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Commandant's Letter ~ May, 2022

Welcome to all MCL Members, Marines, FMF Corpsmen, Chaplains and Associate Members:

May is here and this will be my last Straight Scoop article. It has been an honor and privilege serving as your Department Commandant for the last two terms.

I have had a great Board of Trustees to work with that have guided and mentored me along with Past Department Commandants. My Chief of Staff Roger Ware has made certain I had all of the information I needed to keep the Department on track.

Department Adjutant and Paymaster Patti Leib has been my saving grace. She has kept me headed in the right direction with all of my reports corrected and on time. She has also helped all of the Detachments with all of their information.

The Convention is almost here with a lot to look forward to. Hershel 'Woody' Williams West Virginias' Medal Honor Recipient will be the guest speaker at the Saturday night banquet. This will be our 49th State Convention

one year shy of our 50th Anniversary Convention in 2023. At our current Convention we will be voting on a Mini Medal and Ribbon along with a Challenge Coin to celebrate our 50th Anniversary.

The West Virginia Vietnam Wall will be on display also. It contains over 700 names of West Virginians that gave their all. This will be the last time the wall will be displayed as it is being retired. A lot to do and a lot to see at this Convention so come and celebrate your Convention with friends.

New Department Officers will be elected at this Convention so be sure to come and vote for those you want to run the Department in the upcoming year.

Please keep all members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers as they serve around the world in harm's way.

Semper Fi

Jim Doss, Commandant

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Chaplain's Corner

Prayer of Surrender by Fr. John Gabriel Perboyre, C.M.

Divine Savior, transform me into Yourself. May my hands be Your hands. May my tongue be Your tongue. Grant that every faculty of my body may serve only to glorify You. Above all, transform my soul and all its powers that my memory, my will and my affections may be the memory, the will and the affections of You. I pray to you to destroy in me all that is not of You. Grant that I may live in You and by You and for You, and that I may say with St. Paul, "I live now, not I but Christ lives in me."

Professional Development Training

Detachment Administration

Once the installation is performed, the new Officers need to hold a meeting of all officers. This is a good time to review the administrative duties required to ensure your detachment functions as a business entity. The duties of all Officers should be discussed and what their role is in the detachment. The financial records should be reviewed as well as the property inventory. The Adjutant should have copies of all previous minutes and any pertinent correspondence and files including copies of the Charter, all Bylaws and AP, corporate papers, business certificate, annual corporate reports, IRS 990 N e-files, Officer installations reports (ROI), PLM audits, Ceremonial rifle inspection and audit (those having rifles) and resolutions. The Paymaster should have all the financial records and bank account statements, checks, and previous paymaster reports. Ensure you sign new bank signature cards for the Commandant and Paymaster or Adjutant/Paymaster. Copies of all previous dues transmittals should be maintained. The Sgt-at-Arms should have all flags, banners, and ritual items in his possession or securely stored at the meeting location.

Once these items are secure and accounted for, then the Officers should look back over the previous Minutes to get an update and include any previous motions that are pending from those minutes. They should plan the agenda for the next meeting and look forward to dates for future activities and events and plan accordingly. Discuss plans for future fund-raising events. Look at all reoccurring reports and ensure they are included in their future meetings. The Adjutant should include them in the monthly meetings minutes and utilize a system ensuring they are completed on schedule and on time. They are in the section below under Required reports following Officer Installation.

Next assign your committee members and ensure all required positions for other assignments are filled. Go over your means to communicate with your members. Set up a free conference call line for this use. The Department Adjutant can help you with this. At your meetings, solicit ideas and brainstorm on how to recruit and retain members. Encourage members to attend the Department meetings and Conventions. Ensure all Officers read the various Bylaws and Administrative Procedures and have a working knowledge of them. Be sure to have all

Officers read over the Guidebook for Detachment Officers and plan out professional development training sessions for your officers and members.

Have a telephone calling tree with phone numbers, emails, and other information so you can communicate with all your members.

Be flexible and don't fret over mistakes you might make as that goes with the position. Make liaison with your Department Officers and utilize them. If you are ever in doubt, make the call and seek advice.

Required reports following Officer Installation

Following reports are required in this order:

- * Financial audit and property inventory should be conducted before installation
- * Report of Officer Installation (ROI) completed and mailed to Dept Adjutant
- * Letter to Bank to change signature cards adding new Commandant and Paymaster after a motion to make change approved by members.
- * Annual Corporate Report will be completed after office installed and submitted online to WV Sec of State at cost of \$25.00
- * Paymaster Report (due each membership meeting)
- * Copy of Monthly Detachment Minutes must be forwarded to Dept Commandant and Dept Adjutant following every meeting as per Department Bylaws.
- * Membership update to Dept Jr Vice Commandant Monthly
- * Quarterly and Annual Commandant's Report from Detachment for ending Quarter (due Sept, January, May) submitted to Dept Adjutant
- * Letters mailed to all dues paying members beginning in May informing them that their dues expire August 31
- * National Convention Delegate Registration Form
- * Annual IRS 990N efile due after June 30 or 5 months after fiscal year expires
- * Paid Life Member (PLM) Audit June 30 roster
- * Dues transmittals are submitted when members pay their dues to the Department Paymaster as all dues expire August 31 yearly.
- * Death notices are filled out and a dues transmittal form coded NOD is sent to the Department Paymaster for submission to National HQ and the Department Chaplain and Assistant Chaplain (the Dept Paymaster will submit them for you)

Officer Nominations, Elections, and Installation

The next item for detachment focus is Officer Election and Installation, and completion of the ROI. The ROI is required as this lists the Commandant and Paymaster who handle money and only they are covered under the insurance bond by National. Plus, the ROI has the current email address of your Paymaster so National can send copies of the completed transmittals and other items or communications.

National no longer mails the yearly PLM interest payment to your detachment. Instead, the Department Adjutant Paymaster will collect your current Bank Account information (checking account number and routing number) to submit to National so the PLM Interest payment can be deposited directly by ACH. The Department Adjutant-Paymaster will track all Detachment PLM audits and ROI's.

Detachments are required to hold their Elections and Installation of Officers between Sept 1 and May 15 although most Detachments elect their new Officers after January 1. After the Installing Officer signs the ROI, the Detachment Adjutant ensures the information is correct, legible, and completed and then sends it to the Department Adjutant who makes a copy and forwards it to National HQ. The department Adjutant tracks all Detachment reports and submissions to make sure every Detachment is in compliance. Below is the link at national HQ Library site to download the Report of Officer Installation.

https://www.mcleaguelibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Fillable-ROI_Detachment_2020-v3.pdf

Annual Corporate Report

Every detachment must be incorporated within the State of WV so after your Annual Officer Installations are complete, the Detachment must complete and file a Corporation Annual Report prior to 30 June each year. This is done online with the WV Secretary of State, Business and Licensing Division, and submitted electronically and costs \$25. If Officers are installed or changed after 1 July, the Detachment must file an Application to Appoint or Change Officers, and/or Office Addresses with the WV Secretary of State and pay an additional \$15 to make the change(s). Once this process is completed, a copy of the receipt should be mailed or emailed to the Department Adjutant for record purposes. Every detachment that is incorporated must file an Annual Report for Corporations. This should be done as soon as you have your Officers are Installed. The Secretary of State will no longer accept a paper copy of your ACR. 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 a mandatory late fee of an additional \$25 (twenty-five dollars) for non-profit organizations as required by West Virginia code.

Be sure to mail or email a copy of your receipt and/or submission to:

Patti Leib, Adjutant-Paymaster

Department of West Virginia – MCL

pattileib024@gmail.com

Or Mail a hardcopy to her at:

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Concepts on League memberships

The Marine Corps League has been around for almost a century and was created to build a community among Marines who served or have returned from the horrors of war and to:

- a. To preserve the traditions and to promote the interests of the United States Marine Corps.
- b. To band those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service together in fellowship that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy.
- c. To fit its members for duties of citizenship and to encourage them to serve as ably as citizens as they have served the Nation under arms;
- d. To hold sacred the history and memory of the men who have gave their lives to our Nation.
- e. To foster love for the principles which they have supported by blood and valor since the founding of the Republic.
- f. To maintain true allegiance to American Institutions.
- g. To create a bond of comradeship between those in the service and those who have returned to civilian life.
- h. To aid voluntarily and render assistance to all Marines, honorably discharged Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Chaplains, as well as to their families, their widows and their orphans.
- i. To perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps by fitting acts, and to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions that are of particular interest to Marines.

The League is a place where the deep bonds begun by serving in the Corps or in foxholes overseas can be woven stronger, where generations have not only healed but chosen to give back to their communities.

As the Iraq and Afghanistan veterans transition back into civilian life and deal with the horrors and side effects of PTSD brought on by multiple tours in combat zones. Several League members that are combat veterans from WW II, Korea and Vietnam know exactly what that feels like.

The League provides the platform for these members as well as Peacetime and Associate members to band together and provide valuable insight to each other from shared life experiences.

When the League gathers together as a unit, we show moral support to each other by being there for one another and taking time to just listen to each other's thoughts and concerns and in turn mental support is achieved to curve the current epidemic of veteran suicide today which is heartbreakingly high due to America's all-volunteer force serving multiple tours in combat zones as well as veterans dealing with problems we have in everyday life that can accrue during or after military service.

Once you find the Marine Corps League and embrace the tribe, you will find that none of us stand alone and the acronym we follow is (T.E.A.M) Together Everyone Achieves More. Semper Fidelis!

Marines that have PTSD have found that joining the League is like joining a hospital as it's therapy, and more than anything, it's family and still a "Band of brothers".

Those stereotypes are those that we continue to combat and it's fair to say that Marines enjoyed going into a bar and swapping war stories, and maybe that was the extent of it. But over the years, Marines' desires just have changed drastically.

The generation of Marines who fought in the post-9/11 wars, have found community in other places, and they often prefer experiences like participating in marathons and going kayaking versus sitting around listening to some older Marines talk about politics.

The League is a lot more aware of its image, and is starting to focus on that image to be sure that members know the League is representative of Marines from every era...

The aging membership rolls continue to lose Marines, and the generation of retired service members from two decades of combat this millennium haven't shown up to fill their shoes.

Are our current members willing to take responsibility to actively seek new and younger members, like recruiters for the USMC, to help secure the future of the Marine Corps League, and to assist the younger generation with successfully transitioning and acclimating back into civilian life? It's not only important to the future of our League, but also young Marine families, and the future of our Country.

Our League has a lot to offer besides renewing the camaraderie shared while serving on active duty. We have members who can help with VA claims, others who can help network for employment, funds for Marines in distress, scholarships for education, community and civic involvement for students, fund raising activities to benefit school sports programs, participation in various military themed and patriotic events, disaster assistance and lobbying for medical and additional benefits for Marines. These are just a few things our League supports so are you ready to get on board and come join our league and share your vision and ideas?

Concepts written by: Past Department Commandants - Roger Ware and Rick Shank

Recruitment of younger Marine Corps members

Military veterans by participating in a veterans organization provides a unique opportunity to serve in their community with people from all walks of life, and also offers the opportunity to share the bond and camaraderie that melds veterans together as proud United States Marines.

Far too often, detachments are standing by and waiting for this younger generation of Marines to just walk in and join like their fathers and grandfathers before them. This used to be the marketing strategy to bolster membership in the League. The League has relied solely on our name to entice these young Marines to show up and join, and most Detachments have a marketing campaign that hasn't quite made it into the 21st Century. It may be sending

an application for them to complete and asking for money and not enclosing an information page. You need to be aggressive and seek them out. Go to high traffic areas, set up a booth or table and sell the League.

How do we get the younger Marines to be part of that? The answer is we don't. The League must change. The thought that eventually the younger Marines will join because they are missing the camaraderie is a false notion. There are too many newer and younger Veteran Organizations that have popped-up in the recent years for them to join, leaving a vast number of veteran organizations competing for membership from a much smaller pool of veterans.

The League might use the following common-sense steps to appeal to that younger generation of Marines who are the very life-blood of the existing MCL to build more memberships

1. Be honest and transparent when sending out material to attract new members. Educate the younger Veteran generation by conveying to them all you have accomplished locally and nationally to ensure that Veteran issues stay at the forefront of the discussion. Show them that you are making a difference. Let them know about the whole League and not just your Detachment, and that it's not just a narrow scope of membership and money.
2. Treat all Marine veterans equally. Both men and women have served honorably in the Marine Corps. To assume only men deployed or served is backwards thinking and has no room in today's Marine Corps League.
3. I know the more seasoned Marine veterans have life experience and perhaps a different frame of reference. But we should never think that the younger generation is any different. As leaders, we should always welcome new ideas from everyone, and the younger veterans are full of ideas-just as we were at that age. You should embrace their energy and let them share their ideas about improving your detachment; you will be pleasantly surprised with the innovative ideas that they come up with. Be open to these new ideas.
4. Welcome all Marines into your detachments. When you see someone new walk in, welcome them with open arms, make them feel like they are part of your detachment and have found a new family and friends. And don't criticize the way they look now or their time in service.
5. Keep your meetings short and to the point. If you have younger Veterans in your detachments, assign them a task during the meeting and ask them to work with the membership to complete it. Get them involved in the administration of your detachment and encourage their involvement. The younger generation, especially the millennial's like to solve problems by working and teaming with a group. This is a prime opportunity for the detachment leadership to mentor those younger Marines. Be patient. Some of these young Marine veterans suffer from a malady of challenges, such as Traumatic Brain Injury or PTSD
6. Use your detachment as a place where veterans can network with the community. Invite local business owners, company executives, your local college Veteran's Representatives, or members of the local Chamber of Commerce to speak at your meetings.
7. Don't be afraid to work with other Veteran organizations within your community. Build a strong support network for all Veterans.
8. If you have a reserve unit or National Guard unit nearby, begin working with them to build a relationship. These once flourishing programs have had their share of budget cuts, but the mission remains the same. This is where the Marine Corps League could make a positive impact with the base leadership as well as the surrounding veteran population.
9. Introduce yourself and your detachment to your local Guard and Reserve centers. Most of the members live, work, and shop in your community.
10. Sign up for and attend every veteran event that you can. Make sure the people in your community know that you are the person and veteran organization to contact when it comes to supporting veterans.

At the end of the day talking the talk and walking the walk will bring a more positive response and ensure that the new generation of Marines will know that they are not alone and have a family within the League.



Detachment Marine Of The Year
Medallion M60 FMF Device M30



Ribbon M60bar



Department Marine Of The Year
Medallion M61 FMF Device M30



Ribbon M61bar



Division Marine Of The Year
Medallion M62 FMF Device M30



Ribbon M62bar



Associate Detachment Marine Of The Year
Medallion M63 'A' Device M31A



Associate Department Marine Of The Year
Medallion M65 'A' Device M31A



Associate Division Marine Of The Year
Medallion M64 'A' Device M31A

Associate Member of the Year

Associate Member of the Year Award Ribbon has been approved at the National, Division, Department and Detachment levels. This change/addition would be for a RIBBON ONLY. **APPROVED WITH “A” IN RIBBON instead of an EGA.** Department Chief of Staff Roger Ware has the letter “A” for sale for your Associate Member of the Year and the Eagle/Globe/Anchor device for sale for Marine of the Year awards.



Bronze A Device



Department Ribbon with A Device



Detachment AMOY Medallion and Ribbon bar with the “A” device and the Mideast Division Associate Member of the Year

Section 300 (h) of the National Administrative Procedures outlines the criteria for selection of the National Marine of the Year. Using these provisions, the following Mideast Division MOY recipients are the committee to select a 2022 Mideast Division Marine of the Year and the Associate Member of the Year. The Chairman is Frank Mathers - Department of Delaware. The other committee members are: Richard Tanner - Department of Delaware; Roger Ware, Mike McLain, Rick Shank and Scott Kirby - Department of West Virginia; and Jeffrey Jones and Rick Thomason - Department of North Carolina. The guidelines in Section 300 (h) (2) of the above reference must be followed for each nomination. Please insert “Division” in lieu of “National”, as appropriate. Any regular member from the Mideast Division can be nominated and the Mideast Division MOY will be presented at the 2022 Mideast Division Conference. Any Associate member from the Mideast Division can be nominated: the Mideast Division Associate MOY will be presented at the 2022 Mideast Division Conference.

Each letter of nomination must be mailed to the above chairman, registered return receipt, post marked not later than May 17, 2022. Mail to Frank Mathers, Mideast Division Chairperson Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year Committee, 17 Fairway Drive, Ocean View, Delaware 18870. Telephone: 301-520-8051. It must have a cover letter signed by the Detachment Commandant and Adjutant or other officers if one of them is nominated. A second inner envelope must be addressed to the Mideast Division Chairperson Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year Committee. It must be sent Certified, Return Receipt Requested for your records, before the postmark deadline. The Marine of the Year Committee will announce the 2022 recipient during the Mideast Division Conference. The above provisions are for 2022 Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year selection only.

Division Marine of the Year (MOY) and Associate Member of the Year (AMOY) Criteria

These awards shall be presented to a REGULAR MEMBER or Associate Member of the Marine Corps League who has rendered service(s) and/or performed a deed(s) above and beyond the duties and obligations required of a member of the Marine Corps League, or a meritorious deed(s) so identified as being within the scope of these rules shall be of such substance that the weight will or shall have brought acclaim and prestige to the Marine Corps League; or has enhanced and/or furthered the concepts of the duties of being a citizen of the United States of America; or a deed(s) of courage or valor without regard for his/her own safety

Letters of nomination must originate only at the DETACHMENT LEVEL. No individual nor any subsidiary unit of the Marine Corps League shall submit a letter of nomination.

All letters of nomination shall include a letter signed by the Detachment Commandant and Adjutant, stating that the nominee for Division Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year was approved at a regular meeting of the detachment by a majority vote. (In the event a nominee is the Commandant, the letter of nomination shall be signed by the Senior Vice Commandant and the Adjutant. In the event a nominee is the Detachment Adjutant, the letter of nomination shall be signed by the Detachment Commandant and Senior Vice Commandant). Each nomination submitted shall be placed in a sealed envelope and addressed to "Chairperson, Division Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year Society". THIS ENVELOPE SHALL THEN BE PLACED IN ANOTHER ENVELOPE and mailed, certified/return receipt requested, to: the Chairman at the address listed on the announcement.

The member must be a member in good standing and have served at least either an elected or appointed Associates position within his detachment and department. List how many years he has been a member. List his positions and what was the significance of each if any. Is he a Detachment level or Department level Marine of the Year or Associate Member of the Year?

The recommendation should summarize what the member has done in his detachment, and or department. It should be brief and only impact areas where the candidate performed that brought credit upon his detachment and not merely list that he performed the duties expected of his position and or attended meetings. What were the results of any activities he participated in that were above the normal expected duties of his position? List those activities where he was the chairman or committee lead. Examples: Toys for Tots for 15 years and how many toys collected and how many children benefited. Chairman of numerous fund-raising events that benefited the detachment or selected charities. What was the total amount generated? Did he teach flag etiquette or flag folding to children, how many classes and how many kids for how many years? What civic projects or volunteer did he do to enhance the league? If he did not participate as a league member in an event or activity, do not list it. What did he do as a volunteer outside of his detachment for the league? Was he recognized within his community for a project?

The nomination should be a snapshot of the member's achievements and not just listing his MCL awards. Did he attend his Department quarterly meetings or Convention, Mideast Division Conference, National Mid-Winter Staff Conference, or National Convention?

The Division MOY or AMOY Committee has developed a point system to aid them in their selection process. Consideration can be giving a point for each event, and a point giving for participation outside his Detachment for either serving on Department, Division or National level and on any committee.

988 - Nationwide 3-digit dialing code for mental health crisis and suicide prevention

You may have heard that on July 16, 2022, 988 will become the nationwide 3-digit dialing code for mental health crisis and suicide prevention. It will replace the 1-800 number currently used by the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. On this date, when someone calls 988 all phones in the U.S. (mobile and landline) will connect with the mental health crisis/suicide prevention system. This will allow anyone in the U.S. to call 988 and get help designed specifically for someone dealing with a mental health crisis.

Pending Calendar

2022 Department of Maryland Convention will be 6-8 May 2022 at the Fenwick Inn 13801 Coastal Hwy Ocean City MD 1-800-641- 0011 (Code MCL) \$125.00/room. <https://www.fenwickinn.com>

2022 Department of Delaware Convention will be 7 May 2022 at the Heritage Shores Golf Club One Heritage Shores Cir, Bridgeville, DE 19933. Coffee Mess 0930, Business meeting 1000, lunch will be served after the close of the business meeting.

2022 Modern Day Marine Expo will be 10 – 12 May, 2022 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC.

2022 Department of North Carolina Convention will be May 13-14, 2022 It will be hosted by RDU Det #1482 in Durham, NC.

2022 Department of West Virginia Convention will be May 20-21 , 2022 at The Quality Inn Gallipolis, 577 State Route 7 North, Gallipolis, OH 45769. Phone: (740) 446-0090. MGM Detachment 1180 will be the host detachment. Rooms rate : \$89.00 plus tax Banquet includes choice of: Prime Rib \$30, Chicken \$30 Vegetarian \$25 each. Dinners include salad, 2 vegetables, rolls, beverage, and dessert. Amenities: Group Rate includes free WiFi, free parking, free cable, free in-room coffee, free breakfast for two guests per room (each additional guest in a room pays \$6) Breakfast is 6 a.m. – 10 a.m. Pre-registration due by April 15, 2022. For information call Jim Doss: 740-441-5638, Jerry Bain: 304-593-8519, Patti Leib: 740-591-8611

2022 Department of Virginia Convention will be May 13-14, 2022 in Virginia Beach, Va.

2022 MCL National Convention Will be August 15-19, 2022 at Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort, 100 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL, 32118 Phone: 800-774-1500 code MCL22 Room rate: \$127.00 plus 12.5% Room reservation open 0800 August 16, 2021. Rate **2022 MCL Mideast Division Conference** hosted by the Department of North Carolina in 24-26 June 2022. DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Raleigh-Durham Airport at Research Triangle Park, 4810 Page Creek Lane, Durham, North Carolina 27703, phone 855-605-0318 or : 919-941-6000 The host Detachment is Cpl Alan D Lamm from Burlington. Room Rate are available from June 23rd through 27th . Group Code: Marine Corps League The room rate is \$99 per night (+ tax), one king or two doubles. Breakfast included for free for up to two people per room, per day. Please make your room reservations directly with the hotel no later than May 26, 2022.

Rates are good 4 days prior and 4 days after Convention. Self-Parking: \$21.30 per car per night (includes 6.5% sales tax) Valet Parking: \$31.95 per car per night (includes 6.5% sales tax) This hotel is nearly full.

ALTERNATE HOTEL INFORMATION: The Plaza Resort & Spa Daytona Beach's Grand Resort. 600 North Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118, Phone: (866) 500-5630 and as for MARINE CORPS LEAGUE, All-in Rate is \$142.88 per night includes 2 breakfasts per room per night. Self (\$15) and Valet (\$25) Parking is separate per day cost.

2023 MCL Midwinter Staff Conference will be 2/23/2023 – 2/25/2023 (check in 2/22, check out 2/26) Sheraton Norfolk Waterside, 777 Waterside Drive Norfolk, VA <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/orfsi-sheraton-norfolkwaterside-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.

2023 MCL National Convention will be August 14-18, 2023 in Oklahoma City, OK. At Omni Oklahoma City Hotel, 100 W Oklahoma City Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73109 , (405) 438-6500 Room rate \$165.48 includes tax. Parking not included but is \$10 per day. Pet friendly with service animals no charge but others is \$165.00 per week. Rate good for 3 days prior and afterwards.



At their 14 April 2022 regular meeting Cpl Walter L. Mann Detachment 1065 elected a new slate of officers. From left to right - Adjutant/Paymaster George Gill, Chaplain Dan Clarkson, Jr Vice Commandant Joe Burge, Commandant Gary Watkins, Past Detachment Commandant & Installing Officer Randell Bare, Sr Vice Commandant Bob Brusso, Judge Advocate Raymond Vannest, Sgt-at-Arms Wayne Fridley and Jr Past Commandant Shaun Scott.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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2022 -2023 HUNTINGTON DETACHMENT 340 OFFICERS

Huntington Detachment 340 announces new Officers for 2022-2023.

April 25, 2022 The new elected Officers of Huntington Detachment 340 were installed into office during the detachment's annual awards dinner at American Legion Post 16 in Huntington, WV.

Commandant	Richard L. Shank II
Sr. Vice Commandant	Thirston A. Legge
Jr. Vice Commandant	Zebulun S. Lane
Judge Advocate	Maria Cain

The Marine Corps League offers all Marines and qualified FMF Corpsman and FMF Navy Chaplains of every era, rank, and unit an opportunity to participate in an organization of Marines. The Detachment meets at 6pm on the fourth Monday of every month at American Legion Post 16 located at 1421 6th Avenue Huntington, WV 25701. For more information about the Marine Corps League please visit mcleaguedeptofwv.org.

CPL WALTER L. MANN DETACHMENT 1065
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
PRESENTS:

2022 CAVALCADE OF CUSTOMS SATURDAY JUNE 4TH



**\$20.00 ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:
FREE T-SHIRT**

ENTRY IN PARADE OF CUSTOMS
ENTRY IN CAVALCADE OF CUSTOMS

**OPEN TO CARS, MOTORCYCLES, TRACTORS...
'ANYTHING ON WHEELS'**

9:30 REGISTRATION STARTS @ MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT

12:00 PARADE OF CUSTOMS TO CAVALCADE OF CUSTOMS

AT THE I-77 CHEVROLET PARKING LOT WITH

HERSHEL "WOODY" WILLIAMS (MEDAL OF HONOR) AS PARADE MARSHALL

TROPHIES - FOOD VENDORS - RAIN OR SHINE

PROCEEDS BENEFIT MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AND LOCAL VETERANS

**Find us on Facebook at
Cavalcade of Customs Car Show WV MCL**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

SHAUN SCOTT 304-532-4186

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Cpl Walter L. Mann Detachment 1065's 14 April 2022 meeting opened with guest Mary Pistelli from Old Hickory Chapter, NSDAR stopping by to recognize our Vietnam War Veterans . From Left to right is DAR member & Detachment Associate Member Joann Clarkson, DAR member & Detachment Associate Member Debbie Burge, Jr Vice Commandant (now Commandant) Gary Watkins, Mary Pistelli, Past Detachment Commandant Randall Bare Jr. and MCL Associate Member & Sgt-at-Arms Wayne Fridley. They were presented with a certificate, a pin, and a goody bag.



MGM Det 1180 L to R Sgt at Arms Martha Carson, Commandant Jim Doss, Sr Vice William Ben Edwards, Jr Vice Roger Martin, Judge Advocate Jerry Bain, Paymaster Susan Paulson, Historian Virginia Taylor, and Adjutant Patti Leib – Installed by Chaplain/Past Commandant Chuck Cooper



Past Detachment MOYs Chuck Cooper, Jerry Bain
Jim Doss, Roger Martin, William Ben Edwards

2021 Detachment AMOY Patti Leib



Installation of Det 340 Officers L to R: Co-Captain of the Honor Guard John Roberts, Jr. Past Commandant Denny Wood, Adjutant-Paymaster Brandy Hodgins, Chaplain Jerry Beckett, Judge Advocate Maria Cain, Commandant Rick Shank, Historian Jane Legge, Sr Vice Stan Legge, Jr Vice Zeb Lane, Sgt at Arms John Lafferty – Installed by Dept Commandant, Jim Doss (not pictured: Captain of the Honor Guard Roy Marcum)



Change of Command, from Past Commandant Det 340 Randy “Doc” Thomas to Commandant Rick Shank, assisted by Sgt at Arms John Lafferty



Det 340 Commandant Rick Shank, instructed by Dept Commandant Jim Doss

(all photos and events are in the order they were received)



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2022 HUNTINGTON DETACHMENT 340 ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE YEAR



April 25, 2022 – Huntington Detachment 340 Marine Corps League presented Associate Member Jane Legge with the 2022 Associate Member of the Year award during the detachment’s annual awards dinner at American Legion Post 16 in Huntington, WV.

Jane was recognized for her contributions and unselfish dedication for Military and Civic activities involving memorial and remembrance services for veterans and their families. Jane joined the Detachment Honor Guard as bugler in 2018 and has rendered Taps at every funeral and even the detachment has conducted since. She has stood in the rain, the snow, the bitter cold, and the heat and has always carried out her duties to a swift and satisfactory completion.

Jane became a life member of 340 in 2021, she also serves as Detachment Historian and Honor Guard Seamstress. Jane’s participation in detachment activities have brought public appreciation and respect to Huntington Detachment 340 and the Marine Corps League. We are honored to have her in our ranks. For information about the Marine Corps League please visit mcleaguedeptofwv.org.



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2022 HUNTINGTON DETACHMENT 340 MARINE OF THE YEAR



April 25, 2022 – Huntington Detachment 340 Marine Corps League presented Marine Maria Cain with the 2022 Marine of the Year award during the detachment’s annual awards dinner at American Legion Post 16 in Huntington, WV. Maria was recognized for displaying outstanding spirit and enhancement of the mission and principles of the U.S Marine Corps and the Marine Corps League from April 2021 to April 2022. She served as the Huntington detachment 340 Adjutant/Paymaster from 2019 to 2020, and currently holds the elected title of Detachment Judge Advocate. She serves on Detachment 340’s Honor Guard rendering funeral honors to fallen marines and veterans in the Tri-State area

Maria organized several successful fundraisers for veterans and their families that supported the Fisher House at the Hershel “Woody” Williams VA Medical Center, the Homeless Veterans Resource Center, the Department of West Virginia Marine Corps League Hershel “Woody” Williams Scholarship Fund, and Gold Star Families.

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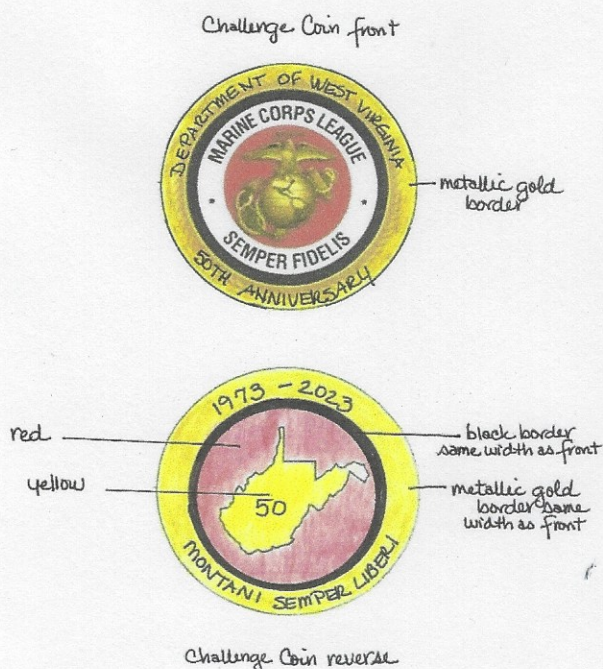
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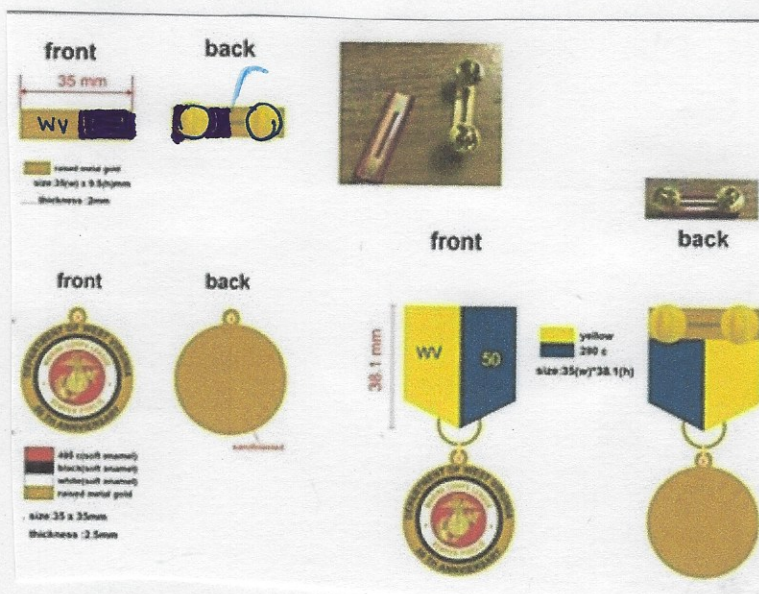


Proposed 50th Anniversary Department of WV Challenge Coin designs (2 choices for the back)

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Also, this is the draft design for the Ribbon Bar and Mini-Medal; Members must register and be present at the 2023 Department of WV Convention in order to receive these items (or have evidence of inability to travel to Convention)



This is the original Design, but a second backside design was also suggested and will be voted on at the Convention, May 21, 2022 in Gallipolis

This design shows the second choice for the backside of the Challenge Coin for the 50th Anniversary of the Dept of WV

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50th Anniversary
Challenge Coin



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