



Marine Corps League
Albany Detachment # 1260
Albany, Georgia

January 2, 2007

"Once a Marine, Always a Marine!"

- ☛ Happy New Year!! 2007 promises to be a year of growth for our Detachment.
- ☛ **CHARTER PRESENTATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:** Officials from the Georgia Department of the Marine Corps League will present the Albany Detachment Charter and conduct the installation of the detachment officers at the Base Conference Center (Officers Club) at a special meeting on 9 January, 2007. Spouses welcome and please bring anyone that might be interested in joining. Please also pass this newsletter on to anyone you can think of to help get the word out about our Detachment

Date: Tuesday, 9 January 2007
Time: Cocktails -1830; ceremony 1900
Uniform: Business attire (covers for our members)
- ☛ **NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Tuesday, 16 January 2007 @1830 at The Crossroads Restaurant**
- ☛ **Uniform Items:** The only required uniform item is the Marine Corps League Detachment cover with the large *enlisted* Eagle, Globe and Anchor. Both are available online at the MCL "Ships Store" <http://www.mcleague.com/shipsstore> or by calling 1-800-MCL-1775. Total cost: \$23.50.

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GREETINGS MCL MEMBERS: We continue to move forward in getting the attachment fully functional. There are still many administrative actions requiring completion. Listed below is the upcoming detachment meeting agenda:

- Formation of the Finance Committee
- Motion to donate funds to purchase "Therma Packs" for troops in theater. (This will be preceded by a discussion on how donations will be handled by the Detachment)
- Brief on "Marine 4 Life" program
- Discussions on survey results on Detachment meeting time. If you did not respond to the survey, please bring your input to the February meeting. (A survey form is attached to this month's newsletter).
- Status on our "Goals and Vision"
- Presentation of ideas for the Detachment name. (See guidance on this below)
- Acquisition of Ceremonial Rifles

BY-LAWS: Draft copies of the detachment By-Laws will be passed out for review and discussion for the March Detachment meeting.

DETACHMENT NAME: The Detachment will be accepting nominations for a Detachment name. Nominations will be presented to the membership as follows:

- Recommended Name
- Brief background on name (5 minutes or less)

Nominees will be presented for vote during the March 2007 detachment meeting.

CEREMONIAL RIFLES: Acquisition of ceremonial rifles will be addressed by the Sr. Vice. (Thanks to Greg Freed for the background and contact information on acquiring these weapons).

OFFICER'S MEETING: Elected and appointed Officer's are required to meet monthly. We will meet this month on Friday, 16 February at Pin City at 1630. Please contact The Commandant or Sr. Vice if you are unable to attend.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Tuesday, 20 February 2007 @1830 at The Crossroads Restaurant

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- ☛ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 19 March 2007. 1830 at the Crossroads Restaurant. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ☛ MARINE FOR LIFE BRIEFING : Guest speaker will give a brief on the Marine For Life program. This program provides a great opportunity for our detachment to continue to "take care of our own."
- ☛ MEETING TIME AND LOCATION: It was decided by vote last meeting that meetings will continue to be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1830. A permanent meeting location has yet to be decided. Members are urged to continue looking for a location that will provide the proper atmosphere for both the official meeting and the unofficial (yet equally important) socializing, camaraderie, and sharing of sea stories that allows the League to stand apart from other veteran organizations.
- ☛ DETACHMENT NAME: To date, only two suggestions have been made; Major Larry DeJardine Detachment, and the Southwest Georgia Detachment. Nominations will continue to be accepted until a date to be determined. REMINDER: To name the detachment after a Marine, the Marine MUST be deceased, and his family must grant permission to use the name.
- ☛ OFFICIAL CHARTER SIGNATURES: The official Charter of Detachment #1260 requires the signatures of the first 20 members. The following Regular Members are requested to sign the official charter prior to having it framed: Morrison, Satterfield, King, Zapata, James, Maine, McCarty, Shook, Page, Adams, Aldrich, Braden, Cerney, Cheshire, Eckles, Fisk, Freed, Gobin, Kicklighter, Murphy, Wallace, and both Kraus'. (List is comprised of regular members approved thru 1 November 2006)
- ☛ NEW MEMBERS: Ms. Tina Burress took the oath of Associate Member.
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May, 2007

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- ✿ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 15 May 2007. 1830 at **River Pointe Golf Course**, 801 River Pointe Dr. Albany, GA 31701. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ✿ BUILDING TOGETHER (CHRISTMAS IN APRIL): We had a great turnout for the Home Improvement Project for Mrs. Mimms. Granted, there will be some discussion points on this project, but overall, we accomplished our mission, and gained positive recognition for our detachment. Oorah!
- ✿ MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSING - Some of you have inquired as to why you have not received your respective membership cards, etc. Be advised that detachment transmittals of dues and applications have been returned on two occasions for administrative corrections. As of this date, all corrections have been made and the transmittals returned to the Department for further processing. To be sure no one has slipped through the cracks, a review of all membership applications received since establishment of our detachment has been conducted. Members can be assured that all dues and applications received to date have been submitted for action. Many apologies for any delays.
- ✿ DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA CONVENTION: Commandant Kent Morrison, Senior Vice Commandant Greg Satterfield and Junior Vice Commandant Kelly Fisk will attend the Department of Georgia Marine Corps League Convention on 4&5 May 2007. They will give a brief report and pass scoop and scuttlebutt at the meeting.
- ✿ OFFICIAL CHARTER SIGNATURES: The official Charter of Detachment #1260 still needs a few signatures before it can be framed. Charter members Morrison, Satterfield, King, Zapata, James, Maine, McCarty, Shook, Page, Adams, Aldrich, Braden, Cerney, Cheshire, Eckles, Fisk, Freed, Gobin, Kicklighter, Murphy, Wallace, and both Kraus'. If you haven't already signed, please attend the meeting, or contact Marine JJ Kraus.
- ✿ NEW MEMBERS: Marine Ken Brown took the oath for Regular Membership at the last meeting. Welcome Aboard!!
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- ✿ FROM THE COMMANDANT. I continue to be very pleased with the progress we are making as a Detachment. The Christmas in April was a huge success and thank all of those that stepped up to the



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plate. MCL Albany Detachment 1260, Inc. is now officially incorporated as a non-profit under the laws of Georgia, thanks to our Judge Advocate, Alex Hart. Recruiting is still going great. We will go over 60 members this month with the addition of some new applications recently received. Becky Eckles has volunteered to be the Detachment Paymaster. I need for all of you to be thinking about how we can participate in the upcoming Memorial Day Services and be prepared to discuss at our upcoming meeting. Thanks again for your continued support and efforts. Semper Fidelis.

Kent Morrison
Commandant
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June 2007

- ✿ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 19 June 2007. 1830 at **River Pointe Golf Course**, 801 River Pointe Dr. Albany, GA 31701. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ✿ NEW MEETING LOCATION - We had a great turnout for our first meeting at River Pointe, and anticipate that membership will continue to grow as we settle in to our new home. Special thanks to the folks at River Pointe for their great service and for making us feel welcome.
- ✿ MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST – We had a good showing at the American Legion Post 30 Memorial Day breakfast. The League was represented well, and one of our own, Marine Kevin McCutcheon, in his official capacity of Chief of Staff, was the guest speaker for this year's breakfast. Special thanks to Marine "Nick" Nicholson for extending the invitation and making the League feel welcome.
- ✿ NEW DETACHMENT PAYMASTER: Commandant Kent Morrison administered the Oath of Office to Marine Rebecca Eckles, after appointing her as the Detachment Paymaster. Congratulations and thanks are in order for her acceptance to fill this key position.
- ✿ NEW MEMBERS: Welcome aboard to Marines Jim Shower, Tom Newton, Roger Conlin, and Mike Memlo.
- ✿ GUESTS: We were honored to have State Jr Vice Commandant Hal Gosnel and Maj. Margaret Weitzel, Officer In Charge, Sup Co (-) from Albany attend our meeting. Maj Weitzel is looking forward to a strong relationship with the Marine Corps Reserve community and the Marine Corps League.
- ✿ UNIFORM ITEMS: For those who ordered covers, they are IN!! They can be picked up at this month's meeting. The only required uniform item is the Marine Corps League Detachment cover with the large *enlisted* Eagle, Globe and Anchor. Both are available online at the MCL "Ships Store" <http://www.mcleague.com/shipsstore> or by calling 1-800-MCL-1775. Total cost: \$23.50.

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July 2007

- ✿ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 17 July 2007. 1830 at **River Pointe Golf Course**, 801 River Pointe Dr. Albany, GA 31701. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ✿ RECRUITER OF THE YEAR – Department of Georgia Commandant Michael Clark presented Sgt at Arms Greg Freed with the Recruiter of the Year Medal. Congratulations.
- ✿ LIFE MEMBER - Marine "Nick" Nicholson was presented his gold ID card and his Life Membership Pin. "Once a Marine – Always a Marine...and a Member forever!"
- ✿ INDEPENDENCE DAY RECRUITMENT DRIVE – Several members manned a recruiters table at the front gate of the base before the fireworks on 29 June. They passed out cards and provided information on our Detachment and the mission of the Marine Corps League. Their efforts are to be commended.
- ✿ NEW MEMBERS: Welcome aboard to Marine Ken Berggren who took the oath of membership.
- ✿ GUESTS: We were honored to have Department of Georgia Commandant Michael Clark and members of the Inspector-Instructor Staff from Support Co (-) from Albany attend our meeting. The I&I team will be counting on the Detachment for support during the Toys for Tots campaign which will start in September.
- ✿ SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT – Don't be fooled by applicants who pretend they were Marines!! Verify the HONORABLE service of all potential members to avoid being duped by a poser!
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- ✿ FROM THE COMMANDANT: We will be voting on the name for our Detachment at this upcoming meeting. This is a very important vote for our new Detachment and I respectfully ask that we have a great turn-out so that we choose a name that is representative of the majority of our members.

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Sept 2007

- ✿ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 18 September 2007. 1830 at **River Pointe Golf Course**, 801 River Pointe Dr. Albany, GA 31701. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ✿ MEMORY WALK – ALZHEIMERS BENEFIT - 29 Sep 2007. 0900 registration at Darton College.
- ✿ HEADCOUNT – Sixty-two current members, with 5 new applications. At this pace, we will soon be the largest Department in Georgia!! Keep recruiting, but remember, don't be fooled by applicants who pretend they were Marines!! Verify the HONORABLE service of all potential members to avoid being duped by a poser!
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October 2007

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- ✿ USMC BATTLE COLOR DETACHMENT – The USMC Battle Color Detachment, Drum and Bugle Corps, and Silent Drill Platoon will perform at the Albany Civic Center on 25 October at 1900. This event is free and open to the public.
- ✿ MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY (27 Oct 2007): Based on the responses for participation in a "Make A Difference Day" project, the Detachment will execute a Flint River cleanup as before in August. Showtime is 0800 at the Georgia Power Dam just below Lake Chehaw (Directions will be provided at the Oct Det meeting). For those desiring to participate in Habitat for Humanity's (HFH's) Building on Faith effort, please contact HFH representative Gretchen Gee at 446-8199, ext 14.
- ✿ 232nd MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL – There are several opportunities to celebrate the birth of our illustrious Corps this year:
 - MCLB Enlisted Ball – 2 November, Hilton Garden Inn (details will be provided at meeting)
 - LogCom Officers Ball – 3 November, Hilton Garden Inn. Contact Kristina Griffin, 639-7184
 - Det 2, Supply Company, 10 November, Hilton Garden Inn. Contact 1stSgt Kirby, 639-6642
- ✿ VETERANS DAY – There will be a Veterans Day Breakfast at 0645 on 11 November at the American Legion Post 30, 2916 Gillionville Rd, Albany
- ✿ ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Hard to believe it's that time already!! At this meeting, we will discuss the process of nominating new officers. It is important to remember that only Regular member may be nominated and they must be WILLING TO SERVE.
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- ☛ MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL – A great number of memberships will expire between now and the end of December. This is a critical time for our Detachment, and all members are encouraged to continue their participation. This is YOUR Marine Corps League!
- ☛ USMC BATTLE COLOR DETACHMENT – Detachment participation at the USMC Battle Color ceremony was outstanding!! This event provides a unique opportunity to let the people of Albany know who we are, and that we are there for them.
- ☛ TOYS FOR TOTS – HM1 Gilbreath will provide information regarding the kick of the 2007 Toys for Tots Program. This is one of the most noteworthy efforts of Marine Corps League Detachments the world over...the Reserve component counts on the League to support this program.
- ☛ MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY (27 Oct 2007) – We had a great turnout for this event, serving both the community and making our presence known. Semper Fidelis.
- ☛ 232nd MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL – The League was recognized by both the Commanding Officer and the guest of honor at the Det 2, Supply Company Birthday Ball on 10 November. The new CO has pledged her support of the League and is looking forward to working with the detachment.
- ☛ KEEP ALBANY BEAUTIFUL – Ms Judy Bowles will join us the month and will provide information on partnering with Keep Albany Beautiful. She will also speak about an Arbor Day project that her organization is working on.
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December 2007

- ☛ NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, 18 December. 1830 at **River Pointe Golf Course**, 801 River Pointe Dr. Albany, GA 31701. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ☛ MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL – Reminder: This is a critical time for our Detachment, and all members are encouraged to continue their participation and renew their membership. This is YOUR Marine Corps League!
- ☛ TOYS FOR TOTS – It's been very busy Toys for Tots season! Thanks to all have helped out this year...your participation is greatly appreciated.
- ☛ NEW PAYMASTER – Marine Bob Adams has volunteered to become the Detachments new Paymaster. Thanks Bob!
- ☛ OFFICIAL EMAIL ADDRESS – The Detachment now has an email address to help with passing scoop, and also to pass along for Marines interested in joining. The address is MCL_Det1260@mchsi.com. Official Albany Det 1260 website should be up soon.
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