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- **Bob Stalzer ***
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• **Steve Bliss**
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• **Dan Danzi**
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Sergeant at Arms

• **Artie Williams**
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• **Gloria Beck**
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2016 Schedule

Detachment monthly meetings 1st Wednesday of the month - starts 1930 ***UPSTAIRS HALL*** at Post #155 American Legion Home 13-23 Legion Place Whippany 07981 phone# 973- 884- 2494

Jan 6th - Starts 1900 - 2016 Annual Winter HOLIDAY SOCIAL AWARDS NIGHT no business meeting. !
***** HOT BUFFET served ***** \$20 per person.....Deadline for remittance December 16, 2015 No payment at the door. Thank you for your cooperation. Send checks for number in your party to: Paymaster : Slattery Detachment : PO Box 566, West Caldwell NJ 0700- 0566.

Feb 3rd - 1930 meeting up stairs hall at Legion Home

Mar 2nd - 1930 meeting, up stairs hall at Legion Home

Apr 6th - 1930 meeting Legion Home

May 4th - 1930 meeting Legion Home

May 28th - Flag placement at Veterans grave sites Gate of Heaven Cemetery East Hanover Meet 0730 Legion Home May 30th - Memorial Day Parade - watch newsletter and your emails for full details .

Jun 1st - 1930 meeting Legion Home

Jun 14th - at dusk Flag retirement ceremony meet at Legion Home 1/2hr before dusk

Jul 6th - 1930 meeting Legion Home

Aug 3rd - 1930 meeting Legion Home - Nomination Committee

Sep 7th - 1930 meeting Legion Home - Election of officers.

Oct 5th - 1900 Installation of officers Legion home - light refreshments served

Nov 2nd - 1930 meeting Legion Home Whippany

Nov 10th - Marine Corps Birthday

Dec 7th - Pearl Harbor Ceremony Legion Home Detachment meeting rescheduled to December 14

Dec 14th - Detachment meeting 1930 Legion Home.

"Closing of the National Museum of the Marine Corps (NMMC)"

NMMC to Be Closed January - March 2016 Construction has begun on the Final Phase of the National Museum of the Marine Corps. This section will open in phases over a 4-year period with the first part opening in 2017. As a part of the overall construction, the Museum will be closed January - March 2016 to hang an SBD Dauntless aircraft in Leatherneck Gallery and replace the gallery's Korean War Sikorsky HRS-2 helicopter exhibit with a tableau depicting a UH-34D helicopter during Operation Starlight in 1965...

To learn more about the Final Phase please visit www.usmcmuseum.com/Museum_Expansion.asp

Tony Modzelewski

"DOJO SCHOOL & STUDENTS DONATE 500 LBS CANDY TO OPERATION JERSEY CARES FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY"



(L-R) Mario "Gunny Mario Monaco, Sensi Dan Rominski, student and Dominick Monaco.

November 19, 2015 : at DOJO school 52 Park Ave. Rutherford, NJ. The Monaco brothers are at it again, as they accept 500 lbs of candy to be shipped to our deployed military from Sensi Dan Rominski, the instructors and students of the DOJO school.

"Hanover Township Committee Presents Eagle Awards to the Hanover Township Veterans Alliance Members"



Front (L-R) American Legion Commander Brian Pillion, Marine Corps League Commandant Bob Beck, Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander Ron Engle, Mayor Ron Francioli, Ed Moscariello, Committeeman John Ferramosca, Committeeman George Coppola

Rear (L-R) Committeeman Robert Brueno Jr., Committeeman Thomas "Ace" Gallagher, Pete Gallo, Administrator Joe Giorgio, Bill Witowski

Photo courtesy Jim Lent, Hanover Eagle

"TROOP 121 EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR"

Having completed the requirements for, and having been examined by an Eagle Scout Board of review Jonathan William Namovic, Jake Willis and Justin Sherman were found worthy of the rank of Eagle Scout.

November 22, 2015 at the Presbyterian Church Southern Boulevard Chatham NJ. Mario "Gunny" Monaco presented the Slattery Detachment Eagle Scout Certificate and the Department of NJ Eagle Scout patch to Johnathan Namovic, Justin Willis and Justin Sherman.



"Commandant's Corner"

"Operations Giveback" - Morris County, New Jersey

A new program for those living in Morris County, NJ is shaping up. This program called Operation Giveback aims at contracting with retail and service businesses to give discounts to Veterans.

The names of participants will be published in a booklet and distributed by the County Clerk's Office and can be found on line.

The discounts cover a very wide range of businesses and services frequented by Veterans. The original goal of 200 participants has already been exceeded, and continues to grow.

A card can be obtained from the County Clerk's Office. Visit www.morriscountyclerk.org or contact Liz Sutula at 973-285-6142 or lsutula@co.morris.nj.us. Booklets will be distributed to Veterans Groups and individuals throughout Morris County.

Again, please make contact with the above for more helpful details.

Semper Fi

Robert Beck
Commandant



"Bayer Donates \$10,000 to Marines Care"

December 16, 2015 At Bayer Corporation Headquarters Whippany, NJ: Commandant & Marines Care Foundation Director Bob Beck accepts \$10,000 donation check.



"NEW FEATURE WHO'S WHO..... "WHO AM I" ?"

NEW FEATURE WHO'S WHO..... "WHO AM I" ? If you think you know send name to [Pete Gallo](#).

Dust off your scrapbook pick out a photo from the past scan & send to [Pete Gallo](#) We will publish photo in newsletter -----

WILL THEY RECOGNIZE YOU ? We would like to have a different member participate every month.



"EAGLE RIDERS CLUB 2137 DONATES \$2,000 TO MARINES CARE"



Monaco brothers Dominick and Mario accept \$2,000 check from Eagle Riders Club President Ray Misura and Sgt. Arms Larry Peters

November 20, 2015: Bridgewater NJ: I just want to say a huge THANK YOU to ALL who came out last night to our open mic night at the Bridgewater Eagles club. Slackjaw Blues Band, American Legion folks from Post 209, our new marine friends Mario and Dominick all our brother bike clubs, and everybody who took time out of thier night to come out and support the awesome event put on by the Bridgewater Eagle Riders. thank you to our riders who once again worked tirelessly to help put on this event Larry Peters, Sergeant at Arms, Road Captain

"MARINE DOUG HUBER RETIRES AS POLICE CHIEF VERONA NJ"

Effective December 1, 2015 Slattery Detachment member Doug Huber, retires after over 40 years of service to Verona not only as Police Chief, but tenures as Town Manager and Public Safety Director . He was appointed a patrolman in 1974 after serving In the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and attending college.

To All, The Semper Fi Ships Store is back on line! It will be continually improved but is now functional!

S/F
Robert Beck - Commandant

"KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DONATE 100 BOXES OF PRODUCT TO OPERATION JERSEY CARES"



November 21, 2015 At the St. Gabriel the Archangel Church Saddle River, NJ. Mario "Gunny" Monaco picked up 100 boxes of product containing beef jerky, powdered drink mix, pop tarts, chap stick and a various assortment of other needed and welcomed items for our troops.

"PEARL HARBOR DAY CEREMONY"



Top photo - (L-R) Tom Miller, seated Commandant Bob Beck, Jimmy Heien, Gloria Beck, Ed Moscariello, Angela & JVC Anthony Fiorentino. Sgt. Arms Tony Oszmianski

Side photo - (L-R) Tony Oszmianski lighting a candle. Addressing the audience Mike McCorry assisted by Legion Commander Brian Pillion and Ben Link.



December 7, 2015: American Legion Post 155 Whippany NJ holds Pearl Harbor Day remembrance ceremony. Members of the Hanover Township Veterans Alliance performed the Legion candle lighting ceremony. Following closing remarks and Taps, the guests and participants were treated to light refreshments and friendly conversation

"BAYER CORPORATION DONATES \$20,000"



\$10,000 to Toys for Tots \$10,000 to Marines Care

(L-R) Ray Kerins, Gunny Hutchinson, Sgt. Rainone, Jimmy Heien, Bob Beck, Pete Gallo, John Andrews, Dave Katz, Keith Butler, Lorraine Zales



*** BAYER EMPLOYEES CONTINUE TO EMBRACE THE SPIRIT OF GIVING ***

December 16, 2015 (Wednesday) morning will be your last chance to drop off any toy donations for this year's Toys for Tots Drive.

Thank you, to all, who have so generously made donations to this worthy cause! Members of the United States Marine Corps and Marines Care will be joining us at our holiday lunch tomorrow and to collect all these wonderful toys for children in need.

"BAYER CORPORATION T4T"

View more photos at:

www.oohrahsemperfi.net/archives/slattery/yr2015/bayerT4T/

FROZEN IN TIME... A KOREAN WAR REMEMBRANCE

Loosely Based on The Night Before Christmas by Clement Clarke Moore

Twas November in Korea, when all through the North
Not in a 100 years, such a winter come forth;
Our troops boondoggled, icy land, frozen rations,
Instead makeshift heaters ,a "wizz" for weapon's action,

The soldiers or marines 15 crammed sleeping quarters,
Bed Check Charlie dropped shells and nightly mortars,
And men tripled clothing, wrapped towels for a cap,
Don't settle down, frostbite would stiff or snap,

While radio from Tokyo arose Christmas clatter,
Nothing for morale , missing home the matter.
Chinese warning, "the parallel" do not pass,
Sneaky forces were hidden quietly in mass.

1st Marine on M.S.R. and newly fallen snow
Though raunchy, running lights still gung-ho,
When, what to their wondering eyes did appear,
But Eight Chinese divisions upon the frontier,

With little old MacArthur, so blind, so thick,
UN Troops in the moment knew enemy was quick,
More rapid than eagles, "Chosin Few" they became,
And honchos with brass called them by name;

Now Old Beast!, Now X corps! Get fat in the jaw!
On Devil Dogs! On 7th! NEVER WITHDRAW!
To the top of the Mountains! To The Sea of Japan!
Now light em up! Light em up! Fast as you can!

Four weeks fought as tigers, outnumbered 8 to 1,
Those miles bonded brothers to get er done,
At Fox Hill Barber said there was no QUIT!
With Smith his warriors shit storm, truest grit!

And then, after exploding, the bridge span was gone
The Flying Boxcars with girders created walk upon.
Frozen enemies filled gaps in a nice rocky row,
Made across with frags to another tomorrow.

All broke some wounded ,from his head to his foot,
With his deuce gear tarnished with snow and soot;
A bundle of 25K left damaged in their tracks,
Whether soldier or marine they had each other's backs.

Truce talks lasted two years and 17 days,
And never a peace treaty signed or filed way;
90 % of the troops were sent to join the fight
Today some still suffer from effects of frostbite

Vets spoke not a word ,went straight back to work
Yet filled with memories; some sounds made him jerk,
Memorial day certain graves he never neglects;
Veteran's Day with his friends he often reflects,

So remember these men, their valor give respect,
For what they endured no one should ever forget.
And swear to show gratitude for your country,
They fought for freedom and your security!

Written By: Kim Goulding

"FINAL 2015 MARINE ROSE COLLECTION EVENT"

December 11,12,13, 2015: Lake Mohawk German Christmas Market, Sparta, NJ

I would like to thank the following detachment volunteers for coming out to help collect donations this week end .

Jim Crupi , Joe Donahue , Bill Freeman , Kim Goulding, Monika Flaherty, Jimmy Heien, Bob Stalzer ,Art Williams, Paige Williams -

OUR FACE PAINTING VOLUNTEERS: Amy Butler, Kaitlin Butler

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS RESULTS

Friday Night \$352.24
Saturday \$3,635.80
Sunday \$2,133.90
TOTAL \$ 6,121.94

TOTAL MARINE ROSE DONATIONS COLLECTED FOR 2015: \$23,862.57

Keith Butler

"HANOVER HOME ASSOCIATION HANOVER PA DONATES \$20,000 TO MARINES CARE - \$10,000 FOR MARINES CARE AND \$10,000 TO HEART OF A MARINE FOUNDATION"

December 19, 2015: Marine Don Patterson, on behalf of the Marines Care Foundation, accepts a check from Lisa Smith, recording secretary, Hanover Home Association. This is the third year in a row that our friends and supporters at Hanover Home Association have made a substantial donation for the Marines Care mission. We commend and thank the members of Hanover Home Association for their continued faith and support.



It is amazing how much good can be accomplished when we all work together. I have asked myself many times over how did an organization from Hanover, PA, and one from Hanover Township, NJ, come together to form this great partnership supporting all branches of the military. You may be surprised at my answer. Marines Care was formed in memory of LCPL Chris Cosgrove who was KIA Iraq 2006. I believe Chris's influence is watching over and guiding us in fulfilling our Mission. Chris You are always in our thoughts

"Wreaths Across America"

December 12, 2015

It was not your usual Saturday in December. The weather was unseasonably warm and undoubtedly most families had Christmas gifts on their list of chores for the day. Yet in the reverent cemeteries of the First Presbyterian Church and United Methodist Church they had paying homage to veterans on their minds. This second annual event was held by the Ferro Monte Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The area coordinator was Kim Armstrong, an associate member of our detachment and the 1st Vice Regent of the Ferro Monte Chapter. The day's proceedings not only honored those service members who have gone before us but educated our youth on the meaning of respect for our military.

This year, at 11:00am, veteran families were given time to quietly lay wreaths upon their loved ones grave. Promptly at 11:15am with maps and section number in hands, volunteers representing a cross section of Americana participated in placing the remaining wreaths on the headstones of service members dating back to the American Revolution. During this time, names of fallen heroes were randomly heard in the morning mist as if in military final roll call fashion. Yet it was unknowingly done in attempts to locate placement for their honored wreath. One could almost see each soldier, marine, airmen, minuteman, or union "federals" standing at attention awaiting in patriotic tribute. Next, at exactly 12:00pm everyone was led to the Memorial Ceremony in the First Presbyterian Church, as others nationwide commenced as well. Highlights of the program included presentation of colors by the Morris County Police, the ceremonial arrangement of armed forces wreaths and keynote speeches by Lt Colonel Ingrid Parker, Garrison Commander Picatinny Arsenal, Congressman Leonard Lance and L/Cpl Robert J Slattery Commandant Robert Beck. At the conclusion of the service the audience followed the wreath presenters through the Corridor of Honor to Main Street where the wreaths will be on display for the holiday season. Afterwards, a reception in Fellowship Hall was enjoyed by all who attended.

In closing the day's events can best be described in the words of those who gave of their time to share in the experience. Lt Colonel Ingrid Parker, Garrison Commander stated, "I found it to be extremely reverent in honoring our fallen service members. I appreciate the privilege to represent Picatinny Arsenal. US Army Vietnam Veteran Andy Nero said, "I felt proud to place wreaths and walk amongst my brothers. I was a field radio repairman, no shooting but I did my job. I was drafted and did what I had to. My father Patrick served in WWII as an artillery battery cook and my mom's 2 brothers in Korea. Plus, I didn't know anybody in Canada!" Also, retired US Army Lt Colonel Michael Milde who assisted in locating gravesites informed me that his son, Sean was fourth generation Army currently serving in Iraq and just promoted to the rank of Captain. And the day was epitomized in the opening remarks of Commandant Beck when he so eloquently stated, "Today we show a united front of national unity all across the United States of America as we Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve, and Teach our children the value of freedom!"

Written by: Kim Goulding