

AIM, Access to Independence and Mobility

The E.J. Brewer Detachment made a connection with a local group dedicated to services for handicapped neighbors. AIM recently hired a veteran's



services counselor. The Detachment is looking to expand its efforts into the broader community and asked if AIM had needs beyond veterans which could be addressed by a donation. The immediate response was that there was a major need for pediatric-sized mobility equipment such as walkers and wheelchairs. A donation of \$1,200 brought six pieces of equipment: a

wheelchair, a bathing chair and four walkers of varying sizes. In many cases there will be a multiplier effect. As the children outgrow a piece of equipment, it can be "passed down" to serve more than one child. The veteran's counselor, a retired Marine, made the contacts and the Detachment chaplain made the presentation to AIM's director of government and public affairs.

Arctic League Telethon

The Detachment gave \$500 to the Arctic League during its 2017 Telethon.

Drill Team and Firing Squad

The Detachment Firing Squad provides a graveside service of three volleys and echo taps for deceased Marines. The Color Guard has marched in many civic events such as Memorial Day, Veterans Day and other holidays. The Drill Team has been the lead in many area parades throughout the years. These members give up their time to provide these services to the community.



Family Picnic

The Detachment holds its annual family picnic the last weekend in July. It is a time for Marines, former Marines and friends to get together for food and conversation.

Financial Assistance

The Detachment provided financial assistance to a veteran who has just entered civilian life and needed transportation to and from work. The

detachment provided an interest free loan so that he could get his car repairs and keep his job.

Fishing Derby

The Detachment teamed up with Trout Unlimited to hold a fishing derby for veterans from the Bath VA on 15 September 2018. The derby was held at Park Station. Fishing poles and bait were provided by Trout Unlimited. About 15 veterans were able to participate in the derby and by all indications everyone had a good time.



Jack Titus Scholarship Fund

The E.J. Brewer Detachment of the Marine Corps League presented a \$1,000 check to Samantha Hamilton. The check is from the Jack Titus Scholarship



Fund. Jack was one of the original founders of the Detachment. Each year the Detachment awards a check to a student resident of Chemung County who is going to college or technical school after graduation. The details of the scholarship are in the high school guidance office and on the Detachment's webpage www.ejbrewermarines.com.

Marksmanship Team

Associate member Dave Bassett (middle) was presented with a plaque by Commandant Schamel (left) and Marksmanship Team Captain Bly (right) that



was awarded by National Marine Corps League Headquarters. Dave is the 2017 Marine Corps League National Postal Match Rifle champion. Dave has been competing in high power rifle competitions for many years, both in civilian competitions and Marine Corps League matches. Dave used an M1 Garand for his winning score.

Bob Green holds the plaque he won in National Competition. Under the scoring system used by the Marine Corps League for their "Pistol Match," there are three scoring categories: Marksman, Sharpshooter and Expert. Each category has a range of scoring points, and the competitor who has the