

# MICHIGAN MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY BUGLER

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## Department of Michigan



Mid-Winter Rally was a fantastic turn out! I am very happy to see that we had representation by 5 of the 8 Units in Michigan! Did you catch that? 8 Units!

I am pleased to announce that we have a new Unit! Please welcome the Edson, Kline, VanSlyke Unit from Bay City. It was an honor to present their Charter at the Mid-Winter Rally.

I would like to Thank the Upper Peninsula Unit, Edson, Kline, VanSlyke Unit, Flint Unit, and the Downriver Unit, they all contributed a basket for the Mid-Winter Raffle.

The meetings were very informative, in addition we held a workshop on how to fill out transmittals. We also covered etiquette on how and when to use the head vs. heart salute. How to stand during prayers, and when the league announces to "uncover" for prayer what is expected from the Auxiliary. If you are interested in workshop classes, we are always open to suggestions of what you would like to know. We also handed out the new Dept. of MI By-Laws to the Units that were in attendance. Each Unit

received 2 printed copies, one for the President book and one for the Unit Judge Advocate. If you are interested in getting the By-laws please contact either myself or Marcy Oakly and we will send you a pdf file for you to print your own copy. Make sure to print off the list of officers and the Units information (page 7). Keep that handy, if you have any questions you can contact us.

Finally, It is time that we start our annual duty of filling out the Volunteer Forms. For the most up to date forms please visit the national web site: [www.nationalmcla.org](http://www.nationalmcla.org).

It is important to get your Unit totals into the proper Chairperson by May 15th. (see page 2 for list of the Volunteer Forms committee chairpersons)

Spring is a time for new life. Go out and recruit to bring a new life to your Units.

### God's Blessings



Upcoming: Memorial Day

A time to remember and honor all Veterans that have served this great Nation, especially those who have given the ulti-

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### Education Corner: National BY-Law

Section 720 under the administrative procedures

### Death Notices:

This form can be found on the national website at all times under the Publication tab or you can make copies from pg. 2 of this newsletter and keep some in your files.

[www.nationalmcla.org](http://www.nationalmcla.org)

Make **six (6)** copies: and distribute them to the Departments listed on the bottom of the form

### **Why is this so important??**

1. At our conventions we perform a Memorial Ceremony where we honor all recently deceased from the Dept. of Michigan.
2. It informs all levels of the MCLA to remove that member from the rolls for future communications
3. Allows other Units and Members to recognize the

## Recruitment Challenge

The challenge is very simple; the person who recruits the most new members between July 1, 2015 and **May 20, 2016** will win.

**THE PRIZE:** The winner will receive a paid one night stay at the 76th Michigan June 2016 Convention. Value up to \$120. This prize has no cash value and is not transferable.

### **THE RULES:**

- Only one person may win
- A unit may not combine the total of new members

to award prize to one person in said Unit.

- Winner must attend the convention to collect the prize
- In the event of a tie, winner names will be placed in a drawing and one winner will be drawn from the group
- The winner will be announced at the June Convention and **MUST** be present to collect on the prize.

- New members may NOT include a President, Sr. VP, JrVP, JA, Chaplain, Secretary, or Treasurer.
- The member may be regular or an associate and must be in good standing.
- The President's decision will be final upon numbers received.

**REMEMBER: To forward your new member applications to the proper people or they will not be counted.**

Volunteer Forms Chairpersons for the Department of Michigan

*Must be to the Chairperson NO LATER than May 15th.*

Americanism :

PDP Joan Pfaff 17892 Pointe Court Clinton Twp, MI 48038-4840 586.263.3448

Child Welfare:

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

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Rehab:

Sandy VanTol 3433 Fairway Dr Bay City, MI 48706 989.225.4583

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PNP Virginia Johnson 12035 Fruitridge NW Kent City, MI 49330 616.887.9867

**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!**



From your National Senior Vice President:

What an honor it was to attend the Dept. of MI Mid-Winter Conference in Mount Pleasant.

It is so great to hear about all the things you are doing to help our Veterans and promote the Auxiliary. Each of you are a huge part of what makes this organization so great!

Thank you for all You do!

Semper Fidelis,

Karen Aune, Sr. V.P.



# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY



## NOTICE OF DEATH

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Member's Name

Of \_\_\_\_\_ Unit

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Expired on \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Individual Completing this Form

Title

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Make six copies of this form and distribute to the following:

1. Unit Chaplain
2. Department Chaplain
3. Department Treasurer and/or Department Secretary/Treasurer
4. National Chaplain
5. National Headquarters
6. Appropriate National Division Vice President

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***Department of Michigan***

***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*

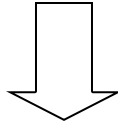
*Scholarship Committee*

**ONCE A MARINE, ALWAYS A MARINE!**

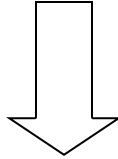
\*\*\*\* Application and More Information found at [www.Michiganmarines.org](http://www.Michiganmarines.org)

**What is the MCLA?**

**YOU**

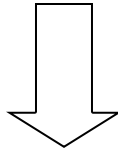


**UNIT**



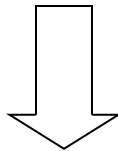
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**(state level)**

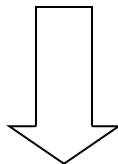


**CENTRAL DIVISION**

**\*Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky**



**NATIONAL**



**The MCLA starts and continues**

**BECAUSE of YOU!**

**\*YOU are welcome to attend any meeting, rally, or convention, this is**

**YOUR organization!**

"Save the Dates"  
&  
Information  
2016

Mid-Winter National Conference: March 3-5, 2016

Marriott Fairview Park Hotel  
311 Fairview Park Dr.  
Falls Church, VA 22042  
(703) 849-9400

ALL deadlines are FEBRUARY 8, 2016.

\*Forms can be found in the Semper Fi Magazine

\*\*\*\* you probably can still register if you are interested...\*\*\*\*\* visit [www.nationalmcla.org](http://www.nationalmcla.org) to obtain more information

Central Division Conference: March 31- April 3, 2016

Double Tree by Hilton Cleveland- Westlake  
1100 Crocker Rd  
Westlake, Ohio 44145  
(440) 871-6000

\*Room rates are \$88 per night plus tax/ 2 breakfast included to each room.  
Make reservations by : March 10

76<sup>th</sup> Department Convention 2016: June 3-4, 2016

\*Hosted by Detachment #703

Holiday Inn  
939 Third St.  
Muskegon, MI 49440  
231-722-0100

\* check out [www.MichiganMarines.org](http://www.MichiganMarines.org)

National Convention 2016: August 7-12, 2016

Hyatt Regency Tulsa  
100 East Second St.  
Tulsa, OK  
918- 234-1234

Overflow Hotel:  
Courtyard by Marriott- Tulsa Downtown  
415 South Boston Avenue,  
Tulsa, OK  
918-508-7400



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## Officers for the 2015-16 year

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PNP Virginia Johnson	<b>Fundraiser Treasurer:</b> Peggy Tuohy	

### Sgt. G.P.Porta Unit

Rocky's Restaurant ; Wayne or Westland, MI

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.

### 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

### 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

### Downriver Unit

Wyandotte, MI

President: Amy Vallie email: amyvallie@yahoo.com

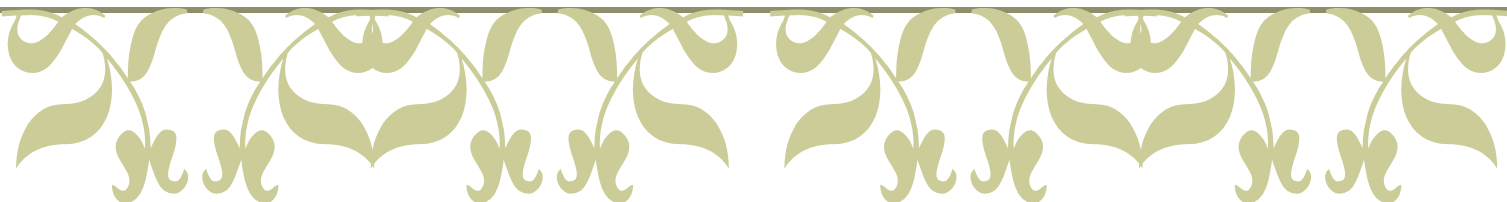
They meet 7pm the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

### Edson, Kline, VanSlyke Unit

Bay City, MI

President: : Sandy VanTol 989-225-4583

They meet 7pm the 4th Wednesday of every month



Department of Michigan

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Marine Corps League Auxiliary Member

If any member would like to get  
The Bugler by email please  
contact me via email.  
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**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](http://www.Michiganmarines.org) for

**Recipe taken from Flint Unit Cookbook  
2009 edition**

**Orange Stuff**

Submitted by : Dee Burgess, Wheeler, MI

1 small pkg. orange Gelatin      11 oz. Can mandarin Oranges  
1 (8oz) whipped topping      1 sm. Pkg. cottage cheese

Stir dry gelatin into whipped topping. Add Cottage Cheese, Mix, thoroughly. Carefully mix in oranges saving a few for garnish. Let set in refrigerator for 2 hours. Any flavor of Jell-O can be used with the coordinating fruit. Great light desert esp. around Easter!