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Senior Vice Commandant's Report – January 2026

Happy New Year Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania

That Year went so fast. But we are into the New Year and hopefully looking forward to having another great year. I had sent out emails to Our Detachment Commandants asking for their help in whittling down our unpaid members. While I received very little response from Our Commandants. Our unpaid Members numbers did drop considerably I appreciate Department Paymaster Jacob Bertin for handling all those Transmittals. And maybe some of our members got a teaching moment out of all this, and maybe some of them didn't. Maybe we can get more Members to attend the next Leadership Training Course.

2026 Leadership Training Course: I am looking to have our next leadership course in September 2026. Working on details right now for hotel and Meeting room. I am right now looking at location in Lewisburg, PA. It would be great to have at least one Member from each Detachment coming to this Training. Many of our Reports and the way we report and who the report are sent to have changed, and Our Detachments are not keeping with these changes. **“That’s the way we have always done it”** can’t be our slogan we must keep up with the correct way of handling our reports

Newsletters 2026: As of this Report I have only received Newsletters from 9 Detachments. I can't believe that's all the newsletters That are being written in Pennsylvania. If your Detachment has a newsletter and you don't know the rules of newsletters or are not sure where to send the newsletter or need some help starting a newsletter. Please contact me and I will explain it to you and show you where to find this information.

Commandants Council: Will be held from 0930 to 1130 on Saturday the 17th of January 2026. There should be The Commandant or a representative from each Detachment attending these meetings, I know it's hard for a lot of us to get to the meetings. But there is information and training more easily done in person.

Awards- We are 6 months away from our June Convention. We should be looking at recommendations for awards. We can't keep doing these things at the last minute. It takes time to review submissions and to get plaques and certificated made up.

Detachment Quarterly Report- At the time of me writing this report, I have received 13 Detachment Quarterly Reports. That about 21% of Our Detachments submitting a report.

PA Farm Show- The farm show will have its Veterans Appreciation Day on January 15, 2026, at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg. We will be setting up a table as a Department. We will be Looking for new members and spreading the word about The Marine Corps League. I will be there before 0800, looking for some volunteers to spend



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some time helping. You don't need to be there all day, and you can walk around the Farm Show. I Would like Members to wear a MCL covers and a Marine Corps or Marine Corps League Polo. Please contact me if you are interested.

Again feel free to contact me with questions regarding newsletters, awards and training.

Respectively submitted,

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