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FROM LORENE MUNSON AND FAMILY

The family of Dale Munson would like to express our gratitude for the outpouring of support we felt with the presence of the Marine Corps League and Marine Corps League Auxiliary members at Dale's service. A special thanks to Department Chaplain, Jim Carleton for the services at the funeral home and the grave site. The members that participated in standing guard at the funeral home, participated in his military salute, those that traveled a distance, sent flowers, or gave donations for his memorial are deeply appreciated. Dale loved the Marine Corps League and the love and support the family received back from his friends, brothers and sisters will never be forgotten. I feel Dale would have been amazed at the support he received but then I can remember him frequently saying I've got their back or simply "Semper Fi".

Lorene Munson

COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE:

Marines,

It was quite a shock to the Department to lose our Commandant, Dale Munson so shortly following the Convention. We've lost a good leader and I have huge shoes/boots to fill. Dale, you are missed ...

The Department will continue moving forward with hopefully little mark time marching and no backsliding.

It is detachment installation time and I look forward to visiting the many detachments and pounds.

Remember: If you wish someone other than the Department Commandant to be your Installing Officer, let me know. Installation reports must have all information filled out including Det. Federal EIN # and Det. Incorporation ID # and Date filed as well.

It was a pleasure for myself and Jr. Vice Mike Sturch to install the Peoria Leathernecks Detachment. Then as the Packleader, I assisted by both Sr. Vice P.L. Mike Sturch and PDD Dave Edwards installed Pound 1000. Congratulations, Semper Fi and Woof, Woof!

2nd Staff Meeting is coming soon and direction for the rest of the year will be determined there. Be there!

I can be reached at: (773) 284-1212 (home) or jbmarines_81@yahoo.com.

Semper Fi,
Bruce Blackmer

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, MCLA:

I am looking forward to our upcoming year! It will be exciting to see all the different projects our units will be involved in as we help all our veterans and their families. We are a dedicated group who can achieve many things! It is also important to recruit new members in order to grow. Spread the word about all the many ways we help our veterans.

I want to thank all the officers and all the members for all they do on a daily basis. You are all the key to our success.

Semper Fi
Shari Crockett
Department of Illinois
MCLA President

SR. VICE COMMANDANT:

JR. VICE COMMANDANT:

(Due to a major mental lapse by the editor, I am also including the Jr. Vice article which should have appeared in the July issue. Please accept my apology for the omission.)

Marines,

I would like to take this time to thank the McHenry County Detachment and the McHenry County Auxiliary Unit for hosting the 74th Department Convention in Crystal Lake. I also wish to thank you all for your continued support in choosing me for your Department Jr Vice Commandant. I know the entire Department Staff will continue to serve diligently in reaching our objectives and goals.

Congratulations to the Tri-County Leathernecks Detachment and Sergio Correa Jr. (Chapultepec Detachment) as the winners of this year's recruiting contest. Tri-County Leathernecks brought in 16 new members for their Detachment, and Marine Correa signed-up 13 new members for his Detachment. They both received \$100 for their outstanding efforts in securing new members. Oorah!

Please continue to send me all copies of your membership applications. Ensure they are legible, especially the sponsor's name. I am not able to give you the credit if I'm unable to decipher who the exact sponsor is.

Awards, awards, awards. We have all these blank award certificates just waiting for a name of an outstanding and deserving Marine. Recognize your members for a job well done and give them the recognition they so deserve.

"For the strength of the Pack is the Wolf, and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack" – Ridyard Kipling

AND NOW FOR THE CURRENT ARTICLE

As we all should know by now, we lost our Commandant a month ago. Dale was a great man. Marine, husband, father; and a great friend and confidant to me. I will really miss our late-night talks and comradeship over bourbon and cigars.

But the mission must go on.....

Commandant Blackmer has now assumed duties of said office, and I know he will do his utmost best to keep this Department moving and on task. I have every bit of faith and confidence in him and will support him in the decisions he makes. Everything he does is for the good of this Department, and the MCL.

The Jr. Vice recruiting drive is in full swing. Let's keep our membership growing strong. Speaking of membership, specifically retention, I charge all Detachment Commandants and Paymasters to remind your members of the membership changes. ALL dues are (were) due on August 31st. National is NOT sending reminders anymore, so it is up to you to get the word out. I do not want to lose members simply because they were not notified.

Although not officially appointed, I have been tasked with the duties of Sr. Vice Commandant as well (and yes, Jimmy, there will be a raffle!) I have in the works a gun raffle for an M1A (who doesn't want an M14?) and either a Sig or a Glock for concealed carry. I will also continue with the Fund-Raising Committee, to come up with a bigger and better sustainable annual Department fund raiser. I want to have a meeting of this Committee at 2nd Staff. I will advise of the time once I have contacted all members of the Committee.

Lastly, I will have an informal memorial Saturday at 2nd Staff, after all of our meetings, to honor and remember Dale in a way that he would approve. It will involve quality distilled spirits and fine tobacco. I hope you can be there!

My contact info is **815-441-2243** or mlsturch@hotmail.com.

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch

JUDGE ADVOCATE:

Greetings Marines,

This summer has proven to be a very hot and sad time for our Department. Commandant Dale Munson's passing was truly a shock. He shall be greatly missed from our ranks and our prayer to his family.

There have been several problems in the Department from the same detachments as in the past; but, hopefully, they have been resolved. It appears that the detachments down state have been very successful with recruiting new members, great job go to those detachments.

I'm looking forward to 2nd Staff and hope to see a great turnout there. Any problems, concerns or clarification you might have.

I can be reached at 618 539-0533 or at email ronburns45@live.com

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronald E. Burns, Sr.

ADJUTANT:

If you have any questions or info you can contact me at 618 224-9437 or at 311snakeandnape2@gmail.com. Thank you in advance.

Semper Fidelis,
Robert R. Weber

PAYMASTER:

Greeting Marines,

I can be contacted at mikem3280@gmail.com or 309-269-2012.

Semper Fidelis,
PDC Mike Malmstrom

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

I can be contacted at kevin.torch.enlow@gmail.com or call me at 309-634-1609.

Semper Fidelis,
Kevin Enlow

TRUSTEE TIM MARTIN:

Suffering from PTS? Call Me

Suffering from Post Traumatic Stress from Combat? So am I and we can help one another just by talking on the phone. No one knows what you are really going through? I DO! Please call me at 815-622-4629, if I can't answer, I will call you back. Leave a message saying you need to talk, you don't have to give your name.

I have severe PTS from Vietnam (USMC, Hill 55, AnLoc 1967) and maybe I can help. **I am not a doctor!** Talk with someone who has walked in your shoes. Any war you served in, it doesn't matter. Please call someone who cares. 815-622-4629.

PDC Tim Martin
[815-622-4629](tel:815-622-4629)

JR. PAST COMMANDANT:

I can be reached at 815-228-9767 or by email at glbaker078@comcast.net.

Semper Fi, Brothers
and Sisters
PDC Greg Baker,
Used Commandant
(for sale)

DEPARTMENT QUARTERMASTER:

Fellow Marine Corps League Members:

It has been a pleasure to be the Quartermaster for the Department of Illinois since June of 2001. At the end of the 2019 State Convention, I am retiring (NOT A JOKE, I MEAN IT THIS TIME.)

In the coming Staff meetings and etc., I will be having sales to dwindle down the MCL, Auxiliary and Devil Dog merchandise. So please check the sales out, remember the money raised in the Ships Store belongs to our Department. I will still take orders over the phone (some members do call me and place an order for uniform items) until the June 2019 convention. I will still attend any installations that I am asked to come to, until June 2019. Since this is a volunteer job, the detachments that invite me pay for my motel and dinner.

During the past 18 years (come June 2019) Jeanette and I have had the pleasure to travel all over the state and some neighboring states for events that the Department of Illinois MCL Quartermaster has been invited to. We have met some wonderful people that we now consider friends. During this same time, we have attended National Conventions all across the United States and Mid-Winter in Virginia, what a wonderful experience it has been.

I can be reached at jgeise@adams.net or 217-223-5894.

Semper Fidelis
Tom Geise

FROM THE EDITOR:

The Illinois Marine publication is one of the ways that we can communicate what is happening in our Department, Districts, Detachment and Units. But, because it is published quarterly, information sometimes doesn't get dispersed in a timely fashion. With the advent of The Illinois Marine website (www.theillinoismarine.com), those with computer access can now obtain the most up to date information available. Anyone with events, functions or relevant information, can contact me and it will be posted within an hour or so. This is just another step within the Department to be able to keep our members and the general public aware of what is happening. Also, while on the Website please look for the link to the "Forms" Page. As I am able to install downloadable Department and National (when available) forms, I will do so. Some of the forms will require copies due to the original forms being layer forms which must be torn apart to process.

If you have a Detachment newsletter and want it to be published on the Illinois Marine website, please email me a copy or mail it to me and I will scan it in and post it. They are posted on the "Detachment Newsletters" page. Just click on the page link then look for the detachment

name of the newsletter you wish to read, and then click on it.

As always, I welcome any comments and/or input from the general membership because, ultimately, this is your publication.

Please note the change in issue publication dates to coincide with the adjustment in Convention dates. The new dates will be January, April, July and October.

All information and articles must be received by the 10th of December 2018 to be included in the January 2019 issue. There will be no exceptions!

The invoice for all Illinois Marine dues of \$50.00 per Detachment/Unit/Pack and Pound [as per Department Bylaws 51.21(c)] will be arriving in the mail shortly after July 1st. All checks should be made payable to "Department of Illinois, MCL" and mailed to the Editor at the address listed below. These annual dues are the funds that allow the Illinois Marine to be published. If you have not yet paid, please bring your Detachment/Unit up to date ASAP. Paymasters, check behind your detachments name in the Illinois Marine roster of Detachments. If you are up to date, it will say paid and the year (i.e.: Pd. 17-18.) If there is no year listed your Detachment or Unit or Pound is not paid. **PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DETACHMENTS, UNITS AND A POUND OR TWO THAT ARE STILL DELINQUENT.** If you did not receive an invoice, please let me now.

REMINDER: Annually on or about July 1st, an invoice will be sent to each Detachment/Unit/Pack and Pound for the annual dues.

We are continuing to update the email address list for those who wish to receive the Illinois Marine via email. If you are receiving this publication via hardcopy and have email, please consider requesting it by email. Each hardcopy mailed out costs the Department on average 85 to 95 cents. Any reduction of postage expenses benefits the Department of Illinois's budget. If you do not wish to receive the Illinois either by hard copy or email it can be downloaded from the Illinois Marine website in PDF format. Please let me know if that is the case. **I would ask that a list of all "New" members with Name, Address and email, if available, be submitted to the editor to facilitate addition to the mailing or email list.**

You may also notice that I am attempting to include our Officers email address to facilitate communication.

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| DR: PDD John Bigwood, 7719 East Prairie Road, Skokie, IL | 60076- 847 779-3053 |
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| DR: PDD Mike M. Malmstrom, 5107 48 th St., Moline, IL | 61265-7516 309 764-9638 c-309 269-2012 |
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| DR: PDD William A. Woollen, 2804 Ridge Ave., Springfield, IL | 62702-4444 217 744-3710 |
| Grand Pound #1000 MODD | Pd. 18-19 |
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| DR: DD Harold W. Lundstrom, 10809 N. Dana Dr., Peoria, IL | 61615-1163 309 240-8782 |
| Untamed Dogs Pound #351 MODD | Pd. 18-19 |
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| DR: PDD Daniel Betts, 310 W. State St., Pocahtonas, IL | 62275-3057 618 669-2171 c-618 795-3339 |
| North Pound #369 MODD | Pd. 18-19 |
| PK: PDD Don Haines, 1005 Prairie St., St. Charles, IL | 60174-3638 630 564-1804 (c) |
| DR: DD Marty Smith III, 5315 Cobblers Crossing, McHenry IL | 60050- 847 668-9591 |

Department of Illinois, Marine Corps League Detachments:

1st District

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| Burbank Detachment #072 | Pd. |
| Meets at VFW Post 177, 10537 S. Ridgeland Ave., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 | 4 th Thursday 1930 |
| Comdt: Edward G. Modla, 10522 S. 81 st Ave., Palos Hills, IL | 60453-1416 708 974-4046 |
| Paym: Joe Purpura, 8401 W. 151 st St., Orland Park, IL | 604462- |
| Adj: Richard Nolan, 11548 Normandy, Worth, IL | 60482- 708 448-0177 |
| Chapultepec Detachment #1408 | Pd. |
| Please go to https://www.facebook.com/mcl1408/?hc_ref=NEWSFEED for time and place | |
| Comdt: Sergio Correa Jr., 3848 W. 57 th Pl., Chicago, IL | 60629- 773 236-9070 |
| Paym: Antonio J. Miranda., 5237 S. Albany Chicago, IL | 60632- 773 480-4583 |
| Adj: Ines Gardea, 5824 S. Rutherford, Chicago, IL | 60638- 773 815-6475 |
| Grundy County Detachment #1372 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at Morris American Legion, 212 W. Washington St., Morris, IL | 4 th Thurs. 1900 |
| Comdt: Harion Enervold, 3655 Bennett Rd., Verona, IL | 60479- 815 287-2040 |
| Paym: Fred Gaddis, 165 Virginia St., Coal City, IL | 60416- 815 634-3125 |
| Adj: Rick Martinez, 1712 Brighton Ln., Plainfield, IL | 60586- 815 258-8901 |
| Joliet E 2/14 Detachment #808 | Pd. NO |
| Meets at Harwood American Legion, 705 S. Larkin Ave., Rockdale, IL | 1 st Thursday 1930 |
| Comdt: Joseph Donnelly, 227 S. Williams St., Joliet, IL | 60436- 815 671-5364 |
| Paym: John Cavallero Sr., 600 Clement, Joliet, IL | 60435- 815 545-1995 |

Kankakee MCL Detachment #1253 Pd. 18-19
 Meets Bradley-Bourbonnais Sportsman's Club, 2672 Chippewa Dr., Bourbonnais 1st Tuesday 1900
 Comdt: Dave Allen Jr., 1312 W. Park Hill Dr., Bourbonnais, IL 60914-4347 815 263-1635
 Paym: Richard E. Bateman, 589 Turnberry Dr., Bourbonnais, IL 60914-9160 815 932-8588
 Adj: Stan Bobka, 15 St. Pauls, Bourbonnais, IL 60914-9124 815 278-7848

Marine Corps League Kevin Clarke - Tinley Park Detachment #1217 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at Bremen Post 2791 V.F.W., 17147 S. Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL 3rd Monday 1930
 Comdt: Jim Taylor, 15712 St. Louis Ave., Markham, IL 60428- 708 715-1536
 Paym: Tom Donnelly, 6300 W. 157th Pl., Oak Forest, IL 60452- 708 535-3332
 Adj: John Murphy, 6636 Forestview Dr., Oak Forest, IL 60452- 708 687-3714

2nd District

Band of Brothers Detachment #986 Pd.
 Meets at Villa Park V.F.W., 39 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park, IL 4th Monday 1930
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 Paym: Bill Barta, 11 Hiawatha Dr., Clarendon Hills, IL 60514-1113 630 654-2154
 Adj: Andrew S. Roszel, 340 Mc Kinley Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126-1113 630 888-8217

Chicago #1 Detachment #073 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at F.D.R American Legion Post 923, 1824 W. Courtland, Chicago, IL 3rd Sunday 1300
 Comdt: Zataniel Ortega, 1820 W. Cornelia Ave., Chicago, IL 60657-1020 773 929-5275
 Adj/Pay: John M. Bigwood, 7719 East Prairie Road, Skokie, IL 60076- 847 779-3053

Chicago Police Marines Detachment #553 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at F.O.P. Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL 1st Tuesday 1900
 Comdt: Dominick, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL 60680-8668 773 413-8762
 Paym: Paul, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL 60680-8668 773 413-8762
 Adj: Wally, PO Box 8668, Chicago, IL 60680-8668 773 413-8762

DuPage County Detachment #399 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at V.F.W. Post 2164, 0N731 Papworth St., Wheaton, IL 4th Tuesday 1930
 Comdt: Emanuel Bucur, 759 Spruce Ln., Bartlet, IL 60103-5650 630 935-7722
 Paym: Charles W. Wingard, 719 Lombard Ave., Lombard, IL 60148-3453 630 627-1766
 Adj: Charles W. Wingard, 719 Lombard Ave., Lombard, IL (Temp) 60148-3453 630 627-1766

Elgin Detachment #077 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at the Elgin Moose Lodge, 925 S. McLean Blvd., Elgin, IL 60123 4th Monday 1900
 Comdt: Fred Zimmermann, 2444 Tall Oaks Dr., Elgin, IL 60124- 847 841-1340
 Adj/Pay: Tom Culumber, 39W745 Crosscreek Ln., St. Charles, IL 60175- 630 513-9758

Fox Valley Marines Detachment #1233 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at the Aurora AMVETS Post #103, 1194 Jericho Rd., Aurora, IL 2nd Thursday 1900
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 Paym: William Barnett, 3 Hampton Rd., Montgomery, IL 60538- 630 400-6494
 Adj: Jennifer Slown, 789 Four Seasons Blvd., Aurora, IL 60504-

Lake County Detachment #801 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at Steven's Steakhouse, 401 N. Riverside Dr., Gurnee, IL 3rd Monday 1900
 Comdt: Gerald Pedrin, 37523 N. Holdridge Ave., Beach Park, IL 60087- 847 687-6663
 Paym: Ed Mampe, 24883 Cedarwood Ln., Ingleside, IL 60041- 847 641-9689
 Adj: John Jezioro, 1407 Barberrry, Round Lake Beach, IL 60037- 847 807-0736

McHenry County Detachment #1009 Pd. 18-19
 Meets at McHenry V.F.W. Post 4600, 3002 IL Rt. 120, McHenry, IL 3rd Thursday 1930
 Comdt: Rick Prescott, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL 60098-0311 847 702-6059
 Paym: Mike Ruffner, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL 60098-0311 847 570-4107
 Adj: James French, PO Box 311, Woodstock, IL 60098-0311 847 730-9085

Northwest Suburban Detachment #080 Pd.
 Meets at Merle Guild A.L. Post 208, 121 N. Douglas, Arlington Heights, IL 3rd Wednesday 1930
 Comdt: Michael Huttner, 235 W. Chasse Cr., St. Charles, IL 60174- 630 650-0424
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 Adj: Elizabeth Lollock, 2502 Ardmore Ave., Inverness, IL 60067- 847 496-7460

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| Tri-County Leathernecks Detachment #1395 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at the American Legion Post #964, 51 Lions Dr., Lake Zurich, IL | 2 nd Wednesday 1900 |
| Comdt: Bill Thompson, PO Box 491, Lake Zurich, IL | 60047- 847 997-6658 |
| Adj/Pay: Scott Forester, PO Box 491, Lake Zurich, IL | 60047- 847 414-9630 |

3rd District

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| Dixon Area Detachment #076 | Pd. |
| Meets at V.F.W. Post 540, Rt. 38 East, Dixon, IL | 3 rd Wednesday 1900 |
| Comdt: Tony Miller, 1921 Palmyra Rd., Dixon, IL | 61021- 815 991-1588 |
| Adj/Pay: Jim James, 406 N. Franklin Ave., Polo, IL | 61064-1215 815 973-9193 |

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| Illinois Valley Detachment #078 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at MCL Clubhouse, 475 E. Rt. 351, PO Box 22, Jonesville, IL | 1 st Tuesday 1900 |
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| Paym: | |
| Adj: Art Meyer, PO Box 22, Oglesby, IL | 61348-0022 |

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| Meets at the VFW Post 9759, 2018 Windsor Dr., Loves Park IL | 1 st Wednesday 1900 |
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| Paym: Bruce Giersch, 613 Dickerson Dr., Winnebago, IL | 61088-8336 815 904-4534 |
| Adj: Donald Reynolds, 4122 Martina, Rockford, IL | 61114- 815 742-5416 |

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| Tri-County Detachment #086: | Pd. NO |
| Meets at American Legion Post # 31, 1509 Railroad Ave, Kewanee, IL | 1 st Monday 1900 |
| Comdt: Louis J. VanDeVoorde, 330 Emmons Ave., Kewanee, IL | 61443- 309 853-6661 |
| Adj/Pay: Glenn E. Morey, P. O. Box 207, Mineral, IL | 61344-0207 309 290-4007 |

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| Lincoln Detachment #607 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at AMVETS, 827 15 th Ave., East Moline, IL | 3 rd Tuesday 1930 |
| Comdt: Joseph G. Pollock, 6609 Cresthill Dr., Davenport, IA | 52806-1567 563 349-2423 |
| Adj/Pay: Michael W. Malmstrom, 5107 48 th St., Moline, IL | 61265-7516 309 764-9638 |

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| DeKalb County Detachment #847 | Pd. NO |
| Meets at Sycamore Vets Home, 121 S. California, Sycamore, IL | 3 rd Thursday 1900 |
| Comdt: Brent Bacon, PO Box 321, Sycamore, IL | 60178-0321 847 7515-6211 |
| Paym: Keith Keutzer, PO Box 321., Sycamore, IL | 60178-0321 815 751-3641 |
| Adj: Jeff Anderson, PO Box 321., Sycamore, IL | 60788-0321 815 899-8360 |

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| Sauk Valley Marine Detachment #913 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at A. L. Post 902, 712 Fourth Ave., Rock Falls, IL | 3 rd Monday 1900 |
| Comdt: Tim Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL | 61071-0708 815 622-4629 |
| Adj/Pay: Esteban Ramos, 407 Avenue I, Sterling, IL | 61081-3260 815 441-9440 |

4th District

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| Peoria Leathernecks Detachment #081 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at Navy/Marine Club, 1310 E. Sieberling, Peoria Heights, IL 61616 | 1 st Wednesday 1930 |
| Comdt: Kevin Enlow, 511 Main St., Pekin, IL | 61554- 309 634-1609 |
| Adj/Pay: Harold W. Lundstrom, 10809 N. Dana Dr., Peoria, IL | 61615-1163 309 240-8782 |

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| Tobin-Nanninga Detachment #085 | Pd. NO |
| Meets at the, 13370 Garman Rd., Pekin, IL | 3 rd Sunday 1600 |
| Comdt: Richard Byars, 1822 Fawnridge Ln., Pekin, IL | 61554- 309 241-6252 |
| Paym: Randy Fuller, 2005 Westgate Dr., Pekin, IL | 61554- 309 202-1466 |
| Adj: Ronald E. Simpson, 11938 Tower Line Dr., Pekin, IL | 61554- 309 202-9420 |

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| Decatur Detachment #799 | Pd. 18-19 |
| Meets at American Legion Post #105, 1535 Legion Dr., Decatur, IL | 3 rd Wednesday 1900 |
| Comdt: Tom Scroggins, 1825 S. 33 rd St., Decatur, IL | 62521-4704 217 428-7588 |
| Adj/Pay: Harry Kracht, 640 W. Forest Ave., Decatur, IL | 62522-3220 217 422-6403 |

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| Major Kenneth D. Bailey Detachment #824 | Pd. NO |
| Meets at American Legion Post #210, 201 Prospect Pl., Danville, IL | 3 rd Sunday 1600 |
| Comdt: Michael Montgomery, 321 Fletcher Dr., Danville, IL | 61832- 217 474-1149 |
| Adj/Pay: John Barrett, 29173 Bean Creek Rd., Potomac, IL | 61865- 217 987-6921 |

Central Illinois Leathernecks Detachment #988
 Meets at V.F.W. Post 454, 1006 Lincoln Ave., Bloomington, IL
 Comdt: Art Wynn, 403 Priscilla Lane, Bloomington, IL
 Adj/Pay: David L. Edwards, 904 Star Drive, Heyworth, IL

Pd. 18-19
 2nd Tuesday 1900
 61704-4603 309 275-5959
 61745-9213 309 663-5014

Richard L. Pittman Detachment #1231
 Meets at Urbana V.F.W. Post #630, 1303 E. Main St., Urbana, IL
 Comdt: Bob Kappes, 1217 Joanne Ln., Champaign, IL
 Paym: Jesse Allen, 11175 Stoll Rd., Frankfort, IL
 Adj: Ron Castel, 206 South John St., Thomasboro, IL

Pd. 18-19
 3rd Thursday 1900
 61821-1614 217 351-7095
 60423-
 61878-

Sgt. Robert "Bob" E. Graue Detachment #1336
 Meets at Lincoln VFW Post, 915 5th St., Lincoln, IL
 Comdt: James J. Harnacke, 1518 State Rt. 10, Lincoln, IL
 Adj/Pay: Gene F. Hickey, 795 950th Ave., Elkhart, IL

Pd. 18-19
 3rd Sunday 1700
 62656-5353 217 737-4557
 62634-6090 217 871-2972

5th District

Collier-Harrison Detachment #075
 Meets at the Navy Club Quarters, 3100 Stanton St., Springfield, IL
 Comdt: Sue Gibbons, 1733 W. Glenn Ave., Springfield, IL
 Adj/Pay: William A. Woollen, 2804 Ridge Ave., Springfield, IL

Pd. 18-19
 1st Thursday 1930
 62704-4826 217 622-8270
 62702-4444 217 638-2510

Gem City Detachment #790
 Meets at Lippincott Hall, Veterans Home, 1707 N. 12th St., Quincy, IL
 Comdt: Glenn Meyers, 102 E. Main St., La Prairie, IL
 Adj/Pay: Luke Doellman, 2700 Lind St., Quincy, IL

Pd. 18-19
 1st Monday 1900
 62346- 217 506-2490
 62301-3551 217 617-3152

West Central Illinois Leathernecks #1177
 Meets at the VFW Post 1379, 903 East Morton, Jacksonville, IL
 Comdt: Jim Crosier, 12625 Tebbe Rd., New Berlin, IL
 Paym: Paul Kramer, 2057 Cherry Rd., Springfield, IL
 Adj: Earl Turner, 1864 Plum St., Jacksonville, IL

Pd. 18-19
 2nd Wednesday 1900
 62670-4507 217 341-6416
 62704-3273 217 572-1820
 62650-22437 217 243-6602

6th District

Effingham County Detachment #591
 Meets at Iron Horse Cafe, 101 S. Merchant, Effingham, IL
 Comdt: Philip H. Mette, 14959 E. 1975th Ave., Effingham, IL
 Adj/Pay: Darrell L. Schwerman, 9387 E. Nees Ave., Effingham, IL

Pd. NO
 3rd Thursday 1200
 62401-9445
 62401-5088 217 821-2163

Thomas A. Jennings Detachment #546
 Meets at VFW Post, 712 E. Main St., Robinson, IL
 Comdt: David Houser, 405 N. Range St., Oblong, IL
 Paym: Robert Manning, 603 Beech St., Robinson, IL

Pd. 18-19
 3rd Tuesday 1900
 62445- 618 544-7047
 62454-2653 618 544-2653

7th District

Robert Windle Detachment #1031
 Meets at American Legion, Legion Park, Jerseyville, IL
 Comdt: Karl Bradshaw, 16645 Delhi Farms Rd., Jerseyville, IL
 Paym: Marshal Lewis, 704 Cross Ave, Jerseyville, IL
 Adj: Lonnie Saffell, 9287 N. Prairie St., Shipman, IL

Pd. NO
 2nd Monday 1900
 62052- 618 885-5684
 62052- 618 946-9150
 62685-6733 618 836-7388

Collinsville Detachment #074
 Meets at VFW Post 805, 221 W. First St., O'Fallon, IL
 Comdt: Frank Christie, 2802 Black Ln., Collinsville, IL
 Paym: Ramona Witte, 505 W. Randle St., Lebanon, IL
 Adj: Catherine Murphy, 29 N. Oakland Dr., Caseyville, IL

Pd. 18-19
 1st Wednesday 1900
 62234-7607 618 344-3676 c-618 420-9920
 62254-1428 618 808-0308
 62232-1131

Alton Leathernecks Detachment #1160
 Meets at VFW 1308, 4445 Alby, Alton, IL 62002
 Comdt: James Freeman, 146 22nd St., Alton, IL
 Paym: Paul Schwendeman, 429 Oak St., East Alton, IL
 Adj: Mark Nelson, 5679 Humbert Rd., Godfrey, IL

Pd. 18-19
 3rd Monday 1900
 62002-6812 618 465-2723
 62024-1257 618 973-4825
 62035-2102 618 972-3987

Lincoln Land Leathernecks Detachment #1174
Meets at VFW Post 1377, 2043 S. 4th St., Greenville, IL 62246
Comdt: Ronald E. Burns Sr., 525 N. Pearl St., Lebanon, IL
Adj/Pay: Daniel Betts, 310 W. State St., Pocahton, IL

Pd. 18-19
3rd Thur. 1930
62254-1428 618 593-0533
62275-0415 618 795-3339

Prairieland Leathernecks Detachment #1385
Meets at the Litchfield VFW Post, 215 W. Ryder St., Litchfield, IL
Comdt: Chris Gutierrez, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL
Paym: Gary Doss, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL
Adj: Terry Williams, PO Box 556, Litchfield, IL

Pd. 18-19
1st Thursday 1900
62056- 217 556-2410
62056- 217 532-2390
62056- 217 324-3574

8th District

Shawnee Detachment #812
Meets at the American Legion Post 127, 1700 Gartside St., Murphysboro, IL
Comdt: Mark Cosgrove, 172 Wild Rose Ln., Carbondale, IL
Paym: Phillip Lindberg, 2421 Country Club Rd., Carbondale, IL
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Pd. 18-19
2nd Thursday 1900
62902- 618 967-9462
62901- 618 967-9239
62918-5052 618 534-2661

Southern Illinois Leathernecks Detachment #1013
Meets at the KC Hall, 213 N. 16th St., Herrin, IL
Comdt: Cindy Aschemann, 309 Missouri Ave., Carterville, IL
Paym: E.J. Callahan, PO Box 174, Herrin, IL
Adj:

Pd. NO
3rd Wednesday 1900
62918- 618 203-9401
62948- 618 988-1852

Randolph County Detachment # 575
Meets at the American Legion, 1001 Booster St., Evansville, IL
Comdt: Brent Piel, 5970 Richfield Rd., Red Bud, IL
Adj/Pay: John Preston, 1033 Thomas Dr., Red Bud, IL

Pd. NO
3rd Tuesday 1900
62278-4534 618 282-4328
62278-2304 618 282-7783

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60629-5627 773 284-1212
60102-3013 847 854-1188
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Burbank Unit MCLA #140

Meets at VFW Post 177, 10537 S. Ridgeland Ave., Chicago Ridge, IL

President: Mary Ann Kuchta 10052 S. Maplewood, Chicago, IL

Treasurer: Violet Tolsky, 9965 Cambridge Court "D", Mokena, IL

Secretary: Sharon Durkin, 19947 Martie Lane, Mokena, IL

Pd. 18-19

4th Thursday 2000

60650- 773 779-8463

60448-7914 708 479-6760

60448-1117 708 479-4882

Kankakee Unit MCLA #1253

Meets at the Bourbonnais Sportsmen's Club, 2672 Chippawa Dr. Bourbonnais, IL

President: Margaret J. Myers, 345 W. Jeffery St., Kankakee, IL

Treasurer: Sandy Britt, 141 S. Dearborn, Bradley, IL

Secretary: Judy Denoyer, 271 Randolph, Bradley, IL

Pd. 18-19

1st Tuesday 1800

60901-4958 815 933-2338

60915- 815 592-1976

60915- 815 933-9408

3rd District

DeKalb Sycamore Unit MCLA #382

Meets at Sycamore Vets Home, 121 S. California, Sycamore, IL

President: Rachael Hartman, 1036 Hartman Trail, Sandwich, IL

Treasurer: Judy Bryant, 340 Parker St., Sycamore, IL

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Pd. 18-19

3rd Thursday 1900

60548- 815 405-9731

60178-1249 815 895-6696

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Illinois Valley Unit MCLA

Meets at MCL Clubhouse, 475 E. State St. (RT's 351 & 71), Oglesby, IL

President: Virginia Hegland, 321 N. Kenosha Ave., Oglesby, IL

Treasurer: Lorene Munson, 505 Mormon St., Oglesby, IL

Secretary: Lorene Munson, 505 Mormon St., Oglesby, IL

Pd. 18-19

3rd Tuesday 1800

61348-1145 480 980-7333

61348-1030 815 883-3636

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McHenry County Unit MCLA #419

Meets at McHenry V.F.W. Post 4600, 3002 IL, Rt. 120, McHenry, IL

President: Jo Larson, 332 Ramble RD., Lake in the Hills, IL

Treasurer: Colleen Helfers, 19810 River Rd., Marengo, IL

Secretary: Colleen Helfers, 19810 River Rd., Marengo, IL

Pd. 18-19

3rd Thursday 1930

60156-1332 815 687-3101

60152-9131 815 219-8550

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Sauk Valley Unit MCLA #349

Meets at Rock Falls American Legion, 712 - 4th Ave., Rock Falls, ILPresident: Tracey Pillars, 1107 9th Ave., Rock Falls, IL

Treasurer: Carol Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL

Secretary: Carol Martin, PO Box 708, Rock Falls, IL

Pd. 18-19

2nd Tuesday 1600

61071- 815 564-7228

61071-0708 779 245-1270

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4th District

Decatur Unit MCLA #342

Meets at American Legion Post 105, 1535 Legion Drive, Decatur, IL

President: Doris Ruble, 7784 South Wind Ln. Decatur, IL

Treasurer: Kathy Kracht, 640 W. Forest Ave., Decatur, IL

Secretary: Karen Dotson, 957 N. Union, Decatur, IL

Pd.

2nd Wednesday 1700

62521-6503 217 864-2965

62522- 217 422-6403

62522-1758 217 422-7214

West Central Illinois Leatherneck Unit MCLA #462

Meets at VFW Post 1379, 903 E. Morton, Jacksonville, IL

President: Tonya Crosier, 12625 Tebbe Rd., New Berlin, IL

Treasurer: Jeanette Geise, 1625 Lind, Quincy, IL

Secretary: Carol Smith, 1411 W. Walnut, Jacksonville, IL

Pd. 18-19

2nd Wednesday 1900

62670-4507 217 415-0446

62301-2425 217 223-5894

62650-1102 217 473-1161

5th District

Alton Leathernecks Unit MCLA #488

Meets at VFW, 231 E. Edwardsville Rd., Wood River, IL

President: April Butler, 120 Ohio St., East Alton, IL

Treasurer: Kelley Mansker, 3526 Fullerton Ave., Alton, IL

Secretary: Marty Campbell, 715 W. Wilbus St., Bunkerhill, IL

Pd.

2nd Thursday 1900

62024- 618 580-3079

62002- 618 660-5117

62014- 618 616-7402

Shawnee Unit

Meets at the Carbondale Elks Club

President: Patty Morgan, 609 W. 11th St., Johnston City, IL

Treasurer: Debbie Donegue, 2390 Sycamore Rd., Carterville, IL

Secretary: Sheri Crockett, 508 E. Main St., Desoto, IL

Pd. 18-19

4th Tuesday 1845

62951- 618 694-9118

62918- 618 922-2432

62924-1554 618 973-7271

PLEASE NOTE

Because of the new style of listings of Officers, Committee Chairs and Committee members, it would add 10 pages to this publication which would substantially increase printing costs. Please visit www.theillinoismarine.com for the full current Committee assignments for both the MCL and MCLA. They are located on the Department page and Auxiliary page.

“If you would like a hard copy of all Officers, Committees and their members, please contact me and I will mail out a copy to you”

AROUND THE LEAGUE

Part of our mission as The Marine Corps League is to provide support and assistance to all past, present and future Marines! We, as Marines and/or family members, have experienced being away from our loved ones. We know what it is like to be away from home whether it is at a duty base in the states or overseas in a strange land. It is now our turn and obligation to provide the “Marine Family” support to those still in combat and those returning from harm’s way as well as all those non-combat individuals that support our troops.

DEPARTMENT WEB SERGEANT

With the reorganization of National Headquarters underway, the old Web Sergeant program is gone. Please keep tuned for addition information on the Department Web Site. The most efficient method of making your detachment information current is to let me know of any changes in officers, meeting places, date and time.

PDC Don Haines
Department Webmaster

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL DIVISION CONFERENCE and 3rd STAFF MEETING

The Department of Illinois will be holding the Central Division Conference and 3rd Staff Meeting at the Holiday Inn Rock Island-Quad Cities in Rock Island, IL. Central Division Conference will be Thursday thru Saturday March 21-23 and Department 3rd Staff will be Sunday March 24. Below is the current information. Please check Department website for any updates. www.theillinoismarine.com/events.php

Dates: March 21-24, 2019
Place: Holiday Inn Rock Island – Quad Cities, 226 17th St., Rock Island, IL
Rate: \$89.00 + 13% tax = \$100.57
Cut-off Date: February 22, 2019
Phone #: 309 794-1212
There is free parking and a restaurant on site.

CHICAGO POLICE MARINES

The Chicago Police will be holding their annual fundraiser on October 14, at the FOP #7 Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd, Chicago from 1200 – 1700. A \$20.00 donation will get you in the door, seats for a Bears football game, 3 chances to win cash prizes and 5 hours of all the S.O.S, Chili, Hot Dogs and libations that you care to consume. Please check out the Illinois Marine Website for flyers, Ad book form and Donation letter.

The Detachment’s Commandant Elect Master Sergeant Paul Zogg was honored by being acknowledged as the Hero of the Game for his service to the United States Marine Corps and our country after the top half of the White Sox ball game. Congratulations Master Sergeant Zogg.

Semper Fidelis
PDC Don Haines

MCHENRY COUNTY DETACHMENT

McHenry County Detachment #1009 will be holding the 243 Marine Corps Birthday Ball as well as their 20th Anniversary of their Detachment on November 10, 2018 at Randall Oaks Golf Club, 4101 Binnie Road, Dundee, IL. Please visit the Illinois Marine Website Birthday Ball page (<https://www.theillinoismarine.com>) for the flyer and sign up form. You may also contact Lee Totman at 708 546-4912 for questions.

GEM CITY



Marine Corps League Gem City Detachment 790 Quincy, IL. Bob and Gladys Ericson celebrated their 67th Wedding Anniversary. Bob is a resident of the Illinois Veterans Home and member of the league.

(back L-R) Glenn Meyers, Stephen Cane, Marge and Wayne Griep and Luke Doellman. (Front l-r) Jean Ennen, Sandy Root along with Gladys and Bob Ericson.

Submitted by Marge Griep



(l-r) Betty Nichols, Doris Reinhart, Wayne Griep (Sr. Vice Commandant Marine Corps League Gem City Detachment 790 Quincy, IL) and Margie Rose.

Heroes at Heartland was attended by lady residents of the Illinois Veterans Home Quincy, IL
Submitted by Marge Griep

SAUK VALLEY UNIT MCLA



Pictured Left to Right are Pres. Tracey, Breanna and PDP Violet.

Breanna Riggins was installed into the Sauk Valley Unit on August 1st by President Tracey Pillars with her oath of membership given to her by her Grandmother Violet Eggert. Breanna is the granddaughter of the late HPDC Frosty Eggert and PDP Violet Eggert and the daughter of Crystal Eggert.

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Department Scholarship Committee awarded our 2018 annual scholarship of \$1000 to Ms Danielle O’Gara. Ms O’Gara has been accepted at Il State University and will use the award for books and tuition. The winning applicant, her parents, and her grandfather, Marine Leroy Totman from Detachment 1009, McHenry MCL, were invited to the VIP session at the Department Convention on Friday 15 June to formally receive her scholarship award and to lunch with Commandant Munson. She read her essay to the assembly and received a standing ovation.

Thank you to everyone who assisted with this very successful program.



Semper Fidelis
Victoria Cobbett, Scholarship Chair

POW/MIA CHAIRMAN

Thank you to everyone who helped set up, participate in and on the Table Ceremony, and helped take it all down and load my van. The ceremony was a huge success as many people commented on how much they enjoyed the changes made to include all wars. We have all lost family and/or friends in recent conflicts and wars and they should be remembered as well.

Semper Fi,
Tim Martin

VAVS

I can be reached by email at swbojack@sbcglobal.net or at 815 674-2440.

Semper Fi,
Stanley Olenjack, VAVS Chairman

MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT COMMITTEE

Semper Fidelis,
Michael Sturch
Chairman, Middle East Wars Committee

YOUNG MARINES PROGRAM

If you have a Young Marine unit in your area, please reach out and contact them and give them all the support you possibly can. These young men and women are fantastic. For more information about the program, check out www.youngmarines.com, or contact me at mlsturch@hotmail.com or 815-441-2243.

Semper Fi,
Michael Sturch
Young Marines Liaison, Dept of IL

ILLINOIS MARINE WEBSITE NEWS

The Illinois Marine website has a new look and is being updated with improvements, corrections and new information. The web address is still the same www.theillinoismarine.com.

The site now has the report from National Adjutant/Paymaster Meg Thoburn regarding the filing of the required 990-N. If you are having trouble with the IRS when attempting to file the report, please read her report. There is also links to the Professional Development Program and the Guide Book for Officers, both worth looking at.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MISSION STATEMENT

Members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps, banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy, voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines, FMF Corpsmen and former Marines and FMF corpsmen and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.

THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY OUR PURPOSE

PATRIOTIC:

- (A) To preserve the traditions and promote the interests of the United States Marine Corps;
- (B) To maintain true allegiance to American institutions;

HISTORICAL:

- (C) TO hold sacred the history and memory of the men and women who gave their lives to this Nation;
- (D) To perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts, to observe the anniversary of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines;

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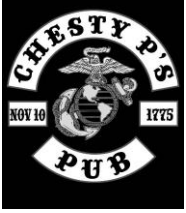
- (E) To create a bond of comradeship between the Auxiliary and the Marine Corps League, Inc.;
- (F) To aid voluntarily and to render assistance to all Marines and former Marines as well as to their families;
- (G) To help decorate the graves of all deceased Marines whenever and wherever possible;




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The Marines' Prayer

Almighty Father, whose command is over all and whose love never fails, make me aware of Thy presence and obedient to Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against dishonesty in purpose and in deed and helping me to live so that I can face my fellow Marines, my loved ones and Thee without shame or fear. Protect my family. Give me the will to do the work of a Marine and to accept my share of responsibility with vigor and enthusiasm. Grant me the courage to be proficient in my daily performance. Keep me loyal and faithful to my superiors and to the duties my country and the Marine Corps have entrusted to me. Make me considerate of those committed to my leadership. Help me to wear my uniform with dignity, and let it remind me daily of the traditions which I must uphold. If I am inclined to doubt, steady my faith, if I am tempted, make me strong to resist, if I should miss the mark, give me the courage to try again. Guide me with the light of truth and grant me wisdom by which I may understand the answer to my prayer. Amen



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS



I Am A
UNITED STATES MARINE

It is my sworn duty and moral obligation to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, both foreign and domestic.


I served our country with Honor, Distinction, Courage and Pride. No one can ever take that away from me!

I will continue to faithfully serve my country and help preserve our God given right to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

Just as our forefathers did in establishing This Great Nation, I pledge "My Life, My Fortune and My Sacred Honor" ...For God, Family, Country, and Corps...

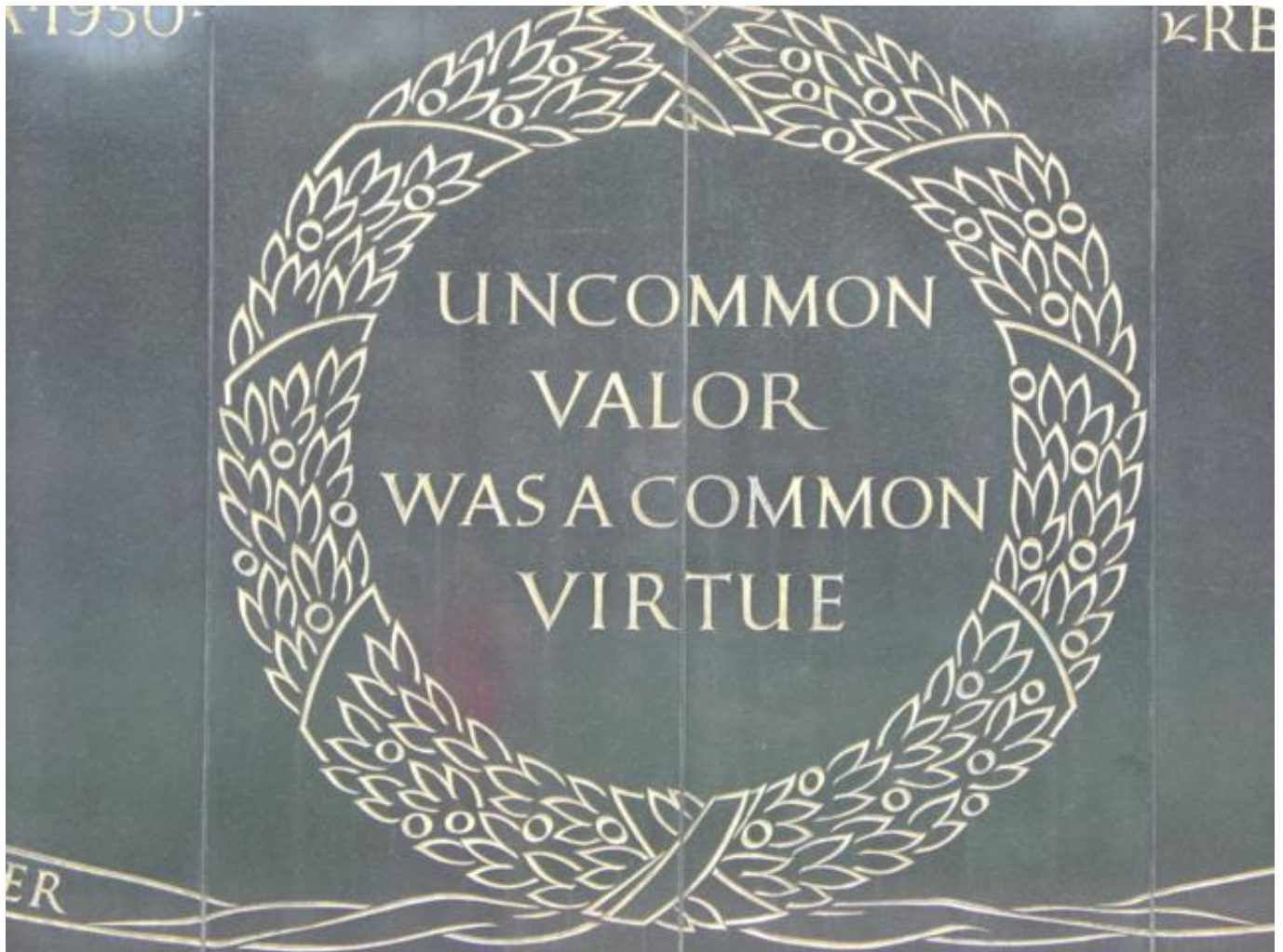
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