



Two-Eagles Detachment (#842) - Southwest Metro
P.O. Box 302, Savage, Minnesota 55378

Member Packet



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Welcome Aboard!

Well, genius, you finally did something right (and they said it couldn't be done).

Welcome aboard the Two-Eagles Detachment, Marine Corps League, Department of Minnesota!

Inside this packet you will find important information regarding

- How our Detachment functions
- Marine Corps League history.
- Information and support resources
- Uniform resources

...and a variety of additional useful information.

Make sure to bookmark the detachment web site on your computer. There you will be able to find links to just about anything you could need in regards to the League, general Marine apparel, and VA resources.

Member Information Form - In the back of this packet, you will find a member information form. Complete the form and return to either the Adjutant or Commandant.

We welcome everyone eligible to join. While not compulsory for membership, we don't want a detachment that sits on its hands. There are many ways that each member can actively participate in the Detachment, including;

- Fundraising
- Color guard
- Funeral details
- Hospital and visits
- Pistol match
- Cook outs
- Veteran assistance
- Our monthly business meetings.

The League has many purposes as a congressionally chartered Veteran Service Organization. None of these can be accomplished without members of each Detachment working on the local level.

Don't get the wrong idea and think this is "all work and no play". One of the greatest things about the League is that we are all Marines, and it gives us a chance to associate, celebrate, and continue the brotherhood and camaraderie we all share with service in our beloved Marine Corps.

Again, welcome to your Detachment, and Semper Fi!

Commandant

Two Eagles Detachment 842 MCL

Marine Corps League History

The League is the only congressionally chartered Marine Corps veterans' organization. It is composed of Marines and former Marines with honorable service. It aims to perpetuate the traditions and spirit of the United States Marine Corps through continuous association of Marines who served under the *Globe and Anchor* at any time, in war or peace.

The League was founded by Major General John A. Lejeune in 1923 and chartered by an Act of Congress on August 4, 1937. Its membership of over 70,000 is comprised of honorably discharged, active duty and Reserve Marines with 90 days of service or more, and retired Marines. It includes officers and enlisted, both male and female.

The Marine Corps League is headed by an elected National Commandant, with 14 elected national staff officers who serve as trustees. Day-to-day operations are under the control of an executive director who supervises the day-to-day performance of the national headquarters staff, located at 8626 Lee Highway in Fairfax, Virginia.



The prime authority of the League is derived from its charter and from its annual national convention held in August in different major U.S. cities throughout the nation. The National Commandant has operational control over the National Headquarters staff and the National Board of Trustees, who in turn coordinate the efforts of 45 departments, or state entities, and the activities of over 900 community-based detachments located throughout the United States and overseas.

The League is classified as a veterans/military service organization and was formed for the purposes of promoting the interest of the U. S. Marine Corps; to provide camaraderie and assistance to Marines, as well as to their widows and orphans; and to preserve the traditions of the U. S. Marine Corps. It is a not for profit organization within the provisions of Internal Revenue Service Code 501(c)(4), with a special group exemption letter which allows for contributions to the Marine Corps League, its Auxiliary and subsidiary units, to be tax deductible by the donor.

Structure of Marine Corps League

National

Oversees entire Marine Corps League. Works on legislative measures that affect our veteran's benefits, as well as benefits for those that are still on active duty. Provides claims assistance for



Division

Divided regionally to provide better administration, assistance and communication from National to the Departments. Two Eagles falls under Midwest Division.



Department

Responsible for the need of a specific State. Departments work at the State level in regards to providing assistance for their area. They work with the State on legislation affecting Veterans, and Marines specifically. They provide assistance to the Detachments, as well as coordinate the efforts of the Detachments in the area. Departments vary as to how they perform the services of the League based on the membership in the state. The more active the membership as a whole, the more effective the Department can be. Two Eagles is within the Department of Minnesota.



Detachment

Detachments are the "boots on the ground". They identify Marines or their widows and orphans in their specific area that can use assistance. They provide the manpower to visit the various VA hospitals. Detachments vary as to what they focus on by their location and size. The more active members a Detachment has, the more Marines they are able to assist be it monetary, manual labor, or transportation. Detachments provide color guards for parades or special events in their area, as well as rendering final honors for Marines or other service members. Funding comes from donations, and fundraisers.

Two Eagles Detachment specifically has done/ and will continue to do the following:

Monthly visits to the Veterans group at the adult day care facility, Veterans day presentations to the local schools, color guards for parades and Memorial Day, decorating and visiting the Veterans Home in Minneapolis during Christmas, given various forms of aid to wounded Marines, and families of deceased Marines in the area, throw one heck of a birthday party for the Marine Corps birthday, compete in pistol shoot, raised money and collected toys for Toys-for-Tots, and just getting together to enjoy camaraderie. With the exception of our monthly business meeting, all events are family friendly, and you are encouraged to bring them. We spent enough time away from them while on active duty, there is no need for that now.

Detachment Organization

The detachment members as a body will always have final authority regarding any detachment business or issue brought before it during the monthly detachment business meeting.

In order to conduct regular business, a group of officers exist and have been vested with necessary authority. The officers handle the various day in/day out business so the Detachment can function smoothly, and the meetings do not get un-necessarily weighed down with busy work. Each officer serves a 2-year term.

There are two groups of officers; elected and non-elected:

Elected Officers

Elections are held every year at April's meeting, with half the officer positions being up for election each year. If interested in learning more about a specific position contact either that officer, or the Commandant. If interested in holding an officer position, nominations are accepted starting March 1.

Regular members in good standing may be nominated and elected to these positions:

Detachment Commandant - The Commandant is the Chief Executive Officer of a detachment. This is the key leadership position that sets the tone and character for the entire detachment, and is critical to the success of the detachment. This person projects a positive image both in the detachment and as the detachment's public face. The Commandant is the primary contact for all external entities, including; media, government agencies, private organizations to name a few.

Senior Vice-Commandant - The Senior Vice-Commandant is the primary assistant to the Commandant. This position actively and proactively works to implement the Commandant's vision, as approved by the Board-of-Trustees. In our detachment, the Senior Vice-Commandant serves as the de-facto Chair of the Fundraising Committee.

Junior Vice-Commandant - The Junior Vice-Commandant has primary responsibility for recruiting new members and retaining existing members. As such, this position is responsible for initiating and supporting programs, events and efforts to attract new members. In this capacity, the Junior Vice-Commandant also chairs the Recruiting/Growth Committee.

Judge Advocate - The Judge Advocate is the keeper, protector and counselor regarding laws, bylaws, policies, and procedures in the detachment. It is the responsibility of the Judge Advocate to ensure the detachment is in compliance with all laws, bylaws, policies and procedures, and to interpret them as needed. This position has the obligation to suggest meaningful changes as well. The Judge Advocate Chairs the Bylaws Committee.

Paymaster - The Paymaster is the detachment's Chief Financial Officer. This position serves as the detachment Treasurer and is responsible for all financial recordkeeping and reporting activity. The Paymaster is responsible for all IRS filings, account transactions, and to assist on audits. They are responsible for the collection of member dues and the transmittal of National and Department funds. This position is the Chair of our Finance Committee.

Non-Elected Officers

Non-Elected Officers for the Two-Eagles Detachment may be Regular or Associate Members in good standing. These are Officer positions appointed by the Commandant, and subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees. The Non-Elected Officers include:

Sergeant-at-Arms - The Sergeant-At-Arms is responsible for setting-up and maintaining order at meetings. They are the official greeter for guests and visitors and certify that those in attendance at Business meetings are qualified. This position reports directly to the Commandant and is responsible for carrying-out long-term and immediate direction of the Commandant. This person, in conjunction with the Commandant, is

responsible for maintaining order during meetings, ensuring there is no extraneous conversations or activities. In our detachment, this person is also the responsible custodian for the detachment property.

Adjutant - The Adjutant serves as the Corporate Secretary for the detachment. They record all meeting minutes and publish the minutes and agendas as mandated in the bylaws or directed by the Commandant. They maintain the Detachment calendar and handle detachment correspondence. They maintain all detachment records, excluding the personal files of the Officer positions.

Chaplain - The Chaplain is our point-person in providing care, support, aid and comfort to Marines and their families in need. They provide invocations and services as required or called-upon. The Chaplain is charged with visiting sick or incapacitated members or their families. They are responsible to abide by mandated ritual and provide notification to National and Department relative to deceased members. Generally, they perform all duties of a spiritual nature.

Web Sergeant - The Web Sergeant is responsible for 'electronic presence' of a detachment on the web or internet. This includes maintaining the detachment web site, Facebook page or other electronic detachment material. They are also responsible for recommending revisions and ensuring those items approved by the Board are implemented.

Junior Past Commandant - The Junior Past Commandant is not an appointed position, but simply filled by the member to have served as Commandant immediately before the current Commandant. This is the person most recently vacating the office of Commandant before the current Commandant. They are a counselor to the current Commandant and Board of Trustees. Junior Past Commandants are essential to the continuity and smooth transition of a detachment. In our detachment they also assist with Recruiting, act as the Veterans Information Officer, serve as the Chair of the Outreach Committee, and serve as the Awards Committee Chair.

Board of Trustees

To complete daily business, make routine business decisions and govern the detachment on a daily basis, authority has been vested with the Board of Trustees. The membership of the Board includes:

- Commandant
- Senior Vice-Commandant
- Junior Vice-Commandant
- Judge Advocate
- Junior Past Commandant

Officer Email Directory

The detachment has email addresses set-up to facilitate communication with officers and the detachment in general:

Commandant's email:	_____
Senior Vice Commandant email:	2Eagles.SrVice@gmail.com
Junior Vice Commandant email:	_____
Judge Advocate email:	2Eagles.JAG@gmail.com
Paymaster email:	2Eagles.Paymaster@gmail.com
Adjutant email:	_____
Sergeant-At-Arms email:	2Eagles.SgtArms@gmail.com
Chaplain email:	_____
Web Sergeant email:	2Eagles.WebSergeant@gmail.com
Junior Past Commandant email:	_____
Detachment email address:	2Eagles.Incoming@gmail.com

Detachment Mailing Address

Two Eagles Detachment
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Bylaws

During meetings, at times, it is difficult to discern, but Two-Eagles is governed by Bylaws. These are essentially the rules governing our detachment's actions and conduct. You may view and download a copy of the detachment bylaws by going to our web site:

http://twoeagles-mcl.org/Forms/2Eagles_Bylaws.pdf

Membership

There are two categories of membership in the Marine Corps League:

Regular Member

Generally, A Regular Member is one who has served honorably in the United States Marine Corps, as a Corpsman with Marine FMF units, or as a Chaplain with FMF units, on active duty for a period of at least 90 days. Applicants are required to submit a copy of their DD214 along with their membership application.

Associate Member

As contained in the National Bylaws, detachments may accept as Associate Members “those individuals not qualified for regular membership who espouse the principles and purpose of the Marine Corps League as contained in its Congressional Charter.” In practice, Two-Eagles Detachment accepts very few Associate members, and they are typically active duty or veterans of our brother services having demonstrated an affinity to Marine Corps principles and values. Associate members pay the same dues as Regular Members; however, they may not vote on membership applications, officer elections, hold elected office, or vote on or decide detachment or League policy and practices.

Member Dues

Membership dues for the first year are \$35.00, then \$30.00 each year thereafter. They are due on the member's anniversary date.

Member Involvement

An attitude that sums-up the Marine Corps League, at least this detachment of the Marine Corps League, is helping brothers and giving back to our beloved Corps. There are plenty of ways to do that, and the following are just a few. Don't see one you're interested in; come-up with a new one, float it to the detachment and see where it goes. Everything starts with an idea, but you have to take it beyond that point to accomplish something.

Outreach and Community Involvement

The Two-Eagles Detachment of the Marine Corps League advocates a position of proactive involvement in community affairs and outreach. Detachment members individually and as a group are encouraged and called-upon to actively work toward the enhancement of their community, and cultivate and project a positive image in keeping with the standards of the Marine Corps, the Marine Corps League and the Two-Eagles Detachment. We will avail ourselves of every opportunity to provide personnel and material resources to needs of the community and individual community members.

Political Action

Along with a detachment position of active community involvement and outreach, Two-Eagles Detachment encourages and advocates an active role in political action. However, recognizing both the broad spectrum of political views by our members, and the requirements of our non-profit status, the Marine Corps League mandates that any political action by the detachment or members acting in an official detachment capacity be non-partisan, unbiased, and non-sectarian. Further, detachment and member political action is restricted to political issues that:

- A. Affect the welfare of the United State Marine Corps, the Marine Corps League or Two-Eagles Detachment, or,
- B. Relate to veteran claims for justice or disabilities incurred while in the service of the Armed Forces of the United States.

No part of the Marine Corps League or Two-Eagles' detachment uniforms, symbols, logos or any other identifying material is to be worn, used or displayed by a detachment member at a political function.

Marine Corps League Programs

Marine Corps League Foundation: Provides scholarships to individuals that meet application standards. Also serves as legal entity for Detachment's scholarship funds.

Marine's Helping Marines: Provides support to those Marines in the various service hospitals as well as the wounded warrior regiments. Varies from visits, outings, dinners, to monetary assistance for families to visit.

US Marines Youth Physical Fitness Program: Promotes physical fitness and healthy drug free life style for elementary and high school students.

Young Marines: A youth education and service program for boys and girls, ages 8 through completion of high school. The Young Marines promotes the mental, moral, and physical development of its members. The program focuses on character building, leadership, and promotes a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Program (VAVS): Members assist the VA hospitals in transporting patients to and around VA hospitals, along with providing comfort and assistance to patients.

Marine Military Expo: Showcasing the latest equipment available to Marines.

Legislative Program: The Marine Corps League is a member of The Military Coalition and participates in National and State legislative issues that affect military readiness, benefits and entitlements of active duty personnel as well as Veterans Benefits programs effecting former and retired Marines.

Veterans Service Officer Program: The National Headquarters retains a full-time staff member who assists veterans in adjudicating claims against the government as a result of active duty service. Claims are

processed through the Department of Veterans Affairs or other appropriate agencies of the federal government.

Boy Scouts of America: The Marine Corps League has long regarded the program of the Boy Scouts of America as in support of the Preamble of the Constitution of the League. The League supports the Boy Scouts of America as they promote traditional family values to America's youth. The Marine Corps League participates in Scouting through assistance with units, districts, and councils, in community projects, merit badge programs, and special recognition of Eagle Scouts.

Military Order of Devil Dogs: Fun and honor society of the Marine Corps League. If interested once you have been in the MCL for 1 year, speak to a Devil Dog.

Detachment Honor Guard

We have a group that provides honors with the flags and a gun salute at veteran funerals. While our focus is on Marine Corps veterans, we have been called upon to provide honors for veterans from each branch and consider it an honor to be asked.

Detachment Color Guard

We provide a Color Guard for a variety of events when asked. This group is coordinated by the same member who administers the Honor Guard.

Fundraising

In order to accomplish the outreach and support the programs we find important, we need to have resources and money. The Marine Corps League is a non-profit 501(c)3. All of our funding at the Detachment level comes from donations, fundraising, and member dues. Each year the Detachment receives \$5 from your dues. This doesn't come close to funding all of our objectives. Here are some major events we have to raise our operating funds.

Dog and Brat Sales: Every year we pick at least one weekend, we set-up the grill, tables and shelter then sell hot dogs, brats, cokes and flags at the Sam's Club in Shakopee. We also promote the detachment and provide literature and information about membership, our functions and the Marine Corps and Marine Corps League in general. This is a 2-day fundraiser that begins with set up at 0900 and last until 1400-1600 depending on traffic for that day. We ask that each member volunteers for 2-3 hours on either day. This is a great opportunity to connect with a lot of Jarheads in the community, and other veterans, to do some serious recruiting, or just trade stories and share a soda. Guaranteed fun while accomplishing some good.

Raffle: From humble beginnings. This event has grown exponentially since its rather meek start. Each year we purchase 2-3 firearms, and NCO Sword and at least one K-Bar for the raffle. These prizes are supplemented with prizes members donate themselves, or solicit from local merchants and businesses. Each member starts by taking two books of tickets to sell at our August or September meeting, with a goal of selling 1,000 tickets as a detachment. The drawing is always held the night of our Marine Corps Birthday celebration. This is the major fundraiser for our detachment during the year.

Donations: In addition to soliciting donations for our Birthday Raffle, we at times submit applications for grants and solicit donations from corporations. There is a broad base of support for our veterans in the community.



Detachment Events

While important, not everything we do is directed toward fundraising or outreach. Here are some of your Detachment's regular events. All events, with the exception of the business meeting are open to families. For the success of the Detachment it is crucial that all members attend when they can, and when they say they can they do.

Business Meeting

Every month the Detachment gets together to go over any upcoming events, outreach needs etc... Meetings last 1 hour, with 15 min additions only if voted and approved. This is where each member has their voice as to how the Detachment should perform. A Detachment cannot function effectively without its membership attending. Meetings are held according to Robert's Rules of Order, and the Order of Business according to the MCL Manual. A copy of both can be received from the JAG upon request.

Location: Prior Lake VFW. **Date:** Third Thursday of every month starting at 1900.

Marine Corps Birthday

Every November 10 we celebrate at the Dan Patch American Legion in Savage. This is a casual event, but contains all the elements of the Marine Corps Birthday. Show up, bring your appetite, a merry mood, and you love for our Corps!

Pistol Shoot

We schedule two events;

- February - We get together and put rounds down range and get a feel for our competition. There may be side bets, and prizes to be had. Bring \$5 and a box of either 9mm or 45 ammo.
- March - We take our top 5 scorers and submit their team score to the National competition. Families are welcome to join in the fun, however their score does not count for competition.

Veterans Home Christmas Decoration

Every year on the first Saturday of December we decorate a floor at the Veterans home in Minneapolis. We meet at the Denny's on 494 and Portland at 0800 for breakfast, and arrive at the Vet's home around 0930.

VA Hospital Visits.

These are organized and run by the Department. The visitation day for the Minneapolis VA is the first Sunday of every month. If attending you must wear your MCL cover. Everyone meets at the information desk at 1800 and it goes until 2000. Contact the Detachment Commandant for more information.

Veterans Day

Every year on Veterans Day we send a color guard in support of the Veterans Day presentation at MW Savage elementary. This color guard is comprised of both the Marine Corps League and the American Legion. Along with the color guard we have a speaker for the program. This lasts from 0830-1000

We also have a presence at Prior Lake Senior High School. During that occasion we have members sit in the class and talk and answer questions for each period.

Memorial Day

Every Memorial Day we provide a color guard, as well as members for the rifle squad. We go to 3 cemeteries and provide honors for each memorial service. This lasts from approximately 0800-1200.

Dan Patch Day

We provide a color guard for the Dan Patch Day's parade in Savage June of each year.

Take a Vet Fishing

In June of each year we take disabled and elderly veterans fishing on prior lake, and provide a lunch after. We give assistance on the boats to those that need it, and serve lunch. This event is free to all eligible participants.

Lakefront Days

We provide a color guard for Lakefront Days in Prior Lake August of each year.

Detachment BBQ

Every year in July we hold a Detachment BBQ. Location and requirements vary. Some years bring your own meat, others all food has been provided. Information on this is always available in June.

State Fair

Every year at the State Fair, each Detachment has representatives man the MCL information booth. Each day is broken into 3, 3 hour shifts. The cost of entry is provided for the Marine and a guest. The goal of this booth is to pass out information on the League and Veterans benefits to Marine's from around the state.

Toys-for-Tots

Every year from 10 November through December (date varies on close of National T4T campaign) we collect toys and money for Toys-for-Tots. We have collection points at the Savage Police Department, as well as the Legion in Savage. These are then turned into the Marine Corps Reserve collection center for distribution.

Uniforms

Uniform Items

You will find contact information for the various uniform items that we wear located bellow. The uniform ranges from the basic cover, all the way to a dress uniform with blazer and sash. The basic uniform is the only uniform needed for business meetings. Other uniform items may be required for color guard, or formal events as warranted. For members that wish to perform color guards, and funeral details, the Detachment will cover ½ of your uniform expense (minus ribbons and badges) provided you guarantee 1 color guard/honor guard a year.

MCL Cover: The basic uniform for the Marine Corps League is the cover. When wearing just the cover, you are considered “in uniform”. They are readily available through the National website www.mclnational.org and members are free to purchase one at any time. However the Detachment has initiated a program to provide new members with their first cover. Any new member that attends 3 business meetings and 1 Detachment function will receive a MCL cover. The member is required to pay for the EGA (it will be automatically ordered once you become eligible). A function would be any fundraiser, pistol match, BBQ, basically anything that is not a Detachment business meeting.



Shirts: All three style shirts can be purchased at the national web site. The aviator shirts can also be purchased at Ft. Snelling.

Patches: The American flag and MCL member shoulder patches can be purchased at the national website.

Collar Bursts: National website.

Belts and buckles: National website. Marine Corps web belt can be purchased at Ft. Snelling.

Trousers: Black trousers can be purchased from National website. Dress Blue trousers can be purchased from the Detachment.

Red Blazers and Buttons: These can be found at the National website.

Ties: Again at the National website.

High Gloss Black Shoes: For those that were in after the Marine Corps stopped issuing the leather dress shoes, or before the candy-ass Marines could no-longer spit-shine the leather dress shoes they were issued, the Corps approved Corframs. These can be purchased at Ft. Snelling. (And I had better see my smiling gorgeous face reflected in them our you might as well drop now and start grunting them out.)

Detachment apparel: We have polo shirts and various t-shirts that range from \$10-\$20 depending on design. These can be purchased by contacting the Commandant.

As you can see, most items can be found at the National website’s ship store. For those items that can be found at Ft. Snelling, there are some members of the Detachment that still have base privileges and would gladly run you up to acquire your uniform items. The total cost for the color guard uniform is currently approximately \$125.00 - \$150.00.

Uniform Examples

Basic Uniform

Casual Uniform

Honor/Color Guard Uniform



The Cover is the Basic uniform.

- A Red cover is general membership or Detachment officer.
- Red with gold center is a Department officer.
- Gold cover is a National officer.
- White cover is the National Commandant.
- If member holds an officer position, the position title patch is fixed on right side centered.
- Life member is embroidered on upper rear just piping.
- If member of Military Order of Devil Dogs, the Devil Dog Patch affixed to upper right.
- The EGA Is placed on left side.
- No other pins or patches are allowed!

Uniform w/Casual Blazer



- MCL Cover
- White short sleeved aviator shirt with epilates and two pockets with flaps.
- Sunbursts on collars.
- Marine Corps League patch on left shoulder.
- American flag patch on right shoulder.
- Devil Dog patch will be worn in lieu of flag if member of Devil Dogs.
- DoD ribbons and shooting badges OR Marine Corps League ribbons may be worn – not both.
- Marine of the Year medallion or Devil Dog medallion may be worn. Not both.
- Black trousers with black belt and Marine Corps League buckle.
- Black spit-shined to a mirror finish or Corfram shoes and black socks.

Uniform w/Formal Blazer

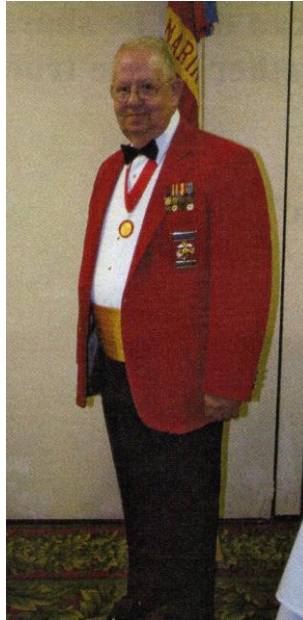


- MCL cover
- White short sleeved aviator shirt with epilates and two pockets with flaps.
- Sunbursts on collars.
- Marine Corps League patch on left shoulder.
- American flag patch on right shoulder.
- Devil Dog patch will be worn in lieu of flag if member of Devil Dogs.
- DoD ribbons and shooting badges OR Marine Corps League ribbons may be worn – not both.
- Marine of the Year medallion or Devil Dog medallion may be worn. Not both
- Dress Blue trousers with Blood Stripe, web belt with Marine Corps brass belt buckle.
- Black spit-shined to a mirror finish or Corfram shoes and black socks

Evening Dress Uniform



- MCL cover
- White shirt, no sunbursts, no patches, no ribbons or badges.
- Black tie with MCL or Marine Corps tie clasp.
- Either Marine of the Year or Devil Dog medallion.
- Marine Corps League red blazer with Marine Corps League Crest on pocket.
- Black trousers with black dress belt and MCL brass belt buckle.
- Black spit-shined to a mirror finish or Corfram shoes and black socks



- MCL cover optional
- White pleated full collar formal shirt, gold cufflinks and studs. No star burst, patches ribbons or badges.
- Black bow tie.
- Marine of the Year medallion or Devil Dog medallion may be worn.
- Red MCL blazer with Marine Corps League crest or pocket crest. Either miniature DoD medals **OR** miniature MCL medals.
- Gold cummerbund or vest.
- Black tuxedo or black dress trousers.
- Black spit-shined to a mirror finish or Corfram shoes and black socks



- MCL cover optional.
- White pleated formal shirt standard collar pleated front no ruffles.
- Black military bow tie.
- Marine of the Year or Devil Dog medallion may be worn.
- Marine Corps League red evening dress jacket with MCL buttons, gold waist chain and sun burst emblems at locating holes in jacket collar.
- Gold cummerbund or vest.
- Gold cufflinks and studs
- Miniature DoD **OR** miniature MCL medals.
- Black tuxedo trousers or Marine Corps dress blue trousers with blood stripe.

Awards

There are various awards that can be given to League members as well as awards given to members of the community. Our Detachment has an awards committee chaired by the Jr. Past Commandant. If at any time you feel a member should be given a specific award submit your recommendation and reasoning to the committee for consideration.

Below is a list of MCL Detachment Level Awards

Distinguished Citizens Medal: The medal will be awarded **only** to Marines who, in the opinion of the Awards Committee, have answered to the call of "Above and Beyond" the principles upon which the Marine Corps League was founded.

Marine of the Year: Demonstrated by leadership and performance an **extraordinary** contribution to the Detachment, Marine Corps League, Community and Nation.

Distinguished Service Medal: Marine who during the period of consideration has demonstrated by leadership and performance a **distinguished** contribution to the Detachment, Marine Corps League or the Community

Detachment Commandant Medal: For past and present service as Detachment Commandant.

Detachment Staff Elected: For past and present service as a Detachment elected officer.

Detachment Staff Appointed: For past and present service as a Detachment appointed officer.

Detachment Recruiter Medal: For Detachment recruiter of the year

Marine Corps League Medal: To be worn by any regular Marine who has been a member of the Marine Corps League for five (5) continuous years and has not had membership revoked.

Meritorious Individual Commendation Ribbon: Marine who during the period of consideration has demonstrated by leadership and performance a **significant** contribution to the Detachment, Marine Corps League or the Community.

Certificate of Appreciation: Awarded to any Marine, individual, or business who has contributed to the betterment of the Detachment, assisted the Detachment in a major way, or for appreciation of loyalty and patriotism to the country or the Marine Corps League.

Citizenship Award: Presented to Scouts who have reached the Eagle Scout rank.