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2017 ~ 2018**



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Ozmianski**  
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Quartermaster

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# Slattery Sidelines

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## Happy Birthday Marines

1775  2017



Welcome New Board Officers



[www.marinescare.org](http://www.marinescare.org)

**L/CPL Robert J. Slattery**  
Marine Corps League, Detachment #206  
Marines Care Foundation, Inc.,  
In Memory of L/CPL Chris Cosgrove, III  
Whippany, New Jersey  
P.O. Box 566, West Caldwell, NJ 07007-0566



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## 2017 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

**Nov 1st** - meeting - 1930, Nominations for Detachment Marine of the Year - Legion home Whippany

**Nov 4th** - 2017 MARINE CORPS 242nd BIRTHDAY

**Nov 4th** - 12 noon, Save this Date for cake cutting ceremony celebrating the 242nd Marine Corps Birthday  
!! Location: Governor's Mansion, Drumwacket, more details to follow.

**Nov 11th** - Veterans day ceremony - 1100 meet at Legion Home Whippany at 1030

**Dec 6th** - meeting - 1930, Legion home Whippany

**Dec 7th** - 2000 Pearl Harbor day ceremony, Legion Home Whippany

### Chucky Blazures Lunch Bunch Skuttlebutt!

**19 Oct** 1 Billy's Red Room Parsippany Rd, Whippany NJ

**16 Nov** Charlotte" Web West Clinton Street Dover NJ

**21 Dec** Black Horse Pub Rt 24 Mendham NJ

### Department Meeting dates

Mark your calendars for the following Department Meeting dates at the Marine Reserve Center in Red Bank.

Sunday November 19, 2017 MODD Growl at 1000 and Full General meeting at 1200

Sunday January 14, 2018 Sr. Vice Detachment Meeting at 1000 and Full General meeting at 1200

Sunday March 18, 2018 MODD Growl at 1000 and Full General meeting at 1200

## Attention On Deck

### **Nov 5th two important functions on the same day**

- #1. Pancake breakfast free to veterans at Hanover Recreation Center, North Jefferson Rd, Whippany. Sunday November 5th 2017. 8 AM to 12 NOON sponsored by VFW Post 5351 Auxiliary.
- # 2. Memorial Plaque dedication ceremony in honor of LCPL Robert J. Slattery at the Hanover Municipal Complex, 1000 Route #10 and North Jefferson Road, Whippany. On Sunday Nov 5th at 3 pm with light refreshments to follow, at the conclusion of the dedication, served in the Hanover recreation center.

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## This Month in USMC History

### NOVEMBER

- **1 November 1983:** 300 Marines of the 22d Marine Amphibious Unit staged an amphibious and helicopter landing on the island of Carriacou, 15 miles northeast of Grenada, in a search for Cuban military installations or personnel. 17 Grenadian soldiers were captured, and arms, ammunition, and training sites were found. The next day the 22d MAU left the Caribbean area and proceeded to Beirut, Lebanon to replace the 24th MAU.
- **8 November 1990:** President Bush announced that he planned to add more than 200,000 U.S. troops to those already deployed in Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf area. The number of Marines in the area would be doubled by the addition of II MEF units from the Corps' east coast bases, and the 5th MEB from California. Within the next two months, Marine strength in the objective area would increase to nearly 90,000 Marines.
- **10 November 1921:** This date marked the first formal commemoration of the birthday of the Marine Corps as 10 November. On 21 October 1921, Maj Edwin McClellan, OIC of the Historical Section, HQMC, sent a memo to MajGen Commandant John A. Lejeune, suggesting that the original birthday of 10 November 1775 be declared a Marine Corps holiday to be celebrated throughout the Corps. Accordingly, on 1 Nov 1921, Gen Lejeune issued Marine Corps Order No. 47 summarizing the history, mission, and tradition of the Corps, and directed that it be read to every command each 10 November.
- **13 November 1982:** The Vietnam Veterans Memorial, containing the names of more than 13,000 Marines who lost their lives in Vietnam, was dedicated this date at the Memorial site in Washington, D.C. The dedication and parade that preceded it were part of a week-long National Salute to Vietnam Veterans.
- **17 November 1918:** The 4th Marine Brigade, as part of the 2d Division, American Expeditionary Force, began its march to the Rhine River, passing through Belgium and Luxembourg, as part of the American forces occupying a defeated Germany.
- **20 November 1943:** The 2d Marine Division, commanded by Major General Julian C. Smith, landed on Betio Island, Tarawa Atoll, Gilbert Islands. After seventy-six hours of bitter fighting during which almost 1,000 Marines died, and more than 2,000 were wounded, MajGen Smith declared the island secure.
- **24 November 1992:** Marines lowered the flag at Subic Bay, U.S. Naval Facility, Republic of the Philippines, for the last time during ceremonies to turn over the facility to the government of the Philippines. The withdrawal ended almost a century of U.S. presence in that nation.
- **25 November 1968:** The conclusion of Operation Lancaster II ended 10 months of action against the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army troops in the west-central sector of the demilitarized zone region. Over 1,800 enemy were killed, 42 captured, and 913 weapons seized during the operation.
- **27 November 1950:** In a carefully planned assault, eight Chinese Communist divisions in Korea launched a massive attack which had as its expressed purpose, the destruction of the 1st Marine Division. This action led to the successful southward Marine Corps attack out of the Changjin (Chosin) Reservoir to the coastal port of Hungnam.

## *Semper Fidelis*

### Commandant's Column



Last night I was installed as the Detachment Commandant for the L/Cpl Robert J Slattery Detachment, Marine Corps League in Whippany, NJ. An honor in many ways, I was in Boot Camp with Robert J Slattery 51 years ago at Parris Island, SC as member of Platoon 121, Bravo Company, 1st Recruit Training Battalion. He was KIA 50 years ago in Viet Nam on 6 July 1967 at a place called Gio Linh while a member of H&S 2/3.

I don't take this position lightly and neither do the three other elected Officers and the three appointed positions of the Detachment. "WE" will Lead from the Front. Ooh Rah and Semper Fi, Neas Out

### Installation of Officers 2017-2018

The installation of Slattery detachment officers for the 2017-2018 offices was conducted during the October 4 detachment meeting. The installation ritual was conducted by Don Mack, the Honorary Past Department Commandant, John Cleary, the Department Jr. Vice Commandant and Michael Waluk, Department Judge Advocate. The installation went off without a hitch in front of 45 members, guests and spouses. A special guest was Bob Fackina, another Past Department Commandant.

Those installed were Eddie News as Commandant, Norm Nutt as Senior Vice Commandant, John Andrews as Junior Vice Commandant, James Loizides as Adjutant Paymaster, Robert Stalzer as Judge Advocate, Dan Danzi as Chaplain and Anthony Oszmianski as Sergeant at Arms. The installation lasted about 25 minutes with Father Mike standing in for Dan Danzi who was AWOL.

After the ceremony Commandant News held a shortened meeting. The mentioning of the up-coming Slattery plaque dedication and the results of the various hurricanes relief donations the "Marines Care" in Texas and Florida handled were discussed. Several "Thank-you" letters for different Texas detachments were read. After the meeting closed the members and guest were treated to some fantastic sandwiches, salads, chips, dessert and drink that John Andrews made available. What was left over was distributed to whomever want some and to the bar downstairs.

Semper Fi,  
Tom Miller



#### Welcome Aboard

- Commandant Eddie Neas
- Senior Vice Commandant Norman Nutt
- Junior Vice Commandant John Andrews
- Judge Advocate Bob Stalzer
- Adjutant/ Paymaster Jim Loizides
- Chaplain Dan Danzi
- Sgt arms Tony Oszmianski
- Quartermaster Artie Williams





Oktoberfest at Our Lady of the lake church, Verona, NJ



Oktoberfest at our lady of the lake church, Verona, NJ. Jessica, a parishioner, mans the chow line

Whippany Sailor aboard ship

Whippany Sailor, Derek, aboard ship airlifting humanitarian aid to the victims of hurricane Maria in the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. His ship was in the Virgin Islands and is now off the coast of Puerto Rico. He is a graduate of Whippany Park High School "GO WILDCATS"

He's now in Paris Island

The young boy in white shirt is from our Lady of the Lake Church, Verona. Brian Dougherty is his name. He attended Det 206 meetings in September/October. He's now in Paris Island.

SemperFi

Bob



### Editors comments!!

We would like to pay Tribute to the Whippanong American Legion Post 155 members for their hospitality and continuing support for allowing the LCPL Robert J Slattery detachment and the Marines Care Foundation the use of their home as their guests. You have provided us with a meeting place. Your hospitality and generosity allows us to use all our donations to aid our wounded and veterans projects.

THANK YOU for your support, I am proud to be a 50 year member of Post 155, Pete Gallo.

Pete & Don  
Co-Editors

### OJC Second Annual Gala of Giving



(L-R) Dominic Monaco, Erica Winebrenner, Tom Cunningham, Karen Cooney, Mario Monaco.  
Tom Cunningham, OJC's president is in the middle.

Thank you to all who came out and supported our mission last night. What an incredible evening. We hope everyone enjoyed our Second Annual Gala of Giving as much as we did. It is because of all of you that we are able to continue to meet our mission year after year! "Never Again Shall One Generation Forget Another."

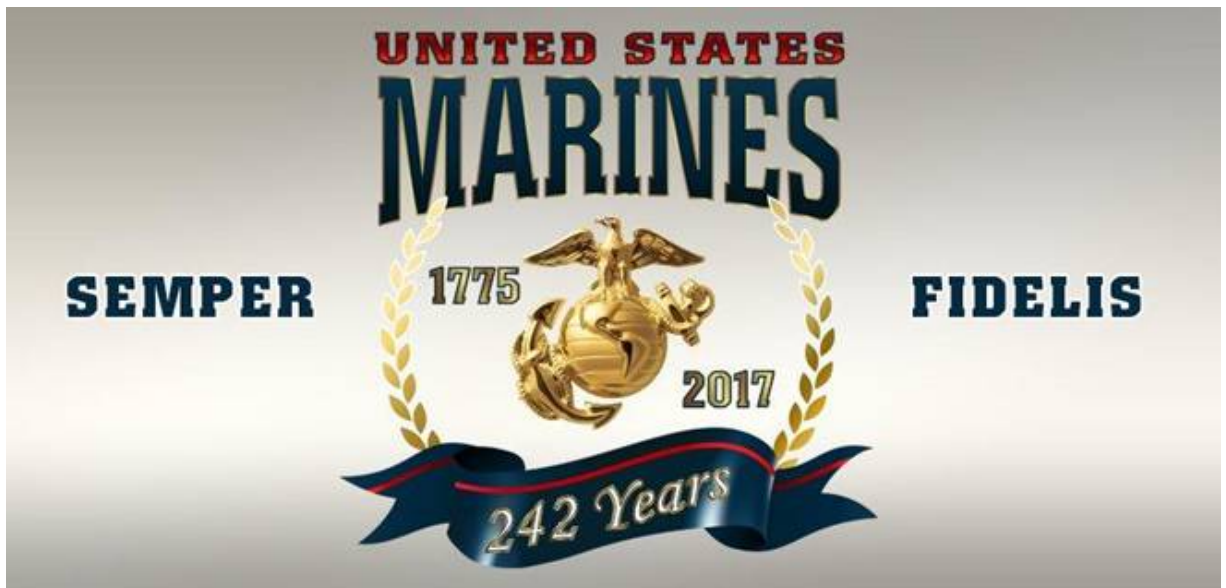
### MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

As of October 16th, 2017, we have completed the "Hurricanes Harvey & Irma Relief to Stricken Marines" with Puerto Rico having no detachments dealing with Hurricane Maria to help and no detachments in the Louisiana, Mississippi or Alabama needing help with Hurricane Nate. What I can say is of the 35 to 40 detachment commandants who I spoke to in the various states all but one was straight with me. I really appreciated it and in some cases sent down some art work to them.

Here are a few "Thank-you" letters from Texas as of this date. I received a very nice in-depth and concise letter from Commandant Steve Oedine of Houston Texas as to what is happening in his area (see page 7). The Florida detachments have just received their letters and checks. I'll update if and when the others respond.

Tom  
Semper Fi

242nd Birthday at Governor's Mansion Drumthwacket



All Hands

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to attend a special cake cutting ceremony at the NJ Governor's Mansion, honoring the United States Marine Corps and celebrating its 242nd Birthday.

Time ~ 12 noon (please arrive no later than 45 minutes prior).

Date ~ November 04th 2017 Saturday.

Location ~ Governor's Mansion Drumthwacket, 354 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ.

RSVP by October 24th VIA [rsvp@gov.state.nj.us](mailto:rsvp@gov.state.nj.us) or 609-7770994 (please be sure to leave your name and your guest's name)

Gunny Monaco 'ret'

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September 15, 2017

Dear Friend:

Article 38 of the Marine Corps manual directs that a reminder of the honorable service of the Corps be published to all Marines at special formations throughout the world on the birthday of the Corps. In keeping with this tradition, it gives me great pleasure to invite you to attend a special program scheduled for Saturday, November 4th at noon, at the residence of the Governor, Drumthwacket, 354 Stockton Street (Route 206), Princeton, New Jersey, honoring the United States Marine Corps and celebrating its 242nd birthday.

Your attendance would be most appreciated and would contribute greatly to the success of the event. Please note you will not need to RSVP via telephone or email this year. Your name as it appears on this invitation will be on a list for security to check off upon arrival on the day of the event. For further information on this event or any questions, please contact Jack McGreevey at 732-855-7441.

For planning purposes, please arrive no later than 45 minutes prior to the scheduled event start time. The Dress Code is Military Class A and civilian business casual.

We look forward to the pleasure of your company on Saturday, November 4th.

Sincerely,

Chris Christie  
Governor

Hurricane Harvey Recovery Update. Thanks to the Efforts of Marines  
Tom Miller and Steve Oeding, Here are Results

Sent: Thu, Oct 12, 2017 6:49 pm  
Subject: Hurricane Harvey Recovery Update.

Tom:

I wish I could have sent this sooner. Your detachment's generous donations has touched 23 verifiable Marines including a Marine's widow and an FMF Corpsman with a \$500 Master Card or Visa gift card.

Since receiving this money, McLemore has helped Marines from Orange, TX (on the Louisiana boarder) south to Corpus Christi. To bring you up to date, Texas Gulf Coast has completed phase one 'rescue' which was what you saw on the news, and phase two 'recovery' which is the need for food, water, diapers and basic necessities plus removing everything from the flooded homes that was contaminated with the flood waters. We have now moved into phase three 'rebuilding' and that is going to take time. To move back into their homes, these Marines need to install insulation and sheetrock so they can have a livable environment. Once they are able to move back into their homes we enter phase four "refurbishing" which means they need heating and air conditioning, kitchen appliances, laundry appliances, beds and furniture. They will also need some basics; clothing, shoes, dishes, pot, pan, towels, sheets, etc. It is our intention to use moneys not spent to work with a local Veteran friendly furniture store to buy discounted certificates so these Marines can purchase these at a reasonable price.

Here are some back stories that I thought you might find interesting.

The first call for help was from an 86 year old Korean War Marine who lived just north of Corpus Christi. His mobile home was flooded. The rescuers picked up him and his wife. They took his wife to a Dallas facility as she has dementia. He showed up at another Marine Corps League member's home with a grocery bag of his belongings asking for help. This Marine took him in and started making calls. Those calls got them in touch with the Texas Veterans Commission and McLemore Detachment. Texas Veterans Commission got this Marine into an apartment and we sent him a gift card so he could replace his necessities.

Not everyone needed money. I received a call from the 1stSgt Joyce Venable Detachment Commandant in Beaumont. They were helping people pull out their wet carpet and sheetrock but did not have enough carpet knives. He felt they needed about 15 to 18 of them. One of our members went a Lowes and bought the last five box cutters they had plus couple boxes of blades. I went to a Home Depot and bought their last 11 box cutters plus extra boxes of blades. I took them 90 miles to Beaumont so they could keep helping Marines and neighbors.

A 93 year old WWII Marine was flooded in Orange, TX. He said he and his companion went to bed with water in the street. She woke up in the middle of the night and found they had a foot of water in their home. They sat on the kitchen table from 3am until they were rescued at 10am. His home had the furniture, sheetrock and carpeting pulled out and sitting in a pile on the street. He said this is not problem. I'll have this house fixed up in six months. He went on to tell me how he was in Okinawa driving a Jeep on a mountain road. Hit a land mine and it went off under the rear of the Jeep. He was lucky that he was able to keep the Jeep on the road and not go over the side. He couldn't hear for a few days but otherwise alright. So in comparison, this was manageable.

Then there are the two Women Marines. The first has three children and was buying her home. After the flood, her insurance company said they were going to pay off her loan and bulldoze the house. She and her children had to move into an apartment. And the second lived in a townhouse near the San Jacinto River that they talk about in the video below. She watched as her neighbors townhomes fall one-by-one into the river as it kept rising. It crested as her home started falling and is now leaning at about a 45 degree angle. This was her retirement home. She now lives with her daughter until she figures out what she is going to do. These women will be the among first Marines we provide additional funds to if we have the funds and we stop receiving requests for additional aid.

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### Hurricane Harvey Recovery Update "Continued"

Each time, I tell these Marines the money is from the Marine Corps League and how Marines all over the country have kicked in to help. I also tell them I wish we could do more. Everyone of them tell me how helpful this is and are thankful for the aid. So thank you for your kindness. I hope McLemore has put your money to good work as you would want.

Here is a link to a YouTube video just on the town I live in. This is a macro view of what happened all along the gulf coast. Personally, I was blessed, I live in a small dry area on the North side of town.

View Video Here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D-OOzmq\\_UCA&sns=fb](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D-OOzmq_UCA&sns=fb)

View Thank You letter: [www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/mcl668.pdf](http://www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/mcl668.pdf)

View Thank You letter: [www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/mcl982.pdf](http://www.mclslatterydet.org/pdf/mcl982.pdf)

Semper Fi,

Steve Oeding  
Commandant  
McLemore Detachment #324  
Marine Corps League  
[www.McLemoreMarines.com](http://www.McLemoreMarines.com)

PS:

Lastly, I would be remiss in not mentioning the Marines in Florida. The Florida Keys got hit hard and are going through a similar process we are. The Marathon Devil Dog Detachment #216 Commandant is Michael Rhine and his phone number is 817-996-8179. He is a great Marine and someone you should talk to. Please give him my regards. He was in Texas rescuing Texans before he when home in time to evacuate for Hurricane Irma.

NOTE: FYI we sent \$4,000 to Texas & \$5,000 to Florida, our separate aid checks just arrived recently in Florida to the Dept Commandant (see above) for distribution to Marines in need. Marine Tom Miller completed this mission.  
Pete S/F

### Attention On Deck

Slattery members (old and new)

The Slattery Detachment would like to add some new members. I am willing to give each new member a signed and numbered (s/n) of one of the boot or eagle prints shown here when they sign up. In addition I will give a s/n print to the Slattery member who is recruiting the new member.

Wait, it gets better - if this Slattery member recruits two new members I'll give him or her two of the prints. If he brings in three then the recruiter will get 4 and each new member will get his own copy. All of this has to take place by our Holiday Social meeting of January. 2018

Daylight Saving Time, Sunday November 5th, fall back one hour at 0200

*"That's 2 a.m. for those that forgot military time!"*

Slattery detachment Marines Care Foundation answers  
call for emergency aid donates \$1,000.00

I have a few 'friends' on facebook & I am linked to many organizations. That's where this came from. "EMERGENCY HELP NEEDED". I saw a request for help for an Army family in Florida. It came from:

Cyd Deathe (pronounced Cid Deeth)  
Founder and Executive Director  
Marine Families  
Mother of USMC WW OIF Veteran  
P.O. Box 7915  
Tampa, FL 33673  
(813)965-2682  
Celebrating 13 Years of Dedication  
[www.MarineFamilies.org](http://www.MarineFamilies.org)

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." - - - Margaret Mead

Marine Families, Inc. is a civilian organization, 501(c) (3), is not a government agency and is solely supported by the generosity of its members, individuals, corporations and foundations in support and appreciation of our American military/veteran men and women & their families.

EMERGENCY HELP NEEDED Karla Chancey's childhood home, where daughter (Emilee), husband (John) and 3 1/2 month old grandson lived. These are "our" family members here at Marine Families and we need to step up and help out. The house and everything in it was a total loss :( Marine Families will focus on restoring items for the baby as follows:  
Boys 6 mths - 1 year clothes, Shoes sizes 2 or 3, Diapers - Size 3 and 4, Crib/Mattress & bedding, Stroller, Swing, Car Seat, Bouncer, Baby Tub, Pack n Play, Toys  
Items will be collected at my home; 5205 N 12th St Tampa FL 33603. Please PM me to set up delivery time or for additional information.

Let's show John, Emilee & baby Christopher that Marine Families and it's supporters have their back during this very difficult and devastating time.

I copied this list & sent it to Gunny Monaco who presented it to the Marines Care BOD. Their response was immediate & we sent them \$1,000.00.

I wish to thank each & all involved for everything that you all do and the quick response in helping this family.

Don Patterson  
co-editor



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## T4T at EMS Council of NJ Symposium & Trade Show



(L-R) GSGT Mario Monaco (Ret), Paula Oswald, Master Sergeant Mark Peer.

Paula Oswald EMS Council of NJ Symposium & Trade Show Committee

## Intrepid After Hours for military service members and veterans

Good Afternoon, Registration is now OPEN for the next Intrepid After Hours for military service members and veterans, on Tuesday, November 28! Intrepid After Hours invites military veterans and service members to experience the Intrepid Museum at night. Explore the Museum without the crowds, and then join peers for conversation, a creative exercise and a catered dinner. Free. Registration is required. To register, please contact [access@intrepidmuseum.org](mailto:access@intrepidmuseum.org) or call 646-381-5158.

**These programs are closed to civilians.** Oral History, Tuesday, November 28, 4:30pm–8:00pm

The Intrepid Museum's oral histories are a core component of the Museum's collection. They infuse humanity into the technology and objects on display. The Museum's oral history team will share oral histories of Intrepid and Growler former crew members and demonstrate how to conduct an oral history to preserve your own stories or those of others. Please share this information and the attached flyer with others who may be interested! For more information about all the Intrepid Museum's programs and resources for veterans and military families, please visit [intrepidmuseum.org/veterans-and-military-families](http://intrepidmuseum.org/veterans-and-military-families). Special Exhibition Drones: Is the Sky the Limit? is now open.





*Semper Fidelis*

