

Columbia River Detachment #826
Department of Washington, Marine Corps League

Est. 28 September, 1992 Correspondence to: 6204 Kansas St. Vancouver, WA 98661-6924

Meeting 2nd Thurs of Each Month: 1900 @ Elks Lodge 823 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd Vancouver WA 98683-5203

Non-Profit: Ein: 91-1647649 Secretary of State: Ubi# 60149220

<http://marinecorpsleaguev.wix.com/crdmcl826>



Sepius Exertus ~ Often Tested
Frater Infinitas ~ Brothers Forever
Semper Fidelis ~ Always Faithful

Home of
Department of Washington

Commandant ~ Jim Renton
53rd Chief Devil Dog ~ Phil Ruhmshottel
MODD WA PACK LDR ~ Rex Hopper

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Eagle, Globe, and Anchor
August 2016

Commandant's Korner:

Gratitude ~ The dictionary's definition of Gratitude is: "The quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness."

This definition comes as no surprise or secret to any of us. I believe that many of us from time-to-time need reminding of how much we need to embrace the concept of gratitude. I tend at times to be a "glass half full" person. I can honestly say it's most often a short trip to get my glass full again. I chose gratitude to write about because I started to think about how my life has been impacted by the Marine Corps League... essentially by all of you. I originally joined the League not because I knew I'd get something for it, but I because I was searching for a way to "give-back" and I suspected I would be asked to give some of my time in bringing that search to fruition.

I am grateful for the friendships that I have garnered through my association with the League. I am grateful for the activities that are offered me with my membership, and I am grateful for the opportunity I am given on a regular basis to serve our wonderful League. But, what I am most grateful for is the example and selfless service I am a witness to from my fellow Marines and members of the League.

You all have much to be proud of... for conducting yourselves in a way that reflects your compassion, commitment and selfless service. That service is evident to those around us who are in need and are looking for kindness. Whether it is providing rides in the expansive parking lot to patients at the VA facility, going to see a fellow veteran who just needs a friendly face to look up to from a house-bound bed or hospital room, or providing training and instruction to young men and women who are interested in the Young Marine program. You are showing your gratitude in so many ways when you provide this service.

And so, I Thank You! For your acts of kindness and your willingness to step-up and serve our community, fellow Marines, and League!

Semper Fi, Marines!



Past



Yesterday

**Today... we have come closer to consummating "One Team"
All combat jobs now open to qualified female Marines
Male/Female must meet Corps standards/qualifications for MOS**



NEVER FORGOTTEN

- Charles W. Bailey 0531-1214
- Noah Baird 0395-1213
- Dan Brennan 0532-0510
- Cedric Bruns 04-91- 0503
- Harry Callicote 0531-1204
- Louis A. Claudio 0947-0115
- Lyle Cornwall 0925-0710
- Robert Costello 0319-0198
- Roger Dahl 0717-0810
- Jefferson E. Dean 0625-1211
- Robert E. Dean 0723- 0314
- David W Dowdakin 0325-0416
- Adam Emul 0488-0107
- Robert Fish 0619-0205
- Kane Funk 1184-0602
- Fenton A. Grahert 0623-1212
- Walter J. Hicks 0123- 1012
- Michael Leinweber 1147-0709
- Jack Lewis 0425-0210
- Richard A. McKenzie Jr. 0954-0112
- Jerome Merrill 0128-0910
- Alan Miksch 1051-1101
- Gladyce Moeller 1021-0812,
- Jeffrey A. Paullin 0886-1113
- Sherrill Parson 0323-0205
- Howard Pearson 0312-0396
- Jason D. Peto 0179-1219
- Charles Quatier 0136-1208
- Harry Rea 0646-0112
- David Reis 0175-1104
- David Sailer 0153-1012
- Michael Scholl 0675-1106
- William Stofiel 0421-1298
- Robert Story 1028-0796
- Blaine Turner 0320-0501
- Robert Vollmer 0633-1113
- Arlos Waters 0320-0109
- Fiorin Zeviar 0137-0114
- Richard Zoller 0420-1104



August

Celebrate with great enthusiasm on your parent's greatest moments in life...

2nd Roger Rueckert; 9th Ted Dravis; 13th Charles Solomon; 16th Eddie Bogle; 16th Charles Louviere; 21st Al Arguedas; 31st Bill Hillgaertner



Marine Corps League Anniversary ~ August

(Upon joining the MCL each member receives a membership lapel pin and a new pin is presented in increments of 5 Yrs. Noting # of years in service. If you are a Life Member you would receive a lapel pin noting Life Member)

William Berry ~ 1 Yr.; Mike Howard ~ 18Yrs.; Bernard Kendall ~ 18 Yrs.;
John Russell ~ 7Yrs.;

DEPT. OF WA PAST CMNDN'TS

Phil Ruhmshottel, John Stofiel & Rex Hopper

PAST DETACHMENT COMMANDANTS

William Hillgaertner 1992-93 John H. Witham 1993-94 Phil E. Ruhmshottel 1994-96
John F. Stofiel 1996-98/2011-12 George Pobi 1998-00 Lynn A. Bolte 2000-02 George L. LaFrazia 2002-04
Roger Rueckert 2004-05 Rex E. Hopper 2005-07 James L. Renton 2007-09 Mike Wilson 2009-2011
Lou Baste 2012-14 Bill Hauser 2014-16

PAST DETACHMENT MARINES OF THE YEAR

John Stofiel 1997
George LaFrazia 1999
Lynn Bolte 2001
Phil Ruhmshottel 2002
George Pobi 2003
Rex Hopper 2004
Keith Fitch 2005
Bob Rector 2006
Mike Wilson 2007
Jim Renton 2008
Wendy McKenzie 2009
Lou Baste 2010
Roger Rueckert 2011
Bill Hauser 2012
George Zeleznik 2013
Fiorin Zeviar 2014

PAST DEPT. MARINES OF THE YEAR

John F. Stofiel
Philip E. Ruhmshottel
Rex Hopper

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Membership Renewal - \$30.00

Annual dues on your anniversary month

Life Membership Rates:

35 years \$ 500.00
36-50 \$ 400.00
51-64 \$ 300.00
65 + \$ 200.00

Make check/money orders payable to **CRD-MCL**
mail to: Paymaster
John Stofiel
6204 Kansas St.
Vancouver, WA 98661-6924

Sunday 7 August 1130-1430 H&S Company 6th ESB Annual Family Day 6735 N Basin Ave. Portland, OR 97217-3993

We have been invited to join with our Marines at the Navy/Marine Corps Reserve Center to participate and share in camaraderie with them.

We will have a recruiting table on site to encourage our younger Brothers/Sisters to join with our local Corps Family in the Community.

Please RSVP Headcount is absolute. If you are going please contact me 360-907-5342 or
jfstofiel@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATE

Department WA Meeting
Sat 1 October 2016 Oxford
Suites 1701 E Yakima Ave
Yakima, WA

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JOIN US!
SPIRIT OF '45 DAY
To celebrate America's WWII "Greatest Generation"
Sunday, August 14, 2016 11 AM

SAVE THE DATE!
Bring your family, friends and **FACES** of your WWII veteran heroes to Willamette National Cemetery and honor over 16 million Americans who served and nearly 500,000 who made the ultimate sacrifice.

KEEP THE SPIRIT OF '45 ALIVE!
REMEMBER AND BE INSPIRED
www.CORPSPIRITOF45.org

WALL OF HONOR, FACES OF WWII HEROES



Willamette National Cemetery 11800 SE Mt. Scott Blvd Portland, OR 97086
For more information, go to www.CORPSPIRITOF45.org

Save the Date! Welcome Home Veterans!

The VA Portland Health Care System honors and shows its appreciation for service members by hosting a *Welcome Home* celebration for Veterans and their families in the Pacific Northwest!

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016

Enjoy free, all day admission
at the
Oregon Zoo
4001 SW Canyon Road
Portland, Oregon

**Registration
9 a.m. - 12 noon**

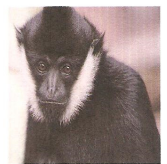


Image used with permission, courtesy of Oregon Zoo

Parking is limited and at own expense, please consider taking TriMet MAX: Red or Blue Line trains stop next to the Oregon Zoo at the Washington Park Station

- ☆ Free admission and food for Veterans and their guests!
- ☆ **RSVP by Monday, September 12, 2016**
Space is limited and RSVP is required
- ☆ RSVP Contact: Welcomehome@va.gov;
503-273-5075 or outside Portland,
1-800-949-1004, ext. 53062
- ☆ Come with your family and enjoy food, fun and learn about VA benefits and services



IMPORTANT TO RSVP IN ADVANCE

IT WILL ALLEVIATE SOME WAIT
TIME AT THE GATE...



In Memoriam:

Maria J Hicks
0336 ~ 0506

Phylis Dale
0940 ~ 1010

Eryn Creedon
1257 ~ 0113

Leatrice Yonker
1022 ~ 0912

Lois D. Burlson
1133 ~ 0913

Anita Hopper
0138 ~ 0316



Columbia River Unit #398 Dept. of Washington Marine Corps League Auxiliary

Current Officers

President: Jeanette Bolte; Sr. Vice President: Christine McDonald; Jr. Vice President: June Lasch;
Judge Advocate: Karen Washabaugh; Treasurer: Caroline Ruhmshottel;
Secretary: Ellen Rueckert; Chaplin: Debbie Bruns; Capt. of the Guard: Karen Baste

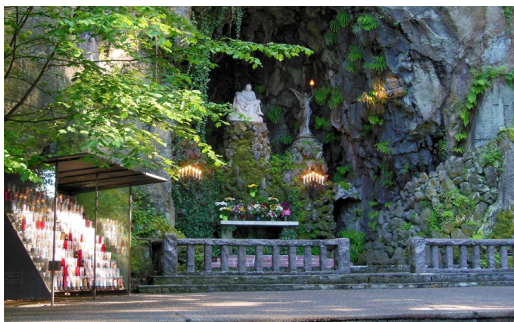
Past Unit Presidents

2000-2001-Marie Martin; 2001-2003-Caroline Ruhmshottel; 2003-2004-Peggy Leinweber;
2004-2006-Paulette Stofiel; 2006-2008-Debbie Bruns; 2008-2010-Paulette Stofiel;
2010-2012-Karen Washabaugh; 2012-2014-Ellen Rueckert; 2014-2015-Christine McDonald;
2015-2016-Paulette Stofiel - Jeanette Bolte;

Our next brunch will be

Saturday August 6 at 11:30 AM at Lisa's Country Kitchen 9324 NE 76th St, Vancouver.

If you have a desire to become a member of an excellent group of Marine supporters and would like to volunteer in the community and/or with the VA Hospital, please contact our Treasurer Caroline Ruhmshottel to retrieve an application. Annual Dues are \$25.00
360-892-2806 / 360-609-3793 cruhmshtottel@comcast.net



Lower Level



Upper Level

The Grotto is an internationally-renowned Catholic shrine and botanical garden located @ 8840 NE Skidmore Street, Portland. Enter lower level off of 81st & Sandy Blvd. 2017 Opening schedule:

0900- 2030 ~ 11 Apr – 3 Sept	0900-1800 4 Sept – 31 Oct	0900-1700 1 – 22 November
0900-1600 24 Nov – 30 Dec	0900-1700 31 Dec – 31 Jan	0900-1730 1 Feb – 12 Mar
	0900-1830 13 Mar – 14 May	

A place of solitude, peace and prayer

At Christmas time it is filled with the spirit "Festival of Lights" concerts in the chapel, children's petting zoo a nominal fee Senior (65+)/Military: \$9.00 but well worth the experience. 1700-2130 24 Nov – 30 Dec

Our lower garden, Grotto, chapel, Visitor Center and Gift Shop are free to visit and experience. A visit to The Grotto's Upper Level Garden requires admission, which can be purchased in The Grotto Gift Shop or Visitor Center. Upper Level Garden Admission: General Admission \$6 (Ages 13-54); Senior (55+) / Military \$5; Youth (Ages 6-12) \$3; Child under 6 free.

<https://thegrotto.org/hours-admission/> (Copy and paste into your browser.)



PLT 225



William G Berry
USMC 1960-1980



At 18 we find Bill walking into a Marine Corps Recruiting Office to sign on for what I am sure was not in his mind at the time for a long career as a Marine. In June 1960, Recruit Berry joined platoon 225, 2ndRTBn at Parris Island, SC. On graduating as a Marine he attended the basic School of Infantry At Camp Geiger, SC and was assigned MOS 6400 and attended Naval Aviation Technical Training school in Memphis, TN. In 1961 PFC Berry arrived at his first duty station with 2nd MAW/H&MS-14, Cherry Point, SC as a Tech on Helicopter/OV-10, Aircraft Communications/Navigation Systems, in 1962 L/Cpl Berry joined with VMA-225 “Vagabonds & Vikings” Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, North Carolina where he was promoted to Corporal. In 1964 Sgt Berry had a brief interlude with MAG-13/H&MS-13 in Kaneohe Bay, HI and then returned to Station Operations and Engineering Squadron (SOES) MCAS Cherry Pt, NC. In 1966 SSgt. Berry received orders to H&MS-12 at the Chu Lai Airfield, RVN and in 1967 was ordered back to MCAS Cherry Pt., NC where he was assigned as an instructor with the Naval Air Maintenance Training Unit at MCAS Cherry Pt., NC. In 1972 GySgt Berry joined with H&MS-20 and then ordered to VMA 211 in the spring of 1972 to Naha Air Force base on Okinawa and within three months was redeployed to Bien Hoa Air Base in Viet Nam. It was the only strategic American fighting unit left in Viet Nam. In 1973 we find GySgt Berry with H&MS-12 providing support to MAG-12. GySgt Berry was selected to attend Drill Instructor School in 1973 and on graduation was assigned to 1st RTBn, MCRD PI, SC. In 1976 following a successful tour of duty training recruits MSgt Berry received orders for HMX-1 Marine Helicopter Squadron 1, HQMC at Quantico VA in addition too Presidential and VIP support, the “Nighthawks” of HMX-1 maintains the role as the primary Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) unit for Marine assault support helicopters and related equipment. In 1978 MSgt Berry took on his final tour of duty as the Avionics Maintenance Chief at Naval Air Atlantic Norfolk, VA. Bill moved to CA and met his best friend Kathleen C Hines and in 1982 they came together as one on our Corps Birthday 10 November 1983 in Santa Clara, CA; From 1983-1996 they lived in Santa Clara & Sunnyvale, CA Bill retired from the working world in Oct. 2011 and was living in Fallon, NV. He reunited with his fellow Marines & Corpsmen of the High Dessert Det in Fallon in 2015. Shortly afterwards he and his family moved to Vancouver, WA and transferred his membership to our detachment.

WELCOME BROTHER





Chartered in October 2002 serving the Vancouver, WA and Portland, OR metropolitan area.

Unit Commander Brian Hildebrant

8100 East Mill Plain Boulevard Vancouver, WA 98664

360-619-8422 ~ Brian.Hildebrant@youngmarines.com

Web: <http://lcym.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/lcym2002>

Always looking for “**Volunteers**” to become a part of the team, Detachment Marines/Corpsmen share your training with the youth in our community. Being a registered adult leader in the Young Marines program is a privilege not a right with great responsibility, accountability and reward.

Ready to earn the title Young Marine? **January 2, 2016 - Recruit Class 22 begins**

If you have questions, don't hesitate to email our recruiter at recruiter@lcym.org and they'll be glad to answer your questions. We look forward to hearing from you!



Fred Meyer is also very supportive of our store front sales efforts and allows us to schedule multiple days, doors and stores! Please consider making this small effort to link your card and make a big impact for our local youth and extend the service they provide the community.

"The Kroger Family of Stores [Fred Meyers] is committed to bringing hope and help to local communities. We do this through a variety of activities, including charitable giving, sponsorships and the unique Community Rewards Program of Fred Meyer. We are also committed to carefully protecting our customers' personal information. In order to meet their expectation of privacy, we have adopted a simple policy to never share a customer's personal information. Our privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well. As your neighborhood food retailer, we deeply value our ability to support local organizations like yours.

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Thank you,
Community Rewards Staff"



Registration



Host Lady Marine Rose Chapt Opening ceremony



21-26 July 2016 Fun in the Sun with the Ladies of our Corps... wow!!!



enjoying the day...



Opening Banquet



Loyal Escort w/Rose 1 members



Morning Run/Walk???



Post Exchange... supporting Rose 1



Memorial Remembering our Fallen



Closing Ceremony Honored Guest Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Robert B. Neller

Thank You OR-1 Lady Marine Rose Chapt for a wonderful moment in time!

2016 AUGUST EVENT CALENDAR

- 3rd 1900 **Northwest Indian Veterans Association** (NIVA) (1st Wed Mo.) @ VA Med Ctr – Vancouver Div 1601 E. 4th Plain Blvd., Vancouver, WA) Building 11, 3rd Floor. Contact Dave Hancock 360-608-3556 sftree@centurytel.net
- 5th 0830-1000 **Community Military Appreciation Committee** (CMAC) 40 et 8 Boxcar Room 7607 NE 26th Ave. Vancouver, WA Contact: Bill Hauser Bhauser1952@msn.com or 360-608-6672
- 6th 0800-1600 **Oregon Cascade YM's** Navy-Marine Reserve Center 6735 N Basin Ave. Portland, OR 97217-3993 Contact: CO David Coiteux 503-680-2358 qwiktoes@gmail.com
- 10th 1100 **Chosin Few (2nd Thurs. Mo)** Meeting @ High Rocks Restaurant 915 E Arlington Gladstone, OR Contact: Eugene Shirley 503-246-2952 or BERTS_2@msn.com
- 10th 1900 **Columbia River Det. 826 MCL** meeting @ @ Elks Lodge 823 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd, Vancouver WA 98683-5203 Contact: Adj/Paymaster John Stofiel 360-907-5342 or jfstofiel@comcast.net
- 10th 0900-1400 **Veterans Stand Down** Armed Forces Reserve Center 15005 NE 65th St Vancouver, WA
- 10th 1000 **Clark County Veterans Assistance Center** (CCVAC) (2nd Wed ea. Mo.) 305 Columbia St. Ste.100 Vancouver, WA 98660 Contact: Joe Fettig, Pres. 360-693-7030 president@ccvac.net
- 13th 1100 **Veterans Village Groundbreaking** ceremony 5118 N St James Rd Vancouver, WA
- 13th 0745-1630 **Lewis & Clark YM's Drill** (Every other week) @ Safe Harbor Church 8100 E Mill Plain Blvd. Vancouver, WA Contact: CO - Mr. Brian Hildebrant 360-619-8422 co@lcy.org
- 13th 1700-2100 **Tualatin Valley YM's Drill** @ Pacific West Chiropractic Clinic 2820 E Main St. Hillsboro, OR 97123 Commanding Officer Don Sill, CO 503-747-7024 donmsill@gmail.com (Mud Run set-up)
- 14th Sun 1400 **Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapt 72** (2nd Sun ea. Mo.) DAV Bingo Hall, 8725 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR Contact: Robert Haltiner 503-657-7085 email: chpt72adjutant@gmail.com
- 15th Mon 1100 **Marine Corps Coordinating Council of OR/WA (3rd Mon mo.)** @ the Navy/Marine Corps Reserve Center 6735 N Basin Ave. Portland, OR; Contact: Secretary John Stofiel 360-907-5342 jfstofiel@comcast.net
- 16th 1600 **Vancouver Barracks Military Assoc. (3rd Tu. Mo.)** @ the 40 ET 8 Chateau located at 7607 NE 26th Ave, Vancouver, WA. Contact Jeff Davis Contact Jeff Davis 253-223-0125 e-mail JDDavis@rocketmail.com
- 17th 1000 **Richard L. Quatier Chapter # 321 KWV ASSOC. (3rd Wed mo.)** @1000 40 ET 8 7607 N.E. 26th Ave. Vancouver, WA Contacts: Ed Barnes 360-695-2180 Jerry Keese, phone 360-573-1035 or e-mail saverflag@yahoo.com
- 17th 1100 **PNW Chapter 3rdMarDivAssoc.** (3rd Wed ea. mo.) @ High Rocks Restaurant, 915 E. Arlington St Gladstone, OR 97027. Contact: John Stofiel, Secretary 360-907-532 e-mail: jfstofiel@comcast.net
- 19th 0830-1000 **Community Military Appreciation Committee** (CMAC) 40 et 8 Boxcar Room 7607 NE 26th Ave. Vancouver, WA Contact: Bill Hauser Bhauser1952@msn.com or 360-608-6672
- 20th 0900-1900 **Tualatin Valley YM's Drill** @ Pacific West Chiropractic Clinic 2820 E Main St. Hillsboro, OR 97123 Commanding Officer Don Sill, CO 503-747-7024 donmsill@gmail.com
- 20th 0800 **Women's Vet Connect** All women veterans are invited to attend a women vets connect meeting. This is a support network @ 40 et 8 7607 NE 26th Ave. Vancouver WA. Contact: Dixie Lee Hotaling 360-910-8434 or at rebel2@comcast.net
- 23rd 1200 **Oregon Trail Chapt. 72 KWVA** (4th Tu. ea. Mo. No Meeting in Dec.) Denny's restaurant 15815 SE 82nd Ave. Clackamas, OR Contact: Chuck Lusardi 503-628-7599
- 25th 1400 **Columbia River Chapt. 1stMarDivAssoc.** 4th Thurs. mo.) Willamette Nat'l. Cemetery service for interred in preceding month without family. Contact: Gary Brannan 503-334-5396 gcbbrannan@comcast.net
- 27th 1200 **Columbia River Chapt. 1stMarDivAssoc (Last Sat. ea. Mo.)** @ High Rocks Restaurant 915 E Arlington Gladstone, OR Contact: Gary Brannan 503-334-5396 gcbbrannan@comcast.net
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WANT GOLF?



join us for the annual
LEATHERNECK OPEN GOLF CLASSIC

GOLF | DINNER | AUCTION



This is a charity fundraiser working with the Semper Fi Fund (semperfund.org) benefiting wounded Marines and other wounded service members from other branches of service.

WHEN: Thursday, September 15, 2016 @ 1:45pm

REGISTER: visit leatherneckgolf.com/register

WHERE: The Langdon Farms Golf Club
24377 NE Airport Road
Aurora, OR 97002

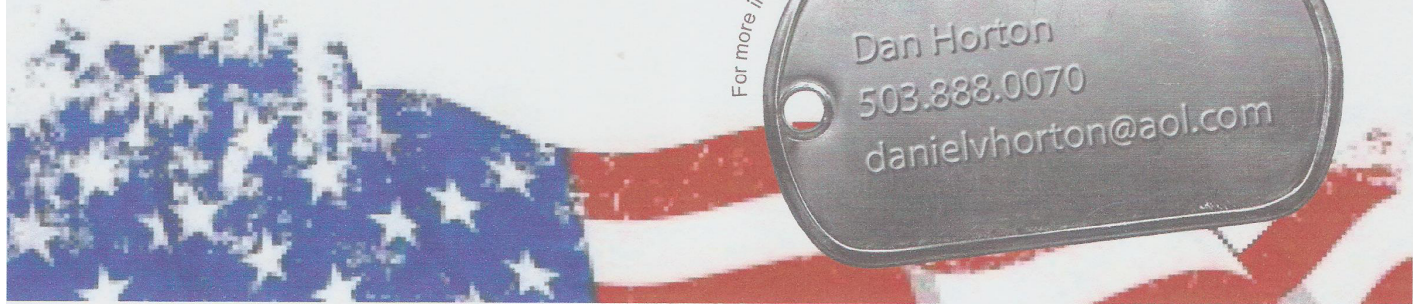
SPONSOR: visit leatherneckgolf.com/sponsor

COST: \$150 per golfer
\$500 per team
(early bird discount if registered by August 1st)

DONATE: visit leatherneckgolf.com/donate

For more information, contact:

Dan Horton
503.888.0070
danielvhorton@aol.com



MAIL-IN REGISTRATION

SPONSOR/ADVERTISING REGISTRATION

Name of Company or Individual: _____

Address: _____

Point of Contact: _____ Point of Contact: _____

Email: _____

Select Sponsorship Package:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medal of Honor Sponsorship | \$5,000 (8 players, hole signage, 2 full-page ads) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Navy Cross Sponsorship | \$3,000 (4 players, hole signage, 1 full-page ad) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Star Sponsorship | \$2,000 (2 players, hole signage, 1 half-page ad) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Star Sponsorship | \$200 (single hole signage, single cart signage) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Defense Sponsorship | \$150 (paid golf/dinner fees for one active-duty Marine or veteran) |

Names of Golfers AND handicaps OR typical scores for 18 holes:

Name: (please print clearly)

Handicap/Score:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Select Size of Commemorative Program Ad: (please provide desired wording/logo)

- Full-Page Ad Donation of \$200 (Included for Medal of Honor & Navy Cross Sponsors)
- Half-Page Ad Donation of \$100 (Included for Silver Star Sponsors)
- Business Card Donation of \$50
- List of Donors Donation under \$50

Donation: \$ amount or item(s) and \$ value _____

IMPORTANT: Please return this form as soon as possible with your check payable to LEATHER-NECK OPEN. Space is limited to 144 golfers, so register early. Mail payment in time to be received by August 1, 2016.

MAILING ADDRESS: Leatherneck Open Golf Classic
c/o Dan Horton
16100 SW Century Dr. #140
Sherwood, OR 97140

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Department of Washington, Marine Corps League
Elks Lodge #823 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd. Vancouver, WA 98683-5203

Minutes of 14 July 2016

Opening ceremony: @1900

Cmdn't Introduction of Dignitaries

- **Marine of The Year:** John Hudson
 - **National HQ / Kennel Officers/Chairs:**
PDD Rex Hopper Nat'l VAVS Representative & PDD John Stofiel NW Division Training Officer.
PCDD Phil Ruhmshottel – Honorable 53rd Past Chief Devil Dog
 - **Department Officers:**
Rex Hopper – Dept. Commandant, SrVice Pack Leader, & VAVS Chair;
John Stofiel – Dept. Public Affairs Officer, Training Officer & Past Dept. Cmdn't
53rd PCDD Phil Ruhmshottel – Past Dept. Cmdn't;
 - **Past Detachment Commandants:**
Phil Ruhmshottel, John Stofiel, and Rex E. Hopper.
- Past Detachment Marines of the Year:**
John Stofiel, Phil Ruhmshottel, and Rex Hopper.

Roll Call of Officers (Adjutant Calls): Commandant: Bill Cason; Sr. Vice Commandant: John Hudson; Judge Advocate: Henry Lasch present.

Quorum of Officers: Yes

Guest speaker: Mrs. Ladonna Buyan of Peace Health Southwest shared about their Bereavement Services. Support for those coping with the loss of a loved one Located at: 5400 MacArthur Blvd. Vancouver, WA 360-696-5100. Excellent presentation, if you are seeking assist give them a call and or visit their website for more information.

<https://www.peacehealth.org/southwest/services/hospice/bereavement-services/Pages/default>

Applications for Membership: None.

Members Awaiting Oath of Membership: None.

Presentations: None.

Correspondence: None.

Adjutant's Report: John Stofiel – motion to approve the June minutes as published and distributed in the newsletter, 2nd, carried.

Paymasters Report: John Stofiel – Read report motion to approve Jim Renton, 2nd John Hudson, carried;
This month we added two members to our rolls Marine Bill Berry transferred in from the High Dessert Det in Fallon, NV and one of our former members Marine Jeff Barnes reenlisted and is back on our rolls. 84 Members [X=Associates: 3 (1-Im) 1- Honorary Mbr. -] REG VOTING MEMBERS: 80 – 2 REG MBRS NOT IN GOOD STANDING = 78 div by 15 = 5.20 = 06 Delegates at Dept. and Nat'l Conventions. Unpaid (2): May - Charles Louviere; June - Eddie Bogle; Pending (1): July Leonard Stonich.

Sick and /or in Distress: Chaplain Steve Mitchley-Absent. Phil Ruhmshottel had recent pacemaker implant to regulate his heart and is doing okay. John Hudson has been in and out of the Hospital dealing with Heart malfunctions along with his ongoing dialysis treatment;

Report of Officers:

Commandant Bill Cason – Enjoyed the Dept. Convention there was an issue that come up concerning the YM Liaison report where the Marine shared that he had received no reports from the YM's and I had a concern about that. It was shared that our YM Unit has never been contacted by the Dept. Liaison and that they did not have a clue as to making any report to the Dept. of WA MCL and it was pointed out that the YM program though hosted by the MCL is not required to give any such report but if they were asked one would be forthcoming.

SrVice Commandant John Hudson – Shared that the Congress is working on bills relating to supporting the VA and use of facilities outside of the VA and that is currently being held up. The VA is using an experimental drugs program (FDA approved and when the patient is willing to use that option.

Judge Advocate – Henry Lasch – No report.

Report of Standing Committees: Training Officer: John Stofiel – No Report.

- Bob Costello Memorial Fund (BCMF): George LaFrazia – Absent
- Clark County Veterans Advisory Board (CCVAC): Lou Baste- Absent
- Clark County Veterans Assistance Center (CCVAC): Ron Brandon – Absent
- Marine Corps Coordinating Council (MCCC): Bill Cason attended the meeting in chairs stead and took the minutes of the meeting. No issues reported. The CO of the I&I LtCol Brad Aiello’s retirement is upcoming.
- Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS) Representatives: Rex Hopper – Our volunteer hours (1129) are down from last year. We do need a Deputy VAVS Rep from the detachment so if you would like to volunteer at the VA or if you already volunteer there you can contact me or the Commandant and let him know.
- Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC): Bill Hauser – Absent
- Prestige Nursing Home Luncheon: Keith Fitch – Absent
- Lewis & Clark Young Marines: John Hudson – We have Operation Belleau Wood at Mike Howards home coming up this Saturday all are invited to attend to see our YM’s in the field.
- Legislative Committee: Skip Barnes – Absent
- Fundraising Committee: Skip Barnes – Absent

Report of Special Committees: (No need to call for reports here until it is time)

- Marine of the Year Committee: (Annually (JAN) submit nominating form) Chair George LaFrazia/Sec. Jim Renton -
- Nominating Committee: (March/April annual Elections) Chair Bill Hauser, Jr Past Cmndn’t. –
- Awards Committee: (Annually [Jan] submit nominating form) John Stofiel –

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Good of the League:

Henry Lasch shared about a program to assist with lowering Mortgage interest.

Closing Ceremony: Appropriate. Next meeting: 11 August 2016

Present: Bill Cason, John Hudson, Rex Hopper, Henry Lasch, John Murphy, Jim Renton, Phil Ruhmshottel, John Stofiel, and Pete Thornton.

R/s

John Stofiel

Adj/Paymaster



GySgt John Stofiel converses w/ General Robert Neller 37th Commandant of the Marine Corps
Shared a moment in time with our Leader. Comment I made,” Hello Brother, I am a retired GySgt 03 Grunt”
His comment was, “Gunny, it will be okay.” His response was to his earlier statements made during his speech
concerning all MOS’s are open to **ALL** Marines to our Lady Marines Association. When I inquired as to how the “Good
Old Boys” club was going to be handled he said “It will take time for this to transition and they will adjust”, and I said,
“Yes, Sir.” Good luck.