

August 2025 News



**Three Rivers Leatherneck
Detachment 310
Marine Corps League
Pittsburgh ~ Pennsylvania**



Meeting August 13th at 7:30 PM

Meeting Location Update

MONTHLY MCL MEETINGS FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

**Monte Cello's Restaurant
2198 Babcock Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15209
Meeting Room is reserved From 6pm to 9pm**

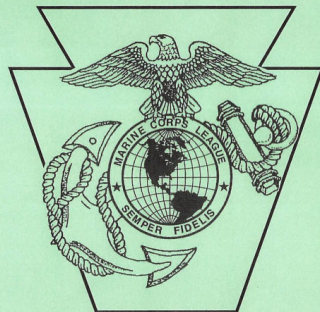
This will allow members to socialize, eat, and drink before and after the meeting.

You are responsible for any expenses that you incur with eating and drinking.

**Montecellos Website for Ross
Location**



DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



2026 CALENDAR FUND RAISER

THIS PROGRAM BENEFITS

SCHOLARSHIPS - YOUTH PROGRAMS - ALL VETERANS PROGRAMS

**PA MCL 2026 RAFFLE CALENDARS ARE AVAILABE
\$30 FOR EACH CALENDAR**

**THIS RAFFLE PAYS DAILY BASED ON EVENING 3 DIGIT NUMBER.
Contact Frank Kelly or Karl Witzer For a Calendar**

The Secret Meaning Behind the Marine Corps Dress Blues



[Youtube Video Link](#)

What Hollywood Gets Wrong About Guns



[Youtube Video Link](#)

"The Walking Dead" 1st Battalion, 9th Marines, USMC WWII & Vietnam War, Part 1 / Recon Jack





[Youtube Video Link](#)

Navy vs. Army Revolvers: What's the Difference?



Youtube Video Link

SOLDIERS & SAILORS

Memorial Hall & Museum Trust, Inc.

Senior Citizens Day

Wednesday, August 13, 2025
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

11:00AM-1:30PM
VISIT THESE INFORMATION TABLES
WHILE TOURING THE MUSEUM

HEALTH AND WELLNESS!

- **Highmark Wholecare and AHN-**
Blood Pressure and glucose readings
- **UPMC Imaging Services**
UPMC Imaging questions answered
- **YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh**
Learn about Active at Any Age and
other Y programs

LIFESTYLE!

- **Pittsburgh Regional Transit**
Hear how seniors 65 and older can
qualify for free PRT transit fares
within PA and more
- **Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh**
Library cards and CLP program details
- **Duquesne Light Company**
Learn about energy and money-saving
programs and more

VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS!

- Veterans Breakfast Club
- Veterans Place of
Washington Boulevard

Free Museum Admission for Guests Ages 55+



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412.621.4253 SoldiersAndSailorsHall.org/events



2025 Bugler Summit August 15 - 17 2025

Presented by The Doughboy Foundation and *Taps for Veterans*

Calling all buglers, cornet and trumpet players—from passionate beginners to seasoned professionals—the 2025 Bugler Summit is your opportunity to be part of something truly special.

Join us for a powerful weekend of *learning, music, and camaraderie* in historic Gettysburg.

Immerse yourself in the art and tradition of music and bugle calls while connecting with fellow musicians who share your dedication of honoring our nation's heroes.

Here's what you can look forward to:

Learn from expert instructors including military buglers and professional trumpeters

In-depth sessions on the history and legacy of the bugle and Taps

Ensemble playing—experience the thrill of performing with others

Participate in Cascading Taps at the iconic Pennsylvania Memorial

Perform in a public concert to conclude the weekend on a high note

Whether you're refining your technique or simply seeking inspiration, this summit offers something for everyone.

Reserve your spot now and be part of this musical journey.

Let the bugle call you to Gettysburg!

**More Information and To
Register**



For \$25 you can get your name on his car
for the Bristol ARCA race on 9/11/2025

Marine corps League member and Marine Corps Veteran, Josh White, returns to the race scene as the first Marine Veteran to race in NASCAR since the 1960's. Driving the No. 3 car for Club Racing Inc. at the Bristol Motor Speedway, this Marine is racing to raise awareness about veteran suicide prevention. Let's help Josh with sponsorship!
For \$25 or more you can have your name or detachment name on his racecar for the race on Patriots Day (9-11-25).



Marine Corps League and Josh White
 Racing



Website Link for Booklet

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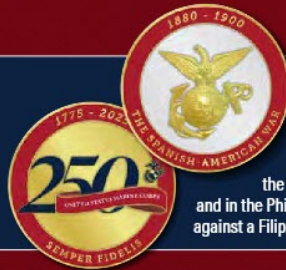
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COINS WILL BE RELEASED MONTHLY WITH ICONIC IMAGES MEMORIALIZING THESE PERIODS:

250TH
BIRTHDAY



APRIL'S COIN:



As the Marine Corps adopted "Semper Fidelis" as its motto in 1883, Marines began refining their service-defining character with the publication of the first amphibious landing manual: "The Naval Brigade and Operations Ashore." Marines would then soon find themselves heavily involved in the Spanish-American War, fighting ashore on Puerto Rico, Cuba, and in the Philippines. The turn of the century then saw Marines fighting against a Filipino insurrection.

SHOP NOW AT MARINESHOP.NET/250TH-COIN-SERIES



250 Celebration Navy & Marine Corps

October 9-16, 2025 & November 10, 2025
Location Philadelphia

Video Link of
Event

Homecoming 250 Website



2025 CALENDAR

August 13, 2025 Regular Meeting
August 14, 2025 Pistol Match / Millvale
August 30, 2025 Pistol Match / Rochester
September 6, 2025 Fall Rifle Shoot
September 10, 2025 Regular Meeting
October 8, 2025 Regular Meeting
October 9-16, 2025 Homecoming 250
Navy & Marine Corps Celebration Philadelphia
November 8, 2025 Veterans Day Parade
November 10 250th Birthday Marine Corps
November 12, 2025 Regular Meeting
December 10, 2025 Regular Meeting

1775 CLUB

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Do you want to see The Tun rebuilt? Do you want to make a toast to the Corps in The Tun®? Then join the 1775 Club and be part of making that happen in Philadelphia. Membership is only \$17.75 per month for one year – or make a one-time donation of \$213 – and you are a lifetime member.

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TUN TAVERN TO BE REBUILT

The Tun™ Tavern is one of the nation's most historic buildings. Originally constructed in 1693 along Philadelphia's waterfront, it became the iconic birthplace of six organizations that endure today: the United States Marine Corps, the United States Navy, the Pennsylvania Freemasons, the St. Andrew's Society, the Society of St. George, and the St. Patrick's Society, in addition to several visits from the nation's Founding Fathers – George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and many others.

[TUN TAVERN FLYER](#)

[VISIT WEB SITE](#)

[Tun Tavern Location & Floor Plans](#)

VA Health Chat

If you have a non-urgent health care question, VA Health Chat can quickly connect you with a VISN 4 Clinical Contact Center nurse. Chat is available 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET Monday through Friday except holidays.

You can also schedule your next VA appointment quickly and easily using the VA Health Chat app! Our schedulers in the VISN 4 Clinical Contact Center are available to help you from 3 p.m. to midnight.

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[VA HEALTH CHAT](#)

VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

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Vet Centers: 1-877-927-8387

Homeless Veteran Resources: 1-877-424-3838 or Chat



VA App Store

49 Apps available for
Veterans

15 Apps available for
Family & Caregivers

VETERANS BREAKFAST CLUB WEB
SITE



Every Veteran Has a Story.
What's **Yours**?

Since 2008

ONLINE Upcoming Events

[35th Anniversary of Desert Shield](#)

Date: August 11, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, Facebook, YouTube
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[Ross Meador – Carried Away and the Orphans of the Vietnam War](#)

Date: August 18, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, Facebook, YouTube
[JOIN ON ZOOM](#)

[80th Anniversary of V-J Day](#)

Date: August 21, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, Facebook, YouTube
[JOIN ON ZOOM](#)

[Marine Recon Sniper in Iraq: Brennan Morton](#)

Date: August 25, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, Facebook, YouTube
[JOIN ON ZOOM](#)

[Veterans Open Conversation](#)

Date: September 1, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, YouTube, Facebook
[JOIN ON ZOOM](#)

[Navy Intelligence Veteran M.P. Woodward, Author of "Tom Clancy: Line of Demarcation"](#)

Date: September 8, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Zoom, YouTube, Facebook
[JOIN ON ZOOM](#)

IN PERSON Upcoming Events

We're always adding events. Check back for updates or subscribe to our weekly [VBC Bulletin](#) to stay informed!

All in-person events begin at 8:30am and include breakfast for \$15pp unless otherwise noted. RSVP to betty@veteransbreakfastclub.org or 412-623-9029.

2025 Schedule

TUESDAY, August 12, 8:30-10:30am: Christ United Methodist Church (44 Highland Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15102)

WEDNESDAY, August 20, 8:30-10:30am: Christ Church at Grove Farm (249 Duff Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143)

TUESDAY, September 2, 8:30-10:30am: Christ United Methodist Church (44 Highland Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15102)

WEDNESDAY, September 17, 8:30-10:30am: Ridgecrest Senior Living (8870 Duncan Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15237) **FREE BREAKFAST**

THURSDAY, September 25, 8:30-10:30am: Montgomery County Community College (340 Dekalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422) **FREE** breakfast, courtesy Montgomery County Community College Veterans Club and Montgomery County Department of Veterans Affairs

WEDNESDAY, October 1, 8:30-10:30am: Seven Oaks Country Club (132

Lisbon Rd, Beaver, PA 15009)

TUESDAY, October 7, 8:30-10:30am: Christ United Methodist Church (44 Highland Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15102)

FRIDAY, October 10, 8:30-10:30am: American Legion Post 778 (150 Legion Memorial Lane, Butler, PA 16001)

WEDNESDAY, October 15, 8:30-10:30am: Christ Church at Grove Farm (249 Duff Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143)

SATURDAY, November 1, 8:30-10:30am: University of Pittsburgh-Greensburg (The Hempfield Room, Chambers Hall, Greensburg, PA 15601)

WEDNESDAY, November 5, 8:00am-12:00pm: Event Center at Rivers Casino (777 Casino Dr, Pittsburgh, PA 15212), \$15pp

WEDNESDAY, December 3, 8:30-10:30am: Seven Oaks Country Club (132 Lisbon Rd, Beaver, PA 15009)

WEDNESDAY, December 10, 8:30-10:30am: Christ Church at Grove Farm (249 Duff Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143)

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Questions? Contact Todd DePastino 412-623-9029 or todd@veteransbreakfastclub.org.



SOLDIERS & SAILORS
Memorial Hall & Museum

MONTHLY EVENT
CALENDAR



Pennsylvania
**Department of Military
and Veterans Affairs**

WEBSITE LINK

A Beginner's Guide to Military Records Research

Written by Beth Reuschel

Military records researcher [Beth Reuschel](#) appeared on [VBC Scuttlebutt](#) and walked us through the process of military records research.

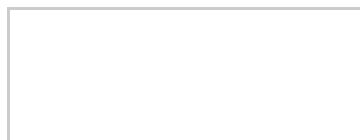
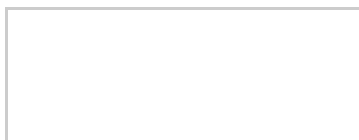
Below is her Beginner's Guide that can help family members start their own legacy searches and discover the stories they never got to hear first-hand from parents, grandparents, and other ancestors and loved ones.

You can also view and download [Reuschel Research's Beginner's Guide](#) as a [pdf](#). Learn more about Beth's work at reuschelresearch.com.

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HERE





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Robin's Home Web
Site



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for Veterans and their loved ones
You don't have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect.

LINK TO WEBSITE



Multiple YouTube Video Links on VA
Benefits

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[Vet Centers: 1-877-927-8387](tel:18779278387)
[Homeless Veteran Resources: 1-877-424-3838](tel:18774243838) or [Chat](#)
[White House VA Hotline: 1-855-948-2311](tel:18559482311)



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Meetings 2nd Wednesday Every Month at 19:30 Hours

Our Meeting Address:
DO NOT SEND MAIL TO THIS ADDRESS
VFW Post #2754
386 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229
2nd Wednesday Every Month @ 19:30 Hours

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