of fighting.

**26 June 1918:** BGen James G. Harbord, the Commanding General of the 4th Marine Brigade, notified American Expeditionary Force Headquarters that Belleau Wood was "now U.S. Marine Corps entirely." After 20 days of combat, and at a cost of over 4,000 casualties, the 4th Brigade of Marines had proven its fighting heart. The grateful Commander of the French Sixth Army would soon decree that in all official correspondence, Belleau Wood would henceforth bear the name, "Bois de la Brigade de Marine." 

**"An optimist understands that life can be a bumpy road, but at least it is leading somewhere. They learn from mistakes and failures, and are not afraid to fail again."**

**~Harvey Mackay~**

**A Note for Women Marines**

Many veterans face challenges transitioning back to civilian life, and some of those challenges may be different for women, especially when it comes to health care. As a result, they have set up an online survey, which can be accessed here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PADMVAWomen-VeteransSurvey>



**Health Care Enrollment**

Important reminder!

Don't forget that there is a Veteran's Outreach Center located in our area.

You do not have to go to a major Veteran's Hospital for service. The VA Primary Care and Outpatient Clinic office location has changed from Aliquippa, PA to 300 Brighton Rd. Rochester, PA. The telephone number is 724-709-6005.

Remember, now you can get your new VA identification card at the Veteran's Outreach Center in Monaca.

**Life Membership**

**"Once a Marine,  
Always a Marine"**



We love to repeat this information because it never gets old. You may want to consider becoming a Life Member and avoid the yearly hassle.

Life Membership Information and Fees as of 2013.

These are the prices :

Ages up to 35	\$500.00	36 - 50	\$400.00
51 - 64	\$300.00	65 and over	\$200.00

You can contribute monthly smaller amounts towards a Life Membership at any time. That way you can become a life member without paying the large lump sum up front.

You can apply for a Life Membership after you have been a member for a minimum of one year. Also note, when your annual membership becomes due, and your Life Membership payment is not yet complete, you must make the annual payment as well.



**MCL License Plate Information**

The Department is accepting applications for the Pennsylvania Marine Corps League Specialty License Plate. Show your pride for the Marine Corps League. For your convenience, a copy of the new applications for the Pennsylvania Marine Corps League

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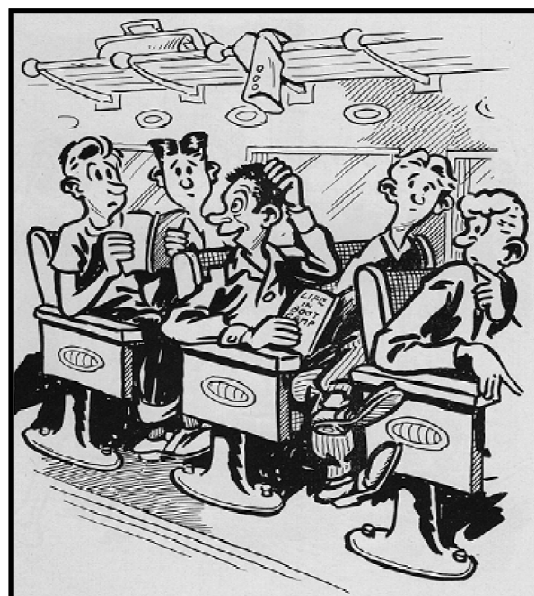
**Military Funeral Services**



Our Detachment will provide a service for any member. Family members may contact any Officer should the need arise.

Also, a funeral service is not automatic. A family member must request one.

I figured on starting out one jump ahead of the Marine Corps. I heard about Marine Corps Haircuts, so I had mine cut short. I bet they won't even touch it when I get to P.I.



**“Optimism is essential to achievement and it is also the foundation of courage and true progress.” ~Nicholas M. Butler~**

**The Title**

It cannot be inherited, nor can it ever be purchased. You and no one 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 sweat, blood and lives.

**You own it forever.**

**UNITED STATES MARINE**

*Keith Sheldon*