

DETACHMENT MEETINGS: Every 4th Wednesday @ 1930 EMAUS FIRE CO. No. 2 1017 Pennsylvania Ave Emmaus PA 18049

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With the Marine Corps birthday season upon us, I hope that you all can find the time to celebrate another birthday of our beloved Marine Corps in any manner available to you. This is a very special time of the year for ALL Marines to celebrate the many accomplishments and accolades that allow Marines to be so highly regarded and respected by the Nation and the other branches. (even if they do not want to admit it)

Whether it is with a somber toast to remember those who are no longer with us, or a celebration amongst our brothers and sisters still fighting the good fight in any capacity, we still honor us as Marines. It is these occasions that we as Marines prioritize so that we remember and celebrate our rich history that we all love and hold so dear to our hearts. With that said, I proudly say HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARINES to you reading this message and to all our brothers and sisters past, present and future.

THE MONTH IN REVIEW

MCL DEPARTMENT OF PA MEETING OCTOBER 21 2023

I had the privilege of attending the October meeting of the Department of Pennsylvania where much was discussed. Our Detachment received two awards. One from the National Jr. Vice Commandant for membership being over 100%! We also received a Certificate of Appreciation from Northeast Division. One other important piece of information passed was starting Nov. 1, 2023, there will be a gate going into operation for entry to the installation. For anyone planning on going to Fort Indiantown Gap in the future, please go to the following link for more information.

Gate Construction (ng.mil)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

We have our annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball this year on Nov 4th starting at 1800 hours. Please reach out to me if you are planning on attending as we would love to see as many members as possible in attendance!

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

News (marines.mil)

Marine Corps - Independent News For Marines | Marine Corps Times

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. Please include the words "SitRep Additions" in the subject field of your email so your message gets flagged as important.

Semper Fi Marines!

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