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# Now Hear This!

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## Commandant's Corner



**MARINES :** We are about to enter the third month of this year and things will be starting up in March. We have the Forsythia Festival in Forsyth Georgia and the Ocmulgee Arts and Crafts (Cherry Blossom) festival in Macon. We will need volunteers to man our location at these events. Signup sheets will be available at our next Detachment meeting and I would ask anyone to please signup in a time slot convenient for them. The Forsythia Festival will be a one day event but the Ocmulgee Or cherry blossom event will be two days.

Thanks, Marines, in advance for what you do to help our Detachment. These events will help us prepare for our events in April and May.

This past weekend I attended the Department Quarterly Staff Meeting up in Peachtree city. We have some great training sessions after our business meeting that are very informative. If possible, everyone should try to attend these classes. They are not just for offices in your Detachment but for everyone with interest in learning more about the Marine Corps League. While at this meeting I picked up 20 Grits Bowl Commemorative Coins for our Detachment to sell. I will have them at the next Detachment meeting and they sell for \$10.00 each. The profit from the sale of these coins will stay in our Detachment and go into the General Fund. Bring a little extra cash and pick a coin or two. Thanks again Marines.

At our last detachment meeting we swore in three new members, John Norfleet, Robert Shepherd and Robert McCord. Please meet and greet our new members and make them feel welcomed. We also had some prospects at that meeting that I think will be joining us soon. It is a great pleasure as your Commandant to swear in new members and watch our Detachment grow. I continue to ask everyone to bring guests to a meeting and give the same opportunity you have as a Marine to help us to help othes do what we do. It would be nice to have a swearing in ceremony at every detachment meeting.

Once again I want to thank each of you for what you do in this great organization. I honestly believe we are making a difference and doing it as a unit. Keep on keeping on Marines!

Semper Fi  
Joe W. Barbee  
Commandant



*"Once a Marine...always a Marine"*

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**Sick Call**

*Let's keep our fellow Marines  
who are in harm's way in our  
Prayers*



**From the Sr. Vice Commandant:**



**Marines:** I hope everyone has been enjoying the early spring. Later this spring will be a busy time for the detachment. During March we will have a booth at the Forsythia festival in Forsyth on March 10 through March 11. On March 24 through March 25 we will have a booth at the Arts and Crafts Fair during the Cherry Blossom festival in Macon. We will need Marines to man these booths. On the Saturday's, hours are 1000—1800 for both events. Please check your calendar and make plans for both events. You can e-mail me or call me with the times and dates that you can help.

LATER IN THE SPRING WE HAVE BEEN ASKED BY Detachment 1373 in Warner Robins to set up our booth at the Robins Air Show. This should be a fun event with a great seat for the air show. More to Follow on this show.

On May 4th and 5th we will have our booth set up at the Old Clinton Days event in Gray. More to follow on this event also. Don't forget the Department of Georgia Convention on May 18th—20th. I invite everyone to consider attending and you can bring your spouse as there are activities planned for them. Check out the Department web page at <http://www.mcldeptofga.org/> for information or give me a call.

Welcome to our newest members: John Norfleet, Robert McCord and Robert Shepherd, we hope to see you at future meetings and that you will consider helping at the upcoming activities. If you have any questions please give me a call.

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Dining out March 15, 1800 til ?

O'Charley's in Macon beside Macon Mall

Bring you spouse and join us for an evening of food, fun and fellowship with Marines

## *Up Coming Events*

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| March 1st-4th   | SE Division Convention  |
| March 6th       | Detachment meeting, Post 3 1900<br>Happy hour 1800                                  |
| March 10th-11th | Forsythia Festival in Forsyth, Georgia  |
| March 15th      | Detachment dining out and family night<br>O'Charley's at Macon Mall, Macon, Georgia |
| March 17th      | Staff meeting, Denny's in Byron 1100<br>All members welcome                         |
| March 22th      | Rutland High Marine ROTC Award Night<br>(Our Detachment gives several awards)       |
| March 24th-25th | Arts and Crafts Fair in conjunction with<br>Cherry Blossom Festival                 |
| April 3rd       | Detachment meeting, Post 3, 1900<br>Happy Hour 1800                                 |
| April 14th      | Staff meeting, Denny's in Byron, 1100   |

