



DETACHMENT NEWSLETTER

September 2009

Commandant's Corner

Every time I receive a compliment from the general public on our Marine Corps League Detachment, it makes me swell with pride to be a part of such a great bunch of individuals. Our Detachment has earned and received a great reputation in the community for giving back, and I hope we can continue this in the days to come.

We are coming up on our 234<sup>th</sup> Marine Corps Birthday, and I ask each and every one of us to take a moment to stop and reflect on what that and our service in the Marine Corps really means.

Semper Fi  
*Gregory Hunt*  
Commandant

RAFFLE

Be on the look out for emails regarding upcoming raffle table set up and times. Time is slowly running out for ticket sales, so let's do a selling blitz this month and collect as much as we can to allow us to continue accomplishing our mission in the community.

Upcoming Events

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1830

November 7<sup>th</sup> – 1730 - Marine Corps Ball

November 10<sup>th</sup> – Marine Corps Birthday  
(laying of wreath at Veterans Memorial Park)

December 17<sup>th</sup> – Detachment Holiday Dinner  
(we are taking suggestions on where to have the dinner, if you have any suggestions, let us know)

Color Guard

Franklin High School Varsity Football

October 2<sup>nd</sup>

October 16<sup>th</sup>

October 30<sup>th</sup>



<http://marines.togetherweserved.com/usmc>

## Marine Corps Birthday Ball

### November 7th

Birthday Ball information and registration forms went out in July, it's important to get those back in as soon as possible. If for some reason you didn't get one in the mail, let Commandant Hunt know and he will ensure you get one. Just a reminder the cost is \$30 per person and \$50 per couple. The event is still beer and wine only. Don't forget we will have a memorabilia table set up for you to display your uniforms, 782 gear, pictures, and any other historical items you want to share with others, so start dusting and cleaning those items. We will start setup and decorating the room at 1400 on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>, this will allow us time to get the room ready in time for social hour at 1730. Don't forget hotel rooms are available at the Ramada Limited, across the street from the event site, with Ramada providing shuttle service between the hotel and event site from 1500 until 2300 at no additional cost. The rooms are \$79.00/inclusive per night, an additional \$10/night for each adult over 2. There's still over 10 available rooms and are reserved under the name "Marine Corps Birthday Ball". It is a first come first serve basis. There is a 30 day cancellation policy on the rooms. The last day to reserve a room in this block is October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### REPRINT

#### HOLD ONTO YOUR MEMORIES...

If you've lost or can't remember if you got a boot camp photo, you're in luck. Recruit photos has boot camp photo negatives dating back to 1939. The negatives can be turned into 8"X10" pictures of your platoon and your individual Dress Blues portrait. Beware that some years are missing, so not everyone may be lucky enough to recreate those memories. The cost is \$9.95 per photo and can be ordered from MCCS Recruit Photos, MCAS Building Number 553, PO Box 55018, Beaufort MCAS, SC 29904. They are open 0730 until 1600 Monday through Friday. Their phone number is (843) 228-1555/1546. Remember to provide the platoon number, month and year of graduation. There is a 4 weeks to 90 days wait for delivery. You can visit them at [www.mccs.sc.com](http://www.mccs.sc.com)



<http://usmcshop.grunt.com/>

## TRIP TO PARRIS ISLAND

The next planned trip to Parris Island is October 9-11, 2009. If you would like to come along, let me know. Lodging on the Depot is possible. It is in the Osprey Inn, which is a converted Staff NCO barracks, turned into a lodging facility, and the BOQ. You will either need to have someone with a military ID present, or get a sponsor with an ID. They are very friendly and work above and beyond to cater to your needs. The best part is, it's within walking distance of both the All Hands Club and the Brig and Brew.

### FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK 5K

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this event due to lack of funds from both sponsors and our bank account. We do hope to pick this up again in 2010. A thought that has been discussed is to schedule the event during one of the already major events in town, such as Pumpkin Fest, Gemboree, or Taste of Scotland. We will begin discussing this in January 2010, so be thinking of ideas and money making ventures.

### QUARTERMASTER SUPPLY LOCKER

The following is a list of uniform items on hand in the Detachment supply locker. If you would like to purchase something listed, contact the Detachment at 828-342-2024.

Red MCL Covers.....	\$31.00
Sizes: 7 ¼, 7 3/8, 7 ½, 7 5/8	
SS Aviator White Shirts.....	\$18.95
Sizes: 15, 16, 16 ½, 17, 17 ½, 18	
LS Aviator White Shirts.....	\$19.95
Sizes: 16 ½	
MCL Patches for shirts.....	\$3.75
MCL Collar Emblems.....	\$12.00/set
MCL Associates Emblems.....	\$6.25/set
Cover Emblems.....	\$5.00
American Flag for Shirts.....	\$2.00
Red Blazer Crest.....	\$28.00
Red Blazer Buttons.....	\$8.00/set

## CHALLENGE COINS

We still have over \$300 worth of coins left. If you indicated an interest in purchasing a coin when they were ordered, please bring money to the October meeting to pick them up.



<http://www.mcleague.com/shipsstore/>



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[http://www.tecom.usmc.mil/HD/Home\\_Page.htm](http://www.tecom.usmc.mil/HD/Home_Page.htm)

## GIVING TO THOSE IN NEED

It has come to our attention that CareNet, the local non-profit in Franklin, is running on empty in the food pantry section. Susan McCoy has been in contact with CareNet and here is a list of items they are in need of:

Soup  
Canned meat  
Canned vegetables  
Canned fruit  
Peanut butter/Jelly  
Noodles/pasta  
Boxed meals (Tuna helper, etc.)  
Potatoes (Canned, fresh, etc.)  
Tomato products  
Chili  
pork and beans  
ravioli, etc.

Personal items:  
Feminine hygiene products  
Shampoo  
Deodorant  
Adult toothpaste  
Toothbrushes

Paper products:  
Toilet paper  
Laundry powder  
Dish detergent  
Diapers (All sizes including 4, 5, and 6)

New blankets

They also take dog and cat food for people with pets.

We will be collecting items at the October meeting to be taken to CareNet to help replenish their cupboards. This is just one of the many ways we can accomplish our mission statement of giving back to the community.