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APRIL 2018 MESSAGE

The 2018 Spring Conference in Safety Harbor is upon us. Every Detachment Commandant, or a designated representative should attend this conference/Leadership School as well as each Department Conference and Convention.

Several members waited too long to make their reservations for Safety Harbor. They encountered difficulty or found rooms to not be available. Do not let this happen to you for the annual convention in June. Reservations may and should be made now. We anticipate a large number of members in attendance, especially if you meet my challenge of bring another member with you that is usually not in attendance. Remember that last year less than 2.5% of the membership were present to conduct the business of your Marine Corps League. This Convention will see the election or re-election of your Department officers, together with several proposed By-Law changes. Be there to have your voice heard or at least to hear the business being proposed.

Members of your Department Board of Trustees have been very busy during March working on their daily duties, planning and preparing for a better future and attending various meetings to include: National Mid-winter in Fredericksberg, VA; Southeast Division Conference in Pigeon Forge, TN; and many Detachment meetings throughout the Department. Unfortunately, we cannot attend a meeting for each Detachment due to travel constraints, but your District Vice Commandant should be in frequent attendance.

The minutes of the Southeast Division annual Conference are posted to the Division website (follow link from Department site) or www.sediv.org

Less than half of the Detachment completed their annual Life member audit despite several and early messages to do so. If your Detachment did not complete and submit the audit to the Department Paymaster prior to 20 December, you will not be receiving a disbursement from National MCL for your Life Members. Do not let this happen to you again this year. As soon as the National June roster is delivered (mid to late July) conduct your audit and submit it to the Department Paymaster. It is not a long or difficult process so why wait and risk not having it submitted?

I look forward to seeing many of you in Safety Harbor and many more in June at the Sheraton North, Maitland, Florida. Information on the June Convention is posted to the website and you will be receiving several communications in the coming weeks to remind you of the event.

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