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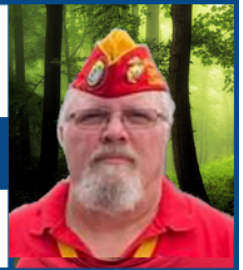
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Commandant's Corner

DAVID WIGGS

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE, DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK



Members and Associates,

Spring is in the air and my motorcycle is calling. It's time to get outside and enjoy the good weather while it lasts with friends and family. It is also that time of year to start planning your out door activities, i.e. parades, fund raising and celebrating our country's 250th birthday. Please take some time over the rest of the year to show our pride in our country and our service. Check with other veteran service organizations in your area and see if your detachment can help with their celebrations.

I would like to take this opportunity to mention some members which were recognized at the National Midwinter Conference in Arlington, Virginia. Richard Buck and Gail Goodson both received their VSO certifications. Lou Schlanger received an award from the Youth Fitness Program. The National PR Committee recently announced a social media contest and awards were given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place Detachments. I am happy to say that with all of the work that Carlos Garcia and others have done to raise our social media presence we were awarded 2nd place.

National and the Northeast Division have undergone a life time membership re-view. Unfortunately, they believe they have found a lot of members that have passed away. This can happen when our older members move away or into nursing homes and we lose contact. Your Area Vice Commandant should have provided a list of suspected deceased members to your detachment. If your detachment has not received your list please contact them as soon as possible. Please take some time and review the list and let your Area Vice Commandant know which one are still alive and which ones are deceased.

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Force Protection Guidance from the

Marine Corps League
P.O. Box 1990
Stafford, VA 22555-1990



IMPORTANT

March 13, 2026

Marines and Associates,

Due to the evolving security situation in the Middle East and the resulting heightened awareness across the United States military, I am issuing this advisory to all Marine Corps League members.

The Department of Defense has increased its operational posture in response to current events overseas. As a result, military installations across the United States have implemented enhanced security measures and elevated force protection awareness. While these measures are precautionary, they reflect the seriousness with which our nation approaches the protection of service members, veterans, and military-related organizations.

As members of the Marine Corps League, we proudly represent the legacy, values, and traditions of the United States Marine Corps in our communities. However, during periods of increased global tension, it is prudent that we exercise additional caution and situational awareness.

Effective immediately and until further notice, members are strongly encouraged to take the following precautionary measures:

- Suspend the public wear of the Marine Corps League Undress Uniform.
- Limit the wear of Marine Corps League outer uniform items or covers that prominently identify affiliation with the Marine Corps League.
- Maintain heightened personal awareness when attending public events or gatherings.
- Follow local, state, and federal guidance regarding security and public safety.

These recommendations are made strictly out of an abundance of caution and concern for the safety and well-being of our membership. They are not intended to diminish the pride we carry as Marines and members of the Marine Corps League, but rather to ensure we remain vigilant and responsible during a time of increased international tension.

Semper Fidelis,

TJ Morgan
66th National Commandant
Marine Corps League

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Marine Corps League
P.O. Box 1990
Stafford, VA 22555-1990



March 14, 2026

Marines and Associates,

This regards to the force protection letter sent out on March 13th. So, you know, our HQ attends meetings and receives communication from DMCS (Director of the Marine Corps Staff) and the letter sent out on the 13th was guidance for Force Protection.

I have read and listened to your comments on social media. So, at this time, I am Rescinding that letter sent out Friday. As a Marine and an O311 for 6 years, I understand your comments. My direction was in no way, a call to hide in the shadows and not show your pride in being a Marine, it was meant as a situational awareness type letter and it did not communicate that way to you.

What I do ask is that you take the precautions that you feel necessary to ensure the safety of all our members. I will leave that up to you and the leadership around the MCL.

As your commandant, my mission is for the safety of the league. So, with that, keep your head on a swivel, stay frosty and be safe.

Respectfully

Semper Fidelis,

TJ Morgan
66th National Commandant Marine
Corps League |





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Staff Officer Reports

Senior Vice Commandant *Cathleen Wiggs*

I attended the Mid-Winter convention in Arlington, Virginia, last weekend. The big news from National is the purchase of a building in Quantico town from the Marine Corps Association to be used as Marine Corps League, headquarters. For those Marines who never served on Quantico base, this requires a brief explanation. The town of Quantico is totally surrounded by MCB, Quantico, but is not part of the base.

Also the convention coordinator, our own Jimmy Ransom, announced next year's Mid-Winter convention will be held in Virginia Beach.

Currently I am on course to have the proposed yearly budget ready for review at our Spring meeting in Beacon NY, though I will not be attending as I have a lecture in Watertown NY on my calendar with a PBS interview on Women's history to follow. Hopefully I will see many of you at our Department Convention in Syracuse. Consider attending....last year's convention was very successful with a lot accomplished and then the cherry on top came with the best attended evening in many years, when we had The Pig Roast Party! We had a grand old time ...not to be missed!

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If the Division does not hear back from your Detachment by April 3rd then a Notice of Death will be submitted to National for the members they believe are deceased in your detachment.

David Wiggs, Commandant

Junior Vice Commandant *Rosemarine Soto*

Spring Forward – Strengthen the League

As we see the first signs of spring here in New York, it's a reminder that this season is about renewal, growth, and fresh opportunities. It is also the time for us, as members of the Marine Corps League, to refocus our energy on strengthening our Detachments and expanding our reach throughout the Department.



Our Midwinter Conference was a success. The camaraderie, dedication, and shared commitment to our mission were evident throughout the weekend. Thank you to everyone who participated, and contributed to making it productive and meaningful. The teamwork displayed is exactly what keeps our Department strong.

As Junior Vice Commandant, membership is one of my top priorities. Each of us plays a vital role in recruitment. I encourage every member to carry Marine Corps League business cards or have a simple way to share information about joining. Whether you're at local events, parades, veteran gatherings, or a having a conversation with a fellow Marine or supporter, pass along the opportunity to become part of something bigger.

Remember, we proudly welcome Associate Members. With Associate Members alongside our regular members, we are equipped to serve our communities and honor those who have worn the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor.

Let's use this season to grow Together, we will continue to build a stronger League.





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THE JUDGE ADVOCATE SAYS

Marines,

As we move into the first quarter of 2026, I want to take a moment to check in with the Department and share a few updates coming from National, along with some thoughts on keeping our detachments operating smoothly and professionally.

Serving as your Judge Advocate continues to be an honor. My goal has always been simple: make sure we understand the rules, apply them fairly, and keep the focus on supporting Marines, veterans, and our communities.

And as always if something doesn't make sense or you just want a second opinion before making a ruling, call me. I'm always happy to help!!

Highlights from the 2026 National Midwinter Conference:

The Marine Corps League National Midwinter Conference was held at the Sheraton Pentagon City in Arlington, Virginia, bringing together national leadership, committees, and department representatives to review the state of the League and upcoming initiatives.

Detachments were encouraged to support local campaigns, provide volunteers, and work closely with Reserve units and Local Area Coordinators.

Our members continue to serve as what the report called a "force multiplier" for the program something every member should be aware of.

A few items worth noting for our Department:

Bylaws Review Underway

The National Bylaws Committee reported that 15 proposals for bylaw changes have already been submitted and are currently under review in preparation for consideration at the 2026 National Convention in Indianapolis.

What this means for us:

More potential updates could be coming later this year, so it's important that detachments continue operating under the 2025 Bylaws and Administrative Procedures until any additional changes are adopted at the August convention.

Americanism Program Modernization

The National Americanism Committee announced work toward transitioning reporting and submissions to a hybrid online system, allowing programs and reports to be submitted digitally rather than relying entirely on mailed books.

Translation in plain Marine language:

Less paperwork, more streamlined reporting, and hopefully fewer late-night hunts for envelopes and postage. Strengthening Toys for Tots Partnerships. National also emphasized strengthening the partnership between the Marine Corps League and the Toys for Tots Foundation. detachment should be proud of.

JA Quick Tips,

DO:

Keep a current copy of the National, Department, and

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THE JUDGE ADVOCATE SAYS

Detachment Bylaws and APs available during meetings.

Use Robert’s Rules of Order when questions arise about procedure.

If you don’t know the answer, say: “Let me look that up and get back to you.”

DON’T:

Guess at an interpretation. Let “Sea Lawyers run the meeting.

Assume “that is how we always did it, means it is correct.

A ruling backed by a book is always stronger then on backed by opinion.

Final Thoughts

The Marine Corps league works best when we combine tradition with professionalism. The bylaws and procedures aren’t there to slow us down, there are there to protect the League and make sure everyone is treated fairly. You don’t have to navigate that alone.

If you have a question about bylaws, meeting procedures, disciplinary process or anything that doesn’t feel right Reach out.

That is literally why the Judge Advocate’s position exists. I am proud to serve along side of each and every one of you to look forward to a another strong year for the department of New York.

Stay sharp, keep your copies of the bylaws close, and let us make 2026 a year for the league.

Semper Fi,
Janis Lungler



NEW STATE LAW REGARDING 100% DISABLED VETERANS

Apparently there some misinformation going around about the new real estate tax exceptions law for veterans with 100% disability.

I personally checked with my state assemblyman and he has his people bring up the following:

The law goes into effect in October of 2026, not before. There will be a new form most likely generated by your county.

The new law state that no county can limit or deny the benefit to any qualified veterans unlike some county do now for the regular real estate exceptions.

Be careful of scans, law firms and such that tell you that you need help filing or anything of the kind. When the law comes into effect, you will have until the end of the year to file.

VETERAN

SLOWER THAN A SPEEDING BULLET

LESS POWERFUL THAN A LOCOMOTIVE

UNABLE TO LEAP TALL BUILDINGS IN A SINGLE BOUND

AND YET - STILL A SUPER MAN





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MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS

“The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League”

To all Dogs of the Order,

I need your help. Right now the NY Pack has 8 Pounds and we are endanger of losing 4 of those. I just received word that Pound #113 in the Syracuse area plans on closing by May. We have three others that are having IRS issues or are not Incorporated. It is hard for me to believe that we cannot reverse the course and make our Pack relevant.

I sent a letter out to all Pound Dog Robbers around the first of March. To date I’ve only heard from three Pounds. If you know who your Pound Keeper and/or Dog Robber is please drop me a email and update me with their contact information. The Kennel is dead serious about taking care of these issues up to revoking charters. I don’t want this to happen. New York has the largest MCL membership in the Northeast and we should have the largest and best Pack in the country .

Remember the Military Order of the Devil Dogs is the fun and honor society of the Marine Corps League. Our NY Pack most notable annual accomplishment is our donation to a children’s hospital in NYS. Help me get this fixed.

Woof woof

PDD Dean Lawton, Sr Vice Pack Leader

Remember, the pack normally has a growl at every staff meeting, attend, and join us for not only fun and fellowship but to discuss your pounds issues. That is what the Pack is here for, to help our pounds.

An urgent message from the Chief Devil Dog.

“Woof, woof, Dogs of the Order”

With everything going on in the world today, I ask that each of you be Vigilant and aware of your surroundings, As you should know that the National Commandant has issued a force and it is important that every member time the time to read it and follow the guidance and policies outlined within it.

As member of the military Order of the Devil Dogs, we must always set an example. Look out for one another, stay alert, and ensure the safety and well-being of yourselves, your families and your fellow Marines.

These may be challenging times, but as always, the strength of our Order lies in the dedication and vigilance of our members. Stay safe, stay sharp, and continue to take care of one another as we move forward together.

Semper Woofing,

CDD Joe, “Woody” DeAngelo 14-380

Honorable 63nd, Chief Devil Dog



Paul Barner of Bett-Toomey (right) and Adam Steen of John W Thurston (left) Detachments getting elevated to Devil Dogs at the last Department growl



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MARINES HONOR EAGLE SCOUTS

(right) On February 9, 2026, the Commandant of the 226 New York Detachment #1, Marine Lawrence Carney along with the Department of NY Eagle Scout Chairman Marine Volker Heyde attended a Eagle Scout COH of five new Eagles in Manhattan.

From left to right, Commandant Carney, Scouts Alex Hines, Will Rankin, Sebastian Baxter, Eyal Almani, Jaden Roer along with Dept of NY Eagle Scout Coordinator, Volker Heyde.



The Father Capodanno Detachment sponsored an Eagle Scout COH in Flushing, NY on Jan 3, 2026. The Eagle Scouts honored were Anthony and Aaron Bocard. Their certificates were presented by Marine Thomas Maher and Department of New York Eagle Scout Coordinator Volker Heyde. Also presenting an award was Sgt. Cortez from Bronx Recruiting. From left to right: Sgt. Cortez, Volker Heyde, Aaron Boucard, Anthony Boucard, Thomas Maher.



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Toys for Tots

(Left) \$4800 worth of toys collected for children in Tioga County. All with the help of Jennifer Lawton, Dean Lawton (Junior past department commandant) and Bonnie Lawton



Area Vice Richard Buck and helpers gather toys for the Tots for Tots Campaign. (above)



(above and below right) Members of the Department of New York, Long Island Area, at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy along with Santa, gather toys for the Toys for Tots drive.



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Winter Staff Meeting

Due to the possibility of bad weather and always being concerned, the Commandant made this meeting virtual to avoid any issues while traveling. It is interesting to note that a major snow storm was forecasted for the very next day.

Sadly the meeting was poorly attended by our detachments and there really wasn't a good excuse not to.

Detachments could have called in on their phones or attended via their tablets or computers in the comfort of their own homes. The Junior Vice Commandant reports that Raider #451 has been reinstated and the taxes are back up to specs.

The Junior Past Commandant thanked all who attended the Albany capital birthday ball.

Public relations is working with the state department of veteran affairs.

There was much discussion on the Department Marine of the year, who gets to vote and who does not

Long Island Area Vice Commandant reported that the Southshore detachment is now closed and life members transferred. He reported that has a good relationship with Merchant Marine Academy. He also attended the wake for a 100-year-old member.

PDC Tom Acuri reports that there new building construction for his detachment is doing well.

One issue that came up is that some detachment do not answer calls or emails from their AVC's. This is important as the Department needs to hear from their detachments.

T4T committee reports that over all Toy for Tots are doing well. In many cases where there was no Toy for Tots collection, detachments supported other toy

drives.

It was noted that Detachments now need to send their ROI's to their Area Vice's as well the Department adjutant. There is a new ROI, be sure to use it. The old one has been discontinued.

Area Vice Commandant's report most of our detachments held a 250th birthday ball in one form or another.

Area Vice Commandant's praised their detachments that are doing a good job.

The Department needs a legislature chairman and a rifle and pistol chairman. We do now have insurance for the Rifle & Pistol team.

Raffle committee has been renamed to Fund Raising Committee. One thing is that plans are being laid to advertise in the GP to raise funds.

Commandant plans are to have another pig roast at the 2026 department convention, but we need funds and ideas for a fund raiser for that.

Marine for life has marine with issues and the Foundation is helping them.

Foundation is doing well. Scholarship applications are due in March of 2026. Send regular mail to 1247 Erie Blvd west Rome NY 13440. **DO NOT** send registered mail or certified mail.

The Department now has Dean Lawton Jr and Jim Ransom working on the Buffalo National Convention. And they along with PCD Acuri, attended preconvention meeting in Buffalo

The Department now has three VSO's with PDC Tom Acuri being recently approved to be a VSO.

Congratulations Tom

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Lockport Devil Dogs



Around the State



Marines Peter Klay, Gary Stemper, Commandant Mark Malecki, and Ken Re at Sister Helens food pantry Lockport presenting canned goods collected from Santas visit to the Navy - Marine Club.



(above) Along with \$500. Commandant Marine Malecki presented Lockport Salvation Army Major Tom with \$500 from Detachment 232 and \$200 from Navy - Marine Club, inc.



(above) Peart harbor memorial salute by Marines Dan Eiffert, Ken Re, and Commandant Mark Malecki

(left) Veterans Day 2025 at Out water Park. Commandant Mark Malecki, Associate Jen Whiteman, Peter Klay, and Ken Re braved the weather to give their fellow veterans a final salute.



Marines of the Lockport Detachment brought joy to the children in the area by hosting Santa's visit to their detachment quarters.

To read their newsletter go to: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1Anu9HGCxn/>

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Mid Winter Staff Meeting

Lou Schlanger (below) from the South Bronx Youth Physical Fitness Program was presented by National Commandant TJ Morgan for over 40 years of service as a coach. To the left is Sean Peyton Director of the Youth Physical Fitness Program.



(right) Department of New York Staff (Commandant David Wiggs and Junior Vice Rosemarie Soto) representing the Department of New York membership at Mid Winter Conference in Virginia.



(Below) Members from all over the country attended the National Mid-Winter conference in Virginia



(left) National Convention Chairman and NY PDC Jim Ransom speaking about upcoming National Convention in Indianapolis IN and especially ours in Buffalo NY





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Around the State



(left) On a very frigid day, the Sgt Angel Mendez detachment annually renders honors to those who served in the battle of the bugle. Regardless of the very low temperatures, the detachment continued this tradition.



(Below And right) Sgt Angel Mendez Detachment installs their new officers.



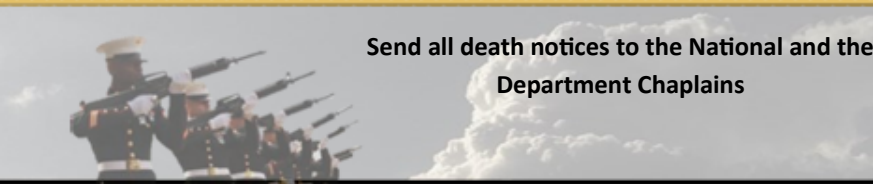
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REST IN PEACE



Send all death notices to the National and the Department Chaplains



Marine John, (Jack) King, 83, passed away on January 29th. He was a past Commandant of the Sgt. Angel Mendez Detachment on Staten Island. He was also a past Department of New York Chaplin. He was a life member of the league and he served in Marine Corps from 1961 to 1965.



Marine Wilfredo Muniz Jr. 43, passed away January 17th, 2026. He was the current Senior Vice of the Westchester Detachment. He was life member as well as a past Junior Vice and Past Commandant of his detachment. Wilfredo served in the United States Marine Corps from 1999 to 2007, including a deployment to Iraq in 2003. He rose to the rank of Corporal.



Marine John Kaitanowski passed away from cancer on December 28th, 2025. He was current Judge Advocate for Bett-Toomey Detachment #216 and Passed Commandant as well. He had been a Life Member and joined the MCL over 27 years ago. He was named Marine of the Year in 1997. John was a Radio Technician with the 1st Marine Division during his time spent in Vietnam. He served in the Corps from 1967-1970.



Marine Les Furman, 86, Passed away February 2026 Les served in the Corps from 1960 to 1963 as a radioman with 7th Comm Batt. He was a life member of the Niagara Detachment and a past Commandant and a member of the Patriot Guard Motor cycle club





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Member Stories

Introduction

The Story Behind Baby Blue Marine

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The United States Marine Corps is renowned for its rigorous basic training, designed to transform civilians into elite Marines. However, not everyone who begins this journey completes it. Throughout history, a subset of recruits who were unable to finish basic training became known as "washouts." Between the Korean War and the Vietnam War, these individuals were uniquely identified and referred to as "Baby Blue Marines."

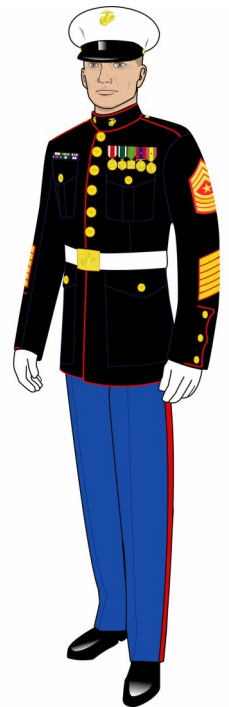
Story is courtesy of the Lockport Devil dog newsletter

The Origin of the "Baby Blue Marine"

The term "Baby Blue Marine" emerged in the period between the Korean and Vietnam wars. It was used to describe Marine recruits who did not successfully complete recruit training. The phrase referenced the distinctive, pale blue uniforms these men were issued when they were sent home.

The Uniform and Its Significance

Upon arrival at boot camp, Marine recruits customarily shipped their civilian clothes home, symbolizing the beginning of their transformation into Marines. For those who failed to meet the demanding standards of training, however, there was no triumphant graduation. Instead, these individuals were issued the light blue uniform—hence the nickname "Baby Blue Marine"—to wear on their journey home. This uniform served as a visible marker of their inability to complete the program and set them apart from both successful graduates and regular civilians.



Changes in Practice Over Time

The practice of issuing "Baby Blue Marine" uniforms faded over time. In today's Marine Corps, recruits who fail to complete boot camp are sent home in civilian clothing. This change reflects a shift in the approach to handling washouts, likely aimed at reducing the stigma associated with not finishing Marine Corps basic training.

Failure Rates in Marine Corps Basic Training

Marine Corps basic training is demanding, both physically and mentally. The attrition rate is significant: *approximately 11-15% of recruits do not graduate from Marine Corps basic training.* The reasons for failure can range from physical or medical issues to personal or psychological challenges, or failure to meet the rigorous standards expected of a Marine.

Legacy

The story of the "Baby Blue Marine" remains a lesser-known chapter in Marine Corps history. It serves as a reminder of the high standards of the Corps and the challenges faced by those who strive to earn the title of Marine.



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Did you know...

Why Three Volleys?



The practice of firing three rifle volleys over the grave originated with the old custom of halting the fighting for time to remove the bodies from the battlefield. Once each Army had cleared their dead, they would fire three volleys to indicate to the officers that the dead had been cared for and they were once again ready to fight. The fact that the firing party consists of seven riflemen, firing these volleys does not constitute a 21-gun salute. It is the three volleys that are significant, not the number of rifles. Three volleys fired over the casket have become a tradition to indicate that the dead have been taken care of. It has evolved into a military salute for the deceased serving their country.

Firing three volleys over the casket is one of the highest honors to give a military veteran. Our nation's highest honor is a flag draped over the casket, folded and presented. Tradition is to place three spent casings inside the folded flag to prove now and forevermore that the deceased and his flag have had the proper military honors. Nothing else is to be placed inside the flag.

Submitted by Earl Harrington.
Curiosity of the American Veteran Magazine

Marine Idioms

Why do we eat in a 'Mess Hall'?

Troops originally did not sleep in barracks, but rather slept outside in tents. These bivouacked areas were set up by unit, be it a company, Battalion or other. In a central location was an area set for cooking where a fire and a large pot were located. Cooks were unheard of for enlisted troops rather each man received a ration of whatever was foraged by the troops. You may get two potato's, another would get a hunk of meat while others received vegetables. Troops took their rations they had over to the big pot and dumped them in the boiling water to cook them. There were no butchers and the meat was cut with a knife by whoever gave it out. Portions were not equal but they did try. Troops started to share their rations to get a wider variety. Rumor has it that an officer who wanted to see what the troops were eating and looked into the pot and said, "That looks like a Mess." That term went around the camps like wild fire. From then on troops went to 'mess' long before there ever was a 'Mess hall' to get their food. In time a large tent was set up with tables for the troops to eat. This was called a "Mess Tent" In time a permeant building was erected. Many military building were called 'Halls' so that is why the word 'hall' was added giving us our 'Mess hall.'

Quote from Marine Earl Harrington

"The reason that God created Corpsmen was so Marines could have heroes too."



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Interesting Information

When posting on



If you or your detachment posts pictures of your events on Facebook and I find them, I will use them in the GP so everyone can see them. But if you don't give any information about your posted picture, who is in it, or what the event is about, it is useless to me and anyone else seeing it. Also if you post photographs of poor quality, I cannot use it. Always set your camera to its best settings. But even better, send it to me as well as Facebook and this way if need be, I can ask the sender questions so everyone clearly understands why and when you did your event. Always give all the information you can. Share your event, share your pride and share your fellowship. Also, think about sending me a link to your Facebook page so I can bookmark it check it from time to time. One more thing, always try to be in the proper uniform. If you don't have one, or complete one, wearing your cover is good enough since that is the 'official' uniform anyway. If I post a picture with member wearing incomplete or wrong uniform my readers may think it is OK to wear at any occasion saying I saw it in the "Ground Pounder". I have noticed, no tie with a long sleeve uniform shirt, blue trousers with blazers, White Belts over jackets and so on. As the Commandant of the Marine Corps said, If you going to wear the uniform, wear it right.

PLEASE NOTE

Before submitting photos to the GP, please set your phone or camera to it's high setting. Submitting photos on the lowest, as it comes from the store, does not produce good pictures that can be printed. With the low setting you end up with grainy and poor resolution which make it hard to see the details when printed. PLEASE, check before taking your pictures.



This book was written by one of our members about his time in the military and Vietnam and is available on Amazon in Kindler format for \$2.99. [Amazon.com: The Bright Dunce: A Memoir: War, Recovery, and Becoming eBook : Coffman, Michael, Coffman, Colleen: Kindle Store](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B000APR004)



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