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Greetings To All:

Minutes of the Donald Cook Detachment 08/17/2017 meeting as well as the September and October Colchester American Legion calendars are attached. Snail Mail versions, a total of 14, should be in the mail shortly.

<u>Notice</u>: Marine Ralph John "Lefty" Guillette is now among our 'Fallen Comrades.' He passed away 22 August 2017 at the UVM Medical Center in Burlington, Vermont. His obituary appeared in the 25 August 2017 publication of the Burlington Free Press. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, 26 August 2017 at the Chapel Of Saint Michael The Archangel in Colchester, VT.

Reminders:

- Next meeting of the Donald Cook Detachment of the Marine Corps League Thursday, 21 September 2017, @ the American Legion Post 91, 3650 Roosevelt Hwy, Colchester, VT at 1900. This is a significant change, and our first monthly meeting at this new location. Please note the slight time change. Dinner precedes the meeting and will be served starting at 1730. Main course: Roast Pork.
- Marine Of The Year nominations will be collected at the September meeting. NOTE: It is not imperative that a nomination be made every year.

~ Commandant's Scuttlebutt ~

- 1) Uniform of the day is civilian attire along with the "RED" Marine Corps League cover.
- 2) Reminder for everyone about selling "AD's" for our next MCL BALL booklet, and that I still have a lot of "BALL" tickets for the dinner. No one has contacted me about either since the last meeting except John Kohler. Do not wait until the last minute to do everything. There is a lot of information to be put together and to get it printed. I still

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~ Commandant's Scuttlebutt, continued... ~

have not received any biography or photo of our supposedly guest speaker. We lost four weeks already and I would hate to be the one to "cancel" the Ball because we did not have time to put it together.

- 3) A reminder that this is September and is also the time to nominate new Officers for the following year. There will be nominations held and acceptance or rejections at the same time. Voting will be done in October (if necessary), and installation will be done in November either at the Marine Corps Ball or at the November meeting.
- 4) The "Calendar" has been expanded to cover the first three months of 2018 and is at the end of this newsletter.
- 5) Reminder for those who wish to have a meal prior to the meeting that the serving time is 1730 to 1930, and that the meeting will start at 1900. Meals listed for the months of September and October (the third Thursday of each month) is attached as released by the Legion every two months. Future meal calendars will be included in future newsletters as it is released.
- 6) As you enter the second door of the Americal Legion there is a "Fallen Comrades" table on your left along with the display. On the wall above the table is our "Marine Corps League Plaque" with our own "Fallen Comrades" displayed. A simple "Thank You" to the Officers of the Legion (whose pictures are on the back wall of the dining room) for allowing us the space for our display would be a great gesture on our part for being a welcome guest in their home. Be respectful and courteous at all times, and if there are problems, notify me first.
- 7) For those people who may be interested, the following information is the results of the National Officers elected at the National Convention in August in Kansas City, Kansas.

Wendell Webb replaced Richard Gore as National Commandant. Dennis Tobin is the new.National Sr. Vice Commandant. Johnny Baker is the new National Jr. Vice Commandant. Warren Griffin is the new National Judge Advocate. James Lasky is the new New England Division Vice Commandant (He replaced Warren Griffin who was promoted). Jim Laskey was a past National Commandant some time ago. All New England Detachments and Departments report to him now. This information should be in the next "SEMPER-FI" magazine issued.

Thanks and "SEMPER-FI."

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Respectfully,

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 Donald G. Cook Detachment Calendar ~ by Marine Herb Drew, Jr. 					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	Location Meal	NCOIC	
09/21/17	1800	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L Roast Pork	Commandant	
10/19/17	1800	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L Baked Ham	Commandant	
11/01/17	0900	TFK Barrels Out	Chittenden Cty Breakfast	Commandant	
11/04/17	1800	Marine Corps Birthday Celeb.	Elk's Club Buffet North Ave Burl	Loney, B.	
11/16/17	1800	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L TBD	Commandant	
12/22/17	0800	TFK Barrels In	Chittenden Cty None	Commandant	
01/07/18	Noon	Dept of VT Qtrly Meeting	Rutland VFW	Dept Commandant	
01/18/18	1730	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L TBD	Commandant	
02/11/18	Noon	Capital Hotel Boy Scouts Awards	Montpelier VT	B. Kaufmann	
02/15/18	1730	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L TBD	Commandant	
03/15/18	1730	Mem. Meeting	Colch Am L TBD	Commandant	
(always subject to additions/changes/modifications/corrections/improvements)					

Notes & scribbles:		