



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
Northwest Division

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Membership for NW Div:

	PLM	Paid	Total Paid	Unpaid	Voting Total
NW Div	1259	801	2060	533	1738
AK	59	0	59	0	0
ID	274	165	439	45	395
MT	227	226	453	124	390
OR	311	162	473	227	377
WA	408	248	656	122	586

Sir Commandant, this past year has shown the resilience of our League as we have weathered the pandemic and proven to still move forward in our communities. The continued use of Zoom and WebEx meeting has become more common and has proven to be a useful tool in connecting those which might have a much longer commute to get to a meeting or convention out west here. This has proven effective when mentoring up a new fireteam for potential development into a detachment. With the cost of expenditures such as gas becoming a factor for those with fixed incomes, the connectivity of working thru the potential barriers while still being able to meet even if virtually has proven to work in connecting with our membership. I was able to attend three of our four Department Conventions. Having the opportunity to drive to all locations was more feasible even though the windshield time was longer than flying, I was able to connect to more detachments and membership along the way. With all said, every single member that came to the conventions was excited to see faces in person and were eager to share what was taking place in their departments and detachments. Nothing better than to hear the best practices that allow us as a service organization to move forward serving veterans and their families. I chose to make the visits in person and to count those visits as mini-Northwest Division conventions where I could pass the critical information and hear directly the concerns of our membership. Doing this I have been able to access directly with 200 members where those numbers would have been 1/7 of that pre-pandemic. I believe out west to consider this a best practice for reaching our membership. Next attending the National Convention, I would once more relay to our

membership what was transpiring and how it impacts each of us in our League. Having my expected replacement at the National Convention is expected to assist in helping to hand over the reins of the NW Div to my replacement.

Eagles Scout Awards present within the NW Div number at 6.

Assisting transitioning military families were 61.

Rendering Honors and flag details were 1205.

Toys for Tots included the majority of our detachments assisting in one way or another with some impressive numbers of families/children receiving toys. We have further increased the number of LCO's within the Division.

Community service hours included Honor Details, Flag Details, Toys for Tots, VAAC, Memorial Services, Veteran's Day services, Eagle Scout Award presentations, Young Marines, Parades, Stand-Downs and community outreach in a variety of ways.

Further fund-raising activities were still accomplished especially in regards to supporting the Toys for Tots Foundation campaign. Drive-by donation drop sites, online fundraising from companies wanting to support, and drive-by pick-up locations.

The NW Div has lost a large number of our membership for a variety of reason but we have further gained back those numbers with a slight increase from last year. Using social media has proven to attract more members and younger membership.

The NW Div continues to think outside the box. Moving forward into the electronic age is what continues to make us stronger. The use of social media is imperative when attracting membership which is younger or located in the rural areas where the Fireteam concept works best. This approach is promising with a couple of more start up detachments in the works.

Understanding staff at National HQ has been limited, I am thankful for their efforts and for the efforts of our Executive Director/COO Bob Borka. Semper Fidelis!

Respectfully,

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NVC NW Div

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