

# SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Our next monthly meeting is: **17 September 2025**

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**Marine Corps League  
Emerald Empire Detachment 917  
Veterans Bottom Fishing Trip**

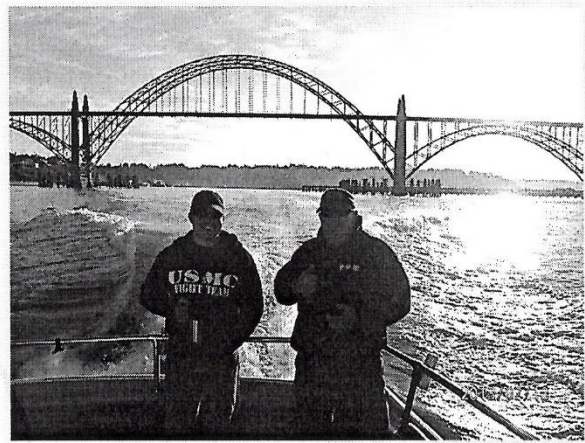
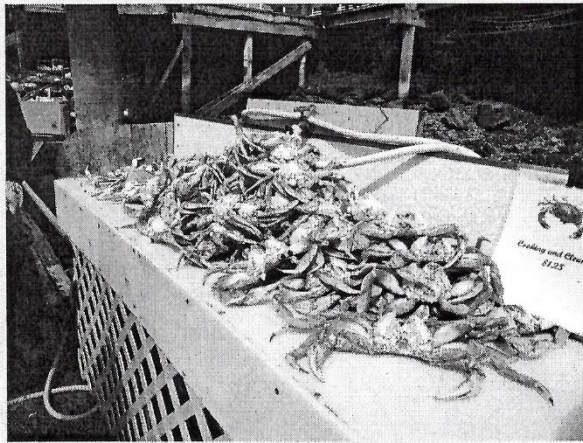


**When:** Sunday September 28, 2025

**Where:** Newport, Oregon with Captain Jack on the Gracie K, Yaquina Bay Charters

**Cost:** \$100.00 per person and it includes Pole, Tackle and Bait. Crab pots are \$25.00

The boat is limited to 16 people, so if you want to join fellow Veterans on the Gracie K this fishing trip get your name on the list.



Contact Craig Myers  
Email: [cm0070@aol.com](mailto:cm0070@aol.com)  
Phone 541-729-0121

Directions and other details to follow for those that sign up. Camping available at several parks close by.



What you need to bring:  
Warm Clothes / Raingear  
Lunch & Drinks  
Oregon fishing license

We meet at the dock at  
6:30 a.m.  
Leave the dock at 7:00 a.m.  
Return around 12:00 p.m.  
Subject to change

The Gracie K has special side doors on the deck that open to accommodate those in wheel chairs.  
Payment for the trip will be made to Yaquina Bay Charters.

Cost \$100 per person for fishing, **Oregon fishing license required**. Can purchase a 1-day license if needed.

Crab pots are \$25.00, **shell fish license required**

The first boat is full of confirmed attendees. **A second boat has been reserved and is now available at this time.** There is now 16 spaces available.

Thanks  
Craig Myers

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GOING FISHING – AND CAN COMMIT – Contact Craig at his contact information shown in the flyer above.

We will be having a Marine out of the Salem area joining us on this trip.



FISHING TRIP 2013

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

ANNUAL NOTICE

EXPIRATION: 31 AUGUST



*AS OF 2019, ALL MEMBERSHIPS RENEWALS ARE DUE IN AUGUST.  
IF YOU HAVE LICENSE PLATES, CONSIDER MAKING SURE YOUR DUES  
ARE RENEWED IN JULY TO AVOID ANY ISSUES.*

RENEW TODAY WITH YOUR  
LOCAL DETACHMENT PAYMASTER



# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND DUES PAYMENT REMINDER

**It's time to renew your membership. August 31<sup>st</sup> is just around the corner. All annual memberships expire in August. If you are an annual member, your dues are due now.**

**Don't wait and don't forget.**

Fill out the form below and provide it to your detachment paymaster along with your annual dues payment. While you're at it, please remind your fellow members it's time to renew. It is a good idea to renew early so that, when life happens, you're already paid up.

Remember, you are paying ahead, not paying behind. Membership makes your detachment strong and doing your part, like paying dues on time, helps keep it that way. Please do not procrastinate. Square it away today.

**Please fill out the form and provide to your detachment paymaster along with your annual dues.**

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## RENEWAL FORM



Please fill out this form and give to your Detachment Paymaster along with your annual dues.

Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Detachment Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Join Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Home  Cell  Work

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Dues Total: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please mail this form, along with your annual dues, to your detachment paymaster or give it to them at the next meeting. Detachment contact information can be found in our locator.

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## Spirit of the Corps 250th Anniversary Tribute Edition

.22 S/L/LR

### Department of Oregon Marine Corps League's 2025 Raffle

Nov  
10

#### Nov 10

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

2025 Raffle of a Henry Spirit of the Corps 250th Anniversary Tribute Edition, .22 S/L/LR.

A total of 2000 tickets are for sale at \$5 a ticket. The drawing will be on November 11, 2025, at the Bend Birthday Celebration. The winner will be notified by telephone, and must make pick up arrangements with Lincoln City Sporting Goods. Winner must be 18 years old and able to pass background.

Good luck Marine!

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#### **One chance of winning**

**\$5**

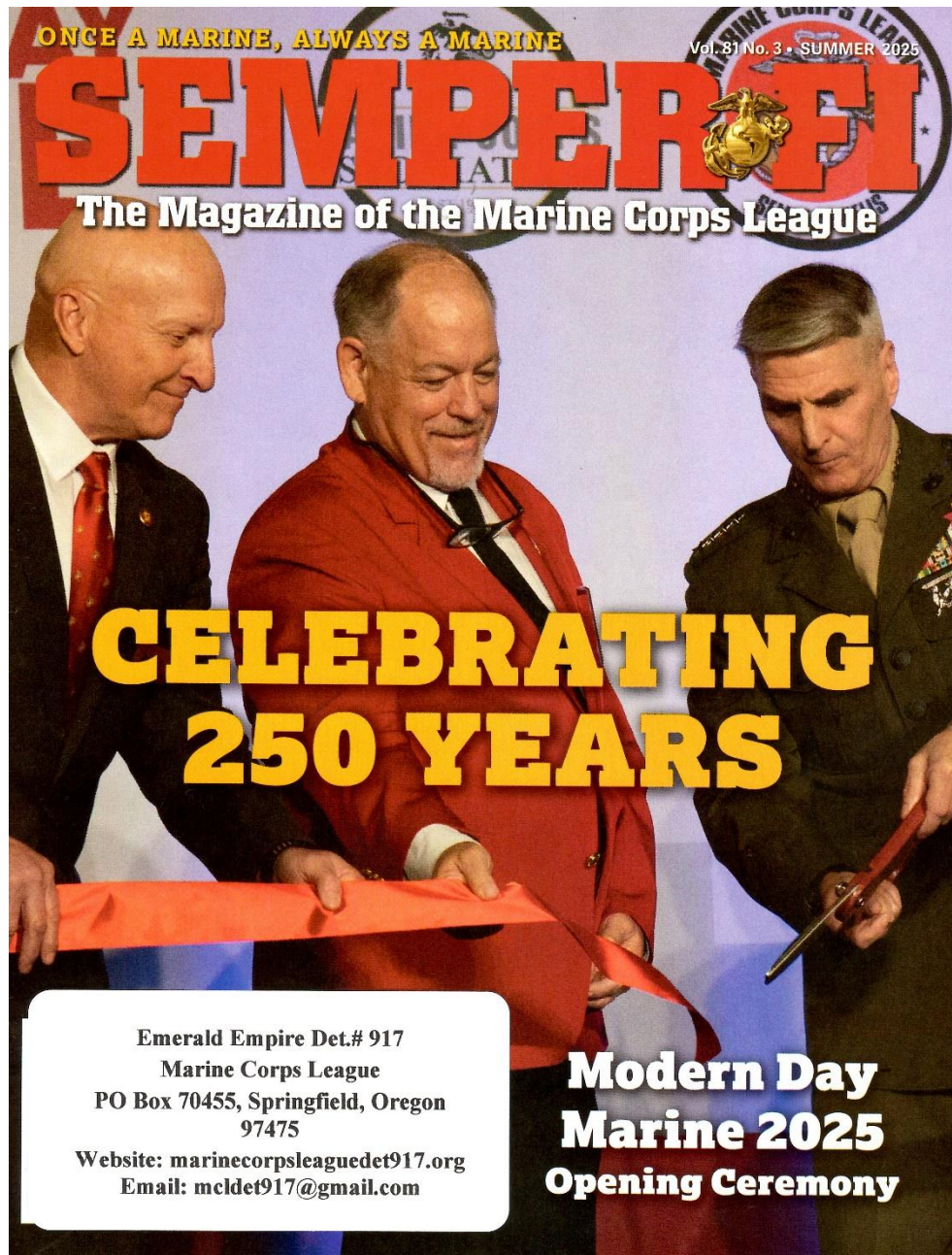
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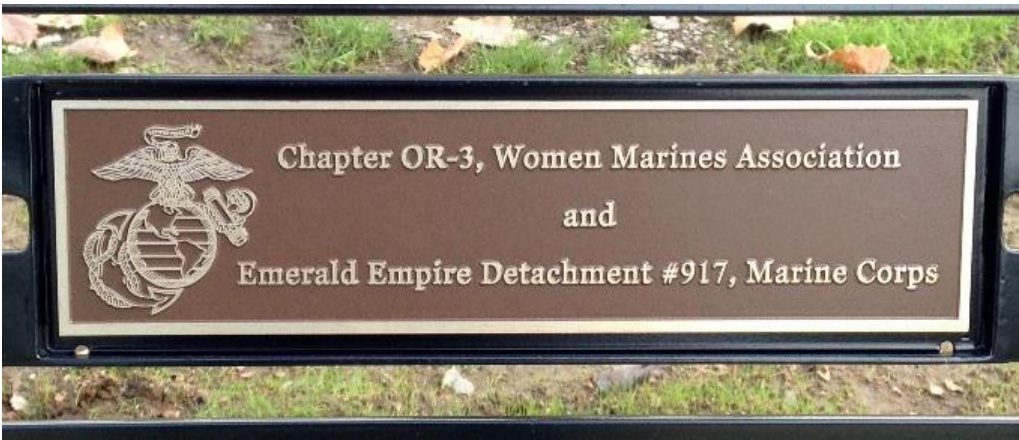
### To Get E-Tickets, Go to:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/department-of-oregon-marine-corps-leagues-raffle--2025>

# Repurpose Your Copy of the Semper Fi Magazine & Advertise the Marine Corps League

After you have read your copy of the Semper Fi Magazine, place a shipping label with the detachment's information (as shown in the lower left corner of this photo). Then place the magazine in the waiting room of the Veteran Services' Office (with their permission), or the VA Clinic waiting area, or veteran's organization, or Oregon Veteran's Home. A great way to pass the information in the magazine on to our Marines, and free advertising for our detachment.





Niel Laudati, Assistant City Manager for the City of Springfield, Oregon, has written up and submitted a request for a GRANT from the State of Oregon. This grant will be for the placement of another new bench in the Willamalane Parks and Recreation

Veterans' Park. This new bench will be placed in Memory of our Past Members of the Emerald Empire Detachment's. Standby for further information as it becomes available.

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## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

19 September – Roland Field **Deceased**

31 August 2025 – Karen Reeves (new addition to the birthday list)



Please take a moment and remember each of them on the “Anniversary-of-the-Day-They-Were-Born.”

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# **CORPSMAN**



**Joseph Lamm** – Joseph was not able to attend the August meeting due to having to go to the emergency room after injuring himself at work. It appears that he tore ligaments, or tendons, from an ankle. He said no surgery required, but that he would have to wear a walking boot for a few weeks.



**Joy Cavin** – Joy’s sister-in-law Eleanor, age 86, passed away 1 August 2025 at 9 p.m. Please keep Joy in your thoughts and prayers as she travels the path of life without her sister-in-law. Flowers were sent on behalf of the Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League.



**Nancy Lukasik** – Nancy had a less invasive procedure to address eye pressure issues. Unfortunately, it did not resolve the problem and she may be having a more invasive procedure with another doctor. She has yet to decide whether to go forward with this next procedure.



**Raymond Miller** - Monday was a bust. I'm back to square one in that the MRI images were not clear enough to make a decision. So, I am to go to physical therapy (25 August) to be evaluated and we will go from there. They took x rays prior to the consultation which showed a second possible problem area higher up from the lumbar region. The last time I went to PT for evaluation the therapist would not risk their license by touching me. I guess we will see.

**Kim Lonberg** – Kim will be taking a couple months off from the league/detachment. Kim is dealing with some heart related issues, and her grandson A.J. is going to be going back to the University of Washington about the 1<sup>st</sup> of September for his brain surgery (epilepsy related). A.J. is now having more seizures and requires 24/7 supervision. The surgery will be the start of a long process to implant a device, heal, start testing, and then set the device for use. It will be a device that allows A.J. to hopefully interpret the brain activity causing the seizures. Please keep Kim, and A.J. in your thoughts and prayers.





# Fund-Raising Breakfast Service for Sunday, 17 August 2025



At the 17 August 2025 fund-raising breakfast, 20 paid meals were served for a total of \$191.00 (due to one extra order of protein). We also received \$17.00 in tips.

**The GRAND TOTAL received was: \$218.00.**



## Emerald Empire Young Marines

The Moose Lodge hosted a breakfast for about 90 members of Nelson Trucking.

The Young Marines did dishes pickup and dishes washing. The Nelson Trucking members were so impressed they left a great tip for the Young Marines. Nelson Trucking wants to have another breakfast in December, but only if the Young Marines are present.

The Young Marines will be going up to the camp, so Steve Price was going up ahead of them and clearing the road of blackberries, checking the water, and make sure everything is ready to go. They will be conducting a camp out in September.

## Guests

**We had two guests attend the August meeting. Joseph Morris whose grandfather was a Marine who served during Korea. And Renee Boyett whose father was a Senior Master Chief in the U.S. Air Force.**

**They were invited to attend by detachment commandant Joseph Lamm.**

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**The detachment received a request through our detachment email address, from the Marine Corps League Detachment #711, in California.**

**It requested a card be sent to one of their “lynch pin” members who was now in a care facility in Salinas, California.**

**One of our new detachment cards was sent by our detachment Junior Vice-Commandant since our detachment chaplain was dealing with the loss of her sister-in-law.**

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## Marine Corps League “Mission Statement”

Marine Corps League Mission Statement (As shown on our detachment website)

Members of the Marine Corps League join together in camaraderie and fellowship for the purpose of preserving the traditions and promoting the interests of the United States Marine Corps, banding together those who are now serving in the United States Marine Corps and those who have been honorably discharged from that service that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy, voluntarily aiding and rendering assistance to all Marines, former Marines, FMF Navy Corpsmen, FMF Navy Chaplains, Associate Members, and to their widows and orphans; and to perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines.

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The Mission of the Marine Corps League (as shown on national website)

The mission of the Marine Corps League is to promote the interest and to preserve traditions of the United States Marine Corps; strengthen the fraternity of Marines and their families; serve Marines, FMF Corpsmen, and FMF Chaplains who wear or who have worn the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor; and foster the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism.

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## LEAGUE PATCHES

The detachment bought Marine Corps League patches (regular and associate). These are available for purchase for those persons wishing to buy new league shirts, or replace old league shirts.



Regular Patches are \$4.00 each

Associate Patches are \$7.00 each

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## Emerald Empire Detachment #917 Advertising Pens



The pens are available to detachment members for \$1.00 each pen. This covers the cost of the pens and earns the detachment approximately 23 cents per pen.

The pens are for handing out to Marines, Corpsmen, Chaplains, and persons we want to try and recruit for membership.

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## HATS & VISORS



Eagle, globe, anchor & "Semper Fi" White Sun visors and Black Marine Corps League hats - **\$1.00 each** – **What a Deal. Hats/Visors are now available at the monthly meetings.**





## **DETACHMENT COINS / CHIPS**



Available for \$1.50 each which off-sets the cost of buying them and earns the detachment 45 cents on each one purchased. They are available for purchase in-person during the monthly meetings and from the detachment paymaster.

You can carry one on you as your representation of the detachment when “challenged.” You can also give them out to Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains, and persons who may want to be associate members as recruiting tools; or as gifts to family, friends, and acquaintances who are veterans themselves.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month

**Dinner @ 1800 hours**

**Meeting Starts @ 1900 hours**

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Department Web Site: <http://www.mcl-oregon.org>

National Website: [www.mcleaguelibrary.org](http://www.mcleaguelibrary.org)

# **2025 Meeting Dates**

**MARK YOUR 2025 CALENDARS NOW**  
**(3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month)**

**17 September 2025 (Brisket, Baked Potato, Fruit Salad, Dinner Roll)**

**15 October 2025 (Sauerkraut & brats, German potato salad, German  
Chocolate Cake)**

**19 November 2025 (Turkey with stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes,  
green beans, pumpkin pie)**

**17 December 2025 (Ham, Scalloped potatoes, tossed salad and roll)**

# **2025 Fund-Raising Breakfast**

## **Dates**

**MARK YOUR 2025 CALENDARS NOW**  
**(3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month)**

**21 September 2025**

**19 October 2025**

**16 November 2025**

**21 December 2025**