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Original Charter Date May 10, 1970

MEETING TIME & PLACE

Meetings are always held on the second Wednesday of each month. The next regularly scheduled meeting would be held on October 11th, 2017 at 1900 (7:00 P.M.) at the American Legion Post 64, 1109 American Legion Road, Salisbury, MD 21801.

Please make every effort to attend.

Upcoming Holiday's & Events



2018 MCL Midwinter Staff Conference will be March 1-3, 2018 at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House and Conf Center, 2801 Plank Rd, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Group code: MCLMDWINTER18 Phone: (540) 786-8321 Room rate includes up to 4 breakfast vouchers per occupancy. TBA per night + prevailing tax (currently 11.3%) Please make your room reservation direct to the hotel no later than TBA at 540-786-8321.

Department of Maryland Convention

May 10-11 & 12, 2018

Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel & Conference Center

9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842-2745
More info will be made available ASAP.

2018 MCL National Convention will be in August 2018 at the Buffalo Hyatt, Two Fountains Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14202. Phone: (716) 856-1234. Reservations open 0801 20 August 2017. Room price \$113 for one and \$130 for 2 people plus room tax.. Free parking, breakfast and wifi. More info will be made available ASAP.

"Sick or in Distress"

MCL Members and/or family members Fran HEARTHWAY, Ed ELDER, Gloria HOWARD, Walt and Jeanne COHEE are having or have recently had various health problems. Please keep these folks and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

"Membership Happenings"

(Please advise the Editor of any errors or omissions)

<u>OCTOBER "HAPPY BIRTHDAYS"</u> 9 th Lee HOLLOWAY 10 th Andy BOUMA 14th Carl EBAUGH 15th Jeannie WARD 24 th Jeanette COUNTS	<u>OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES</u> 1 st Dena & Lee HOLLOWAY (34 yrs)
<u>OCTOBER MCL ANNIVERSARIES</u>	<u>MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE</u> Review the names and amount due posted in the August issue of the "Scuttlebutt" and send your dues to the Paymaster ASAP
<u>WELCOME ABOARD</u> None reported to your editor	<u>MEMBERSHIP'S RENEWED</u> None reported to your editor

DON'T LET YOUR MEMBERSHIP LAPSE

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NFL and Players Protesting

I don't think this could have been said any better and it definitely is about time someone said it. Hopefully, this will go out over EVERY computer in the U.S. and maybe, just maybe, these sports people will get the message of just how ridiculous they are to disrespect our flag, and how little what they do in sports compare to what our great military has done for this country.....

NFL protesting the flag-!



Ret. Marine Col. Jeffery Powers wrote to the NFL commissioners the following:

I've been a season pass holder at Yankee Stadium, Yale Bowl and the Giants Stadium.

I missed the '90-'91 season because I was with a battalion of Marines in Desert Storm. 14 of my wonderful Marines returned home with the American Flag draped across their lifeless bodies. My last conversation with one of them, Sgt. Garrett Mongrella, was about how our Giants were going to the Super Bowl. He never got to see it.

Many friends, Marines, and Special Forces Soldiers who worked with or for me through the years returned home with the American Flag draped over their coffins.

Now I watch multi-millionaire athletes who never did anything in their lives but play a game, disrespect what brave Americans fought and died for. They are essentially spitting in the faces and on the graves of real men, men who have actually done something for this country beside playing with a ball and believing they're something special! They're not! My Marines and Soldiers were!

You are complicit in this! You'll fine players for large and small infractions but you lack the moral courage and respect for our nation and the fallen to put an immediate stop to this. Yes, I know, it's their 1st Amendment right to behave in such a despicable manner.

What would happen if they came out and disrespected you or the refs publicly?

I observed a player getting a personal foul for twerking in the end zone after scoring. I guess that's much worse than disrespecting the flag and our National Anthem. Hmmmmm, isn't it his 1st Amendment right to express himself like an idiot in the end zone?

Why is taunting not allowed yet taunting America is OK? You fine players for wearing 9-11 commemorative shoes yet you allow scum on the sidelines to sit, kneel or pump their pathetic fist in the air. They are so deprived with their multi-million dollar contracts for playing a freaking game!

You condone it all by your refusal to act. You're just as bad and disgusting as they are. I hope Americans boycott any sponsor who supports that rabble you call the NFL. I hope they turn off the TV when any team that allowed this disrespect to occur, without consequence, on the sidelines. I applaud those who have not.

Legends and heroes do NOT wear shoulder pads. They wear body armor and carry rifles.

They make minimum wage and spend months and years away from their families. They don't do it for an hour on Sunday. They do it 24/7 often with lead, not footballs, coming in their direction. They watch their brothers carted off in pieces not on a gurney to get their knee iced. They don't even have ice! Many don't have legs or arms.

Some wear blue and risk their lives daily on the streets of America They wear fire helmets and go upstairs into the fire rather than down to safety. On 9-11, hundreds vanished. They are the heroes.

I hope that your high paid protesting pretty boys and you look in that mirror when you shave tomorrow and see what you really are, legends in your own minds. You need to hit the road and take those worms with you!

Time to change the channel. Right on Colonel

Powers originally sent his letter to former Florida congressman Allen West. West then posted the letter to his news website.

Five years ago this month

Chaos: General James Mattis Announced As Next Commandant Of Marine Corps

Washington, D.C. - In a controversial move sure to send shockwaves throughout the Corps, President Obama announced on August 14th that Commandant of the Marine Corps General Jim Amos will soon be replaced by General James Mattis.

Amos indicated his plans to resign early - having served only two years out of the four-year term as Commandant - saying that "he's getting too old for this shit."

"I'm just sick of dealing with these savages in the press and in Congress. They keep asking me questions about snipers pissing on people, nazi flags, and other crap," said Amos. "I figure Jim [Mattis] will certainly know how to handle them."

Not one to mince words, General Mattis is known for controversial quotes - once telling a reporter that it was "fun to shoot some people," and that his Marines should always "have a plan to kill everyone they meet."

Mattis, who announced his plans for retirement months ago, is being recalled for the position as top commander at a time when the Marine Corps transitions from combat to peace.

"This transition stuff is all a bunch of crap," said Mattis, after returning from a 30 mile ruck run with an 80-pound pack. "Our Corps will always be killing people. Even in peace time, I'll find someone for our boys to kill out there. Yeah, I'm talking to you Iran."

When reached for further comment on his promotion, Mattis was glad that he would be staying in uniform.

"When I announced my retirement, it was at a time when death by PowerPoint was my entire day. I thought I had missed my chance for Commandant," said Mattis, after spitting out his Red Man chew and downing a double-shot of Jack Daniels. "But now that I am receiving this promotion, it means most of my job is to visit our boy's overseas -

Afghanistan, Djibouti, Libya - and I can get closer to the action again."

Mattis is excited that he can leave the briefing room to get back to "systematically tracking and killing the nation's enemies with his bare hands," but he also has other plans for sweeping changes across the Marine Corps.

"This policy that doesn't allow sleeve tattoos is a bunch of horseshit," said General Mattis, as he shows off his own full-sleeve tattoos running down both arms. "So that's the first thing to go."

Another policy change includes a change to physical training. While most infantry Marines can probably keep up with the General on runs, Mattis says that he wants everyone to live up to the ethos of "Every Marine a Rifleman."

"These air wingers and admin folks think they are sitting pretty, only heading to the gym or not doing PT at all," said Mattis, in between his third round of 350lb back squats. "So I'll also be leading them in 15 mile runs until they shape up."

Finally, Mattis says he'll reverse the no-hazing policy that Marines have been under since the nineties, saying that it's "good goddamn training."

"Listen, I don't like stupid shit," said Mattis. "but if you're one of my fine young men about to go on deployment and you have a boot who isn't listening, I think it's a valuable training tool to duct tape him to a bench, mentor on an emotional level with a wall-to-wall counseling session, or make him dig a hole to China."

Mattis continued: "I mean hell, that's where we're going [China] eventually anyway. Might as well train like we fight."

General Mattis is expected to take command at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

RAO Bulletins

Each month your editor attempted to review all RAO Bulletins and put articles deemed important to veterans into our newsletters.

However, what may be important to me may not be important to you and I may very possibly overlook something you as a veteran might like to know about, so I am providing a link below that will take you to the current bulletin so that you might look it over. The below bulletin is dated September 15th, 2017 and must be viewed before October 1st, 2017 when it will go off-line.

[http://www.nhc-ul.org/Bulletin%20170915%20\(PDF%20Edition\).pdf](http://www.nhc-ul.org/Bulletin%20170915%20(PDF%20Edition).pdf)

EVERY DAY PRAYER REQUEST

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen."

**FREEDOM IS NOT FREE
Support Our Troops**



I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands,
One Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

From your editor

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Any comments or suggestion on what should be in our newsletter! Articles/information you need! Let me know! The newsletter will go to press on or about the weekend following each meeting.

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LINKS TO CHECK

Many of you if not all skip over these links. If you do you are missing out on some good stuff.
<https://www.americanrifleman.org/articles/2017/7/31/guns-of-the-devil-dogs-us-marine-corps-small-arms-of-world-war-i/>
<http://twsmilitarystore.com/usmcapparel.html>

-- *Once a Marine, Always a Marine* –
OOORAHHH !!!!!

GOD BLESS AMERICA

