The Scuttlebutt

Alamo Detachment

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HONOR – COURAGE – COMMITMENT

COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Marines and Associates,

We finally received good rain and the beginning of cooler weather is upon us. That means the start of fall and winter events. Our Detachment monthly meeting is this Saturday September 22 and our agenda is full. First, I would like to announce that the fundraiser trip to the Kickapoo Lucky Eagle Casino has been changed to **October 17** vice September 26. We felt that the September 26 date was too close to our last trip on September 10. I would also like to announce that the San Antonio Young Marines are having their second annual Birthday Ball on the 13 of October. We should have more information by Saturdays meeting.

The Marine Corps Birthday Ball committee is having a fundraiser for help with the cost of the Ball on Saturday October 13. BBQ Brisket & Sausage w/trimmings Plates are on sale for $7.00. The committee will give an update on the Ball preparations at the meeting. Tickets should go on sale very soon.

The Detachment will have raffle with tickets going on sale last week of September with the drawing of the winning ticket on December 14. The prices are: first place, a 55" TV; second place, an IPad; and the third place, a computer printer.

With the approval of the membership, we will have our Christmas party/Awards night on December 14th. The time and location is to be announced at a later date.

Representatives from the Bexar County Veterans Service Office will be present at the meeting to assist any member with information and preparation of applications for benefits. Liz Franklin and Marlena Kelly form the vets office were present at our last meeting and provided very useful information to those in attendance.

It is time to prepare for the annual election of Detachment officers for 2013. An Election committee will be established at meeting on September 22, with the elections to be held at the November 24th meeting. Your input and participation is essential.

As you know we have lost several Marines recently, our Marines and other Service Personnel continue in harm's way. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Semper Fidelis,
Felix Conde Jr
Commandant

DETACHMENT MEETING
SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2012
MPAT BUILDING IN REAR OF
U.S.NAVY & MARINE CORPS RESERVE TRAINING CENTER
3837 BINZ-ENGLEMAN RD.
ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT BEGINS AT 0800-MEETING STARTS AT 0900

THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Mission Statement

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, banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy, voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines and former Marines and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interests to Marines.

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Deadline for submitting news articles is the 15th of each month.
The monthly meetings of the Alamo Detachment are held at 0900 on the 4th Saturday of the month at the MPAT building at the rear of the Navy & Marine Corps Reserve Training Center. 3837 Binz-Engleman Rd , San Antonio, Texas

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST 01 – Armando Gonzales; 02 – Carlos Vargas;09 – Juan Estrada; 15 – Joe Carrasco.

SEPTEMBER 10 – Richard Mason; 11 – Carlos Uresti; 19 – Arnold Ramirez; 22 – Robert K. Otto.

EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS

Banks, James R.	May 2012
Carrasco, Joe	May 2012
Cerda, Hector R.	Jul 2011
Ciomperlink, Anton K.	Jul 2011
Gerlach, Tmothy A.	May 2012
Graham, Sandra L	Jun 2011
Perez, Samuel M.	May 2012
Uresti, Carlos	Jul 2011
Valdez, Edward C.	Feb 2012
Webster, Mark	Jun 2011
Zadel, David T.	May 2012
Zertuche, Joseph A.	Jan 2012

This list is compiled from the national membership roster dated 30 June 2012.
If your membership has been expired over a year and you wish to remain a member, you must come back as a new member.

DETACHMENT MEMBERSHIP STATUS AS OF 6/30/2012

LIFE MEMBERS (REGULAR)	60
LIFE MEMBERS (ASSOC)	02
REGULAR PAID MEMBERS	11
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PAID	04
REGULAR DELINQUENT	08
ASSOCIATE DELINQUENT	04

LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES

AGES	DUES
To – 35	$500.00
36 – 40	$400.00
41 – 50	$400.00
51 – 60	$300.00

The Jr. Vice Commandant is in charge of recruiting and retention. If you wish to become a Life Member and don't have the full amount, contact the JVC and try to work out a payment plan.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & LIAISONS

U.S. Marine Corps Coordinating Council = Det. Commandant
Veterans of Greater San Antonio = VAVS = Manuel Zertuche
Americanism = Robert K. Otto
Scholarship = Robert K. Otto
Young Marines = Commander Alberto Salas

DETACHMENT FUNDRAISER

The Alamo Detachment 315 MC Ball Fundraiser scheduled for Saturday October 13, 2012 is still in need of donations. We are thankful for the pledges received o date but, much is still needed. The list below is a summary of what is still needed.
Also, have you purchased your tickets yet? Your support is needed, so please consider making plans to purchase all of your tickets and attend the event
Marines, Detachment Members and Associates, in the Spirit of "Semper Fi" we know that we can count on your generosity. You might want to consider making a cash contributions so that the Committee can make the purchases in bulk.

MC Ball Fundraiser Wish List

250lbs.	Brisket
10 Boxes	Kiolbasa Sausage
Pinto Beans (cooked)	30 lbs.
Rice (cooked)	10 lbs.
Take Out Plates	450
Party Paks	350
BBQ Sauce	6 Gals.
Pickles	4 Gals.
Onions	30 Large
Jalapeños sliced	3 Gal
Bread	37 Loafs

Baggies for Pickles & Onions

KICKAPOO

Another trip to Kickapoo is scheduled for 17 October 2012, so check your schedules if you plan to go.

Alamo Detachment 315
PO Box 831641
San Antonio, TX 78283-1641

Kickapoo Casino Bus Trip

Wednesday, October 17, 2012

The Alamo Detachment is offering a fun filled bus trip to Eagle Pass and the famous Kickapoo Eagle Pass Casino. This is a fundraiser that helps fund those activities of the detachment such as local scholarships, Marine Corps birthday activities, youth activities such as the Young Marines and the Wounded Marine program at San Antonio Military Medical center (SAMMC).

Cost for this trip is only $25.00 per person and includes the $15.00 voucher that you receive upon arrival at the Casino.

Bus will depart the VFW POST 9186 parking lot (650 VFW Blvd.) at 06:30 AM, located next to the old Mission Drive-in on Roosevelt Ave. The bus will leave the casino at 5:30 PM and return to the VFW Post 9186 parking lot at about 8:00 PM.

The bus has seats for 55 people and those pre-paying for the trip will be the only ones going so try to get your reservations in early.

For more information call:
Robert K. Otto @ 623-4433 (home) or 413-5389 (cell)
Felix Conde @ 253-9148 (home) or 373-3687 (cell)

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

ALAMO DETACHMENT 315

BBQ BRISKET & SAUSAGE

Fundraiser Dinner

Served with all the Trimmings

Proceeds to Benefit

Detachment Marine Corps League

Veterans Programs & More.

Event will be at the Presa Street Ice House

3415 S. Presa St.

Saturday October13, 2012

Serving will be from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

In house dining or to go service available.

Donation only $7.00 per plate.

For Tickets contact any MCL Member.

Cake sale sponsored by Alamo Unit Auxiliary

ALAMO 315 MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONAIRE

The members of Alamo Detachment 315 are respectfully requested to complete the following short questionnaire. The purpose of this survey is to assess your willingness to participate as an Officer or as a volunteer in various areas of need. This is crucial for the successful operation of the Detachment. By knowing your interests, your area of expertise and your willingness to participate, it is our goal to make your membership more meaningful to you.

Name: _____ Spouse's Name_____

Address: _____City _____

Phone # _____ Cell _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Your Education Data: High School _____College _____

Profession: _____

Work History: _____

_____

Hobbies: _____

Marine Corps League areas of interest (Check as many as you wish)

___Toys for Tots	___Memorial Day	___Rose Program
___Youth Programs	___VAVS	___Scholarship Program
___MHM Harm Program	___Legislative	___Birthday Ball
___Staff Officer	___Committee Volunteer	___Convention

Other:_____Other:_____

Thank you for your cooperation in completing this questionnaire. It will be held in strictest confidence.

You may mail to:

Alamo Detachment 315
Attn: Sr. Vice Commandant
P.O. Box 831641
San Antonio, Texas 78283-1641

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
ALAMO DETACHMENT 315
P.O. BOX 831641
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78283-1641
Address Service Requested

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

NAME _____ SPOUSES NAME _____ DATE_____

STREET _____ CITY _____ STATE_____ ZIP + 4 _____

PHONE (____) _____ CELL PHONE _____ E-MAIL_____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ DATE OF ENLISTMENT/COMMISSION _____ DATE OF DISCHARGE/RETIREMENT _____

SERVICE NO._____ OR SSN _____

I hereby apply for **REGULAR MEMBERSHIP** in the **ALAMO DETACHMENT 315** of the Marine Corps League, and enclose **$35.00** for one year's membership. I hereby certify that I have served more than 90 days as a U.S. Marine or that I have served more than 90 days as Naval Medical Personnel with Marine FMF Units and have earned the Marine Corps Device (clasp) worn on Service Ribbon and have earned the Warfare Device authorized for FMF Corpsmen, that the character of my service has been honorable, and if discharged I am in receipt of an Honorable Discharge. By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of my service and Honorable Discharge upon request.

(SPONSOR)_____ (APPLICANTS SIGNATURE)_____ _____

OATH OF MEMBERSHIP: REGULAR MEMBERS

I _____, in the presence of Almighty God and the members of the Marine Corps League here assembled, being aware of the symbols, motto, principles and purposes of the Marine Corps League, do solemnly swear that I will uphold and defend the Constitution and Laws of the United States of America and the Marine Corps League. I will never knowingly wrong, deceive or defraud the League to the value of anything. I will never knowingly wrong, injure or permit any member of any member's family to be wrong or injured if to prevent same is within my power. I will never propose for membership one known to me to be unqualified or unworthy to become a member of the League. I further promise to govern my conduct in the League's affairs and in my personal life in a manner becoming a decent and honorable person and will never knowingly bring discredit to the League. So help me, God.

<<<<< OR >>>>>

I hereby apply for **ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP** in the **ALAMO DETACHMENT 315** , of the Marine Corps League, and enclose **$35.00** for one year's membership. I hereby certify that I espouse the principles and purposes of the Marine Corps League.

NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ SPOUSES NAME _____

STREET _____ CITY _____STATE_____ ZIP+4 _____

(SPONSOR) _____ (APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE) _____DATE_____

OATH OF MEMBERSHIP: ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

I _____, in the presence of Almighty God and the members of the Marine Corps League here assembled, being fully aware that as an Associate Member I will not be permitted to hold and elective office or to vote on Marine Corps League policy, a membership application or on election of officers, do solemnly swear that I will uphold and defend the Constitution and Laws of the United States of America and the Marine Corps League. I will never knowingly wrong, deceive or defraud the league to the value of anything. I will never knowingly wrong, injure or permit any member's family to be wronged or injured if to prevent same is within my power. I further promise to govern my conduct in the League's affairs and in my personal life in a manner becoming a decent and honorable person, and will never knowingly bring discredit to the league. So help me, God.

Mail completed application and $35.00 check payable to Alamo Detachment, Marine Corps League to Adjutant/Paymaster, Alamo Detachment, MCL 315, P.O. BOX 831641, San Antonio, TX 78283-1641