

Marine Corps League Auxiliary



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National President Dotty Sanning



No One's Looking at the Hem

By the time you read this, prom season will be in full swing. You've probably just unpacked from Division Conferences and are already deep into finalizing plans for Department Conventions—all while beginning to prepare for National Convention. It's a hectic time of year filled with paperwork, deadlines, and important updates for Headquarters.

Recently, my granddaughter asked me to hem her prom dress. Without hesitation, I said yes—before I fully understood what I was getting into. When she brought over the dress and I began pinning it for her height, I thought, *What did I just agree to?* I had sewn before, sure, but cutting off three inches and creating a new hem with a regular sewing machine? That was a whole new challenge.

Taking on a leadership position in your unit or department can feel a lot like that. You start with enthusiasm - "I can help out!" - only to realize later the role might be more than you expected. I knew I could do something simple for the auxiliary, but this sounds like a lot! It's easy to feel unsure or overwhelmed or unsure, and yes, some things might even slip through the cracks. Maybe even a few errors are made, that's normal.

So, what did I do with the prom dress? I called a sister—someone I knew had experience sewing. She talked me through each step, and suddenly, the task didn't feel so impossible. The same applies to your work in the Auxiliary. When in doubt, call a sister. When you're unsure or feel lost, reach out. Lean on the women who have done the job before you. Your chain of command isn't just for structure; it's a lifeline of support.

Was I afraid of making a mistake with the dress? Absolutely. At one point, I even called another sister for extra advice. But every time I reached out, I was met with encouragement and guidance. And as I sewed, I kept reminding myself of something I'd just been told: *"If you put your mind to it, you can do anything."*

HELLO JUNE

That simple phrase helped me push through my moments of doubt—and it can help you, too. Whether you're organizing a meeting, running a program, or learning the ropes of your position, remember you are not alone. Your mentors are ready to help, but they won't know you're struggling unless you speak up. You are surrounded by women who want to see you succeed.

A few hours later I finished the dress. It had to be done that night because we were leaving town in the morning. *I should have given myself more time, I should have started it earlier.* Have you ever felt that way about something in the Auxiliary? As I gave the dress one last press and spotted all the imperfections in the hem, I worried my granddaughter might be disappointed. I worried that what I did wasn't quite good enough. The next morning, I brought her the dress. She tried it on and lit up with joy. I admitted that the hem wasn't perfect, and she just smiled and said, "Grandma, it's fine. No one will be looking at the hem. Thank you!"

Isn't that how it often goes with our auxiliary work? We focus on every little flaw and forget that what truly matters is the heart and effort we put into what we do for the auxiliary, the Marine Corps League and veterans. Your leadership, your service, your time, it doesn't have to be perfect – simply do your best. Plus, your auxiliary sisters will be there to support and guide you along the way.

Over the past few months, I've had the privilege of attending several Division Conferences and look forward to the Department Conventions ahead. I've learned so much from each one and have been grateful to share my own knowledge in return. That's what I wish for all of you - to support one another, share what you know, and uplift your sisters. With this in mind, we can work together to move forward with strength and confidence.

And remember, just like the dress... no one's looking at the hem.

"If you put your mind to it, you can do anything."

Dotty Sanning

MCLANatPres2024@gmail.com



From Ramona's Desk:



All Transmittals and Bonds must be received by the end of June for your membership to be captured in the National Count. Please do not send any new Transmittals for the year 25/26 before 1 July 2025.

If you know you need anything for your uniform or want to shop in the Ship Store, please be aware that the Ship Store will close on 17 July to conduct inventory and to allow us time to pack and load the trailer.

Finally, if you have not registered yet to attend the National Convention, please do so and send those Credential and Banner Forms to the Headquarters. I look forward to seeing you all at the National Convention in Dallas, TX.

Note: The office will be closed 30 June through 11 July.

v/r

Ramona



Volunteer Reports are due to Committee Chairs by 30 June 2025



Send to the following:

Americanism: Tracey Killinger, 1775 Molly Pitcher Hwy S, Chambersburg, PA 17202-9202

Child Welfare: Teena Foster, 3888 Ricklyn Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17202-8673

Civics: Judy Blackmer, 4530 W. Marquette Road, Chicago, IL 60629

Girl Scouts: Angie Pitts, 285 Turkey Town Road, Gadsden, AL 35901-7379

Rehabilitation: Viola Trevino, 3337 Casa De Amigos, Corpus Christi, TX 78411-3309

VAVS: PNP Evelyn Joppa, 416 N Dartmouth Ln, Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Where has this year gone?!

June is here, which means we are in the final month of the fiscal year. This is a great time to go over your budget for the next fiscal year and have it approved by your membership.



The proposed changes to the Bylaws, Administrative Procedures, and Enclosures will be posted on our website soon so please get these in front of your members so those who are coming to the National Convention in Grapevine Texas know how your membership wants you to vote. Speaking of voting, review your reports ensuring you are current so you are eligible to vote. No reports, no votes. Your Division Vice should know if you are current and if not, what you need to turn in. Please don't take the submission of reports lightly, a great number of them enable us to maintain our non-profit status. There are going to be a lot of fun and informative things happening in Grapevine Texas with it being the 250th year celebration of the Marine Corps. This is going to be a convention you won't want to miss!!! See you there!

Lynn Cortright



Greetings!

It is that time of year again when things start heating up over here in the southwest. We have accomplished a great deal. The Lake Havasu City unit has been quite busy with fundraisers like a bowling tournament, community outreach, memorials and social events. We started using Zeffy a fundraising platform for nonprofits – we have received membership dues, entry forms and donations all costing us nothing and nothing for the person paying either.

In conjunction with detachment 757 we had a memorial for our lost members for the last year. We helped with highway cleanup. We had our annual bowling tournament bringing in a little over \$2500 after payouts. We gave away a couple of scholarships. We participated in the Vietnam Veterans Day celebration. We will be participating in the flag day ceremony (carrying the flags) the local Elks lodge puts on. We will be hosting a tea party for our members and have invited the community to join us. We made our annual trip to 29 Palms Marine base with donations twice this year.

Shannon Lopez

Southwest Division Vice President





INSPIRATION

Solemn ceremony honors fallen Marine Corps League, Auxiliary members

By La'eric Conner-Sims, Today's News-Herald

Morning gusts whirled throughout Wheeler Park as residents gathered to honor deceased individuals.

The moving ceremony recognized six members of Marine Corps League Detachment 757 and its auxiliary. Past Commandant Russ Mascari said his group lost five individuals while its auxiliary lost one since April 2024.

Recently elected Commandant Richie Sloma led the ceremony, which welcomed dozens of attendees. The event surrounded the Marine Corps League memorial located within Wheeler Park.

"This wonderful memorial to the Marine Corps League was dedicated to the many members and auxiliary members that have gone before us," Sloma said.

Prayers from the Marine Corps League and its auxiliary chaplains honored deceased members and their families. Auxiliary President Shannon Lopez instructed Junior Vice President Jennifer Aiello to lay a single flower for their fallen member.

Marine Corps League Chaplain Jimmy Kessinger rang a bell as Sloma recited the names of their group's deceased. Family members stood as Sloma acknowledged their departed relatives.

A firing detail of the group's color guard/honor guard let off three rounds, followed by the playing of Taps. "It is with deep sadness that we today honor our brothers and sisters who have left us to be



Marine Corps League Detachment 757 Life Member and Chaplain Jimmy Kessinger gave closing prayers following Saturday's memorial ceremony.



Mike Mascari of Marine Corps League Detachment 757 performed Taps during Saturday's ceremony at Wheeler Park.

embraced by our heavenly Father," Sloma said. "(This monument) stands to exemplify their dedication, loyalty, and service to their country, their community, and their league."

Guest speaker Mayor Cal Sheehy observed the ceremony's purpose and provided history on Havasu's group. He



The Marine Corps League Detachment 757 Color Guard / Honor Guard presented a rifle salute on Saturday morning.



Marine Corps League Detachment 757 Life Member and Chaplain Jimmy Kessinger rang a bell as Commandant Richie Sloma read the names of deceased group members.



Marine Corps League Auxiliary President Shannon Lopez, right, listened to prayers from the auxiliary's chaplain.

relayed the organization's inception, which was chartered on April 3, 1991.

"Lake Havasu City takes great pride in honoring America's veterans, and the Marine Corps League and Auxiliary are at the very heart of that effort," Sheehy said.

TO: All members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, INC

FROM: Dotty Sanning, National President

SUBJECT: Call to 2025 National Convention

In accordance with the National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary and by the authority vested in me as National President, I Dotty Sanning, do hereby issue the call to National Convention. This event will take place Grapevine, TX August 11-15, 2025.

Purpose: To revise/amend Bylaws and Administrative Procedures; to present resolutions; to transact business as may properly come before the Assembly; to receive reports of the National Board of Trustees and Committee Chairs, both Administrative and Standing; and to elect National Officers.

Representation: Please reproduce the Credential/Delegate form as needed, fill out the form completely, and deliver to the National Headquarters (PO Box 3038, Stafford, VA 22555-3038) no later than July 1, 2025. Every member is entitled to vote and does not need to have a credential form on file at National but must present a current membership card to receive convention credentials.

Registration: All members, delegates, alternates, officers, and guests must register to receive an admission badge/convention credentials. Badges must be visible for the National Guard when entering the meeting room for sessions.

Meetings: All Elected and Appointed Officers, Committee Chairs and Delegates are expected to attend all scheduled meetings and general sessions.

Committees: All members of Administrative and Standing Committees are expected to attend the meetings called by their respective Chairmen prior to the Convention. If you are unable to serve on the committee to which you have accepted an appointment, please notify the National President as soon as possible.

Caucuses: All Unit, Department, and Division caucuses, if needed, should be held prior to the final session. This will avoid taking time away from the scheduled business meeting.

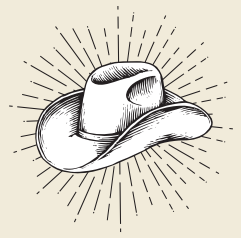
Semper Fidelis,

Dotty Sanning
National President



2025 NATIONAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 11-15, 2025



Ladies,

Last month following my site visit to the Hyatt Regency I gave you an update on the 2025 National Convention. I would like to share some additional information following our most recent biweekly zoom meeting.

- If you have not made your hotel reservations, there are rooms still available.
- Tickets for the dinner at the Medal of Honor Museum on Monday evening are now available on the website. Visit the [MCL250.org](https://mcl250.org) website and make your reservation for the dinner (\$40) and transportation (\$25) (if required). The dress for the dinner is semi formal (the type of attire you would wear to a cocktail party or dinner at a fine restaurant, they are requesting the men wear a suit jacket with a shirt and tie or an open collared dress shirt)
- Tickets are required for the Devil Dog No Talent Talent Show on Tuesday evening and the Game Night on Thursday evening and can be purchased on the web site. The cost for each of these events is \$5.00 and is considered a donation. There will be no food or drink provided at either of these events. Anyone wishing to attend the Devil Dog dinner and auction must also purchase a ticket on the web site.
- Of note there is no service charge for using a credit card to purchase tickets through the [MCL250.org](https://mcl250.org) website. The host is absorbing all of the service fees.

Event ticket sales are slow, but they are expecting these to pick up after June 1st.

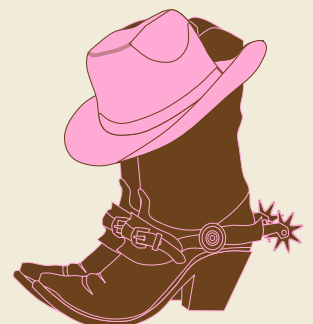
That's all for now. I will do my best to keep you updated on any changes or other information you may need to know or find helpful and will have any final need to know information in the July Newsletter. If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me either through email, text, or an old-fashioned telephone call.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your Convention Liaison.

PNP Linda S. Chamberlain

MCLA Convention Liaison

natlpresmcla22@gmail.com





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HOTEL: Hyatt Regency DFW International Airport

RESERVATIONS: There are still rooms available. You can make your reservations by calling 1-800-233-1234 or through the Website: <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/DFWAP/G-MCL5> Block Code: G-MCL5. If you encounter a problem, let me know ASAP.

ROOM RATE: \$162/night includes taxes, breakfast for 2 and parking (RV parking is available at Terminal B at the airport) – Check in 3 PM, Check out 12 noon.

ROOM AMENITIES: Each room features complimentary Wi-Fi, single cup Keurig coffee maker, mini refrigerator, and hair dryer.

HOTEL AMENITIES: Fitness Center, Pool, this is a Pet Friendly Hotel. There is a FedEx Office located within the hotel which has a business center.

RESTAURANTS: Jacob's Grill, Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Aces Lobby Bar, dinner/snack menu available, Mister G' Sushi and Sashimi, Jett's Coffee Bar has grab and go sandwiches, pizza slices and pastries as well as coffee and tea. All restaurants are reasonably priced.

PARKING: Free self-parking on premises

TRANSPORTATION

FREE AIRPORT SHUTTLE: Shuttle service to and from the airport is available 24/7. Information on how to access the shuttle at the airport will be published prior to the convention. The shuttle to the airport leaves every 20 minutes on the hour (i.e., 7:20 AM). Travel time from the airport to the hotel is about 15 minutes or less. (2.3 miles)

GRAPEVINE SHUTTLE: Catch a ride to some of the most popular attractions in nearby Grapevine right from the hotel's front doors. The Grapevine Visitors Shuttle offers complimentary transportation from Hyatt Regency DFW to stops including Grapevine Mills mall, Main Street Historic District and Harvest Hall food court. The shuttle runs 11AM to 9 PM Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday (11 AM to 7 PM) and departs on the hour from the hotel. There is no shuttle service on Monday's.



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SHOPPING:

Target: approximately 6 miles from the hotel

Walmart: approximately 9.1 miles from the hotel

CVS: approximately 7.2 miles from the hotel

EVENTS:

Ladies, the spaces for our Ship Store, Board Meeting and Meeting during the convention are, in my opinion, spacious and will fit our needs perfectly. Our meeting room is adjacent to the League's and on the same floor as the ship store.

The hotel is planning to have lunch kiosks available for grab and go lunches with seating available in the Aviator Ballroom (where breakfast is being served). Payment for the lunches will be card only. If you wish to use cash for your lunch you will need to visit either the restaurant or Jet's Coffee Bar.

Hopefully, I have not forgotten anything of importance from my recent trip to the hotel. I will pass along any other important information I receive to you via the Newsletter and again just prior to our convention.



**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY, INC.
NATIONAL CREDENTIAL/DELEGATE FORM**

Unit: _____ Unit Strength: _____ Delegates Allowed: _____
(To be verified by the Nat'l Secretary)

Unit City/State: _____ Dept: _____ Division: _____

Convention Location: _____ Date: _____

Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention shall be determined on the basis of Unit membership strength reported to and on record with National Headquarters on July 1st immediately preceding each National Convention. The Delegate voting strength of each Unit shall be as follows: For the first fifteen (15) Regular members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for each additional full block of fifteen (15) Regular Members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for a partial number of fifteen (15) members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate. Only members in good standing are eligible for election as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate (based on membership as of June 30). PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

Del / Alt / Member	Name	City, State	Office Held (if applicable)	Amount Paid	Pre Reg Y / N
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Upon election, make three (3) copies and return immediately to **National Headquarters, c/o National Secretary, P.O.Box 3038, Stafford, VA 22555-3038 no later than July 1**, immediately preceding convention with a registration fee of \$5.00 per Delegate, Alternate or Member to have credentials prepared in advance.

Please Note: The cost for registration after July 1 and at Convention will be \$6.00 per Delegate, Alternate or Member. Registrations presented at convention will be processed in the order received and may not be immediately available.

Unit President

Attest: _____
Unit Secretary

Address: _____ Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Phone #: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____

Date Received: _____

Nat'l Secretary / Registration Chair



BANNER FORM



We will be bringing our Unit/Department Banner to the National Convention.

Please reserve a commemorative streamer for us.

UNIT / DEPARTMENT NAME

CONTACT PERSON

ADDRESS

PHONE and EMAIL

Please PRINT all information and return this form by July 1st to:

Marine Corps League Auxiliary
National Headquarters
PO BOX 3038
Stafford, VA 22555-3038

Hello Ladies,

Hoping our Auxiliary Members are enjoying the Spring weather. Rain or not it is nice to know that Spring is finally here. Birds are singing, flowers are blooming, and many fantastic events are taking place. I know many of you will be once again participating in volunteer events that involve the children in your communities. Please be sure you track and report all the hours dedicated to those children. It will be much easier to compile your final Child Welfare report if you track the hours, mileage and monetary donations or expenses each month.

The below activities should be included in your Child Welfare report:

- o Scouts activities to include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Campfire groups
- o Children's Day Care
- o Church, Sunday school and Vacation Bible School
- o Food and Donations to children of Active Duty Veterans
- o Home nursing or babysitting for children of Veterans (active or non) that are not related to you.
- o Little League and Children's Sports
- o Operation Little Angels
- o Orphanage Supporter
- o PTA/PTO
- o School Organizations
- o Special Olympics
- o Toys for Tots
- o Young Marines
- o Youth Physical Fitness
- o Any other activity that provides time spent or donations given to Children's Support Organizations

All MCLA members should track their time, miles and monies donated to the organizations listed above. FYI-Our reporting period is from May 1st to April 30th of each year instead of the fiscal year.

My contact information for submission to the National Chairman is below:

Teena Foster
3888 Ricklyn Drive
Chambersburg, PA17202

Email: teena56marie@gmail.com

I want to thank everyone who submitted reports last year and hope that you continue to do so.

Thank you for all you do to support our Veterans and the Children.

Teena Foster, Chairman

Karen Mastriana, Patti Morgan, Committee

Important dates to remember:

- o The Unit Chairman is to prepare and mail or Email two copies of the Unit Volunteer Report to the Department Chairman thirty days prior to your Department Convention.
- o The Department Chairman is to compile all Unit reports and record the information on the MCLA Cover Sheet and sends one copy to the National Chairman by July 1st.





Girl Scout Information:

The information that is needed is:

Names of Scouts receiving the Gold Award

- To get the names you can talk with the local council or contact a Girl Scout Troop. The Troops are usually associated with a church.
- You need to buy the Girl Scouts Certificates from the MCLA Ship Store. Contact our National Secretary either by call or email for your order.
- When you receive the certificates, you need to fill in the required information:
 - Name and Troop number
 - Date the certificate of when it will be presented
 - Signature of President of Unit or Department (Depends on who is responsible for the certificates)
- A letter congratulating the recipient. Also include basic information about the Marine Corps League Auxiliary. If your Unit or Department has any special projects (example Operation Little Angel and you donate to various groups depending on location or always to one particular group). You remember Marines that are in State Veterans Centers.
- The date is determined by the Troop or Council for the presentation of the certificate or certificates.

A member or the Chair for the Girl Scouts committee should be the presenter at the ceremony. The presenter should be in the Auxiliary Uniform. If you do not have a uniform, you can wear a polo shirt that has the Auxiliary emblem and a navy blue skirt or slacks. This should help you start or begin a part of the Girl Scout experience.

If you have any questions, you can contact me through:

Email: syd23Lmch@gmail.com

Phone: 717-805-9894

If I do not have you in my phone contacts just leave a brief message that you have a question about the Girl Scout certificates.

Thank you, it is nice to reward these deserving scouts.

Sydney Minchin

National Girl Scout Committee



ROSES ARE RED, VIOLETS ARE BLUE
WHAT COLOR IS YOUR FAVORITE SHOE?

Head to your closet and give shoes a count, find one pair that is special and share what you found.

FOR a fun FUNDRAISER for the Headquarters Project, count your pairs of shoes and send 10cents for each pair to HQ.

What would add to the fun is your sending me a short note elaborating on a particular pair of shoes either for their color being special or choose a pair that means something special to you and share that with us.

We learn a great deal about our friends sometimes by their shoe choices. I have done this game before and learned a sorority sister had been a competitive ice skater and one time, another had aspirations to be a ballerina. SO share those stories with us, count your pairs of shoes and help the HQ project grow. If you want to send me a picture to accompany your story, that too would be fun. If given permission, we will feature some of the stories in an upcoming newsletter. Start counting girls. This will help with getting those OLD shoes out of the way for new summer ones.

pnpbarmcla@yahoo.com

I hope you are all selling those tickets as well!

Thanks,

PNP Barb Nobile and HQ project committee





Operation Little Angel, Summer 2025: National Convention / Genesis - Women's Shelter and Support

THIS will be our guest for National convention this year in Grapevine. Since opening their doors in 1985, Genesis has provided support, safety and shelter to thousands of women and children experiencing domestic abuse. Genesis is committed to removing all obstacles woman may face on their path to healing from trauma and abuse.

1 in 3 Texas women will experience abuse in her lifetime.

You can go online to [www.genesisshelter.org/how](http://www.genesisshelter.org/how-abuse-affects-children) -abuse -affects - children and read more.

They are preparing an Amazon wish list for us. I do know that one young mother is expecting, and they would like stroller.

The hold an event called Camp G- Genesis summer CAMP. For that you may wish to donate gift cards. The request is for Michaels Craft store, Build-a-Bear, Dave and Busters, IHOP, Chili's, McDonalds, Sonic, and of course Visa.

This site was suggested by local Marines, and we are looking forward to meeting the ladies In August.

As always you may donate directly to HQ or bring gift cards to convention. If you bring a check, it **MUST** be made out to MCLA with OLA in memo. We do **NOT** give the shelter money.

Thanks in advance for keeping OLA in your hearts.

PNP Barb Nobile, Chair

Tracey Killinger, Teena Foster,

Darlene MacCubbin, Janet Anders, Committee





Do you personally help a Veteran and/or their family which are not related to you? You can record the assistance that you give them, including your time and miles driven on the volunteer form Rehabilitation.

What type of assistance is considered reportable? Driving a Veteran and/or his/her family to doctor's office, hospital, pharmacy, or grocery store. Include personal visits to the Veterans in their homes, hospital, nursing home or state funded Veteran's Center or Soldiers & Sailors Home. (Individuals who are in VA hospitals are reported on the VAVS volunteer form).

The key is that anything you do for a specific Veteran and their families that directly enhances their quality of life may qualify for the Rehab form. What is considered "quality of life"? Quality of life is the standard health, comfort, and happiness experienced by an individual or group.

Do you make Veterans day cards and distribute them to Veterans in the local nursing homes? Do you assist in a POW/MIA program at the nursing home for the Veterans? You can count that on the Rehab form. Have you escorted a Veteran on an honor flight or attended a greeting at the airport to welcome them back home after one? That can be counted on Rehab.

Have you taken a Veteran and/or family to the Vietnam Memorial Veteran's Moving Wall? Spent time with them during their visit or assisted them finding names? This can be counted as Rehab.

You are NOT able to include anything that you do or give to your personal family members. However, other members of your Unit can report time or money given to your family members.

Remember, all the things that you do can be documented on one of our Volunteer forms that we ask you to fill out each year. If you need assistance with deciding which form to use for all the great work and volunteering you do, go to the Bylaws and Enclosures and find Enclosure 11, this will explain a lot of where things will go and how to fill out these forms.

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK YOU DO FOR OUR VETERANS!

Semper Fi,

Viola Trevino-Chairman

Mary Brief - Member

Violag.trevino@gmail.com





Attention Scratchy Fleas

From the National Scratchy Flea:

I have set up an email address specifically for the scratchy flea correspondence, including Reports of Officer Installations, transmittals, and death notices. Also, I realized my mailing address, email address and phone number in the January Newsletter were incorrect. My correct information, with updated email address, is as follows:

**Rebecca Marcel
142 Manchester Dr.
Houma, LA 70360
Email: moddftreasurer@gmail.com
Phone: (985) 855-2316**

Lynn Cortright is the Assistant Scratchy Flea and will be handling the secretary part of the Scratchy Flea duties. I will forward any information she needs to her, so you can send all National Scratchy Flea correspondence to the mailing address or email address listed above.

**Semper Mordendi,
Becky Marcel**

Calling all Fleas!!

It is time to submit your nomination for the 2025 Flea of the Year, which will be revealed at the National Convention in August.

Ladies, please take the time to honor and recognize a Flea that you know who does her best to support our Marines and their families.

Please send your nominations by email to me by July 1, 2025; thus, giving the committee time to read through all the nominations and make a decision.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Pauline Forsell

Nat'l VP SouthWest Division
Marine Corps League Auxiliary

paulinef137mcla@gmail.com

Phone: 307-299-0407





Military Order of the Devil Dog Fleas

Inviting all MODD Fleas and wanna-be Fleas to share your favorite Decade with us at this year's Supreme Scratch in Dallas, Texas on Wednesday, August 13, 2025. The Dogs should be strolling in sometime around 7:30 AM with our scratch starting at 9:00 AM.

Come dressed in something from your favorite Decade and surf the 60's with me. Start putting your team of 4 or 5 together and let's see how your music trivia knowledge compares to the other teams. There will be prizes.

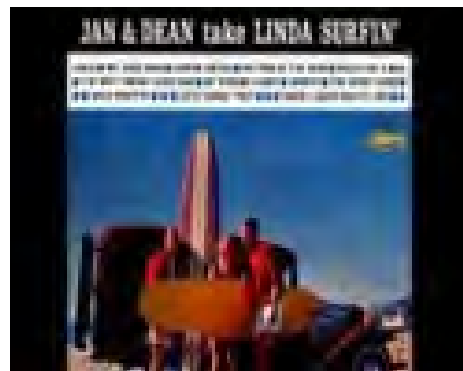
Remember all wanna-be fleas must register at the Flea Table.

Please don't forget about the MODD & MODDF dinner on Wednesday evening. The hospitality room opens at 5:00 PM with dinner being served at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$35 and must be purchased in advance on the <https://mcl250.org> website.

Looking forward to having a groovy time.

Semper Mordendi - "Always Biting"

Linda Chamberlain, National Big Flea





MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOG FLEAS TRANSMITTAL FORM

NAME OF HIDE _____ STATE _____ DATE _____
EIN Number _____ Scratchy Year _____
Incorporation Number: _____ Incorporation Date: _____

Local Hide Scratchy Flea make check payable to your State Hide. Send three (3) copies to your State Scratchy Flea.
State Scratchy Flea make check payable to Military Order of the Devil Dog Fleas. Send two (2) copies to National
Scratchy Flea. Receipted copy will be returned. List current dues on one report. Make separate transmittal for back dues.
List members alphabetically. Membership cards will be returned to the State Hide.

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST ACCOMPANY THE TRANSMITTAL

CODES: R Renewal N New member RI Reinstatement

Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	
Code	Last Name,	First	Email Address
	Street Address or PO Box	City, State Zip+4	

MEMBERS ON THIS REPORT _____ Local Hide Dues _____ Local Dues Total _____
MEMBERS ON LAST REPORT _____ State Hide Dues _____ State Dues Total _____
TOTAL MEMBERS TO DATE _____ National Dues \$2.00 National Dues Total _____

I hereby certify that the above members have paid their dues for the year of _____.

Local Scratchy Flea _____ (Address) _____ (City, state Zip +4) _____ (email address) _____
State Scratchy Flea _____ (Address) _____ (City, state Zip +4) _____ (email address) _____
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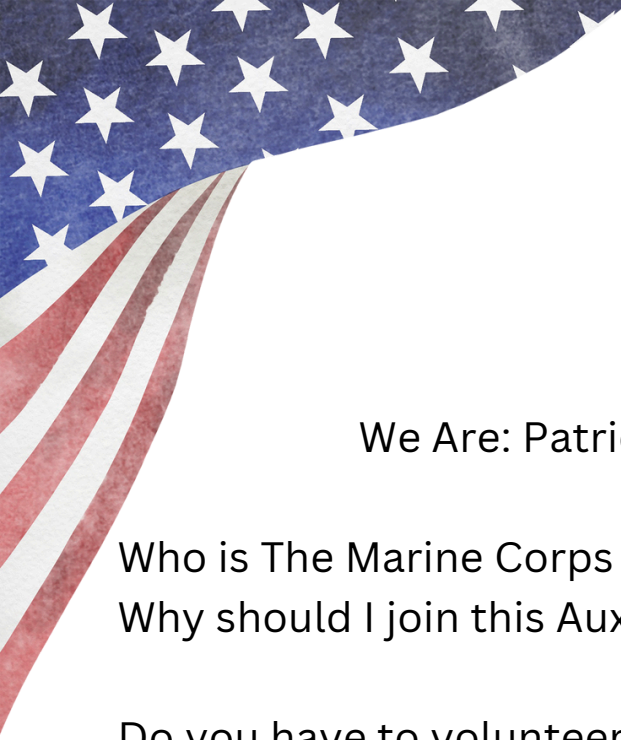
MEMORIAL DAY

★ REMEMBER AND HONOR ★



ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETARY





We Are: Patriotic, Historic, Fraternal, Educational

Who is The Marine Corps League Auxiliary? What does the Auxiliary do?
Why should I join this Auxiliary? Why should I become an officer?

Do you have to volunteer your members for positions? Do you have an auxiliary struggling because you're trying to regain its youth? Do you have an auxiliary that is active in the community and everyone participates? Are you mentoring your new/young members to make them the strong leaders of tomorrow?

“Always Fostering Love of Honesty, Loyalty, Truth and a Reverence to Our God, Our Country, Our Family and Our Home”

Join me in Grapevine, Texas for our Past Presidents Council Meeting to break down these questions and share your love for this Auxiliary!

Respectfully,

NeTasha Loyd

National Regent



**PAST PRESIDENTS' CLUB, MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY
TRANSMITTAL FORM**

DUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, _____

**Make checks payable to the National Treasurer, Past Presidents' Club, MCLA
Send TWO copies to National Treasurer -- Receipted copy will be returned**

Department of _____ Date _____

Please list members alphabetically. Type or print.

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Additional names may be listed on the back of this form

National Dues are One Dollar (\$1) per Member

Total Dues Enclosed _____

Total Members on Last Report _____

* Enter U for Unit

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Total Members on This Report _____

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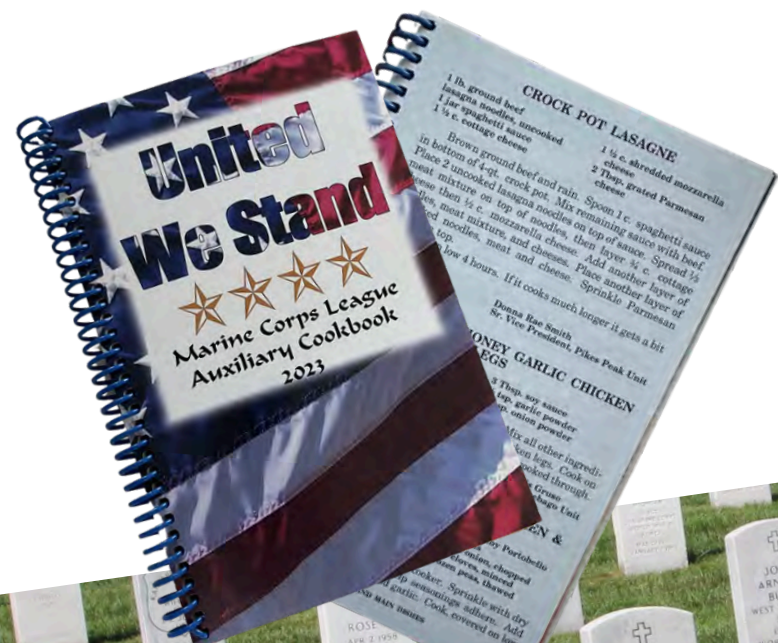


HOT ITEMS!

PASSPORT HOLDERS - \$16, CAR WINDOW SHADE - \$20, AND 2025 POCKET CALENDARS - BOGO FREE!! \$2.50!



GET YOUR COOKBOOK! - \$20
If you haven't ordered your cookbook yet, you can purchase it through the Ship Store!



DENIM SHIRTS! - \$40

Please note, the MCLA logo will be embroidered using black, white, and gold (not shown in picture)



NEW ITEMS!

**MCLA JEWELRY! SILVER AND GOLD!
NECKLACE & EARRINGS!**





INSPIRATION



In May, National President Dotty Sanning and Dianne Randall joined the Onslow County Unit for the installation of their unit officers, including their new unit President, Debrah Ryan. Pictured below are also the oldest and youngest members of the Unit, Nita Morrison and Christine Hayes.



Cpl Mason O Yarbrough donated gift cards to the local Police Department to show their appreciation for their service in our community.



As we finalize our Volunteer reports for National, the VAVS committee would like to give a little more clarification on how to report on the VAVS and what should be reported on the Rehab volunteer form.

VAVS Volunteer Form:

- Items provided to the VA Hospital/Clinic for veterans:
 - [List of items and their estimated values based on enclosure twelve]
- Total value of donated items: **[\$[Total Amount]**

Volunteer Hours & Activities

- Hours spent at VA Hospital/Clinic: **[Total Hours]**
- Travel time to and from the VA Hospital/Clinic: **[Total Hours]**
- Miles traveled for visits: **[Total Miles]**
- Patient visitation: **[Total Visits]**
- Volunteers involved in delivering items: **[Total Volunteers]**

Send reports to evelyn.mrsjs@gmail.com

Note: Any donations or activities outside the VA Hospital or CVA Clinic by your members would fall under the Rehabilitation.

Respectfully,

Evelyn B Joppa

MCLA National Representative

Donna Rae Smith

MCLA National Deputy



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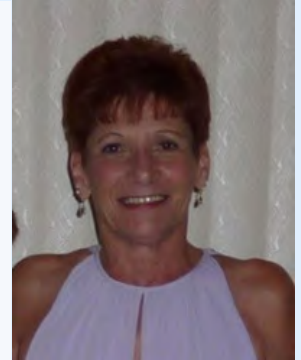
PNP EVELYN B. JOPPA

Precious Memories

Love gives us memories. Faith gives us strength.

Carol Ann Neff 04/23/25

Life member Carol Ann Neff, of Holiday #130 Unit, passed on April 23, 2025. Condolences cards may be sent to her husband. Tom Neff at 6241 Maplewood Dr, New Port Richey, FL 34653.



Othila (Sis) Grove 07/08/23

Life member Othila Grove, of Landis-McCleafe Unit, passed July 8, 2023 at home with family by her side. No information on next of kin. Pray for the family.

Barbara Ann Podraza 09/01/21

Life member Barbara Ann Podraza, of Spring Hill 137 Unit, passed September 1, 2021. Barbara is survived by her husband Eugene and her sons, Steven, and Brian. No other information on next of kin. Prayers for the family.



God's Blessings to each of you!



Chaplain's Corner Notes

Members in Need!

Addie Angle, Lake Havasu City Unit member, could use our powerful prayers for her and her husband. Thinking of you cards may be sent to - Addie Angle, 3405 Saddleback Dr., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406

Larry Nehring Associate member, Martha Kunkle lost her oldest sister this week. She had been in a care facility. A celebration of life is planned for the Fall. Cards of condolence may be sent to Martha at - 16535 Dubuque St., Carlisle, IA 50047

PNP Linda Chamberlain is recovering from eye surgery. Prayers for complete recovery and thinking of you, cards may be sent to - PNP Linda Chamberlain, 156 Waverly Rd., Southampton, PA 18966-3351

Colleen English has had some medical tests and is awaiting the results. Prayers and thinking of you, cards may be sent to - Colleen English, 1402 S. International Blvd., Weslaco, TX 78596-9203

Amanda is the daughter of Keith and Laura Baker of the Cpl Mason O Yarbrough in Cape Girardeau. She has cancer and is undergoing chemo. She is a wonderful mother and loving wife. Can we show her the love of our Auxiliary for our Families? Amanda Wethington, 1525 Bethel St., Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Rosemary Koontz & Joan Hanson could use our prayers and thinking of you cards. Health issues and the closing of their unit.

- Rosemary Kootz, 8010 Walther Blvd., Apt. 1606, Parkville, MD 21234-5740
- Joan Hansen, 440 Benefield Rd., Severna Park, MD 21146-2737

Chaplain's Corner Notes

Life Member of the Marion Unit, Carol and her husband Marine Lenny Mazzara, need our powerful prayers. Lenny is in the hospital with a bad heart valve in Gainesville. He is undergoing tests to see if he is a candidate for valve replacement. Carol has been through several events for blockage in the heart, she will have heart catheterization on the 12th of May. Cards of encouragement can be sent to - 128 N.E. 37th Terr., Ocala, FL 34470-1334

Ursula Carcel, a member in Florida, has had open heart surgery recently and could use our powerful prayers and cards for recovery. Cards may be sent to - 1994 SW James Port Dr., Port St Lucie, FL 34953

Good News! Dianne Randall is home recovering from her successful heart surgery. Dianne Randall, 371 Beulaville Hwy, Richlands, NC 28574

Message from Dianne Randall

I want to thank all the MCLA members across the country for all the cards that came to me during this time. You don't know how much they cheered me up when they came. I will be going in for heart valve surgery tomorrow morning at 7:45am and I just wanted to let you know that you did me a blessing with the cards. My husband will be letting Evelyn know how things go after, and I am sure she will let you know. We are a family MCLA, take care, I love you all.

God Bless you. God loves you, and so do we.
Dianne Randall

Semper Fidelis,

Evelyn Joppa

Happy Birthday to our Fabulous Members with June Birthdays!

1-Jun Kimberly Jones	12-Jun Stephanie Bruner	21-Jun PNP Ruth Moyse
2-Jun Georgina Ruebling	14-Jun Marjorie Ellison	22-Jun Bernadette Hines
4-Jun Jennie Held	14-Jun Daphne Kappos	22-Jun Maria Martinez
4-Jun Tina Collins	16-Jun Jacqueline Buckley	23-Jun Kathryn Keller
4-Jun Michelle Sager	17-Jun Frances Cona	24-Jun Jean Shindlebower
5-Jun Dot Haase	18-Jun Nicole Stroud	28-Jun Patricia Degregorio
6-Jun Susan Seyller	18-Jun Renee Salzeider	28-Jun Jacqueline Kurceba
8-Jun Lin McGee	19-Jun Kay Johnson	29-Jun Diane Napoli Paul
9-Jun Denise Byrnes	19-Jun Sandy Loudermilk	29-Jun MaryLou Anderson
10-Jun Mary Ann Hartner	19-Jun Carol Ringvelski	29-Jun Angelia Lightner
11-Jun Sharon Malecek	21-Jun Betty Ann Buist	30-Jun Donna Norris
12-Jun Janell Miller	21-Jun Juliette Marshall	

**We love recognizing our member's birthdays and
would never intentionally leave out a celebration!**

**Please make sure your member profile in the
MCLA database has your birthday listed by
ensuring membership transmittal forms
accurately include the birthdate of each member
or by sending an email to**

**MCLAHQ@nationalmcla.org with the
information.**

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