



# The Few. The Proud.

## The DuPage MCL Detachment 399

C/O DuPage Memorial V.F.W. Post #2164 · 0N731 Papworth Rd. · Wheaton, IL 60187

### Officers

Commandant: E. Bucur  
 Sr Vice Comdt: M. Albertus  
 Jr Vice Comdt: Pete Beaudion  
 Paymaster: C. Wingard  
 Chaplain: D. Kenyon  
 Judge Advocate: J. Schmitt  
 Sgt at Arms: R. Gaden  
 Jr Past Commandant: J. Olejnicki  
 Trustee: V. Cobbett (2022)  
 Trustee: L. Olson (2021)  
 Trustee: J. Meschi (2020)  
 Trustee: B. Barta (2019)  
 Adjutant: Tom Gillespie

### Committee Chairs

Bingo: R. Gaden  
 Color Guard: R. Gaden  
 Eagle Scout: R. Gaden  
 Fund-Raising: L. Olson  
 Historian: D. Igrisan  
 Membership: J. Winquist  
 News Memo: V. Cobbett  
 Picnic: G. Bormann  
 Quartermaster: M. Albertus  
 Scholarship: V. Cobbett  
 Special Awards: Barta & Olejnicki  
 TFT: R. Kollias  
 VAC: J. Meschi  
 Valentine Party: D. Provenzale  
 Web Sgt: J. Stanovich

### Website

[mcleague399.org](http://mcleague399.org)

### Contact any officer

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

10 Mar **BINGO**, Hines Hospital  
 21-24 Mar **Central Division** Conference  
 24 Mar **Third Staff**, Dept IL MCL  
 26 Mar **General meeting**, 1930, VFW Post 2164,  
 first nominations for elected office  
 15 Apr **Dept IL MCL scholarship** application deadline  
 23 Apr **General meeting**, 1930, VFW Post 2164,  
 second nominations, detachment elections,  
*pizza party*

### HINES BINGO

The first "Bingo" of 2019 is Sunday, 10 March 2019 at Hines Veterans Hospital in Maywood, from 1400 until 1530, in the first-floor cafeteria of the "extended care unit" building #217. You may park in the Oklahoma lot, southwest corner of the hospital complex.

### VALENTINE DAY PARTY

Due to inclement weather, the Valentine Bingo Party had to be canceled.

### ALL HANDS BREAKFAST

The All Hands breakfast was an excellent event. The speakers included CO's from 2/24, MACG 48, MCCC, and Dept MCL and WMA .

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Detachment Scholarship Application & Instructions are available online at: [www.mcleague399.org](http://www.mcleague399.org). Hardcopies are available by request at every meeting.

### TFT

Rita Kollias, Linda Bellows & Cpl. Stephanie Kazior did another outstanding job organizing and controlling the TFT this year. Thank you to all who assisted with the warehouse, drop sites, events, pickups, deliveries, and the many other tasks that must be completed for a successful season.



## Dupage County: 2018 Highlights

### Actual Distribution

Toys:	45,106
Books:	3,492
Stocking Stuffers:	26,593
Total:	75,191

### Adjusted Distribution Total For Release To The Public:

Toys:	51,588
One (1) toy = 1 Toy	
Three (3) books = 1 Toy	
Five (5) stocking stuffers = 1 Toy	

Organizations receiving assistance:	58
Number of children receiving toys:	27,471
Average number of toys given to a child:	1.88

Total of donations collected locally:	\$65,337.91
Total spent on toy purchases:	\$36,643.80

Registered (online) drop sites:	658
<i>(Doesn't include the non-registered drop sites with logged donations)</i>	

Number of registered events:	69
<i>(Events requesting a uniformed Marine)</i>	

# THANK YOU !

## CENTRAL DIVISION CONFERENCE

The Department of Illinois will be holding the Central Division Conference and 3rd Staff Meeting at the Holiday Inn Rock Island – Quad Cities, 226 17th St., Rock Island, IL. The Conference will be Thursday thru Saturday March 21-23 and 3rd Staff will be Sunday March 24. All Detachments are asked to consider helping to provide a Hospitality Room with a donation of a variety of food and drinks. Please check Department website for further information or any updates: [www.theillinoismarine.com/events.php](http://www.theillinoismarine.com/events.php)

## PRAYER LIST

The following members, their family, and friends of the detachment need our prayers and well wishes; perhaps a phone call or a card: John Schmitt, John Burlace, Read Rogers, Thomas Stuckey, John Finn, Allen Zenner, Merrill Albertus, Gary Cobbett, Wayne Harrison, Brett Lauten, Richard Doria, Mike Mikulecky, Don Haines, Terry Owens, Vito Markas, Richard Nazimek and spouse, Roland Johnson and spouse, Gary & Gail Shilkaitis, Harper Orbell, Col Mark Smith, Charlie Castino, Kilyn Winquist, and Sharon Passero. Some of the names above have long term illnesses and problems and remain on our prayer list to remind us that not all issues are easily resolved. If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, contact Chaplain Kenyon or Commandant Bucur.

## GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

1. Congratulations to the following Members who were sworn in to our detachment over twenty-five years ago:

- \* Robert J. Beran - 33 years, 18 March 1986
- \* John P. Meschi – 32 years, 17 March 1987
- \* William “Bud” Marks – 31 years, 16 February 1988
- \* Daniel E. Igrisan – 30 years, 17 January 1989
- \* Fredrick H. Schwerdtner – 30 years, 21 February 1989
- \* Richard “Mike” Mikulecky – 26 years, 11 March 1993

2. **Nominations** for our detachment board of officers begin in March. Do you have ideas and energy or resolve to be more involved; we need you! Think about an elected office to serve your detachment, fellow Marines, other veterans, and your community. Job descriptions are available at meetings or in the by-laws in your new member packet.

3. Consider becoming a LIFE MEMBER. After one (1) year of membership, any member in good standing may become a LIFE MEMBER of the Marine Corps League.

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>\$Life Membership Cost</u>
0 – 35	\$500.00
36– 50	\$400.00
51– 64	\$300.00
65 and over	\$200.00

**SEMPER FIDELIS**