



SPECIAL EDITION

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Newsletter of The New England Division of The Marine Corps League Vol. 4 Issue 2A



Message From The Division Commandant



Dear New England Division
Marine Corps League Members

As we welcome a New Year I want to take this opportunity to wish each of you and your family a Happy and Healthy New Year.

This special edition of our Newsletter is going out to give you the information for The New England Division Quad State Convention and Conference.

This is our annual opportunity to join with our Brothers and sisters from the New England Departments to share information and ideas, enjoy the com-



and wide in the Division Newsletter, which goes out on FaceBook and LinkedIn, in addition to the distribution it enjoys throughout the league. It is an opportunity to come together in our extended community. We will eat, GROWL, learn, play and relax. We will recognize, remember, and embrace our brotherhood that shows all who and what we are.

So

please consider coming, the experience is priceless, and it is the be-

ginning of spring the perfect time for a getaway. If you haven't been to Maine it's a great place to visit. All the registration information is in this special edition. If you need additional information feel free to use the directory in the Newsletter to reach out to anyone for additional help. Join us in making this the best Quad State ever. We are all part of the Division and there is strength in numbers.

Patrick Maguire
National Vice Commandant
New England Division
Marine Corps League

QUAD STATE EDITION

radery we share with other Marines, and gives us the opportunity to make new friends as well as renew some current friendships that time and distance normally keeps us from. This is all about New England. Our guests will see what New England is all about, and carry that information with them when they leave and return to their home bases. The pictures from this event will be spread far



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IMPORTANT

Laskey's Telegraph is published every two months in the first week of the following months.

FEBRUARY. APRIL, JUNE, AUGUST, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER.

The cut off date for submitting material is the last week of the following months. JANUARY, MARCH, MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER.. If there is a special circumstance please call to make arrangements.

Send submissions to:

Walt.benson5@gmail.com
203-768-8435

Send pictures, please include names and what you and your detachment is doing.

WHAT SHOULD I SUBMIT?

This is your Newsletter, so anything you think others might be interested in. Look at the categories, Departments, Toy for Tots, Devil Dogs, Taps, Birthdays, Sick and I Need. Upcoming Events, Help Wanted, History, League and Marine Corps, Birthdays, Awards and Recognition. Community Events, Scholarships, Conventions, Meetings and Grand Growls, and ongoing projects. What are we doing for recruiting? What are we doing for Marines for Life? What can we do to bring back the Auxiliary? Think of some of the programs we have expanded and can you think of any others you want to create or expand? We expanded the Dogs to include donations to provide help to animal shelters, what about other groups? What about donations for women's shelters for women and children of these women? Toys For Tots expanded there program to allow year round help to children in distress. Someone had an idea and this grew from it, you could start your idea here. I am sure there is more but this is a good start

Walt Benson



2025 NEW ENGLAND DIVISION QUAD STATE CONFERENCE



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

2025 NE DIVISION CONFERENCE & QUAD CONVENTION
APRIL 24, 25, & 26TH

HOTEL REGISTRATION

THE 2025 QUAD STATE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT THE
DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON, SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE

ADDRESS: DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON PORTLAND
363 MAINE MALL ROAD
SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE 04106

ROOM RATES: FRIDAY - \$ 129.00 + TAX
SATURDAY - \$ 129.00 + TAX
MENTION QUAD STATE CONVENTION WHEN CALLING FOR
RESERVATIONS

PHONE: TOLL FREE - 833-372-9736 (1-207-756-6510)

THE DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON PORTLAND OFFERS FULL-SERVICE ACCOMMODATIONS IN A CONVENIENT LOCATION JUST OFF I-95 DIRECTLY ACROSS MAINE'S LARGEST MALL. JUST MINUTES FROM THE WATERFRONT DISTRICT AND DOWNTOWN PORTLAND, HISTORIC OLD PORT DINING AND SHOPPING, AND PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL JETPORT (PWM), WE OFFER COMPLIMENTARY AIRPORT SHUTTLE. OUR GUEST ROOMS AND SUITES FEATURE REFRIGERATOR, MICROWAVE AND SAFES, FLAT PANEL TVS, COMPLIMENTARY WIFI AND OUR LUXURIOUS SWEET DREAMS BEDDING. HOTEL AMENITIES INCLUDE A WELL-EQUIPPED FITNESS CENTER, HEATED INDOOR POOL AND WHIRLPOOL, PET-FRIENDLY ACCOMMODATIONS AND ROOM SERVICE. OUR LOCATION MEANS PLENTY OF EATERIES, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS ARE NEARBY. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE ALSO OFFER ONSITE HOTEL DINING AT NOURISH, SERVING FRESHLY PREPARED AMERICAN CUISINE AND REGIONAL FAVORITES FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER. OUR GUESTS ENJOY EASY ACCESS TO DOZENS OF ATTRACTIONS, INCLUDING THE SHORES OF CASCO BAY AND OLD ORCHARD BEACH ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT, WORLD-FAMOUS L.L. BEAN AND FREEPORT OUTLET STORES, PORTLAND'S ARTS DISTRICT, HISTORIC PORTLAND HEAD LIGHT LIGHTHOUSE, VICTORIA MANSION, THE MAINE NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD CO. MUSEUM AND PORTLAND'S SHIPYARD BREWING COMPANY TOURS. WHETHER YOU TRAVEL HERE FOR BUSINESS OR LEISURE, OUR CARING HOTEL STAFF LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO PORTLAND WITH OUR SIGNATURE, WARM DOUBLETREE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE AT CHECK-IN.

SEMPER FI MARINES
FROM THE DEPT. OF MAINE MCL



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ADVERTISEMENT PRICES

TO: ALL DEPARTMENTS, DETACHMENTS, POUNDS AND PACKS

THE 2025 MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NEW ENGLAND DIVISION CONFERENCE AND QUAD STATE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD APRIL 24, 25, & 26th AT DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON 365 MAINE MALL ROAD IN SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE 04106. YOUR SUPPORT OF THE CONVENTION BY PLACING ADS IN THE PROGRAM BOOK WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

PRICE LIST

FULL PAGE-----COLOR	\$275.00	B/W	\$200.00
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BLACK/WHITE ONLY:			
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BUSINESS CARD	\$ 25.00		
NAME ONLY	\$ 5.00		

SUBMIT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH ADVERTISEMENT. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE MCL

MAIL AD W/CHECK OR EMAIL TO WACARO1@YAHOO.COM AND SEND CHECK SEPARATE
TO:

WAYNE CARON
1334 ST. JOHN ROAD
ST. JOHN PLT. MAINE 04743

PERSON SUBMITTING AD: _____ SIZE OF AD _____

ADDRESS: _____ CHECK AMOUNT _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE NO> _____

DEADLINE FOR ADS: MARCH 12, 2025----SEMPER FI



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SATURDAY – 26TH APRIL 2025

SATURDAY NIGHT MEAL \$65.00 PER PERSON

MEALS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE

PAID TO DEPT. OF MAINE PAYMASTER

MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 24, 2025

ENTRÉE: CHICKEN OR BEEF – VEGETABLE AND MASHED POTATOES
SERVED WITH DINNER ROLLS, COFFEE SERVICE & CHEF'S CHOICE OF DESSERT
SIDES: GARDEN SALAD (CHOICE OF DRESSING)

ENJOY YOUR MEAL

MCL DEPT. OF MAINE DETACHMENTS

KENNEBEC VALLEY DETACHMENT #599

CENTRAL MAINE DETACHMENT #810

GREATER LINCOLN DETACHMENT #976

GREATER BANGOR DETACHMENT #1151

SOUTHERN MAINE DETACHMENT #1324

MAINE LEATHERNECKS DETACHMENT #1361

MEO-BOSSE DETACHMENT #1414



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REGISTRATION & BANQUET FORMS

ALL MARINE CORPS LEAGUERS: **REGISTRATION IS \$30.00/\$35.00 AFTER MARCH 1ST**
PAYABLE IN ADVANCE:

- NAME: _____
- ADDRESS: _____
- CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____
- PHONE: _____
- EMAIL: _____
- REGISTRATION: HOW MANY? _____ @ \$30.00 = \$ _____
- DEVIL DOG: DOG TAG # _____ POUND: _____ PACK: _____

CHECK NO. _____ MAKE OUT TO MCL DEPT. OF MAINE AND SEND TO

DEPT. OF MAINE PAYMASTER
WAYNE CARON
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YOUNG MARINES



The Young Marines: A Bold Vision for 2025

As we step into 2025, the Young Marines are fired up and ready to take on a new year filled with purpose, growth, and action. With unwavering determination and enthusiasm, our Young Marines are chomping at the bit to get the New Year moving and make an impact like never before. This year holds the promise of exciting opportunities, both for personal development and for serving the broader Marine Corps League community.

Realignment: A Stronger Force

The Division realignment of the Young Marines program has proven to be even more powerful than we initially imagined. With a clear vision, enhanced leadership training, and a focus on real world experiences, this program is shaping the next generation of leaders. We are proud to say that the strength of the Young Marines lies not only in their numbers but in the quality of their dedication, discipline, and commitment to service. Our revamped initiatives will continue to challenge and inspire Young Marines to strive for excellence, both in their personal lives and in their dedication to the program. From honing leadership skills to cultivating a strong sense of teamwork, the Young Marines program is pushing the boundaries of what our youth can achieve. As we look ahead, the future of the program is brighter than ever.

Partnering with the Marine Corps League

This year, one of our most exciting objectives is to build an even stronger partnership with the Marine Corps League. As the Young Marines continue to grow and evolve, collaborating with the League is a natural next step. Together, we can reinforce the values that make our partnership an elite force, while also providing our Young Marines with mentorship and guidance from seasoned Veterans. The Marine Corps League's experience and wisdom will be invaluable as we work hand-in-hand to offer more programs and initiatives that not only honor the legacy of the Corps but also possibly cultivate the next generation of Marines. By aligning our efforts, the Young Marines and the Marine Corps League will achieve a unified vision for a stronger, more effective force for years to come.

A New Year, A New Legacy

With the Division realignment pushing us forward and new partnerships forming, 2025 is set to be a landmark year for the Young Marines. Every Recruit, Young Marine, and Adult Volunteer is committed to making this year a defining moment, shaping our future with integrity, strength, and honor. Let's move forward into 2025 with pride, knowing that we're not just preparing for the future—we're building it together. The Young Marines are ready, and so is the Marine Corps League. The power of collaboration and leadership is at our fingertips—let's make this year one to remember.

Joseph Couture,
Division One Commander
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2025 MID WINTER NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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SHERATON PENTAGON CITY

900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204

Phone: 800-325-3535 Reference National Marine Corps League

HOTEL RESERVATION LINK

2/27/2025 – 3/1/2025 (check-in 2/26, check out 3/2)

2025 MCL National Mid-Winter Conference Uniform Of The Day (UOD):

All MCL uniforms stated are 'suggested' attire and is not required for wear; no MCL members will be denied access if they are not wearing the 'suggested' MCL uniform; however, ALL MCL members in good-standing will wear the MCL cover and proper conference credentials to gain access to any MCL business meetings.

- Thursday national board of trustees meeting and Commandants Council – MCL cover (required); MCL polo shirts or detachment shirts are 'suggested' for wear.
- Friday Joint Opening Session and Memorial Service – MCL cover (required); the MCL Casual Dress (red blazer) uniform is 'suggested.' The balance of the day, the MCL Undress uniform; or, MCL or detachment shirts are 'suggested' for wear.
- Saturday business meetings – MCL cover (required); the MCL Undress uniform; or, MCL or detachment shirts are 'suggested' for wear.
- Saturday social, reception, and banquet – (black-tie event) MCL Evening Dress, MCL Formal Dress, or black-tie/formal attire is 'suggested' for wear. MCL covers are not to be worn for this event.

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- Hotel rate is \$131 per night plus tax
- Parking: On-site garage parking is \$10 per day
- Any cancellations after February 10, 2025, will forfeit the one-night deposit
- Free shuttle to/from Reagan Airport (DCA)

The hotel overlooks Arlington National Cemetery and is right near Henderson Hall and the Fort Myer Exchange.



2025

APRIL

2025



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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NATIONAL CONVENTION



2025 MCL Convention

Hyatt Regency DFW International Airport

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A SEAT
FOR YOU**

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DFW AIRPORT TX 75261

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MONDAY AUG 11 TO FRIDAY AUG 15

RATES ARE \$159,

PARKING IS FREE

SCHEDULE



AND ON THE
8th DAY
GOD CREATED
MARINES
THE DEVIL
GROANED AND
SAID, "OH SHIT"



Regardless of the situation, the Marine Corps has an answer for almost everything.

A 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 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 responsibilities 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. 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 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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WORD OF THE DAY

Over the centuries, certain Latin phrases have been used widely enough in English to get included in the dictionary. This is one of the favorites:

Semper Fidelis

sem-per fi-dey-lis;

"Always faithful"

These two words have long served as motto for families, schools, and organizations – most famously, since 1883, for the United States Marine Corps.

EXAMPLE:

He will receive the Semper Fidelis Award for his support of the Marine Corps University Foundation.

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