



**FRANK GLASSFORD  
COMMANDANT – DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**



**MCL Business Meeting – Saturday 10 April 2021 ~  
1000-1200 Sierra I & II Rooms**

**OPEN:**

Dais seating:

(right of podium) Cmdt. Glassford, Adjutant Marsh, JA Gionet,  
and Parliamentarian Dupree -  
(left of podium) JVC Armstrong, JPDC LaMont,  
and Paymaster Potthoff.

SGT. AT ARMS SECURED THE QUARTERS, *All present were qualified to remain.*

- SGT. AT ARMS opened meeting, Called for Hand Salute to the Colors.
- CHAPLAIN opened the Bible.

Dignitaries and guests present were recognized:

- DOSC CMDT Jerry Holt
- DOSC Jr P Cmdt Jim Stone

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS - Adjutant**

Dept. of Florida Adjutant calls the roll of elected and appointed staff to include:

Cmdt Frank Glassford ~ present  
 SVC Scott Westervelt ~ excused  
 JVC Mike Armstrong ~ present  
 Judge Advocate John Gionet ~ present  
 Jr Past Cmdt George LaMont ~ present  
 Paymaster Kathleen Potthoff ~ present  
 Adjutant John Marsh ~ present  
 Sgt-at-Arms Vernon Trice ~ present  
 Chaplain George Wanberg ~ present

DVC 1 Jim Dahling ~~~~~~ present  
 DVC 2 John Murdoch ~~~~~~ present

DVC 3 Barry Brown ~~~~~ present  
 DVC 4 Vernon Trice ~~~~~ present  
 DVC 5 Lori Dashiell ~~~~~ late arrival  
 DVC 6 Andy Smith ~~~~~ excused  
 DVC 7 Rudy Fontane ~~~~~ present  
 DVC 8 Mike Ambrosino ~~~~~ present  
 DVC 9 John Castle ~~~~~ present  
 DVC 10 Charles "Newt" Schneider ~ excused  
 DVC 11 Mike Segura ~~~~~ present

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING ~ 2019 Fall Conf – Adjutant**

(Minutes of 2019 Fall Conf distributed by email & posted on website)

Any corrections or additions was asked for/none made.

Call for motion to approve.

There was a motion to approve as written/ second made - all approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Non to report at this time.

**REPORT OF PAYMASTER:**

Report given.

**REPORT OF ANY MEMBER OR MEMBER’S FAMILY SICK OR IN DISTRESS:**

- DICK BOOTH -----NURSING HOME
- JACK PROSUH-----HIP REPLACED
- CAROL MAZZARA ---ILL
- BOB LEON -----CANCER
- BILL CONA -----ILL
- JACK STRONG -----HOSPICE
- MARK SUMEY -----VERY BAD HEALTH

**REPORT OF OFFICERS/STAFF: (3 minutes each)**

- Cmdt – Frank Glassford:  
 Many Det visits, many Installations preformed, very busy
- SVC – Scott Westervelt ~ absent ~ Cmdt stated for SVCs intention to run for Cmdt at June Convention

- JVC – Mike Armstrong: membership need worked on - renewals and dues, need new members, JVC stated his intention to run for SVC at June Convention
- Judge Advocate - John Gionet: Thanked all for cards for his recent illness, he has been catching up on JA Duties after illness, JA stated his intention to run for JVC at June Convention
- JPC – George LaMont: thank all for cards while ill, meeting with Dets and doing Installations.
- Adjutant - John Marsh: busy with ROIs, info requested from National, forms, charts etc. Sending DOF emails, fielding question requests from members - report is posted on DOF website
- Paymaster – Kathleen Potthoff: gave report - thank you to all, been very busy catching up on Paymaster reports etc.
- Website – Andy Hefty ~ absent

#### **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES: (3 minutes each)**

- Budget - staying the same as last year
- Convention - Trisha Marsh gave report:  
See attachment #2
- Professional Development Program - Mike Segura: been going good - good feedback and attendance, can do at Det mtgs if requested
- John Piazza Memorial Scholarship - Reggie Nealy: website will be up dated, new Raffle (2021) tickets given to DVCs and will be distributed to Dets (there was much discussion on who is/is not eligible)
- VAVS – Jack Prosh ~ absent - on DOF website
- Quartermaster – Scott Egan: working Ships Store

- Young Marines Liaison - John Gionet - Thanked Dets that worked this past year with YM Units - had a leadership school this past year -Graduated appox 20 young leaders - thanks M Segura for write up of YM and V Howard write up of YM Unite for Certificate - Many Dets thanked for donations
- IWFF – Kathy Sheppard - New President - up dating By Laws - Looking for Injured Marines
- EAGLE Scout Liaison – Vinnie Howard - Dets not all participating, need to get them on board
- Marines 4 Life – Mike Segura - not a lot of Marines transitioning to FL
- Toys 4 Tots – Ron Curci - Absent

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 2021 National Convention - to be held in Springfield, Illinois, August 2021

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Convention Chair - call for 2021 Fall Conf bids: Det 567 tentative bid

#### **GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

- Call for any business under the Good of the League -  
Need recommendations for Four Chaplains award by end of Apr
- Presentation of Awards:  
Awards were given out to DVCs at their meeting to give to Dets to award at their meetings to members ~  
Awards list Attachment # 1

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- DO NOT BRING YOUR COVERS TO THE BANQUET.
- Raffle winning tickets will be pulled prior to the Banquet.

#### **RECOGNIZED ALL VETS ~**

- All WW II era veterans please stand;

- All Korean era veterans please stand;
- All Cold War era veterans please stand;
- All Vietnam era veterans please stand;
- All Iraq era veterans please stand;
- ALL Afghanistan era veterans please stand;
- All others please stand.
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- Chaplain closed the Bible
- Sgt. at Arms placed the Conference in recess until the Banquet

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## 2021 SPRING CONFERENCE BANQUET

- Introduction of guests by DoF JVC M Armstrong
- Dignitaries escorted in:
  - National MCLA President Evelyn Joppa
  - MCLA DOF SVP Sandra Tetz-Fry
  - DOF Worthy Pack Leader George LaMont
  - Dept of FL Commandant Frank Glassford
- Commandant called the Sgt. at Arms to open with Pledge of Allegiance
- Chaplain gave the blessing of food
- Dept. of FL POW/MIA Jim Hackbarth read the Salute to our POW/MIAs
- Host Detachment Cmdt V Trice welcome to all and commented on the Conference
- DINNER was served
- AWARDS:
  - \*NMCLA President E. Joppa presented JVC S. Tetz-Fry 2020 AUX Member of the Year
  - \*Devil Dogs Honored M Dunn with 2020 Pack Dog of the Year
  - \*Marine of the Year Soc honored Trisha Marsh as the 2020 Dept of FL Associate of the Year
  - \*Marine of the Year Soc honored Frank Glassford as the 2020 Dept of FL Marine of the Year
- CLOSING CEREMONY - Cmdt. Glassford
  - Sgt-at-Arms retired the colors
  - Chaplain led closing prayer

- Sgt-at-Arms declare the meeting closed until the Annual Convention.  
10-13 June 2021 at the Hilton Melbourne Rialto Place, Melbourne,  
Florida
  - Singing of Marine Hymn.
- **Commandant Glassford;**  
Thanked everyone for attending. Have a safe trip home and remember to bring  
another member with you to the Convention in Melbourne.  
Invite all to remain for the Entertainment ~  
Rosie's Hospitality will be reopening soon ~

Banquet conclude at: 2100hrs

Respectfully submitted by;  
John C Marsh, Sr  
Adjutant  
DOF, MCL

## 2021 Spring Conference Awards Presentations

### National Conference 2020 Group

DCM Silver J Beal  
DCM Silver J Gionet  
DCM Silver PW Marsh  
DCM Silver C Meyers  
DCM Silver S Westervelt  
DCM Bronze F Livingston  
DCM Bronze M Segura  
DCM Bronze A Smith  
DCM Bronze S Egan  
IMC B Btown  
IMC J Marsh  
ICM R Nealy  
ICM M Stewart  
COA P Armstrong  
COA K Aune  
COA P Bently  
COA M Brenner  
COA Daytona Bch Conv Visitor Bureau  
COA G Heath  
COA Sgt Walter Ryan Det #1226  
COA P Schnatz  
COA M Armstrong

### Department Convention 2020 Group

DSM Silver PW Marsh  
DSM Bronze M Armstrong  
DSM Bronze J Gionet  
DSM Bronze J Prosh  
DSM Bronze J Readey  
COA P Armstrong  
COA Col Phillip C DeLong Det #1267  
COA R Fontane  
COA N Gentry  
COA A LaMont  
COA MGySgt R Hoffman Pound #335  
COA Mat Nasworthy Auto Club Group  
COA T Newton  
COA N Pratt  
COA C Prosh

Individual Awards Group

- DCM Silver J Beal
- DCM Silver A Hefty
- DCM Silver K Potthoff
- DCM Silver A Hagan
- DSM Bronze G Cooper
- DSM Bronze E Fineman
- DSM Bronze D Kline
- DSM Bronze w Gold Star Lieu of second award D Kline
- DSM Bronze J Perez
- DSM Bronze J Rudolp
- DSM Bronze N Stapleton
- DSM Bronze J Van Hecke
- DSM Bronze L Westcott
- MUC Department E T Brisson Det 63
- MUC Department Intercoastal Det 1058
- MUC Department Phillip D Long Det 1267





**DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

**2021 Dept of FL Convention REPORT**

at **JOINT SESSION & BUSINESS MEETING @ SPRING CONF**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021**

**HYATT PLACE-WESLEY CHAPEL – Sierra I & II**

**Convention will be held at the HILTON MELBOURNE JUNE 10...13, 2021**

<p><b>My Quarterly Report dated March 1st, was submitted and has been posted on the website</b></p>
<p><b>Convention Packet was distributed to all Detachments, Pounds, Units during February and it is available on line at the Dept of FL website</b></p>
<p><b>There is a "Save the Date" page on the back cover of this Conference Book, but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.</b></p>
<p><b>This will be a BIG event because Dept of Florida Marine Corps League will be celebrating the 75 year Anniversary</b></p>
<p><b>The Convention Team Captains have already started working to make the 2021 Department of Florida Convention a huge success.</b></p>
<p><b>We need your support and your participation....</b>  ~make your hotel reservation soon to secure the negotiated rate <i>[\$110]</i>,  ~submit your Registration early,  ~plan to attend the Banquet,  ~attend the Professional Development Program, the various meetings, the Growl,  <b>AND something new this year....the MODD/Flea Luncheon,</b>  ~and most of all meet fellow Marines, old friends and enjoy the camaraderie in Rosie's Hospitality Room.  <b>Something we have not been able to do in over a year because of COVID 19</b></p>
<p><b>Remember seating may be limited at various events due to CDC guidelines, so don't miss out. Make your reservation now</b></p>
<p><b>Hopefully by June .... things will be back to a somewhat normal environment.</b></p>
<p><b>Any questions? I am only an "email away"</b></p>

Respectfully submitted,  
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DOF MCL Convention Chair  
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