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COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE:

Marines,

By the time you're reading this, my wife Judy's reconstructive surgery (breasts) will be over and she'll be recuperating. She regrets missing the Department 2nd Staff (Auxiliary 1st Staff) Meeting.

The Department has a few open Offices (Opportunities), namely: Historian, Public Relations Director and Quartermaster. If interested, let me or an Elected Officer know.

It is once again Detachment Installation Season. Let me know once you have an installation date so that I can schedule it into my calendar. Be sure to fill out the top section of the Report of Installation in its entirety (EIN No., etc.).

I can be reached at: (773) 284-1212 (home) or jbmarines_81@yahoo.com.

Semper Fi,
Bruce Blackmer

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, MCLA:

I have enjoyed traveling around the state visiting MCLA units, installing their officers and meeting so many new friends! It's so inspiring to hear about all the many MCLA activities that members participate in that help our veterans and their families. This participation and dedication by each member in each unit helps MCLA reach more and more veterans and their families. Also, growing our unit membership is essential to this goal. Thank you to each member for everything you do! I'm honored to be in the midst of the best MCLA members anywhere!

My contact info is s_crcktt@yahoo.com and 618-973-7271.

Semper Fi
Shari Crockett
Department of Illinois
MCLA President

SR. VICE COMMANDANT:

I bring you greetings from the Great Montana Territory. We had a good time at the 96th National Convention. We had a total of 15 members present and 5 Detachments represented. We received several awards for individual accomplishments, and for Detachments receiving the Nat'l Jr. Vice Commandant's Citation for membership. These will be presented at 2nd Staff. We were approved to wear our Department 75th Anniversary

Medal and ribbon, and we won the bid to host the 98th National Convention in 2021.

The 98th National Convention will be held at the Wyndham Springfield City Centre. The actual dates for the Convention will be August 9 – 13, 2021. Rooms will be available at the group rate generally 3 days before and after those dates. We will release more information as soon as we have it. I am asking now for ALL members to pitch in and do what you can. We want to make this the greatest event possible. We are forming a National Convention Committee, so if you are interested, please let me or the Commandant know.

I have the uniform ribbons for the 75th Anniversary award available. It will be worn junior or to the left (to the right as you are looking at them) of the MCL Membership award. The price for these ribbons is \$2.00 each plus S&H. Please email or call me.

I do intend to continue with another weapons raffle as part of our Department fundraiser. I will get the information out as soon as possible. I will ask that all Detachments participate and support this. If every Detachment purchased only 5 tickets, that will bring in a good \$2000 over what the individual sales have been. If your Detachment wins, take that weapon and have your own raffle for a fundraiser.

Again, thank you for your continued support and trust in me. I will continue to serve as best I can, and to promote harmony and esprit de corps amongst all. See you in Bourbon-nayes!

My contact info is [815-441-2243](tel:815-441-2243) or mlsturch@hotmail.com.

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch

JR. VICE COMMANDANT:

Marines,

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer. It's getting time now to be looking forward to 2nd Staff at Bourbonnais, Mid-Winter in Norfolk, VA. And 3rd Staff in Peoria, IL.

We need to keep recruiting new members very high on our list. Retention of members is also very much needed. On your Membership Dues Transmittal & Change Notification Form; please make sure to include the member's email, if they have one, this can save the Department much needed money over time. The Recruiting Contest is on-going so make sure the Sponsor's name is included on the form so he/she gets credit for the new member.

Once again, remember the Department Awards Program.

My contact info is: 618 593-0533 or email me at ronburns45@live.com.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronald E. Burns, Sr.

JUDGE ADVOCATE:

Semper Fidelis,
Robert R. "Randy" Weber

ADJUTANT:

Semper Fidelis
Dave Allen

PAYMASTER:

Greeting Marines,

I can be contacted at mikem3280@gmail.com or 309-269-2012.

Semper Fidelis,
PDC Mike Malmstrom

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Semper Fidelis
Robert Weber

TRUSTEE TIM MARTIN:

Suffering from PTS? Call Me

Suffering from Post Traumatic Stress from Combat? So am I and we can help one another just by talking on the phone. No one knows what you are really going through? I DO! Please call me at 815-622-4629, if I can't answer, I will call you back. Leave a message saying you need to talk, you don't have to give your name.

I have severe PTS from Vietnam (USMC, Hill 55, AnLoc 1967) and maybe I can help. **I am not a doctor!** Talk with someone who has walked in your shoes. Any war you served in, it doesn't matter. Please call someone who cares. 815-622-4629.

PDC Tim Martin
[815-622-4629](tel:815-622-4629)

JR. PAST COMMANDANT:

I can be reached at 815-228-9767 or by email at glbaker078@comcast.net.

Semper Fi, Brothers
and Sisters
PDC Greg Baker,
Used Commandant
(for sale)

FROM THE EDITOR:

The Illinois Marine publication is one of the ways that we can communicate what is happening in our Department, Districts, Detachment and Units. But, because it is published quarterly, information sometimes doesn't get dispersed in a timely fashion. With the advent of The Illinois Marine website (www.theillinoismarine.com), those with computer access can now obtain the most up to date information available. Anyone with events, functions or relevant information, can contact me and it will be posted within an hour or so. This is just another step within the Department to be able to keep our members and the general public aware of what is happening. Also, while on the Website please look for the link to the "Forms" Page. As I am able to install downloadable Department and National (when available) forms, I will do so. Some of the forms will require copies due to the original forms being layer forms which must be torn apart to process.

If you have a Detachment newsletter and want it to be published on the Illinois Marine website, please email me a copy or mail it to me and I will scan it in and post it. They are posted on the "Detachment Newsletters" page. Just click on the page link then look for the detachment name of the newsletter you wish to read, and then click on it.

As always, I welcome any comments and/or input from the general membership because, ultimately, this is your publication.

Please note the change in issue publication dates to coincide with the adjustment in Convention dates. The new dates will be January, April, July and October.

All information and articles must be received by the 10th of December 2019 to be included in the January 2010 issue. There will be no exceptions!

The invoice for all Illinois Marine dues of \$50.00 per Detachment/Unit/Pack and Pound [as per Department Bylaws 51.21(c)] will be arriving in the mail shortly after July 1st. All checks should be made payable to "Department of Illinois, MCL" and mailed to the Editor at the address listed below. These annual dues are the funds that allow the Illinois Marine to be published. If you have not yet paid, please bring your Detachment/Unit up to date ASAP. Paymasters check behind your detachments name in the Illinois Marine roster of Detachments. If you are up to date, it will say paid and the year (i.e.: Pd. 17-18.) If there is no year listed your Detachment or Unit or Pound is not paid. **PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DETACHMENTS, UNITS AND A POUND OR TWO THAT ARE STILL DELINQUENT.** If you did not receive an invoice, please let me now.

REMINDER: Annually on or about July 1st, an invoice will be sent to each Detachment/Unit/Pack and Pound for the annual dues.

We are continuing to update the email address list for those who wish to receive the Illinois Marine via email. If you are receiving this publication via hardcopy and have email, please consider requesting it by email. Each hardcopy mailed out costs the Department on average 85 to 95 cents. Any reduction of postage expenses benefits

the Department of Illinois's budget. If you do not wish to receive the Illinois either by hard copy or email it can be downloaded from the Illinois Marine website in PDF format. Please let me know if that is the case. **I would ask that a list of all "New" members with Name, Address and email, if available, be submitted to the editor to facilitate addition to the mailing or email list.**

You may also notice that I am attempting to include our Officers email address to facilitate communication.

Please see the Department Web Sergeant post further down regarding the website!!!

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PDC Don Haines, Editor

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Chicago Metro Pound #12 MODD

PK: DD Victoria Cobbett, 733 Singer Ave., Lemont, IL	Pd. 19-20 60439-3912 630 257-6423
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Central Illinois Pound #226 MODD

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Grand Pound #1000 MODD

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Untamed Dogs Pound #351 MODD

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DR: PDD Daniel Betts, 310 W. State St., Pocahtonas, IL	62275-3057 618 669-2171 c-618 795-3339

North Pound #369 MODD

PK: DD Marty Smith III, 5315 Cobblers Crossing, McHenry IL	Pd. 19-20 60050- 847 668-9591
DR: PDD Don Haines, 1005 Prairie St., St. Charles, IL	60174-3638 630 564-1804

LCpl. Joshua E. Witsman Pound #384 MODD

PK: DD George Haworth, PO Box 165, Ridge Farm, IL	Pd. 61870- 217 497-3066
DR: DD Jeffery B. Wakeland, 7762 N. Meridian Rd., Perrysville, IN	47974-8117 812 249-3293

Department of Illinois, Marine Corps League Detachments:**1st District**

Burbank Detachment #072	Pd. 19-20
Meets at Marrs-Meyer Legion Post #991, 11001 S. Depot, Worth, IL 60482	4 th Thursday 1930
Comdt: Joseph Torres, PO Box 777, Worth, IL	60482-0777 708 529-3786
Paym: Joe Purpura, 8401 W. 151 st St., Orland Park, IL	604462- 708 460-3953
Adj: Richard Nolan, 11548 Normandy, Worth, IL	60482- 708 448-0177

Chapultepec Detachment #1408 https://www.facebook.com/mcl1408/?hc_ref=NEWSFEED for time and place	Pd.	Please go to
Comdt: Sergio Correa Jr., 3848 W. 57 th Pl., Chicago, IL	60629-	312 383-0924
Paym: Frank Lanzarotta., PO Box 891148, Chicago, IL	60808-	773 503-0216
Adj: Ines Gardea, 5824 S. Rutherford, Chicago, IL	60638-	773 814-6475
 Grundy County Detachment #1372	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets at Morris American Legion, 212 W. Washington St., Morris, IL	4 th Thurs.	1900
Comdt: Harion Enervold, 3655 Bennett Rd., Verona, IL	60479-	815 287-2040
Paym: Fred Gaddis, 165 Virginia St., Coal City, IL	60416-	815 634-3125
Adj: Rick Martinez, 1712 Brighton Ln., Plainfield, IL	60586-	815 258-8901
 Joliet E 2/14 Detachment #808	 Pd.	
Meets at Harwood American Legion, 705 S. Larkin Ave., Rockdale, IL	1 st Thursday	1930
Comdt: Joseph Donnelly, 227 S. Williams St., Joliet, IL	60436-	815 671-5364
Paym: John Cavallero Sr., 600 Clement, Joliet, IL	60435-	815 545-1995
 Kankakee MCL Detachment #1253	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets Bradley-Bourbonnais Sportsman's Club, 2672 Chippewa Dr., Bourbonnais	1 st Tuesday	1900
Comdt: Dave Allen Jr., 1312 W. Park Hill Dr., Bourbonnais, IL	60914-4347	815 263-1635
Paym: Margaret J. Myers, 345 Jeffery, Kankakee, IL	60901-4958	815 933-2338
Adj: Roland Myers, 345 Jeffery, Kankakee, IL	60901-4958	815 933-2338
 Marine Corps League Kevin Clarke - Tinley Park Detachment #1217	 Pd.	
Meets at Bremen Post 2791 V.F.W., 17147 S. Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL	3 rd Monday	1930
Comdt: Donald Tomich, 6614 Pondview Dr., Tinley Park, IL	60477-	708 342-1084
Paym: Tom Donnelly, 6300 W. 157 th Pl., Oak Forest, IL	60452-	708 535-3332
Adj: John Murphy, 6636 Forestview Dr., Oak Forest, IL	60452-	708 687-3714
 2nd District		
Chicago #1 Detachment #073	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at F.D.R American Legion Post 923, 1824 W. Courtland, Chicago, IL	3 rd Sunday	1300
Comdt: Zataniel Ortega, 1820 W. Cornelia Ave., Chicago, IL	60657-1020	773 929-5275
Adj/Pay: John M. Bigwood, 7719 East Prairie Road, Skokie, IL	60076-	847 779-3053
 Chicago Police Marines Detachment #553	 Pd.	
Meets at F.O.P. Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL	1 st Tuesday	1900
Comdt: Paul, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL	60680-8668	773 413-8762
Paym: Patrick, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL	60680-8668	773 413-8762
Adj: Wally, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL	60680-8668	773 413-8762
 DuPage County Detachment #399	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets at V.F.W. Post 2164, 0N731 Papworth St., Wheaton, IL	4 th Tuesday	1930
Comdt: Emanuel Bucur, 759 Spruce Ln., Bartlett, IL	60103-5650	630 823-8018
Paym: Victoria Cobbett, 733 Singer Ave., Lemont, IL	60439-3912	630 257-6423
Adj: Tom Gillespie, 433 Patricia Ln., Hampshire, IL	60140-8372	224 218-1152
 Elgin Detachment #077	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets at the Elgin Moose Lodge, 925 S. McLean Blvd., Elgin, IL 60123	4 th Monday	1900
Comdt: Fred Zimmermann, 2444 Tall Oaks Dr., Elgin, IL	60124-	847 841-1340
Adj/Pay: Tom Culumber, 39W745 Crosscreek Ln., St. Charles, IL	60175-	630 513-9758
 Fox Valley Marines Detachment #1233	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets at Support Techs, 1 E. Benton, Aurora, IL	4 th Thursday	1900
Comdt: Kris Kearns, 403 Highland Ct., Oswego, IL	60543-	630 669-6316
Paym: Donald Haines, 1005 Prairie St., St. Charles, IL	60174-3638	630 564-1804
Adj: Lisa Garcia, 648 W. New York, Aurora, IL	60506-	630 486-9896
 Lake County Detachment #801	 Pd. 19-20	
Meets at Steven's Steakhouse, 401 N. Riverside Dr., Gurnee, IL	3 rd Monday	1900
Comdt: Gerald Pedrin, 37523 N. Holdridge Ave., Beach Park, IL	60087-	847 687-6663
Paym: Ed Mampe, 24883 Cedarwood Ln., Ingleside, IL	60041-	847 641-9689
Adj: John Jezioro, 1407 Barberry, Round Lake Beach, IL	60037-	847 807-0736

McHenry County Detachment #1009
 Meets at McHenry V.F.W. Post 4600, 3002 IL Rt. 120, McHenry, IL
 Comdt: Rick Prescott, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL
 Paym: Mike Ruffner, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL
 Adj: James French, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL

Pd.
 3rd Thursday 1900
 60098-0311 847 702-6059
 60098-0311 847 570-4107
 60098-0311 847 730-9085

Northwest Suburban Detachment #080
 Meets at Merle Guild A.L. Post 208, 121 N. Douglas, Arlington Heights, IL
 Comdt: Michael Huttner, 235 W. Chasse Cr., St. Charles, IL
 Paym: Kevin Lollock, 2502 Ardmore Ave., Inverness, IL
 Adj: John Madejczyk, 2706 George Ct., Rolling Meadows, IL

Pd. 19-20
 3rd Wednesday 1930
 60174- 630 650-0424
 60067- 847 682-4245
 60008- 847 577-7803

Tri-County Leathernecks Detachment #1395
 Meets at the American Legion Post #964, 51 Lions Dr., Lake Zurich, IL
 Comdt: Bill Thompson, PO Box 491, Lake Zurich, IL
 Adj/Pay: Scott Forester, PO Box 491, Lake Zurich, IL

Pd. 19-20
 2nd Wednesday 1900
 60047- 847 997-6658
 60047- 847 414-9630

3rd District

Dixon Area Detachment #076
 Meets at Sterling Heights Post 296, 601 1st Ave., Sterling, IL
 Comdt: Nick Garcia, 208 8th Ave., Sterling, IL
 Paym: Ed Nicklaus, 204 18th Ave., Sterling, IL
 Adj: Megan Skeffington, 1132 Center St., Dixon, IL

Pd.
 3rd Wednesday 1900
 61081- 765 520-8724
 61081- 815 625-8223
 61021- 815 994-2697

Illinois Valley Detachment #078
 Meets at MCL Clubhouse, 475 E. Rt. 351, PO Box 22, Jonesville, IL
 Comdt: Ron Brambora, PO Box 22, Oglesby, IL
 Paym: Mike Mallie, P.O. Box 22, Oglesby, IL
 Adj: David Cimei, PO Box 22, Oglesby, IL

Pd.
 1st Tuesday 1900
 61348-0022 309 432-3351
 61348-0022
 61348-0022

Rockford Detachment #083
 Meets at the VFW Post 9759, 2018 Windsor Dr., Loves Park IL
 Comdt: Donald Reynolds, 4122 Martina, Rockford, IL
 Paym: Bruce Giersch, 613 Dickerson Dr., Winnebago, IL
 Adj: Rick Rubendall, 1007 Ramona Ter., Machesney Park, IL

Pd. 19-20
 1st Wednesday 1900
 61114- 815 742-5416
 61088-8336 815 904-4534
 31115-3841 815 979-6468

Tri-County Detachment #086:
 Meets at American Legion Post # 31, 1509 Railroad Ave, Kewanee, IL
 Comdt: Louis J. VanDeVoorde, 330 Emmons Ave., Kewanee, IL
 Adj/Pay: Glenn E. Morey, P. O. Box 207, Mineral, IL

Pd.
 1st Monday 1900
 61443- 309 853-6661
 61344-0207 309 290-4007

Lincoln Detachment #607
 Meets at AMVETS, 827 15th Ave., East Moline, IL
 Comdt: Joseph G. Pollock, 6609 Cresthill Dr., Davenport, IA
 Adj/Pay: Michael W. Malmstrom, 5107 48th St., Moline, IL

Pd. 19-20
 3rd Tuesday 1930
 52806-1567 563 349-2423
 61265-7516 309 764-9638

DeKalb County Detachment #847
 Meets at Sycamore Vets Home, 121 S. California, Sycamore, IL
 Comdt: Brent Bacon, PO Box 321, Sycamore, IL
 Paym: Keith Keutzer, PO Box 321., Sycamore, IL
 Adj: Don Anderson, PO Box 321., Sycamore, IL

Pd.
 3rd Thursday 1900
 60178-0321 847 7515-6211
 60178-0321 815 751-3641
 60788-0321

Sauk Valley Marine Detachment #913
 Meets at A. L. Post 902, 712 Fourth Ave., Rock Falls, IL
 Comdt: Tim Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL
 Paym: Esteban Ramos, 407 Avenue I, Sterling, IL
 Adj: Tim Martin "See Comdt."

Pd.
 3rd Monday 1900
 61071-0708 815 622-4629
 61081-3260 815 441-9440

4th District

Peoria Leathernecks Detachment #081
 Meets at Navy/Marine Club, 1310 E. Sieberling, Peoria Heights, IL 61616
 Comdt: Kevin Enlow, 511 Main St., Pekin, IL
 Adj/Pay: Harold W. Lundstrom, 10809 N. Dana Dr., Peoria, IL

Pd. 19-20
 1st Wednesday 1900
 61554- 309 634-1609
 61615-1163 309 240-8782

Tobin-Nanninga Detachment #085	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at the, 13370 Garman Rd., Pekin, IL	3 rd Sunday	1600
Comdt: Richard Byars, 1822 Fawnridge Ln., Pekin, IL	61554-	309 241-6252
Adj/Pay: Mike Munoz, 9801 W. Guinivere Dr., Mapleton, IL	61547-9578	309 453-3858

Decatur Detachment #799	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at American Legion Post #105, 1535 Legion Dr., Decatur, IL	1 st Monday	1800
Comdt: Tom Scroggins, 1825 S. 33 rd St., Decatur, IL	62521-4704	217 428-7588
Adj/Pay: Harry Kracht, 640 W. Forest Ave., Decatur, IL	62522-3220	217 422-6403

Major Kenneth D. Bailey Detachment #824	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at American Legion Post #210, 201 Prospect Pl., Danville, IL	3 rd Sunday	1600
Comdt: Michael Montgomery, 321 Fletcher Dr., Danville, IL	61832-	217 474-1149
Adj/Pay: John Barrett, 29173 Bean Creek Rd., Potomac, IL	61865-	217 987-6921

Central Illinois Leathernecks Detachment #988	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at V.F.W. Post 454, 1006 Lincoln Ave., Bloomington, IL	2 nd Tuesday	1900
Comdt: Art Wynn, 403 Priscilla Lane, Bloomington, IL	61704-4603	309 663-5080
Adj/Pay: David L. Edwards, 904 Star Drive, Heyworth, IL	61745-9213	309 498-1007

Richard L. Pittman Detachment #1231	Pd.	
Meets at Urbana V.F.W. Post #630, 1303 E. Main St., Urbana, IL	3 rd Thursday	1900
Comdt: Bob Kappes, 1217 Joanne Ln., Champaign, IL	61821-1614	217 351-7095
Paym: Gregory Cozad, P.O. Box 6354, Champaign, IL	60426-6354	
Adj: Ron Castel, 206 South John St., Thomasboro, IL	61878-	

Sgt. Robert "Bob" E. Graue Detachment #1336	Pd.	
Meets at Lincoln VFW Post, 915 5 th St., Lincoln, IL	3 rd Sunday	1700
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Adj/Pay: Gene F. Hickey, 795 950th Ave., Elkhart, IL	62634-6090	217 871-2972

5th District

Collier-Harrison Detachment #075	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at the Navy Club Quarters, 3100 Stanton St., Springfield, IL	1 st Thursday	1930
Comdt: Sue Gibbons, 1733 W. Glenn Ave., Springfield, IL	62704-4826	217 622-8270
Adj/Pay: William A. Woollen, 2804 Ridge Ave., Springfield, IL	62702-4444	217 638-2510

Gem City Detachment #790	Pd.	
Meets at Lippincott Hall, Veterans Home, 1707 N. 12 th St., Quincy, IL	1 st Monday	1900
Comdt: Luke Doellman, 2700 Lind St., Quincy, IL	62301-3551	217 617-3152
Adj/Pay: Stephen Cane, 2119 Jackson St., Quincy, IL	62301-	217 224-6360

West Central Illinois Leathernecks #1177	Pd. 19-20	
Meets at the VFW Post 1379, 903 East Morton, Jacksonville, IL	2 nd Wednesday	1900
Comdt: Jim Crosier, 12625 Tebbe Rd., New Berlin, IL	62670-4507	217 341-6416
Paym: Paul Kramer, 2057 Cherry Rd., Springfield, IL	62704-3273	217 572-1820
Adj: Earl Turner, 1864 Plum St., Jacksonville, IL	62650-22437	217 243-6602

6th District

Effingham County Detachment #591	Pd.	
Meets at Iron Horse Cafe, 101 S. Merchant, Effingham, IL	3 rd Thursday	1200
Comdt: Aaron Mente, 14905 E. 1975 th Ave., Effingham, IL	62401-6905	
Adj/Pay: Darrell L. Schwerman, 9387 E. Nees Ave., Effingham, IL	62401-5088	217 821-2163

Thomas A. Jennings Detachment #546	Pd.	
Meets at VFW Post, 712 E. Main St., Robinson, IL	3 rd Tuesday	1900
Comdt: David Houser, 405 N. Range St., Oblong, IL	62445-	618 544-7047
Paym: Robert Manning, 603 Beech St., Robinson, IL	62454-2653	618 544-2653

7th District

Robert Windle Detachment #1031	Pd.	
Meets at American Legion, Legion Park, Jerseyville, IL	2 nd Monday	1900
Comdt: Martin Andrews, 23371 Peachtree Ln, Jerseyville, IL	62052-3595	618 498-2558
Paym: Marshal Lewis, 704 Cross Ave, Jerseyville, IL	62052-	618 946-9150
Adj: Lonnie Saffell, 9287 N. Prairie St., Shipman, IL	62685-6733	618 836-7388

Collinsville Detachment #074
Meets at VFW Post 805, 221 W. First St., O'Fallon, IL
Comdt: Frank Christie, 2802 Black Ln., Collinsville, IL
Paym: Ramona Witte, 505 W. Randle St., Lebanon, IL
Adj: Catherine Murphy, 29 N. Oakland Dr., Caseyville, IL

Pd.
1st Wednesday 1900
62234-7607 618 344-3676 c-618 420-9920
62254-1428 618 808-0308
62232-1131

Alton Leathernecks Detachment #1160
Meets at VFW 1308, 4445 Alby, Alton, IL 62002
Comdt: Glenn L. Heimer, 3819 Horn Ave., Alton, IL
Paym: Paul Schwendeman, 429 Oak St., East Alton, IL
Adj: Mark Nelson, 5679 Humbert Rd., Godfrey, IL

Pd. 19-20
3rd Monday 1900
62002-3151 618 433-1281
62024-1257 618 973-4825
62035-2102 618 972-3987

Lincoln Land Leathernecks Detachment #1174
Meets at VFW Post 1377, 2043 S. 4th St., Greenville, IL 62246
Comdt: Ray B. Hughes, 3109 N. 1st St., Sorento, IL
Paym: Robert R. Weber, 1103 Haas Rd., Trenton, IL
Adj: Gregory G. Stoff, 335 Sunflower Dr., Highland, IL

Pd. 19-20
3rd Thur. 1930
62086-2025 217 556-8293
62293-2117 618 402-5655
62249-2914 618 978-3081

Prairieland Leathernecks Detachment #1385
Meets at the Litchfield VFW Post, 215 W. Ryder St., Litchfield, IL
Comdt: Chris Gutierrez, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL
Paym: Gary Doss, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL
Adj: Terry Williams, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL

Pd. 19-20
1st Thursday 1900
62056- 217 556-2410
62056- 217 532-2390
62056- 217 324-3574

8th District

Shawnee Detachment #812
Meets at the American Legion Post 127, 1700 Gartside St., Murphysboro, IL
Comdt: Mark Cosgrove, 172 Wild Rose Ln., Carbondale, IL
Paym: Phillip Lindberg, 2421 Country Club Rd., Carbondale, IL
Adj: Robert A. Edwards, 815 Young Ct., Carterville, IL

Pd.
2nd Thursday 1900
62902- 618 967-9462
62901- 618 967-9239
62918-5052 618 534-2661

Southern Illinois Leathernecks Detachment #1013
Meets at the KC Hall, 213 N. 16th St., Herrin, IL
Comdt: Cindy Aschemann, 309 Missouri Ave., Carterville, IL
Paym: Joe Leenerts, 9594 Stotlar Rd., Johnston City, IL
Adj:

Pd.
3rd Wednesday 1900
62918- 618 203-9401
62951-2945 618 942-3834

Randolph County Detachment # 575
Meets at the American Legion, 1001 Booster St., Evansville, IL
Comdt: Brent Piel, 5970 Richfield Rd., Red Bud, IL
Adj/Pay: John Preston, 1033 Thomas Dr., Red Bud, IL

Pd.
3rd Tuesday 1900
62278-4534 618 282-4328
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1st District	
Burbank Unit MCLA #140	Pd. 19-20
Meets at VFW Post 177, 10537 S. Ridgeland Ave., Chicago Ridge, IL	4 th Thursday 2000
President: Mary Ann Kuchta 10052 S. Maplewood, Chicago, IL	60650- 773 779-8463
Treasurer: Violet Tolsky, 9965 Cambridge Court "D", Mokena, IL	60448-7914 708 479-6760
Secretary: Sharon Durkin, 19947 Martie Lane, Mokena, IL	60448-1117 708 479-4882
Kankakee Unit MCLA #1253	Pd. 19-20
Meets at the Bourbonnais Sportsmen's Club, 2672 Chippawa Dr. Bourbonnais, IL	1 st Tuesday 1800
President: Margaret J. Myers, 345 W. Jeffery St., Kankakee, IL	60901-4958 815 933-2338
Treasurer: Sandy Britt, 2715 Gouda Drive, Kankakee, IL	60901- 815 592-1976
Secretary: Judy Denoyer, 271 Randolph, Bradley, IL	60915- 815 933-9408
3rd District	
DeKalb Sycamore Unit MCLA #382	Pd.
Meets at Sycamore Vets Home, 121 S. California, Sycamore, IL	3 rd Thursday 1900
President: Rachael Hartman, 1036 Hartman Trail, Sandwich, IL	60548- 815 405-9731
Treasurer: Judy Bryant, 340 Parker St., Sycamore, IL	60178-1249 815 895-6696
Secretary: Judy Bryant, 340 Parker St., Sycamore, IL	60178-1249 815 895-6696
Illinois Valley Unit MCLA	Pd. 19-20
Meets at MCL Clubhouse, 475 E. State St. (RT's 351 & 71), Oglesby, IL	3 rd Tuesday 1800
President: Virginia Hegland, 321 N. Kenosha Ave., Oglesby, IL	61348-1145 480 980-7333
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McHenry County Unit MCLA #419	Pd. 19-20
Meets at McHenry V.F.W. Post 4600, 3002 IL, Rt. 120, McHenry, IL	3 rd Thursday 1930
President: Jo Larson, 332 Ramble RD., Lake in the Hills, IL	60156-1332 847 687-3101
Treasurer: Colleen Helpers, 19810 River Rd., Marengo, IL	60152-9131 815 219-8550
Secretary: Colleen Helpers, 19810 River Rd., Marengo, IL	60152-9131 815 219-8550
Sauk Valley Unit MCLA #349	Pd.
Meets at Rock Falls American Legion, 712 - 4 th Ave., Rock Falls, IL	2 nd Tuesday 1600
President: Betty Wescott, 1600 Riverside Rd. #21, Rock Falls, IL	61071- 815 625-8756
Treasurer: Carol Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL	61071-0708 815 622-8687
Secretary: Carol Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL	61071-0708 815 622-8687
4th District	
Decatur Unit MCLA #342	Pd.
Meets at American Legion Post 105, 1535 Legion Drive, Decatur, IL	2 nd Wednesday 1700
President: Kathy Kracht, 640 W. Forest Ave., Decatur, IL	62522- 217 422-6403
Treasurer: Doris Ruble 27784 S. Wind Ln., Decatur, IL	62521- 217 619-2471
Secretary: Karen Dotson, 957 N. Union, Decatur, IL	62522-1758 217 422-7214

West Central Illinois Leatherneck Unit MCLA #462
Meets at VFW Post 1379, 903 E. Morton, Jacksonville, IL
President: Tonya Crosier, 12625 Tebbe Rd., New Berlin, IL
Treasurer: Jeanette Geise, 1625 Lind, Quincy, IL
Secretary: Carol Smith, 1411 W. Walnut, Jacksonville, IL

Pd. 19-20
2nd Wednesday 1900
62670-4507 217 415-0446
62301-2425 217 223-5894
62650-1102 217 473-1161

5th District

Alton Leathernecks Unit MCLA #488
Meets at VFW, 231 E. Edwardsville Rd., Wood River, IL
President: April Butler, 120 Ohio St., East Alton, IL
Treasurer: Kelley Chadwick-Mansker, 3526 Fullerton Ave., Alton, IL
Secretary: Marty Campbell, 715 W. Wilbus St., Bunkerhill, IL

Pd. 19-20
2nd Thursday 1900
62024- 618 580-3079
62002- 616 660-5117
62014- 618 616-7402

Shawnee Unit
Meets at the Carbondale Elks Club
President: Patty Morgan, 609 W. 11th St., Johnston City, IL
Treasurer: Debbie Donegue, 2390 Sycamore Rd., Carterville, IL
Secretary: Sheri Crockett, 508 E. Main St., Desoto, IL

Pd. 19-20
4th Tuesday 1845
62951- 618 694-9118
62918- 618 922-2432
62924-1554 618 973-7271

PLEASE NOTE

Because of the new style of listings of Officers, Committee Chairs and Committee members, it would add 10 pages to this publication which would substantially increase printing costs. Please visit www.theillinoismarine.com for the full current Committee assignments for both the MCL and MCLA. They are located on the Department page and Auxiliary page.

"If you would like a hard copy of all Officers, Committees and their members, please contact me and I will mail out a copy to you"

AROUND THE LEAGUE

Part of our mission as The Marine Corps League is to provide support and assistance to all past, present and future Marines! We, as Marines and/or family members, have experienced being away from our loved ones. We know what it is like to be away from home whether it is at a duty base in the states or overseas in a strange land. It is now our turn and obligation to provide the "Marine Family" support to those still in combat and those returning from harm's way as well as all those non-combat individuals that support our troops.

DEPARTMENT WEB SERGEANT

NOTICE----- The current website is no longer supported by the hosting company. I can not change or add any information to it. A new website is in construction and should be ready to view in about a week. Please check in for it, it will have a brand new look. Until that time, the old site is still available.

The most efficient method of making your detachment information current is to let me know of any changes in officers, meeting places, date and time.

PDC Don Haines
Department Webmaster

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS 2nd Staff Meeting

Department 2nd staff meeting will be hosted by the Kankakee Detachment on October 18-20, 2010 at the Confort III, 1500 Illinois Highway 50, Rates are \$79.00 + 6.25% for a total of \$83.94 per night. Reservation cut-off date is October 1, 2019. Call for reservations at 815 401-5043.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS LEATHERNECK DETACHMENT

CHICAGO POLICE MARINES

The Chicago Police Marines will be holding their annual fund raiser at 1412 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, (The F.O.P. Hall on November 3rd from 1100 to 1700. Tickets are available through the Detachment or at the door.

Semper Fidelis
PDC Don Haines

GEM CITY



Saddle Donation



Soap Box Derby



Rose Program



Pancake Breakfast for the residents of the Illinois Veterans Home, Quincy, IL



Halloween at the Illinois Veterans Home, Quincy

VAVS

I'm currently looking for a Marine Corps League member from the Chicago area to be the VAVS representative for the new veteran's Home in Chicago, in the Oak Park Area. The home is planning to be fully staffed and functional by late Spring of 2020. I'm also looking for detachments in the vicinity that would be interested into doing activities at the new home to entertain the veterans. I'm willing to help you out with the activities by working with you and showing you how to do them. Call or contact me and I can explain it more to you. We need your support on this to help make the lives of our veteran's in the home more enjoyable.

I can be reached at swbojack@sbcglobal.net or at 815 674-2440

Semper Fi,
Stanley Olenjack, VAVS Chairman

MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT COMMITTEE

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch
Chairman, Middle East Wars Committee

YOUNG MARINES PROGRAM

If you have a Young Marine unit in your area, please reach out and contact them and give them all the support you possibly can. These young men and women are fantastic. For more information about the program, check out www.youngmarines.com, or contact me at mlsturch@hotmail.com or 815-441-2243.

As stated earlier, I am looking for a highly motivated and energetic Marine to take over this important position for me. Please contact me for details.

Semper Fi,
Michael Sturch
Young Marines Liaison, Dept of IL

ILLINOIS MARINE WEBSITE NEWS

Watch for the new web site coming soon.

WARS COMMITTEE

I had the honor and privilege to attend the Korean War Armistice Ceremony at Kennedy Park, along with Commandant Blackmer and a host of Marines. It was a moving ceremony with great speakers. I did not realize how many countries participated in the Korean War.

If you have special events in your community, get the word out. I would be honored to attend any events, as I know most of the other Department Officers and Committee Members would as well, circumstances permitting.

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch
Wars Committee Chairman

ILLINOIS PACK MODD

I want to keep this “Bags For Kids” campaign going strong. If you have collected any and donated them locally, please let me know. The DCFS is always in need of bags and backpacks for foster children, no matter the time of year. So get out there and collect backpacks, duffle bags, suitcases, or anything we can donate to your local DCFS office to allow these children to carry their personal items to their new homes. (See Photo below)

Again, this coming year marks our 75th Anniversary for the Illinois Pack! There will be no medal for this, but I have a commemorative challenge coin in the works. My contact info is [815-441-2243](tel:815-441-2243) or mlsturch@hotmail.com.

Thank you and Semper Woof!

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch
Sr. Vice Pack Leader, IL Pack
2019 Pack Dog of the Year



Sr. Vice Pack Leader presenting “Bags for Kids” donation to local DCFS.

FROM PDC MIKE RUFFNER

What has the Department of Illinois done for the Membership Lately?

During the recent Department Convention, the question was asked that the nominee explain what they would accomplish in the coming year, to say the least there was resistance and we elected the Board not knowing what they are going to do to support the Detachments.

The Board must have a plan to grow the Marine Corps League and the camaraderie of the membership and the Detachments. Members are Volunteers and the Department’s job is to support the Membership.

ILLINOIS MARINES WITH ATTITUDE

Recently, on the convention floor someone was missed in formed - we do not have a Department of Illinois Marine Corps League and a Department of Chicago Marine Corps League. In fact, there are only 3 Detachments in Chicago City Limits, so let's avoid the Chicago/Springfield Politics. We are ALL MARINES and members of the Department of Illinois Marine Corps League.

Department of Illinois has the Approval for 2021 National Convention in Springfield, 1st and 2nd Districts has the resources needed to support if we Ban Together as One Team.

WE CAN'T FIND NEW MEMBERS!

Marketing Checklist

1. New members disappear – Cause not interested, Detachment has no fun events, poor Detachment leadership, bad attitudes.....
2. Can't Find New Members – Get Detachment Red Polo Shirts and socialize promoting Red shirt Friday, if you are not wearing anything with an Eagle Globe and Anchor, how will they know you are a Marine?
3. Socialize at other Veterans Posts.
4. Meet local Marine Recruiter – they can help us, and we can help them. Host a Poolee breakfast, Barbecue..... Recruiters know which poolee parents are Marines.
5. Connect with the Prior Service Recruiter- again they can help us if we partner with them. They have the list of all returning Marines in their area, and we can help with housing, jobs, VA Benefits, etc.
6. Keep meetings short, organized, professional and civil.
7. Organize and publicize formal or informal USMC Birthday Ball.

U.S. MARINE CORPS INDIVIDUAL READY RESERVE MUSTER

There will be Marines attending the Individual Ready Reserve Muster in St. Louis in March. Information should be forth coming from the Department Commandant and Junior Vice. This is an opportunity to make contact with Younger Marines. The St. Louis will draw Marines from approximately 200-mile radius which should impact 4th, 5th and 7th District.

ILLINOIS MARINE LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM

The extra money they charged is to use for Marine related programs such as scholarships, Young Marines, Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Program, etc. The funds are earmarked to be used by Marine Illinois Residents. Consider applying for the Illinois Marine License Plate Program Today! Contact the Marine Corps Coordinating Council of Illinois for information or to volunteer.

Did you Know?

Sergeant Major Cox is an Illinois Resident, Life Member McHenry County Detachment and Sergeant Major for HMX-1 as well Colonel Tomlich is Commanding Officer of Marine Barracks 8&I and son of Don Tomlich member of Cpl. Kevin Clark Tinley Park Detachment.

3 types of Marines –

1. Talkers (Big Talk & no action),
2. Doers (volunteers and helps at majority of Detachment Activities) and
3. Talkers & Doers (Talks up the Corps and backs it up doing what needs to be done). Which one are you?



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE **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, FMF Corpsmen and former Marines and FMF corpsmen and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.

THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY
OUR PURPOSE

PATRIOTIC:

- (A) To preserve the traditions and promote the interests of the United States Marine Corps;
- (B) To maintain true allegiance to American institutions;

HISTORICAL:

- (C) TO hold sacred the history and memory of the men and women who gave their lives to this Nation;
- (D) To perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts, to observe the anniversary of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines;

FRATERNAL:

- (E) To create a bond of comradeship between the Auxiliary and the Marine Corps League, Inc.;
- (F) To aid voluntarily and to render assistance to all Marines and former Marines as well as to their families;
- (G) To help decorate the graves of all deceased Marines whenever and wherever possible;

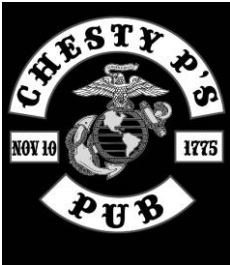
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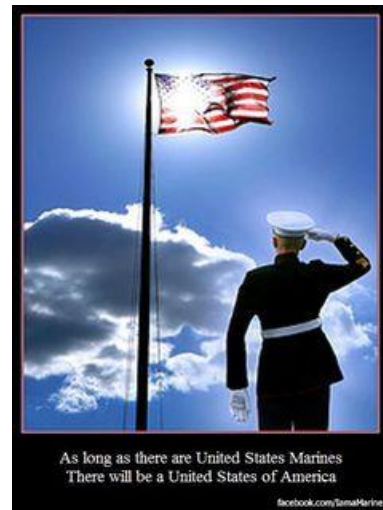
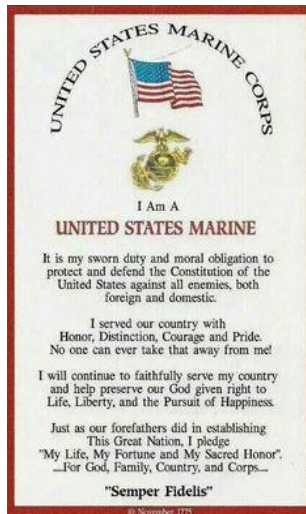
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The Marines' Prayer

Almighty Father, whose command is over all and whose love never fails, make me aware of Thy presence and obedient to Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against dishonesty in purpose and in deed and helping me to live so that I can face my fellow Marines, my loved ones and Thee without shame or fear. Protect my family. Give me the will to do the work of a Marine and to accept my share of responsibility with vigor and enthusiasm. Grant me the courage to be proficient in my daily performance. Keep me loyal and faithful to my superiors and to the duties my country and the Marine Corps have entrusted to me. Make me considerate of those committed to my leadership. Help me to wear my uniform with dignity, and let it remind me daily of the traditions which I must uphold. If I am inclined to doubt, steady my faith, if I am tempted, make me strong to resist, if I should miss the mark, give me the courage to try again. Guide me with the light of truth and grant me wisdom by which I may understand the answer to my prayer. Amen







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