

THE **JAWHEAD** JOURNAL

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A few pictures from the 2023 picnic.
[Also, click here to view the Posting of Colors.](#)

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE LAKE COUNTY DETACHMENT 801

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Our next meeting is scheduled for

20 June (Tuesday)

Start Time 1830

Steven's Restaurant

Who is this Marine?



Where Stuff Is

1. 2023 Memorial Picnic
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We're going to try something new. In addition to Mystery Marines in uniform, it was suggested we ask for pictures of YOU when you were a much younger person. Say 5 to 12 years old? Send them to the editor@lakecountymarines.com

COMMANDANT'S COMMENTS

I AM A MARINE!

NEVER GIVE UP! NEVER SURRENDER!

American Freedom is Not Free

French Indian	2,200
Revolutionary	29,435
War of 1812	20,000
Mexican American	13,283
Civil War	623,026
Spanish American	2,446
WWI	116,708
WWII	407,316
Korea	36,914
Vietnam	58,151
War on Terror	7,075

1,309,748 Lives Given for Americans Freedom.

“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction.” Ronald Reagan

Semper Fi

Charles Walgreen

Commandant

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chaplain's Message May 2023

To those of you unable to attend our recent Memorial Day celebration---we had a great time with good food, spirits, music and camaraderie. We also missed you! A special thanks goes out to all who contributed.

The true meaning of Memorial Day is the opportunity to acknowledge our debt to all of those men and women of our Nation who have given their lives for their country. May we never forget their sacrifice, nor the nobility of courage, nor the tenacity of endurance which have purchased for us Peace, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.

God, help us to prize and retain this heritage that we may be as true as they were true and loyal as they were loyal. The ultimate mark of a hero is one who is willing to put themselves on the line in service of others and a cause that is greater than themselves.

Grant to us the wisdom to weigh and evaluate the greater issues of life and forever live, fight and die for these great causes.

We humbly pray for peace---not only among Nations but among and within ourselves.

Joe Womack

Chaplain

Are you ready to Shake the Can?

Our primary source of money which we use to pay for our social events such as the St Paddy's Day dinner, USMC Birthday celebration, Officer Installation Dinner and the Memorial Day Picnic comes from the donations we receive when we Shake the Can at our local Jewel Foods stores. We don't expect our members to attend every collection event but you are certainly welcome to try. Please join us for a couple of hours. By the way, standing at the Jewel with your Marine brothers can become a social event all by itself. We all have a story to tell and share with those collecting. Be sure to wear your MCL red cover and/or red shirt. Other USMC clothing items clearly point out to the store patrons that we are Marines and Corpsman worthy of their donations.

Here an updated list of dates and locations:

All collections are at Jewel Foods Stores and run from 1000 until 1500 on Saturdays.

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| Jun 10 | Waukegan-Lewis 3124 N. Lewis Ave. |
| Jun 17 | Round Lake 900 E. Rollins Rd. at Rt 83. |
| Jul 1 | Grayslake 885 E. Belvidere Rd. |
| Jul 8 | Libertyville 1300 S. Milwaukee Ave. |
| Jul 15 | Mundelein 1150 W. Maple Ave. |
| Jul 22 | Waukegan-Greenbay 922 N. Greenbay Rd. |
| Aug 5 | Grayslake 885 E. Belvidere Rd |
| Aug 12 | Libertyville 1300 S. Milwaukee Ave. |
| Aug 19 | Gurnee Hunt Club Rd. |

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE MEETING DATE CHANGES

WELCOME ABOARD



Shawn Isaacson has transferred into Detachment 801 as a Life member from Virginia At-Large. He retired from the Corps after 30 years as a Sergeant Major. We got to know SgtMaj when he was the MACG 48 SgtMaj in 2015. He lives in Grayslake with his wife and sons. He is on the left in the picture below.





EAGLE SCOUTS



On 4 June I had the honor of presenting a Ka-Bar to Holly Garcia (above) at my home scout Troop 188 during her Eagle Scout Court of Honor. The room was packed; definitely more than 120 guests. Holly joined Venture Scouting which is a co-ed camping group that has been part of scouting for many years when she turned 14 years old. Shortly after joining, Boy Scouts allowed girls into their 'Boy Scout' program. Holly jumped at the chance to earn her Eagle Scout Award which she completed before her 18th birthday. Eighteen months later she decide it was time to receive her Eagle Award.

During these past five plus years in scouting she enrolled in the National Youth Training Program which is a week long training class teaching scouts how to be leaders. Holly became great friends with many of the NYTP participants; even became an instructor.

At Holly's Court of Honor her Troop 188 scouting friends were there, so was her family. So was a huge group of scouters (adults) and scouts Holly had friended from all over the North East Illinois Council. This was the largest attended Eagle Scout Court of Honor I had ever been to.

After presenting Holly with our MCL Distinguished Citizen's Award and a Ka-Bar, I asked the audience (many were Eagle Scouts) how many had received a Ka-Bar from our detachment. I counted over 25 hands in the air. Wow, I was more than amazed! There's no question our Ka-Bar presentation has an impact on scouting's best.

Can you walk, talk and chew gum at the same time? Can you stand in front of a group of people and talk to them without getting flustered? If so, maybe you can help us present Ka-Bars to new Eagle Scouts. Please let me know if you want to join the Eagle Scout presentation team. Mel Ellingsen (847) 274-8144.



COLOR & HONOR GUARD



[Click here to watch the Color & Honor Guard fire a Rifle Volley on Memorial](#)

Color and Honor Guard

The Color and Honor Guard presented Colors at the Memorial Picnic on May 24th and fired a rifle volley on Memorial Day. Video links are on the first page and above.

We practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 1830-2nd floor at the American Legion-Gurnee. It would be great if you could joins us and practice just to see if you remember how to march and do the manual of arms. It would be fun!!!!

Ed Mampe Color Guard Commander
PH# 847-641-9689

CAPTAIN JAMES A. LOVELL FHCC VISITS



Here's Chuck Butrim. Greg Cummings, Nada Sydow,
Mary Carmody and Don Bahe.

Hello fellow Marine Corps League members. Hospital visits are still a no go. Veterans closet is still giving food and clothing away to those in need. [Click here for their website.](#)

Greg Cummings

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE LAKE COUNTY DETACHMENT 801

Lake County Detachment Marine Corps League Foundation, Inc

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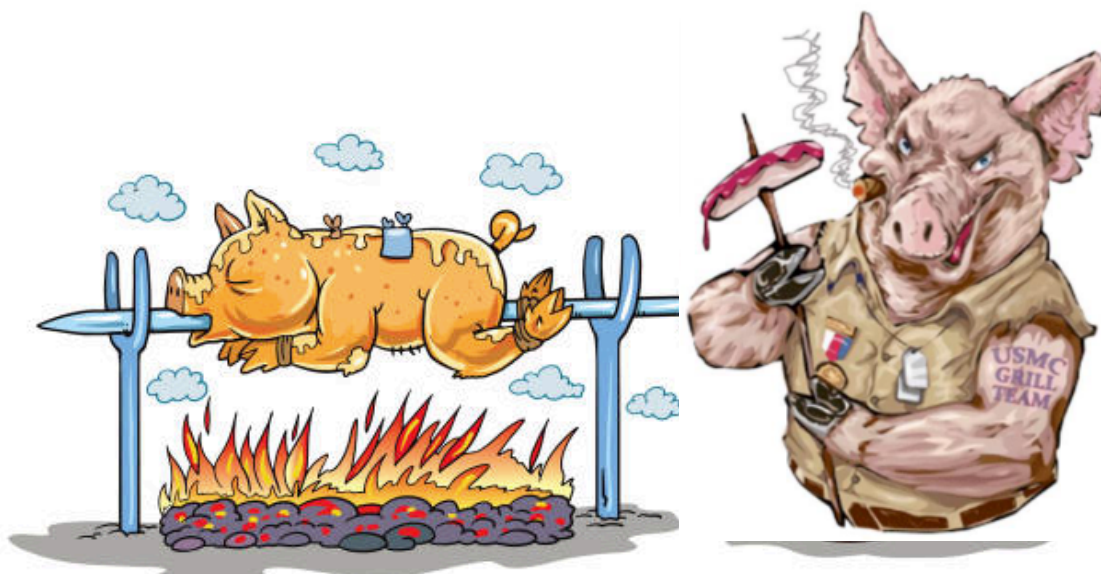
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Jim Sroka, Ed Mampe, Warren Blacklock, Col. Jim Swab,
Charles Walgreen and Joe Wallace.

We have received no new requests since our last meeting.

Al Seyler
President
Lake County Marines Foundation



ANNOUNCING THE FIRST ANNUAL
LAKE COUNTY DET. 801

PIG ROAST

Save the Date

Saturday 26 August

SAVE THE DATES

Supporting Steven's Restaurant who provides our meeting space for free, we will be changing two monthly meeting dates all starting at 1830.

20 June - Normal 3rd Tuesday meeting (no change)

11 July - Date changed to 2nd Tuesday

15 August - Normal 3rd Tuesday meeting (no change)

26 September - Date changed to 4th Tuesday

17 October - Normal 3rd Tuesday meeting (no change)



*9th Annual
Veterans'*

Appreciation Day

Sunday June 25, 2023

All Veterans and people in the Armed Forces are

FREE



Family members are \$10.00

Reservations Recommended

Doors open at noon show at 1pm

Includes Animal Gardens, Horse Show, and Backstage Tour

Complimentary Dessert table provided by Stinebrink's Piggly Wiggly and Riga-Tony's

Please call to make your reservation today! 262-728-8200

Hosted by Danell Vincenti

Related Military Links to Click

Midwest Veterans Closet

US Department of Veterans Affairs

Lake County Veterans Assistance Commission

Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs

Marine Corps League Headquarters

Honor Flight Lake County

Illinois Marine

VFW Action Corps Weekly

American Legion

Sgt Grit

PTSD Resources

Past copies of the Jarhead Journal can be viewed here:

www.lakecountymarines.com/newsletters

Marine Corps League (MCL) Resources

Websites:

www.mclnational.org – MCL national website – **SHIPS STORE**

www.mcleaguelibrary.org – MCL national public documents / resources

www.mcleaguelibrary.org/member-library - Password (DD2), library holds meeting minutes, forms, national bylaws / administrative procedures manuals to include MCL uniform guidance and MCL awards guidance, etc.

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Facebook:

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www.facebook.com/groups/48678176402 Detachment Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/groups/mclhonorguardandcolorguard - MCL Honor Guard / Color Guard

www.facebook.com/groups/447677227018622 - MCL National Membership Committee

www.facebook.com/groups/mcluniforms - MCL Uniforms Buy-Sell-Trade

www.facebook.com/groups/mclconnections - MCL Connections (MCL members only)

www.facebook.com/groups/usmccollectibles - USMC Sell Your Sh**!

Other:

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www.militaryorderofthedevildogs.org – MODD Kennel website

www.nationalmcla.org – MCL national Auxiliary

www.linkedin.com/company/marine-corps-league - MCL national LinkedIn

We encourage you all as members to visit these websites and social media pages. Take a look around and know all the resources available to you on these platforms. Please share this information with all members not only in leadership positions, but your Detachment members.

*Questions about any of these resources can be addressed directly to the **MCL** National Public Relations Committee for assistance.*

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