

## DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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## District Vice Commandant's Report – Jan 2025

Greetings Marines,

Well, another quarter has passed, and it was a busy one for district 8, Hope you all had happy holidays. All the detachments had celebrations for the Marine Corps birthday and Veterans Day. It was extremely special that we had 4 detachments participate in the Veterans Day parade in Pittsburgh. We have not been there in a long time. Many thanks to those 15 hard chargers that marched. 4 vehicles were involved, and Allegheny Valley detachment supplied the colors. Next year Vietnam Veterans are to be highlighted, hopefully we can get a few more for a better showing.

Now that a new quarter is starting it's back to business as *unusual*. In some cases, we have new leadership at the helm that are looking to bring new ideas to their detachments. We all must start planning for what our members expect of us this coming year, what programs, fund raisers and community outreach we will do to further our footprint in our respected areas.

Finally, those officers that have completed their tour of duty please help the ones taking your place. It is easy to pull back after a long tenure but the ones taking your place will hit the ground running better with your guidance and experience. For all the new officers welcome to your new roll and thank you for volunteering. Here is to a great new quarter and ever forward marching.

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