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Commandants Corner:

Our plant sale in July was a big success and I am pleased to say it looks like it's getting bigger each year so next year we might be looking at a Spring Sale and a late Summer Sale. Thanks to all of our members for their time and effort it making this a success. We also talked with six possible new members and have already received and approved one new member.

This month we will be selecting a nominating committee to select our Detachments Officers if you are interested in becoming a Staff Officer please advise any of the members of the nominating committee and they will ensure your name is on the ballot.

On the 25th of August we have plan our first annual family Picnic at Terry's from 12:00 to 4:00 house all you have to do is show up everything including the cooking will be provided by Terry and Delmer.

Believe it or not your Commandant just started a new job with Withnell Motor Company on Commercial, so needless to say I am selling new and used cars and while I may have less time available I will still work harder and put in more hours in our continuing effort to build our detachment and grow our membership. As your Commandant I feel blessed to have the outstanding membership that we have, everyone puts in their time and effort to make things happen and that's what has made us Detachment of the Year for three years running. I see even bigger things in the coming year and a much larger membership. Thank You for being part of the team.

On another matter several member have ask me to order some items from the Marine Corps Exchange like NCO Strips, Web Belts, etc. Because I am retired I am able to do this so if you need something that Coralee can not or is unable to provide let me know, but Coralee is expert when it comes to ordering uniforms for our detachment.

Semper Fi,

Wayne Benson

Sr. Vice Commandant:

Election time is here again. In accordance with our ByLaws, nominations for elected Officers will be fielded at our August meeting. Keep in mind the requirements and dedication needed when nominating fellow Marines for these entrusted positions within our Detachment. The following offices are elected:

Commandant: Must be a Member in good standing for at least three (3) months and have previously held an elected office.

Sr. Vice Commandant: Must be a Member in good standing for at least three (3) months.

Jr. Vice Commandant: Must be a Member in good standing for at least three (3) months.

Judge Advocate: Must be a Member in good standing for at least three (3) months.

The responsibilities and duties of each elected office will be available at the next meeting for your reviewing to help in your decision when nominating. Election for the above offices will be conducted during the **September** meeting. The other positions that are also available which may be **elected or appointed** are as follows.

Adjutant – Paymaster – Sergeant-at-Arms – Chaplain

At the will of the Detachment, Associate Members may serve in appointed offices only.

Semper Fi

Mark Meyer

Judge Advocate:

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT DENNY'S ON AUGUST 15, 2007 AT 6:30 PM. DENNY'S IS LOCATED AT 3155 RYAN DR. SE., SALEM, OR 97301. THEIR TELEPHONE NUMBER IS: (503) 585-8424. THIS DENNY'S IS ACROSS FROM COSTCO. THE CROSS STREET IS HAWTHORNE. The conference room will be open at 5:00 pm for dinner prior to the meeting for those interested. Uniform for the meeting is: SHORT SLEEVE WHITE AVIATOR SHIRT.

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[Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs Free Admission to Oregon State Fair](#) August 24/25/26
Veterans' Appreciation Days with free lunch on Saturday, parade and USO show.

- **Polo shirts: Still have a few "blanks" for \$23.00 with MCL logo.**
- **Baseball hats: Still have a few with the MCL logo for \$12.00 each.**

I will be bringing both items to the next meeting on August 15th, if you are interested in either of these items please see me either before or immediately following the meeting.

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What's new from the Oregon Dept. of Veteran's Affairs:

Source from the July - August 2007 Vets News

New Veteran License Plates will become available in January of 2008.

One of the bills passed during this session will create the Oregon Veterans Recognition License plate program. We would not have been able to pass this bill without the able assistance of [DMV Administrator Lorna Youngs](#) and her staff and I thank her for her support throughout the session. While the final design for the new Veterans license plate is not yet completed, a sample prototype is included in this message to give you some idea of what they will look like in the future.



What we do know is that all of the groups who had a special veterans plate will be included in the new design if they choose to use it. Also featured in the new design will be the choice by our veterans to include the seal from their branch of service, or campaign medals or valor medals.

A brochure is being produced to explain how these choices will be made. One of the best features of this new program will be that there will only need to be 500 total renewals of all the various kinds of veterans' plate to ensure the program will continue year to year.

Member Spotlight: Wayne Bass, GySgt USMC, Ret.

I was born January 24, 1931 in Stayton, Oregon to Albert and Mabel Bass. I had a brother nine years older than I. I was raised in Lyons, Oregon and went eight years to Lyons Grade School. We lived on a farm where we raised our own hay for the cows and horses. All farming was done with horses.

I attended Stayton High School. Marine Corps Recruiters talked to us at Assembly saying we were not man enough to be Marines! I joined the Marine Corps Reserve January 22, 1948 two days prior to my 17th birthday.

In 1944 I started working part time during the summer in the Mehama Tire Shop patching tubes and changing truck and car tires, (40 cents/hr). Later I worked for Cannon Diamond Drilling Co., Parker Schram Construction Co. and Mt. Jefferson Lumber Co..

December 2, 1948 I enlisted in the USMC and left for MCRD, San Diego, CA. After graduation I joined Recon Co., Camp Pendleton, CA. We trained with Navy UDT, testing cold weather gear during January 1950 in Alaska. Our platoon went to Korea with the 1st ProvMar Brigade. We landed on 2 Aug 1950.

I was wounded by a mortar 10 Aug 1950 and Med Evac-1 to Kyoto, Japan. I rejoined my company as they came out of The Reservoir. I rotated to the States in Feb 1951. At Camp Pendleton I became an M.P. on the Main Gate. June 1953 I joined 3rd Recon and went to Camp McGill, Japan. Aug 1954 I was sent to I&I Staff, USMC Reserve Station, Salem, OR, Major Faltyn was the Reserve CO. In 1957 I was transferred to 9th Mar in Japan and Okinawa. In 1958 1st Mar Div G2, Camp Pendleton. In 1959 1st Anti Tank Bn, Camp Horno, Camp Pendleton. In 1960 1st MAW, El Toro Mag 33. In 1961 VMF(AW)451 El Toro and Atsugi, Japan. In 1963 2nd Bn 7th Mar, Camp Pendleton. In 1964 1st Recon Bn, Camp Pendleton. In 1965 C Co. 1st Recon Chu Lei, Vietnam joined by B Co., 3rd Recon. In 1966 Fleet Intel Center Europe, Jacksonville, FL. On August 31, 1968, I retired from the USMC.

In September 1968 Custodian, Fallbrook CA Elementary School. In September 1969 Coach Operator Oceanside, CA City Transportation, later becoming North San Diego County Transit District. I was there 23 years as a Driver, Dispatcher and Supervisor/Superintendent. In January 1994 I retired. From 1994 to 1999 I worked for 4 new car dealerships delivering cars & trucks, exchanging vehicles with other dealers.

October 1955 I married Phyllis Wallen of Mehama, Oregon. October 1956 son, Craig was born at Salem Memorial Hospital, Oregon. December 1959 Twins Robert and Rodney were born at Camp Pendleton Hospital, CA. In February 1999 Phyllis died. November 1999 I married my High School Sweetheart whose husband was killed in 1965, Battle of IaDrang Valley, Vietnam. In 2000 moved to Oregon.

Devil Dog Turkey Shoot:

Tina Swogger

James and I attended the Devil Dog Turkey shoot Saturday, July 28th, in Grants Pass/Merlin Oregon. It was a spur-of-the-moment decision, so we weren't very well prepared. However, the day was turned out beautiful but very warm by the time lunch was on. The men, that were going to shoot that day, went on up to the range at 10:00 am leaving the gals at the picnic area to set up for lunch. By 11:30 the men returned and the hot dogs were on with Chef John Woods tending them with care. A nice spread was prepared by the ladies and there was plenty of food for everyone.

Afterwards, there was a short meeting of the Devil Dogs then the competition commenced. James was tired and was hurting from his practice shoot which left him being picked on. It appears he didn't do so well. Since it was so warm and the sun chased us all around the picnic grounds, we decided that it was time to start our way back home before the competition started. We also had our Cocker, Sheeba, with us and it was too warm for her. Next year, we plan to attend again but make earlier arrangements.

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“ Once a Marine, Always a Marine”