

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC



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To: Dick Brown, Commandant

Subject: Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

The Memorial Day program at the cemetery was co-hosted with the Military Officers association of America on May 24 2009. Our guest speaker was Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Ret. We were generously supported by the DMVA, the VA medical Ctr. from Lebanon PA. who provide security and DAV vans. Our Rifle salute was provided by "B" battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Btl. 1- 108<sup>th</sup> FA, PAANG from Gettysburg, PA. Music was supplied by the Brass Quintet, PA. Air National Guard, Band of the Mid-Atlantic.

As of April, 2009, there are 33,085 veterans and family members interred at our cemetery. There are 1,789 Marines counted in that total.

On Armed Forces Day, May 16, 2009, we held our annual Bugles Across America with a dozen + bugler's. playing taps in a cascading manner.

The administration building will be getting a new roof.

We continue to receive casket flags to fly along our avenue of Flags. It has been suggested that we fly our flags on a continuous basis. The Memorial Council recently bought 108 flag poles in anticipation to extending our Avenue of Flags at the cemetery. We continue receiving and requesting donations for the many purposes relegated to the council.

Our cemetery director reports that the Veterans memorial is in dire need of repair. He suggests that a lot of the repair can be done with volunteers. If interested, you can call him at 717-865-5254

Respectively submitted,

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