

Welcome to the Jarhead Review Quarterly Newsletter December 2024 The official publication of the Department Of Georgia, Marine Corps League

23 Detachments

1200 Members

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- ★ Web Sergeant Edward Gizara
- **Newsletter Brent Eaton**
- **Fallen Marine Program Charles** Polk
- **Young Marines Jim Berres**

> Quarterly Business Meeting in See website www.mcldeptofga.org

- > 2024 National Convention **Palm Springs California** Aug 14-18, 2024 www.mcleaguelibrary.org
- > Feb 7-8, 2025 Dept **Quarterly meeting Warner Robbins GA See website** www.mcldeptofga.org
- > Feb 27 Mar 1, 2025 **National Midwinter Conference Sheraton Pentagon City 900 South** Orme Street, Arlington, VA. www.mcleaguelibrary.org
- ≥ 2025 Department of Georgia → Page 24 Veteran Owned **Convention: May 2025** Columbus GA. www.mcldeptofga.org
- > 2025 SE Division Conference www.sediv.org/conferences
- > 2025 National Convention **Grapevine Texas** www.mcleaguelibrary.org

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2024-2025 Marine Corps League Department Calendar of Events

2024 Calendar of Events

- OCT 10-22 MODD Gathering
 North Charleston, SC 29418 Conference Dates:
 Thursday, October 10, 2024 Sunday, October 13, 2024 https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org/
- 10 NOV, Fri Marine Corps Birthday
- 11 NOV, SAT Veterans Day
- 24 DEC, SUN Christmas Eve,
- 25 DEC, MON Christmas Day
- 31 DEC, SUN New Year's Eve

2025 Calendar of Events

- 1 JAN, SAT New Year's Day
- 7-8 FEB, Fri/Sat Dept Quarterly Meeting http://mcldeptofga.org/
- 14 FEB, FRI Valentine's Day
- 20 FEB, THU Presidents' Day
- Feb 27 Mar 1 MCL National Midwinter Conference Location: Sheraton Pentagon City https://www.mcleaguelibrary.org/conference/
- 12 MAR Daylight Saving Time starts
- MAR 20-22, 2025 SE Division Conference Lafayette, Louisiana https://sediv.org/conferences
- 20 APR, SUN Easter Sunday
- 1-4 MAY, THU-SUN 2025 Dept Of GA Convention Doubletree Hotel Columbus 5351 Sidney Simons Blvd. Columbus Georgia http://mcldeptofga.org/
- 11 MAY, SUN Mother's Day
- 26 MAY, Memorial Day
- 14 JUN, SAT Flag Day
- 15 JUN, SUN Father's Day
- 19 JUN, Juneteenth
- 4 JUL, FRI Independence Day
- AUG 11-15, 2025 National Convention Grapevine Texas https://www.mcleaguelirary.org/convention/
- 10 NOV, MON Marine Corps Birthday
- 11 NOV, TUE Veterans Day
- 24 DEC, WED Christmas Eve,
- 25 DEC, THU Christmas Day
- 31 DEC, WED New Year's Eve

Past Commandants: Ron Kirtstatter 2014-2016, Randy Barnes 2016-2018, Al Yates 2018-2020, Larry Heard 2020-2022, Bill Miller 2022 - 2024, Rex Delk 2024 - Present.

Current Membership Strength:

		PLM
23 Detachments	Regular	619
1221 Members	Associate	69
	Multiple	4
5% growth from previous year	Total	692
	Voting	836

Detachment Chartered Date and Years of Service

Detachment No.	Detachment Name	Charter Date	Years in Service
564	Dog Company	04/07/1984	40 Years
647	L/Cp. Squire "Skip" Wells	07/02/1990	35 Years
665	Upper Chattahoochee	05/18/1988	36 Years
783	Unicoi	09/16/1991	33 Years
921	Lt. Col. Jimmie Dyess	Unknown	
952	Georgia Devil Dog	07/08/1996	26 Years
970	Middle Georgia	02/24/1997	25 Years
1020	"Jake" Puryear	05/24/1999	25 Years
1040	1st Sgt Charles F Waller	01/31/2000	24 Years
1083	Joseph Schmittou	05/24/2001	23 Years
1188	Gen Ray Davis – M O H	04/27/2005	19 Years
1196	Maj Stephen W Pless	03/28/2005	19 Years
12060	Maj Lawrence Des Jardines	11/28/2006	18 Years
1280	Marines No GA Mountain	06/01/2007	17 Years
1303	Currahee Mountain	04/21/2008	16 Years
1309	Cpl Glenn Pair	06/30/2008	16 Years
1311	Maj Gen Warren R Johnson	08/07/2008	16 Years
1325	Sgt Clyde Thomason MOH	02/18/2009	15 Years
1326	West Chatham	03/20/2009	15 Years
1333	Waycross	05/20/2009	15 Years
1373	Central Georgia	02/17/2011	13 Years
1402	Columbus	08/29/2012	12 Years
1438	Lake Blue Ridge	05/23/2016	8 Years



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View Latest Marine Corps League National Youtube Videos of Interviews at the MidWinter Conference;
Marines and Guest Speakers by visiting the MCL National YouTube Channel link

voutube.com/c/TheMarineCorpsLeague

Last Quarterly Department Meeting Highlights: Guests Introduced at last Department Quarterly Staff Meeting: Southeast Division Compliance Officer – Bill Lamar, Department Past Commandants, William Miller 2022-2024, Larry Heard 2020-2022, Randy Barnes 2016-2018

Commandant Delk noted that he received a call from Ryda Sardi about Disaster Relief and asked if he had heard anything from the Detachments. Commandant Delk also received an email from a Marine in Louisiana about a Marine buddy of his from Vietnam who is suffering from a brain injury. He is asking for us to reach out to him once we have contact information. Our department also received a \$1000.00 donation from the Lake County Marine Corps League Foundation in Gurnee, IL. The Paymaster's report was read. Ed gave an update on the new Disaster Relief Fund and explained how the Department was moving the balance of the funds into a separate Preferred Savings Account to help increase interest each month. A motion to accept the Paymasters Report pending further review was made by Barbara Brammer (1402). The motion was seconded by Bill Miller (1196). Hearing no discussion the motion passes as read, pending financial review.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Judge Advocate: Marty Habecker is working with the Commandant of 921 and hopes to have the By-Laws completed in a week or two.

Junior Vice Commandant: Alton Coleman has spoken about delinquent members in each detachment and how this affects the Department and MCL National's budget. He urged all

Detachment Jr. Vice Commandants to proactively seek out these members and get them to pay their dues. If you have issues or questions, please get in touch with Alton Coleman. He will schedule a Zoom meeting for Sunday, November 17th at 1900 hrs. Discussion will include Leadership, Growing the Detachment, developing your Brand, and building your Equity.

Senior Vice Commandant: Lisa Delk asked if any of the Detachments have received or heard anything about the "Beneficial Ownership Information". She stated it was born out of the Transparency Corporation Act. It is a report of who controls/owns the corporation. She stated that as a 501(c)4, the Marine Corps League is exempt from this report

Commandant: Commandant Rex Delk stated that our Department's biggest problem is delinquency. A paper was handed out to each member showing the number of delinquencies that the Department has (163). He stated that they would be presenting the budget day. He covered the number of paid members and the PLM (Paid Life Member) disbursements the Department is receiving. The 163 delinquent members equate to \$652.00 of funds that the Department does not have. The most the Department could make would be \$4620.48, and that is without fundraisers, which the Department is looking into.

Report of Appointed Officers:

Newsletter: Brent Eaton (1402) stated that a rough draft is sent out. Commandant Delk stated he had some corrections. Brent said he would try to get the newsletter out earlier. He stated that he is looking for anyone who would like to join the Newsletter/Facebook Team to contact him.

Report of Appointed Officers:

Fallen Marine: We are still looking for a Fallen Marine Coordinator.

VSO: We are looking for someone to take this position. Levi McKenna stated that he might have someone in mind for the position.

Young Marines: Jim Berres spoke about what the Young Marine Program is all about. The ages range from 8-18 years old. They are taught everything a Marine knows except Advanced Weaponry and Tactics. Costs are going up, and they are short on funds and could use any assistance detachments could provide. Ed Gizara advised Jim Berres that he has coordinated with a Motorcycle Club to do a Poker Run to raise funds for the Young Marines Program.

Disaster Relief: Larry Heard – The Department ran out to Augusta and brought them a few pallets of water and food to assist with Hurricane Helene Disaster relief efforts.

Sgt-At-Arms: No report currently.

Boy Scout Coordinator: Mickey Edwards stated that if any Detachment has questions about how to fill out the Scouting Report, just call him. He also has Scouting Coins for Eagle Scouts, which cost \$5 each.

Historian: Terry Holland (1402) had no report.

Compliance Officer: Lisa Delk (1196) advised everyone that we have a guest with us today, Bill Lamar, the compliance officer for the Southeast Division. Lisa stated that if any detachment has concerns, questions, or issues with compliance questions, they should reach out to any of the Department Officers or the Board of Trustees.

District Vice Commandants: Commandant Delk said we still need a District Vice Commandant for Districts One and Seven. If anyone knows of anyone who would be interested in these positions, contact Rex Delk with the information and he will contact the individual to discuss it.

District Two – Gary Verheyen, District Three – Jay Maxwell, District Four – Ronnie Griffin, District Five – Mickey Edwards, District Six – Merrill Tindall

Commandant Delk will swear in those District Vice Commandants who are here today.

Chaplain: Mickey Edwards reported that we have had 6 deaths since the last Quarterly Meeting, they are Tom Holland, Jimmie Hammondtree, Walter James Taylor, Kenneth Lee Gerdes, John Francis Burkart, and Johnny H. Harris. Mickey asked all Detachments to review their rosters every quarter and that if they see someone who has passed, to be sure to get the NOD to him ASAP. He stressed how awful it is to have a family member receive a sympathy card for a loved one who had passed away the previous year. Lisa Delk stated that the paymaster must also send in the transmittal with the NOD to the Department Paymaster, otherwise, they may not drop off the roster.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

BYLAWS: Marty Haebecker reminded all Detachments to review their Bylaws, and if they have any questions, contact him.

Finance/Budget Committee: Lisa Delk (Sr. Vice Commandant) Convention Committee: Terry Holland (1402) reported that the Hotel is posted on the website, and you can register for your rooms. His committee wants to review the agenda with the Department and finalize the contract. He is also asking members to reach out to discuss possible menu changes. Commandant Delk commented that Detachments 564 & 1326, who hosted the previous year's convention, are also on that committee and to contact them for assistance. Rex stated that Detachments 1196 & 1325 will host the 2026 Convention.

Youth Physical Fitness Coordinator: Commandant Delk advised that Detachment 783 has someone interested in taking this position.

Commandant Delk reminded everyone that Rust Insurance will not cover any gun events and that you will need a supplemental policy for those events. Rust does offer a supplemental policy. Rex also wanted to remind everyone that if you have an event where alcohol is served and you are serving alcohol, you will need a supplemental policy.

Unfinished Business: Commandant Delk advised that the Department has reintroduced the District Vice Commandants for the Department. There will be seven districts, most will have three detachments, and one will have four. He asked if anyone would be or knew of someone who would be good for the position. District Vice Commandants would be responsible for attending at least one meeting of each detachment in their district each quarter. They need to know the rituals and be able to share the information with the officers of the detachments. Rust Insurance will not provide insurance for any weapons. If you are having a raffle or other event where a weapon would be the prize, you may not have the weapon present. If you prefer, you may look to get a supplemental policy for the event. Liability would fall back on the Officers of that Detachment.

New Business: Tony Gasper (647) Spoke about the Montford Pointe Marine Association, they will be having their annual convention in Atlanta July 23-27, 2025. He would like to recommend that the Department have one of its members come to the next meeting to speak and possibly consider sponsorship for their convention. Commandant Delk mentioned that we do have a member who is a Montford Point Marine, James Pack, he is at large and has turned down the invitation on many occasions. Commandant Delk also spoke on Disaster Relief and what needs to happen to have better communications from Detachments, possibly forming a calling tree. We must know that every member is accounted for and doing well if a disaster occurs. We need to figure out a way for members to check in with their detachments and have one person from each detachment report to their District Vice Commandant. They will report to the Department Commandant, whether that be via phone, website, or Facebook.

Announcements: Commandant Delk discussed social media and said that if you post events or information about your detachment, please also send it to "Doc" Coleman to be posted on the Department's Facebook site. Brent Eaton can pull from those posts and build a story for the newsletter. Exposure is significant.

Commandant Delk installed three District Vice Commandants at 10:30 am, Mickey Edwards (1402), Ronnie Griffin (1196), and Merrill Tindall (1373) per the Installation Ritual.

Department FaceBook Page Social Media Highlights October - December 2024

This year, the Marine Corps League's Unicoi Detachment 783 will once again host the Annual Iwo Jima Memorial Ceremony in Young Harris, GA.



In addition to its rituals, dignitaries and special guests, this year's keynote will be Major General Frank J. Lozano (USA) Program Executive Officer (PEO) Missiles and Space, Redstone Arsenal, AL.

As Program Executive Officer, Major General Lozano is responsible for the development, production, fielding, sustainment, and international program aspects for assigned missile and space systems.

MG Lozano assumed his current position in August 2022.

MG Lozano's operational and combat experience include deployments to Bosnia, Kuwait and Iraq.

His awards and decorations include the Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, the NATO Service Medal, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Joint Staff Identification Badge.

He is certified in Program Management; Contracting; System Research; Planning and Engineering; and System Test career fields.

The ceremony will be held (indoors) at the Towns County Recreation and Conference Center in Young Harris on Monday, February 17th.

The ceremony will commence at 10:00 a.m. The public, as well as ALL Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs), are invited to attend.

This is what it looks like when a Marine Corps League member gets excited about exhibiting at an Autumn festival. MCL Unicoi Detachment 783. Go Tess Callies go! Ooorah!

From the MCL Department of Georgia's quarterly meeting this weekend. Dept. Commandant Rex Delk presented certificates and streamers for 100% Membership and the National JVC's Award.







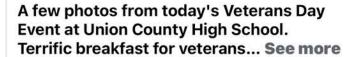






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MCL Unicoi Detachment 783 was on hand at this year's Welcome Home Veterans Air Show in Andrews, NC.



















Tonight marks the birthday of the United States Marine Corps. I would like to wish all my brothers and sisters a Happy Birthday. Here is to 249 years as the world's most formidable warfighters. Semper Fi.

Alton "Doc" Coleman
MCL Unicoi Detachment 783, Commandant
MCL Dept. of Georgia - Jr. Vice Commandant



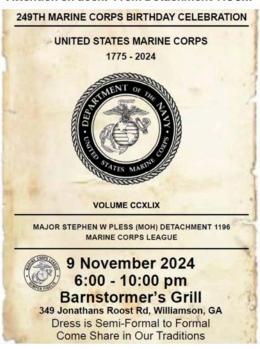
Today, the Marine Corps honors the parents and families of those who have lost their loved ones while serving our country.

Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day is a reminder to never forget those who gave their last full measure of devotion while serving and to forever support those left behind.

Semper Fidelis

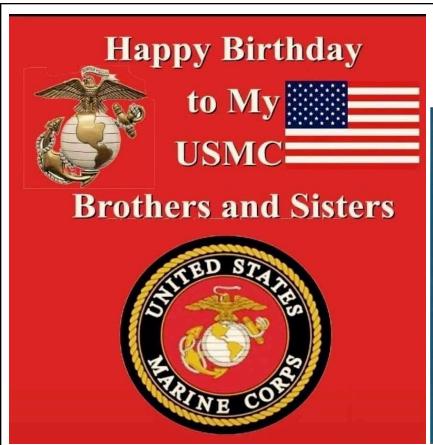


Attention on deck! From Detachment 1196...

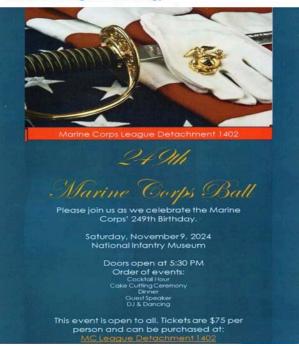


MCL Department of Georgia 2024 Board of Trustees. Photo taken at Detachment 1196's USMC Birthday Ball. L-R: Mickey Edwards (Chaplain), Doc Coleman (JVC), Lisa Delk (SVC), Rex Delk (Commandant) and Larry Heard (Jr. Past Commandant).





Please come and join us for a celebration of our 249th Marine Corps Birthday Ball . The venue is the National Infantry Museum....the museum that celebrates the value of service and sacrifice for our country. https://www.mcleague1402.org/





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Happy Birthday Marines!



Photos from Major Stephen W. Pless Detachment 1196's Marine Corps Birthday Ball on Saturday night.





Marine Corps League Department ... of Georgia

Posted by Alton Coleman Oct 4, 2024 ⋅ 🚱

Attention on deck!



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Associate Members Claudia Entwisle and Tammy Coleman did an outstanding job on 783's Christmas Tree at the Blairsville Chamber of Commerce's "Tour of Christmas Trees". These trees will be on display through the holiday season. Ooo-rah!



The MCL Department of Georgia has established a GoFundMe page to raise money to help its members, and their families, throughout Georgia, and beyond, who have been hit hard by Hurricane Helene. Many still do not have running water, electricity, or gas and have spotty, if any, internet and/or cell service. Donations can be made by clicking on the following link.

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Department of Georgia
Disaster Relief Fund
Helping Marine Veterans,
Navy Corpsman
And chaplains in the State
of Georgia with disaster relief

gofundme.com

Donate to Help Georgia Marine Veterans Rebuild Lives, organized by Edward Gizara



Marine Corps League Department ... of Georgia is in Blairsville, GA.

Posted by Alton Coleman Dec 14, 2024 · 🚱

783's 1st Annual Army-Navy Game Watch Party is in the books and it couldn't have ended any better... Navy 31 - Ar... See more











Detachment 783 will be back at it this weekend. We hope everyone will come out to the Sorghum Festival at Meeks Park, meet some of our awesome members and learn more about the Marine Corps League.



Unicoi Detachment 783 participated in a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Saturday. The event was hosted by the American Legion's Post 121 in Blairsville and BSA Troop 101 (Blairsville, GA). There is power in groups of RED. Ooo-rah!



On December 4, 1950, after four days of fighting their way through the Taebek Mountains, Lieutenant Colonel Raymond G. Davis and the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines arrived in Hagaru-Ri, in present-day North Korea. Their victory over the numerically-superior North Korean and Chinese forces helped clear the way for the 5th and 7th Marines, and Davis was awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism.







MODD SIG P320 M18 This is the Military Order of the Devil Dogs 2025 Sig P320 M18 Raffle. The prize consists of the SIG SAUER P320 M18 Pistol, or the winner may elect to receive \$500 in lieu of the pistol. Read more about it here: sigsauer.com/p320-m18.html



Proceeds from the raffle will go to the operational funds of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. So please consider helping us out and purchasing your tickets today! Winner will be drawn at the Marine Corps League National Mid-Winter Conference on Saturday, 1 MAR 2025 This raffle is void where prohibited by law. TRANSFER FEES ARE WINNERS RESPONSIBILITY!



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support to Marine Corps League Detachments whose programs focus on Home, Health & Wellness, Education and Food Security. https://veteranscooperative.org/



4th Gathering of the Dogs

HotelHilton Garden Inn Airport 5265 International Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Conference Dates: Thursday, October 10, 2024 – Sunday, October 13, 2024 Hotel Reservation Link Click here to make reservations Reservations must be made by Sept 10, 2024 for the group rate!

ADJUTANT/PAYMASTER TIPS

Below are several notes for Adjutants and Paymasters to consider when preparing Dues Transmittals.

- ➤ Always download the most current version of the Dues Transmittal form from the National website (https://www.mcleaquelibrary.org/).
- > You only need to send one copy of each Dues Transmittal, Member Application, Request for Transfer, Notice of Death, etc. The Department Paymaster is fully electronic, and we no longer need extra paper copies.
- > When submitting a Notice of Death, also forward a copy of the Notice to the Department Chaplain.
- > You only need to send a single check to cover both National and Department dues. The check should be made payable to "Department of Georgia MCL." Department then deposits the check, electronically files the Dues Transmittal with National, and pays the National portion of the dues by ACH.
- ➤ Life member dues are increasing effective July 1, 2023. The new dues amounts are provided on the National website and are reproduced below for your convenience.

Age Group	Unitil 6/30/2023 // New Life Member Dues 7/1/23
0 - 35	\$500.00 // \$1,000.00
36 - 50	\$400.00 // \$800.00
51 - 64	\$300.00 // \$500.00
65 - Over	\$200.00 // \$400.00
(As of 7/1/23) 85 - Over	\$100.00

- The membership prorate period is March 1 through June 30, with the next renewal due August 31 of that same year. During this prorate period, National dues is \$15, and Department dues is \$4.
- For membership applications submitted in July and August, National dues goes back up to \$25, and Department dues remains at \$4, with the next renewal due August 31 of the following year.
- ➤ Never include DD-214 documentation with Dues Transmittals, National does not need it, and Department does not want it. The Detachment should review the DD-214 to confirm member eligibility and then return the DD-214 to the prospective member. No copies should ever be made.

- ➤ Use a current version of the membership application. We no longer require a Service Number or a Social Security Number, and the application you are using should not ask for that information. If you receive an application with that information provided, the information should be redacted before submission.
- ➤ Once a member is delinquent for more than one year, they are marked as "Inactive" in the National database and they no longer appear on your Detachment roster. An Inactive member has a choice of either (1) paying all back dues and retaining their original join date (CODE R) or (2) reinstating, which includes submitting a new membership application and paying one year's National and Department membership dues (CODE R/I). Reinstatement will reset the member's join date to the date their new membership application is processed at National.
- ➤ Department dues are always \$4, regardless of whether it is for a new member, a renewal, or a dual member. The only time Department dues are not collected is when a current member (in good standing) applies for life membership. For life membership, only National dues are submitted.

Good of the League: Commandant Delk reminded everyone that clocks will fall back tomorrow morning and sleeves will go down. He also commented that the Marine Corps' 249th Birthday is coming up to be safe and have each other's backs. Many balls occur throughout the Department. Commandant Delk introduced Bill Lamar, he is the Southeast Division Compliance Officer.

Bill Lamar distributed a handout to each detachment. He monitors each department/detachment and ensures that it complies with all applicable reports, IRS 990, Secretary of State registrations, ROIs, bylaws, PLM Audits, EINs, and the group status for each detachment. He also discussed the timeline for each report and when they are due. If the Detachment is not compliant, it will lose its voting rights at conventions.

BILL Lamar also said he will run for the Division Vice Commandant position. When he first took over as Commandant Delk stated that all detachments are in sales, and how we communicate (sell) ourselves is how we will increase our membership. He urged all detachments to work on their "elevator speech" and said that at the next meeting, he would ask a few detachments to stand and tell us their elevator speech in 30 seconds.

Commandant Delk presented National Jr Vice Citations to detachments that had increased membership for the previous year.

Det 1309 – Cpl Glenn Pair – 138.9% Det 1020 – Jake Puryear – 132.84%

Det 783 – Unicoi – 115.15% Det 1303 – Currahee Mountain – 109.09%

Det 647 – LCpl Squire "Skip" Wells – 108.7% Det 1438 – Lake Blue Ridge – 106.52%

Det 564 – Dog Company – 106.25% Det 1280 – North GA Mountain – 103.13%

Det 1333 – Waycross – 102.38% Det 952 – Georgia At Large – 102.7%

Det 921 – LtCol Jimmie Dyess – 100%

Det 1188 & 1402 received the National Convention Streamers

Additional Announcements: The National Mid-Winter Conference will be held Feb 27th – Mar 1st, 2025

The Next Department Meeting will be hosted by Det 1373 in Perry GA Friday night the Department Dinner was at the Brickery in Jackson, Ga. It was a packed house, and everyone had a great time, with great food and great camaraderie.



Marine Corps League 33rd



33rd DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA CONVENTION MAY 1ST - 4TH, 2025







The host unit is Detachment 1402, Columbus, GA

We are very excited to host this year's Convention.

We are planning many things to do while you visit Columbus, GA.

Our goal is to make sure everyone has a great time. Forms are on the next pages and on the Dept Website.

mcldeptofga.org/2025-department-of-georgia-convention/

Things to do in Columbus, GA



33nd Annual Department of Georgia Convention Registration Form

Columbus, GA - May 1st thru May 4th, 2025

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	urday May 4th,	2024				
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Georgia Marine Corps League 2025 Convention Program AD Submission Form

From:			
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Please print the following advertises Convention program. Double Page Ad \$225.00 Full Page Ad \$100.00 In Memory / In Honor of \$20.00 We will supply camera re The copy for the ad is as follow	eady logo	he 2025 Georgia Marine Corps Le Half Page Ad-Horizontal/Vertical Quarter Page Ad Business Card os or art or digital-format logos or	\$50.00 \$30.00 \$20.
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MARINE OF THE YEAR Department of Georgia, Marine Corps League

2024-2025	Lisa Delk	Major Stephen W. Pless MOH #1196
2023-2024	Rex Delk	Major Stephen W. Pless MOH #196
2022-2023	Larry Heard	Major Stephen W. Pless MOH #196
2021-2022	Ed Barbee	Middle Georgia #970
2020-2021	No Award Given	N/A
2019-2020	Al Yates	1stSgt Charles F. Waller #1040
2018-2019	Levi McKenna	Central Georgia #1373
2017-2018	Frank Golan	Major Stephen W. Pless MOH #196
2016-2017	Joe Barbee	Middle Georgia #970
2015-2016	Dalton Hammock	PFC George Eiland #1040
2014-2015	Charles "Chuck" Feaselman	Aubrey Gilbert #1312
2013-2014	Ronald V. "Ron" Kirstatter	Major Lawrence DesJardines #1260
2012-2013	Michael Clark	Middle Georgia #970
2011-2012	Bruce Behner	Jake Puryear #1020
2010-2011	Walter J. Calderon	Upper Chattahoochee #665
2009-2010	No Nominations Received	N/A
2008-2009	Harold "Hal" Gosnell	Jake Puryear #1020
2007-2008	Frank J. Norton	Unicoi #716
2006-2007	Everett A. Stewart	Jake Puryear #1020
2005-2006	Thomas F. "Tom" Hisel	Middle Georgia #970
2004-2005	Bernard Bledsoe	PFC George Eiland #1040
2003-2004	Christian "Chris" Roberts	Greater Alanta Marine #647
2002-2003	John K. McEvoy*	Glynco #716
2001-2002	Jack McCorkle	Unicoi #783
2000-2001	Removed from the Rolls	N/A
1999-2000	Jim Cook	Glynco \$716
1998-1999	No Record Found	N/A
1997-1998	Bob Kitchen	Greater Atlanta Marine #647
1996-1997	Alan Meade*	Greater Atlanta Marine #647
1995-1996	Albert Kubler*	Unicoi #783
1994-1995	Susan Hendrickson*	Greater Atlanta Marine #647
1993-1994	Bob Connelly	Greater Atlanta Marine #6

Department Associate of the Year Department of Georgia, Marine Corps League



Associate of the Year 1993-2023

2024-2025	Jackie Zeigler	Major Stephen W. Pless MOH #119
2023-2024	LuAnn Miller	Major Stephen W. Pless #1196
2022-2023		
2021-2022	Cheryl Turner Jordan	Blue Ridge #1438
2020-2021	No Nomination Received	N/A
2019-2020	No Award Given	N/A
2018-2019	No Nominations Received	N/A
2017-2018	Paul Mathew "Matt" Albright	Central Georgia #1373
2016-2017	Sylvia Lynch	Major Stephen W. Pless #1196
2015-2016	Sheila Kirstatter	Major Lawrence DesJardines #1260
2014-2015	Sandra Skwieraski	MajGen Warren R. Johnson #1311
2013-2014	Barbara Masters	MajGen Warren R. Johnson # 1311
2012-2013	Dean Pickett	Greater Atlanta Marine #647
2011-2012	No Nomination Received	N/A
2010-2011	No Nomination Received	N/A
2009-2010	Vernon Behner	Jake Puryear #1020
2008-2009	No Nomination Received	N/A
2007-2008	No Nomination Received	N/A
2006-2007	No Nomination Received	N/A
2005-2006	Mills Fitzner	Jake Puryear #1020
2004-2005	J. D. "Mac" McCuen	Middle Georgia #970
2003-2004	No Nomination Received	N/A
2002-2003	Phil McGoldrick	Middle Georgia #970
2001-2002	Fletcher Griffin	Unicoi #783
2000-2001	Ervin T. "Ty" Ayers	Unicoi #783
1999-2000	Karenann Amsgter	LtCol Jimmie Dyess #921
1998-1999	Gary Locke	Joseph Schmittou #1083
1997-1998	No Information Found	N/A
1996-1997	No Information Found	N/A
1995-1996	Shirley Redd	Unicoi #783
1994-1995	Kathy Kitchen	Decommissioned
1993-1994	Motion to have AOY Approved	



Georgia Pack, Military Order of the Devil Dogs History

The Georgia Pack was formed shortly after a few dogs gathered and earned their pedigree. They met in Gainesville, at the home of Tom Stough, and three pounds of Atlanta, Gainesville, and Hiawassee submitted a charter application. They elected a Pack Leader and were to hold annual Growl in accordance with the Department Convention. The original charter was granted to Georgia Pack on 12 March 1993 from the Chief Devil Dog Gary Chartland and Kennel Dog Robber PCDD Kenneth Farris.

2023-2024	PDD	Marty Habecker	Central Georgia #1373
2021-2023	PDD	Levi McKenna	Central Georgia #1373
2019-2021	PDD	Randy Barnes	Southern Crescent #350
2017-2019	PDD	Russ Vermillion	Southern Crescent #350
2015-2017	PDD	Joe Barbee	Middle Georgia #322
2012-2015	PDD	Roscoe Foster	Southern Crescent #350
2011-2012	PDD	William Newman	Capt. Leon Graves #317
2009-2011	PDD	Michael Clark	Middle Georgia #322
2007-2009	PDD	Bernard Bledsoe	Capt. Leon Graves #317
2005-2007	PDD	Hal Gosnell	Puryear #295
2004-2005	PDD	Walt Scott	Unicoi #206
2002-2004	PDD	Jack McCorkle	Unicoi #206
2001-2002	PDD	Alan Meade	Atlanta City #212
1998-2001	PDD	Tina Worthington	Buford #328
1997-1998	N/A	No Nominations Received	N/A
1996-1997	N/A	Removed from Rolls	N/A
1995-1996	N/A	Removed from Rolls	N/A
1994-1995	N/A	Removed from Rolls	N/A
1993-1994	N/A	Removed from Rolls	N/A

The following Pounds are part of the Pack of Georgia

Pound	Name	Associated Detachment
206	Unicoi	Unicoi Detachment #783, Hiawassee
364	Makin Island Raiders	Clyde Thompson Detachment #1325 Peachtree
212	Atlanta City	L/CPL Squire "Skip Wells Detachment #647, Marietta
317	Cat. Leon Graves	1stSgt Charles F. Waller Det. #1040, LaGrange
322	Middle Georgia	Middle Georgia Detachment #970, Macon
350	Southern Cresent	Major Stephen W Pless (MOH Det. #1196, Griffin
354	Northeast Georgia River Dogs	Upper Chattahoochee Detachment #665, Gainesville
360	MGySgt Nicholas J Retza Jr.	Major Lawrence Des Jardines Det. #1260, Albany
403	Scrambled Dawgs	Columbus Detachment 1402 Columbus GA

Important Marine Corps League Links:

Department Documents

- Department of GA ByLaws & Administrative Procedures
- Department of GA PayMaster Training
- How to file your GA Secretary of State Annual Registration
- How to file your Annual IRS 990 Form.

<u>Department of Georgia Website</u> <u>https://www.mcldeptofga.org/</u>

Marine Corps League National Website http://www.mclnational.org/

Southeast Division Website http://www.sediv.org/

Marine Corps League Library
https://www.mcleaguelibrary.org/

<u>SEMPER FI Magazine</u> mcleaguelibrary.org/semper-fi-magazine/

<u>Dept of Georgia Facebook Page</u> https://www.facebook.com/mcldeptofga/

Georgia Marines United II FaceBook Group facebook.com/groups/210214777485666/

(Challenge and Humor)

Quote: "Leadership is the art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it."

- General Dwight D. Eisenhower

www.military-quotes.com/funny-quotes.htm

Joke of the Quarter

(www.scarymommy.com/military-jokes)
|What do you call someone who just got run
over by a tank?

Trivia Question of the Quarter:

www.usmcpress.com

What Term did the media in the United States began using to describe the U.S. Marines during World War I.

See right for answers

Cartoon Comic Strips of the Quarter:



https://www.sempertoons.com/

Joke Answer: Crunchy. - Trivia Answer: First to Fight!

Chaplains Corner:

Members/Others in Distress:

James Boyle (647) is dealing with cancer. Bill Craig (1280) is dealing with terminal Leukemia. Riss Vermillion (1196) is going through throat cancer. Mike Brown (783) is dealing with Lung Cancer. John Boyington (1402) lost his son. Jim Murphy (1373) is having knee surgery. Mike Wilson (1402) is dealing with throat cancer. Frank Freeland (1402) just had back surgery. Jim Craig (1333) has diabetes. Sandra Robertson (1333) was diagnosed with a tumor in her arm, and her husband Joe Robertson had throat cancer. Lisa Delk (1196) her uncle recently passed away.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the joy and wonder of the autumn season. As we spend this time with friends and family, help to remember the many blessings you have bestowed upon us. As we reflect on the end of the harvest time, help us remember that you are in the business of bringing life out of death. Thank you that death does NOT have victory over us, and that spring will always come again. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Recruit, Recruit, and Bring a Prospective Member Guests Are Welcome. Members Are Expected!

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Definition of Jarhead: The phrase "jarheads" is also a slang phrase used by sailors when referring to Marines. The term first appeared as early as World War II and referred to Marines' appearance wearing their dress blue uniforms. The high collar on the uniform and the Marines' head popping out of the top resembled a Mason Jar. Since World War II, the term has been applied more widely to Marine Corps recruits with their "squared head" appearance because of the close-cropped haircuts.

Some Marines refer to the "high and tight" haircut as a "Jarhead cut."

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Additional Links

Veterans Affairs

va.gov/REACH/ – VA Reach Program explore.va.gov/ – US Dept. of Veterans Affairs

Georgia Veterans Benefits -

https://veterans.georgia.gov/state-benefits

Georgia Veterans Watch -

Georgia HUD

Missing in America Project/ – Find missing or lost Veterans https://www.miap.us/

Cold War Veteran Certificate – Click for application form mcldof.org/s/Application-for-Cold-War-Recognition-Certificate 0.pdf

Career Guidance

Career Resources for Veterans from Job Hero http://www.jobhero.com/veteran-career-guide/

Public Outreach

Mesothelioma.net – Resources for Asbestos Cancer Victims and Families

Mesothelioma & Veterans – Asbestos.com brought to by The Mesothelioma Center

jobhero.com/veteran-career-guide/

Camp Lejeune Justice Act Claims https://www.navy.mil/

Public Outreach

Agent Orange Exposure https://www.va.gov/

Burn Pit Exposure <u>publichealth.va.gov/exposures/burnpits/</u>
PTSD and Homeless Vet Resources

PTSD, Substance Abuse, and Mental Health Help for Veterans https://www.ptsd.va.gov/

Fisher House Foundation https://www.fisherhouse.org/
Find a PTSD Therapist ptsd.va.gov/gethelp/index.asp
Homeless Vets' Guide to Stop Living On The Streets thezebra.com/

Building Their Life Back – The Guide for Homeless Vets bigrentz.com/how-to-guides/resources-homeless-veterans

Coalition for Homeless Veterans nchv.org/index.php/help/ Financial Fitness from a Military Career

https://blog.taxact.com/

Financial Assistance for Homeless Vets operationwearehere.com/FinancialAssistance.html

Homeless Vets' Guide to Finding a Home

https://www.homecity.com/homes-for-homeless-vets

Community and Support for Veterans

https://www.realwarriors.net/

Affordable Legal Advice for Veterans

justgreatlawyers.com/legal-advice-for-veterans

General Interest for Veterans

Operation 300 – Navy Seal family help the children... http://www.operation300.com/

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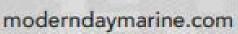


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2024-2025 Marine Corps League National Calendar of Events

6-19 Aug

Vietnam Delta to the DMZ

6-18 Aug

55th Anniversary of I-Corps Vietnam Battlefields

6-19 Aug

"Body & Soul" – U.S. Navy Medical & Clergy in the Vietnam War

12-20 Aug

80th Anniversary of Operation Dragoon – South of France

23 Aug-5 Sep

"D-Day to the Bulge" – Normandy Invasion & Battle of the Bulge

6-19 Sept

Rise & Fall of the Third Reich: Munich-Berlin-Nuremberg-Dresden-Prague

7-16 Sept

"Battles That Changed History from Napoleon to Patton"

29 Sep-6 Oct

Battlefields of France WWI, WWII, Napoleonic & Franco-Prussian War 5-11 Oct

MHT's Civil War - North to Gettysburg

12-25 Oct

U.S. Military & Civilian Women in Vietnam

20-27 Oct

Birth of American Democracy - Boston - Yorktown

26 Oct-5 Nov

Italy Tuscan & Umbrian Countryside Two-Day Pretour Rome: Florence-Siena -Assisi-Spoleto-Pienza

2-13 Dec

Vietnam Delta to DMZ Post Tour: 6-11 Dec Laos & Cambodia

1-8 Dec

Pearl Harbor & WWII Sites

2025

March

Victory in the Pacific & IJAA's 80th Anniversary of Iwo Jima

4-13 Apr

Philippines - WWII in the PI

15-28 Apr

"Saigon to the DMZ" Vietnam War

21 Apr-4 May

Marine Corps League Tour of Vietnam "Saigon to the DMZ"

19-27 Apr

Turkey WWI Gallipoli Campaign

31 May-13 Jun

81st Anniversary of D-Day, Battle of the Bulge & Paris

1-11 Aug

Guadalcanal 83rd Op Watchtower