



## MIDEAST DIVISION CONFERENCE



*June 28 -30, 2013*

**Hosted by the Department of Maryland  
& the Antietam Detachment #113**

**At the Clarion Hotel, Hagerstown MD**

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**HOTEL INFORMATION**

Clarion Hotel and Conference Center  
901 Dual Highway  
Hagerstown MD 21740  
(301) 733-5100

**Room rates \$79.00 plus tax**

To make reservations, contact the hotel directly and mention Mid-East  
Convention

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**Rooms for the Conference attendees have been blocked  
with a group rate of \$79.00 per night (+ tax), King or Double**

Rooms will be made available starting Thursday June 27th through Monday  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, for those who like to come early and stay an extra day.

**Please make your room reservations direct with the hotel  
no later than June 4, 2013 for this reserved room rate.**

***There will be a Hospitality Room starting Thursday evening  
June 27<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM through Sunday evening June 30<sup>th</sup>  
until 6:00 PM***

***Hosted by the Department of Maryland and Anne Arundel  
County Detachment 1049***

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Hagerstown , MD



## June 28-30, 2013

Joint Opening Guest Speaker: TBD

### Thursday, June 27, 2013

Time	Location	Description
1700-2200	Room #200	Hospitality Suite

### Friday, June 28, 2013

*(Schedule subject to change)*

Time	Location	Description
1100-2000	Learning Center # 1	Registration/check-in
1300-2200	Room #200	Hospitality Suite
1900-2000	Emerald Room	Mideast Division Growl

### Saturday, June 29, 2013

Time	Location	Description
0800	Front of Hotel	Morning Colors
0830-1200	Learning Center # 1	Registration/check-in
0900-0930	Learning Center # 1	Joint opening session – MCL & MCLA Joint Memorial Service
0930-0945		Break so that the MCL and MCLA can separate into their meeting rooms
0945-1200	Learning Center # 1	MCL meeting Business Meeting session
0945-1200	Emerald Room	MCLA Business Meeting session
1200-1300		Lunch (On your own)
1300-2200	Room #200	Hospitality Suite
1330-1500	Learning Center # 1	MCL Business Meetings resume
1330-1500	Emerald Room	MCLA Business Meeting resume
1515-1545	Learning Center # 1	Roberts Rule of Order, Guide Program Instructor – Gerry Devlin Dept of Maryland
1730-1830	Room # 200	Social hour
1830-2030	Pool Side Atrium	Banquet; buffet meal (Formal; Mess dress, Red Blazer or suit and tie); POW/MIA ceremony

**Banquet Guest Speaker: TBD**  
**Sunday, June 30, 2013**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>
0900-1000 1030-1800	Learning Center # 1 Room #200	Mideast Division Staff Meeting Hospitality Suite



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***Banquet Dinner***

*The banquet dinner will be buffet style*

***Menu***

*TBD*

***NOTE:*** *A cash bar will be available at the banquet*

*The price per person for the banquet is \$40.*  
***The deadline to register for the banquet is 25-May-13***



**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**  
**Mideast Division**  
**Annual Conference Registration Form**  
**June 28 – 30, 2013**

The Mideast Division, Marine Corps League Annual Convention will be held June 28 – 30, 2013 at the Clarion Hotel, Hagerstown MD, 901 Dual Highway, Hagerstown MD 21740. The room rate is \$79 per night, king or double room. **Please make your room reservation direct with the hotel no later than June 4, 2013, by calling 301-733-5100.**

The closing Banquet will be held at the Clarion Hotel and will cost \$40 per person. The menu will be buffet style. Conference registration is \$8. **To have your name tag printed and welcome packet prepared prior to your arrival, you must be pre-registered by May 25<sup>th</sup>.** Please complete this form and make your check payable to "**Department of Maryland**" and note on your check that it is for the **2013 Mideast Division Conference**, and then mail both to:

**Carl W. Lenhart**  
**4319 Araby Church Road**  
**Fredrick, MD 21704-7709**  
[carllenhartusmc@yahoo.com](mailto:carllenhartusmc@yahoo.com)

Please print and complete the following information as you want it to appear on your name tag.

<u>Attendee</u>	<u>Guest</u>
Name _____	Name _____
Title _____	Title _____
Det/Unit _____	
Address _____	Address _____
City/State/Zip _____	City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____	Phone _____
<b>Total \$ enclosed for pre-registration @ \$8 each X quantity _____ = \$ _____</b>	
<b>Total \$ enclosed for banquet tickets @ \$40 each X quantity _____ = \$ _____</b>	
<b>Grand total of both lines above _____</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

# Mideast Division



West Virginia  
Virginia

Maryland

Delaware

District of Columbia

North Carolina

London

Saudi Arabia

Puerto Rico

## Conference

Marine Corps League

National Vice Commandant: Bud Raines

Hagerstown, Maryland

# Marine Corps League

## Mideast Division Conference



**28 – 30 June 2013**

**Hosted by:** The Department of Maryland  
**Host Department Commandant:** Commandant Stuart Blair  
**Conference Coordinator:** Past Commandant Ed Ross  
**Presided by:** National Vice Commandant Bud Raines  
**Guest of Honor:** Colonel David C. L. Rowe, LVO, OBE, Royal Marines

# Marine Corps League

## Schedule of events

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0900-1000	Learning Center # 1	Mideast Division Staff Meeting
1030-1800	Room #200	Hospitality Suite

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*Mideast Conference Hosted by  
Antietam Detachment # 113  
Commandant James Mills*

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*Hospitality Room # 200 Hosted by  
Anne Arundel County Detachment # 1049  
Jim Brady and Mike Hadley*

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*TV Raffle, Donated by  
Hartford County Detachment # 1198  
Don Benson and Pete Arnold*



# Colonel David C. L. Rowe, LVO, OBE, Royal Marines



David Rowe joined the Royal Marines on May 6, 1958 as a Direct Entry Probationary Second Lieutenant. On completion of Officers' Training in October 1959, he was posted to 42 Commando RM. This unit then embarked in HMS BULWARK as the first commando carrier and sailed for the Far East, eventually disembarking in Singapore. During this period, he saw operational service in Kenya, South Yemen and Malaya.

On his return to UK in late 1960, David Rowe was selected for helicopter flying training, receiving his 'Wings' in 1962. Upon conversion to the Wessex I (HU-34 Sea Horse derivative), he joined 845 Naval Air Commando Squadron, embarked in HMS ALBION and sailed for the Far East. After two years of almost continuous operational service in Borneo, mainly based ashore in forward locations, he returned to UK and joined 41 Commando in 1964 as a company commander. Returning to aviation in 1986, he converted to the Wessex V and joined 845 Squadron in the Far East and took part in operations in Hong Kong, South Yemen and the Persian Gulf.

On return to UK in 1988, he was appointed to the Directing Staff of The RM Officers' Training Wing and attended the Army Staff College in 1972. On completion, he was posted to HQ Commando Forces RM as the staff officer responsible for mountain and arctic training in North Norway. In 1976, he was posted to the Department of the Commandant General as a staff officer in the operations division and in 1978 was appointed as Second in Command, 40 Commando RM. In 1979, he was

posted to the UK Ministry of Defence in the central operations division of the Chiefs of Staff. In 1982, he joined the staff of COMSTRIKFORSOUTH (US 6th Fleet) in Naples, Italy as the amphibious operations officer and on his return to UK in 1984, assumed command of Royal Marines Poole, the base for the Special Boats Service and the Assault Squadrons. In 1986, he attended the Royal College of Defence Studies in London and in 1987 was appointed as the Military Secretary to the Commandant General, RM. In late 1988, he joined the British Embassy in Washington DC as the Chief of Staff, British Defence Staff and was retired from active service at The Marine Barracks, Washington, DC in the rank of Colonel RM in 1992.

He was appointed to the Order of the British Empire in 1986 and entered the Royal Victorian Order in 1991.

Since his retirement, David Rowe and his wife Susie have lived in Virginia in Culpeper County where, until recently, he had a small horse farm. They now live in Jeffersonton, VA in a 1870s house and continue to enjoy the rural pursuits of horseback riding, fly fishing and foot hunting with the Ashland Bassets Hunt. Both of their twin boys served in the US Army, one of whom is now a FBI agent, and their daughter lives in the adjacent county.

He has been a member of the Capital Marines Detachment, Marine Corps League for 26 years and is President of the Royal Marines Association USA.



# Marine Corps League

## Mideast Division National Vice Commandant – Bud Raines

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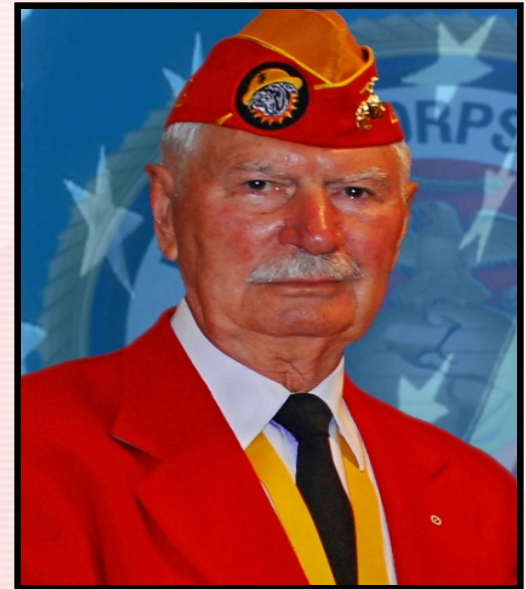
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- Department of Maryland
- Department of North Carolina
- Department of Virginia
- Department of West Virginia

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- London, UK – Puerto Rico – Saudi Arabia



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**Assistant National Vice Commandant –**  
**Mike McLain**  
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## Judge Advocate's & Legislative Officer Gerald Devlin

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Maryland  
West Virginia  
Virginia  
Delaware  
District of Columbia  
North Carolina



  
Saudi Arabia  
  
Puerto Rico

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## Chief of Staff's Report – Tommy Grunwell

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## Adjutant's Report – Roger Ware rrware@yahoo.com



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## Chaplain's Report

Lee Taylor

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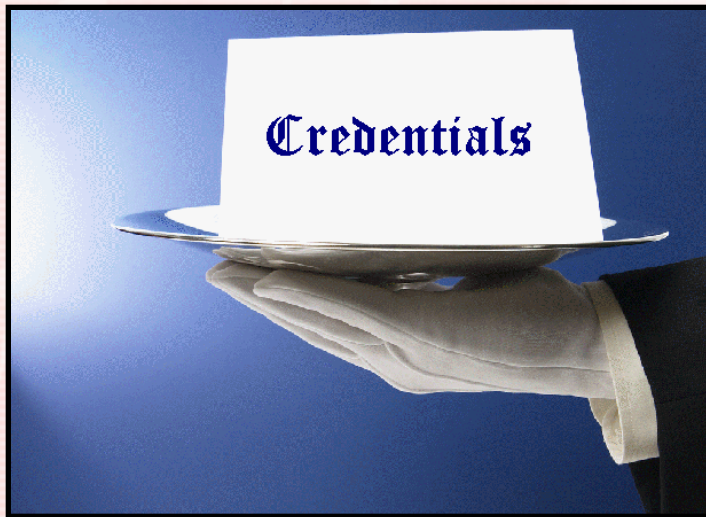


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**Mideast Division**



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ASSISTING



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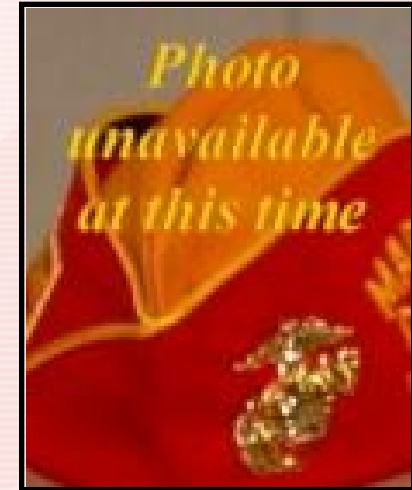


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**Marine For Life –  
Ernie Lutz**  
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# The Marines Hymn

From the Halls of Montezuma,  
to the Shores of Tripoli;  
We fight our country's battles  
in the air, on land, and sea;  
First to fight for right and freedom  
and to keep our honor clean;  
We are proud to claim the title  
of UNITED STATES MARINES!

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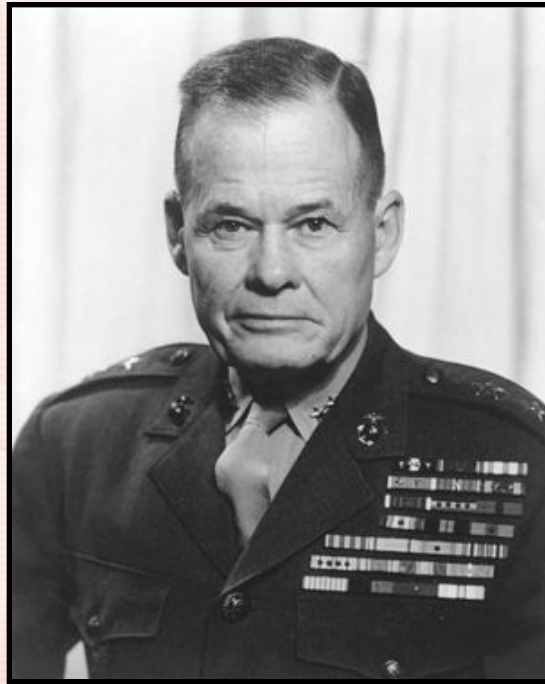
*“Semper Fidelis”*

## **Mission Statement**

Members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps, banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy, voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines and former Marines and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.

# The Marines Hymn

Good Night Chesty.....



Wherever you are!!!