



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

2019 -2021 MIDWINTER DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS REPORT ACTIVITIES
AGENDA



2019-2020 DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS ACTIVITIES





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- 1. Continuing reminders to detachments about updating dues for present and passed due memberships.
- 2. The Department Senior Vice Commandant initiated a program to make sure that no Marine who has passed goes without final honors during the Covid-19 pandemic. (26 Funerals).
- 3. The Department Junior and Senior Vice Commandants Update of department bylaws and administrative procedures.
- 4. Commandant distributed educational PowerPoint presentation's to all department detachments.



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- 5. Reminding Detachments to check with members and advise to make sure to practice safety practices recommended by the Commonwealth during this pandemic. Including ending out telephone contacts, e-mails, during the COVID-19 crisis, and reporting to the commandant.
- 6. On September 1, 2020 the department senior vice commandant opened up a Western Mass Regional Office (at his expense) with peer to peer counseling to help all veterans not only Marines or FMF Navy Corpsmen/Chaplains.
- 7. The Department of Massachusetts Staff has been working with several veterans to upgrade their discharges from other than honorable discharges to honorable, through the Veterans Legal Clinic at Harvard Law School.



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- 8. The Challenge set by the national commandant department placing department suicide awareness program as our No. 1 priority.
- 9. Providing assistance to veterans who require service dogs through the “America’s Vet Dogs” organization.
- 10. The Department of Massachusetts has hosted (4 dept. wide) virtual “Zoom” meetings, and participated in 2 New England division hosted Virtual “Zoom” meetings.
- 11. A western Massachusetts detachment membership brought 20 Christmas meals for local veterans.



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- 12. Department officers including the National Junior Vice Commandant participated in a veterans roundtable sponsored by a state senator and discussed needed tax abatement improvements for Veterans residing in the commonwealth.
 - Tax abatement “Combat Wounded/Purple Heart” designation on state license plates previously signed into law by Governor Patrick





2019 -2020 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

- 1. “Two Different Membership Cultures”
 - Younger & New Membership Candidates
 - Department of Massachusetts Commandant has installed a younger candidate pool into our staff of officers.
- 2. “Social Networking”
 - Updated Department Web and “Facebook” pages
- 3. “Video Conferencing”
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