Commandant’s Message

Look over the schedule for the Department and all Marines in Ohio. There are several opportunities for members to get out among other Marines of the League. Every Detachment should have filed their 990-N IRS forms by now, if not then get it done. Not only you risk losing your tax-exempt status but it becomes very expensive to get reinstated back into good standing with the IRS.

Whenever you see another Marine in need, give them a helping hand. It may be as simple as giving them a ride to a meeting or even to the doctor. Do what is right and help another out, you never know but you might be in that same position someday.

The Department is always looking for different places to hold our quarterly meetings. If you know of a place that would suit our needs then please contact a Department Staff member.

Come to the Department meeting January 11 in Newark. This meeting is kept short and we still discuss all the topics. We start at 9AM with the Youth Committee and then go into the business meeting breaking for a very nice lunch at the VFW. We should be done by 4PM to save you the expense of staying overnight at a hotel, and you even have time to drive home before it gets too late.

Wishing all Ohio Leaguers a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas with your families and remember our Troops that are away during the holiday season.

Semper Fi,

John Cook
DEPARTMENT YOUTH COMMITTEE

The Department “YOUTH COMMITTEE” continues to support groups of young people up to age 18 for their Moral and Physical values. The Committee awarded 2 Grants at the Fall Department Meeting, it awarded to Boy Scout Troop 700 of Westerville for $500 and Boy Scout Troop 153 of North Ridgeville for $300. We presented $12,324 in Grants to organizations since we have been giving Grants. The Department has received requests for 34 Grants and awarded 29 Grants. Look at the Departments Web page for the process. And fill out the form with a typewritten request. Send the request for a Grant by mail to PDC Ellen Leidy 1107 Columbus Ave., Barberton, Ohio 44203-6929 or EMAIL leidyrun@aol.com. Remember; send the request in before January 2, 2020 for the Winter Meeting, because the awarded Grants are done only at a Department Meeting.

The next meeting of the Youth Committee will be at the Department Winter meeting January 11th, 2020 a Saturday at 9:00 am. Looking forward to seeing you at the Department Winter Meeting.

Semper Fi,

PDC Ron Kiessling

Judge Advocate’s Message:

We will try this again. Detachment Commandants you need to have your bylaws and administrative procedures approved by the Department. With the new changes in both the National and Department documents you may be operating in violation of those current documents. These violations could come with fines and or suspension of charters. At the Winter Conference a new SOP for our Division Vices was approved by the body. This document requires that our Division Vices inspect their detachments operational documents for completeness and accuracy. I have also produced a memo that provides information on how the bylaws should be developed and the purposed content of said documents. I have sent copies of all these documents to your respective Commandants, and for those Commandants with no email or incorrect email addresses, I sent a copy to the detachments Paymaster. No excuses for not being in compliance.

I am available to assist you through this process and for those of you that have completed your obligations a “Job Well Done” goes out to each of you and thank you.

Semper Fi,

Paul Smith
Marine of the Year

As chairperson for the Marine of The Year I’m putting this information in the Buckeye Marine. Under the MCL Dept. of Ohio bylaws article 1130 section (c). This covers the nomination procedures for your Marine of the year nominations. Go to pages 28-30 for the Marine off the Year evaluation procedure & form in attachment (D). The nomination letter must be turned in to the Department Commandant or Gary Evans at the Spring Conference to be held March 14, 2020 at Cherry Valley Hotel Newark, Ohio no later than 12:00 (noon). All Nominations are to be in a sealed envelope with only (MARINE OF THE YEAR NOMINATION) on it. I will send out additional information by January 2020 & will have forms available at the January 11, 2020 conference to be held in Newark, Ohio. I know we have Marines out there that are well qualified to receive this award, so make sure you get your nominations in on TIME.

Semper Fi,

Gary Evans Jr

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Adjudants Message:

Happy Birthday Marines, as I assisted in my Detachment’s Birthday Ball ceremony, I was reminded of how important it is that we Marines never forget tradition. Rehearsing the ceremonial aspect of the Ball, then explaining the meaning of it all after to several civilians who never experienced what some us just call “being a Marine”. We (well most of us) can recite verbatim the story of Lieutenant Presley O’Bannon and his Mameluke sword, or the purpose of the pieces of cake being handed to the youngest and oldest Marines. I found it exciting to bring some civilians up to speed on our traditions, and would ya know it - a few had relatives that are Marines (who didn’t even know the Marine Corps League Existed) who contacted me to join our Detachment. The moral of this story is, let others see our traditions and know why we have made them sacred part of our own lives. Civilians & former [insert military branch] know Marines who miss celebrating tradition or want to help in their community, but don’t know how.

A great way to have Marines find us is through shining a spotlight on the “Why” and “How” we still carry tradition. There are many Marines out there who may not know that they too can continue to honor their Corps and play an active roll in helping their brothers & sisters in the Marine Corps League.

Semper Fi,

Shawn Daley
Sr. Vice Commandant Message:

Well Marines, Fall is here and Winter is not far of. We had a great time at our Fall meeting in Zanesville and got a lot of work done. A big thanks goes out to those detachments and members that attended. Your presence was greatly appreciated. I just want to say that this is your Department and you are an important part and have a say in what goes on in our Department. If each Detachment could send one member to the Department meetings it would be great and we could incorporate your ideas and you would have a greater understanding of what goes on at the Department meetings. Our next meeting will be in Newark on January 11th, 2020. It is a one day meeting in the center of the State. It will start at 0900 and we will probably be finishes between 1400 and 1500. Lunch will be provided by the ladies of the Land of Legend Not, MCLA for measly fee if $5. It will be held at the Moundbuilders Post 1060 VFW on Forey Street. Come on out and get involved.

Semper Fi,

Michael Kirk
Department of Ohio MCL Schedule
January 11, 2020 Winter Department meeting
VFW Post # 1060 at 9 AM – 4 PM
469 Forry St. Newark, Oh

Buckeye Marine articles due: 12 January 2020
Send to Editor Shawn Daley email at,
shawn@themohawkstudio.com
Buckeye Marine date to be published: 26 January 2020

National Mid-Winter Conference
27 – 29 Feb. 2020
Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel
777 Waterside Drive Norfolk, Va.
Reservation phone. 1-800-325-3535
Room rate $129. + Tax

March 13-15 March 2020 Spring Department meeting
Cherry Valley Hotel
2299 Cherry Valley Road S.E.
Newark, Ohio 43055
Phone # (740) 788-1200 or 1-800-788-8008

April 2-4 April 2020 Central Division Conference
Holiday Inn East
1325 S. Hurstbourne Pkwy.
Louisville, Kentucky

Buckeye Marine articles due: 12 April
Buckeye Marine date to be published: 26 April

June 12, 13, 14, 2020 Department Convention
Courtyard Marriott
100 South Fountain Ave.
Springfield, Oh 45502
Reservation phone 937-322-3000
Room rate $94. Plus Tax
Hosted by H. Eugene “Doak” Walker Det. # 963

August 9 - 14, 2020 National Convention
Daytona Beach, Florida
Reservation phone 866-536-8477

Buckeye Marine articles due: 16 August
Buckeye Marine date to be published: 30 August

Any questions or concerns contact Department of Ohio
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**Jr. Vice Commandant Message:**

I want to send best wishes & Greetings for the up coming Thanksgiving & Christmas Holidays to you and your families for a safe and healthy season. When meeting with old Marine friends during the holidays remind them about the Marine Corps League and all that we do and don't forget to ask them to join the LEAGUE.

Happy Holidays,
Semper Fi,

*Gary Evans*

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**Time and Place Committee:**

Remember our Department meeting on January 11, 2020 at Detachment 602 Newark Location of the meeting is VFW 1060 469 Forry St. Newark Ohio the meeting will start promptly at 9am lunch by The MCLA Land of Legend Unit at 12-noon resume meeting at 1pm-4pm hope to see everyone there.

The MCL/MCLA Spring conference will be held March 13-15 at The Cherry Valley Hotel 2299 Cherry Valley Road SE Newark, Ohio. The contact number to make your reservations is 740-788-1200 or toll free 800-788-8008 use code (MCL/MCLA) to get the special rate of $98.00 + tax. The reservation cut off date is Friday February 28, 2020 don't forget you can make reservation (NOW).

Any Detachment wanting to host an MCL/MCLA Conference in the future please contact any committee member. This needs to be done at least 90 days in advance so reservations can be made by those attending.

Happy Holidays,

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From the Halls of Montezuma
To the shores of Tripoli;
We fight our country's battles
In the air, on land, and sea;
First to fight for right and freedom
And to keep our honor clean;
We are proud to claim the title
Of United States Marine.

Our flag's unfurled to every breeze
From dawn to setting sun;
We have fought in every clime and place
Where we could take a gun;
In the snow of far-off Northern lands
And in sunny tropic scenes,
You will find us always on the job
The United States Marines.

Here's health to you and to our Corps
Which we are proud to serve;
In many a strife we've fought for life
And never lost our nerve.
If the Army and the Navy
Ever look on Heaven's scenes,
They will find the streets are guarded
By United States Marines.