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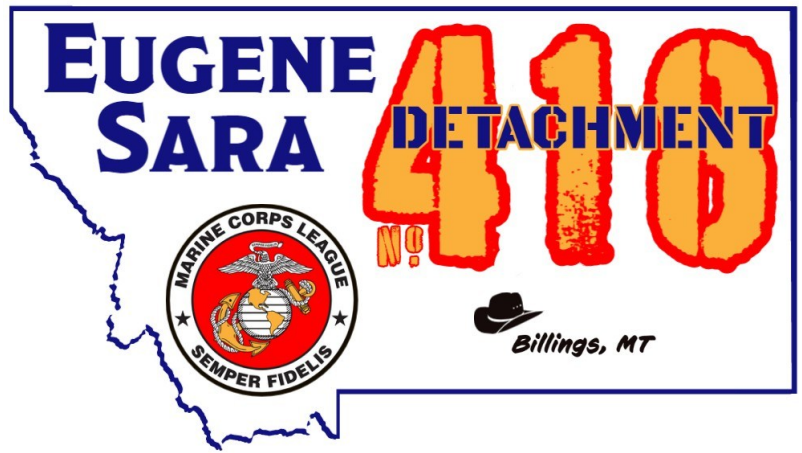
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Proud Organizer of "the Wall that Heals" Tour stop in Billings, MT
coming July 1-5 at Will James Middle School

Commandants Message

Members of the League,
Nothing to report this month, the Department convention in June will be discussed at the next meeting. Semper Fi!

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Remember annual members dues will be up for renewal in August and is still \$35. It has not increased in a few years so count yourself so far.

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Paymasters Report

Hello Marines,

Kathy, your new paymaster. Just letting you know I am here. Switching things over into my name, Kathy Battany (Werk), Paymaster.
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If you know of anyone looking for information on the Wall that heals project please send them to the following link,,,,,,

<https://www.vvmf.org/The-Wall-That-Heals>

Chaplains Report:

All,

Has been nice and slow lately, only two funerals and they were on the same day. Rifle detail did well as always. Have not been informed of any sick lame or lazy so that is good. Carol Jones is on the mend. Hope everyone is well and enjoying the beautiful weather. Stay safe and God bless!

Kevin Kuhlman, Chaplain

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Laura Welch receives a letter of appreciation from Commandant Jim Glover after she organized a Veterans Day event at her school where league members talked to the kids



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May 2026 upcoming events

May 8th — Lincoln/Reagan Day Dinner Color Guard

May 11th – MCL Regular Business Meeting
 @1900 at VFW 6774 on Anchor St.

The tasks for the month so far is light. So we are enjoying the break in business.

Thanks again to those members that make our details and services happen Throughout the year! Semper Fi!

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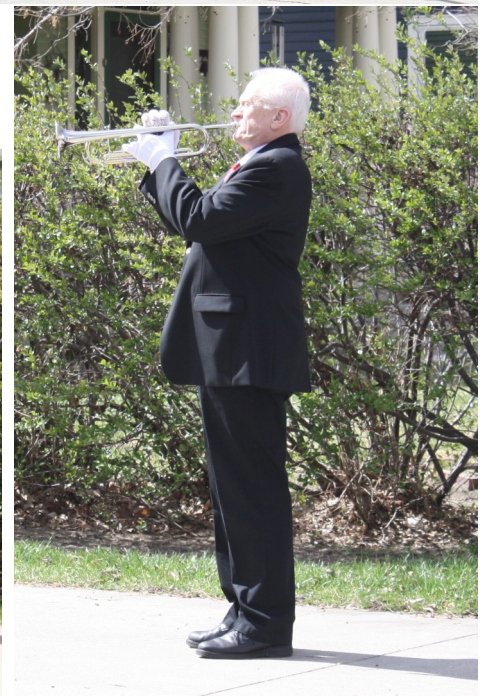
Right — The Rifle Honor Guard Detail for Reservist SSgt Shoop held at Dahls Funeral home. Detail members include Tom Lowry (with belch-fire) Jim Glover, Joe Aguilar, Ralph McKinney, Dave Rose, Mike Tolstedt, Doug Wood and Don Huffman.

Senior Vice Commandant Report:

Hello Marines,

We have the next Gun Show coming up soon. The dates are April 10-12. We do need coverage at the table. Please let me know if you can help. We will also need to chose the next raffle rifle

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No full report for the Young Marines for April 2026.

Nick Molina

Commander

**Marine Corps League Eugene Sara
Detachment #418
Meeting Minutes for April 13th, 2026**

1900 – Meeting called to Order by Commandant Jim Glover

Ritual Followed

Roll Call — Jim G., Dean R., Tim B., Kevin K., Al W, Kathy B., Doug W., and Tom L. (Sr. past Cmdt.)

Correspondence — Numerous envelopes were returned regarding the note put regarding the newsletter, Tim is dissecting those.

New Applications— Chris Gonzales introduced himself, we did not have app forms on hand to give him.

Minutes — Minutes were read. Motion made to approve (Kevin) (Nick), all members voted aye, Passed.

Paymasters report — Audit committee members are Jackie, Jim G., Amy, Kevin and Kathy Werk, they finished the audit. No discrepancies noted and funds in good shape. Currently there are 67 Life members, 11 annual members and 15 past due. Please make yourself current. Motion made (Kevin) (Tim) to accept paymasters report subject to audit. All members voted Aye, Accepted.

Sr, Vice — Gun show made \$600 even though it was a very slow weekend **Junior Vice**— Very good turn out for the awards dinner even though some members had to work, They will be recognized later. **Chaplain** — .Mike Tolstedt and Carol Jones doing well.

Committee Reports

Riverside — No report.

Vets Council - None.

Detail Commander — . Coming up

in August, 21,22,23 is the confirmed dates for the Airshow. **The Wall That Heals** Project has had a major change! The city parks department backed out on giving us Centennial park for the week July1-5. We will do some reassessment of the Will James site and Doug will contact one of the Instructors at the School about its availability for use. The Jeep is running and is available for use in parades, The Wall, Memorial day, etc.

Young Marines— Finance Committee — Young Marines — Nick told Ralph, Ziggy and Pat thank you for the support they shown with the young Marines cadre. Nick is also looking for a few good Marines to assist as adult advisors for the Young Marines. The motorhome that was donated to the league is still at Pat Weber's shop. It is still moldy. It is still for sale or bid, but might not bring as much as we would like.

Toys for Tots— None

Marine Corps Ball — None

Old Business — none.

Good of the League — Past Comet. Lowry suggested trying to contact Astronaut Christina Koch who went to the moon on the Artimus flight, to come to Billings for the Air show. **New Business** — Since limited people actually need to have a printed news letter, discussion was held about doing one more printed newsletter for those who need it. It was tabled to the May meeting. **The Department** Convention is set for June 19-21 in Great Falls at the VFW. The Detachment is going to do a full page ad, which Nick was working on at the meeting. Meeting closed at 1945 hrs. The Department website was looked into and found to be very out of date, someone needs to bring it current or close. A motion was made (Al, Kevin) for the League to cover lodging and fuel for the trip of those wanting to go (need receipts). All voted aye, passed!

A motion was made to accept the ad put together by Nick Molina. Dates for the Wall, etc. will be filled in before sending to State. Final order of Business was Jim Glover presenting some of the Certificates from the awards dinner.

Meeting closed at 2001hrs.

The next meeting will be held on April 13th .

Tom Lowry conducts the Oath of Office on the 2026 Officers of the detachment, The McKinney's and Huffman's watch the proceedings.



Memorandum of next MODD Growl BBQ all MCL Members invited too

May 6th at Pat Weber's shop at 1830hrs. 2210 Anna Dr. Billings, MT. If interested, you need to have 1 year MCL membership and \$20

Devil Dogs

The corrected dates for the Department Convention in Great Falls is June 19-21st.

No further details at this time

I apologize for giving out the wrong information.....Jim

Jr. Vice Commandants Report:

Marines!

Wow, quiet time in April?? That doesn't happen very often, I really don't have much either. Just a reminder of the Devil Dog Growl on May 6th at pat Weber's shop. **IT WILL BE A POT LUCK BBQ OPEN TO ALL MCL members!!**

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P.S. Its been brought to my attention members not getting what they are due, Please let us know so we can fix the problem.

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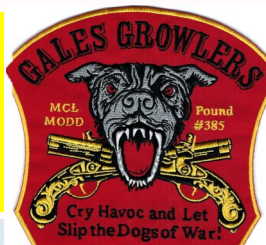
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A bunch of slouches that don't do anything.....,No just kidding,,,,,,
 Most of the healthy, involved, active members of the league receive Community Service awards for activities through the year.

Although she was not able to attend the dinner Amy Hunt, (our former paymaster) received the **Marine of the Year** award. Congratulations Amy!! Thanks for your great work.

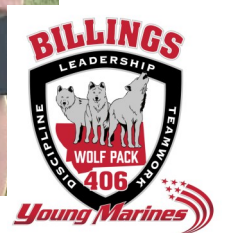


Kevin Kuhlman, Al Werk , Dean Roller and Tim Bender received Meritorious Commendations from Jim Glover.



Part of the current cadre of Young Marines out for PT while the weather holds out.

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