

The First Capitol Detachment was pleased to represent the Marine Corps League Department of Pennsylvania at the 2026 Military Ball hosted by the Bearcat Battalion JROTC unit of William Penn Senior High School in York, PA.

Cadets Luis Berdecia-Diaz & Jade Rivera Hernandez were presented the Distinguished Citizen - Bronze and a First Capitol Challenge Coin by Marines Michael Keech & Dave Brady, along with Associates Erika Garcia & Bobbie Jo Miller.

Cadet Diaz is a Junior at York High and is considering service in the Marine Corps upon graduation. Cadet Hernandez is also a Junior and intends to enroll at an ROTC School while pursuing education in interior design. The Cadets were nominated for the award by Senior Instructor LTCOL John Howard, US Army (Ret.).

