

# THE BONNYMAN GAZETTE

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## Detachment & Auxiliary Meetings

We meet monthly on the last Tuesday of the month at the Navy Operational Support Center / Marine Corps Reserve Center, 2101 Alcoa Hwy (Rt 129) Knoxville, TN 37920. Social hour begins at 1730 followed by a business meeting at 1830.

## Detachment Officers

### Commandant

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### Chaplain

Leroy Brown (865) 806-2837

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David Cates (865) 548-4088

### Sergeant-at-Arms

Bill Mullaly (865) 966-4532

## ANOTHER FANTASTIC MARINE MUD RUN

On 17 September the Detachment pulled off another successful Marine Mud Run. Months of planning and preparation ended with a memorable event that included over 1400 runners and thousands of spectators. Detachment volunteers, Auxiliary members, Young Marines, and Marines of D Company, 4th CEB all combined to make this event possible and the high point of the year. Thanks to all who worked so hard!



## COMMANDANT'S CORNER

I hope this month has treated everyone nice. Just three months left in this year and we still have a lot to do. Hopefully the Mud run goes well and everyone leaves the picnic so full they have to take a nap when they get home. The Jim Putman Memorial Rifle Match went well. David Fugate won the match with a 283--4x's, Jeff Tegzes was close behind with a 257--1x, and my boy, Jim F. Williams shot a 247--1x. Yours truly we will not talk about scores, just had a great time. Please, if you put your name on the list, show up or let someone know you can't make it!. Thanks to the Young Marines North for doing a great job pulling targets. The Jim Peacock Memorial Pistol shoot will be next month. A sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. I hope that everyone who can make the September meeting will be there. There is a lot to do this month.

Semper Fi,

Jim Williams, Commandant



## 2016 MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL

The Marines and Sailors of Delta Company, Fourth Combat Engineer Battalion will gather on Saturday, 29 October 2016 at the Hilton Knoxville in Knoxville Tennessee to celebrate the 241st Birthday of the United States Marine Corps. We would be delighted if all Marine Corps League Members would attend this great celebration.



**JIM PUTMAN RIFLE MATCH WINNERS**



**KATHY WINTERS IS SWORN IN AS THE  
DETACHMENT'S NEWEST ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

### **MEMBER DUES DUE BEFORE 30 NOVEMBER**

Harry Cate  
William Dunaway  
William Eichorn  
Kevin Kuklok  
Edgar McDonald  
Stacy Redwine

## **DETACHMENT PICNIC**

Mark your calendars for the annual Detachment Picnic at Lenoir City Park. The picnic will be held on Sunday, 25 September at the Area 1 Shelter.

## **ETVMA SPORTING CLAYS**

The East Tennessee Veterans Memorial Association will present a Sporting Clays Shootout on Friday, October 28th, 2016 at the Chilhowee Sportsman's Club. Three flights are scheduled for 9am, 12pm, and 3pm. Lunch will be provided and awards will be presented. Cost is \$500 per team of 4, \$125 for individuals. For more information contact Marine Tim Eichhorn at :

865-218-8408 or  
teichorn@rkcapital.com



### Greeting Marines and Auxiliary

Congratulations to our Ladies Auxiliary on their 20 year anniversary. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated and hard working ladies working by our side making the Lt. Bonnyman Detachment the finest in the MCL. Thanks Ladies.

Hope everyone is staying cool. Congratulations to Charlotte and George Helton, Susan and Wayne Jones, and Mattie and myself on making 50 years of marriage.

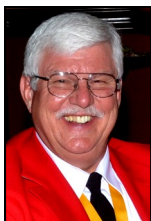
Shirley Morris, widow of Lloyd Morris and Kay Putman, widow of Jim Putman send their regards.

I am recovering from another surgery related to the hernia surgery I had in January. My knee is doing fine.

Gene Collins sends his regards and is keeping me updated on his condition. We have other members who are having medical problems. Please keep everyone in your prayers. And remember out men and women who are serving our armed forces.

If I can be any assistance please let me know by email lbrown2222@aol.com or call me at 865-806-2837

Semper Fi  
Leroy Brown, Chaplain



## JIM PEACOCK PISTOL MATCH

It's time once again for the Jim Peacock Pistol match. On October the 15th the match will take place at the Volunteer Rifle and Pistol Range (TWRA) off Rifle Range Road in north Knoxville. The gates will open at 0800. A total of 45 rounds will be fired from 7, 15, and 25 yards, slow fire and rapid fire. After the big gun/center fire match there will be a .22 match with the same course of fire. This year the range fees went up so our costs will go up. The cost is 25.00 for the big gun and 20.00 for the 22 match. We will also have hot food at the match. It seems like everybody likes pulled pork so I guess that is what it will be and if it's a little cool there will be coffee. Everyone interested in shooting in a fun match should come on out and enjoy the day. A sign up sheet for League members will be at the September meeting. Anyone else contact me at [bigjimusc69@gmail.com](mailto:bigjimusc69@gmail.com)

## MCL AUXILIARY

Greetings everyone. It has been a busy Summer. Thanks to all who worked so hard on our 20th Anniversary dinner and thanks to all who attended. It was truly a memorable event and the committee did an outstanding job putting it together.

The VAVS representation form has been sent in to the National Coordinator. The new rep will be Patty Mullins with deputies as Constance Sexton, Susan Jones and Shelby Ward. Patty and I intend to go to the October 24, 2016 required meeting at the Mountain Home Hospital.

Our Doris Ekstrom Memorial donation to St. Jude's Children's Hospital has been sent in for the year. Thanks to Karl Ekstrom, our members and the Unit for their contributions. The amount this year was \$350.00.

Thanks to all the Mud Run volunteers again this year. We are hoping for good weather for the picnic too.

Hope to see you all at the meeting. A hello to Pat and Fred Gettings in Greeneville.

September cookies will be by  
Barbara Tassey.



Connie Sexton, President



**LADIES OF THE AUXILIARY UNIT CELEBRATE  
20 YEARS OF SERVICE**

## October Calendar

Officers Meeting	11
Newsletter Deadline	15
Jim Peacock Pistol Match	15
South Knox Breakfast	25
Detachment Meeting	25
<b>Marine Corps Birthday Ball</b>	<b>29</b>

## November Calendar

Officers Meeting	8
Detachment Birthday Lunch	10
Veteran's Day Parade	11
Newsletter Deadline	15
South Knox Breakfast	22
Detachment Meeting	29

## December Calendar

Devil Dog Growl	5
Christmas Breakfast	10
Officers Meeting	13
Newsletter Deadline	15
(no Detachment meeting this month)	

## SCRATCHES FROM THE CLAWS OF THE BARKING DOG



The last Growl is 5 December. All Growls will be held at Calhoun's Restaurant in Bearden Hill. Calhoun's is located at 6515 Kingston Pike near the I-40 Papermill Road Exit in West Knoxville. We meet in the private dining room on the left. Opening ceremonies will begin at 1800.

Barking Dog

**Always check the online calendar at [www.MCLknox.org](http://www.MCLknox.org) for the latest information on dates, times, and locations/maps for League meetings and events.**

### RED BLAZERS AVAILABLE

Marine Corps League type 2 button red blazers are available at [uniformalwear-house.com](http://uniformalwear-house.com) for \$59.95-\$69.95. This company offers good quality at great prices. Official MCL buttons must be purchased from the MCL National Ship's Store and installed by you or your tailor.

### USMC SUPPORT OF MARINE FUNERALS

Family members of deceased Marines can request military honors for a funeral through the following Headquarters Marine Corps hotline:

**(866) 826-3628**

Do not call Marine Reserve Centers directly! They cannot provide honors without direction from Headquarters Marine Corps.

### MEMBERS NEEDED FOR THE HONOR GUARD

The Detachment Honor Guard/Firing Detail is looking for new members to provide honors and salutes at memorial events and funerals. Members must be able to handle the M1 Rifle (9.5 pounds) and will need the League undress uniform (white SS shirt and Dress Blue trousers). Expert training will be provided and no experience (other than Boot Camp) is necessary. Contact Marine Lee Rhinemiller for details.



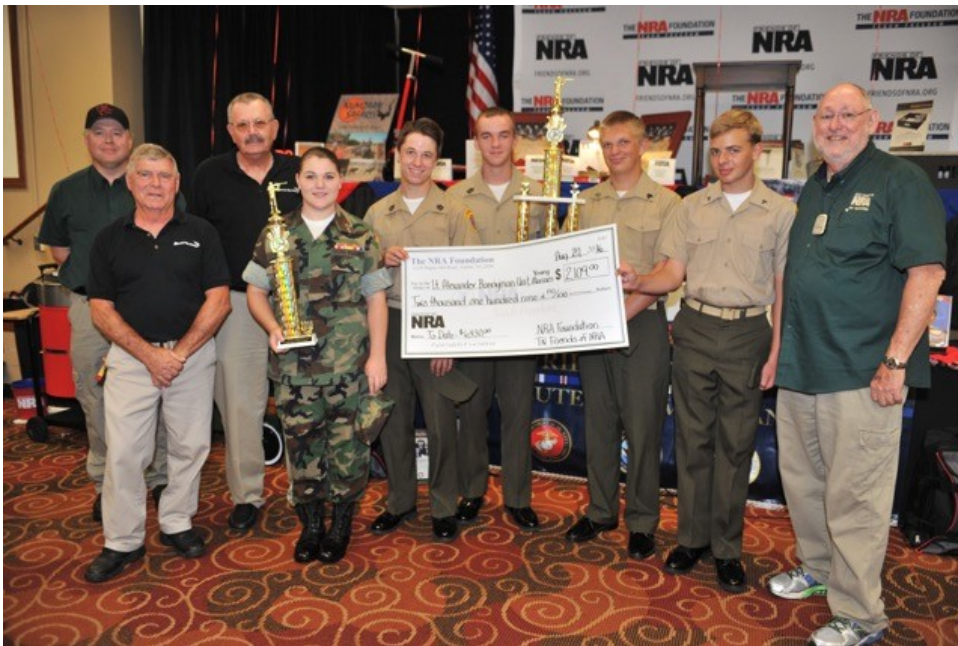
## YOUNG MARINE REPORT by Kathy Winters

Summer months have ended and the Young Marines are all back to school. And we are trying to get back to basics. We played all summer long and now we have to work at completing our mandates and getting our Young Marines ready for promotions and schools for next summer.

Members of our Rifle Team attended the Friends for the NRA Banquet where we the Color Guard for the third year in a row. A table was set up to display all of our trophies. It is quite impressive.

On the last weekend of the month, the Unit joined the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Battalion at Ocoee, Tennessee, camping out in tents and shelter halves. A great deal of time was spent studying Essential Outdoor Skills, required of all Young Marines. There were about 50 Young Marines and several Adult Leaders in attendance. Zip lining was the highlight of the weekend.

No one will believe we actually took a weekend off over Labor Day, but were back to our regular Drill Schedule the next Saturday. On 24 September 2016, we are having a Parent Orientation for new Recruits. Our recruit class starts 1 October 2016. If you know of a youngster who might be interested, let us know.



**YOUNG MARINES PRESENT THE COLORS AT THE MUD RUN**

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Type of Application- New ( ) Renewal ( ) Type of Membership- Regular Member ( ) Associate ( ) Dual ( )

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? ( ) YES ( ) NO *If yes is checked, I agree to waive my rights under the Privacy Act and disclose the nature of my felony conviction for consideration of membership in the Marine Corps League.*

I hereby apply for membership in the Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Detachment, Marine Corps League, Department of Tennessee, and enclose \$28.00 for one year's membership that includes a year's subscription to the Marine Corps League quarterly magazine.

I certify that I am currently serving or have served honorably in the U. S. Marine Corps, on active duty, for not less than ninety (90) days and earned the Eagle, Globe and Anchor,\* or have served or am currently serving in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve and have earned no less than ninety (90) Reserve Retirement Points or that I have served or am currently serving as a U. S. Navy Corpsman who has trained with Marine FMF Units in excess of ninety (90) days and earned the Marine Corps Device or Warfare Device worn on the Service Ribbon authorized for FMF Corpsman. If discharged, I am in receipt of a DD Form 214 or Certificate of Discharge indicating "Honorably service." ("Honorably Service" will be defined by the last Form DD 214 or Certificate of Discharge that the applicant received). *General discharge under Honorable Conditions is acceptable.* By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable service/discharge upon request. I hereby authorize the National Executive Director, Marine Corps League to obtain an un-redacted copy of my latest DD Form 214 from the Marine Corps custodian of Official Military Personnel Files (OMPF), and/or verification of honorable service if deemed necessary to verify my eligibility for regular membership in the Marine Corps League. I understand the DD Form 214 may contain information such as military awards, training, and character of service.

\*(Korean War Era Marines See National Bylaws, Article 6, Section 600)

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Applicant's Signature

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