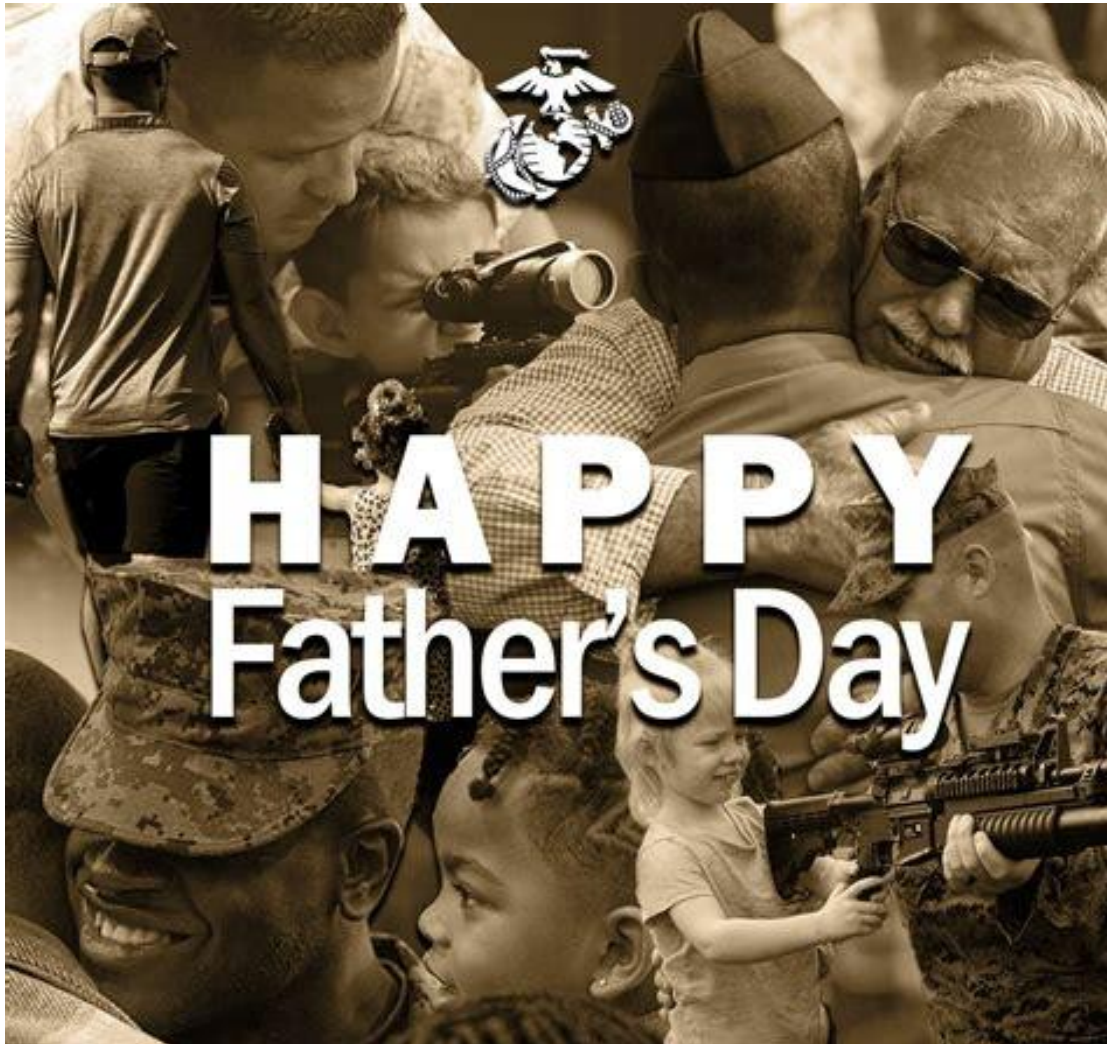


JUNE 2026 NEWSLETTER

Our next monthly meeting is **17 June 2026.**

Father's Day
21 June 2026, Sunday



Be sure to remember your father on his special day.

Eugene Ems' Baseball Armed Forces Night, 22 May 2026 (Friday)



Willamette Leadership Academy did the Presentation of Colors to start the game.

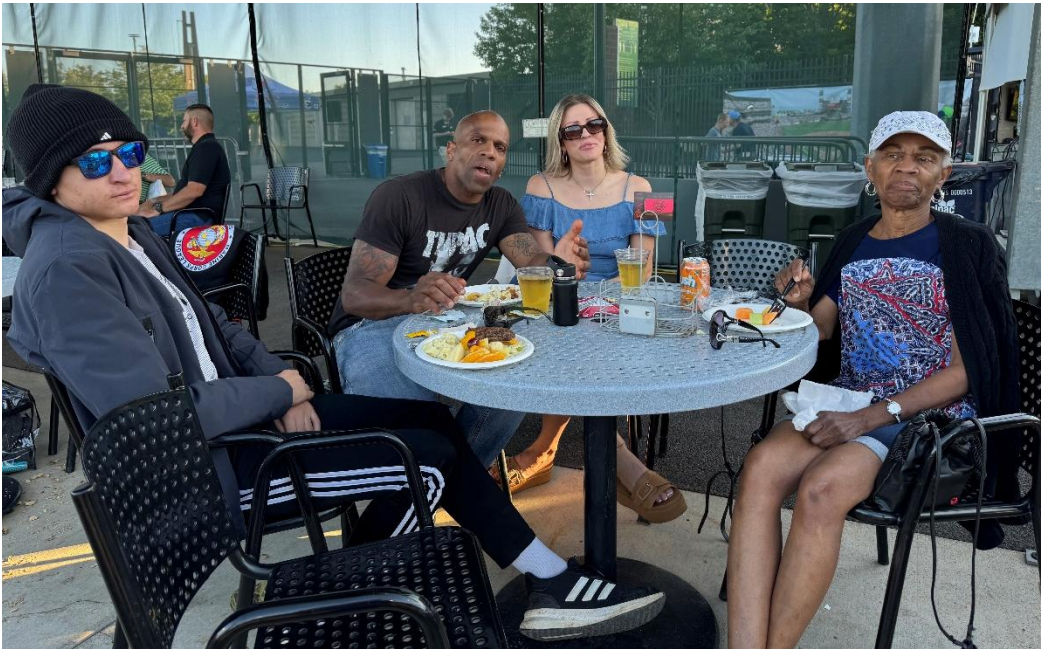








Joseph Lamm and his guests. Joseph's sister, niece and other two friends availed the camera.



Matt Scott, his mother Peggy, and Matt's friends.
Peggy's 75th Birthday was the day before. Matt also planned a Surprise Birthday get-together at Salty's in Portland. Jay Hall was going to be at the Surprise Party.
Paul almost blew the surprise – it was close.



Debbie Barker, her granddaughter Aubrey, and daughter Stephanie.



Ray, and Linda Miller, with Ray's son Jason and his wife Tammi.



Paul and Amy Grinde. Paul just looks sleepy. The art of photograph.



Joseph Lamm and his guests, and Eugene Emerald's Senior Vice President of Operations Chris Bowers.



Chris & Susannah

Attendee photos courtesy of Debbie Barker.

Emerald Empire Detachment #917

Memorial Flag Case

In Memory of Our Deceased Members



The Memorial Flag Case has arrived.

The case has the following features:

- Marine Corps League coin on top of triangle.
- Exquisite Maple Inlay on triangle sides (light colored wood).
 - 21 shell casings to represent the 21 Gun Salute.
- Engraved service motto (Semper Fidelis – Always Faithful) beneath the bottom shell casings.
- Department of Oregon, Emerald Empire Detachment #917 – left engraved plate; and In Memory of Our Deceased Members – right engraved plate. Plates are 2-inch x 5-inch.
 - Double Strength glass
 - Easy access with turn-button closures
 - Felt bottom for furniture protection

Those at the May meeting were able to view the case in person. The nameplates with name, month and year of death have been made. They are in Ray Miller's possession and

have been chained together. These chains will be displayed below the case/shelf.
Examples (only) shown below.



The plates are 7 inches long by 1 inch wide (red with yellow/gold lettering).

This will be displayed in the Moose Lodge veteran's corner near the main entrance.

The Flag in the case is the one obtained from the U.S. Post Office for our friend/deceased member Daniel (Dan) Warren Stombaugh.

Stand-by for more information.

Visit: <https://www.craftedcasesnc.com/>



(This is an archive photo)
Niel Laudati, Assistant City Manager for the City of Springfield, Oregon, is having on-going discussions with Stephen Price for the costs (bench, plaque, and installation). This is an ongoing process and subject to receiving a GRANT.

This new bench will be placed in Memory of our Past Members of the Emerald Empire Detachment's. Continue to: Standby to Standby (government process at work).

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



4 June – Kim Lonberg

5 June – Dave (Doc) Turner

12 June – John Lane **Deceased**

15 June 1950 – Dan Stombaugh **Deceased**

23 June – Thomas H. Williams **Deceased**

24 June – Teresa Robinowitz

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



Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League POTLUCK PICNIC



WHO: The Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League invites all league members, family/kids, Young Marines, Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains, Marine Corps Reservists & Marine Corps Inspector and Instructor Staff.

WHAT: A potluck picnic with the Emerald Empire Detachment #917, Marine Corps League.

WHEN: 15 August 2026 (Saturday); Start Time: 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM.

WHERE: Shelter B, Lively Park (6100 Thurston Road, Springfield, Oregon).

WHY: Camaraderie, brotherhood, and social interaction.

DETAILS: This will be a potluck picnic with the Marine Corps League providing the hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and condiments. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish or a dessert. Bring your own non-alcoholic drinks, plates, napkins, and utensils.

Right now, the number of attendees is unknown.

There is a playground for kids, room to throw Frisbees or play catch, and an indoor pool for any who want to swim (fees to be paid by the individuals).

The two striking pavilions at Lively Park offer electric cook-tops, gas grills, food prep areas, and seating for up to 150 people. Lively Park also features lush green lawns, restrooms, parking, and a large playground, making it popular for celebrations, company picnics, and family gatherings.

IF ATTENDING:

Please let us know – by 15 July 2026 - (contact information shown below):

- (1) How many adults and children in your party.
- (2) If you are bringing a side dish (type), or dessert (type); so, we can plan accordingly.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE POTLUCK PICNIC

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POINT OF CONTACT: Emerald Empire Detachment Email: mcldet917@gmail.com,
or Paul Grinde at beavers@epud.net
Detachment Web Site: <https://marinecorpsleaguedet917.org>





Fund-Raising Breakfast Service for Sunday, 17 May 2026



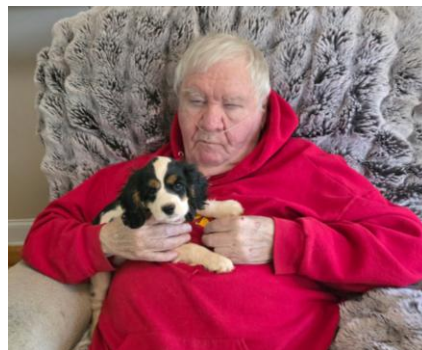
At the 17 May 2026 fund-raising breakfast, we had 21 paid meals at \$10.00, and 1 meal at \$11.00 for a total of \$221.00. We also received \$28.00 in tips.

GRAND TOTAL received was: \$249.00.

CORPSMAN

Eddie Mosteller – Received word from Lois Price. Lois had talked to Jeanne Mosteller about 27 April, and that Eddie had been in the hospital recently due to low oxygen levels. He is now back home.

Eddie had another stay in the hospital, but is back home again. He is on oxygen, and they believe he has heart failure with fluid gathering around the heart.



Eddie looks a “little sleepy,” with their new dog Trixie.



Kim Lonberg & AJ Lonberg – A.J. is having more frequent seizures and will be returning to Harbor View Medical Center in Seattle, Washington. Kim is now A.J.’s full-time caregiver.

Bobby Graves – Bobby sent me this email:

Sorry to miss meeting Wed. My son in law had a stroke yesterday and was waiting for updates.

Today it looks better. He may recover!!!

Bobby



Keep Jeanne & Eddie, Kim & A.J., and Bobby in your thoughts and prayers.

Uniform, Clothing, and Other Items for Free to Someone That Can Use Them



(Not actual photo)

POW/MIA, Heavy Nylon Flag; Still in the box; 5-foot X 8-foot size
Contact: Stephen & Lois Price (contact information at end of this newsletter)

(Not actual photo)

Marine Corps League Red Blazer; Size 42 Short
Contact: Nancy Lukasik via Paul Grinde (contact information at end of this newsletter)



Floor mats (pair)

Contact: Paul Grinde (contact information at end of this newsletter)

Emerald Empire Young Marines



The Emerald Empire Young Marines provided a color guard for the Purple Heart Committee at the Elks Lodge in Springfield, Oregon.

Stephen Price reported that the PVC pipe that feeds from the spring into the collection/settling tank has broken. Stephen, his son, and Paul Grinde went to the Young Marines Camp on 23 May 2026 to do maintenance (mowing & week eating), and repair the water pipe (clear out the access to the 2 water system areas).

Stephen also reported that the Cascade Timer Consulting, Inc. has changed the first main gate entry system, and Stephen has purchased new locks in an attempt to resolve unauthorized entry into the Young Marines Camp.

Stephen also reported that he had spoken to Mike, at the Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc., and that the company has the Young Marines Camp on their list of roads that need clearing/cutting back. They are not at the top of the list but are very close to the top, so this work will get done this late spring/summer. This road clearing/cutting back will be done at “no cost.”



The Young Marines are still trying to recruit both young participants as well as adult leaders.

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.

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.

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

Emerald Empire Detachment #917 Advertising Pens



The **NEW** pens are available to detachment members for \$2.00 each pen. This covers the cost of the pens, and the detachment earns about 50 cents per pen toward the next order of pens.

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



HATS

The Black Marine Corps League hats – are still available for \$1.00 each – **WHAT A DEAL**. Hats are available at the monthly meetings. There are only 3 remaining. Get yours before they are gone.

VISORS

The 12 Eagle, globe, anchor & “Semper Fi” White Sun visors - were donated to the Oregon Veterans’ Home, Lebanon, Oregon. The Visors are now gone and no longer available.



DETACHMENT COINS / CHIPS



Available for \$1.50 each. They are available for purchase in-person during the monthly meetings and from the detachment paymaster.



EMERALD EMPIRE DETACHMENT # 917
OFFICERS & CONTACT INFORMATION:

Commandant Joseph Lamm

Senior Vice-Commandant Chris Wade

Junior-Vice Commandant Paul Grinde

Judge Advocate – Debbie Barker

Adjutant Raymond J. Miller

Paymaster Lois J. Price

Chaplain Joy Cavin

Web-Master Paul Grinde

Sgt-at-Arms: Matt Scott

Junior Past-Commandant Dave Huber

To Contact Detachment Officers – use the detachment Email address shown below. Communications will be forwarded to the appropriate detachment officer.

Moose Lodge 1726
2011 Laura Street
Springfield, OR 97477-2100
Phone: (541) 746-3321
3rd Wednesday of the Month

Dinner @ 1800 hours

Meeting Starts @ 1900 hours

Mailing address:

Emerald Empire Detachment #917
PO Box 70455 Springfield, OR 97475

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Detachment Facebook Page: [MCL Detachment 917](#)

Detachment Web Site: <https://marinecorpsleaguedet917.org>

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

National Website: www.mcleaguelibrary.org

2026 Meeting Dates

MARK YOUR 2025 CALENDARS NOW
(3rd Wednesday of the month)

17 June 2026 (Baked Potato Bar – Self Serve)

15 July 2026 (Hamburgers & Hot Dogs, Chili on the side, Potato Salad (no onion), Watermelon, Chips and Dips)

19 August 2026 (Salad Bar – Self Serve – with fixings, chopped grilled chicken, Corn on the Cob)

16 September 2026

21 October 2026

18 November 2026

16 December 2026

2026 Fund-Raising Breakfast

Dates

MARK YOUR 2025 CALENDARS NOW
(3rd Sunday of the month)

21 June 2026 (Father's Day – Fathers Eat Free)

19 July 2026

16 August 2026

20 September 2026

18 October 2026

15 November 2026

20 December 2026