

Semper Fi News

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Marine of the year	Bob Dewitt

General Meeting: 2nd Monday of the Month, at 1800. This meeting will be on April 11th, 2011.

Next Board of Directors meeting will be on April 25th, at 17:45

Next Meeting: On May 9th, 2011

Board of Directors meeting on the 23d of May

WE WILL MEET AT OUR HEADQUARTERS BUILDING AT
607 EAST JEFFERSON
Warsaw Mo.

'ONCE A MARINE, ALWAYS A MARINE'



A WORD FROM THE COMMANDANT

Fellow Leathernecks,

First I want to thank those Marines who have stepped forward to assist at the Gun Shows. I believe that we are ahead of previous years in generating the funds that we need to continue our efforts in helping fellow Marines and their families when in need. Marine David Woodfine is our front man in getting our second annual shipment of items to Camp Leatherneck Afghanistan. He has organized local businesses to assist in getting the packages boxed and mailed to the troops. Adjutant Bob Dewitt was chosen as Marine of the year for the detachment. At our last meeting he was presented with a plaque and medallion and an NCO Saber for his outstanding contribution to Det. 1254. He was also nominated to be the Departments Marine of the year.

In your Semper Fi magazine you should have noticed that in June in St Louis MO there will be a Marine week from the 20th-26th. Anyone who would like to help out at the event during that week please contact me or the Sr. Vice, and we will get you in touch with the correct people for the where and when. Also note the SEND A MARINE TO THE BALLGAME

coupon. That is to send an active duty Marine or Wounded Warrior to a Cardinal game that week. Any questions contact me, or check with me at our next meeting.

Semper Fi & God Bless our Corps and the America.

Dick Brouillette, Commandant



A message from our senior vice commandant

Hello to you the members of the Warsaw Leathernecks. Spring is here and it is time to get the gardens ready. We had a Gun Show in Springfield Mo. this last weekend of March 19th and 20th. We did fairly well on the 19th, But I don't know about the 20th. Sure wish I could see more of you at our monthly meetings just to talk about anything that comes to mind. We all have busy days and it seems like there's not enough hours to go around. We just want you all to know that we are there for you, and we would like to see more of you at our meetings. You all have a great day. Remember to pray for our warriors who are in harm's way and may God bless the USA, the United States Marine Corps and the Marine Corps League. Thank you all

SEMPER FI

Sal Rios Senior Vice Commandant.



We need a new Jr. Vice Commandant. The position is open at this time.

Will one of our members step up to give us a hand?

Let our Commandant know if you will help.

Semper Fi

Junior Vice Commandant



"CHAPLIN'S CORNER"

DOING A GOOD DEED FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING FAVOR WITH GOD IS NOT A GOOD IDEA.

BEING PROACTIVE RATHER THAN REACTIVE IS HARD TO DO.

OVERCOMING THAT OBSTACLE IS THE FIRST STEP TO ENLIGHTENMENT.

SIMPLY PUT, DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING.

COME JOIN WITH US IN HELPING TO MAKE THIS A BETTER WORLD.

OUR ORGANIZATION IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE, AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THAT.

ALMOST DOES NOT COUNT.

PLEASE PROTECT OUR TROOPS

EVERYWHERE AND PRAY FOR THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES.

AMEN

SEMPER FI.

Dave Woodfine, Chaplin

History Professor



The debate is still alive and well. Yes, who deserves the Cross Rifles on the chevrons? 0311 Anything else is just support. Oh ya ! With out the other the 0311 reverts back to Con-Tuk and his rock or club. Or they have to throw empty magazines at the enemy. The Corp changed the Chevrons back in 1958 and brought back the Lance Cpl rank. Every Marine is a rifleman first. That is bred into to you in Boot Camp from day one. In every war or conflict Marines have been in, somewhere in the action MOS be darned. Marines shouldered their rifles and got the job done. Grunts have always thought that they carried the load in combat, yes they are out front. So is the FO from the Arty, the NAVY Corpsman, Como Wire guys, The Motor T guys that

hauled your green butt up the MLR's. The door gunners on the choppers that squeezed their triggers getting you into the LZ's before you fired your first round down range. The best thing though is we're all Green, when we meet at TUNS Tavern for a cool one.

SEMPER FI, Your Old Professor, Dick Brouillette

Detachment Membership
Total Membership 56

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

Regular meeting 1800 April 11th
Staff meeting 1745 April 25th

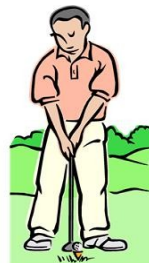


Picnic is on April 30th at Bledsoe Ferry west side shelter house #2. Starts at 12 noon bring covered dish and byob meat will be provided. This is for all members and their families. Turn into Bledsoe Ferry from west side, then turn to right and go until the end at the shelter house.

MAY

May 9th Regular meeting at 1800

May 14th, American Legion rider's poker run.



MAY 21ST GOLF TOURNAMENT AT MEADOW LAKES COUNTRY CLUB IN CLINTON. WE WILL NEED HELP IN GETTING SPONSORS AND HOLE PRIZES. THIS IS A BIG MONEY MAKER FOR THE DETACHMENT. Please a lot of help is needed.

May 23d is staff meeting at headquarters at 17:45



"Fire for effect, we have incoming"



Do you have any good old Marine gripes, b#tches, any suggestions, comments, or complaints?

Send an e-mail to oldocbrown@aol.com or mail me at Box 945 Warsaw Mo. 65355 We will post your views or comments and they may be something some one else has a concern about also.

We haven't received any suggestions this month

PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Eledge, Chad
Collins, Jimmy
Switzner, David
Don Watkins
Orville Merryfield

We wish to thank the following members for helping at the gun shows. With out

them and their help, we could not help our veterans. Will you step up and help Too?



CoolClips.com

Springfield gun Show. Again Danny Busick, Dick Brouillette, Sal Rios, Doc Brown, John Houston, and Marine wives Mrs. Brouillette, and Mrs. Houston. THANKS, YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP A NEW MEMBER TODAY?



-Application for Membership-

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip

Phone # _____

Email _____

DOB _____

Dates of enlistment: _____

Date of Discharge: _____

I the undersigned do hereby certify that I have served as a U.S. Marine or FMF Corpsman for more then 90 days, that the character of my service was honorable and by my signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide a copy of my DD-214 and dues of \$ 35.00

Signature

Date

Approved by the Commandant

Date

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"MARINE OF THE YEAR"



Warsaw Leathernecks Det. 1254 honored Bob Dewitt on the left as the Marine of the Year for his exemplary dedication to his fellow Marines and Community.


Our Commandant Dick Brouillette on the right is presenting him with one of his awards.

Bob is a charter member of the 1254 Detachment and has helped tremendously within our Detachment and outside in the Community to help make this a better world for Veterans, Children and those in need.

Congratulations Bob for a job well done.



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