

**West Hudson  
Detachment  
#209**



**Marine Corps  
League  
2018 - 2019**



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# **National Holidays & Patriotic Events**

- **Independence Day**
- **Marine Corps Birthday**
- **Veteran's Day**
- **Memorial Day**

# Independence Day Celebration

## July



Annual holiday celebration with family and friends at the Marine house in Kearny

# Independence Day Celebration

## July



# Marine Corps Birthday Ball

November



# Marine Corps Birthday Ball

November





# Kearny Veteran's Day Ceremony

## November

**JOSEPH E. FROBISHER, JR**  
POST 99

11<sup>TH</sup> MONTH, 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY,  
ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> HOUR,  
THE GREAT WAR ENDED.

*Come join us with the Mayor & Council for the*  
**100th Anniversary**  
*Tribute Ceremony*  
celebrating the end of WWI.

Sunday, November 11, 2018  
Ceremony starts at 11AM (SHARP)

Members of the VFW 1502 and Marine Corp League  
West Hudson Detachment 209 will be attending.

*All invited for refreshments at the legion following the ceremony.*

**For God and Country.**  
Keith McMillan, Post 99 Commander



# Kearny Memorial Day Parade

## May



**John Cleary (Past Detachment Commandant, Jr Vice Commandant -NJ State ) and Adam Waldron (Jr Vice Commandant) lead the town's Memorial Day ceremony <sup>10</sup>**

# Memorial Day Pig Roast

May



2019 PIG ROAST  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
WEST HUDSON DETACHMENT



Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 - 20:00

286 Belgrove Drive, Kearny  
Please come out and support the Detachment  
Family and friends are welcome  
Great food and fun

Price includes food and beverage

\$20 per member  
\$30 member and 1 guest  
\$35 non member  
Children under 12 are free.



# Memorial Day Pig Roast

## May



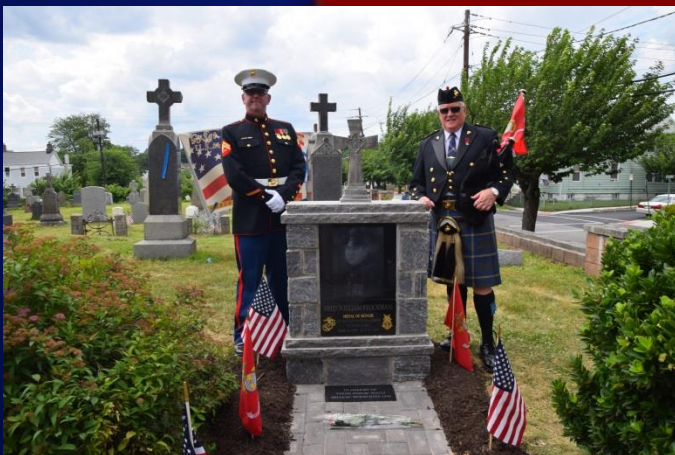
# **Honor Guard Color Guard & Bugler**

**Provided for**

- **Members, Marines & All Veterans**

# Gunnery Sergeant Stockham Memorial Dedication

June



# Wake for Staff Sergeant Gus Koschig July



# Basilone Parade

## September





# Columbus Day Parade

## October



The West Hudson Detachment Color Guard led the Annual Columbus Day Parade

# Services for Marine John Maphet

## November



## JOHN MAPHET

[Obituary](#) [Condolences](#)



### John Maphet Marine veteran

John Maphet of Kearny, N.J., passed away on Nov. 7, 2018. He was 68.

Visiting will be on Saturday at the Armitage and Wiggins Funeral Home in Kearny from 10 a.m.

Service will begin at 10:45 a.m.

John worked in the Kearny ShopRite and was a U.S. Marine. He was past commander of the VFW.

He is survived by many friends, especially Kathlyn Sheedy. He was also survived by his brother, James Maphet.

# Kearny St. Patrick's Day Parade March



# Kearny St. Patrick's Day Parade March



# Kearny St. Patrick's Day Parade

## March



# Detachment Bugler



# Kearny Memorial Day Parade

## May



# Youth

- **Scouting Unit**
- **Eagle Awards Program**
- **Scouting leadership**
- **Youth Physical fitness**
- **Youth Shooting Sports**
- **Sponsor of Youth Soccer**

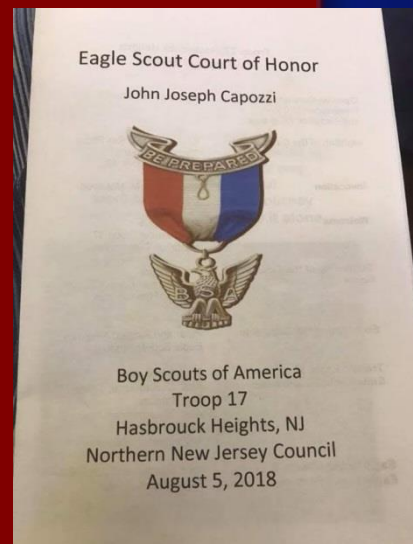


# Court of Honor – Troop 17

## August



**West Hudson Detachment  
recognizes the achievement of  
Johnny Capozzi  
on his Eagle Scout**



# Court of Honor – Troop 188

August



**West Hudson Detachment  
recognizes the achievement of  
Chris Merring  
on his Eagle Scout**

# Court of Honor – Troop 181

## September



West Hudson Detachment  
recognizes the achievement of  
Vincent Marasciulo  
on his Eagle Scout

Just as Marines consider themselves a Marine for life,  
so too does the Eagle Scout think of himself as an Eagle Scout for the rest of his life.

It is the result of this bond and the many talents and abilities mastered while in the  
Boy Scouts, that the West Hudson Detachment of the Marine Corps League takes great  
pride in recognizing those Scouts that have achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.



The presentation includes:

A Good Citizenship Award  
\$25 Check  
Marine Corps League State Patch



For additional details, please contact  
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# Eagle Scout Project


November



Kristian Tegge planned and developed a museum at the Marine Corps League as his Eagle Scout project 28

# Detachment Shooting Team Annual Youth Match December

Presented by  
West Hudson Detachment  
of the  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



**West Hudson Detachment's  
6th Annual  
Youth Shoot**  
Sunday, 16 December 2018  
8:00 - 11:00

Our shooting team cordially invites Marines, Associates, Friends and Family  
to our sixth annual Youth Shoot.

Other than SAFETY, there's only one rule... Have Fun!  
\$15 includes the use of a .22 rifle, 30 rounds of ammo and targets.  
Eats and ears free of charge.  
A great event for the entire family.

**NEW Location!**  
Woodland Park Range  
1267 McBride Ave, Woodland Park, NJ

\*\*No cash, no assistant\*\*  
to RSVP or obtain information, please email  
marinedet67@gmail.com or at67q@mcml.com



# Court of Honor – Troop 181

## January



**West Hudson Detachment recognizes the achievement of Matthew Connor Cordes of Boy Scout Troop 181 on his Eagle Scout**

# Scouting leadership



# Sponsor of North Arlington Youth Soccer





# Memorial Day Flag Placement at Arlington Cemetery

May



Joint effort by the United Veterans Organization (comprised of the West Hudson Detachment, the VFW, and the American Legion) dedicating a ceremonial wreath and placing flags at Arlington Cemetery with the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

# Memorial Day Flag Placement at Arlington Cemetery

May



# Court of Honor – Troop 5

## May



**West Hudson Detachment recognizes the achievements of Giovanni Martinez and Brandon Ramirez of Boy Scout Troop 38 on their Eagle Scout**

# Court of Honor – Troop 38

## May



**West Hudson Detachment recognizes the achievements of James Iezzi and Martin Romines of Boy Scout Troop 5 on their Eagle Scout**

# **Americanism Programs**

# Memorial Day Wreath Placement May



As part of the UVO, the West Hudson Detachment, VFW and American Legion places wreaths at monuments throughout the town of Kearny  
Past Commandant Roger Maccagnano

# **Charity Drives**

- **Toys for Tots**
- **local Gifts for Children**
- **Donation to a local Church**
- **Babyland Toy Drive**

# Toys for Tots

## Hoboken Medical Center

### December







# Annual Gifts for Children Campaign

## December







## "Gifts for Children"

A program developed by the Marine veterans of the West Hudson Detachment #205, Marine Corps League to ensure our local families do not lack the essentials necessary for a prosperous holiday season. We collect toys from various drop-off locations to distribute to low-income children and provide food gifts cards to needed families to help provide a beautiful holiday dinner.

Although all toy donations are greatly appreciated, we are in special need for toys suitable age groups 18 to 15 years.

Thank you for your consideration and support! -Marine Fidelity and Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year!


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 MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
 288 BELLEVUE DRIVE  
 KEARNY, NJ 07032

# Annual Gifts for Children Campaign December



# Annual Gifts for Children Campaign

## December



The detachment annual Gifts for Children campaign



# Annual Gifts for Children Campaign December



# Babyland Toy Drive

## December



**West Pat Office Manager Melissa Mescher, Unit Head Trafficking North Unit. LT Cesar Human Intel section (and West Hudson Detachment member), Sergeant Rob Ravotto NJSP Newark Station, Field Ops Section and Past Commandant Roger MacCaganano assist with the toy distribution at Babyland Family Services in Newark**

# Assisting Veterans

- **Chairing the local VAVS**
- **Hosting Activities at the Veteran's Home**
  - **Monthly Bingo**
  - **Annual BBQ**
- **SSgt Oliveira Memorial 5k Run**
- **Semper Fi 5k Run**
- **Salvation Army Community Service Award**<sup>46</sup>

# Menlo Park Veteran's Home Monthly Bingo December



# SSgt Oliveira Memorial 5k Run

## August





# Semper Fi 5k Run

August



# Air, Land & Sea Detachment Car Show

September



# Menlo Park Veteran's Home Award's Lunch April



**P.C. Roger  
Maccagnano and Sr.  
V.C. J. Healy attended  
the 39th Volunteer  
Appreciation  
luncheon, sponsored  
by the Menlo Park  
Veterans Memorial  
Home**

# Salvation Army Community Service Awards May



West Hudson Detachment was awarded a “Community Service Award” by the Salvation Army. Adam Waldron and John Cleary were very proud to accept this award on behalf of the detachment

# Salvation Army Community Service Awards May



In Recognition of Outstanding Community Involvement, Outstanding Leadership, Outstanding Achievement and Outstanding Community Service to the Kearny Corps Community.  
*Marine Corps League West Hudson Detachment*

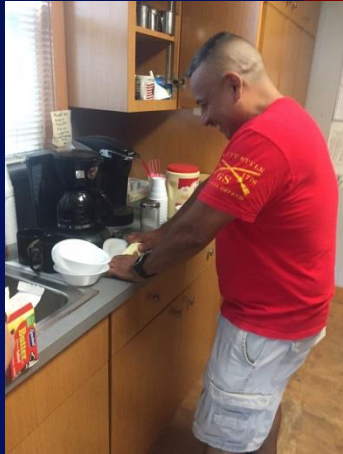


# **Scholarships**

- **Sponsors Detachment Scholarship**
- **Participates in Department Scholarship**

# SOS Breakfast to Benefit the Scholarship Fund

## October



Made by loving hands for the Military

# 'SOS'

# HAPPENS

"The breakfast of our nations Heroes"

### West Hudson Detachment's Annual SOS Breakfast

When: Sunday, 7 October 2018 0900 to 1200  
 Where: Marine Corps League - 286 Belgrove Drive Kearny, NJ  
 Cost: \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12  
 Includes: SOS, toast, pancakes cooked to order eggs, juice, and coffee

All proceeds to benefit the Marine Corps League Scholarship Fund



# **Bess McVeigh Scholarship**

**June**

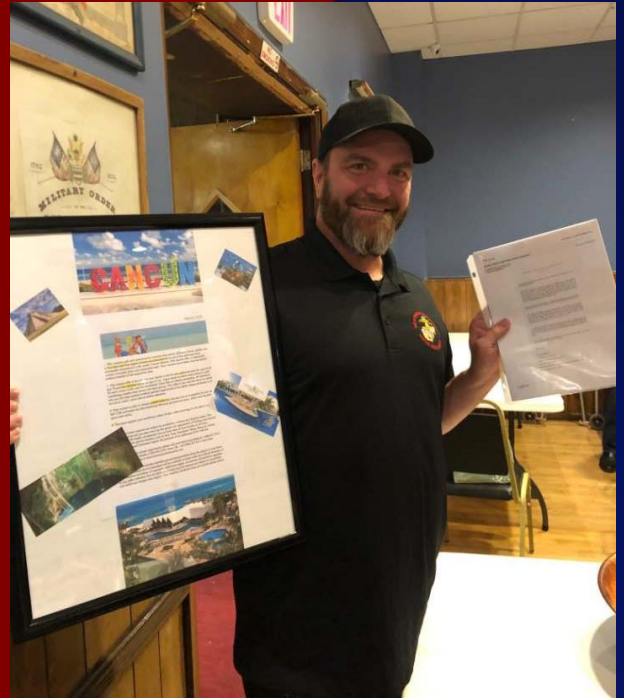


**John Cleary presented the annual  
detachment “Bess McVeigh Scholarship”  
to a local high school student**



# Charity Beefsteak Fundraiser

## April



The detachment hosted the largest fundraiser of the year with over 100 attendees and generating over \$4,000 in net proceeds.

# Charity Beefsteak Fundraiser

April



# **The Detachment**

- **Nominated Candidates for the four  
Chaplins Award**

# Four Chaplain's Ceremony

February



# Legion of Honor Awards Ceremony

May



Hosted by Jr Vice Commandant, Adam Waldron.  
Honored were detachment members Cesar Huaman  
and John Healy

# **Conventions & Rallies**

## **Detachment Representative**

- **Participated in Dept Meetings & Leadership Positions**
- **Attended Dept Leadership School**
- **Chaired Department Convention**

# Department of NJ State Convention June



*Department of New Jersey  
Marine Corps League*



*90th Convention Banquet  
June 2, 2018*

*Seaview Hotel & Golf Resort  
Galloway, New Jersey*

*Douglas Rattazzi  
Commandant*

# Department of New Jersey Leadership School



**PC John Cleary  
assisted with the  
instruction of the  
leadership school.  
Attended by  
detachment member  
Sean Glennon**



# Helping Marines

- **Friends & Family fund for Freedom  
Charity Fundraiser**
- **Assisted with the Bayonne  
Detachment Officer Installation**

# Friends & Family Fund for Freedom Beefsteak

November



# Bayonne Detachment Officer Installation May



West Hudson Detachment assisting the Bayonne  
Detachment with their Officer Installation

# **Detachment Overview**

# **The West Hudson Detachment :**

**New member recruiting program that resulted in 10% increase in members this year.**

**Recognizes member achievements at its annual Awards Ceremony in June**

**Recognizes the Americanism/Historian Program**

**Sponsors an annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball**

**Honors a member as the Detachment Marine of the Year at the Annual Awards Ceremony**

**Supports a Marine Corps League Auxiliary Unit**

**Supports a Devil Dog Pound**

**Supports a Detachment Shooting team and annual shooting events such as the Carlos Hathcock Match, Youth Turkey Shoot, & Three Gun Aggregate**

**Hosts an Annual Super Bowl party at the Marine House**

**Consistently featured in Semper Fi magazine**

**Produces a Detachment newsletter, "Our House"**

**Hosts an annual Detachment camping trip**

# Detachment Meeting

## June

*Marine of the Year*

- Walter Rudolph

*Recruiter of the Year*

- George Sona Jr.

*Distinguished Citizen Award*

- Cesar Human

*Distinguished Service*

- John Cleary
- Carol Doyle

*Life Membership*

- John Humphrey

*Community Service*

- Adam Waldron

*Meritorious Commendation*

- Jack Engdahl
- John Healy



# Detachment Marine of the Year

## June



Marine of the Year Walter Rudolph  
Commandant Adam Tegge  
and Senior Vice John Healy

# Shooting Team Annual Garand Match June





# Detachment Meeting

## October

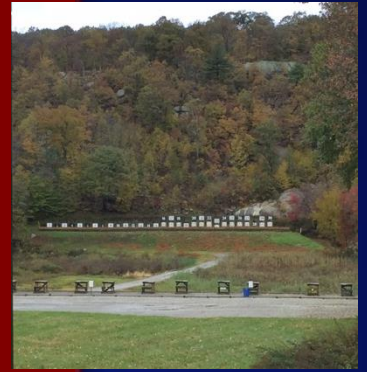


The West Hudson Detachment welcomes three of its newest members Marines John Gaspar, Daniel Armand and Nick Valdez

# Shooting Team

## Carlos Hathcock Match

### October



# Detachment Camping Trip

## July



# Detachment Camping Trip

## July



# Officer's Installation

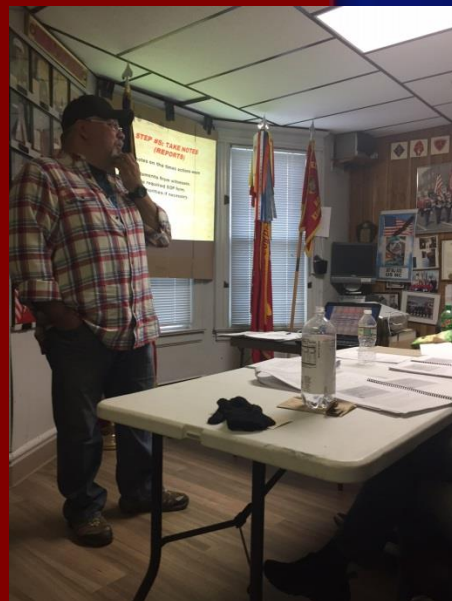
## October



# Shooting Team

## NRA Range Safety Officer Course

### December



# Tommy Defrancis's 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday January



# Annual Super Bowl Party

## February



A great time had by all at the  
Super Bowl Party....



# Detachment Meeting

## March



Swearing in of Marine Colin Congleton

# Newsletter



## OUR HOUSE

Quarterly Newsletter

October, November, December '18

### STAFF

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## OUR HOUSE

Quarterly Newsletter

July, August, September '18



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**West Hudson Det.  
Marine Corps League**

## Our House

Quarterly newsletter

April, May, and June

**APRIL**- The month began with our staff meeting. A variety of subjects were discussed, among them: upcoming parades, celebrations, and our annual Pig Roast. Lots to do, as always.

On the 7<sup>th</sup>, Jack Engdahl attended the Marine Corps League Leadership School in Sea Girt, N.J. Congratulations on completion, and well done Jack!



# Shooting Team



Rifle & Pistol  
Competitions



Fun Shooting  
Events

**Looking For A Few Good Men**  
with a competitive spirit to join our team

# West Hudson Detachment Ladies Auxiliary

President

Alima Zimmer

Senior Vice President

Linda Kaplarczuk

Junior Vice President

Barbara Paul

Chaplain

Eileen Carstedt

Judge Advocate

Dottie Norris

Secretary / Treasurer

Harriet Sklar

Guard

Helene Streckfuss



# West Hudson Detachment Ladies Auxiliary



# Detachment Awards

## MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



Department of New Jersey

100% Strength Award

Presented To

West Hudson Detachment

In recognition of maintaining or exceeding the previous year's Detachment strength

Awarded this 1st Day of June 2018

This Detachment is authorized to place 100%  
streamer on their flag

*Douglas Rattazzi*  
Department Commandant

*Barbara DeAngelo*  
Department Adjutant

## MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



Department Meritorious Unit Commendation



Presented to

West Hudson Detachment

In appreciation and gratitude for Service to the Department of New Jersey  
and the Community

Awarded this 1st Day of June 2018

For the period June 2017 to June 2018

Authorization for the wear of the Department Meritorious  
Unit Commendation Ribbon by each member of the entity to  
which this award was made during the period indicated is  
approved

*Douglas Rattazzi*  
Department Commandant

*Barbara DeAngelo*  
Department Adjutant

# SEMPER FI

The Magazine of the Marine Corps League

## ROLL CALL

### AROUND THE LEAGUE



On September 10, 2018, Westfield River Valley Detachment 141, Westfield, MA, congratulated Marine Peter Pitoniak, who received the Distinguished Citizen Award, one of the highest honors from Commandant Keith Buckhout and Past



West Hudson Detachment's Judge Advocate, 98-year-old Tommy DeFrancisci served as one of the honored dignitaries during the annual Basilone Parade hosted in Raritan, NJ, in September 2018. The parade honors John Basilone, a WWII machine gunner who earned the Medal of Honor, the Navy Cross and the Purple Heart. The Detachment's Auxiliary President, Alima Zimmer (left) and Senior Vice President, Linda Kaplarczuk (right), escorted Tommy.



Members of the West Hudson Detachment place 1st in the team competition of the Semper Fi 5k hosted in Seaside Heights, NJ. Left to right: Robert Pinero, Cesar Huaman, Lukas Tegge, Adam Tegge, Sean Glennon and Jack Engdahl.

