



Veterans of the Vietnam War

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NEWSLETTER

June 2008

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Middletown. (Bernie O'Rourke Drive, off RT. 66.)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June meeting

This month's meeting is on **Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** at the American Legion Hall. This is the regular Monthly Meeting. Come to the meeting and renew friendships. Members and potential members welcome.

This will be the last meeting before the summer break. There will be no meetings in the months of July and August.

Usually at the June meeting we have pizza. We will not have pizza at this meeting. Instead we will be having something different.

STEAMED CHEESEBURGERS

That's right, steamed cheeseburgers !!!!!

Chef Tony has volunteered his services to do the cooking for us again.

Speaking of Chef Tony, the Chapter would like to thank Tony and Gail Labbadia for providing an excellent picnic at their home following the 612 ceremony that was held in Coventry.

It had to be the BUBBA burgers that gave him the idea for having steamed cheeseburgers at the June 3rd meeting.

Thanks to all those who attended the picnic and enjoyed all the food.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Lance Corporal Thomas W. Fritsch



12th Annual Golf Tournament, June 5, 2008

The **Thomas Fritsch** Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, June 5th 2008 at the

Portland Golf Course. We're looking for a good turnout again this year. We are looking for **TEE Sponsors**, Volunteers, prizes, raffle items; (Bottles of Cheer, Gift Certificates, Dinner for 2, etc.)

Members should contact those businesses that they deal with on a daily basis for Raffle items. Car Washes, Oil Changes, Haircuts, Liquor Stores, Lawn Care, etc.

Tee sponsors, prizes and donations are everyone's responsibility.

This IS a group effort!!

Volunteers are needed for the "**Hole in One**" holes and manning the prizes/raffle items.

We still could use more volunteers to help out at the Tournament, please contact Joe Labbadia at 860-344-3242 or Jack Mayoros at 860-347-8843.

Players can sign in between 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. sharp !!



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The United States Marine Corps traces its institutional roots to the Continental Marines of the American Revolutionary War, formed at Tun Tavern in Philadelphia, by a resolution of the 2nd Continental Congress on November 10, 1775, a date regarded and celebrated as the date of the Marine Corps' "birthday".

Word has been received that for the first time in history, there is the possibility that a Marine has finally surrendered. As hard as it is to believe, this may be true. Here is a picture of that Marine:



That's right, trying to look innocent is our very own Jim Marshall. It has been learned that on Saturday May 17th, Jim surrendered to a thing called love. Jim and his lovely wife Julie renewed their Marriage Vows for their 35th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations to Jim and Julie from all of us.

Our Chapter has been contacted by the Durham VFW to see if we would be interested in helping them out this year at the Durham Fair at their Steamed Cheeseburger booth. Their membership is unable, due to their age, to fully man the booth and is looking for help. They would furnish all product needed along with insurance that is required. All we would have to do is take the orders, cook the burgers, and sell them to the people. Profits would be split between them and us. There is some serious money made by them during the three day fair and they are offering us a portion of that.

What we need are people to commit themselves to work at the booth. The fair runs from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm Friday and Saturday and from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm on Sunday. They are set up for three shifts per day of 5hr, 4hr, and 5hr and need 11 people per shift.

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(Durham Fair cont.)

These shifts can be worked 1, 2, or all 3 days but need to be filled. In other words, 33 person shift hours per day. These slots can be filled by a husbands and wife team but kids are not allowed.

Here is a chance for those who complain that we need to do more for other Vets or Veteran groups to come out and help us make some money so we can do that. Here is a chance to make between \$3,000 and \$5,000 for the three days. All you need to do is work one of the shifts for each day or two or three.

Please come to the next meeting and sign up or call Mike Rogalsky at 860-632-2395 or Jack Mayoros at 860-347-8843. This decision needs to be made by June 3rd whether we can provide the manpower so we can inform the Durham VFW if we can do it or not. They need the help and I really hope that we can respond to make it a win/win for both groups. Plus, look at the chance you'll have to see people you haven't seen in years that attend the fair.

MEMBERS ILL OR DISTRESSED

Don Ramsey recently had knee surgery.

Peg Nanfito – wife of member Ron Nanfito is back home and doing well.

CHAPTER DRAWING

The name drawn at the last meeting for \$80.00 was Nick Cordone.

Unfortunately Nick was not at the meeting which means the money was returned to the kitty and another \$10.00 added which will make the June 3rd drawing total \$90.00.

Don't miss out on the chance of taking home the jackpot. Come to the meetings.

NEW MEMBER

We have gained a new member last month. Thomas J. Hartke has joined the Chapter and has become a Life Member.

WELCOME TOM

Summer is upon us again which means that the June meeting is the last meeting until September.

This will also be the last newsletter until the one for the September meeting.

If you have a computer and an e-mail address, please provide us with your e-mail address. It would help us greatly by saving postage costs, and it would provide us with a means of contacting you quickly about any notices that we need to get out between newsletters. Send your info to:

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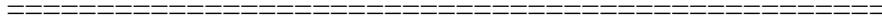


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The **June 3rd** meeting will be the last meeting for the summer months. June 5th is the Golf Tournament.

REMEMBER that we will be having **STEAMED CHEESEBURGERS** at our June meeting.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE JUNE 3RD MEETING

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