



Marine Corps League Department of Maryland

Department of Maryland Meeting
SSgt Walter 'Trae' Cohee III – Detachment 115
Salisbury, MD
31 August 2024
Department Minutes

Meeting convened at 09:01 AM

This combined meeting of the Marine Corps League Department of Maryland and Auxiliary convened at 0901 by, **Commandant Roger Martinson**, SSgt Walter 'Trae' Cohee III Detachment 115.

The meeting opened with Marine **Jack Severn** addressing the body. Department **Commandant Tony Rust** thanked Marine **Jack Severn** for his accomplishment and great contribution to the Nation, Marine Corps League, Department of Maryland and his Detachment.

SSgt Cohee **Commandant Roger Martinson** opened the meeting with general remarks/announcements. The opening ceremony started with posting the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance (**Department Sergeant At Arms Rick Andisik**), followed by the opening prayer (**Chaplain Leonard Stielper**), then the reading of the Department preamble (**Senior Vice Commandant Rob Heilig**).

Detachment 115 **Commandant Roger Martinson** then introduced Department **Commandant Tony Rust** who assumed the gavel at 09:10 AM.

Commandant Tony Rust opened the meeting with calling for Detachment shirt and cover because he wants Marines and Associates to attend the meeting rather than worrying about having a blazer, white shirt and shiny shoes. He wants to see the body so they can take the information/word back to their Detachment. He wants the body to be comfortable.

No guests were present.

National Officers present were recognized including, **Gerald Devlin** (Honorary Past National Commandant and MCL Foundation Vice President), **Craig Reeling**, (Assistant Nationale Vice Commandant, Mideast Division, National Uniform Committee and National Training & Leadership Committee), **Jack Severn** (Honorary Chief Devil Dog, Uniform Committee, History and Anniversary Committee), and **Ray Sturm** (National Marine for Life Committee). All other National Officers were recognized.

National Marine of the Year 2012 **Jack Severn** was introduced.

National Auxiliary Officers present were recognized including, **Patricia Smith** (Assistant Vice President, Mideast Division).

Past Department Commandants present were recognized including, **Jack Severn, Jerry Devlin, Stuart Blair, Craig Reeling, Earl Ruff, and Joe Fay**.

Department Marines of the Year were introduced.

Department Associates of the Year were introduced.

Kennel Officers present were recognized including, **HCDD Jack Severn** (4th Honorary Chief Devil Dog), **PDD Ray Sturm**, (Deputy Executive Director), **PDD Leonard Stielper** (Deputy Dog Trainer), **PDD Tony Rust** (Deputy Mad Dog), **PDD Paul Gunther** (Deputy Veterinarian), **PDD Rober Lee III** (Deputy Lucky Dog), **PDD Glen Tabler** (Deputy Lucky Dog) and **PDD Omar Jabr** (Assistant Vice Chief Devil Dog – Mideast Division).

Department Auxiliary President **Pat Smith** was recognized.

There being no business with the Auxiliary the meeting was recessed for five minutes.

NOTE: Prior to the Department meeting/business, SSgt Cohee donated \$120.00 for the sale of a Red Blazer.

Meeting reconvened at 09:27 AM

Roll Call of Officers:

- ◆ **Commandant Tony Rust**
- ◆ **Senior Vice Commandant Rob Heilig**
- ◆ **Junior Vice Commandant Pat Sharkey**
- ◆ **Judge Advocate Crist Burns**
- ◆ **Junior Past Commandant Joe Fay**
- ◆ **Adjutant Omar Jabr**
- ◆ **Paymaster Anna Laurie Blair** (Zoom)
- ◆ **Sergeant at Arms Rick Andisik**
- ◆ **Chaplain Leonard Stielper**
- ◆ **Chief of Staff and Historian Jack Severn**
- ◆ **Public Relations Officer Jeff Robinette**
- ◆ **Photographer Mario Meaux** – Excused
- ◆ **Weg Sgt Mike Hadley** – Excused
- ◆ **Compliance Officer Rose Mary Beall** – Excused

Roll Call of Detachments:

- ◆ A quorum was present.

Adjutant Report: **Omar Jabr** moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as published/ posted and available on the Department website. Motion to Accept Bobby Lee, seconded by Paul Gunther. Motion passed.

Correspondence: None.

Note: Prince George and Montgomery counties State Troopers barracks wants to have Toys for Tots (T4T) competition between the two barracks. **Commandant Tony Rust** to provide T4T coordinator names to them.

Paymaster's Report: **Anna Laurie Blair** present (Zoom) and reported. Motion to accept Jerry Devlin, seconded by George Hammerbacher. Motion passed.

Chaplain: Honors for those who reported to the Supreme Commandant since the last meeting:

- ◆ Gerard Fay, LCpl Robert Deane Detachment 770

- ◆ William Ellwood, Baltimore Detachment 565
- ◆ Arthur Manning Jr., Baltimore Detachment 565
- ◆ Carl Pedersen, Baltimore Detachment 565
- ◆ John Renzo, Baltimore Detachment 565
- ◆ Louis Jones Jr., SSgt Walter Cohee III Detachment 115

Leonard Stielper draped the charter in their honor.

Reports of Marines Sick or In Distress: None.

Officers' Reports:

Commandant Tony Rust: Present and reported, report attached.

- ◆ National selected new Officers at the August Convention.
- ◆ The process of elections at the National level is confusing, daunting, and political.
- ◆ I want the Department to be a fun place to be.
- ◆ The Department needs to take care of fund raiser.
- ◆ Recommended raffle ideas twice a year for fund raising.
- ◆ No Proxy votes are allowed.

Senior Vice Commandant Rob Heilig: Present, no report.

Junior Vice Commandant Pat Sharkey: Present and reported, total strength dipped to 892 members from the original 909 members. Keep new members active and engaged. Recruit, recruit, recruit!

Judge Advocate Crist Burns: Present and reported, report attached.

- ◆ Updated the Department bylaws. Will be posted to Department website when signed.
- ◆ National approved bylaws and administrative procedures changes and posted.

Junior Past Commandant Joe Fay: Present, report attached.

Adjutant Omar Jabr: Present, no report.

Paymaster Anna Laurie Blair: Present (Zoom) and reported.

Sergeant at Arms Rick Andisik: Present, no report.

Chaplain Leonard Stielper: Present and reported verbally. Detachment commandants and chaplains need to review and scrub their rosters. Provide updated roster to the Chaplain.

Chief of Staff and Historian Jack Severn: Present, no report.

Public Information Jeff Robinette: Present and reported verbally. Possible pistol shoot for fun and use it as a recruiting event.

Photographer Mario Meaux: Excused, no report.

Web Sergeant Mike Hadley: Excused, no report.

Compliance Officer Rose Mary Beall: Excused, report attached. Department Commandant Tony Rust stressed that every Detachment needs to review the stop-light chart and comply!

Committee Reports:

Legislative: Garry Roundtree, excused, no report.

Perry Point: Kevin Obrian, excused, no report.

Loch Raven: Marian James, excused, no report.

Charlotte Hall: Greg Ashley, excused, no report.

Young Marines: Ray Sturm, present and reported. Back Azimuth Event (1-3 November) Cheltenham, MD. Young Marines Birthday Ball (Saturday 12 October), flyer attached.

VAVS: Gary Roundtree, excused, no report.

VSO: Gary Roundtree, excused, no report.

Newsletter: Vacant.

License Plate: Craig Reeling, present (Zoom) and reported.

- ◆ License plate can no longer be picked up at Glenn Burnie office. Mail-in only.
- ◆ License plate is a public advertisement for the Marine Corps League.
- ◆ If you purchase a new vehicle, it is best to receive the title first before submitting license plate application. (It could take 30-60 days to for new title).

Toys For Tots: Marian James, excused, no report.

Chapel of Four Chaplains: Howard Koontz, excused, no report.

Eagle Scout: Stuart Blair, present and reported, report attached.

Leadership College: Craig Reeling, present (Zoom) and reported.

- ◆ For electronic copy of the learning materials, email Craig craig.reeling@marylandmarines.org
- ◆ Next class is scheduled for April 2025.

Uniform: Jack Severn/Craig Reeling, no report.

Social Media: Crist Burns, present and reported.

- ◆ Encouraging folks to post pictures on social media.
- ◆ Check uniform(s) before posting pictures on Facebook or any social media.
- ◆ This is his last report as a social media chairman.
- ◆ Is looking for a new replacement.

Marines For Life: Ray Sturm/Jerry George, Ray Sturm recommended to remove this committee.

Fallen Marines Program: George Hammerbacher III, present and reported.

- ◆ If a Detachment wants to start a Fallen Marine Program, please see George.
- ◆ If interested in helping/assisting, please see Gerge.

Marine Aviation Det., NAS Pax River: Pat Wyman, present, no report.

Marine Corps Det., Ft. Meade: Gary Roundtree, excused, no report.

Recruiting Station Baltimore: Vacant.

CBRNE Indian Head Liaison: Vacant.

Bravo Co. 4th LAR Fort Detrick: Vacant.

4th CEB Baltimore: Wayne Hierstetter, excused, no report.

MODD Maryland Pack Leader: Pat Sharkey, present and reported.

- ◆ Growl starts after Department meeting at 1330.
- ◆ Pups to meet with Mad Dog 30 minutes prior to start of the Growl.

Marine of the Year Society (MOY): Omar Jabr, present and reported.

- ◆ All Detachments to start the nomination process early. Submit a nomination!!!
- ◆ It was proposed to post existing Marine of the Year write-up online to be used as templates.
- ◆ The write-up to distinguish between Department and Detachment requirements.
- ◆ The MOY to meet and discuss the proposed request and determine the best course of action.
- ◆ If approved, all write-ups will black-out or remove the names of individuals and Detachments prior to posting.

Associate of the Year Society (AOY): Anna Laurie Blair, present (Zoom), no report.

Maryland Veterans Commission: Stuart Blair, present and reported, report attached.

MCL Foundation: Jerry Devlin, present and reported.

- ◆ Each detachment should contribute \$100.00 to the foundation. Take this message to your detachment.
- ◆ The foundation does wonderful things to the Marines and their families.

Joint Veterans Commission (JVC): Joe Fay

- ◆ First meeting for the 2024-2025 year to start on 17 September 2024.
- ◆ JVC meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Bowie DAV – Omaha Beach, Chapter 7 at 1830.
- ◆ JVC Legislation Day is scheduled for 4 February 2025, Annapolis, MD from 0730-1730. Information will be distributed when received.

Department Convention: Rob Heilig, Present, Department convention is in work.

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 AM for 15-minute recess.

Meeting convened at 11:00 AM

Detachment Reports:

Ann Arundel (1049): Commandant Burt Helmka present and reported, report attached.

Antietam (113): District 5 Vice Commandant Jeff Robinette present and reported, report attached.

Baltimore (565): PDC Earl Ruff present and reported, report attached.

CPL Pete Arnold (1198): Judge Advocate Crist Burns present and reported, report attached.

Jason D. Mileo (1147): not present, no report.

Free State (544): Commandant Gerald Devlin present and reported, report attached.

Garrett County (1234): Sr. Vice Commandant Rob Heilig present and reported, report attached.

LCpl Gregory S. Copenhaver (1098): Not present, no report.

LCpl Robert W. Deane (770): Commandant Bobby Lee present and reported, report attached.

Maryland Marines (1371): PDC Craig Reeling present and reported verbally. Processing transfers from Department.

Patuxent River (1305): Jr Past Commandant Pat Wyman present and reported, report attached.

Peacekeepers (1492): Commandant Richard Pounsberry present and reported, report attached.

Sgt Jack Hettchen (1428): Commandant Wayne Miller present and reported, report attached.

Jason D. Mileo (1147): Not present, no report.

SSgt Walter 'Trae' Cohee III (115): Commandant Roger Martinson present and reported, report attached.

SSgt Karl G. Taylor (1084): Commandant Bill Swain present (via zoom) and reported verbally.

Carroll County (896): No representation.

Choptank (439): No representation.

Mountainside Marines (1071): No representation.

Shangri-La (118): No representation.

District Vice Commandants:

District 1: Vice Commandant Larry Jackson present, no report.

District 2: Vice Commandant Earl Ruff present and reported, report attached.

District 3: Vice Commandant Omar Jabr present and reported, report attached.

District 4: Vice Commandant Paul Gunther present and reported, report attached.

District 5: Vice Commandant Jeff Robinette, present and reported, report attached.

Special Committees: None.

Unfinished Business:

All convention bills were paid. Next Department convention banquet is casual and luau style. Unfortunately, the Department still lost \$1,000 (Donation and other support).

New Business:

Anna Laurie Blair: PLM reports will be sent in September to all Detachments, review and get it signed by the Commandant. ***Sent it back to December 1st.***

Craig Reeling: Displaying a rifle at an event is not recommended. Displaying a rifle at an event or shooting event is not covered under the standard Rust policy. A detachment can get individual coverage for insurance (discuss with a broker).

Jerry Devlin: Motioned to donate \$200.00 to the MCL Foundation, seconded by Rick Andisik. Motion passed. Note: There is no line item in the Department budget for MCL.

Ray Sturm:

- ◆ Rust Insurance is horrible. Nothing is preventing a Detachment from getting its own insurance.
- ◆ Motion to add \$200.00 (if funds permit) line item for 2025 budget for the MCL Foundation, seconded by Pat Wyman. Motions passed.
- ◆ Motion for the Department to donate a monetary amount for the Young Marines Ball, seconded by Crist Burns. Discussion:
 - Paul Gunther amended the motion to donate \$200.00, seconded by Wayne Miller. Discussion:
 - Burt Helmka amended the previous amendment to increase the amount to \$300.00, seconded by Rick Andisik. No discussion, amendment passed. Motion to donate \$200.00 was withdrawn. The Department will donate \$300.00 Anne Arundel Young Marines.

Craig Reeling: Motions to donate \$100.00 to the Tree of Lights (Youth Physical Fitness Program of the US Marines Youth Foundation), seconded by Tim Hoering. Motion passed. Craig will provide the information.

Good of the League:

- ◆ Rob Heilig (Garrett County Detachment) won the Blanton Bourbon raffle. The raffle raised \$820.00 to support Marines helping Heroes fund.
- ◆ Joe Fay won the Chief's raffle (National Convention 2025) – \$950.00.

Announcements:

- ◆ November 23, 2024 Department Meeting – Hosted by Baltimore Detachment 565.
- ◆ February 08, 2025 Department Meeting – Hosted by Cpl Pete Arnold Detachment 1198.
- ◆ May 09 - 11, 2025 Department Convention – Ocean City, MD.
- ◆ Meals at the National Midwinter Conference 2023 were horrible. Hope they do not screw it up at the next conference.

Next Department meeting is November 23, 2024, hosted by Baltimore Detachment 565, at Detachment Home, 1426 E. Fort Ave., Baltimore, MD 21230

The Meeting adjourned at 11:48 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Omar Jabr
Department Adjutant
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Department of Maryland

INCORPORATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS

Date 31 August 2024

To: Department of Maryland

Subject: Commandant Report for 31 Aug 2024

Since the Department Convention, I have been across the country and also been out of our glorious country (on vacation). We had a successful Convention; big thanks to all who helped set up and fundraised!!! Again, a lot of hard work and good communications made for another successful event. Since that time, I have attended many Detachment Meetings as well as attended the National Convention in Rancho Mirage, California.

Over the next 12 months, our Department will go through many changes. I am going to require a monthly Zoom meeting for the Department Officers. It will be about 20-30 minutes and will just be for the passing of new information and fundraising efforts. Please plan to attend and bring your bright ideas!

A reminder continued reminder that last year, we ended up holding our own with funds due to a few amazing folks who have dedicated time to creating items for raffles. This year, I propose that we continue to have two big raffle contests: one for each half of the fiscal year.

Once again, We have a contract with the Grand Hotel for the next two years. Pretty much everything the same as what happened this year, but our room rates are locked into a 5% or less rate hike each year. So, our Department Convention will be held at the Grand Hotel on 21st Street in Ocean City, MD on Mother's Day weekend for May 2025, and May 2026! The convention committee will update rates as the year progresses.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to all who have shown faith in me to elect me for my first term as your Commandant. I will endeavor to put forth my best effort to ensure that the Department of Maryland stay fiscally sound and, more importantly, a fun place to be!

Semper Fidelis,

Tony Rust
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MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Department of Maryland

INCORPORATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS

31 August 2024

From: Judge Advocate, Department of Maryland
To: Commandant, Department of Maryland, Marine Corps League
Cc: Adjutant, Department of Maryland, Marine Corps League
Subj: **Department Meeting Report – Department Judge Advocate**

Past Results:

- Supported the Cpl Pete Arnold Detachment 1198 with their past events.
- Received approved Department Bylaw change requests and have updated the MCL Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures.
- Attended the 2024 MCL National Convention in Rancho Mirage, California
 - Monitored the change requests for the MCL National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures (see MCL National website).

Future Plans:

- Continue to support the Cpl Pete Arnold Detachment 1198 with their future events.
- Ensure the updated MCL Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures get the necessary approvals.
- Refamiliarize myself with the updated MCL National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures.

Semper Fidelis,

Crist Burns Jr.

Crist Burns Jr.
Judge Advocate
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League



Department of Maryland
August 31, 2024
Jr. Past Commandant – Joe Fay



I have attended/supported the following events since our Annual Convention in May 2024.

Past events:

- May 9-11th Department of Maryland Annual Convention
- May 13th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- May 14th MCL Scuttlebutt Zoom
- May 20th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jun. 3rd Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jun. 4th Patuxent River Detachment Monthly Meeting
- Jun. 8th St. Mary's Crabfest
- Jun. 10th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jun. 11th MCL Scuttlebutt Zoom
- Jun. 20th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Meeting
- Jun 24th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jun. 28-29th Mideast Division Conference
- Jul. 1st Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jul. 2nd Patuxent River Detachment Monthly Meeting
- Jul. 8th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Jul. 13th Pax River Dawgs #344 Growl
- Jul. 15th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting
- Aug. 12-16th National Convention
- Aug. 26th Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland Legislative Zoom Meeting

Detachments:

- Communicate with your members!!!
- Clean up your rosters. Check emails, addresses and phone numbers.
- Submit death notifications. One to the Chaplain and One to the Paymaster with transmittal.
- Don't forget your IRS 990n and Maryland Form 1's.
- Submit ROI's to the Department Adjutant and Paymaster
- Nominate Members for Department, Mideast, and National awards.
- **Use your chain of command.**
- **Have Detachment representation at Department functions.**

MCL Library & Member Library:

What does the the Marine Corps League Library and Member Library websites have to offer?

- Most up to date forms for your Detachments to use.
- Training!
- Current Bylaws and Administartive Procedures
- And MORE!

MCL App:

Download the MCL App at the Google Play or Apple Store. You will need your last name and profile ID to log in. Refer to your Membership card or see your Detachment Commandant or Paymaster for your Profile ID.

MCL Scuttlebutt: A Zoom meeting is held every month at 1900 with the exception of February (Mid-Winter) and August (National Convention). This is an open Zoom meeting that anyone can attend. There is a lot of good information passed. If you have an idea for a topic feel free to email or message the National Public Relations Committee.

MCL National Convention: Maryland had great attendance at the National Convention in Rancho Mirage California. It was hot but a good time was had by all. Watch for the latest Bylaw and Administrative Procedure changes on the National Library. We have a new set of National and Kennel Officers.

National Staff

Commandant T.J. Morgan
Sr. Vice Cmdt Russ Miller
Jr. Vice Cmdt David Porter Jr.
Judge Advocate Bruce Rakfeldt
Jr. Past Cmdt Warren Griffin

Kennel Staff

Kennel 61st Chief Devil Dog PDD J. D. Jones
Kennel Sr. Vice CDD PDD Joe DeAngelo
Kennel Jr. Vice CDD PDD Mike Francis
Kennel Smart Dog PDD Charles Minton
Kennel Dog Robber PDD Helen Breen
Kennel Mad Dog PDD Scotty Bryan

Congratulations to the our newest Pedigree Devil Dog Jerome Bujanowski.

***** If you or your Detachment does not like the way something is done in the Department, it will not change unless you attend meetings and seek change. *****

Joseph P. Fay

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Fay
Jr. Past Commandant
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League
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*****INVITE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS TO YOUR EVENTS*****

Compliance Officer Report

Rose Mary (Rosie) Beall

The updated stop light report is attached.

We still have a couple of Detachments that need to do their MD Form 1

The 990N has several Detachments that need to be done.

There is only a handful of Detachments that have Registered with Maryland Non Profit Charity.

I need ROI's from 3 Detachments.

If you need any help with filing any of these reports, please feel free to contact me.

The following links are where you go to file the necessary forms:

MD Form 1

RegisterYourBusinessOnline/Maryland.gov

IRS

irs.gov/charities-and-nonprofits

Annual filing & forms

Finding filing forms

Annual electronic notice(ePostcard) for small business

Submit Form 990-N (ePostcard)

Then sign in or create a new account.

COR92

<https://onestop.md.gov>

Must be filled out online.

Rifle Triennial Audit

If you did not receive an email with a code or link to file the audit,
you can call Jacquelyn Noell at 571-588-4299

Rosie Beall

301-253-6096

Rosie12757@verizon.net

Detachment	#	Last 990N Filed	MD Form 1	Registered MD Non Profit Charity	ROI	PLM Audit			Rifle Trenial Audit
						Audit	Bank	955 & 501c4	
Department of Maryland		2022	6/22/2024		5/11/2024				
Anne Arundel County	1049	2022	6/14/2024	Not Current	3/18/2024	1	1	1	
Antietam	1113	2023	6/22/2024		3/5/2024	1	1	1	4/4/2022
Baltimore	565	2023	3/13/2024		4/26/2024	1	1	1	Turning In
Cpl Pete Arnold	1198	2023	3/9/2024	Pending	4/23/2024	1	1	1	10/23/2017
Free State Marines	544	2023	3/30/2023		3/20/2024	1	1	1	
Garrett County	1234	2022	5/2/2024		10/5/2023	1	1	1	
LCpl Gregory S. Copenhaver	1098	2022	Forfeited			0	0	1	
LCpl Robert W. Deane	770	2023	2/5/2024		4/16/2024	1	1	1	4/29/2024
Maryland Marines	1371	2023	1/29/2024			0	1	1	
Patuxent River	1305	2022	3/29/2024		3/5/2024	1	1	1	1/11/2023
Peacekeepers	1492	2022	2/1/2023		4/11/2024	0	0	1	
Sgt Jack Hettchen	1428	2023	4/11/2024		5/7/2024	1	1	1	
Shangri-La	118	2023	4/12/2024		4/8/2024	1	0	1	
SSgt Karl G. Taylor	1084	2022	2/26/2024			0	0	1	
SSgt Walter F. "Trae" Cohee III	115	2023	2/12/2024		5/8/2024	1	1	1	
Last Verified		8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024	8/28/2024

Charter Turned in/Closing

Carroll County	896	2020	2020			0	1	1	
Choptank	439	2020	2019			0	1	1	
Mountainside Marines	1071	2022	2021			0	1	0	
Sgt Jason D. Mileo	1147	2021	2023			0	1	1	

The Maryland Regiment

of the

Young Marines of the Marine Corps League

Cordially invites you to attend

The 2024 Young Marines Birthday Ball

To be held from 1:00 to 5:00 PM

on

Saturday, October 12, 2024

at the

American Legion Post 276

8068 Quarterfield Rd, Severn, MD

Tickets \$30 per person

Please RSVP to

Ray Sturm

Bandit6A@gmail.com





FROM: Stuart Blair, PDC
Chairman
Eagle Scout Awards Program
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League

THRU: Adjutant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League

TO: Commandant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League

SUBJ: Report – Eagle Scout Awards Program
Marine Corps League
Department of Maryland
* Summer Meeting 2024

The overall mission of the Marine Corps League, specifically in fostering the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism. We do this by working with Divisions, Departments, and Detachments in recognizing America's youth who have earned the highest achievements in Scouting; recognizing regular and associate members who have met the requirements for the Scouting America Community

Organization Square Knot Award; recommend deserving youth for the Hero Medal; and working with local Scouting units in identifying service projects to support Veterans

Honoring a Scout's Achievements

The Court of Honor is an important tradition in scouting organizations, as it provides an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the hard work and dedication of Scouts who have demonstrated their commitment to the values and ideals of Scouting. It is also a way to motivate and inspire other Scouts to strive for excellence and achieve their own goals in Scouting.

MCL Good Citizenship Award Presentations

Reported at the 2024 National Convention that our primary focus continues to be presenting 1,617 Good Citizenship certificates to deserving youth. The Mid East Division has reported 252 presentations of certificates.

Congratulations to the Department of Maryland for 61 ESGCA presentations for 2023-2024. (40 less than 2022-2023).

1st Qtr 2024-2025 Report

MCL Dept. of MD Eagle Scout "Good Citizenship Award" presentations Reported for June 2024 thru August 2024 : (25) Twenty Five.

Reminder

- Please make contact with ESGCA requester within a reasonable time for scheduling presentation
- Advise BS Dept. Chairman of contact
- Utilize the "Eagle Scout Awards Report Form."
Contact me: thistleman@verizon.net for ESGCA Presentation Report Form
The report will allow the Department to track your progress throughout the year.
- **THE NEXT QUARTERLY REPORT (September – NOVEMBER 2023) IS DUE ONE WEEK BEFORE DEPT. OF MARYLAND MEETING DATE.**

Thank you for all that you do !

REPORT DULY SUBMITTED: 31 AUGUST 2024.



*Stuart P. Blair, PDC
Chairman * Eagle Scout Awards Program
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League*



FROM: Stuart Blair, PDC
MCL Commissioner
Maryland Veterans Commission

THRU: Adjutant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League

TO: Commandant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League

SUBJ: Report - Maryland Veterans Commission

Marine Corps League
Department of Maryland,
2024 Summer Staff Meeting

MVC Quarterly Meeting

On Tuesday 16 July 2024 the Maryland Veterans Commission held the Summer quarterly meeting at American Legion Talbot Post 70 29511 Canvasback Drive, Easton, MD. in person and by phone with 24 Commissioners representing VSOs and congressional districts, representing the Marine Corps League was Commissioner Stuart Blair, PDC..

*MDVMF Secretary Anthony Woods:
Update on the Department:*

- The Fiscal Year ended on June 30th, so I will provide some updates for the past year.
- As of July 1st, we are now the Department of Veterans & Military Families. Dana Burl has been promoted to the Deputy Secretary of the Military Families Program

Service and Benefits Program:

- DVMF filed 5,076 claims in FY 24, the most since 2016, with an approval rate over 90%.
- Over 44 million in monetary benefits were awarded to veterans, their dependents and survivors represented by DVMF in FY 24.
- The service program added new locations at the Elkton Motor Vehicle Administration and the VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Eastern Baltimore County in FY 24.
- We have hired additional staff at the Glen Burnie and Frederick offices and they will start later this month. We are also planning another hire for the Gaithersburg office.

Communications, Outreach & Advocacy

- The Communications team increased social media efforts tremendously in FY24 resulting in 218,000 social media views.
- Ask the Question and suicide prevention trainings have now been facilitated to 425 federal, state, and local government and community partners.
- Website updates have been made to reflect the name change.
 - If you find an update that was missed, such as a PDF attachment, please email Dana or Denise.
 - In addition, all State Public Information Officers have been asked to update their Department websites throughout State government.
 - Please notify your own Veterans Service Organizations of the change so their websites can be updated as well. If new logos are needed, please let Dana or Denise know.
- We are required by legislation to use existing marketing materials before ordering new ones with the name change. If you have materials, please use them up and then let us know when you run out.
- The first meeting of the new Commission on Veteran and Military Families met July 11.
 - Meetings will convene monthly for the duration of the calendar year and the report on making Maryland the best state for veterans and military families is due to the MGA and GOV by December 1.

- A multidisciplinary team has been convened to research and write the plan. Two MVC commissioners are represented, Chairman Tyler and Commissioner Spiegel. Dana is the chair.

Maryland Veterans Trust Fund

- A new grant administrator was hired, and we will soon hire an accountant.
- We are converting from paper grant applications to an online grants management system.
- Our trustees approved the addition of organizational grantmaking. This will eventually be a tool to make grants to other nonprofits that similarly provide support to veterans and their families.
- Our grant administrator and grant specialist are working on strategies to address the application queue backlog. We aim to invite veterans eligible for grants to a soft launch of the grant database in late Summer.
- We will implement new data collection and impact measures for the Trust Fund.
- We will deepen partner relationships with our donor agencies to ensure consistent revenue streams.

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

- Charlotte Hall website has been updated.
- CMS quality rating has increased to three stars.
- Charlotte Hall has been awarded the 2024 (American Health Care Association/National Center for Assisted Living) AHCA/NCAL Bronze National Quality Award.
- CHVH received a gold star from the Maryland Healthcare Commission for its administration of flu vaccinations for 2023-2024.
- The census at Charlotte Hall has increased to 253, which is the highest in over a year.
- Moving to more permanent staff and less contract and agency staffing.

- The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will survey Charlotte Hall in August (survey at our request).

Cemetery & Memorials Program

- There will be no Unaccompanied Veterans ceremony this quarter, as there were no unclaimed veterans. The next one is scheduled for October 25th pending receipt of eligible unclaimed cremains.
- An erosion control and beautification project was recently completed at Vietnam Veterans Memorial.
- Crownsville Superintendent Pat Ritter retired after 26 years of State service. We are grateful for all she's done for the Veteran community and wish her well in her retirement.
- Keith Brown, who formerly directed the Memorials program has been promoted to the Deputy Director of the Cemeteries & Memorials program.

Presentations:

Adobolia Buford
VETWorks

Dana Burl
DVMF Deputy Secretary,
Military Family Policy & Programs.

- She will be training on the Governor's Challenge
- Training has been prepared by Maryland Public Television and will be available for state employees to view.

Subcommittee Reports

Homeless Subcommittee – Commissioner Reuter provided the following report:

- *The Annual count in time was canceled this year due to weather*
- *Speaking of weather, the current heat wave is affecting everyone and*

people who have no place to go are especially vulnerable. So far there have been no reports of any Homeless Veterans who have died because of the heat. The fire dept reports many (over 60 per day) heat related hospital runs and so far no deaths and no reports of any veterans.

- *While the actual number of homeless veterans is unknown but is reported to be stable neither growing nor shrinking.*
- *the current number of HUD VASH vouchers is static with more coming in the future (more on this below).*
- *The VA Medical system has had the federal rules of eligibility changed so, persons with "less than honorable" discharges to potentially able to use the VA medical system, Many Homeless persons fall in this category so getting the word out is high on list of priorities, take DD 214 to VA hospital to have it verified at the registration center just to the left of the entrance.*
- *The VA Annex on Fayette Street is the location where most services for veterans who are homeless are located, unfortunately this facility was closed for about a month due to damage at the BUILDING NEXT DOOR to the Annex not the Annex itself. Note: the building has now reopened.*
- *Everything has been repaired and the building stabilized and has reopened with ALL services resumed.*
- *Now about those HUD-VASH vouchers, 50 more housing units are almost finished at the Freedom Village on the Perry Point hospital campus. These will come with HUD VASH vouchers so there will be 50 additional family friendly units at the facility.*

Subcommittee Combating Substance Misuse – Commissioner Macri provided the following report:

- She thanks the Chairman for the time he spent talking with her.
- Welcomes Penny Collins back to the sub-committee.
- Showed her Gold Medal – she will be in the upcoming Senior Olympics.
- Requesting a meeting with the new Deputy Secretary.

- We need to increase the drug treatment workforce.
- VA has cut jobs in the client facing sector
- She has transitioned off the Montgomery County Commission

** Details on these benefits by contacting Commissioner Stuart Blair:
thistleman@verizon.net*

Next MVC meeting will be Tuesday 15 October 2024
100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD

REPORT DULY SUBMITTED: 31 AUGUST 2024

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stuart P. Blair".

Stuart P. Blair, PDC
Commissioner, Marine Corps League
Maryland Veterans Commission



Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

419 N. Carolina Ave.

Pasadena, Maryland 21122-5426

www.mclaacdet1049.org

Facebook: Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049, MCL

Period covered: 10 May 2024 to 31 August 2024

The Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 meets the third Monday of every month. The meetings are held at the American Legion Post#175, 832 Manhattan Beach Rd. Severna Park, Md. 21146

Installation of Officers

Installation of officers was March 18, 2024

Burton Helmka was elected for the Commandant position.

Installation was done by Dept. of Md. Past Commandant Howard Koontz.

Membership

	<u>Life</u>	<u>Annual Unpaid</u>	
Regular	62	6	4
Associate	10	3	2
Multiple	5		
TOTAL	77 members		

The detachment continues its attempts to contact and recover every delinquent member.

Fallen Marines

None

Community

we had a couple of volunteers work with American Legion on there Senior Regional Baseball tournament.

Marines Helping Heroes Foundation

This year's golf tournament was a success once again. Roughly \$17,000 was raised.

Eagle Scouts

Detachment 1049 has 1 Eagle Scout award to mail out received a little late.

Good of the League

Our Detachment is holding its annual Bull & Oyster roast at American Legion Post# 175. Date is 26th Of October. Time is 1pm-5pm.

Membership

Looking at different ways to bring in new members. Talking to Marines At our new home.

Color Guard

1st. Sunday of November in Pasadena

Young Marines

Our Young Marines are very busy at this time. Their recruitment drive and fundraiser was an overall success.

Semper fidelis

Burton L Helmka

Commandant A.A. County Detachment #1049

BULL & OYSTER ROAST

WHEN

Oct 26, 2024

1pm to 5pm

\$55

Admit One

WHERE

American Legion Post 175

832 Manhattan Beach Rd, Severna Park, MD

**FEATURING • Pit Beef • Raw and Fried Oysters •
Ham • Turkey • MD Crab Soup • Salads • Sides •
Drinks**

For tickets call Burt at 850-635-5575

Checks payable to

MCL - Anne Arundel 1049

Benefiting Marine Corps League of Anne Arundel Co



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GAMES

PRIZES

The Marine Corps League is a IRS 501(c)4 non profit organization. Your donation may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax professional.

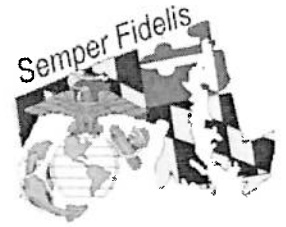


Antietam Detachment, Inc.

Marine Corps League, # 113

P.O. Box 4674

Hagerstown, Maryland 21742-4674



DATE: 21 August 2024

FROM: Commandant, Antietam Detachment, #113,

TO: Commandant, Department of Maryland,

SUBJ: **Quarterly Department of Maryland Report – 21 August 2024**

MEMBERSHIP

Strength – 50

Paid Life Members – 26

Unpaid – 4

SICK, DISTRESSED & DECEASED

None.

EVENTS

Provided Color Guard for four local organizations.

Antietam Detachment has multiple events scheduled for upcoming Labor Day.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Color guard performed 3 ceremonies.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

No Eagle Scout awards this quarter.

VETERANS SERVICES

Honor guard performed 11 funerals.

TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM STATUS

Kathleen Prest was announced as the new Toys for Tots coordinator.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

None.

Report duly submitted:

Chuck Martin

Commandant

Antietam Detachment, #113

Department Of Maryland

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



Marine Corps League

**Department of Maryland
Baltimore Detachment 565**

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31 August, 2024

The Baltimore Detachment Roster is 98 members

There were no deaths to report during the last quarter

The Detachment had four Members and one Auxiliary member to attend the Mideast Division Conference in Martinsburg West Virginia.

The Detachment had two Members and one Auxiliary member to attend the National Convention in Rancho Mirage, Ca.

The Detachment had five Members to attend the post and relief of the 4th CEB I&I Sgt. Maj and retirement of the Bn. Sgt. Maj and their family Day event.

The Detachment is now planning a Marine Corps Birthday Ball to be held on Nov. 9th, ticket price will be \$25 and it will be a formal affair.

The Baltimore Detachment has been task with hosting the Department Quarterly Meeting in November.

**Earl Ruff Jr
Commandant
Baltimore Detachment 565**



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Corporal Pete Arnold Detachment 1198

INCORPORATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS

31 August 2024

From: Commandant, Corporal Pete Arnold Detachment 1198
To: Commandant, Department of Maryland, Marine Corps League
Cc: Adjutant, Department of Maryland, Marine Corps League

Subj: **Department Meeting Report – Corporal Pete Arnold Detachment 1198**

Membership

- See National Roster

Past Events

- 9-12 May – Department Convention, Ocean City, MD
- May – October – First Fridays in Bel Air & Havre de Grace, MD
- 17 May – Stewartstown Market Night w/ First Capital Detachment 521 in Stewartstown, PA
- 27 May – Memorial Day Events in Bel Air & Jarrettsville, MD
- 28-30 June – Mideast Division Conference in Martinsburg, WV
- 4 July – 4th of July Parade in Bel Air, MD
- 6 July – 4th of July Parade in Havre de Grace, MD
- 20 July – Detachment Picnic in Jarrettsville VFW
- 12-16 August – MCL National Convention in Rancho Mirage, CA

Upcoming Events

- May – October – First Fridays in Bel Air & Havre de Grace, MD
- 28 September – Harford County Wine Festival in Bel Air, MD
- 1 October – 31 December – Toys for Tots Harford County
- 5 October – Darlington Apple Festival in Darlington, MD
- 5 October – Purse Bingo in Jarrettsville VFW
- 11-12 October – MD BBQ Bash in Bel Air, MD
- 19 October – VFW Auxiliary Craft Fair in Jarrettsville VFW
- 9 November – First Capital Detachment 521 Marine Corps Birthday Ball in York, PA
- 10 November – 249th Marine Corps Birthday

Semper Fidelis,

Taras Gamma

Taras Gamma
Commandant
Cpl Pete Arnold Det. 1198
Marine Corps League

Once a Marine, Always a Marine

REPORT OF FREE STATE DETACHMENT

Marines,

Our report is brief. We have been suffering membership losses for just about every reason: old age, sickness, inability to drive etc. With the help of Commandant Rust PDC Fay and Omar Jabr we are struggling to stay afloat

Hopefully are next report will be more up-beat

Semper Fi

Jerry Devlin

Commandant



Garrett County Marine Corps League Detachment 1234



From: Rob Heilig, Commandant
Garrett County Detachment 1234
Thru: Adjutant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League
To: Commandant, Department of Maryland,
Marine Corps League
Subj: Quarterly Report 31 August 2024

Membership: Total membership 46 with 33 life members, 13 regular members.

Sickness & Distress: Denver Welch is doing better.

Current Events: We are currently sending out letters of appreciation to all our sponsors. Septemeber 20th is POW-MIA day. I will be doing a program at the American Legion.

Upcoming: Toys for Tots collection boxes will be coming up in October. Plus planning for the Marine Corps Birthday Celebration in November.

Summary: Because our golf tournament was a huge success on June 1st, We gave donations to Cindy's Fund, Toys for Tots, Meals on Wheels, Project Healing Waters, Marine Raiders, Hospice of Garrett County. We gave each organization \$5000.00 each

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rob Heilig
Commandant Garrett County Det 1234
Marine Corps League



LCpl Robert W. Deane Detachment 770 Marine Corps League



Email: info@mcldene.org

Marine Corp League Department of Maryland Meeting Aug, 31, 2024
Robert E. Lee - Commandant, LCpl Robert W. Deane Detachment #770

Subject: Report Department of Maryland
Period: May 2024 – August 2024

Membership: Strength – 95 Total Members, 55 Life Members, 21 Regular Members, 4 Associate Members and 7 unpaid members.
Working on updating the membership list, dues, addresses, emails, and phone numbers.
Renewal letters sent out dues for the year starting in September.
We have applications for new membership at all our events and Fundraisers.

Sick/Distressed: Rosie Beall will be having knee replacement surgery on September 18, 2024

Events: We had one Eagle Scout Presentation.
Picked up trash on Park Ave. in Mt. Airy MD in June.
We had a booth at the Mt. Airy Lions Club Carnival.
Our honor guard has done 4 events, 1 for a Ret. USMC LT. Col., Flag Retirement at the Amvets Post #2 Farm in Frederick MD, 1 in the town of Mt. Airy and Memorial Day Ceremony at the Gold Star Post #191 American Legion.
We participated in the Mt. Airy Parade.

Fundraisers: We had 2 hot dog sales 1 at Wagner Meats and 1 at Southern States.
Our Annual Golf Tournament is on September 9, 2024.

Summary: The Detachment had several members attend Mid East Conference in WV.
We also had 2 members attend the National Convention in Palm Springs CA.
We are getting ready to have our golf tournament on the 9th of September.
We will be participating in the 9/11 Ceremony as well as Mt. Airy Oktoberfest,
Getting ready for Toys for Tots and Wreaths Across America.
Looking forward to working with everyone and having a great year ahead.



Patuxent River Detachment 1305

Department Report –August 30, 2024



Detachment Officers

Commandant:	Henry Kunzig
Senior Vice:	Greg Ashley
Junior Vice:	Tom McKean
Judge Advocate:	Jared Singleton
Sgt-at-Arms:	Peter Zingarelli
Chaplain:	Tim Hoernig
Adjutant:	Laura Braunbeck
Paymaster:	Howie Wescott
Quartermaster:	Greg Ashley
Jr. Past Cmdt:	Pat Wyman
Public Relations Sgt:	Kat Lambourne
Web Sgt:	Tom Rocheleau
Service Officer:	Kat Lambourne

Members Status:

Regular:	70	(40 Life Members)
Associate:	9	(3 Life Members)
Honorary:	1	
Total:	80	

NOTE:

Unpaid 14 Regular 2 Associate

Past Events

1. St Mary's County Crab Fest
2. 7 Eagle Scout Good Citizenship Awards presented

Upcoming Events

1. Charlotte Hall Veterans Home fall cookout, Sept
2. Charlotte Hall Veterans Home Halloween Bingo
3. Marine Corps Birthday Celebration Nov 10



PEACEKEEPERS DETACHMENT
WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

During the past three months members of the Peacekeepers Detachment have been busy in a number of areas:

- Five new members have been recruited for the Detachment
- Peacekeepers Detachment members have been involved with the annual Friends Helping Friends Fundraiser with Boscov's Department store
- Monthly meetings usually entail 7 to ten attendees
- Monthly social activities usually involve a scheduled breakfast or luncheon
- All meetings are now attended at the Ocean Pines Southgate Firehouse
- A partnership has been created between the Peacekeepers Detachment and the Ocean Pines Elks Club. The two organizations have agreed to host a Tunnel For Towers Dance with all proceeds going to Tunnel for Towers
- Our Chaplain, Joe Frohlich, is currently coordinating with a local golf course to host our first Golf Tournament scheduled for the spring of 2025



Marine Corps League

Sgt. Jack Hettchen, Jr. Detachment 1428

To: Commandant Joseph Fay
Department of Maryland
CC: Adjutant, Officers and Members
Date: August 2024
From: Wayne Miller, Commandant
Subject: Hettchen Detachment Report August 2024

Report covers main activities May 2024-August 2024

- We have regular meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 1930 at the American Legion Post on Veirs Mill Road in Rockville, Maryland. We conduct regular meetings in the American Legion Post 86.
- **Membership:** The detachment membership increased by (2)
- **Activities:**
Eagle Scout Program is back to full activity. Chairman marine Kevin McDermott is busy with the Honor Court presentations. There has been (4) during this reporting period

Through the effort of the Sgt. Jack Hettchen Detachment, the LCpl Robert Deane Detachment, the Town of Kensington and several other donors our Chairman Marine Mike Jadoo and Marine Jim Renza continue to deliver needed supplies to the Ukrainian Church.

The Detachment : <https://sites.google.com/view/sgtjackhettchen/home>

May- Memorial Day Detachment participated in wreath laying ceremony during scheduled Memorial Day parade in Rockville. Wrath is laid at the Eternal Flame honoring fallen service men and women and first responders from Montgomery County.

The Detachment will have a booth at the Kensington Labor Day Festival

Installation of Officers May 7, 2024

Mike Jadoo presented an overview of our new website

Committee Reports: Mike Jadoo reported on tragedy in Ukraine (bombing near Kiev) that caused more than 100+ casualties. The Ukrainian volunteers at the church notified Mike that the donations of "Emergency Blankets" donated by Jim Renza and the good people of Kensington and delivered by the Detachment,

arrived just in time and were just enough to save the casualties. Picture and story are on the Detachment website.

Check our WEBSITE for information on National and State events.

<https://sites.google.com/view/sgtjackhettchen/home>

Jr. Vice contacted local Marine recruiter and together they arranged for members of the Detachment to meet with prospective Marines and police recruits. The interaction during the July 13th meeting was very successful.

Through the effort of our Paymaster, Kim Potter, the Detachment has an Amazon account in the name of Sgt Jack Hettchen to order and have medical supplies for Ukraine. Have orders sent to Marine Mike Jadoo for delivery to the Ukrainian Church.

Marine Kevin McDermott had the honor of laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown while representing "Operation Second Chance".

Submitted by **Commandant** *Wayne Moller*



**SSGT. COHEE DETACHMENT
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

29 Aug 2024

To: Commandant, Department of Maryland

Membership remains at 34 plus 4 dual members plus 1 new member gives us 39 total.

Sick/Distressed: None as of last meeting.

Community Outreach: From the July 4th event at the Shorebirds Stadium, we have names that we are following up on to be members. Some of us will be attending the Operation We Care packing party in the Fall.

New Business: We have been doing the Friends Helping Friends fundraiser at Boscov's for almost 2 months. So far, we have raised about \$1,000. The funds we raise this summer will be going to Chesapeake Housing Mission to benefit veterans in need.

Announcements: Thanks to Bob Miller, we have a new sword case. He also got a plaque, to go next to the case, that will list the recipients of our MCL Scholarship each year.

At your service,

Roger D. Martinson, Commandant

SSGT COHEE DETACHMENT #115 MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



Marine Corps League
Department of Maryland



District 2 Vice Commandant

Department of Md. Quarterly Report

31 August 2024

Reporting that during the first part of this quarter I had no contact with Detachments in my District as I was recovering from pneumonia. I had a little contact with Detachments when attending the Mideast Conference and at the National Convention. At this time I have not received any correspondence from these Detachment indicating tht they were having any problems.

Earl Ruff Jr

District 2 Vice Commandant

District 3 Vice Commandant Report
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League
Host: SSgt Walter 'Trae' Cohee III – Detachment 115, Salisbury, MD
Date: 31 August 2024

Greetings All...

Patuxent River Detachment 1305 membership still holding strong with 80 members (70 Regular, 09 Associates and 1 Honorary). The count includes 40 Life Regular Members and 3 Life Associate Members.

Detachment 1305 participated in St Mary's County Crab Fest.

Detachment 1305 awarded Good Citizenship Award to seven (7) Eagle Scouts Court of Honors.

Free State Detachment 544 membership is holding steady with current strength of 87 members (72 Regular, 10 Associates and 3 Multiple).

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home (CHVH) currently has 19 Marines (19 Males, 0 Females).

District 3 Vice Commandant Events Participation

Attended Patuxent River Detachment 1305 meetings.

Attended Pax River Dawgs Pound 344 growls.

Attended Free State Detachment meetings.

Installed Free State Detachment 544 Officers.

Awarded Good Citizenship Award at several Eagle Scouts Court of Honors.

Attended Department of Virginia Spring Conference and Grand Growl (18 May).

Attended N.C. Pack Grand Growl (07 June).

Attended Pound 333 Growl (15 June and 20 July).

Attended Mideast Division Conference and Growl (28-29 June).

Upcoming Events

None.

Semper Fidelis,

Omar I. Jabr
District 3 Vice Commandant
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League

PDD PAUL R. GUNTHER aka Doc G
4th District Vice Commandant
Department of Maryland
Marine Corps League

31 August 2024

Subj: *Department Quarterly Meeting of 31 August 2024*
Report of Activities since Department Convention of 11 May 2024

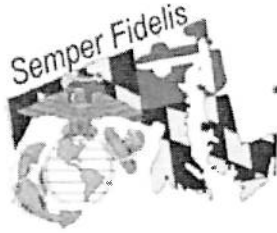
Since the Department Convention in May, I have attended the meetings of Sgt Jack Hettchen/Installation/breakfasts, LCPL Deane Breakfasts/Installation and the meeting /Installation of SSGT Taylor in Ellicott City Maryland. I've not heard from the Shangri La Detachment. I've left messages with Marine Carl Lenhart but no returns.

Upcoming on 02 Sept I will be attending the Kensington Maryland fall festival with Sgt Hettchen Detachment, explaining to the citizens about the Marine Corps League and trying to recruit new members for the detachment. I've also attended the Meatball Pound Growl of 9 Jun 2024.

This concludes my report.



PDD Paul 'Doc G' Gunther



Marine Corps League

Department of Maryland



JEFF ROBINETTE
District 5 Vice Commandant
Public Affairs Officer
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TO: Commandant Department of Maryland

FROM: JEFF ROBINETTE
District 5 Vice Commandant
Public Affairs Officer
Department of Maryland

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report 31 August 2024

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER

First things first, the Blanton's Bourbon raffle winner be announced today. We did very well in this effort and we thank you for this effort.

At our recent convention I spoke to several officers and members about the possibility of conducting a Pistol Match at the range where I work as an RSO, Queen City Armory in Cumberland, Md. Our range was built by Action Targets of Utah. We have 10 lanes with a shooting distance of 25 yards. The individual lanes are controlled via an I-Pad. Our range is rated up to .50BMG and we have tested that standard.

The course of fire for this event is simple. This event consists of 50 rounds fired as follows.

- 5 rounds - Sighters 10 yards
- 15 rounds - Shoot- No-Shoot drill 12 yards
- 15 rounds - Charging Drill 40 Ft
- 15 rounds - Charging Drill 40 Ft w/ Magazine change

There will be a scorer/coach with each shooter on the firing line

Allowable weapons are any Centerfire Semiautomatic Pistol or Revolver. That means for a Highpoint 9mm up to a Magnum Research BFR in 45-70 Government. All we care about is that you fire the weapon safely.

In the Shoot-No-Shoot drill the target goes downrange 12 yards. The target will then flip front to back repeatedly. The target will momentarily stop on either on the white backing or the target. Shoot the target not the white backing.

For the charging drill the target goes downrange 40 feet. Once there the target charges at the shooter. The shooter's goal is to accurately fire 5 rounds at the attacker. This charge repeats itself 3 times. For the magazine change set of charges, the shooter has to change is magazine. The scorer/coach will load these magazines.

For this shoot we have to have a minimum of 25 shooters. Cost is \$25 per shooter. Rental weapons are available for use at a fee.

We encourage the detachments to contact veterans' centers at Local College and Universities. This event can be used as a recruiting tool to bring in younger veterans into your Detachments.

District 5

Mountainside's closure is an ongoing issue. Their commandant is trying to get everyone transferred. The issue is here is that many of their members are older and Nursing Home bound or living with family elsewhere. They are having issues contacting their members.

Sincerely,

Jeff Robinette