



The official newsletter of the Anne Arundel Co Detachment

Marines Issue Warning on Amphib Fleet

The assistant commandant says 31 large amphibious warfare ships are needed to avoid risk.

February 14, 2023 The U.S. takes on more risk when it doesn't keep a fleet of 31 large amphibious warships, the Marine Corps' No. 2 officer said Tuesday. The Navy had plans to cut the fleet to as few as 24 until Congress intervened last fall.



"Every time that number dips below 31, that is increased risk passed to a combatant commander, passed to a junior commander, passed to a lance corporal, passed to a seaman. So 31 is the answer and we can't accept less. And when it does, we just have to highlight that there's increased risk now for us, for those American citizens waiting to be evacuated for humanitarian assistance disaster relief operations," Gen. Eric Smith, the Marines' assistant commandant, said in a keynote speech at WEST 2023 in San Diego.

Smith noted that Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Mike Gilday and Marine Commandant Gen. David Berger see eye to eye on the need for 10 big-deck amphibious assault ships and 21 amphibious transport dock ships. Both leaders testified as much last May during a Senate Armed Services Committee hearing.

But the Navy, which has called new ballistic missile submarines its top acquisition priority, planned to let the large-amphib fleet slip to as few as 24 ships next year before returning it to 31 in 2030.

Congress said no to that plan, writing the requirement for **31 larger amphibs** into the 2023 National Defense Authorization Act. In the 2023 omnibus bill, lawmakers restored funding for four dock landing ships, or LSDs, that the Navy had sought to retire.

Editor: For more on this article please visit www.defenseone.com

Article by Caitlin M. Kenney, staff reporter, Defense One

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FROM THE EDITOR

ALL THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO PRINT.. AND SOME THAT ISN'T

Greetings Marines,

The last several weeks have been a slow period for the detachment. However, things are about to pick up and business must be done.

Among the business that must be conducted is whether to move the detachment to another location. This has been mentioned before, and a motion regarding the move has been tabled for consideration. We need your input regarding this important topic.

Second, whether or not the detachment moves, we will need to consider purchasing outdoor storage. This may

be in the form of a shed or metal shipping container. Either way, the cost will be about \$2,000+. Again, we need your advice and input on this.

I would like to remind everyone that our annual golf tournament is in the planning phase. If you would like to volunteer please let me know. We can use some fresh ideas.

Semper Fi,
Ray Sturm



Through fundraising efforts in 2022, the **JDog Foundation** was able to donate over \$25,000 last month to their strategic partners who help with Veteran mental health and to prevent Veteran suicide. [Provided by the JDog Brands February 2023 newsletter.]

*Thank you **JDog** for what you are doing to serve our nation's veterans. ~ Editor*

COMMANDANT'S CORNER

Marines,

Here we are again, at a crossroads to make a decision. We tabled a motion two months ago. It was to make a move. The VFW Commander came in and spoke and answered some questions. I'll touch more on the subject at meeting.

Our whiskey locker was flooded, and some items were lost or damaged. We replaced what we could and tossed the rest. An itemized list and receipts will be turned in to the Post, hopefully for reimbursement from their insurance company.

I attended the Department meeting and Pack growl, WOOF WOOF. Gun raffle is moving along well and so is the Department raffle for the convention. Please reach out and buy a ticket for one or the other. It's for our MCL Dept. of Md. Next Department meeting and Pack Growl is 25th of March in Garrett County. Also don't forget the convention 11th of May thru 15th of May.

I would like to thank Ms. Jane Huffman for helping us with another raffle for the detachment.. and guess who won? Norm. Way to go buddy!

Once again thanks for your patience with me. Smoke is clearing and I'm OSCAR MIKE again.

Semper Fi
Burt



Detachment Colors

YOUR DETACHMENT

STAFF

Commandant	Burt Helmka
Sr Vice Cmdt	Ben Wells
Jr Vice Cmdt	Joe Wright
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm
Jr Past Cmdt	Ben Wells
Adjutant	Norm Huffman
Chaplain	Bill Collins
Sgt-at-Arms	Jim Galvin
Color Guard Cdr	Woody Bowman
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm
Paymaster	Joe Wright
Quartermaster	Bill Collins
Public Affairs	Vacant
Marksmanship	Ray Sturm
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright
Young Marines	Ray Sturm

WEBSITE

<http://mclacdet1049.org>

FACEBOOK

Anne Arundel County Detachment
1049, MCL

MEETINGS

The detachment meets the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160, 2597 Dorsey Rd, Glen Burnie, MD

SOCIAL HOUR

Social hour commences immediately after the meeting. Come join us for a beverage and the telling of sea stories.

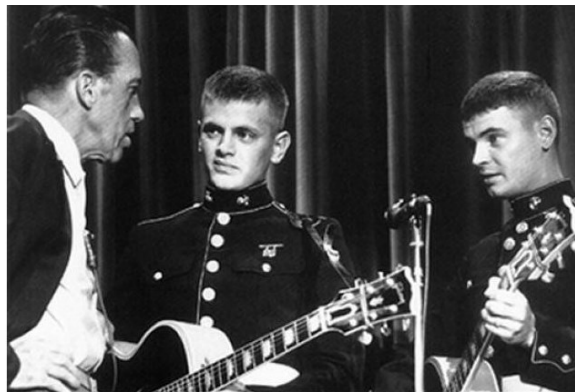
SUBMISSIONS

Submit articles, photos, or suggestions to Ray Sturm at Bandit6A@gmail.com by the Saturday following the detachment meeting.

Famous Marines

Don and Phil Everly ~ The Everly Brothers

The Everly Brothers had a string of hit singles, including "Bye Bye Love" and "Wake Up Little Susie" (which was considered a scandalous song in a simpler time), when they enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve. Stationed at Camp Pendleton from 1961 to 1962, they frequently entertained their company with impromptu concerts.



The duo appeared in their dress blue uniforms on *The Ed Sullivan Show* and performed "Crying in the Rain."

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines,

I hope everyone is doing good during our non-winter snows. We had our first department meeting on the 11th followed by a Pack Growl. Pound 204 we had a growl the next day on the 12th. Next is Mid-Winter Conference on February the 23rd – 25th and I would love to see Detachment 1049 represented well. We would love to see you there so if you have not signed up, please do.



Detachment 1049 will be holding the first round of elections for the new officers on February 27th. The second round is in March with the swearing in at the April meeting. I would like to take a minute and encourage our members to please come back and enjoy your brothers and sisters at our monthly meeting. Our annual Bull and Oyster Roast has been canceled.

Semper Fi

Ben Wells

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines,

Several members have been dropped from the roster due to non payment of dues.

The following members are unpaid at this time for the current membership year.

Charles G Black (23) \$35.00

Daniel Enoch (23) \$35.00

Theodore Proia (23) \$35.00

Erle Schafer (23) \$35.00

Please send your dues to:

A.A. County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League

Post Office Box 804

Severn, Maryland 21144-0804

Let me know if you have any questions.

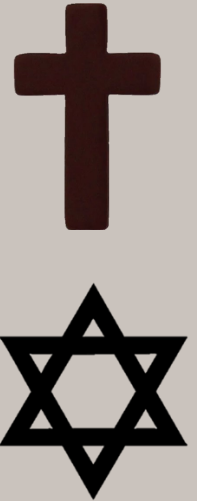
S/F

Joe



CHAPLAIN

Marines,
No report.
Bill Collins



EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR



February 11, 2023

Sgt-at-Arms and Eagle Scout Coordinator, Jim Galvin, presenting the MCL Good Citizenship Award to Eagle Scout Joseph Marino, Troop 382, Arnold, MD.



State of the Union: ‘We’ve got to do more’ to stem veteran suicide

The American Legion ~ February 8, 2023

“Let’s do more to keep this nation’s one truly sacred obligation – to equip those we send into harm’s way and care for them and their families when they come home,” Biden told the nation before listing some of the ways that care can take shape. “Job training. Job place-

ment for veterans and their spouses as they return to civilian life. Helping veterans afford the rent because no one should be homeless in America, especially someone who served the country.”

Biden noted that when he appointed Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough in 2020, “We were losing up to 25 veterans a day on suicide. Now, we are losing 17 a day to the silent scourge of suicide ... VA is doing everything it can, including expanding mental health screening and a proven program that recruits veterans to help other veterans understand what they are going through, to get them the help they need. We’ve got to do more.”

Editor’s note: I’m sure all veterans were pleased to hear the President acknowledge the need to assist those most in need. While his numbers may be up for discussion, the fact that the rate is falling is what matters. There is still a long way to go. Every veteran’s life matters.



DC, Maryland and
Virginia Networking
Happy Hour



Tuesday, Feb 28

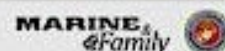


5 PM – 7 PM



Silver Branch
Brewing Company
(8401 Colesville Rd, Silver Spring, MD)

Veterans, Active Duty,
and Civilians are all
Welcome!



Commandant's Report to the Department of Maryland

11 Feb 2023



Marine Corps League

Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

P.O. Box 804

Severn, MD 21144-0804

www.mclaacdet1049.org

Facebook: Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049, MCL

Period covered: 19 November 2022 to 11 February 2023

The Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 meets the fourth Monday of every month. The meetings are held at the Harry L Cooper VFW Post 160, 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD at 1900.

Installation of Officers

Installation of officers was April 25, 2022

Burton Helmka was elected for the Commandant position.

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

Membership

	<u>Life</u>	<u>Annual Unpaid</u>	
Regular	65	7	15
Associate	12	3	1
Multiple	4		
TOTAL	107members		

The detachment continues its attempts to contact and recover every delinquent

Community

Regular meetings held 4th Monday of every month at 1900. Color Guard doesn't have anything going on till spring. Looking at a possible move of detachment to a new location.

Marines Helping Heroes Foundation

The next event for the foundation will be our annual golf tournament. Hope to see you all out there.

Eagle Scouts

Detachment 1049 has presented 1 Eagle Scout Certificate of Good Citizenship since the last department meeting. Eagle Scout Coordinator Jim Gavin

Good of the League

Our Young Marines unit has relocated to American Legion Post# 276 and Detachment is looking for another location also.

Commandant's Report to the Department of Maryland (continued)

Membership

Added one new associate member. Looking at different ways to bring in new members

Young Marines

Our Young Marines are very busy with a encampment coming up in Southern Maryland.

Semper Fidelis

Burton L Helmka

Commandant A.A. County Detachment # 1049

Fraud Prevention Alert from MDVA:



Identity theft continues to be a significant problem for Veterans and dependents. On occasion, a Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) Veterans Benefits Specialist may contact a veteran or family member to request personal information before submitting a VA claim. To mitigate the possibility of being a victim of identity theft, MDVA strongly advises veterans and families to be 100% certain they are speaking with a MDVA representative before releasing any personal information to include date of birth, social security number, or bank account information. If there is any concern regarding the legitimacy of a phone call and the need for information, please call 800-446-4926, ext. 6450 to verify the caller is indeed a MDVA employee.

[MDVA Service & Benefits Program](#)

The U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs has also provided a Fraud Prevention Alert. You may read that alert below in the Federal News section.

Honor Flight Maryland

Seeking WWII, Korean and Vietnam Veterans who may be interested in visiting DC Memorials, as well as, volunteers and guardians to help. Honor Flights Maryland transports America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices. Helping every single veteran in America, willing and able of getting on a plane or a bus, visit THEIR memorial - Honor Flight Maryland.

[Register Now](#)



<https://www.honorflightmd.org>



VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION UPDATE: GULF WAR VETERANS



You can now sign up for VA's free, virtual class *Airborne Hazards and Burn Pits: What You Need to Know*. Join this class on Thursday, February 23, from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. ET. You can attend through your personal computer, smart phone, or tablet.

To learn more about the class and to register, see the class flyer at:

<https://www.warrelatedillness.va.gov/WARRELATEDILLNESS/education/local-offerings/support/AirborneHazardsClassBrochure.pdf>.

All Veterans will need to register in order to join in. If you have trouble with registration, email VA's War Related Illness and Injury Study Center at NJWRIISCEDTEAM@va.gov.



Veterans
Crisis Line



DIAL 988 then
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Daniel Daly

Daniel Joseph Daly (November 11, 1873 – April 27, 1937) was a United States Marine and one of nineteen U.S. servicemen to have been awarded the Medal of Honor twice. He earned his first Medal of Honor during the Boxer Rebellion in 1900, and the second in Haiti in 1915. **Daly and Major General Smedley Butler are the only Marines who earned two Medals of Honor in two separate actions.**

In World War I, Daly became further entrenched in Marine Corps lore when he is said to have yelled, **"Come on, you sons of bitches, do you want to live forever?"** to his company before charging the Germans at the Battle of Belleau Wood. Butler described Daly as "the fightingest Marine I ever knew...It was an object lesson to have served with him.



Daly being awarded the Medaille Militaire.

Daniel Daly



Birth name	Daniel Joseph Daly
Born	November 11, 1873 Glen Cove, New York, U. S.
Died	April 27, 1937 (aged 63) New York City, U.S.
Buried	Cypress Hills National Cemetery
Allegiance	United States
Service/branch	United States Marine Corps
Years of service	1899–1929
Rank	Sergeant Major
Unit	2nd Marine Regiment 6th Marine Regiment
Battles/wars	Boxer Rebellion <ul style="list-style-type: none">Battle of Peking Banana Wars <ul style="list-style-type: none">Battle of VeracruzBattle of Fort Dipitie World War I <ul style="list-style-type: none">Battle of Belleau WoodBattle of Saint-MihielBattle of Blanc Mont Ridge
Awards	Medal of Honor (2) Navy Cross Distinguished Service Cross Citation Star Médaille militaire (France) Croix de Guerre (France)



MODD

Hound Dog Pound 204

Pack Growl: 25 March Garrett County

Grand Growl: 12 May Ocean City

Next Pound 204 Growl: 10 September

Hound Dog Pound 204

Mer-lin Pack

Officers

- Pound Keeper Paul Gunther
- Sr Vice PK Pat Sharkey
- Jr Vice PK Howard Koontz
- Smart Dog Ray Sturm
- Dog Trainer Leonard Steipler
- Mad Dog Woody Bowman
- Police Dog Norm Huffman
- Watch Dog Burt Helmka
- Barking Dog Stuart Blair
- Dog Robber Joe Wright

Next Growl

September 12

Dog House

Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160



Woof! Woof!



Plan to attend



Hosted by the National Public Relations Committee



No information available. Will advise on next Zoom.



Borrowed from the Terminal Lance website. ~ Maximilian



Young Marines

Upcoming Events

17—19 Feb	Back Azimuth Encampment	Cheltenham, MD	
4 Mar	PFT	TBD	TBD
5 Mar	Unit Drill (Flag Etiquette)	Am Leg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
19 Mar	Unit Drill (History.DDR)	Am Leg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
21-23 Apr	Downs Park Encampment	Pasadena, MD	
22-24 Sept	Sandy Point Encampment	Sandy Point, MD	

Firearms Safety Class



On 5 Feb, The Anne Arundel Young Marines hosted a NRA Firearms Safety Seminar at the American Legion Post 276 in Severn, MD. Attendees earned the Young Marines Marksmanship Ribbon. The ribbon is the first step in the Young Marines Marksmanship Program and is a prerequisite to live fire. Guest units that participated were from the Hamilton, Southern Maryland, Historic Elkridge, Oxon Hill, and Eight & I Young Marines. A total of 30 Young Marines earned their ribbon and were joined by 20 Adult Volunteers from throughout the Maryland Regiment.



SEVERNA PARK VOICE

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1981

Anne Arundel Young Marines Program Teaches Leadership And Life Skills

By Sharon Mager

A group of young people in Anne Arundel County are lending a helping hand in the community, honoring veterans and promoting a drug-free lifestyle. Who are these youth? They're a service organization called the Anne Arundel Young Marines.

The national Young Marines program started in 1959. It was founded by U.S. Marines who wanted to train their children with some of the values of the Marine Corps while promoting leadership training and basic life skills.



The Anne Arundel Young Marines, open to youth ages 8 to 18 throughout the county, meets at American Legion Post 276 in Severn. As part of the national Young Marines, a Marine Corps League subsidiary organization, they mirror their namesakes in the military by wearing uniforms and moving up in rank as they achieve various skills and abilities. In 2022, the local group was named the Regimental Unit of the Year in Maryland for the second consecutive time.

In addition to keeping physically fit, Young Marines learn close-order drills, military history, citizenship, first aid, maps and compasses, nutrition, and public speaking. A big part of the Young Marines from the beginning has been helping young people live healthy lives, and that emphasis continues today. The Anne Arundel unit's executive officer, Joan Taylor-Wheatley, said that not only are the youth encouraged to live healthy lives but they are also encouraged to teach and motivate their friends to strive for that lifestyle as well.

Although the Young Marines aren't an official program of the U.S. Marine Corps and are a non-federal entity, Young Marines who have achieved the rank of sergeant are eligible to enlist in the military at a slightly higher rank.

Taylor-Wheatley began volunteering when her son joined the organization.

“Bladen was interested in anything military related from the time he was 6 to 7 years old,” Taylor-Wheatley said. “He signed up in 2016 as soon as he was 8.”

Like most parents, she dropped Bladen off at the meetings and picked him up later, but when leaders said they needed help, she gradually began volunteering. At first, she helped for Bladen’s sake, but then she fell in love with the program and began to really care about the kids.

“I love seeing them so excited when we graduate new recruits or give out ribbons – to see them take pride in themselves is a big deal,” Taylor-Wheatley said.

In addition to their regular drills, the Young Marines members serve the community. In October, they helped with a mobile food pantry at North Glen Community Church in Glen Burnie, packing and distributing about 800 pounds of food to more than 150 families.

Severna Park resident Barry Mager oversees the pantry at the Glen Burnie church, and he praised the assistance from the Young Marines.

“We were short on volunteers that month, and they were invaluable,” Mager said. “They worked as hard as the adults.”

The group’s service isn’t limited to food pantries, though. They attend an annual ceremony for veterans at Brightview Senior Living in Annapolis, where they eat lunch with residents.

“I really like to see them having conversations with the veterans,” Taylor-Wheatley said. “My son stood there with one man with his awards on him, and he and Bladen were comparing ribbons. I loved that.”

On Veterans Day, the group goes to Maryland Veterans Cemetery to place American flags on graves. They also participate in Independence Day parades, and in December, they partner with Wreaths Across America to place holiday decor on the graves of veterans.

The Young Marines group also hones life and survival skills, including CPR. They go camping, set up tents and build fires under supervision.

Caleb Missimore, an 8-year-old Severna Park resident, was officially recognized as the group’s newest “recruit” last month. He was all smiles at the ceremony, standing in uniform and accepting his certificate in front of other Young Marines, parents and friends. Caleb said he joined Young Marines because he loves his country, and he wants to get fit. “I’ve made friends,” Caleb said.



Photo by Sharon Mager

Ray Sturm, a 2018 Marine Corps League Department of Maryland Marine of the Year, serves as the commander of the Anne Arundel Young Marines. Sturm was elected as the head of the Anne Arundel group in March of last year after the former commander was transferred with the Air Force.

“I like how the program stresses leadership, teamwork and discipline,” Sturm said. “Once established, these traits will follow a Young Marine throughout their lives. It gives them the confidence to succeed, whether in giving a public presentation or giving commands at drill.”

Sturm also is pleased with the unit’s commitment to community service and their willingness to help.

“What they do outside of the program is staggering,” Sturm said. “We have a future Eagle Scout, church youth group leaders and school club officers in the unit. I am very proud of them.”

For more information, visit youngmarines.org/unit/annearundel/page or email annearundelym@gmail.com.



Daniel Westerlund, a Lance Corporal with the Young Marines program, carried cans of tuna for the Anne Arundel Young Marines. Photo by Sharon Mager

UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDAR

23 Feb	Midwinter Conf	Norfolk, VA	
27 Feb	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
27 Mar	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	
24 April	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	
11 May	Dept of MD Convention	Ocean City, MD	
22 May	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
2 June	Golf Tournament	Walden CC	9:00 AM
3 June	Downs Park Fam Day	Pasadena, MD	
23 June	MidEast Div Conference	TBD—MD	
26 June	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM

Please send calendar additions to Ray Sturm at Bandit6A@gmail.com NLT the Saturday following the detachment's monthly meeting.

Why shouldn't you trust a pastry chef on Valentine's Day?

Because he'll dessert you.

Paymaster's Report

January 2023

Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

26 December 2022 – 22 January 2023



Monthly Summary

Checking Account (see <i>Monthly Transactions Sheet</i>)	Beginning	\$10,003.78
	Receipts	\$1,040.00
	Expenses	(\$1,482.20)
	Ending	\$9,561.58
Savings Account	Beginning	\$2,267.76
	Interest	\$0.09
	Deposits	
	Withdrawals	
	Ending	\$2,267.85
Total Detachment Assets		\$11,829.43

Details regarding the Paymaster's Report are available to any member. Please contact Joe Wright.

Minutes



Detachment Meeting Minutes
Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049
Marine Corps League
January 23, 2023

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Sr. Vice Commandant Ben Wells.
Members in attendance: 12

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Adjutant	Norm Huffman	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Eischio	A
Chaplain	Bill Collins	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Joe Wright	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Bill Collins	E
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	E
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	P
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: One Associate application was received from Deborah Deene. Application was approved. Deborah was sworn into the League by Commandant Burt Helmka.

ADJUTANT'S REPORT: Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright (acting Adjutant for Norm Huffman) will send the December minutes as soon as he is able.

PAYMASTER: Paymaster Wright verbally gave the financial report and will send a copy to Adjutant for minutes.

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Acting Chaplain Ben Wells asked everyone to continue to keep Bill Collins in your prayers. He is sounding much better.

Ben also reported Jerry Bowersox passed and a Memorial service will be held on January 28th at Laurel's Post 66. Uniform for the memorial service: Red blazer & Black trousers.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Burt Helmka again reported the Detachment's storage room at the VFW had a pipe burst and the room was flooded, damaging several items. The Charter was damaged and had to be reframed. Sr. Vice Commandant Wells had the Charter repaired. Hoping to get reimbursement for additional damages.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: No report

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: No report

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ray Sturm requested articles be sent to him in a timely manner.

QUARTERMASTER: In Bill Collins absence, Commandant Wells reported the footlocker is dry inside but is turning rusty due to the flooding. A new footlocker is needed.

WEB SERGEANT: No report.

BY LAWS: It was reported that Danny Fischio is looking over the bylaws and is checking on Associate member information on medals. Go by the Nationals information.

COLOR GUARD: Commander Woody Bowman reported he has nothing scheduled until May.

YOUNG MARINES: Young Marine Commander Ray Sturm gave the following report:

February – cold weather campout at Cheltenham

The Severna Park Voice reported a great article on the Young Marines.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ray Sturm reported the only days available for meetings at the American Legion Post 276 were Thursday and Fridays. Will not choose Friday as that's a busy day. Commandants will meet with the AL to assure they could accommodate the detachment. Great parking and lighting, private entrance. Will need to see where the storage container would be placed outside.

NEW BUSINESS: Sr. Vice Commandant Wells expressed concern if the detachment would be holding its Annual Bull & Oyster Roast. Help is needed to sell tickets and to work the event. After a discussion, the Roast was cancelled for this season. Jane Huffman will be holding the \$500 Valentine Raffle and will hold the auction in the Spring (\$2500) which will make up for the loss of Bull & Oyster revenue.

Commandant Helmka requested all to think of who they would like to nominate for Marine of the Year. This will take place March/April timeframe.

The purchase of a storage shed was discussed. Alternatives discussed were containers or a trailer for storage. There is \$2,500 already allocated toward the purchase.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: A shrimp feast for members was discussed. More discussion at a later date.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Acting Sgt. at Arms Ed Dahling closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on February 27, 2023. Closing prayer was given by Acting Chaplain Ben Wells.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm Huffman, Adjutant - Marine Corps League - A. A. County Detachment 1049

National Midwinter Conference

Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel

777 Waterside Drive

Norfolk, VA 23510

23 –25 February 2023



MID-WINTER NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, February 23, 2023

Event Time	Event	Location
0800 - 1200	MCL Budget Committee Meeting	Riverview
1200 - 1700	MCL Ships Store / Registration	York Hall
1200 - 1700	MCLA Ships Store	Brandon
1200 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Registration (Dog House)	Merrimack
1200 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Monticello
1300 - 1600	MCL Foundation Meeting	Montpelier
1300 - 1700	MCL National Board of Trustees Meeting	Eppington
1300 - 1700	MCLA Board Meeting	Greenway
1700 - 1900	Department Commandant's Council	Poplar/Providence Hall
1800 - 1930	MODD PCDD Society Growl	Montecello
1900 - 2200	Not So Talented Talent Show (POC: Angela Maness)	Providence/Poplar Hall
1900 - 2200	Joint Hospitality Room (MCL/MCLA/DevilDogs/Fleas)	Stratford

Friday, February 24, 2023

Event Time	Event	Location
0630 - 0900	Breakfast	
0700 - 0800	Past National Commandant's Council	Montpelier
0800 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Registration (Dog House)	Merrimack
0800 - 1700	MCL Ships Store / Registration	York Hall
0800 - 1700	MCLA Ships Store	Brandon
0800 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Monticello
0900 - 1100	Joint Opening Session (MCL & MCLA)	Providence/Poplar Hall
	Escorting of Organizational Heads & Distinguished Guests	Sergeant At Arms
	Presentation of the Colors	Color Guard
	Pledge & National Anthem	Barbara Nobile
	Retire the Colors	Color Guard
	Chaplain - Open the Bible & Offer the Prayer	MCL Chaplain
	Welcome	Don Garland
1000 - 1045	Joint Memorial Service (MCL & MCLA)	MCL & MCLA Chaplains
1045 - 1110	Chapel of Four Chaplains (MCL & MCLA)	Howard Schaeffer
1110 - 1120	Break	
1120	MCL General Session	Providence/Poplar Hall
1120	MCLA General Session	Claremont
1120 - 1130	National Judge Advocate	Russ Miller
1130 - 1140	National Junior Vice	TJ Morgan
1140 - 1150	National Senior Vice	Warren Griffin
1150 - 1200	National Commandant	Johnny Baker
1200 - 1300	Break for Lunch	
1300 - 1700	MCLA Business Session	Claremont
1300 - 1400	Veterans Benefits Administration Brief	Deputy Under Secretary of the VA for Policy & Oversight Mr. Ron Burke
1400-1410	MCL Foundation	Howard Schaeffer
1400 - 1530	MODD Kennel Staff Growl	Montecello
1410 - 1430	Break	
1430 - 1440	Budget Midyear Report	Bob Ziltz
1440 - 1510	Americanism Awards	Thomas Arcuri
1510 - 1530	Convention Update - Convention Committee	Jim Ransom
1530 - 1545	The DD-214	Bob Borka
1545 - 1700	National Commandant Brief	Johnny Baker
1530-1700	MODD Kennel Financial Committee Growl	Montpelier
1800 - 1900	National Convention Committee Meeting	Riverview
2000	M.O.D.D. Mini-Growl	Providence/Poplar Hall

Saturday, February 25, 2023

Event Time	Event	Location
0630 - 0900	Breakfast	
0800 - 1200	M.O.D.D. Registration (Dog House)	Merrimack
0800 - 1200	MCL Ships Store/Registration	York Hall
0800 - 1200	MCLA Ships Store	Brandon
0800 - 1200	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Monticello
0900 - 1200	MCLA Business Session	Claremont
0900 - 1200	MCL Business Session	Providence/Poplar Hall
0905 - 0945	Personal Retirement / Required Minimum Distributions / Investment Strategies	Thomas McIlwee - Morgan Stanley
0945 - 1000	Break	
1000 - 1015	Marine for Life	David Ossian & Mark Munger
1015 - 1045	Toys 4 Tots Update	LtGen Laster, David Cooper, & Ted Silvester
1045 - 1130	Marine Corps Association Co-Host Marine Military Expos	LtGen Chiarotti
1130 - 1200	YPF Presentation - Support and Get Involved	Gen Al Gray - US Marines Youth Foundation
1200 - 1300	Break for Lunch	
1300 - 1500	USMYF Meeting	Montpelier
1300 - 1600	MCLA Business Session continues	Claremont
1300 - 1600	MCL Business Session continues	Providence/Poplar Hall
1300 - 1310	Young Marines Update	Bill Davis/Angela Maness
1310 - 1400	Honor Guard Discussion	Angela Maness
1400 - 1445	Uniforms	Craig Reeling
1445 - 1530	Announcements, Adjourn Meeting	National Commandant
1800 - 1830	Social Adjustment (Cash Bar)	Promenade
1830 - 2200	Reception & Banquet - (National Anthem & Marine's Hymn). Guest of Honor LtGen Charles Chiarotti	York/Stratford Hall

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