

# Westfield River Valley Detachment 141 Scuttlebutt



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## Marine Corps League



### 141 Upcoming Events

**Detachment 141 Meeting in June  
July 13, 2015 @ 1900**

**Note: NO MEETING IN AUGUST**

**Marine Corps League National Convention  
August 9—14, 2015**

**Westfield Fair  
August 21—23, 2015**

### Saturday Breakfast

Starting in September the Saturday breakfast will be on the second and fourth  
Saturday of the month

**Get Involved, Volunteer!!  
Uniform Up!**



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Commandant  
 Dan Bishop

**Commandant's Corner.....**

We have just completed our Walmart flag pin sales and it seems we have done quite well. I will not include the names of the individual Marines that helped, but will recognize them at our July meeting. In spite of the fact that we had rain Sunday morning we were still able to bring in nearly \$4000. This will go a long way in helping us with our many projects.

As you probably have noticed the renovation of the barracks ceiling is in progress and the electrical work is to start in September. We have a commitment to have help from local 7 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical

Workers. A local electrical contractor will supply supervision and tools. We have submitted to the contractor a purchase order for \$750.00 to cover the various appurtenances needed to complete the work. Once that is accomplished we will be able to install the new lights, ceiling, ceiling fans, and emergency exit lighting.

Upon our return from the national convention we will be in the planning stages for the Westfield fair. It's my understanding at this time that a portion of the work done by the ladies auxiliary will be taken over by us. I will have the sign-up sheets ready and we hope that one and all participate in this activity. It really is a great time to meet, greet the public, and recruit new members for our league. Anyone who has the opportunity to work at the fair understands that it is a lot of fun.

There will not be a meeting during the month of August as we will be attending the national convention in Scottsdale, Arizona. I realize you will not receive the Scuttlebutt until after the Fourth of July weekend but I hope you all had a great holiday.

May God be with the warriors of today and yesterday as they serve The United States of America.

Semper Fi!

Daniel J Bishop, Commandant

**Detachment 141 meets monthly on the second Monday at 1900. Social hour at 1800. Detachment phone number is 413-562-4850.**

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**Happy Birthday  
to our following  
members:**

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**July**

**(2) Robert Peloquin, (4) Richard Stone, (7) Robert Duffy, (11) Roger Beer, Leila Connelly, (14) Santiago Bustos, (16) Mary Sankolewicz, (19) John Kern, (20) Ella Balchunas, Brian Willette, (25) David Mee, (31) James Hibert**

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Thanks to a strong showing by many of our members we were able to man both doors at Walmart on Father's Day weekend. Several people stood more than one shift to insure full coverage for the three days.

As a result the detachment received \$3943 in donations. Outstanding effort all of you who helped out.

Aside from supporting the detachment there is a personal benefit. Speaking for myself, it was an opportunity to talk to some of you and get to know you.

**Semper Fidelis,**

**Roger Beer, Paymaster**

Larry Holbrook and Tom Pirnie





Joe Delaney and Rene Cote



Mike Kunze and Keith Buckhout



### Father's Day at Walmart

Marty DeVasier on post and Tom Pirnie shaking hands  
the Commandant in charge



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