

Senior Vice Commandant Report:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2025 is starting off with a bang as we are gathering at the PA Farm show on the 9th to help spread awareness about the Marine Corps League. All are welcome to join us!

AWARDS: Start discussing awards with your staff, and please do not wait until the last minute to submit the forms needed for the awards. I encourage you all to recognize your membership for all their hard work in 2024. Remember there are a lot of awards that can be presented by the Detachment Commandant and do not need to be filtered up through the Department.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING: The date has not been confirmed as of yet as the logistics are still being processed. We are looking to schedule this training in September as that has found to be the “quietest” month for all that we do around our communities. Please look for an email dissemination along with enrollment forms for your membership. As always, there will be limited seating. The tentative location will be at the Northeastern Detachment and Museum home in Scranton. We are also in talks to possibly open this up to the entire Northeast Division (PA, NY & NJ).

DETACHMENT VISITS: I had the opportunity to attend Detachment visits for Triboro Detachment. A lot was covered, questions answered and morale was high. Please be reminded that Department officers always try and make themselves available to visit Detachments, more specifically your District Vice Commandants.

MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: I was invited and honored to attend the birthday celebration hosted by Central Bucks Detachment. They did a wonderful job of celebrating the birth of our Marine Corps. I also attended the CPAMA Ball that was held at the Penn Harris Hotel. They do a wonderful job each year, and all members are invited to attend this year as we celebrate our 250th Birthday.

COMMANDANT’S COUNCIL: I am trying to stay away from anything other than training and morale boosting at our quarterly council meetings. We had fun and laughs in October as we played “Match Game” and not one person left without a smile and new information. Please use the template on the Department website for your Detachment Quarterly Report and send them to the Adjutant by January 1st. Anything after that deadline is still welcomed, but will take longer to post to the Dept page. After roll call of Detachments, we will open discussions to any problems, concerns or questions our Detachments have. This is an open forum and any member of your Detachment is welcomed to attend.

In closing, if you are on Facebook, please join the Department Facebook page where a wealth of information is continuously being posted. www.facebook.com/MCLDEPTPA Share this information on your Detachment pages and if you are ready to start a Detachment Facebook, contact one of our Public Affairs Officer John Taylor. Keeping your members informed is very important, no matter what route they get their information.

“Semper Fidelis is not just something we say, it's how we live our lives every day ~ Always Faithful”

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Victoria McCoy