

MICHIGAN MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY BUGLER



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Welcome Spring! I am honored to tell you that I have represented you as your Department President at the National Mid— Winter Convention in Falls Church, VA and the Central Division

Conference held in Westlake, OH. Both of these conferences have been informational. If you are ever looking to attend a conference and are unable to secure a roommate, please let your officers know. There are women who are always looking to attend and share the expenses.

Important:

We covered the 990 filing at both conventions it is imperative that the 990 filing is completed by the MCLA Unit. The person responsible to do the filing is typically the Unit Treasurer. The Treasurer should then report the filing information at the next business meeting so it will be recorded into the minutes and all members are aware of this being completed.

If the Unit neglects to file a 990 or an E card the Unit is then in jeopardy to loose your tax exempt status and will be unable to do any Fundraisers. Fines could be issued if you loose your status.

Recruitment Challenge

We are coming to the end of this challenge and I am looking forward to giving away a nights stay at the June Convention. Remember: if you are in the running you MUST be present to collect,. (the past Buglers have the rules in there entirety in them) The winner can not collect the cash from the value of this challenge.

Furthermore, the date of your 990 filing **MUST** be on your installation report.

In addition, it was brought up that when you fill out your carbon forms that it is requested that you use a <u>ball point</u> pen and <u>press hard</u>. Gel pens do not allow the information to be transferred onto the last copy.

Finally, remember any and all members are welcome to attend all meetings. You do not have to be an officer to attend.! Elections will be taking place at the June Convention, please consider serving your Marine Corps League Auxiliary at the Department level. There are openings at all levels from committees to appointed and elected positions. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me: mipresmcla@gmail.com

Gods Blessings and Semper Fi,

Mary Brief

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Each Unit, Department or other entity including the National Subsidiary Organizations and National Subordinate groups identified in the above sections of Chapter Eight, which <u>directly or indirectly</u> operates under the National Charter and/or the name of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, **must** annually file with National Headquarters either (A) or (B) below: (Added 08/15)

- (A) IRS Forms 990 and 990-EZ A true and complete copy of the front page of its IRS Form 990 or 990- EZ (whichever is required to be filed with the IRS) must be filed no later than the due date of filing by IRS rules and regulations, unless an extension has been requested. A copy of this filing (or the E-Mail Acceptance Receipt returned from the IRS (if filed electronically) must be filed with the Unit, Department, Division Vice President, and National Headquarters. (Added 08/15)
- **(B)** IRS Form 990-N Those Units, Departments or other entities, which qualify under the IRS regulations, may elect to file an IRS Form 990-N, an e-postcard online filing. Since there is no printed copy of this filing, a copy of the E-Mail Acceptance Receipt that is returned from the IRS must be filed with the Unit, Department, Division Vice President, and National Headquarters. (Added 08/15)

Unit Happenings around the State:



Upper Peninsula Unit:

President Susan Rivard has presented this young man with a certificate for being chosen among many applicants to be a Guardian for the honor flight that leaves from Escanaba.

Hunter LaMarch and his parents Micki and Bill LaMarch during the presentation of being chosen as a Guardian for the Honor Flight

This certificate was presented to Hunter LaMarch at a Honor Flight Fundraiser. The Upper Peninsula Auxiliary had a contest open to any student at the Escanaba High School. They were asked to write an essay on what it would mean to them to be a Guardian for a veteran on the next mission. The Guardians must pay \$500.00 and be at least 18 years old. The Guardian must attending several trainings before they go. The flight flies out of Escanaba at 6 am and returns the same day around 9pm. Many of the Unit and Detachment members are present during the departure and arrivals of the Veterans at the airport. It is such a moving and rewarding experience to be part of this great event.

To find out more information on the Honor Flight process or to volunteer go to: https://www.honorflight.org/

FLINT UNIT: The Flint Unit is taking it's Spring Tea on the Road to the homebound members; this is a great way to visit with their members that are no longer able to attend the meetings. The purpose is to re-connect friendships, generate ideas for new projects, and help them fill out their the volunteer information on the forms.

EDSON KLINE VAN SLYKE UNIT: They are hosting a Craft/ Vendor show on Saturday April 23 at 11 AM - 3 PM at the American Legion Post 18, 700 Adams St, Bay City, MI 48708. If you are in the area please feel free to come by, support the Unit and see if you are able to do some shopping.

DID YOU KNOW???

Department of MICHIGAN now has a Facebook page!

Feel free to post pictures and events that your Unit has participated in or an UPCOMING event!

"Michigan Marine Corps League Auxiliary"

| Volunteer | Forms | Chairpersons | for the l | Department | of Michigan |
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Must be to the Chairperson NO LATER than May 15th.

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Ann LeClair 5283 W. Wilson Rd Clio, MI 48420 810.687.6091

Civics:

Mary Brief 7120 Brief Rd Kingston, MI 48741 989.550.9540

Rehab:

Sandy VanTol 3433 Fairway Dr Bay City, MI 48706 989.225.4583

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From: Judy Blackmer, jbmarines_81@yahoo.com

National Central Division Vice President

To: All Members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary

I am taking this opportunity to let you know how proud I am to have served you for the past three years as your Central Division Vice President and to explain exactly what this position means. The Marine Corps League Auxiliary has Ten Divisions in the United States: Central, Mideast, Midwest, New England, Northeast, Northwest, Rocky Mountain, Southeast, Southern and Southwest. The Central Division consists of six states, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. The Division Vice President is responsible and accountable to the National Board of Trustees for the care and proper administration of their Division. We are to arrange and supervise a Division Conference each year for the purpose of discussing Division questions, issues, and methods of strengthening and increasing our memberships.

It is my pleasure to have your Department President, Mary Brief, as my Assistant Central Division Vice President to represent the Division in my absence. Both Mary and I are here to help, instruct, and guide you to grow and serve our communities and Veterans.

I want to congratulate your newest unit, "Edson, Kline, VanSlyke Unit" whose charter was presented at your Mid-Winter Rally. In addition, at our Mid-Winter Conference in Falls Church, VA the Central Division had 17 units who achieved 100% membership by the December 31st deadline.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at your convention on June 3-4, 2016 in Muskegon, Michigan. Thank you for all you do and for sharing and volunteering your time with those who need us the most, our Veterans and their families.

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Marine Corps League & Auxiliary

Scholarship - 2016

Dear Applicant:

Welcome to the 2016, Department of Michigan, Marine Corps League Scholarship information letter.

Please be sure to read the Scholarship Purpose, Eligibility and Requirements for 2016. It is your responsibility to make sure that all phases of the application are completed and signed and that the Sponsorship Section is completed and signed with the proper Detachment / Unit Identification and address enclosed. All scholarship applications are due by **May 8, 2016**. *Any postmarked after this date will not be considered*.

Incomplete applications will not be considered and will not be returned.

If you are granted a scholarship, you will be notified by mail before June 30th. At this time, you will be required to send proof of enrollment for 2015 - 2016 to the Scholarship Chairman by September 30th. If all of your paperwork is in order, your name will be submitted to the Department Paymaster to issue a check in your favor. The disbursement of awards will be issued by the Department prior to November 10th.

Be sure to use the address on your application that you want your check mailed to if awarded a scholarship. It is your responsibility to notify the scholarship chairman of any change of address.

On behalf of the Department of Michigan, Marine Corps League, Marine Corps League Auxiliary and the Scholarship Committee, we wish you all the best of luck in your educational pursuits.

Semper Fidelis,

Timothy McGee ,Gil Dysarczyk ,Peggy Tuohy

Scholarship Committee

ONCE A MARINE, ALWAYS A MARINE!

**** Application and More Information found at www.Michiganmarines.org

FUN Options for the June 2016 Convention in Muskegon

The Detachment 703 of Muskegon is hosting the 76th June Convention. There are a few things that you may be interested in.

First of all the SEMPER Fi store will be there on SATURDAY ONLY, you can get your USMC stuff then and you can save on the shipping charges. They also have tours that you can take on the LST-393 and the USS Silversides submarine, both are worth the time to see inside and out.

They have also set up special pricing for some charter fishing excursions. Mike Nelson from Nelson Charters Inc. has generously cut his prices for anybody that mentions the MCL during the booking process. Go to his website and check out what he can do for you. The site is: www.nelsoncharters.net. You can email him at mike@nelsoncharters.net. His phone numbers are: (616) 846-4344 or (616)990-4421. He has given us the rates of \$400 for four(4) people for five (5) hours or \$500 for (6) people for six (6) hours. Now these prices are good for the Wednesday, Thursday, or Sunday of that convention week only. \$100 deposit holds the date, so be prepared with your money. June is a VERY busy month for him and his crew, that's why with him giving a discount to us, is so generous. Now if you want bigger group of Marines to go at the same time, book it way ahead of the date. Mike can get more charters to share the load, (max 6 people per boat).

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Marine Corps League and Auxiliary

76th Annual Convention

June 2,3,& 4, 2016

Host: Muskegon Detachment #703

Place: Holiday Inn Muskegon

939 Third St.

Muskegon, MI 49440

Direct Hotel Reservation 231-722-0100

Sleeping Room Rates:

Two Queen Size Beds or One King Size Bed: \$94.99 plus state and local taxes of 11% (local taxes are subject to change)

*** When securing your room, mention Marine Corps League

Parking: In the Holiday Inn parking ramp next door

Cut off for reservation at these rates: May 24,2016

76th Marine Corps League Department of Michigan Convention-2016 June 2-3-4

Please use this form to pre-register for the 2016 convention

| Name: | Title: | |
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| Detachment or Unit: | | |
| Name: | Title: | |
| Detachment or Unit: | | |
| Phone # | | |
| Strip Ticket: \$55.00 | Registration: \$5.00 # Attending Hospitality: \$15.00 # Attending Banquet: \$35.00 # Attending Total Amount Enclosed: | \$ \$ |
| | Commandant-Steve Hackney Muskegon Detachment #703 371 W. Broadway Ave. Muskegon, MI 49444 (231-402-0238) uskegon Detachment #703 MCL | |

Please indicate the number of Banquet tickets needed on the strip ticket order form

Muskegon Detachment #703 Steve Hackney- Commandant 371 W. Broadway Ave. Muskegon, MI 49444

Banquet Meal:

Herb Marinated Flank Steak with French cumin sauce and fried onion Grilled Salmon in a lemon caper dill sauce Sautéed Breast of Chicken with sauce Traditional Mashed Potatoes with homemade gravy Green Bean Amandine

Reservation Deadline for Strip Ticket: May 19, 2016

Marine Corps League Department of MICHIGAN Convention- 2016 June 2-4

Please indicate the number of Banquet tickets needed on the strip ticket order form

Muskegon Detachment #703 Steve Hackney- Commandant 371 W. Broadway Ave. Muskegon, MI 49444

Banquet Meal:

Semper Fi

Herb Marinated Flank Steak with French cumin sauce and fried onion Grilled Salmon in a lemon caper dill sauce Sautéed Breast of Chicken with sauce Traditional Mashed Potatoes with homemade gravy Green Bean Amandine

> Muskegon Detachment #703 Steve Hackney - Commandant 371 W. Broadway Ave. Muskegon, MI 49444

> > Date

Customer Supplied copy \$100.00 ea. Full Page - 8 1/2" x 11" Half Page - 8 1/2" x 5 1/2" \$65.00 ca. \$30.00 ca.

Quarter Page - 4 1/4" x 5 1/2" \$20.00 ca. Business Card - 2" x 3 1/2" \$10.00 ea. Patron - (1 Line) 3/2" x 8 1/2" \$150.00 Back cover 8 1/2" x 11" \$125:00-car Inside Front & Back 8 1/2" x 14"

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ALL SUBMISSIONS ARE IN FULL COLOR

Operation Little Angel Project for June Convention



(231) 759-7909 FAX (231) 759-8618

WISH LIST

Thank you for your interest in our agency and the people we serve. Your generosity is so very much appreciated.

Below are some items that we consistently need for the women, children, youth and young adults we work with. We ask that all donated items be new, in good condition and of good quality. We never want to give someone an item of clothing or personal product that we would not want to wear or use ourselves.

Thank you again for your generosity and compassion.

| Clothing | Linens/Personal Items | Activities/Entertainment |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| For Women | Diapers (all sizes) | Books (for all ages: children, |
| Pajamas (for summer) | | youth and adults) |
| Underwear | Pillows | |
| Socks & Slippers | | Outdoor Sports Equipment |
| | Pillow Cases | 1 1 1 |
| For Young Adults (ages 18-22) | | ITunes Gift Cards |
| Shirts | Twin Sheet Sets | |
| Pants | | Gift Cards for Group & |
| Shorts | Bath Towels | Individual Activities |
| Underwear | | Bowling |
| Socks | Hand Towels | Roller Skating |
| Pajamas (for summer) | | Movie Theater |
| | Washcloths | Stores at the Mall |
| For Teenagers (ages 11-17) | | Mini-Golf |
| Shirts | Shampoo & Conditioner | |
| Pants | | Gifts for Birthdays (for |
| Shorts | Deodorant | children, teenagers, and adults) |
| Underwear | | |
| Socks | Hair Products for all hair types | Gift Cards to Local Restaurants |
| Pajamas (for summer) | (including ethnic hair) | (for Program Completion |
| | | Incentives and Outreach efforts) |
| For Children | Lotion | |
| Pajamas (for summer) | | |
| Underwear | Hair Brushes, Ponytail Holders | |
| Socks | | |
| | Shower Caps | |
| Maternity Clothes for young | | |
| women in our Maternity Group | | |

Home (ages 16-22)



Officers for the 2015-16 year

President: Mary Brief

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Secretary: PNP Gerri Tuohy

Treasurer: Janet LeBeau

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Ways and Means: Susan Rivard

Captain of the Guard: Benjawan Miller

PNP Virginia Johnson

Fundraiser Treasurer: Peggy Tuohy

Sgt. G.P.Porta Unit

Rocky's Restaurant; Wayne or Westland, MI

Ranea Lajewski

President: Carol Ringvelski email: ringvelski@hotmail.com

They meet @ 6pm the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Flint Unit

Mt. Morris, MI 48458

President: Jennifer Bryan email: fedexchick69@aol.com

They meet 7:30pm the 3rd Thursday of every month.

month.

Upper Peninsula Unit

Escanaba, MI

President: Susan Rivard email: weeder55@charter.net

They meet 7pm the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Cpl Jack A. Davenport Unit

Prudenville, MI

President: Celine Smith

They meet 7pm @ the Am. Legion Post 2nd Wednesday of the

Michigan Cochran Unit

Kent City, MI 49330

President: Virginia Johnson

They meet when they can approx., every other month; usually on a Monday.

Macomb County Unit

Macomb, MI

President: : Joan Pfaff email: norjo2@yahoo.com

Downriver Unit

Wyandotte, MI

President: Amy Vallie email: amyvallie@yahoo.com

They meet 7pm the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

Edson, Kline, VanSlyke Unit

Bay City, MI

President: : Sandy VanTol 989-225-4583

They meet 7pm the 4th Wednesday of every month



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Mary Brief 7120 Brief Rd Kingston, MI 48741



Marine Corps League Auxiliary Member

If any member would like to get The Bugler by email please contact me via email. Mary Brief: mipresmcla@gmail.com

The next newsletter I would like to feature what some of the Units are doing around our state. Please feel free to send me an article and a couple of pictures so we can all share!

Visit: www.Michiganmarines.org

Www.nationalmcla.org

Please take a moment to go to the national website listed above and check out the article in the April Newsletter by our National Jr.VP- Carol Smith.

She has put in sample letter that you can duplicate in hopes for recruiting new members. This is virtually free to you since a letter to the editor is free in the papers.

(This is located under the publications tab)

*check out the entire site to find by-laws, rituals you can print off, and volunteer forms you can print)