



# *The Straight Scoop*

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## **COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE**

Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains and Associate Members. I hope this finds you well. As you are all aware, we are facing some unprecedented circumstances. I have spoken with several Marines throughout the Department about the epidemic that we are facing. All the members that I have spoken with are very motivated and are coming up with ways to keep busy.

Times like these give us a chance to use our initiative and ingenuity to come up with ways to keep the wheels turning. With that being said, the Marine of the Year Society used a conference call to select the 2020 Marine of the Year. I also held conference calls with the Department Staff and Past Department Commandants as well as Detachment Commandants. On those calls we discussed how to move forward with Detachment elections via conference call. For those Commandants that weren't on the call, please contact Patti Leib the Department Adjutant or me to help set up your elections. We must have your elections done and ROI's turned in soon.

The Department Scholarship Committee has also selected their recipients for the year and will notify each student soon. The Department Board of Trustees will decide on the Convention by May 1<sup>st</sup>. This will depend on the “Stay at Home” order and the COVID-19 virus.

Please take this time to contact All of your members and check on their wellbeing. We will come through this together. Please keep me posted on any member sick or in distress with this virus. I will keep you posted through your Detachment Commandant via email as changes happen. Take care of each other.

Please keep all members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and Prayers as they serve in harm's way.  
Semper Fidelis,

Scott Kirby  
Commandant  
Dept. of WV  
Marine Corps League

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### **Chaplain's Corner**

#### **A Prayer in Times of a Pandemic**

May we, who are merely inconvenienced, remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we, who have no risk factors, remember those most vulnerable.

May we, who have the luxury of working at home, remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we, who have the flexibility to care for our own children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we, who have to cancel trips, remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we, who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market, remember those who have no margin at all.

May we, who settle in for a quarantine at home, remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose to love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around one another, let us find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

~Amen

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#### **Hershel “Woody” Williams Scholarship Recipients**

John B. Nanny, Chairman, Scholarship Foundation announced the recipients of the 2020 Department scholarship who were presented a check for \$1000.00 each during the Department Convention Banquet in Elkins, West Virginia on May 16, 2020. Since the inception of the program, a total of 142 scholarship have been awarded with \$124,000 total to date.

Olivia Arline - Ohio State University Huntington Det. 340  
Grandfather: Roy Marcum

Brinna Hathaway - WVU Wood County Det 1087  
Grandfather: Mike McLain

Michelle Hathaway – Wood County School of Nursing Wood County Det. 1087  
Father: Mike McLain

Lacey Alison Hunt - WVU Sgt. Mecot Tamara Det. 1461  
Father: Jason Hunt

Logan Lee Hunt- WVU Sgt Mecot Tamara Det. 1461  
Father: Jason Hunt

Vincent Joseph Kolenich, II - Temple University Jones-Wolin-O'Brien Det. 771  
Self - USMC

Alicia Lane - Marshall University Huntington Det. 340  
Husband: Zebulun S. Lane

Kaitlin McLain - WVU Huntington Det. 340  
Father: Sgt.Maj. Sean McLain (Ret)

Reilly McLain - Marshall University Huntington Det. 340  
Father: Sgt. Maj. Sean McLain (Ret.)

Ryan Paul - Paradise Valley Community College Jones-Wolin-O'Brien Det, 771  
Grandfather: John Nanny

Ava Elizabeth Polinski - WVU Jones-Wolin-O'Brien Det 771  
Father: David Polinski

Madelyn Ross - Marshall University Huntington Det. 340  
Grandfather: Denny Wood

Marleigh Ross - Marshall University Pharmacy Huntington Det. 340  
Grandfather: Denny Wood

Shayna L. Summerlin - Fairmont State Earl Anderson Det. 342  
Mother: Tiffany Summerlin Father Jamie Summerlin

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**2020 MCL Department Convention Schedule**  
**The Holiday Inn Express, Elkins, WV**  
**May 15-16, 2020**

Friday, May 15, 2020

1300-1600 Professional Development & Leadership Training  
1300-1600 MCL & MODD Registration  
1200-1300 Lunch on your own  
1300-1700 Department Audit Committee\*  
1600-1700 Commandant's Council for Detachment Commandants/**Staff Officers Meeting**  
1700-1830 Dinner on your own  
1700-2230 Hospitality Room open  
1830-1900 MODD Pack Board Meeting - At call of Dept Commandant, Pack Leader, MODD  
1900-2100 MODD Growl of the Pack – Holiday Inn Express

Saturday, May 16, 2020 at the American Legion Post 29

0600-0930 Breakfast on your own  
0800-1000 MCL registration  
0800-0815 Flag-raising Ceremony - Dept Sgt-at-Arms  
0820-0930 Memorial Services, all hands attending - Dept Chaplain  
0930-0945 Department Budget Committee Meeting\*  
0930-0945 Department Nominations Committee Meeting\*  
1000-1200 MCL Business Meeting

1200-1315 Lunch on your own  
1315-1600 MCL Business Meeting  
1615-1640 New Officer Installation & Department Officers' Meeting  
1800-1900 Formal Reception  
1900-2200 Grand Banquet - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, American Legion Post 29  
\* At call of Chairman for Audit, Budget and Nominations Committee

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**You may qualify for this grant if you are a Veteran, or member of the Active Military, Reserves or National Guard**

The PenFed Foundation COVID-19 Emergency Financial Relief Program was created to provide financial assistance to all Veterans, active military service members, and those currently serving in the Reserves and the National Guard who are experiencing a financial setback due to the negative economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant amount will support 1 month of payment up to \$1500 in the following areas:

- Rent
- Mortgage
- Auto Loan/Lease
- Utilities (Electric, Water, Heat)

\*All checks will be sent directly to the creditor or landlord after the grant is approved. The Foundation can only support one emergency financial request per household.

Link to Apply:

<https://penfedfoundation.org/apply-for-assistance/coronavirus-emergency-financial-assistance/>

What You'll Need:

- DD214 or LES
- A bill or statement for the requested expense
- An explanation of how the financial setback is related to the COVID-19 pandemic (for example, loss of job due to quarantine and/or public health policies)

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible for this program you must be in one of the following categories:

- A Veteran that has been honorably discharged
  - A current active-duty service member
  - Currently active in the Reserves
  - Currently active in the National Guard
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### **Professional Development Training**

Many of our governors have issued a stay at home policy and with the self-induced quarantine here is something you might think about. Since you have extra time while staying at home, now would be an excellent opportunity to consider reading over some MCL professional development training material. We all belong to a detachment and reading over our National, Department and Detachment Bylaws and Administrative Procedures keeps us abreast of current guidance on the laws and regulations of the League. Just click on this link <https://www.mclnational.org/> then click on the Member Library link. The password is dd4. Scroll down and look at the corporate documents and you will see multiple admin for the league including the current Bylaws and Administrative Procedures as well as the current forms used for various files within the League. It also has the Guidebook for Detachment Officers as well as the current MCL Ritual. This is a great site to just click on and browse around as you can gain a tremendous volume of knowledge by just reading over the forms and documents. There are also 8 hours of video on the new data base available on this site.

When you click onto the link and want to find professional development, click on the 'more' link then scroll down to programs and you will find the training link. All the modules for professional development are listed on this site. By reading over the various sites and reviewing the BL and AP sections, this will help give you more of a working

knowledge of the league procedures and aid you in performing your duties as an officer in your unit. In addition, if you have an interest in being an Officer at any level, this will help prepare you to seek that position.

We are all trying to abide by the staying at home policy as much as we can. Detachments should be reaching out and talking with all their members even the unpaid ensuring they are okay and do not need any assistance. We have widows of past members living alone and a welfare check would make their day. Give them a call and check up on them. If you speak to any of your unpaid members, encourage them to continue their membership and enjoy the camaraderie that Marines share and embrace. It's nice to know that we continue to look out for each other especially in times of a national emergency. Semper Fidelis is the motto and never fades, so continue your outreach to all your members and let them know you care.

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### **Annual Corporate Report**

Every detachment must be incorporated in the State so as soon as you Install your Officers, the Detachment must complete and file an Annual Corporation Report prior to 30 June each year. The cost is \$26 and is payable to the WV Secretary of State's office. This must be completed before June 30 of each year whether you change any of your Officers or not. The submission must be online with the WV Secretary of State, Business and Licensing Division. Once the form is completed, a copy should be mailed to the Department Adjutant for record purposes. The Secretary of State has recently sent an email to all Detachments and Pounds that they must file their ACR on line. They will no longer accept a paper copy. Detachments and Pounds that do not file their annual reports on time are at risk of being administratively dissolved or revoked and will be assessed an additional mandatory late fee of \$25 (twenty-five dollars) for non- profit organizations as required by West Virginia code. If Officers are changed after the first of July, the Detachment must file an Application to Appoint or Change Officers, and/or Office Addresses with the WV Secretary of State (also online), and pay an additional \$15.00 for the change. If you need assistance, contact the Department Adjutant-Paymaster, Patti Leib, at (740) 591-8611 or via email to [pattileib024@gmail.com](mailto:pattileib024@gmail.com) Adjutant-Paymaster Leib files for some Detachments every year, so if you are new to the process or just need help, don't hesitate to contact her.

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### **Detachment Commandants, Paymasters, Adjutants and Adjutant/Paymasters**

It is time for most of the Detachments to elect their officers for the 2020 - 2021 terms. That also means it is time for you to submit your Report of Officer Installation (ROI) for 2020 - 2021. Remember that **you must submit** a Report of Officer Installation (ROI) **every year** even if none of your Officers change. Thanks!

Please Mail them to me at:

Patti Leib, Adjutant-Paymaster  
Department of West Virginia – MCL  
PO Box 1224  
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### **Detachment Awards**

It is the responsibility of the Commandant to ensure that members are recognized for performing Detachment events, displaying USMC or MCL Principles and Purposes, outstanding community involvement and promoting patriotism. There are various awards and MCL certificates that can be fabricated and presented.

Actual performance must exceed normal expectations and merits a respective award to ensure integrity of the Award. No award should be given because they are a member. Must be able to justify award. The impact upon detachment or community will determine the award level.

Thanking members is also a reward. Certificates can be presented to businesses or organizations.

**Ceremonial Guard Ribbon (with authorization noted on the certificate to wear the Ribbon)** Must participate in 10 events for each award. Events include Color Guard, Funeral/Honor Detail, Rifle Detail or Marching Squad. Just walking or riding on a float in a parade does not qualify unless it is part of a specific detail or program such as a Marching Unit. This Award is retroactive to 1 January 2010 for all individuals who have met the qualifications for the Award.

**Distinguished Citizen Medal - Bronze**

Awarded to detachment members and community citizens for outstanding service or those who have been examples of patriotism and exemplary citizenship

**Distinguished Service Award** (with authorization noted on the certificate to wear the Medal/Ribbon)

Awarded to detachment members for outstanding service and those who have excelled and exceeded expectations

**Detachment Recruiter Medal - Bronze** - (with authorization noted on the certificate to wear the Medal/Ribbon)

Awarded to member who signs up most new members within a year

**MCL Community Service, VAVS Service, or JROTC Service Ribbon**

Awarded to individual for either Community Service, VAVS and or JROTC Service

**Meritorious Individual Commendation Ribbon**

Awarded for individual meritorious action or contributions to detachment or community

**Certificate of Appreciation**

Awarded for performance that reflects on the detachment or other community service

The following Awards are automatically authorized to be worn by Detachment members:

**Detachment Commandant Medal****Detachment Marine of the Year Medal****Detachment Staff Medal - Elected****Detachment Staff Medal - Appointed**

**MCL Medal (Membership)** is automatically authorized for a member who has been in the League for five (5) continuous years and has not had their membership revoked.

**Detachment Marine of the Year** (with authorization noted on the Certificate to wear the Medallion and Ribbon)

This award is presented to the Detachment member demonstrating outstanding performance and dedication above and beyond expectations of the principles of the MCL that merit nomination for the award. The selection for the Detachment Marine of the Year (DMOY) may be selected by the membership or by a committee of all previous Detachment Marine of the Year recipients; this will be the Detachment Marine of the Year Committee. The criteria for selecting the annual DMOY will be determined by the Committee. The previous recipient will be the Chairman and will call for the Committee to meet. The Leaguer selected will be presented the Detachment Marine of the Year Medal at a ceremony and will be authorized to wear it in accordance with the prescribed Uniform Code. A suitable certificate will be presented and will be included in the Detachment Minutes.

**Boy Scout Eagle Scout - Marine Corps League Good Citizenship Award** - Presented to a Boy Scout who has attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Usually presented during Boy Scout Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony. Appropriate words of remarks should be made during presentation by Marine Corps League representative.

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## **VA Dental Benefits Trump Signs Measure to Expand Dental Care**

President Donald Trump signed into law a new measure allowing VA to expand reduced or no- cost dental care coverage to veterans on 2 MAR. House Joint Resolution 80 approves a request from the Department of Veterans Affairs to begin a pilot program to increase VA-funded dental care options. Only about 8 percent of veterans who get care at VA currently qualify for VA- backed dental coverage.

The bill was introduced by Rep. Phil Roe (R-TN), ranking member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, to kick off a new avenue for veteran benefits through the MISSION Act, which replaced the Choice Act in June 2019. “In addition to increasing veterans’ access to care, the MISSION Act also created a Center for Innovation for Care and Payment to give VA an avenue to test new payment and service delivery models that have the potential to better serve veterans and taxpayers,” Roe said. “This resolution would approve the Center’s first waiver request – to allow

VA to coordinate free or reduced-cost dental care in the community for veterans who are ineligible for dental care through VA. This would greatly enhance not only the dental care provided to those who have served but also their overall health and well-being.”

Poor oral health can have a “significant negative effect on overall health,” according to VA. Clinical research has found potential connections between gum problems and heart disease, bacterial pneumonia and stroke. VA Secretary Robert Wilkie asked Congress for the opportunity to pursue the pilot program, which would allow VA to enter agreements with private dental service providers in the community who agree to provide free or discounted dental care to veterans who are enrolled in VA health care, but who may not qualify for VA dental care.

“The MISSION Act gave Veterans real choice over their healthcare decisions,” Wilkie said in a statement in December, when he originally made his request. “Through this pilot proposal, we want to ensure veterans have access to quality dental care through a network of providers who are proud to serve America’s heroes.” For more information on the proposed pilot program, [click here](#). For information about your eligibility for the program, please contact your local VA medical center.

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### **Stolen Valor Verification Sources**

There are several websites that track Stolen Valor that can help you verify if somebody's military service claims are accurate. They include:

- ☐ <https://valor.defense.gov>: This site, run by the Department of Defense list the names of all of the persons who have won the nation's highest military awards.
- ☐ <https://www.fakewarriors.org>
- ☐ <https://militaryphony.com>
- ☐ [www.stolenvvalor.com](http://www.stolenvvalor.com)

Ed Caffrey, the Eastern New Mexico University instructor who tracks Stolen Valor cases said it is important to get the first and last name of anyone suspected of being a military impostor, along with a known address and/or general age range. It is also useful to get screenshots of any claims they make on social media. One of the first things impostors will do is scrub their social media of any of their claims once they realize people are becoming skeptical.

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### **Military Order of Devil Dogs**

Unlike some other organizations, the Military Order of the Devil Dogs are created equal. Only Marine Members in good standing in the Marine Corps League, with one continuous year may be "asked" to apply for membership. The success of the Pound is up to the membership and especially up to its leadership. The Kennel and the Pack will help, but will not do the work for the Pound, nor can they guarantee its success. The official publication of the Military Order of Devil Dogs is the *Woof-O-Gram*. This publication is sent out quarterly to its members.

The Order is organized in nearly every state where there is a Marine Corps League presence. Now in its 68th year, the Order boasts a semi-permanent headquarters in Michigan, a full-time Kennel Dog Robber, National Executive Secretary and Bookkeeper.

The Order, the FUN and HONOR SOCIETY of the Marine Corps League, is comprised of only regular members of the League who have been recommended for membership by 2 members of the Order. Each member undergoes a series of initiations. First, as a Pup, in their Pound (the local organization, the basis of the Order); then, as a Devil Dog in their Pack (the State organization which meets during a Department Convention); and, finally, as a Pedigreed Devil Dog at the SUPREME GROWL held in conjunction with the National Convention of the League. Each degree must be held for one full year before candidacy for the next degree may be considered.

#### **What it Does**

It promotes good fellowship amongst the members of different Marine Corps League Detachments. The Order provides amusement and entertainment at all gatherings of the League, when and where advisable. It assists in the accomplishment of all programs and objectives of the League, preserves and strengthens the principles and ideals of the League, and maintains true allegiance to the United States of America and its Constitution and Laws. It fosters and extends American institutions of freedom and defends America against all enemies whatsoever. The Order is also VERY active in raising funds for different charities.



## Who Belongs?

You must be a paid-up member and in Good Standing in the Marine Corps League, Inc. The applicant must be active in his or her Detachment in the League, and must be invited to join the Order. He or She must be recommended by his or her Detachment Commandant and be sponsored by two Devil Dogs or Pedigreed Devil Dogs. The applicant is then interviewed by the members of the Pound at Pound Growl (a meeting is called a Growl). If accepted, the applicant must undergo an initiation and obligation ceremony. Then He or She becomes a Pup in the Order.

## Organization

The Pound is on a local level and is usually made up of members of different Marine Corps League Detachments. On the State level there is the Pack, and on the National level there is a Kennel. There are three different degrees in the Order. The lowest degree is that of Pup. The next degree is that of Devil Dog. The highest degree is that of Pedigreed Devil Dog. The head of the Pound is called the Pound Keeper. The head of the Pack is the Pack Leader. The head of the Kennel is also the head of all Devil Dogs and is called Chief Devil Dog. The Order's many charitable donations not only help people in need, but also build good public relations for the Order, the League, and the United States Marine Corps.

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## VA Releases Updated List of Agent Orange Exposure Locations

The [Department of Veterans Affairs](#) has released an [updated list of locations outside Vietnam](#) where tactical herbicides such as Agent Orange were used, tested or stored by the military.

Agent Orange was a weed killer sprayed on the jungles of Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War to eliminate forest cover and crops for North Vietnamese and Viet Cong troops. The name came from the orange identifying stripe used on the 55-gallon drums in which it was stored.

Veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange or other herbicides during service may be eligible for a variety of VA benefits, including an [Agent Orange Registry health exam](#), health care and disability compensation for diseases associated with exposure. Their dependents and survivors also may be eligible for benefits.

Agent Orange exposure can cause several serious illnesses, as well as birth defects in the children of veterans who were exposed to the chemical.

The news comes on the heels of the Jan. 1, 2020, VA [expansion of Agent Orange benefits](#) to veterans who were exposed to the herbicide during their service. That expansion includes [Navy](#) veterans who served in the territorial waters of Vietnam and Cambodia, as well as veterans of all branches who may have been exposed in other locations, including stateside bases.

Previously, only veterans who were exposed to the dangerous weed killer while serving in-country Vietnam were eligible for any VA benefits.

The expansion of Agent Orange exposure locations came as a result of [Public Law 116-23, the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019](#).

The new law adds an estimated 420,000 to 560,000 veterans to those already eligible for care and benefits for possible exposure.

"This update was necessary to improve accuracy and communication of information," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "VA depends on DoD to provide information regarding in-service environmental exposure for disability claims based on exposure to herbicides outside of Vietnam."

You should contact the VA immediately if you or a loved one served in one of the designated Agent Orange exposure locations.

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## Pending Calendar

**2020 Department of Maryland Convention** will be 7-9 May 2020 at Princess Royale Hotel, 9100 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842. 410-524-7777 Mention 'Marine Corps League' to get group room rate. Fri AM -Opening Ceremony. Fri PM -Pack Growl. Sat AM -MCL Meeting. Sat Night -Banquet More details to follow.

**2020 Department of Delaware Convention** will be May 9, 2020 Heritage Shores Golf Clubhouse, One Heritage Shores Circle, Bridgeville, Delaware 19933. Lunch will be served. POC- Frank Mathers, Commandant Department of Delaware, [mcldeptdecommandant@gmail.com](mailto:mcldeptdecommandant@gmail.com) 301-520-8051 **CANCELED**

**2020 Department of Virginia Convention** will be May 8, 9 2020 at Lakewood Manor 1900 Lauderdale Drive in Richmond, VA 23228. Hotel: Wingate Hotel, 13991 North Gayton Road Richmond, VA 23233' Phone: 804.421.1600. Rooms will be \$96 a night. The reservation code to get the government rate is USMC1775. THE DEADLINE TO RESERVE IS APRIL 8, 2020 IF THERE ARE ANY PROBLEMS PLEASE CONTACT Mark Moore AT 804-971-3448. Point of Contact: Mark Moore, Commandant James M. Slay Detachment #329 [usmcmason33@yahoo.com](mailto:usmcmason33@yahoo.com)  
**CANCELED**

**2020 Department of West Virginia Department Convention** will be May 15-17, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Express, 50 Martin Street, Elkins, WV 26241 hosted by Leland D. "Crow" Crawford Detachment #956. Room rate \$100.00 per night. Phone: 304-630-2266. Hotel registration deadline is April 29, 2020. Free parking and continental breakfast 6 -10 a.m. Banquet \$30 and will be buffet style. **POC is Roger Ware 304-636-4365** or [rrware@yahoo.com](mailto:rrware@yahoo.com).

**Please do not call the hotel** to make your reservations as Detachment 956 will make reservations when you send them your payment. Once your payment is received your name will be given to the hotel under the Code MCL. This is to take advantage of the tax-exempt status. There is a flyer attached which can be used for advance registration, hotel and banquet.

**2020 Department of North Carolina Department Convention 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** will be June 12-13, 2020 at the Hilton Charlotte University Hotel, 8629 J M Keynes Dr. Charlotte, NC 28262.  
Room rate: 800-445-8667 Hosted by Pfc Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 and Charlotte Detachment #750  
**Standard Deluxe Rooms Code: NCMAR1 Hotel contract asst: Arron Brown 704-547-7444. MCL rate is \$119 ++ (Regular Rate: \$129 ++ to \$149 ++). 75 Rooms Blocked until 5/15/2020. Reserve Before: 5/15/2020.**  
Reservations made 5/16 to 6/11 will be guaranteed the MCL rate but the room might not be available if the block is filled. MCL rate is in effect for stays between 6/10 and 6/15. Room choice is One King or Two Double beds.  
**Breakfast** for 2 is included.

**2020 Mideast Division Conference** will be June 19-21, 2020 hosted by Dept of Virginia at Holiday Inn, 5655 Greenwich Road, VA Beach, VA 23462. Room rate \$120 plus 14% tax – total \$138.80, 1-800-567-3856 or 757-499-4400 – (dial 0) use code: MED. You can start reservation after July 12, 2019.

**2020 MCL National Convention** will be August 10-15, 2020 at Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort, 100 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL, 32118 Phone: 888-217- 5507. Room rate: \$145.00 includes tax, Wi-Fi, parking and breakfast. Reservations opened on Monday August 12, 2019 at 10 AM EST.

**2020 Modern Day Marine Expo** will be Sept 22-24, 2020 at MCB, Quantico, VA

**2021 MCL Midwinter Staff Conference** February 24– 28, 2021 Sheraton Norfolk Waterside, 777 Waterside Drive Norfolk, VA <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/orfsi-sheraton-norfolk-waterside-hotel/> Group Code: MCL Phone: (757-622-6664) Room rate includes up to 4 breakfast vouchers per occupancy. \$129.00 per night + prevailing tax (currently 14%) Please make your room reservation directly to the hotel.

**2021 Mideast Division Conference** hosted by the Department of Delaware 16, 17, 18 April 2021 Atlantic Sands Hotel & Conference Center (Oceanfront) 1 Baltimore Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware 19971 Phone: 800-422-0600 | 302-227-2511 <https://atlanticsandshotel.com/> Room rate \$105.00 plus fees. Discounted breakfast, parking included. **Reservations may be made now.**  
\*Reservation may be made now by calling 1-800-422-0600, refer to the Mideast Division Marine Corps League Block #9579 arriving Friday, April 16, 2021. **Reservations are open.**

**2021 MCL National Convention** will be August 6-14, 2021 at Wyndham Springfield City Centre, 700 E Adams St, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Room rate is \$129.95 with tax included. Free breakfast, free parking and WiFi. Pet friendly. [www.wyndhamhotels.com](http://www.wyndhamhotels.com)  
Phone. 217-789-1530

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*We regret to report the following email received yesterday:*

Sir/Madam:

Corporal Alan Edward Macauley an Iwo Jima survivor passed away recently at 94 years of age in Hedgesville, West Virginia.

I am submitting a narrative that Corporal Macauley wrote relating his experiences and wounding during the Iwo Jima Campaign.

The family has not yet published an obituary as his ashes will be interred at a later date in his home State of Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Dunne

Sgt. Thomas M. Dunne, USMC  
1967-1971

Vietnam Veteran

Detachment #1143

Eastern Panhandle Marine Corps League  
Martinsburg, WV

*May he rest in Peace as he Guards the Streets of Heaven*

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From brother Marine Chuck Miller in Pensacola, FL. I've seen this several times over the past week or so; thought it was worth sharing in light of our national "hunkering down" efforts.

I talked to a Man Today...

I talked with a man today, an 80+-year-old man. I asked him if there was anything I can get him while this Coronavirus scare was gripping America.

He simply smiled, looked away and said: "Let me tell you what I need! I need to believe, at some point, this country my generation fought for... I need to believe this nation we handed safely to our children and their children...

I need to know this generation will quit being a bunch of sissies...that they respect what they've been given...that they've earned what others sacrificed for."

I wasn't sure where the conversation was going or if it was going anywhere at all. So, I sat there, quietly observing.

"You know, I was a little boy during WWII. Those were scary days. We didn't know if we were going to be speaking English, German or Japanese at the end of the war. There was no certainty, no guarantees like Americans enjoy today.

And no home went without sacrifice or loss. Every house, up and down every street, had someone in harm's way. Maybe their Daddy was a soldier, maybe their son was a sailor, maybe it was an uncle. Sometimes it was the whole damn family... fathers, sons, uncles...

Having someone, you love, sent off to war...it wasn't less frightening than it is today. It was scary as Hell. If anything, it was more frightening. We didn't have battlefield news. We didn't have email or cellphones. You sent them away and you hoped...you prayed. You may not hear from them for months, if ever. Sometimes a mother was getting her son's letters the same day Dad was comforting her over their child's death.

And we sacrificed. You couldn't buy things. Everything was rationed. You were only allowed so much milk per month, only so much bread, toilet paper. EVERYTHING was restricted for the war effort. And what you weren't using, what you didn't need, things you threw away, they were saved and sorted for the war effort. My generation was the original recycling movement in America.

And we had viruses back then...serious viruses. Things like polio, measles, and such. It was nothing to walk to school and pass a house or two that was quarantined. We didn't shut down our schools. We didn't shut down our cities. We carried on, without masks, without hand sanitizer. And do you know what? We persevered. We overcame. We didn't attack our President, we came together. We rallied around the flag for the war. Thick or thin, we were in it to win. And we would lose more boys in an hour of combat than we lose in entire wars today."

He slowly looked away again. Maybe I saw a small tear in the corner of his eye. Then he continued:

"Today's kids don't know sacrifice. They think sacrifice is not having coverage on their phone while they freely drive across the country. Today's kids are selfish and spoiled. In my generation, we looked out for our elders. We helped out with single moms whose husbands were either at war or dead from war. Today's kids rush the store, buying everything they can...no concern for anyone but themselves. It's shameful the way Americans behave these days. None of them deserve the sacrifices their granddads made.

So, no I don't need anything. I appreciate your offer but, I know I've been through worse things than this virus. But maybe I should be asking you, what can I do to help you? Do you have enough pop to get through this, enough steak? Will you be able to survive with 113 channels on your tv?"

I smiled, fighting back a tear of my own...now humbled by a man in his 80's. All I could do was thank him for the history lesson, leave my number for emergency and leave with my ego firmly tucked in my rear.

I talked to a man today. A real man. An American man from an era long gone and forgotten. We will never understand the sacrifices. We will never fully earn their sacrifices. But we should work harder to learn about them... learn from them... to respect them.

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### **Links to helpful or entertaining sites:**

Chesty Puller Quotes:

<https://www.military.com/off-duty/2020/04/02/these-13-chesty-puller-quotes-show-why-marines-will-love-and-respect-him-forever.html>

Attached is the COVID-19 media fact sheet for April 6, 2020, detailing DoD support to the whole-of-government effort to combat the virus.

<https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus/DOD-Response-Timeline/>

<https://www.dvidshub.net/feature/COVID19>

Here is a direct link to the guidance for making your own face mask:

<https://media.defense.gov/2020/Apr/05/2002275059/-1/-1/1/DOD-GUIDANCE-ON-THE-USE-OF-CLOTH-FACE-COVERINGS.PDF>

Expiring ID Cards – Answers to questions about expiring ID Cards information: <https://www.cac.mil/Coronavirus/>



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Monday, March 30, 2020

From: The Judge Advocate of the Department of West Virginia

To: All Members of the Department of West Virginia Marine Corps League

Subj: LEAGUE UNIFORMS AND POLITICAL AFFILIATION

This topic comes up from time to time and as elections, local, state and national will be taking place this year I feel it is a good idea to remind each of you on the League's requirements and limitations concerning our uniforms.

At no time is it permissible for a member of the League while in uniform to publicly show support or disapproval for any Party, Candidate or political position.

To clarify. Do not put on any part of your league uniform and attend a political Debate, Rally, or attend a meeting of any one who claims connection to any party. Do not pose for photographs in your uniform with candidates.

If you have a question about a situation it is best to lean towards caution and simply do not do it. This includes social media as well. It is very easy for us to go through our days and simply like something or forward something/share an article and our photo for the link has a photo of us in uniform next to our name and simple as that, there is a problem.

Many of us across the country at present have plenty of time to surf the web and if the wrong person notices a photo of you in uniform crossing this line it may spell serious trouble.

Be careful, think about who may snap a photo of you, look at what you post or who may share something whether on your personal space and Official League sites as well.

Most of all. Right now, especially, but always be careful, stay healthy as best you can, use good judgement and protect yourselves during these troubling times.

Respectfully submitted

*Rodney E. Mayberry*

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## Around the State:



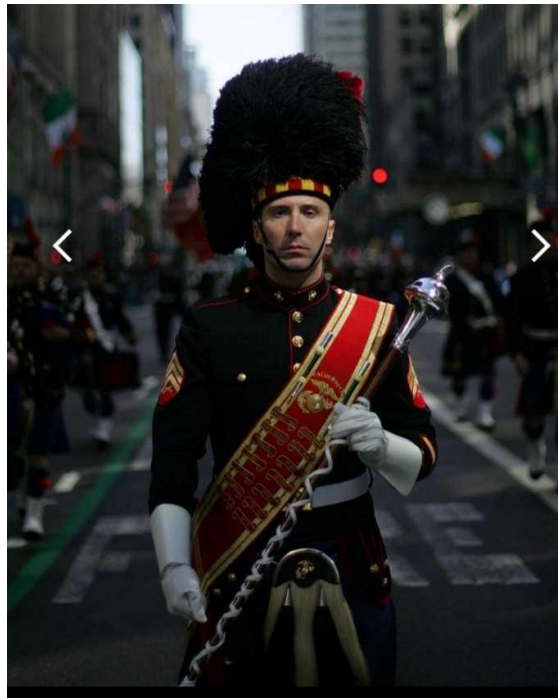
Wheeling Det 771 with MOH Woody Williams present an Appreciation Plaque to Marty DePersig:  
**“Honorary Board Member 2020 ~ For your Unselfish Service to your Fellow Marines, Presented to MSgt. Marcel “Marty” Depersig, USMC Ret.”**  
*(Standing, L to R Woody Williams, Ralph Cole, John Nanny, Paul Mcle, Ted Riley  
Seated: Marty DePersig and his wife, Priscilla)*



Ripley Det 1065 Commandant George Gill presents Detachment  
Marine of the Year to Adjutant-Paymaster Jim Adams

## Leatherneck Tartan

"Why Do Marines Associate with Bagpipes? The answer ~ It was based on the original USMC pipe band based in Derry, Northern Ireland during the Second World War. The official tartan of the unit is the Leatherneck Tartan which is only used by the pipes and drums due to the fact that the USMC has never formally adopted a military tartan ~ Led by Sgt. Mike McCracken ~ Semper Fi



Sgt. Thomas M. Dunne, USMC  
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A couple of Marines wore the Leatherneck Tartan at last year's Ball





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**MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF MANAGEMENT OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
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DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES  
DIRECTORS OF DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES**

**SUBJECT: Department of Defense Guidance on the Use of Cloth Face Coverings**

The Department of Defense (DoD) is committed to taking every precaution to ensure the health and wellbeing of our Service members, DoD civilian employees, families, and the Nation in response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. DoD supports, and will continue to implement, all measures necessary to mitigate risks to the spread of the disease, consistent with the Department's priorities to protect our people, safeguard our national security capabilities, and support the government's whole-of-nation response.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain, especially in areas of significant community-based transmission. Military personnel, DoD civilian employees, their family members, and DoD contractors are strongly encouraged to follow CDC guidelines on the use of cloth face coverings in public settings or where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.

Effective immediately, to the extent practical, all individuals on DoD property, installations, and facilities will wear cloth face coverings when they cannot maintain six feet of social distance in public areas or work centers (this does not include in a Service member's or Service family member's personal residence on a military installation). This includes all:

- Military Personnel



- DoD Civilian Employees
- Family Members
- DoD Contractors
- All other individuals on DoD property, installations, and facilities

Exceptions to this requirement may be approved by local commanders or supervisors, and then submitted up the chain of command for situational awareness. Security checkpoints may require the lowering of face covers to verify identification.

The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness will issue updated force health protection guidance on DoD implementation. The Military Departments will issue guidance on wear for Service members. As an interim measure, all individuals are encouraged to fashion face coverings from household items or common materials, such as clean T-shirts or other clean cloths that can cover the nose and mouth area. Medical personal protective equipment such as N95 respirators or surgical masks will not be issued for this purpose as these will be reserved for the appropriate personnel.

The Department will continue to implement force protective measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to our total force and their families, and the American people. The latest DoD policies can be found at <https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus>.

*Matt T. Egan*

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEERS ENROLLMENT AND ID CARD ISSUANCE

The DoD is committed to protecting the security of our nation and its people by issuing identification (ID) cards to individuals requiring access to government systems and facilities and to eligible individuals authorized to receive Uniformed Service benefits and privileges by law. The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) enrollment and ID card issuance process consists of several steps to ensure the correct ID card is issued and the appropriate benefits and privileges are assigned.

The Department is equally committed to the safety of our personnel and beneficiaries, including retirees and other high-risk populations. This includes ensuring continued access to healthcare and other benefits during this time of increasing precaution and restrictions in response to coronavirus (COVID-19). The following information applies to individuals whose ID card expires before August 31, 2020.

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### POPULATIONS WITH EXPIRING DoD ID CARDS

POPULATION	IMPACT TO BENEFITS	ACTION
Sponsors and Dependents turning age 65	You must be enrolled in Medicare Part B for continued benefits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Check milConnect to see whether Medicare Part B has been reported</li><li>- Mail, fax, or email:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Completed DD Form 1172-2, indicating that sponsor is providing over 50% support</li><li>o Proof of enrollment in Medicare Part B</li></ul></li><li>- Can continue to use current DoD ID card.</li></ul>
Dependents turning age 21	You must be enrolled as a full-time student, be approved as an incapacitated dependent, or be registered for TRICARE Young Adult (TYA) for continued eligibility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Students: Mail, fax, or email:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Completed DD Form 1172-2, indicating that sponsor is providing over 50% support</li><li>o Proof of enrollment as a full-time student</li></ul></li><li>- Incapacitated Dependents: Mail, fax, or email:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Completed DD Form 1172-2</li><li>o Medical Sufficiency Statement</li><li>o Financial Dependency Determination</li></ul></li><li>- TRICARE Young Adult (TYA): Mail, fax, or email:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Completed DD Form 1172-2</li><li>o Proof of enrollment in TRICARE Young Adult</li></ul></li><li>- Can continue to use current DoD ID card.</li></ul>
Guard and Reserve Members and Dependents	Benefits for National Guard and Reserve members and their dependents are tied to the member's active duty status. If the member's active duty status is extended, benefits are extended as well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- If active duty status extended, no action.</li><li>- If active duty status completed:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Must enroll in TRICARE Select online.</li></ul></li><li>- Can continue to use current DoD ID card.</li></ul>
Retiring Service Members and Dependents	Benefits for members who are retiring and their dependents are tied to the member's status.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Must enroll in TRICARE Select online.</li><li>- Can continue to use current DoD ID card.</li></ul>

### POPULATIONS REQUIRING FIRST TIME ENROLLMENT AND ID CARD ISSUANCE

POPULATION	ACTION
Spouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mail, fax, or email:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Completed DD Form 1172-2</li><li>o Marriage Certificate</li><li>o Proof of enrollment in Medicare Part B</li></ul></li></ul>
Legitimate Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mail, fax, or email:</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> </ul>
Adopted Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Adoption Decree</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Stepchild	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Sponsor's Marriage Certificate</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Pre-Adoptive Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Placement Agreement that states intent to adopt OR Court Document that states intent to adopt</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate, if Placement Agreement/Court Document does not specify date of birth OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Illegitimate Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Court Order that establishes paternity OR Consent Order of Paternity that establishes paternity OR SJA Opinion that establishes paternity OR Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity (VAP)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Foster Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Financial Dependency Determination</li> <li>○ Placement Agreement that places the child with the Sponsor OR Court Document that places the child with the Sponsor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Financial Dependency Determination</li> <li>○ Placement Agreement that places the child with the Sponsor for at least 12 consecutive months OR Court Document that places the child with the Sponsor for at least 12 consecutive months</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Parent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Sponsor's or Spouse's Birth Certificate OR Certificate of Live Birth OR FS-240, "Consular Report of Birth Abroad"</li> <li>○ Financial Dependency Determination</li> <li>○ Proof of enrollment in Medicare Part B (if aged 65 or older)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Former Spouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mail, fax, or email: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Completed DD Form 1172-2</li> <li>○ Marriage Certificate</li> <li>○ Divorce Decree</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Statement of Service OR DD Form 214 OR Dates of Inclusive Service</li> <li>o Proof of enrollment in Medicare Part B (if aged 65 or older)</li> </ul>
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## WHERE TO MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL DOCUMENTS

SPONSORING UNIFORMED SERVICE	
United States Army	Contact your nearest RAPIDS Site for assistance.
United States Marine Corps	<p>For individuals unable to access a RAPIDS site due to closures and/or limited services, the Marine Corps DEERS Project Office will remotely process new enrollments ONLY. Individuals enrolled in this manner will have 90 days to provide original documents to Verifying Officials (VO) at the RAPIDS site once normal site operations resume.</p> <p>Required documents should be emailed (preferred) to both <a href="mailto:mary.stroz@usmc.mil">mary.stroz@usmc.mil</a> and <a href="mailto:donna.rodgers@usmc.mil">donna.rodgers@usmc.mil</a> or faxed to (703) 432-2591.</p> <p>Requests for enrollments can take up to 10 business days to be processed from time of receipt.</p> <p>DoD Identification Cards will not be issued remotely through this process.</p> <p>Fax requestors must provide a valid email address on the request for notification of both receipt and completion.</p>
United States Navy	Contact your nearest RAPIDS Site for assistance.
United States Air Force	Visit <a href="https://www.jbsa.mil/Resources/802d-Manpower-and-Personnel-Flight/ID-Cards/">https://www.jbsa.mil/Resources/802d-Manpower-and-Personnel-Flight/ID-Cards/</a> for more information.
United States Coast Guard	Contact your nearest RAPIDS Site for assistance.
United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps	Contact your nearest RAPIDS Site for assistance.
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps	Contact your nearest RAPIDS Site for assistance.

### RAPIDS Site Locator (RSL):

<https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl>

### Appointment Scheduler:

<https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/appointment>

# HOW LONG DO CORONAVIRUSES\* LIVE ON SURFACES?

SURFACE	EXAMPLES	DAYS OR HOURS
Metal	Doorknobs, Jewelry, Silverware	5 Days
Glass	Drinking glasses, Mirrors, Windows	UP TO 5 Days
Ceramics	Dishes, Pottery, Mugs	5 Days
Paper	Newspaper, Magazines	UP TO 5 Days
Wood	Furniture, Decking	4 Days
Plastics	Milk bottles, Bus seats, Elevator buttons	2-3 Days
Stainless Steel	Refrigerators, Pots/pans, Sinks, Water bottles	2-3 Days
Cardboard	Shipping boxes	1 Day
Aluminum	Soda cans, Tinfoil, Water bottles	2-8 Hours
Copper	Pennies, Teakettles, Cookware	4 Hours
Food/Water	Doesn't seem to spread through food, and has not been found in water.	



**WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Disinfect all surfaces and objects in your home daily with a household cleaning spray or wipe. Wash hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and warm water, especially after visiting the supermarket or bringing in packages.

\*Coronaviruses are a family of viruses that includes the SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. This information is for your reference only and is changing constantly.



# CORONAVIRUS, FLU, COLD?

As the number of coronavirus cases rise, some key differences set coronavirus apart from the seasonal flu and the common cold — mainly the intensity of the symptoms and the recovery period. A guide at identifying the differences in the three conditions. All three, however, are spread by air-borne respiratory droplets and contaminated surfaces

CORONAVIRUS	SEASONAL FLU	COMMON COLD
<b>Onset:</b> Sudden	<b>Onset:</b> Abrupt	<b>Onset:</b> Gradual
<b>Symptoms</b>	<b>Symptoms</b>	<b>Symptoms</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Fever</li> <li>■ Dry cough</li> <li>■ Muscle ache</li> <li>■ Fatigue</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Fever</li> <li>■ Dry cough</li> <li>■ Muscle ache</li> <li>■ Headache</li> <li>■ Sore throat</li> <li>■ Runny or stuffy nose</li> <li>■ Fatigue</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Runny or stuffy nose</li> <li>■ Sneezing</li> <li>■ Sore throat</li> </ul>
<b>Less common symptoms</b>	<b>Less common symptoms</b>	<b>Less common symptoms</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Headache</li> <li>■ Coughing up blood (haemoptysis)</li> <li>■ Diarrhoea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Diarrhoea</li> <li>■ Vomiting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Low grade fever</li> <li>■ Muscle or body ache</li> <li>■ Headache</li> <li>■ Fatigue</li> </ul>
<b>Incubation:</b> <b>1-14 days,</b> may go up to 24 days	<b>Incubation:</b> <b>1-4 days</b>	<b>Incubation:</b> <b>2-3 days</b>
<b>Complications:</b> <b>5% cases</b> (acute pneumonia, respiratory failure, septic shock, multiple organ failure)	<b>Complications:</b> <b>1% cases</b> (including pneumonia)	<b>Complications:</b> <b>Extremely rare</b>
<b>Recovery:</b> <b>2 weeks</b> (mild cases); 2-6 weeks (severe cases)	<b>Recovery:</b> <b>1 week</b> (mild cases); 2 weeks (severe cases)	<b>Recovery:</b> <b>1 week</b> for most cases; may last as long as 10 days
<b>Treatment or vaccine</b> No vaccines or anti-viral drugs available; only symptoms can be treated	<b>Treatment/vaccine</b> An annual seasonal flu vaccine is available	<b>Treatment/vaccine</b> No treatment, but doctors advise treating symptoms

**WHAT THIS MEANS** If you have a stuffy/runny nose or are sneezing, you likely DO NOT have coronavirus

## SEVEN KINDS OF CORONA

Seven strains of coronavirus (CoV) that infect humans have been identified. These cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV)

### Harmless

- Serotype 229E
- Serotype OC43
- Serotype NL63
- Serotype HKU1

These cause symptoms of the common cold, and rarely cause severe pneumonia

### Dangerous

These are known to cause more severe disease. These are:

1. **Sars-CoV** which causes severe acute respiratory syndrome (Sars)
2. **Mers-CoV** was that causes Middle East respiratory syndrome (Mers)
3. **Sars-CoV2** that causes coronavirus disease (Covid-19)



## The unknowns of Sars-CoV2

**Sars-CoV2** is closely related (with 88% identity) to two bat-derived Sars-like coronaviruses (bat-SL-CoV-ZC45 and bat-SL-CoV-ZXC21) collected in 2018 in Zhoushan, eastern China

It has **79%** genetic affinity with Sars-CoV, 50% with Mers-CoV

The **Sars-CoV2** receptor-binding domain structure, which allows a virus to latch on to and enter a cell, is similar to Sars-CoV, despite amino acid variation at some key residues. Little is known about **Sars-CoV2**, studies on Sars-CoV provide clues to its behaviour and ability to infect

On smooth surfaces such as tables, phones etc, Sars-CoV retains its viability for 5 days at 22-25°C and relative humidity of 40-50%, which is typical for air-conditioned rooms. Though this may vary for Sars-CoV2, experts say this is a good indicator for its behaviour

# Chloroquine phosphate side effects (oral)

**If any of these effects persist or worsen, tell your doctor or pharmacist promptly:**

- Blurred vision
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Abdominal cramps
- Headache
- Diarrhea

**Tell your doctor right away if you have any serious side effects, including:**

- Bleaching of hair color
- Hair loss

Data from: First Databank · Consult a medical professional for advice.

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How often do you take chloroquine?



How does Plaquenil affect eyes?



What are the dangers of hydrochlorothiazide?



What are the effects of chloroquine primiequin quinine?



Feedback

# Chloroquine Phosphate

Common brand names: Aralen, Aralen Phosphate

Chloroquine is used to prevent or treat malaria caused by mosquito bites in countries where malaria is common.

## Precautions





**West Virginia Rescue Dogs**