



Pikes Peak Detachment 29 Marine Corps League

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Pikes Peak Detachment 2017 Officers

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22nd Annual Bowl-a-thon Sunday, October 8th @ 1300 (1 PM) Brunswick Zone 999 North Circle Drive

Bowl-A-Thon Coordinator Marianne Smith

Hello Marines and associates,

The 22nd Annual Bowl-a-thon is the 8 October at the Brunswick Zone and before the October meeting. I do hope those who signed up to bowl will be there 1230. We are short one bowler, please consider joining the fun. If not paid yet, please pay at the Bowl-a-thon or at the October Detachment meeting. Checks are to be made out to: MCL Bowl-a-thon. We are low on donations and do need more people to respond.

Proceeds go to Pikes Peak Detachment to support the Young Marines, Toys for Tots, Pikes Peak Det. Marines helping Marines, Care and Share Food Bank, and Christmas Unlimited.

If you have questions, me call on my cell 432-9715. Thanks to all early responders for your donations. Semper Fi,

Marianne Smith, Bowl-a-thon Committee

MARINE CORPS DETACHMENT of NORAD AND USNORTHCOM, COLORADO SPRINGS Presents

The 242nd Annual Marine Corps Ball 10 November , 2017 1700-0000



Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Colorado Springs
1775 East Cheyenne Mountain Blvd.
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80906
+1-719-576-8900
Cost of the ball is \$45.00 per person



The registration form is available to download at the Detachment website: <http://www.pikespeakmcl.org>

Room reservations at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel open on Oct. 9 with rooms at \$97 dollars.

Commandant Paul Hinojosa

Hello Marines, Navy FMF corpsmen and chaplains, associate members and families,

We had a great monthly meeting on September 16 with 37 in attendance, of which 16 members ate breakfast. Speaking of breakfast, our cook, Mike Cotton had decided to move on with his career and will not be cooking breakfast for us any longer. Not to worry, we have a backup plan which will be put into action for October, some members have graciously volunteered to cook for us! We are also working towards moving our meetings to Sarges' Grill once it opens up here in the Springs off of Powers and Palmer Park. We've made initial contact with David and Peg Parker, owners of Sarges' Grill in Fountain and they are excited about having us for breakfast every third weekend of the month. They are currently still working on opening the new restaurant and are not expecting to open until November/December timeframe. I will keep in touch with them, being careful not to pester them too much, but I think it would be great to attend the grand opening as a detachment, so let's plan for it.

I want to thank Roger and Terry Baty for hosting their recent picnic for our detachment, great food and great company was had all around, followed by Russ Millers 50th birthday party where I heard many of the older Marines telling tales of what to expect for the 50+ years coming his way. Russ, try not to worry much about what was true and what was false, it's all true. Yes sir, good times!

The Colorado Springs Homeless Veterans Stand down will take place on Tuesday, October 17th. We are in desperate need of volunteers from the detachment to help out in this event. In last year's event, we assisted on the clothing line and as driver for homeless families, expect to do the same this year, if turn out of active duty service members is low, we may be asked to be civilian escorts, which will entail greeting homeless veterans at the registration tables and being with them as they pass the service tables and get the help they need. Please contact me by cell 719-313-1752 so I can put you on the list.

We also have the 2017 Bowl-a-thon @ Brunswick Zone located at 999 North Circle Drive, this event will take place on October 8th starting at 1 PM. Marianne Smith is still in need of bowlers and pledges. Donation should be made out to: MCL BOWL-A-THON you can pay at the event. All Proceeds go to Marines Helping Marines fund, Toys for Tots, Young Marines so...let's go bowling!

Please note the upcoming events from our Jr. Vice Commandant. Your participation is greatly appreciated within the detachment so take note of the events and dates and please come by to help out. As you give consideration to these events, if you know of any Marines, FMF corpsmen and Chaplains, or others who would like to participate in the League and be a part of this detachment, bring them along. Associate members can be spouses, friends and family.

A final note; our Jr. Past commandant and I went down to Hank's place to check out some additional convex boxes that were used by the Army to transport ammunitions and weapons. Our goal is to take these and build them to suit our needs for a future honor guard within the detachment to attend funerals once the veteran's cemetery opens in Fountain. More details to follow in our next meeting, but we are pretty excited about this opportunity presented to us by the governor's office. Everyone take care! Stay healthy, and I will see you at next month's meet.
Semper Fi, Paul



Photos from the 2017 Labor Day Parade

Junior Vice Commandant Steve Schwartz

Greetings to all Detachment members, Associates and FMF Corpsmen. Hard to believe that it is already October and all we've accomplished in the last several months. I can't thank you enough for your participation in the many parades and other events when we had a chance to highlight and promote our League. Going forward, remember the Veterans Stand Down on October 17, the Veterans Day Parade on November 4 and our upcoming election of officers for 2018. I encourage all of you to consider stepping up to the plate and running for office or volunteering for one of our committees. Most important, we all know people who may be interested in joining our Detachment. Invite them to a meeting or please ask them to call me. Our future depends on membership and that means it's up to us. Thank you again. It's been a pleasure (and a little frustration) serving as the Jr. Vice Commandant the last ten months!
Semper Fi, Steve

Judge Advocate Gary George

Hello Marines, Navy FMF corpsmen and chaplains, associate members and families, Nominations for the 2018 Pikes Peak Detachment elected officers will be accepted during the October Detachment meeting. Please consider volunteering to become an elected officer or an appointed officer. As a reminder to become a Detachment officer a member must be in good standing in the Marine Corps League at the time of his/her nomination and a member of the Detachment for at least one year.
Semper Fi, Gary

Chaplain Pat Carty's message

Greetings Marines, FMF Corpsmen, Associates and, Friends. A funeral service was held for Marine Michael John Chapman 16 September at the Manitou Springs City Hall. Thanks to the Marine Honor Guard from Buckley AFB for providing the flag folding ceremony and Taps. Sharon Chapman, her family and, friends were very touched and grateful for our participation. Iris Rudesill is doing some better dealing with her health issues at home but, can still use help with rides for doctor's appointments, etc. She is working hard to be self-sufficient but, it is going to take time. Jim and Polly Woods can use help with rides as well. Please check with them to see how you can help. Remember one of our tenets is "Marines Helping Marines!"

MCL member Marine Matt Broker is recovering, from a series of strokes he suffered recently. Matt is in Parkmoor Village Health and Rehabilitation, 3625 Parkmoor Village Drive. He was very helpful with the Toys for Tots program last year along with his family. He hopes to be well enough to help out again this year, if at all possible. Please take the time to visit with Matt and give him encouragement. I spoke with former Pikes Peak Detachment member Roland Durdin's daughter De Kelly during Hurricane Irma. She said they were fairing well and, had not suffered any severe damage from the storm. Roland had been hospitalized with bad coughing but, was doing better at that time.

Don't forget the Veterans Luncheon held every 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Western Omelette starting at 1130. Junior Past Commandant Russ Miller is the facilitator for the event and, if we don't happen to have a guest speaker Russ keeps us entertained. Please let me know if you hear of any members or anyone in their family, that I am not aware of, who may need our help.
Semper Fi, Pat Carty



Commandant Paul Hinojosa



Paymaster Peggy Baldwin

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It is time to pay your 2018 membership dues of \$36. National is no longer sending out dues notifications. Unless you are a Life Member, all memberships expire on August 31st each year. You can bring your payment to the next meeting or send it to Pikes Peak Detachment, PO Box 10536, Colorado Springs, CO 80932-1536.

Anybody wanting a membership phone roster please contact me. I can send it by email or USPS.
Semper Fi, Peggy

Toys for Tots Coordinator Russ Miller

The time has come for us to kick off the 70th year of Toys for Tots with a number of events this month.

1 Oct – The High Country Toy Run. Thanks to Jim and Pam Wear of Pro Promotions, we are back on track for the 30th Annual Toy Run. It will once again start from the Motorcycle Museum / Pikes Peak Harley Davidson and follow the traditional route through town, ending at Cowboys Bar downtown on Tejon.

2 Oct – Begin Distributing T4T Collection Boxes to Area Businesses. If you are available to deliver boxes, we could really use your help.

6 Oct – The Toys for Tots Golf Tournament. This will be our 2nd Annual Tournament at Silver Spruce Golf Course onboard Peterson AFB run by Marine Gary Green. We are still reaching out to local businesses for raffle items and prizes for the tournament as well as hole sponsors. If you are available to help us spread the word, please contact Russ for flyers to take to potential sponsors.

28 Oct – Colorado Springs Comic and Toy Convention. This is our third year being the honored charity at this event. We will need a couple Volunteers to man an information table and collect monetary donations and toys as a number of our officers will be attending the Department of Colorado Staff Meeting in Salida that day.

We are still looking for a building to house this year's campaign. We need at least 10,000 square feet of open space in a building that hopefully has a loading dock as well. If you see anything that might fit the bill, please contact me at 719-235-1058.

Quartermaster Russ Miller

Thanks go out to those that came up to help with cash sales at the Cruise Above the Clouds Car Show in Woodland Park. Despite there being a few less cars than the past couple years, we did rather well on sales of hats, pins, and patches.

We have two cash sales events coming up in the month of October.

1 Oct: at the 30th Annual High Country Toy Run (Pikes Peak Harley Davidson, 5867 N. Nevada) from 0830-1130. We will be meeting for breakfast (0700) prior to the event at Sheldon's Luncheonette, 204 Mt. View Lane for those that would like to join us.

13 Oct: We have been invited by volunteer services at the PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom VA Outpatient Clinic (3141 Centennial Blvd) to have our Ship's Store at their Open House. Many Veteran Service Organizations will be on hand and this will be a great opportunity for us to recruit for our detachment as well. We will also be manning the popcorn machine that day to raise money for the Volunteers for Hospitalized Veterans.



Helen Hill and Marianne Smith



Marine Zach Bartnik

Minutes of the 16 September 2017 Pikes Peak Detachment Meeting

Commandant Paul Hinojosa opened the 16 September meeting of the Marine Corps League Pikes Peak Detachment for official business at the VFW #4051 Post at 0900 with Salute to Colors and opening prayer. All officers were present except for the Junior Past Commandant/Quartermaster. **X** members were in attendance.

Guests / Application for Membership:

Zach Bartnik, Corporal of Marines 2006-2010 0811 Field Artillery Cannoneer. Zach served two tours of Iraq and currently works for the post office mail carrier. Paymaster Peggy Baldwin announced that she had verified Zach's DD-214 and received his money to become a MCL member. A motion to accept Zach as a member was made by Roger Baty and Seconded by Sgt. at Arms Osa Tuck. The motion carried.

Minutes: A motion to accept the August 2017 minutes was made and seconded by Arden Rivers and Peggy Baldwin respectively. The motion carried.

New Correspondence: Paymaster Peggy Baldwin read a letter received from Marine Eric Glocker. He stated that although he couldn't attend the meetings he was proud to be a member and proud of the accomplishments of the detachment.

Paymaster: Peggy Baldwin

The Pikes Peak Detachment's latest Paymaster Report is available upon request. Peggy also discussed the membership roster.

Dues are due now. National will no longer send renewal reminders

Chaplain/Sick and in Distress:

Chaplain Pat Carty discussed the following: Jim and Polly Woods are doing well in their new home but will need rides on occasion, Matt Broker.

Funeral for Marine Mike Chapman is scheduled for the 16 September. The bereavement team will attend. WWII/Korea/Vietnam Veterans Luncheon/Omelette Parlor

Report of Officers

Commandant: Commandant Paul Hinojosa

-Oct. 17 Colorado Springs Homeless Veterans stand down. Last Year our detachment helped out in this event by handing out clothing and boots, this year, the coordinator, James Griffith, from the El Paso County Homeless Veterans Coalition is asking us to do the same, hand out clothing and boots, 1 volunteer driver for homeless families, and in addition, escort homeless vets as we greet them at the registration tables and ensuring they complete and turn in their paperwork and go to the services they need. We would be on standby to escort in the event there are not enough military escorts.

-Membership was informed that the possible 1-hour day care for members who cannot attend our meetings due to child care is not possible due to the fact that Rust Insurance will not insure us.

-Navy League Birthday ball. Anyone who served in the Navy, Marine Corps, or Merchant Marines is eligible to join the Navy league, they meet for dinner monthly at the O-club on the Air Force Base. Birthday ball invite. Details will be available at <http://www.navyleague-coloradosprings.org/2017-navyball.html> on September 1. The Ball is on Oct. 14 cocktails @ 1730 ~ Dinner @ 1830

-El Paso County Public health held a Communities that Care (CTC) meeting at Fountain Valley on Sept. 13 and are taking steps to prevent youth substance abuse by implementing CTC. It is a five phase change process that promotes healthy development, improves outcomes and reduces problem behaviors among youths. The initial meeting was attended by Russ Miller, Chuck Jackson (Div 4 Commander Young Marines) and I. Additional meetings are scheduled for Sept. 21 and Sept. 27. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend as these meets are being held during business hours. If anyone from the detachment is interested in attending and participating, please let me know and I will provide you the details and let Yaritza Trevino and Taryn Bailey know.

-USMC Memorial 40th anniversary was a huge success. Appreciation goes to Paula Sarlls, Pres. US Marine Corps memorial for organizing the event and appreciation goes to Pat Carty, Peggy Baldwin, Russ Miller, Joe G., Garry Gibson, Bob Burnt, Del Duval, Terry Crum, and JoAnn Hinojosa for attending the event up in Golden. As well as Pikes Peak Young Marines.

Senior Vice Commandant / Web Sergeant: Terry Crum

Nominations for the Det. officers will occur at the Oct. meeting. Think about coming up to the head table.

Junior Vice Commandant: Steve Schwartz

Veterans day parade Nov. 4

Recap of labor Day parade in Fountain, volunteers; Pat Carty, Terry Crum, Theresa Crum, Pat Mesa, Peggy Baldwin, Joe G., Rich Inhoffer, Jamie Rogers, Steve Schwartz, Gary George, Garry Gibson, Russ Miller, Hank Hankins, Del Duval, Osa Tuck, Melvin Postlewait.

Adjutant: Theresa Crum: NSTR
Judge Advocate: Gary George: NSTR
Jr. Past Commandant: NSTR

Quartermaster: Commandant Paul Hinojosa (stand in).

Marine Del Duval has brought up the idea of having a drawing for a free cover at the monthly WWII / Korean / Vietnam luncheon that we host the second Tuesday of every month at Western Omelett. Del proposed that we would take one cover per branch to every luncheon and only give away one cover each month. The staff has voted to move forward with awarding a single cover to recipient winner. This was brought up to the floor for discussion, question asked by Arlen Rivers about number of hats, and it was reiterated that only one hat per meeting would be awarded.

Upcoming Cash Sales Event – Oct 13 VA open house for veteran organizations. We have been asked by the VA Volunteer Services Coordinator to start having cash sales at the VA Clinic once a quarter, starting with their open house. They also want us to sell popcorn and have recruiting info for our detachment there at this event.

Cruise Above the Clouds event, held on 9/9, we sold \$531.00 in cash sales. Thank you to Pat Carty, Del Duval, Arden Rivers, Joe G., Richard Inhoffer, Garry Gibson, and Russ Miller for attending.

Salute to the Veterans rally, which was held on Aug. 17 to 20, we made just over \$1800.00. This event did not have the turnout of past events. But appreciation goes to Joe G. who helped setup for the event while some of us were away at National. Volunteers Peggy Baldwin, Pat Carty, Terry Boston, Del Duval,

Sgt-at-Arms: Osa Tuck: NSTR

Toys for Tots: Commandant Paul Hinojosa (stand in):

1 Oct – High Country Toy Run (cash sales at this event too) need volunteers to man tent, stand in between Young Marines to direct flow of motorcycles into parking lot, as well as some in Dress Blues to hand out ride pins.

2 Oct – start delivering Toy Collection boxes

6 Oct – Toys for Tots Golf Tournament Silver Spruce Golf Course, Peterson AFB

28 Oct – Colorado Springs Comic and Toy Convention, Embassy Suites, 7290 Commerce Center Drive

Military Order of Devil Dogs (MODD): Steve Schwartz

Following the September Detachment meeting, the Pound Growl will take place shortly afterwards. The Pound elections will be held. All Devil Dogs are requested to attend and be prepared to be elected or appointed to Pound leadership positions for 2017-2018.

Report of Standing Committees: NSTR

Unfinished business:

New Business:

Good of the League:

Marianne Smith spoke about the 22nd Bowl-a-thon on October 8th. She is concerned that only \$3910.00 has been pledged to date.

Roger Baty announced that the 2017 Marine Corps Ball will be 10 November at the Double Tree. \$45.00 per person.

Roger also announced an end of summer potluck picnic at his home 23 Sept starting at 1330. 8720 Rugby Ct. This is a potluck picnic so anyone that is coming, please contact Roger or Terry Baty via email or phone (719)-534-9683 – leave a message if we do not answer) regarding what you are planning to bring and how many will attend. We will provide all the drinks as well as brats/buns and condiments/paper plates. The picnic is wheel chair accessible. Please park outside col-de-sac if you can walk.

Carmella Miller announced that a birthday party was also planned for the 23 Sept. for Russ' 50th birthday at the Miller residence. Russ and Carmella Miller will hold an open house. The Millers have requested no gifts but that you all would help with the celebration. Saturday 23 Sept. 1600-2000. 5752 Wells Fargo Dr. Carmella also informed the membership the Russ is looking for a new Quartermaster.

With no additional business at hand, the 50/50 drawing was held. The total amount collected was \$81.00. Pat Thompson owned the winning ticket and donated the money to the Marines Helping Marines program. With all business being completed Commandant Paul Hinojosa closed the meeting at 1000. The next meeting will take place on 21 October 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Crum