



SITREP

LEHIGH VALLEY DETACHMENT 296

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DETACHMENT MEETINGS:

Every 4th Wednesday @ 1930

*****Meetings will temporarily be held via the ZOOM APP until further notice*****

DETACHMENT OFFICERS

• *Commandant*

Jason Smith

• *SR Vice Commandant*

Howard Schaeffer

• *JR Vice Commandant*

John Eyer

• *Judge Advocate*

William Stoudt

• *Adjutant/Paymaster*

Ron Heckman

• *Chaplain*

Joseph Malia

• *Sergeant at Arms*

Rondell Anderson

• *Web Sergeant*

David Guldin

ATTENTION!

DETACHMENT 296 PICNIC

SATURDAY, 22 AUGUST 2020

1100 HRS

EMMAUS COMMUNITY PARK

Despite COVID-19, Marines of Detachment 296 are doing what Marines do best:

IMPROVISE...

ADAPT...

OVERCOME...

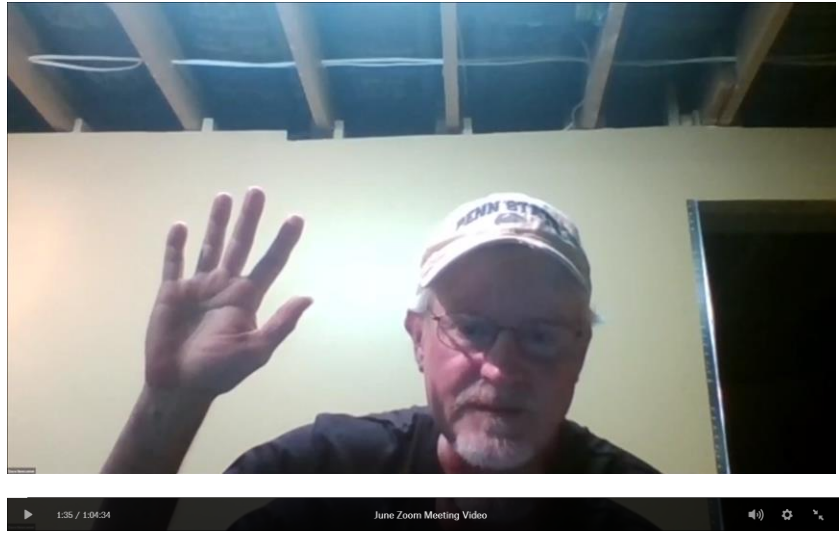
Our Detachment picnic will be held on 22 AUGUST 2020 at 1100 at the pavilion, Emmaus Community Park. Feel free to bring any outdoor game items for the kids, or adults for that matter, to enjoy: ladder ball, cornhole, bocce ball, horseshoes, lawn darts (yikes...Marines with sharp projectiles), etc.

***The picnic is free to members, \$10 price for family and adult guests, children under 12 will be free (guests will pay only if you rsvp for them and they do not attend).

THE MONTH IN REVIEW

Please welcome our newest Detachment member, David Newcomer. Dave was sworn in via ZOOM during last month's online meeting. Here's to hoping that we'll be able to welcome Dave in person soon!

WELCOME ABOARD MARINE!



SCUTTLEBUTT FROM THE FLEET

Follow the link below to find out what is happening now in the FMF:

<https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-military/2020/07/29/thousands-of-troops-are-coming-home-from-germany-but-some-of-them-could-be-going-right-back/>

If you would like to submit something to *The SitRep*, please contact me via email or text. I welcome any input you, as a Detachment, may have. My apologies in advance if I have omitted any matters of importance for this month's edition and ask that you let me know if I have done so.

Semper Fi Marines!

Ria Mattix

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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Last month's meeting was held via ZOOM on 24 JUN 2020

Minutes are as follows:

Application for New Membership:

David Newcomer was presented and accepted for membership and sworn in VIA ZOOM meeting held on 21 June 2020

Previous meeting minutes: no minutes transcribed due to meetings being suspended for COVID

Correspondence:

Emmaus Veteran's Committee is in need of volunteers for Honor Details, please consider becoming part of the Committee which provides final honors for deceased Veterans

Family Members Sick or in Distress:

Howard Schaeffer's mom has been put on hospice; she has been battling breast cancer

Report of Officers:

The Detachment Website and Newsletter have been updated. Dave has been working on a Detachment comic-more detailed information will be provided pending copyright

The Emmaus Farmer's Market is open 1000-1300. However, due to COVID and logistics, the Detachment will postpone our sale of roses for the duration of this season

Standing Committees:

Marine Corps Ball Committee:

The Ball will be held Friday 13 November 2020. The ball is currently in the planning stages and the contract has already been signed. If members have any suggestions or requests for this year's ball, please contact one of the committee members-Jason Smith, Howard Schaeffer, or Ria Mattix. The ball will be advertised as the Lehigh Valley Marine Corps Ball hosted by Marine Corps League Detachment 296. This will hopefully attract more participants as we try to include other Detachments/Marine Veterans in the area who are not members of our Detachment

Marine of the Year Committee:

Marine of the Year Committee will be meeting to begin the process of choosing this year's Detachment Marine of the Year. Jason proposed this year's award be presented at the Marine Corps Ball

Good of the League:

If you are in need of Detachment polo shirts or League covers, see Howard Schaeffer

Flags honoring local Veterans are now hanging in town in Emmaus. Detachment members Hank Brokate and John Eyer both have flags

The meeting was closed until 22 JULY 2020