



Newsletter



Indian River Detachment 058 Marine Corps League

Commandant: Dwight Harris

Vice Commandant: John Harris

Jr Vice Commandant: Heath Harris

Monthly Meeting: Every 4th Thursday of each month

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 1900

Location: Victory Center, Indian River Mall, 6200 20th Street, Suite 160

Uniform of the Day: Casual with Cover and Red Polo Shirt

September Meeting

District Vice Commandant Bob Leon attended the meeting and passed on important information to the Detachment Members.

Detachment Members approved the payment of \$400.00 to the Vietnam Veterans of Indian River County to purchase sets of furniture for needy Veterans.

Sick and Distressed:

Doc Copeland

Ken Dansby

Upcoming Events:

The Detachment will be sponsoring a traditional Marine Corps Birthday Ball on November 8, 2014, at the Club at Point West. Tickets for the Ball will be \$40.00 per person. There will be a served sit-down Dinner and a cash bar. Cocktail hour begins at 5:30 PM followed by a ceremony and dinner. The entrée is either Seared Mahi Mahi or Chicken Parmesan.

The Ball will include a 50/50 drawing and a raffle for a K-Bar and a necklace with a Marine Corps Pendant. After dinner entertainment will be provided by Jim Moy who will DJ with 60's 70's and 80's popular music.

Tickets are now available for purchase at John Michael Mathews Fine Jewelry, 645 Beachland Blvd, Vero Beach. Contact John Mathews at 234-1512, Heath Harris at 643-2554 or Mike Bodnar at 778-1472 for information. When purchasing the tickets you will need to provide the preferred dinner entrée.

Information:

Just a reminder that effective July 1, 2014 the annual Marine Corps League membership dues increased to \$40.00 per year so don't be surprised when you receive your annual renewal notice.

History:

The Marine Corps was created on November 10, 1775, in Tun Tavern, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, by a resolution of the Continental Congress. In 1834 the Marines became part of the Department of the Navy. Captain Samuel Nicholas - is considered the first Marine Corps Commandant. He was the first commissioned officer of the Marine Corps.

General Archibald Henderson - The Grand Old Man of the Marine Corps - fifth Commandant and first to be a General. He served as Commandant for 38 years.

The current Marine Corps emblem (the Eagle, Globe and Anchor) was adopted in 1868. The globe and anchor signify worldwide service and sea traditions. The spread eagle represents the nation itself. The motto is clenched in the beak of the bird.

Scarlet Trousers Stripe (Blood Stripe) - The red stripe was first seen on Marine uniforms in 1796. It was used off and on until uniform regulations made it standard on all NCO and Officer Uniforms in 1859. It is rumored that the stripe represents the blood shed by Marines at the Battle of Chapultepec in the war with Mexico in 1846.

Marine Corps Motto - "Semper Fidelis" was adopted in 1883 as the official Marine Corps Motto. It is Latin for Always Faithful.

Official Marine Corps Colors - Scarlet and Gold.

Happy 239th Birthday US Marine Corps

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