

NEWSLETTER

MINEOLA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

SHANE L. GOLDMAN DETACHMENT #1278

October Newsletter

NOVEMBER IS A BIG MONTH!

We have our Marine Corps and Veterans Ball and the Veterans Day Parade

OFFICER MEETING

We will meet at Parades on 10/25 at 2 pm. All committee chairs and officers are asked to attend.

Christmas Party-December 19 meeting at 6 pm. We need to try and get a head count if we can for food.

POST ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Marine Corps Ball is on November 4th at 6 pm at the American Legion Building. Retired Texas Ranger Lt. Kenny Ray is our guest speaker and we will have honorary guests in attendance as well. Please get out and sell some tickets. We have paper tickets or they can go to www.mineolamcl.com and purchase tickets online. We will have a catered meal and live music as well.

Veterans Day Parade is on November 11, any questions please contact Cecil McCoy.

SPOUSE LUNCH 1st Monday of every month at 11:30 am.

WEEKLY BREAKFAST @ the Country Kitchen on Wednesday mornings 6:30 am.

NEXT MEETING - November 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm, everyone is welcome at 6 pm for fellowship and 7 pm meeting.

TELL YOUR FRIENDS about our **Facebook Page and Instagram**. The page is called Marine Corps League Mineola Detachment and we keep it updated with great photos.

WEBSITE- Our website is up and running at www.mineolamcl.com Come and visit us.

Next Month Agenda and Calendar is attached for your convenience. If anything needs to be added just send an email to info@mineolamcl.com or contact your squad leaders. I have sent out an email of the updated squad leaders.

“Never underestimate one Marine, let alone a group of them.”



Post Commandant Update- What an honor and an experience it has been to be your Commandant and I look forward to the upcoming year as we push towards more exciting goals. We have had a few challenges along the way but it is encouraging to be able to discuss them with each member and see how we continue to grow our Detachment. I took a break from doing the newsletter while we had to take care of some very important items with the Detachment. A few things that needed to be handled were with the passing of Johnny Waldon, Renee was appointed as the Adjutant, Ken Morrow was appointed as the Pay Master, and Wayne Bare was appointed as the Chaplain. Ken, Renee and I had to take care of several items for the Detachment that required extensive review of past minutes and other records to get us

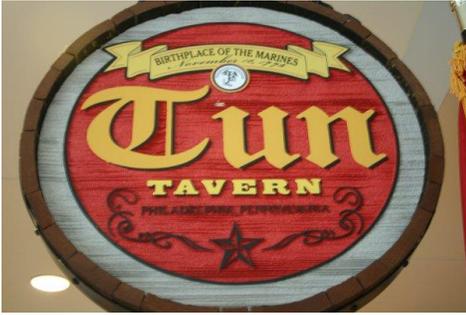
into compliance with The Department of Texas and National. We have posted uniform information, By-Laws, updated officer list, an about section that includes the history of our League and Shane L. Goldman's information. We have a prayer list as well that we update on a regular basis. Good news is that it is all taken care of and we have been recognized by The Department of Texas for our efforts. What a great picture of our new members!



We have had several great guest speakers this year and raised \$3300 for the Detachment at the Patriot Steel Challenge, we made a great showing for the SOS dinner and raised some funds for our Detachment there as well. We have continued to support the Green Zone and been able to service local veterans at a minimal cost to our Detachment. In the upcoming newsletters I will attach our minutes, our activity report that is submitted each month and our financial report. I believe this is a great way to let everyone have a glimpse of how much work is being put into the Detachment behind the scenes. I have sent out an email with the new squad leaders and this will make sure that no one is missed as we gain new members. Speaking of, we installed 9 new members and had 39 in attendance at our Installation Ceremony, what a blessing. We saw some faces that have not been in attendance and had some guests that look to join next month.

Wayne Bare, our Chaplain has reached out to Pat Lambert and James and Mary Krodel and we now have an entire team dedicated to the communication and well-being of our veterans, our most important assets. We look to have a Valentines for Veterans as an outreach event in February this year and will be planning that in this and upcoming officer meetings.

Our officer meetings have been consistent and productive. We will be having officer and committee chair training in January. Therefore, if you would like to consider being a committee chair in the future please be ready to attend.



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We will also be presenting a scholarship idea to the Detachment next meeting for everyone to consider that we can present at the MISD graduation this year.

Our website and Facebook page are showing to be a great success and thank you to everyone helping out with these projects. The Facebook page and website are now linked together. So, please share this information with friends and family. They can like our Facebook page, visit our website and come and visit us. They will be an invaluable asset with recruitment and retention. We have many, many members that work behind the scenes for our Detachment and I do not intend for that to go unnoticed. Thank you to each one of you. I also ask that when you get a chance thank Doris Newman of the Wood County Monitor for her continued support and KMOO for allowing us to announce on their Double Talk radio show.

We served our country, now we serve our veterans.

Kelly Smith, Commandant

RECRUITING AND RETENTION

I know how important our Post is and am seeking the best means to promote recruiting and retention of our members. The best way to do this is to open our hearts and minds to new means of communicating our mission and leadership values. I ask that we all keep an open mind and like we always do, welcome new members to our post. I hope that you are as excited as I am as we embark on the upcoming year. I have left the bottom portion of this newsletter blank so that you can put an address on it, fold it and mail it or simply drop it off at a place of business once you are done with it. OUR MISSION

Members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps. This is accomplished by banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service; voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines and former Marines and to their widows and orphans, and by perpetuating the history of the United States Marine Corps through fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.