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The DuPage MCL Detachment 399

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

23 January	Detachment meeting, VFW 2164
3 February	WMA meeting, COP Center, Majestic Drive, Yorktown
TBD February	Valentine Party at DuPage Convalescent Home

NEW MEMBER

Welcome to Corporal Stephanie Kazior our first new member of 2018. Stephanie is the events coordinator for TFT and was signed up by Vicki Cobbett. She is from the Chicago area and is currently stationed in California.

TAPS

Lt. Col. Ed Godfrey, 93, passed away January 7, 2018. He has been a member of the DuPage County MCL for nearly 20 years and participated in all events and activities; he will be missed. Please keep his wife Cathy, also a Marine, and his family in your prayers.

PRAYER LIST

The following members, their family, and these friends of the detachment need our prayers and well wishes: Wayne Harrison, Frank Jurek, Vito Markas, Richard Nazimek and his wife, Roland Johnson and his wife, George Pradel, Brett Lauten, Richard Doria, Noel Daley, Mike Mikulecky, Don Haines, Merrill Albertus, Gail Shilkaitis, and Sharon Passero. If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, contact Chaplain Don Kenyon.

Women Marines

2018 is the 100th anniversary of women in the Marine

Corps and 13 February is the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve. Semper Fi, Marines!

#399 in 2018

Toys For Tots has ended for 2017 and it was again a huge success. Thank you to all participants.

We have a very busy year in 2018. February is the Valentine's Day Party at the DuPage County Convalescent Home; March/April meetings are nominations and election of officers for 2018/2019; May is the installation & awards dinner and Memorial Day.

This is followed by the first corn roast of 2018 in June where we all be having fun at the Rotary Festival of Downers Grove. This corn roast booth along with the booth at the DuPage County Fair in July is how we raise funds for our scholarships, donations to various veterans in need, our bingo games, donations to the Wheaton Homeless Veteran Shelter, and many other worthy service causes.

The end of August is our annual picnic for all the volunteers of every detachment activity. We have fun! Once again, we have Toys For Tots that gets going at the end of October and lasts until after Christmas. 10 November is the 243rd Marine Corps birthday followed by Veterans Day and then a cake cutting at our detachment meeting.

We have Bingo at Hines VA Hospital March through December throughout the year. In between all of this we have Marine Rose days where we go to various locations to pass out Marine Roses and collect donation. And not to forget we attend Eagle Scouts' Court of Honor with presenting citations & USMC Ka-Bar. Our Color Guard team needs additional members, but we have enough to post the Colors at various events throughout the year. Think about joining a committee or standing for election. Take charge in 2018.

When you select your seat at the next meeting, look for someone you don't really know and sit beside them; turn an unknown face into a new friend. Since 2016 we have sworn in at least (10) new or transferred members. How many can you recognize? Marines have always been known for their ability to make sure everyone has at least one beverage, and for their camaraderie. Let us continue that tradition and welcome all members by name at each meeting until there is not a stranger among us.

Semper Fidelis,
Victoria Cobbett, Commandant
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