



# THE SITREP

## LEHIGH VALLEY DETACHMENT 296

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**DETACHMENT MEETINGS:**  
*Every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday @ 1930*  
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### DETACHMENT OFFICERS

- *Commandant*  
Bill Stoudt
- *SR Vice Commandant*  
Cory Shellhamer
- *JR Vice Commandant*  
John Eyer
- *Judge Advocate*  
Joe Miller
- *Adjutant/Paymaster*  
Colyer James
- *Chaplain*  
Joseph Malia
- *Sergeant at Arms*  
Fred Babcock
- *Web Sergeant*  
Jason Smith
- *Junior Past Commandant*  
Jason Smith

Marines! I hope you are all well and enjoying the fact that it is almost summer! I'm writing the newsletter today after having performed a funeral detail this morning. I cannot do as many of these as I'd like to do but I enjoy being able to perform the final duties for a brother or sister who has unfortunately passed away. The Marines can win all fights except for the one against time unfortunately. However, if anyone can find a way to cheat death, it will assuredly be Marines who do it!

I mentioned that I cannot perform honors as much as I'd like to, but it is a service I love to perform. I do not do them to make myself feel better, I do not do them even for the League itself. I volunteer for the ones I can for our comrades and their family members. The appreciation from the family/relatives is what makes it worth while and you can see it in their faces. If you've not done a funeral detail, I highly recommend you do. It's an honor for me to volunteer and do them when time/life permits.

Until next time, Semper Fi!

After the next page you will find the meeting minutes from May's meeting.

# THE MONTH IN REVIEW

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Department Convention: June 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>

VET FEST: Steel Stacks 7/13&14 1100-1700

Car Show 8/2 – 8/4

Detachment Picnic: August 24<sup>th</sup>

## SCUTTLEBUTT FROM THE FLEET

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

[News \(marines.mil\)](http://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!

Cory Shellhamer

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# MEETING MINUTES MAY 22 2024

**ROLECALL OF OFFICERS:** ALL PRESENT

**NEW MEMBERS:** NONE

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Acceptance proposed seconded and approved 14-0-0

**CORRESPONDENCE:** NONE

**PAYMASTER'S REPORT:** Provided to Detachment, Seconded and approved 14-0-0

**MEMBERS/MEMBERS FAMILY SICK OR IN DISTRESS:**

- Milton undergoing nerve surgery
- George has missed meetings but will handle his issues
- Rondell is still dealing with diabetes issues
- Jason's Sister-in-Law has had re-emergent cancer and is restarting treatment
- Ron is continuing dialysis treatments no updates given from him
- Ron's Granddaughter had a premature baby birth and are working through that

Thoughts and prayers to everyone listed!

**REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

- Colyer James reported the Department Convention is June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

- Marine of the Year: No updates yet
- Website: Up to date and pictures of members have been updated
- Newsletter: No updates

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- We got the permit from the county to do the raffle and tickets can be acquired from Bill or at June's meeting on 6/26. Cory will provide a new flyer for the raffle this year.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Certificate for Howard Cooper
- We were asked to perform a flag raising ceremony for a truck show at Macungie Park on June 15<sup>th</sup> at 0900 and volunteers will muster at 0830.
- Membership was provided signup sheets with days and hours available for the Car Show in August and Vet-Fest in July.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:** NONE

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** NONE

Meeting officially closed for business until next meeting on 6/26/24 at 1930.

**NOTE:** Meeting minutes approved by Commandant Bill Stoudt and may only be edited or changed by the Commandant.