



# Department of Indiana Newsletter The Hoosier Declassifieds SUMMER 2026



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## DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

Active, reserve, retired, and veteran Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Navy Chaplains, and Associates in Indiana continue the faithful tradition of looking out for the Marines to their left and to their right.

25 Detachments around the state support their local communities, organizations, and veterans with a wide variety of fundraisers, service projects, and social events.

Many Detachments have their own website, Facebook page, and/or newsletter to communicate and share their activities, events, and services.

The Department hosts 2 conferences and 1 convention annually for members to gather, socialize, conduct business, and share best practices. **Every** member is encouraged to attend!

The Department is now focused on preparing to host the 2026 National Convention in Indianapolis. We need **YOUR HELP!**

## DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

The Department of Indiana Newsletter is published quarterly (January, April, July, and October), and is posted on the Department's website.

Deadline for submission is one month prior by Department auxiliary, committees, Devil Dogs, officers, Detachments, and Young Marines. Let us know what you are doing! Share your news!

e-Mail all newsletter articles, information, and photographs to the editor.

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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## 2026

- 1 July** **First Day of Filing Period for 990N, 990EZ, and 990**
- 3 July Deadline for 2026 National Newsletter Competition Entries to be e-mailed
- 15 July Life Member Audit Roster Distribution by Department of Indiana Paymaster to Detachment Commandants and Paymasters
- 31 July** **Deadline for Report of Annual Financial Audit by Detachment**
- 9-14 August** **2026 National Convention, Wyndham West Hotel, Indianapolis**
- 31 August** **2027 Membership Dues Deadline to Detachment Paymaster**
- 10 September Department Fall 2026 Newsletter Article Deadline to Editor
- 30 September Deadline for Submission of Life Member Audit to Department Paymaster
- 3-4 October** **Department of Indiana Fall Conference**
- 2 November** **Time Change – Fall Back One Hour at 0200**
- 10 November** **251<sup>st</sup> Marine Corps Birthday**
- 15 November** **Final Date to Submit 990N, 990EZ, or 990**
- 10 December Department Winter 2027 Newsletter Article Deadline to Editor

### OTHER:

- The Indiana Business Entity Report is due to the Indiana Secretary of State biannually. The due dates are listed on your detachment membership report.
- Indiana Form NP-20 – file claiming sales tax exemption to Department of Revenue.

## Once a Marine - Forever a Marine



## **HONOR OUR HISTORY**

1 July 1920 – Major General John A. Lejeune became 13<sup>th</sup> Commandant of the USMC  
11 July 1798 – President John Adams signs Act establishing the U.S. Marine Corps  
15 July 1958 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Marines land at Beirut and seize airport at Lebanese government request  
25 July 1930 – Lieutenant Puller wins first of 5 Navy Crosses chasing guerillas in Nicaragua  
27 July 1953 – Korean War ended

### **4 August 1937 – Marine Corps League federal charter signed by President Roosevelt**

6 August 1847 – Marines commenced their march on the “Halls of Montezuma” in Mexico  
7 August 1942 – 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division lands on Guadalcanal  
19 August 1919 – Marines Hymn registered with the US Copyright Office  
29 August 1916 – The Marine Corps Reserve was founded  
13 September 1847 – Marines help seize the fortress of Chapultepec in Mexico City  
13 September 1942 – Marines turn back Japanese attack in Battle of Edson’s Ridge  
15 September 1950 – 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division landed at Inchon, Korea and moved on to Seoul  
20 September 1994 – 1,900 Marines land in Haiti  
28 September 1906 – Marine Brigade of 2,800 men lands in Havana

## **DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT’S CORNER**

What a great year it has been! My first year as Department Commandant was filled with many memorable experiences, not only with the Department of Indiana, but also with Marines, Associate members, and Auxiliary members from all over the country. I was proud to represent our department at the National Convention in Texas, Mid-Winter in Virginia, and the Central Division Conference in Kentucky.



I would like to thank each one of you for your support and continued dedication to the department and your individual detachments over the past year. Your commitment to the Marine Corps League mission, your fellow Marines, and your community keeps the League strong. Because of your hard work, volunteerism, and dedication to your communities, the Department of Indiana has accomplished great things!

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Summer Convention. It is always great seeing you all and spending the weekend with you! Adding in a few speakers this year allowed all in attendance to get valuable information on gaming, as well as new things going on with the Indiana Department of Veteran Affairs, the changes in the new Property Tax law, and the big changes at the Indiana Veterans Home in Lafayette. I also would like to congratulate all of the new officers and award recipients.

Earlier this year, I began attending detachment meetings and will continue doing so in the coming year as my schedule allows. My goal is to attend at least one meeting of all 25 detachments before my tour of duty ends. It has been a great experience to see how detachments conduct their meetings and to meet members I had not previously met. I also had the privilege of serving as the Installing Officer for the Joseph A. Bray Detachment, River Cities Detachment, and Cpl. Jordan L. Spears Detachment.

As this new year begins, I look forward to gathering with you at the National Convention in August. There will be many opportunities to volunteer and participate in events throughout the week, and you will undoubtedly meet many great Marines and members from across the country.

Thank you for your service, your loyalty, and your continued commitment to the Department of Indiana. I appreciate all of you more than you know, and I look forward to another successful year together.

Have a wonderful summer!

**Semper Fi!**  
**Kay Ross**  
**Commandant, Department of Indiana**

### **DEPARTMENT 2026-2027 OFFICERS**

The Department of Indiana conducted nominations in the morning and elections in the afternoon for the 2026-2027 officers during the Summer Convention. Then, the 10 districts caucused and elected their District Vice Commandant. All officers and district vice commandants were installed during the Saturday evening banquet. **Congratulations to all!** We have your back!



Installation of Department of Indiana officers and district vice commandants during the 2026 Summer Convention banquet

## **MEET OUR NEW DEPARTMENT OFFICERS**



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**OFFICERS**

**THANK YOU** for your exceptional leadership, dedicated service above and beyond the call of duty, and commitment to our Department of Indiana and the Marine Corps League. We are most grateful, and we fully support you.



# AWARDS



**Marine of the Year  
Dan Tolson**



**Associate Member of the Year  
Jennifer Spencer**



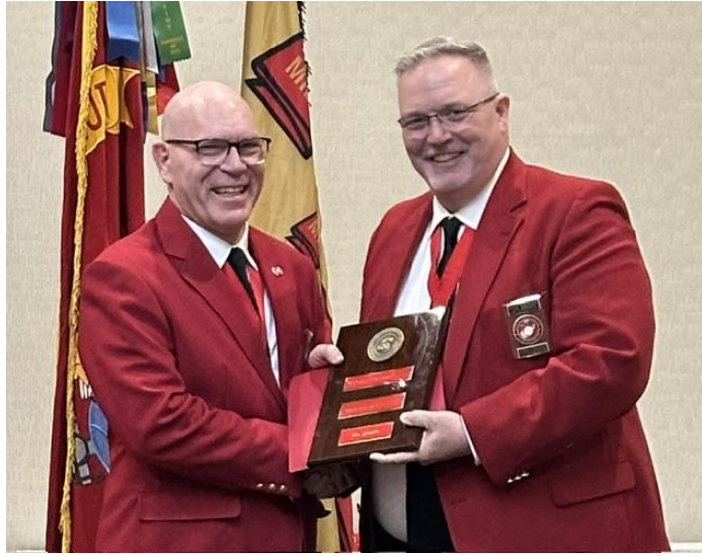
**Richard Renbarger / Michael Wukitsch  
Paymaster / Adjutant Leadership Award  
Craig McGlenn**



**Edward W. Storck "Semper Fidelis" Award  
Robert Mantle**



**Commandant Special Award**  
**Otto Dowlen III** (right)



**Indiana Pack Dog of the Year**  
**DD Tim Glidden** (right)

## **DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN AWARDS**



**Anthony Clayton**



**Beth and Eric Tyler**



**Bob Mantle**



**Brad Ulick**



Darren Surney



Ed Beatty



Jim Snowberger



Larry Walker



Otto Dowlen III



Randy Torrence



Shannon Roberts



Tina Moriarity



Tonya Bardsley



Victor Alvarez

## MERITORIUS UNIT AWARDS



Mounds #502



River Cities #1090

# OFFICER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS



Chris Taylor



Dan Tolson



Alena Gillum



Dave Englert



Craig McGlenn



Ernie Maxwell



Tim Shortt



Robert T. O'Donnell



District Vice Commandants



United States of America,  
Happy Independence Day!



## CONFERENCES & CONVENTIONS

### **2026 NATIONAL CONVENTION**

We are just 43 days away from hosting the **2026 National Convention in Indianapolis!** **THANK YOU** so much to the committee chairs for all your work and efforts in planning, organizing, and securing funding.

We aren't done yet though!! The committee needs Marines, Associate members, and Auxiliary ladies to assist with the Indiana Room from Sunday through Thursday (8am-5pm) and Friday (8am-noon). The Indiana Room is where all convention attendees will pick up their event tickets, sign up for their banquet seats, purchase souvenir coins, pins, patches, shirts, and other items. There will be tables loaded with items up for silent auction and there will also be raffles that we will need help with.

Additionally, we need volunteers to be at the airport on Saturday and Sunday as part of our Welcoming Committee. The main goal of this committee is to be by the luggage carousel to welcome people, help direct them to the free shuttle to the hotel, and to answer questions that may come up.

We really do need participation from all our members of each one of the three organizations in the department to make this convention a success! You do not have to have any experience to help with any of these "jobs" and most of the time you will be able to be sitting down. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** To volunteer, please contact Kay Ross (317-698-6637, [kayross@comcast.net](mailto:kayross@comcast.net)) or Kelly Gillihan (765-507-0574, [ktgillihan@gmail.com](mailto:ktgillihan@gmail.com)). You can also sign up on the website under the volunteer tab. <https://mclindy2026.org/>.

The committee is still looking for sponsors, monetary donations, and silent auction donations for the convention as well. If you are able to assist with any of those, please contact Tiffany Careins (260-437-4835 or tkcareins85@gmail.com) for all monetary donations and sponsorships, and Kelly Gillihan (765-507-0574 or ktgillihan@gmail.com) for silent auction donations. The information for these can be found on the convention website, <https://mclindy2026.org/>

We are looking forward to welcoming Marines, Associate members, and Auxiliary members from across the country! **Come be part of it!**

**Website:**

<https://mclindy2026.org>

**Microsite:**

<https://visitindy.com/mclnc2026/>

**Convention Facebook Page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61590414099253>



Morning Colors 0800 at Flag Pole



Installation of National Officers on Friday



Yes, that is Tim Shortt on the right!

★★★ ONCE A MARINE, ALWAYS A MARINE ★★★

# NATIONAL MARINE CORPS LEAGUE



★ CONVENTION 2026 ★

AUGUST 10-14, 2026  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

LEADERSHIP.  
SERVICE.  
LEGACY.

UNITED IN PURPOSE.  
COMMITTED TO VETERANS.



★ INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA ★

WYNDHAM INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT HOTEL  
2544 EXECUTIVE DR, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46241



CONNECT  
WITH MARINES



STRENGTHEN  
OUR LEAGUE



SUPPORT  
OUR MISSION

★ HONORING TRADITION. SERVING MARINES. SUPPORTING VETERANS. ★



# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NATIONAL CONVENTION

## SPECIAL EVENTS

AUGUST 9-14, 2026 | INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA



### EARLY BIRD TRIVIA MIXER SUNDAY, AUGUST 9 | 1930-2100

- DATE: Sunday, August 9
- TIME: 1930-2100
- COST: \$20 per person
- LOCATION: Wyndham Preconvene Room, Wyndham Hotel



Herrmann Brewthers is taking you through a high-energy Marine Corps Trivia Night! Questions will cover general knowledge, including sports, movies, history, and pop culture, mixed in with Marine Corps topics such as historic battles, legendary Marines, books, films, and Corps traditions. Civilians and Marines alike will have a fighting chance to demonstrate their wit and earn bragging rights.

Every table is a fire team. Choose your squad wisely.

Register. Muster your team. Compete for the win. Only registered guests will be permitted in the room.

Host Website: [hbrewthers.com](http://hbrewthers.com)

NO REFUNDS ON TICKETS PURCHASED

### COMEDY NIGHT TUESDAY, AUGUST 11 | 1900-2100

- DATE: Tuesday, August 11
- TIME: 1900-2100
- COST: \$20 per person
- LOCATION: Quincy's - Wyndham Hotel



Join us for an evening of laughter and enjoy a 90 minute live comedy show brought to you by Blind Tiger Comedy.

This special event features three seasoned comedians.

- ★ Headliner: Randy Maurer (School principal)
- ★ Feature: Jeff McKinley (USMC)
- ★ Host / MC: Jimmy Shaw (Army)

Host Website: [facebook.com/KokomoJimmyShaw](https://facebook.com/KokomoJimmyShaw)

NO REFUNDS ON TICKETS PURCHASED

### INDIANA WAR MEMORIAL & DOWNTOWN EXPERIENCE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12 | 1000-1500

- DATE: Wednesday, August 12
- TIME: 1000-1500
- COST: \$10 per person
- TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip transportation included
- LOCATION: Indianapolis, IN



Take part in a self-guided tour of the Indianapolis War Memorial. This experience offers an opportunity for reflection, historical perspective, and a deeper connection to the legacy of military service and sacrifice.

While in the downtown area, guests may roam the area to take advantage of shopping, entertainment, and dining that is located nearby.

Memorial Website: [Indiana War Memorial](http://IndianaWarMemorial.com)

NO REFUNDS ON TICKETS PURCHASED

### INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY MUSEUM & KISS THE BRICKS EXPERIENCE THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 | 1000-1600

- DATE: Thursday, August 13
- TIME: 1000-1600
- COST: \$56 per person
- TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip transportation included
- LOCATION: Indianapolis Motor Speedway



Go behind the scenes at the legendary Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Explore the museum, and take part in the iconic Kiss the Bricks experience.

This is a must-do Indiana tradition and an unforgettable photo opportunity. Marines will experience esprit de corps while exploring one of America's most legendary racing venues.

Learn More: [Indianapolis Motor Speedway](http://IndianapolisMotorSpeedway.com)

NO REFUNDS ON TICKETS PURCHASED

### CASINO NIGHT THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 | 1730-2130

- DATE: Thursday, August 13
- TIME: 1730-2130
- COST: \$35 per person
- TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip transportation included
- LOCATION: Horseshoe Indianapolis



Enjoy an evening of R&R at Horseshoe Indianapolis, featuring casino-style gaming and dinner. This event offers a fun, social experience where two worlds collide, and enjoy some friendly competition in a fun, off-duty setting.

- Casino activities are reserved for guests 21 and older.
- Dining, horse races, and shows are available for guests 18 and older.
- This package provides a round-trip bus ride to the casino.
- Guests will be on their own for dinner and may choose any of the four restaurants on the property.

#### RESTAURANT OPTIONS:

- Jack Binion's Steak
- Clubhouse Dining
- Brew Brothers
- Sidewalk Cafe

Casino Website: [Horseshoe Indianapolis](http://HorseshoeIndianapolis.com) | Caesars Loyalty Program: [caesars.com/secure/register.aspx](https://caesars.com/secure/register.aspx)

NO REFUNDS ON TICKETS PURCHASED



ONCE A MARINE,  
ALWAYS A MARINE.



MUSTER WITH  
FELLOW MARINES



CREATE LASTING  
MEMORIES



HONOR OUR PAST  
STRENGTHEN OUR FUTURE

EVENTS & LOCATIONS  
SUBJECT TO CHANGE

ONLY REGISTERED GUESTS  
MAY PARTICIPATE

## **NATIONAL CONVENTION SPECIAL EVENTS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

The countdown to the 2026 Marine Corps League National Convention in Indianapolis is underway, and registration is now open for our exciting lineup of special events!

Whether you're looking to test your knowledge, enjoy a night of laughter, explore Indiana's military history, experience the legendary Indianapolis Motor Speedway, or spend an evening with fellow Marines and Associates at the casino, there is something for everyone.

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway, located in Speedway, Indiana, is known as the Racing Capital of the World and is home to the world-famous Indianapolis 500. Attendees participating in the Speedway experience will have the opportunity to visit this iconic venue, explore the museum, and take part in the historic Kiss the Bricks tradition.

History enthusiasts will enjoy the Indiana War Memorial and Downtown Experience. The Indiana War Memorial honors the service and sacrifice of Hoosier veterans from the Battle of Tippecanoe through modern conflicts and offers a unique opportunity for reflection and appreciation of our nation's military heritage.

For those looking for entertainment and relaxation, Casino Night at Horseshoe Indianapolis offers an exciting evening of camaraderie. The 233,000-square-foot facility features more than 1,700 slot machines, live table games, multiple restaurants, a gift shop, and live horse racing during the racing season.

One of the events generating the most excitement is the Early Bird Trivia Mixer on Sunday evening. This fun and interactive event will challenge participants with questions covering sports, movies, history, pop culture, Marine Corps traditions, and much more. Leading the competition is Indiana's own Chet Maurer, a talented and entertaining trivia host who knows how to keep the energy high and the competition friendly. Members can learn more about Chet and his trivia events through his social media channel: <https://www.instagram.com/triviachet/>

On Tuesday evening, convention attendees can enjoy Comedy Night with Blind Tiger Comedy, featuring a lineup of outstanding Indiana comedians. The show includes Jimmy Shaw, a U.S. Army veteran, Jeff McKinley, USMC, and Randy Maurer, an elementary school principal and accomplished comedian. These performers bring years of experience entertaining audiences throughout Indiana and the Midwest and are excited to welcome Marines, Associates, and guests for an evening of laughter. Like Chet, these comedians represent the best of Indiana hospitality and entertainment, making them a perfect fit for our convention. Check them out at <https://www.facebook.com/KokomoJimmyShaw/>

Because both the Early Bird Trivia Mixer and Comedy Night have limited seating, we strongly encourage members to register as soon as possible. These events are expected to sell out well before the convention begins.

Our convention team has worked hard to create memorable experiences that showcase both the Marine Corps League and the great State of Indiana. These events provide excellent opportunities to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and experience some of the unique attractions Indianapolis has to offer.

Don't wait until the last minute. Review the event schedule, select your favorites, and secure your seats today. We look forward to welcoming you to Indianapolis in August 2026 for an unforgettable National Convention!

Registration information, event details, and online registration are available at [mclindy2026.org](http://mclindy2026.org). Please note that all registration fees are non-refundable.

For questions regarding special events, contact:

Jen Spencer  
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**THANK YOU, REGISTRATION TEAM!**

## **2026 DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA FALL CONFERENCE**

DATES: **3-4 OCTOBER 2026**  
PLACE: Embassy Suites Plainfield Indianapolis Airport  
6089 Clarks Creek Road  
Plainfield, Indiana  
COST: Conference cost \$20 per person  
REGISTRATION: \$20 per person / **DEADLINE 10 SEPTEMBER 2026**  
RESERVATIONS: Room reservation code is **CES91P** with room rate of \$149 per night  
The room reservation deadline is **3 September**. The link is:

**OR you can call 1-800-362-2779 to make your room reservation**

OTHER: + Must be registered for conference to attend the Saturday night Growl  
+ Dress both days is polo with appropriate cover  
+ Detachments requested to make a monetary donation for hospitality suite by 10 September 2026 (mail check to Dave Englert)



# INDIANA PACK

Woof Woof Dogs of the Order:

Reminder to all Worthy Pound Keepers and Worthy Pound Dog Robbers, the KMA is not taking paper payments! It is all electronic from now on. Please get with Worthy Pack Dog Robber DD Ernie Maxwell to learn how to do all payments online. Also, bring plenty of Big Bones to the Fall Conference! I am sure fines will be levied!

Woof! Woof!  
Your Worthy Pack Leader  
PDD Dan Tolson



**INDIANA PACK CHARTERED 1 MARCH 1990**

## INDIANA PACK OFFICERS:

Worthy Pack Leader	PDD Dan Tolson
Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader:	PDD Jim Snowberger.
Worthy Junior Vice Pack Leader:	PDD Jim Roberson
Worthy Smart Dog:	DD Chris Taylor
Worthy Police Dog:	DD Matt Careins
Worthy Mad Dog:	DD Matt Spencer
Worthy Dog Robber:	DD Ernie Maxwell
Worthy Barking Dog:	DD Ed Beatty
Worthy Watch Dog:	PDD Jay Juan Ramirez
Worthy Dog Scratcher:	DD Tim Glidden
Worthy Pack Dog Trainer:	PDD Lloyd Louks

The Indiana Pack promotes good fellowship amongst the members of our different Marine Corps League Detachments. We provide amusement and entertainment at all gatherings of the league, when and where advisable, preserve and strengthen the principles and ideals of league. We are also, very active in raising funds for children's hospitals and associated charities.

Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis will be the 2026 MODD National Convention donation recipient. Indiana Pack, your big bones are staying home in Indiana this year!

**See you at our Growl on 3 October 2026!**



Machine Gunner Dog Ulick



Marching Band Gunners Taylor & Ulick

## AUXILIARY

**OFFICERS:**

- |                                 |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| President                       | Loretta See         |
| Senior Vice President           | Tami Williams       |
| Junior Vice President           | Evangeline Anderson |
| Judge Advocate                  | Karen Andrews       |
| Junior Past Auxiliary President | Theresa Clark       |
| Secretary                       | Alexa Wilson        |
| Treasurer                       | Sue Waters          |
| Chaplain                        | Pat Smith           |
| Captain of the Guard            | Cheryl Mantle       |

**NOTE:** 2026-2027 officers were not received before distribution time.

The Auxiliary was formed for the purposes of promoting the interests of the Marine Corps, the Marine Corps League, and to protect and advance the welfare of Marines and their dependents.

The Department of Indiana Auxiliary meets during the Department's two conferences and summer convention. New members are always welcome!

**Outstanding job** – 45,000 volunteer hours combined from 2 Indiana units this past year!



Installation of 2026-2027 Auxiliary Officers



Auxiliary Member of the Year – Pat Smith



## SICK, IN DISTRESS, and TAPS

Department Chaplain Ernie Maxwell shared the following members have recently passed per Notice of Death transmittals submitted to him.

- |                         |                  |                                     |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Kimberlee Atwell      | 10 October 2025  | Albert E Shockey #0960              |
| • Robert C. Bastian     | 4 March 2026     | Pride and Purpose #1435             |
| • Gerald "Jerry" Decker | 1 May 2026       | Southern Indiana Leathernecks #931  |
| • Richard L. Forster    | 15 April 2026    | Dunes Leatherneck #1056             |
| • James D. Johnson      | 4 May 2025       | River Cities #1090                  |
| • William Malone        | 17 February 2026 | Dunes Leatherneck #1056             |
| • Kenneth R. Norfleet   | 7 May 2026       | Mounds #502                         |
| • Jame Marion Turnage   | 6 March 2026     | Knox County #1007                   |
| • Bob Wortman           | 16 February 2026 | Wortman-Lowe Enduring Freedom #1263 |

Members, we have your watch. Rest easy. Fair winds and following seas. Semper Fidelis. Condolences to Department Adjutant Craig McGlinn on the passing of his wife of 49 years, Connie, on 19 March 2026. A Celebration of Life will take place 13 June 2026.

Sick and In Distress include:

- Ed Beatty's mother
- Joe Spark
- Rich Forrester
- Michael "Doc" Doherty suffered his 4<sup>th</sup> mini-stroke
- Drew Terril wife's aunt passed away and her uncle is not doing well

Chaplains are requested to submitted the **Notice of Death** fillable form to the Department Chaplain Ernie Maxwell ([enmaxwell3@gmail.com](mailto:enmaxwell3@gmail.com)) within a few days of the death. A sympathy card will be mailed to the family.



## DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES and OFFICER REPORTS

### **ADJUTANT REPORT by Craig McGlinn**

Every Department of Indiana member is encouraged to create their account (if not done already) to access "for members only" information including reports. From the Department's website home page (<https://mcldeptofindiana.org>) click on the "DOCUMENTS" tab on header bar. This page below appears. Click on the "**CLICK HERE**" red box. Enter your e-mail and password. Issues with your account set up? e-Mail Junior Vice Commandant and Web Sergeant Dan Tolson at [mcldepartmentofindiana@gmail.com](mailto:mcldepartmentofindiana@gmail.com) with your issue.

Commandants, Department Officers, and Committees are to submit their written report (Word or PDF) to Department Adjutant Craig McGlinn **no less** than 2 weeks before the Summer Convention and both the Fall and Spring Conferences. All Detachment, Department officers, and committee reports are now posted on our website for members only access. ***The reports are no longer to be printed and placed in the meeting room!***

All Detachments are asked to send a copy of their most current Detachment Bylaws to both myself (Dept Adjutant) and the Department Judge Advocate. These are used (by me) to verify that information shown on your ROIs agrees with your Detachment Bylaws, etc. If your detachment would like recommendations and assistance in reviewing your bylaws, please reach out to the Department Judge Advocate or myself!

The Marine Corps League has its own app which is available for download on both iPhone and Android smartphones. Just go to the appropriate "app store" and search "Marine Corps league." There is **A LOT** of good information available!

### **AMERICANISM AWARD – PRESERVING OUR LEGACY by Dr. Jennifer Spencer**

One of the most rewarding projects a Marine Corps League detachment can undertake is creating an Americanism Book. These books serve as a lasting record of your detachment's activities, accomplishments, and contributions to your community while preserving your history for future generations of Marines and Associate Members.

An Americanism Book is much more than a competition entry. It is a valuable recruiting tool that showcases the impact your detachment has on veterans, youth, patriotism programs, community service projects, ceremonies, and special events. It documents your detachment's history, celebrates milestones and anniversaries, highlights member achievements, and creates a permanent record of your legacy.

Many members assume creating an Americanism Book is difficult, but it can be as simple or as elaborate as your detachment desires. Traditional scrapbook style books can be created using materials available at Hobby Lobby, Michaels, local craft stores, and online suppliers such as Scrapbook.com. Photos, newspaper clippings, event programs, certificates, and written narratives can all be incorporated into a professional and attractive presentation.

Detachments may also choose to create a digital Americanism Book using Canva or similar design software. These digital books can be professionally printed and bound as hardcover books, giving your detachment a polished publication that will last for years.

The Department Americanism Book Competition recognizes outstanding efforts to document and promote Americanism activities throughout the year. The winning detachment earns the

prestigious Gil Gray Award, while other exceptional entries may receive honorable mention recognition.

If your detachment is interested in participating, a procedural guide and competition information are available on the Department website under the Americanism Program resources section, <https://mcdeptofindiana.org/committees>. The guide provides detailed instructions, requirements, judging criteria, and submission information to help your detachment get started.

Americanism books may be submitted electronically by June 15th or simply share a hard copy to anyone attending the national convention. You may share your submission with me or someone else on or around August 15th.

Whether your detachment is large or small, every unit has a story worth telling. Creating an Americanism Book ensures that those stories, accomplishments, and traditions are preserved for future Marines while showcasing the tremendous work being done across our department.

If you have questions about getting started, organizing content, selecting materials, or creating either a traditional or digital book, I would be happy to help. I have two examples I can share! Please feel free to reach out. Together, we can preserve the history of our detachments and highlight the outstanding work being accomplished throughout the Marine Corps League.

Jen Spencer  
765-667-2861  
[perki999@gmail.com](mailto:perki999@gmail.com)

### **AWARDS by Tim Jones**

The Marine Corps League Department of Indiana held its Summer Convention on 5-7 June 2026 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton in Plainfield, IN. Department Commandant Kay Ross was honored to present numerous awards to members who have shown exemplary service to the Department.

This year's recipient of the Department of Indiana **Marine Corps Leaguer of the Year** was chosen from four worthy nominees. This year's MOY is **Dan Tolson**. Dan is a member of the Dunes Leathernecks Detachment 1056. Dan is currently the Detachment Paymaster, Toys for Tots Coordinator, and the Commander of the Dunes Young Marines Unit. He is also the Department Junior Vice Commandant, Department Web Sergeant, Department Training Officer, and Department Public Relations Officer. He is the MODD Indiana Pack Sr. Vice and Central Division Web Sergeant.

Associate members do so much for their detachments, and there were four nominees this year for **Associate Member of the Year**. The recipient of this year's AMOY is **Jennifer Spencer**. A member of the Tripoli Detachment 844, Jennifer is the Detachment Paymaster, Facebook page administrator, and newsletter editor. She is extremely active in local detachment events, including local fairs, festivals, parades, annual golf outing, and the annual birthday ball. She was instrumental in establishing the detachment's Conrad "Gunny" Heslin Memorial Scholarship. She serves as the Department Americanism Award Committee chair, and is the Department Special Events chair for the '26 national convention.

The **Renbarger-Wukitsch Paymaster/Adjutant Leadership Award** recognizes the outstanding contributions and time commitment necessary to fill the role as a detachment or department Paymaster or Adjutant. There were three nominees for this year's award. The

recipient of the 2026 Renbarger-Wukitsch Paymaster/Adjutant Leadership Award is **Craig McGlinn**. In the past, Craig held the office of Department Judge Advocate, and when the office of Adjutant opened up, Craig volunteered without hesitation. He has also been the Department Awards chair and updated the Department Awards Manual. On the detachment level, he accepted the office of Adjutant in the newly formed Capt. James A. Graham Detachment 1497. Craig is always willing to assist those who have questions and concerns.

The **Edward W. Storck "Semper Fidelis" Award** is named after Marine Edward W. Storck, a charter member of the Fort Miami Detachment and long-time Detachment Paymaster. This award is presented to a deserving member of the Marine Corps League Department of Indiana who has devoted much time and energy over the years as an outstanding member that has shown outstanding loyalty and meritorious service to the Department of Indiana. This year's recipient is **Robert Mantle**. Robert has been a member of the MCL since 1984. He currently serves as District 4 Vice Commandant.

A **Special Commandant's Award** was presented to **Otto Dowlen III** by Department Commandant Kay Ross. Otto currently serves as District 7 Vice Commandant. A Department Recruiter of the Year Award was presented to Robert Reutter of the River Cities Detachment 1090 for bring in 5 new members to the detachment. Commandant Ross also presented the Distinguished Citizen Award (silver) to Larry Walker of the Tripoli Detachment 844, and to Victor Alvarez of the Mounds Detachment 502. The Mounds Detachment 502 and the River Cities Detachment 1090 were awarded Department Meritorious Unit Commendations for special event these detachments undertook.

Commandant Ross presented the Department Officers and District Vice Commandants with Distinguished Citizen Awards for the work they do to keep the Department operating.

The Officers who received a Distinguished Citizen Award (silver) are Sr. Vice Commandant Chris Taylor, Jr. Vice Commandant Dan Tolson, Judge Advocate Alena Gillum, Adjutant Craig McGlinn, Paymaster Dave Englert, Chaplain Ernie Maxwell, Sgt-at-Arms Tim Short, Chief of Staff Kelly Gillihan, and Jr. Past Commandant Robert O'Donnell.

Distinguished Citizen Award (bronze) were awarded to the District Vice Commandants. Serving as DVCs are D1-Darren Surney, D2-Brad Ulick, D-3 Jim Snowberger, D-4 Robert Mantle, D-5 Ed Beaty, D-6 Randall Torrence, D-7 Otto Dowlen III, D-8 Bill Pease, D-9 Tonya Bardsley, and D-10 Anthony Clayton.

### **CRUMBO SCHOLARSHIP by Kay Ross**

Congratulations to this year's recipients of the Crumbo Scholarship. Each student will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 this year. We wish each one of them the best as they begin their new school year in college.

Jayce Clayton Bowman, daughter of Marine Mathew Bowman from the David M. Shoup Detachment. Jayce is entering her freshman year at Indiana State University. Her field of study is Aviation Flight Technology.

Dharma Fribley, Granddaughter of Marine Thomas Fribley from the Elkhart Area Marines Detachment. Dharma is entering her Junior year at Iowa State University. Her fields of study are Landscape Architecture and International Studies.

Grant Hull, grandson of Marine John Bryant from the River Cities Detachment. Grant is entering his sophomore year at the University of Southern Indiana. His field of study is Biology.

Lacey Munoz-Swedberg, Granddaughter of Marine Thomas West from the Pride and Purpose Detachment. Lacey is entering her sophomore year at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Her field of study is General Business.

**THANK YOU** to the detachments and individuals who donate to and support the Charles Crumbo Scholarship Program!

**HISTORIAN by Matthew Spencer**

The history of each Detachment including pictures needed as soon as possible. Send your history to me at ASAP to [matthewsspencer67@gmail.com](mailto:matthewsspencer67@gmail.com)! Commandants, please make certain your Detachment submits your history!

**JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT by Dan Tolson**

Detachment Junior Vice Commandants and Paymasters are to call or visit every Detachment Life Member to conduct the annual Life Member Audit. Verify all information is accurate!

Now is the time to personally reach out to each of your regular and associate members to check in on them and to ask them to renew their membership. Dues are due by 31 August to your Detachment Paymaster.

A black rectangular graphic with white text and a central logo. The text reads: "Membership Renewal", "Annual Notice", "Expires 31 August", "Renew today with your local Detachment Paymaster". The logo is the Marine Corps League emblem, featuring an eagle with wings spread, perched on a globe, with a anchor and a sword. The text "MARINE CORPS LEAGUE" is at the top and "SEMPER FIDELIS" is at the bottom of the circular emblem.

**NATIONAL NEWLETTER COMPETITION by Terry Taylor, Sr.**

The deadline for entries into the 2026 National Newsletter Competition is **Tuesday, June 30**. As of June 28, Indiana has 3 of the 22 entries submitted: our department and 2 Detachments in Division II (Tripoli #844 and Pride and Purpose #1435). ***Good luck!***

Division I (under 49 members)	6	
Division II (50-100 members)	6	(Tripoli #844 and Pride and Purpose #1435)
Division III (101+ members)	2	
Department	7	(Indiana is included)
Division	1	(new category if more than 2 entries)

## **PAYMASTER POINTS TO PONDER by Dave Englert**

I hope to pass on critical information to those who were not able to make it to the Summer Convention and may not get this otherwise. If you've never been there, look over the materials available on the Paymaster of the Department Webpage at: <https://mcdeptofindiana.org/paymaster>.

Here are some important dates and requirements coming up quickly:

**IRS 990/990EZ/990N** – Any of these can be filed as early as 1 July. Your fiscal year is 1 July to 30 June. Filing is free using the IRS website. Which one to file?

Gross receipts normally ≤ \$50,000 <b>Note:</b> Organizations <a href="#">eligible</a> to file the <b>e-Postcard</b> <a href="#">may choose to file a full return</a>	<a href="#">990-N</a>
Gross receipts < \$200,000, and Total assets < \$500,000	<a href="#">990-EZ</a> <a href="#">PDF</a> or <a href="#">990</a> <a href="#">PDF</a>
Gross receipts ≥ \$200,000, or Total assets ≥ \$500,000	<a href="#">990</a> <a href="#">PDF</a>

**Report of Financial Audit** – Detachments are required to conduct a financial audit/review annually and report that audit to the Department via the Department Paymaster. A sample form and a training document are available on the paymaster tab of the Department Website.

**Life Member Audit** - The department paymaster will send audits out in mid-July with instructions on completion. Basic requirement is to confirm that all life members are listed and are still active. **Best practice** – Contact all life members in June to verify they are still alive. It's a boost to morale that someone is still contacting them!

**Membership Dues** – Collecting and transmitting dues is the top priority of the detachment paymaster. **Best practice** – Send dues notices by mail/email/social media/word of mouth no later than June. The goal should be to have 100% membership on 1 September annually. Transmittals are now email to the Department Paymaster with dues being sent preferably via Zeffy. You do not need a Zeffy account to send funds. Creating an online payment option for your members is beneficial.

**Indiana Business Entity Report** - Detachments and pounds must file every 2 years on the anniversary of their incorporation. **Pro Tip! The detachment status report shows your due date for filing!** File with the Secretary of State at IN-BiZ. Normal cost is \$21 filing and \$1.50 convenience charge if using ACH.

Use caution when responding to emails. Notices from the IRS and the Secretary of State will **ONLY** come from a .GOV address. Always use a known good link when filing. Notices will never come from a gmail, outlook.com, or hotmail address. Expand the email address to view the full address.

## **WEBSITE by Dan Tolson**

Detachments are encouraged to submit to me re-occurring events (monthly breakfasts, monthly meetings, and so on) for the Department calendar. Send me a PDF on your special events (birthday ball, flag retirement, golf tournament, and so on) for the website.

## **YOUNG MARINES by Robert O'Donnell**

We have 5 active Young Marine units in Indiana (Dunes/Valparaiso, Kentuckiana/Clarksville, Morgan County/Martinsville, Scott County, and Seymour).

We encourage all Detachments to support these units with an annual donation to the Department for Young Marines which will be split evenly between the active units. Make checks payable to "**Dept of IN, MCL**" with "**Young Marines**" on memo line. ***We appreciate your support!***

If you want to start a Young Marines unit, contact me at 812-595-0720. It would be my honor to help you start a unit. All it takes is 3 adults passing the background check and the commitment to help our kids.

More information can be found at the Young Marine website:

<https://youngmarines.org/#>



### **CENTRAL DIVISION NATIONAL VICE COMMANDANT DAVE ENGLERT**

Greetings Fellow Hoosiers!

I encourage everyone to consider volunteering some of your time to make the 2026 National Convention in Indianapolis a success. Attending the first National Convention held in Indiana since 1976 should be on your bucket list! If you want to know more, go to <https://mclindy2026.org/> to find out more. If you want to volunteer, contact any department officer.

**America 250** All detachments and departments should be looking for opportunities to join in celebrations of America's 250<sup>th</sup> year of independence. Showing the colors is the surest way to let the world know you exist. Every county in Indiana has a campaign for you to join in at some level. A sampling of events is posted to <https://www.in.gov/usa250/>.

**Mobile App** If somehow you did not get the word, the Marine Corps League has an app for that! From the app, you can pull up your membership card, read the magazine, find links to all kinds of valuable information, look at schedules and agendas of events, review a calendar of events across the nation, receive alerts on MCL and USMC news, locate a detachment, find veteran services, and even shop from the store. You can download the app from either the Play Store or

Apple Store by searching for "Marine Corps League". Login is your last name and your profile ID #, which is available from your paymaster.

**Bylaws** Proposals to make changes to the National Bylaws or Administrative Procedures have been submitted to the National Executive Director. Bylaw change submissions are posted to the Convention tab of the national website and should be reviewed at the detachment level prior to the National Convention so that your delegates can vote with informed intelligence.

**Youth Physical Fitness Program** Facing low participation in the program and cancellation of competitions, the National Board of Trustees has made the decision to suspend National Marine Corps League activities within the program. If you attend the National Convention, you'll be able to provide input concerning the future of the program.

**Member Library** I still get the phone calls from members asking why they can't find the bylaws and administrative procedures on the national website. If you're one of them, or know someone who is "that guy", the Member Library is the answer. You need to know the super-secret passcode to get into it though. If you don't know the code, ask around!

**Bylaws** I'm always inspired by members who emphatically state what the bylaws say, when it's very apparent that they have not read bylaws or administrative procedures. Take some time and read up! National Bylaws and National Administrative Procedures are in a very nice searchable pdf format that can be downloaded.

Thank you for the opportunity to represent you! Stretch your abilities and don't be afraid to take the next step.

**Semper Fi!**

Dave

## **CENTRAL DIVISION CONFERENCE 2026**

**Congratulations to Dave Englert** for being nominated and elected to remain as the National Vice Commandant Central Division for two more years! The Department of Indiana was well represented!



Left to Right: Otto Dowlen, Teresa Gillihan, Tim Shortt, Kelly Gillihan, Karen Englert, Dave Englert, Dan Tolson, Kay Ross, and Robert O'Donnell

## AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

### **MOUNDS #502 - ANDERSON**

Mounds and Marion Tripoli #844 joined together for the Middletown Lions Parade on 9 June 2026



### **RIVER CITIES #1090 – EVANSVILLE**

#### **4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ALL MARINE PICNIC and 250<sup>th</sup> PATRIOTIC FOREWORKS**

DATE: Saturday, 11 July 2026  
PLACE: Robinson Township Conservation Club  
1015 Stierley Road N, Wadesville, IN 47638  
TIME: 1600-2230  
DETAILS: Pulled pork BBQ, hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and condiments Provided  
Bring a covered dish to share, chairs, and drinks for your family  
Games for all ages, food, and fellowship  
45-minute fireworks display second to none  
Come join your fellow Marines and other veterans celebrate America 250  
RSVP: Send e-mail to Chris Boyd at [cboyd67@gmail.com](mailto:cboyd67@gmail.com) to let him how many people you are bringing and what covered dish so they do not have 27 baked beans!



## **PRIDE AND PURPOSE #1435 – FORT WAYNE**

### **FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY**

4,000 unserviceable American flags were respectfully retired Saturday, 9 May 2026. They will do a Fall Flag Retirement on Saturday, 10 October 2026. Public invited!



### **8th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT – ROOM FOR 7 MORE TEAMS!**

## **8th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Sunday, September 6, 2026**

**Eel River Golf Course**

1265 N 950 E / Churubusco, IN 46723

### **NEED 7 MORE TEAMS TO FILL 28-TEAM FIELD**

- 8AM CHECK-IN / 9AM SHOTGUN START
- FREE COFFEE AND JACK'S DONUTS DURING CHECK-IN
- HOMEMADE LUNCH
- AWARDS FOR TOP 3 TEAMS
- 9 MEN AND 9 WOMEN CONTEST HOLES FOR \$50 EACH
- PLAYER GIFTS INCLUDE GOLF HAT, SLEEVE OF GOLF BALLS, MICROFIBER GOLF TOWEL, AND SOME GOLF TEES
- CANNON GUN ON HOLE #10 – HOLE IN ONE RECEIVES MEMBERSHIP TO EEL RIVER GOLF COURSE
- DRAWING FOR MEMBERSHIP TO MIDWEST SHOOTING CENTER
- \$85 PER PLAYER / \$340 PER FOURSOME INCLUDES GREEN FEES, CART, LUNCH, FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND MORE



**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT FW22 and SHEPHERD'S HOUSE**



**TO REGISTER USE THIS LINK:**

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/8th-annual-charity-golf-tournament>

No rain date and no refunds if cancelled due to severe weather by ERGC

**HIRAM I. BEARSS #089 – INDIANAPOLIS**  
**DONATIONS FOR 27 DEPLOYED**

Collected donations and items for 27 deployed from Indianapolis Area!



**TRIPOLI #844 – MARION**  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Saturday, 22 August 2026

Marion Elks Lodge and Golf Course, 1100 E Bond Rd, Marion, IN 46752

\$50 per person / \$200 per 4-player team

1200 check-in and grill open

1300 shotgun start

Lunch and 2 drink tickets included

Prizes for closest to the pin and longest drive

Silent auction

Sponsorships available: \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$300 lunch, and \$300 beer cart

All proceeds support Hesling Memorial Scholarship and Veterans Treatment Court.

Call 765-460-7083 to register or e-mail [mcltripoli844@gmail.com](mailto:mcltripoli844@gmail.com) by 1 August 2026.



**GUNNY HESLIN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

The first Gunny Heslin College Scholarship was awarded to a student will be attending the University of St. Francis in Fort Wayne this fall in the amount of \$6,000!

**ST. JOSEPH VALLEY #095 – SOUTH BEND**

A promotional poster for the Marine Corps League's Annual Marine Mud Run. The top half features a stylized American flag background with the text "SAVE THE DATE!" in large, bold, white letters. To the right is the Marine Corps emblem. Below the flag, the text reads "Marine Corps League" in a gold serif font, followed by "ST. JOSEPH VALLEY DETACHMENT #095's" in a smaller white font. The main title "ANNUAL MARINE MUD RUN" is in large, bold, white letters with a distressed, mud-like texture. Below this, it says "WILL BE HELD" in a small white font, and "SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026" in a large, bold, gold font. The bottom half of the poster shows a man and a woman crawling through a thick layer of mud, both smiling and looking towards the camera. The background of the bottom half is a dark, muddy ground.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Marine Corps League

ST. JOSEPH VALLEY DETACHMENT #095's

— ANNUAL —

**MARINE MUD RUN**

WILL BE HELD

**SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026**

At Abro Stadium and surrounding grounds

**Marian High School Soccer Field**

1500 S Logan St., Mishawaka, IN, 466545

**MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!**

**Who is getting down and dirty?**

# YOUNG MARINES

There are currently five (5) Young Marine units in the State of Indiana. They are in Clarksville (Kentuckiana), Martinsville (Morgan County), Scott County, Seymour, and Valparaiso (Dunes).

Detachments are encouraged to support the Young Marine units, attend graduation ceremonies, and make monetary donations. You can earmark your donation to one specific unit or all in which case the donation would be split 5 ways. Donations can be submitted to Department Paymaster Dave Englert, and place in the "memo" line who it is for.

**LEADERSHIP**  
DISCIPLINE TEAMWORK

★ SCOTT COUNTY ★  
**YOUNG MARINES**  
**KISS THE PIG**  
**FOR THE KIDS!**

HELP US REACH OUR  
**\$2,000**  
GOAL TO SUPPORT  
TOMORROW'S  
LEADERS!

SO FAR WE HAVE  
**\$150**  
RAISED!

IF WE REACH OUR \$2,000 GOAL,  
**COMMANDER O'DONNELL**  
**WILL KISS THE PIG LIVE**  
**AT THE SCOTT COUNTY 4-H FAIR!**

**CASH DONATIONS ONLY**  
LOOK FOR  
DONATION  
BUCKETS AT  
LOCAL EVENTS  
AND BUSINESSES!

**THURSDAY**  
**JUNE 25**  
DURING FAIR HOURS

**SCOTT COUNTY**  
**4-H FAIR**  
SCOTT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
SCOTTSBURG, IN

**DONATION BUCKETS CURRENTLY LOCATED AT:**

- HOLLAND'S BARBERSHOP  
AUSTIN, IN
- AMERICAN LEGION  
POST 234  
SCOTTSBURG, IN
- CASEY'S GENERAL STORE  
US 31 SOUTH  
SCOTTSBURG, IN
- FLIPDADDY'S  
SCOTTSBURG, IN
- BOOTLEGGERS BAR & GRILL  
SCOTTSBURG, IN
- VFW POST 6582  
AUSTIN, IN

**ADDITIONAL WAYS TO SUPPORT:**

- ES** DONATE THROUGH  
OUR PARTNER  
EARTH SOLUTIONS
- REACH OUT TO  
ANY SCOTT COUNTY  
YOUNG MARINE
- EVERY DONATION  
MAKES A DIFFERENCE  
THANK YOU!

★ ★ **BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS TODAY** ★ ★  
ALL PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS, ENCAMPMENTS, TRAINING ACTIVITIES,  
AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCOTT COUNTY YOUNG MARINES.

**GOAL ACHIEVED, AND ROBERT T. O'DONNELL KISSED THE PIG!**

# RESOURCES

## Marine Corps Military Honors

Website: <https://www.hqmc.marines.mil/Agencies/Casualty-MFPC/Funeral-Honors/>  
Phone: 866-826-3628

## Marine Corps League – National

Website: <https://www.mcleaguelibrary.org/>

Includes: Library  
Member Library (requires 3-digit password)

- National Administrative Procedures 2025
- Training
- Uniform Class

Ship Store

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/mclnational>

## Marine Corps League – Central Division

Website: <https://mclcentdiv.org/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/mclcentdiv>

## Marine Corps League – Department of Indiana

Website: <https://mcldeptofindiana.org/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MCLDeptOfIndiana>

## Marine Foundation of Indiana

Website: <https://www.marinefoundationindiana.org/>

Phone: 708-522-7237

## Military Order of Devil Dogs – Indiana Pack (**Private Group**)

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/562766733818836>

## Veterans Administration

Website: <https://www.va.gov/>



## NEXT NEWSLETTER EDITION DEADLINE

Articles, event, information, and photos for the **FALL QUARTER 2026** edition of our newsletter (covers October, November, and December 2026) are **due by 10 September 2026** to editor Terrence L. Taylor, Sr. (Terry) at [ttaylorSr@frontier.com](mailto:ttaylorSr@frontier.com). **Send your Detachment Birthday Ball information!**

## 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, current / former FMF Corpsmen and current / former FMF Navy Chaplains 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.

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- The Department's Quarterly Newsletter is e-mailed on the last Sunday morning of the month, and the Department's Web Sergeant will post it on the Department's website. The Department Adjutant e-mails it to the Detachment Adjutants to forward to their membership.
- Members are encouraged to submit articles and information for the newsletter to the Editor on or before the 10<sup>th</sup> of December, 10<sup>th</sup> of March, 10<sup>th</sup> of June, and the 10<sup>th</sup> of September for the next quarterly issue. The newsletter will help you communicate, inform, promote, and share to grow our Department and Detachments. Let us help you get the word out!
- Event information is subject to change without notice.

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## FINAL THOUGHTS



Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

# THANKS FOR YOUR SERVICE

FREE Sandwiches for all Korean War Veterans

JULY 27<sup>TH</sup>



# AMERICA

