



OUR HOUSE

Quarterly Newsletter

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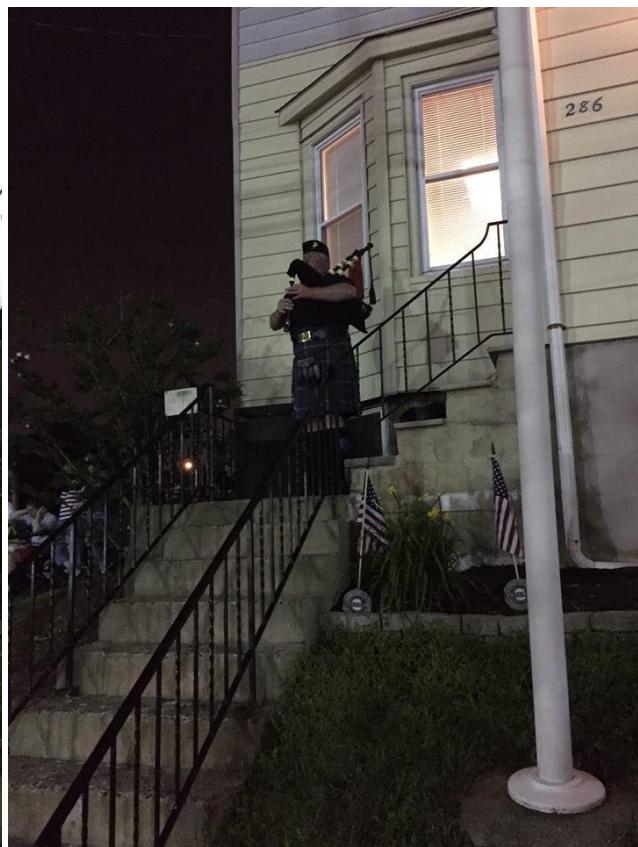
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Principles: The members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps. Those who belong have the respect of a nation, the loyalty of their own, and the pride of being a part of history.

JULY- The monthly staff meeting was cancelled since it fell on the 4th of July. In its place, the house was open for a celebration of Independence Day, coordinated with the Town of Kearny. Plenty of activities for the kids, demonstrations from the Fire Dept. and, of course vendors peddling their wares to help celebrate the fun! Then, after sundown, the fireworks! Always an enjoyable event with plenty of OOHHS and AHHHS! Afterwards, our piper drew a crowd as he played OUR HYMN, and other tunes. Of course, decked out in his kilt and EGA.







On the 11th, the regular monthly meeting was held and final plans and head count for the upcoming camping trip, as well as future events. Suggestions were made by Commandant Tegge's son, regarding the upgrading and reuse of the upstairs to serve as a museum for members and families to share our history. The work is a project of the Boy Scouts, and was unanimously accepted. Great idea, outstanding undertaking. Thank you .

Then, the infamous camping trip on 21st-23rd. Another memorable event was had by all. And what happened on the trip stayed on the trip....NOT!!!





Next day, off to the river. Time for some water fun.



Afterwards, a little drying out by the fire with some laughs and games.



And then settle in for a quiet night by the fire!!!!



All in all, a great trip, with plans already in the works for next year!!

AUGUST- The month began with our staff meeting. Discussions took place regarding the upcoming events and happenings around the house.

On the 8th, the regular monthly meeting took place. Members and staff discussed the trip, as well as made plans for future events. Planning on the upcoming Kearny 5K, and the Basilone Parade, next month. Lots to do!

On the 12th, Commandant A. Tegge attended a Court of Honor for newly awarded Eagle Scout Christopher Merring Jr. of Roxbury Troop 188. Congratulations young man!



On the 25th, the annual Kearny 5K, to commemorate SSG Jorge Oliveira took place. Once again, our detachment was represented with runners showing our colors. Well done, Marines!

**4TH ANNUAL 5K
RUN/WALK**

(In Memory of SSG Jorge Oliveira)
Proceeds to Benefit the SSG Jorge Oliveira Scholarship Fund

Saturday, August 25, 2018
8:00am – Sign-in & Registration
9:00am – Run/Walk Begins
@VFW Post# 1302, 300 Belgrove Dr., Kearny

Prizes to be awarded to fastest runners
Registration Fee: \$20 per person in advance
(Pre-register @ [RUNSIGNUP.COM](#) thru Wednesday, August 22nd)
Note: Registration Fee on the day of the race is \$25 per person
Water & Refreshments will be provided
For more information, please email vfwpost1302@gmail.com
Follow us on Facebook & Twitter
USATF Certified Course

DOG 5K RUN/WALK
Bring your 4-legged friend along
Doggie Water Station, Treats & Prizes

PROUD SUPPORTERS







On the 28th, Jr. V.C. Adam Waldron and Frank Acuna met with the members of Lyndhurst Elks, Lodge 1505 and accepted a clothing donation, organized by Marine Dominick Rotondo (well done, Marine).



SEPTEMBER- The month began with plans for the general meeting and a request for helpers with the upcoming VAVS cookout.

On the 4th, members attended a small party celebrating the 95th birthday of WHD member Art Thun. Along with family members, jokes were shared, stories told, and we had an enjoyable evening helping one of our own celebrate among fellow Marines!

Happy Birthday Art!



On the 8th, Marines from the West Hudson Detachment sponsored a cookout at the Menlo Park Veterans' Home, in Edison, N.J. The turnout was great, and aside from a few glitches with event scheduling, we were able to feed and mingle with plenty of our senior veterans. Wives and Marines worked to cook and distribute food to the grateful vets and staff. OUTSTANDING job, Marines! And thanks to the wives: Robin Healy and Eileen Milligan.





On the 11th, local artist Anthony Sienkiewicz presented a painting, honoring the **4 Chaplains**. The portrait is to be displayed in the Town Hall. On hand for the presentation were State Jr. V.C. John Cleary and WHD. Jr. V.C. Adam Waldron



On the 12th, the regular monthly meeting was held and members and staff discussed upcoming events and were advised of recent activities. As always, many,

many items on the agenda! During the meeting, several awards were distributed to Marines for their varied service and activities. Congratulations Jack Engdahl and Frank Acuna, well done!



And a life membership was awarded to member Paul Petro.



A short while later, members greeted coach Miguel Bayas and his assistant coach, Steve Devivo, from the North Arlington Soccer Association. They presented the detachment with an autographed jersey from this years 1st place Soccer Team. Our sponsorship is appreciated, and we're justifiably proud of the accomplishment of these young team members .



On the 15th, once again, members joined to participate in the Seaside Semper 5, 5K race benefitting Marines and families. The weather was good, and the turnout phenomenal! Best part, our troops came out in **1st Place, Team runners**. Outstanding job, Marines!





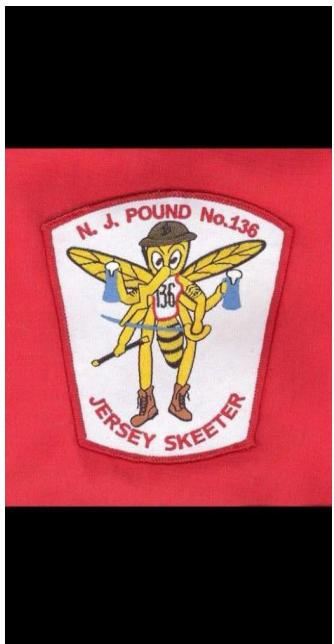


And then, the awards! Well earned all !





On the 22nd, the Devil Dogs sponsored a SOS Breakfast at the House. Marines from WHD, and other detachments enjoyed chow and exchanged stories. Once again, the chefs were hard at work at the stove. Well done!





Also, on the 22nd, Commandant Tegge and his son represented our detachment in the Manilla Madness 5K (Basilone Foundation event). As always sporting our colors and representing us well. Outstanding!!



Then, on the 23rd, the Basilone Parade: one of the biggest Marine Corps events on the eastern seaboard! Once again, Marines and families filled the streets of Raritan, N.J., the home of Gy. Sgt. John Basilone, to celebrate his legacy and the town's pride in him! It was a cool day, and the event well planned, so it was a great parade!





And our own dignitary: Tommy “D”. Styling, as always. Semper Fi!





Afterward, several wreaths were placed by the monument. Along with one from town Mayor Charles McMullin, another was placed by the youngest brother of John Basilone: Donald Basilone, and one by the Guest of Honor: Lt. Gen. John Toolan. Finishing up the ceremony was a reenactment of the flag raising at Iwo Jima.





Then, afterwards, a little brunch nearby! As always, Marines enjoying themselves!



That's pretty much all for this quarter....looking forward to another busy one next time:
SOS Breakfast, plans for the Marine Corps Ball, Gifts for Children drive, member elections, etc.

Semper Fi !