Department of Tennessee Commandants

1982	Charles D. Bradley *	Music City Detachment
1982-1984	Fred Tucker	Music City Detachment
1984-1985	Claud H. Wilkins *	Sgt. Walter K. Singleton Detachment
1985-1986	Larry J. Sago	Chattanooga Detachment
1986-1987	Leon B. Batson, Sr. *	Music City Detachment
1987-1988	Haskell M. "Hank" Clark	Chattanooga Detachment
1988-1989	John T. Cain *	Music City Detachment
1989-1990	Eugene A. Lucchesi, Sr. *	Sgt. Walter K. Singleton Detachment
1990-1991	Arthur C. Jackson	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1991-1992	Howard M. Smith III *	Chattanooga Detachment
1992-1994	Glen Barry Evans	Music City Detachment
1994-1995	Loyal E. Conard	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1995-1996	Thomas N. Thompson *	Lincoln County Detachment
1996-1997	John T. Hicks	Chattanooga Detachment
1997-1998	Edward M. Evans	Music City Detachment
1998-1999	Claire M. Minie	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1999-2001	J. Nolan Sharbel, Sr.	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
2001-2003	Fred C. Gettings	Elbert Kinser Detachment
2003-2004	Ernest F. Seagle	Chattanooga Detachment
2004-2006	David J. Gardner	Stones River Detachment
2006-2007	Charles L. Reedy	Tri-Cities of Tennessee Detachment
2007-2009	David Z. Cates	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
2009-	David R. Hatfield	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Detachment

* Deceased

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Department of Tennessee MCLA Presidents

1995-1998	Deborah R. Evans	Music City Unit
1998-2000	Alice Blackford	Music City Unit
2000-2002	Inda Adams	Music City Unit
2002-2004	Constance Sexton	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Unit
2004-2005	Pat Gettings	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Unit
2005-2007	Alice Blackford	Music City Unit
2007-2009	Carolyn Bevington	Music City Unit
2009-2010	Jacqueline Reedy	Tri-Cities of TN Unit
2010-	Deborah R. Evans	Stones River Unit

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Military Order of the Devil Dogs Tennessee Pack Leaders

1993-1995	PDD John T. Hicks	Chattanooga Pound 209
1995-1997	PDD Glen Barry Evans	Music City Pound 155
1997-1999	PDD Ernest F. Seagle	Chattanooga Pound 209
1999-2001	PDD David J. Gardner	Music City Pound 155
2001-2003	PDD Edward M. Evans	Music City Pound 155
2003-2005	PDD Carlton L. Pittman	Chattanooga Pound 209
2005-2008	PDD David R. Hatfield	Smoky Mountain Pound 271
2008-2008	PDD Donald J. Elseroad	Lenny Margolis Pound 300
2008 -2010	PDD Suzette M. Graves	Claud Wilkins Pound 337
2010-	PDD David Z. Cates	Smoky Mountain Pound 271

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Department of Tennessee "John T. Hicks Marine of the Year"Award Recipients

1994	John T. Hicks	Chattanooga Detachment
1995	None	
1996	H. Lynn Hunter	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1997	Karl A. Ekstrom	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
	J. Tom Coffman	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1998	Arthur C. Jackson	James N. McCutchen Detachment
1999	None	
2000	Virgil L. Young Jr.	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
	Ernest F. Seagle	Chattanooga Detachment
2001	Bette Jean Berry	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
2002	Donald J. Elseroad	Tri-Cities of Tennessee Detachment
2003	Claire M. Minie	James N. McCutchen Detachment
2004	Glen Barry Evans	Music City Detachment
2005	Charles L. Reedy	Tri-Cities of Tennessee Detachment
2006	David Z. Cates	Lt. Alexander Bonnyman Detachment
2007	James G. Kern	Sgt. Walter Singleton Detachment
2008	Edwin B. Magee	BGen Austin C. Shofner Detachment
2009	David J. Gardner	Stones River Detachment
2010	Steven D. Bickford	Tri-Cities of Tennessee Detachment

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Department of Tennessee MCLA "Deborah Evans Award" Award Recipients

2003	Deborah R. Evans	Music City Unit
2003	Joann Vogt	Tri-Cities of Unit
2004	Shelby Ward	Tri-Cities Unit
2005	Alice Blackford	Music City Unit
2006	Barbara Tassey	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Unit
2007	Pat Gettings	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Unit
2008	Martha Seagle	Chattanooga Unit
2009	Doris Ekstrom	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Unit
2010	Constance Sexton	Lt Alexander Bonnyman Unit
	Inda Adams	Music City Unit

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Military Order of the Devil Dogs Tennessee Pack "Dog of the Year" Award Recipients

1998	PDD David J. Gardner	Music City Pound 155
1999	DD W. Anthony Westbrooks	Music City Pound 155
2000	PDD Glen Barry Evans	Music City Pound 155
2001	PDD Edward M. Evans	Music City Pound 155
2002	PDD Ernest F. eagle	Chattanooga Pound 209
2003	PDD John T. Hicks	Smoky Mountain Pound 271
2004	PDD Carlton L. Pittman	Chattanooga Pound 209
2005	None	
2006	PDD David Z. Cates	Smoky Mountain Pound 271
2007	None	
2008	DD Virgil L. Young Jr	Smoky Mountain Pound 271
2009	DD David C. Elrod	Smoky Mountain Pound 271
2010	PDD David R Hatfield	Smoky Mountain Pound 271

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Department of Tennessee
Marine Corps League

Rules of Order for the Department Convention

1. Business sessions will be conducted in adherence to the prescribed Ritual of the Marine Corps League. Delegates are expected to be in attendance well in advance of the beginning of each session, so as to preclude any delay or interruption(s) of the session.

2. The Procedures for the Department Convention are to be in accordance with Article One, Section 111 of the Department Bylaws.

3. Should the "Chair" decide to admit any visitor(s) to the Convention Hall, for any purpose, the "Good of the League" will be in order. After the Sergeant At Arms or Designate has escorted the visitor(s) from the Convention Hall, the "Chair" will have the Sergeant At Arms declare the session "Open for the transaction of Official Business".

4. No Delegate, Department Officer or Past Department Commandant shall be permitted to speak more than twice on any question, with the second time being only after all others who are eligible and wish to speak have exercised their option. A limit of three (3) minutes will be imposed upon each speaker. This limit will not apply to reports.

5. Registered Members/Delegates desiring permission to enter or leave the Convention Hall will do so by: (a) presenting themselves and (b) saluting the "Chair" or Designate. When the salute has been returned this will indicate the permission to enter or leave.

6. The "Chair", no matter by whom occupied, shall always be addressed as "Sir Commandant" or "Madam Commandant".

7. Should a "Point of Order" be raised, the Chair may inquire of the Department Judge Advocate and/or the Department Parliamentarian to render an "Opinion" on the "Point of Order" raised to the "Chair". The "Chair" shall then make a "Ruling" on the "Point" which shall be binding unless appealed. If an Appeal is made to the Ruling of the Chair, it will require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Delegates present and voting to overturn the Chair's Ruling.

8. During the "Nomination of Officers" procedure, the nominator of the Candidate for office, will be permitted not more than five (5) minutes to place the name in nomination. Seconds to the nomination, will be permitted not more than one (1) minute.

9. Any Member of the Department in Good Standing who has requested the "Floor" and has been recognized by the Chair will identify themselves by Name, Detachment, and whether or not they are a Delegate, Department Officer or Past Department Commandant, prior to making their remarks.

10. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Delegates present on the floor and voting is required to "Waive" any of the rules of this Convention.

FIRST MEMORIAL TABLE REQUIRED

To be setup in the room where the Joint Opening Ceremony is to take place

Fallen Comrades Table

Black tablecloth
Candleholder with Single White lighted candle
Purple Heart medal
ID tag
Marine Barracks Cap with White cover and Gold emblem
NCO Sword
White gloves
Table setting – inverted
A single chair
Bell, tolling
National and Marine Corps Colors displayed (table set)

The table draped in Black - symbolizing the color of mourning; the ultimate sacrifice, a table set in honor of our **Fallen Comrades.**

The single lighted candle - reminds us of the flame of eternal life: that the memory of our Fallen Comrades shall be with us always.

The Purple Heart Medal – is displayed to reflect the shedding of blood and ebb of life in battle.

The Identification tags - are blank, yet they could bear the name of any of us here tonight.

The dinner setting is inverted - they break bread with us in spirit only.

The chair is empty - they rest in peace.

SECOND MEMORIAL TABLE REQUIREMENTS

To be setup in the room where the banquet is to take place

POW/MIA Table

White tablecloth
Red rose in a vase
Yellow ribbon – tied around vase
A slice of lemon
Salt on plate
Table setting with glass inverted
A single chair

The table draped in White - symbolizing the purity to respond to the call to arms, a table set in honor of our Prisoners of War and Missing in Action Marines.

The single Red Rose - displayed in a vase reminds us of the families and loved ones of our comrades who keep the faith.

The Yellow Ribbon - tied around the vase symbolizes our demand for proper accounting of our missing.

A slice of lemon - is on the bread plate to remind us of their bitter fate.

There is salt upon the plate - symbolic of the families' tears as they wait.

The glass is inverted - they cannot toast with us tonight.

The chair is empty - they are not here.

Remember - All of us who have served with them and call them "brother", who depended upon their strength and comfort and relied upon them; for surely they have not forsaken you.

THIRD MEMORIAL TABLE REQUIRED

To be setup in the room where the Joint Opening Ceremony is to take place and in the room where the banquet is to take place

Deceased Tennessee Department Marine Corps League and Auxiliary members

Scarlet and gold table cloths
Triple Candleholder with Two White and One Red candle (White each side of the Red)
Two White Roses on a Red Tray
Silver or Crystal Cross
Bell, tolling
National and Marine Corps Colors displayed (table set)
A single chair

The table draped in Scarlet and gold - is in remembrance of our Detachment's and Auxiliary's recently departed brother (s) and sister (s).

The single Red candle - represents all of us, past, present and future.

The White candles - are symbolic that our memory of them shall always burn brightly.

The White Roses - are symbolic of our eternal love for them.

The tolling of the bell - is an announcement of our loss.

The chair is empty - they rest in peace.

Host Detachment
Marine Corps League

From: _____
To: Convention Credentials Committee
Subj: Registration of Department Convention Delegates and Alternates
Ref: Department of Tennessee Bylaws, Section 102

Total Members	**Delegates**	**Alternates**

In accordance with Reference (a), the following Members are certified to be in good standing in this Detachment and designated as Delegates or Alternates, as indicated, for the Convention.

DEL	ALT	Name	MCL#	Expiration Date

The fee of $5 per person is attached as payment in the amount of $_____ to cover the Registration Fees of the Delegates and Alternates listed for the 200**?** Department of Tennessee Convention.

_____ _____ _____ _____
Detachment Commandant Date Detachment Adjutant/Paymaster Date

Check payable to Department of Tennessee, Marine Corps League
Mail to: Paymaster Department of Tennessee
Address

Department of Tennessee Convention

June _____

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** ____ **Zip:**_____ **Phone:** _____

Email Address _____

Members Attending

Title	Name	MCL	MCLA	Detachment/Unit
_____	_____	____	____	_____
_____	_____	____	____	_____
_____	_____	____	____	_____
_____	_____	____	____	_____

If you are a past or present State or National Officer (list which office & year, League or Auxiliary)

You are arriving: Thursday_____ Friday_____ or Saturday _____

MCL Member Registration fee is $5 ____ **X $5 = ____**
($6 at the door)
MCLA Member Registration fee is $5 ____ **X $5 = ____**
($6 at the door)
Banquet on Saturday, June _____
_____ ____ **X $**_____ **= ____**
_____ ____ **X $**_____ **= ____**
Dietary needs _____
Total payment **$**_____
Return this form and check by _____to:
Host Detachment
Address

Book the _____ Hotel by _____ at _____ and mention the Marine Corps League when you make your reservations so you are able to get the convention rate.

Department of Tennessee
Marine Corps League

Convention

June _____

Convention Ads

Advertiser: _____

Address: _____

City: _____State: _____ Zip: _____

The finished Program Book will be 8-1/2" x 11"

___ Full Page – 7" x 9-1/2" $100.00

___ 1/2 Page – 7" x 4-3/4" or 3-1/2" x 9-1/2" $50.00

___ 1/4 Page – 3-1/2" x 4-3/4" $25.00

___ 1/8 Page – 3-1/2" x 2-3/8" $15.00

Ad Total $_____

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Mail this form along with your camera-ready ad and check payable to:
Detachment Name Please return prior to _____

Mail copy and check to: Detachment Name

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If any questions, please feel free to call _____or email at _____

Department of Tennessee Convention After Action Report

Conference City _____ Dates Held _____

Host Detachment _____ # _____

Host Unit _____

Name of Hotel _____ Phone # _____

Fax # _____

Convention Coordinator _____Phone # _____

E-mail _____

Department Commandant _____ Phone # _____

E-mail_____

Department President _____ Phone # _____

E-mail_____

Number Rooms Reserved Thursday _____ Friday _____ Saturday _____

Cost INCLUDING Tax $ _____ Number used _____

Number of Accessible (Handicap) Rooms Reserved _____ Number used _____

Number of Conference / Meeting Rooms _____ Number of Complimentary Rooms _____

Number of Committee meeting rooms required _____
Number of Members attending Conference:
Marine Corps League (Regular/Associate) Members _____
Marine Corps League Auxiliary (Regular/Associate) Members _____
Military Order of the Devil Dogs _____
Number of Dignitaries invited & attending requiring Complimentary Room & Banquet _____

Banquet Tickets sold _____ Cost Each $ _____ Number Attending Banquet _____

Marine of the Year Award_____ Detachment _____

Devil Dog of the Year Award _____ Pound _____

100% of MCL Registration Fees goes to Host Detachment
100% of MCL Delegate Fees goes to the Department
100% of MCLA Registration Fees goes to Host Unit

Copies go to the Department Commandant & the Detachment hosting the upcoming year's convention
For Comments/Suggestions please use reverse side

Sample Convention Schedule

- (Host Detachment Identification) –
Host for the
Department of Tennessee
Marine Corps League
Convention - __ - __ June 20___

Convention Schedule

Thursday , __ June

1200-1700	Convention Registration Open	Locations to be Listed
1200-2300	Hospitality Room Open	for Each Event
1700	Dinner on your own	

Friday, __ June

1000-1700	Convention Registration Open	“
1100-1600	Ship’s Store Open	“
1100-1200	Lunch on your own	
1200-2300	Hospitality Room Open	“
1200-1400	Detachment Workshop and Classes (All Members Welcome)	“
1400-1630	Detachment Commandants Council - Dept Sr-Vice Cmdt Chairs	“
1400-1630	All Department Committees to Meet (Locations TBD)	“
1600	MODD Registration for Advancement and New Pups	“
1600-1700	MODD Registration and Passport Stamps	“
1700- TBD	MODD Tennessee Pack Grand Growl (Members Only)	“
1700- TBD	MODD Fleas Scratch of the Hide (Members Only)	“
TBD	Dinner on your own	

Saturday, __ June

0700-1300	Convention Registration Open	“
0700	Breakfast on your own	
0830-1300	Ship’s Store Open	“
0900-0930	MCL & MCLA Joint Opening Meeting – Welcome Aboard	“
0930-1200	MCL Annual Business Meeting	“
0930-1200	MCLA Annual Business meeting	“
1200	Lunch on your own	
1300- TBD	MCL Annual Business Meeting – Election of Officers	“
1300- TBD	MCLA Annual Business Meeting – Election of Officers	“
1700-1800	Formal Recption For Guest of Honor and Social Hour	“ “
1800-	Welcome and Introduction of Guest of Honor, Memorial Service, MIA/POW Recognition, Banquet, Ceremonies, Awards, MCL-MCLA Installation of Officers	“

Sunday, __ June

0800- TBD	Department Offices Call – All Elected and Appointed Officers	“

Drive Safely and have a good trip hone. We hope you enjoyed the 20___ Annual Department of Tennessee Convention, and we hope to see you next year in _____, TN

Notes: Hospitality Room is to be scheduled by the Host Detachment during Friday and Saturday as desired, so as to provide service without conflicting with Business Meetings

The Department Commandant has the Final Approval on the Convention Schedule!

Listing of Items to be Included in the Department Convention Program Book.

The Outside Front Cover of the Program Book will be devoted to the Marine Corps League, that is to the Department and/or the Host Detachment. There will be no advertisements on the Outside Front Cover. The Inside Front Cover and both the Inside and Outside Back Cover may be used by the Host Detachment at their discretion.

Items to be included are:

(a) Letters from the Department Commandant and the MCLA Department President.

(b) Letters from State and Local Government Officials, if any are available

(c) Listings of the Past and Current Department Commandants:

Listing of Past and Current MCLA Department Presidents;

Listing of Past and Current Military Order of the Devil Dogs Tennessee Pack Leaders;

See Enclosure (1).

(d) Listing of the Past Recipients of the ***Department of Tennessee John T. Hicks Marine of the Year***.

Listing of the Past Recipients of the ***Department of Tennessee MCLA Deborah Evans Award***;

Listing of all Past Recipients of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs ***Tennessee Pack Devil Dog of the Year***.

See Enclosure (2).

(e) The Department of Tennessee ***Rules of Order of the Department Convention***.

See Enclosure (3).

(f) The ***Department Of Tennessee Convention Schedule***, as approved by the Department Commandant.

See Enclosure (11)

(g) **Department Chaplain's Memorial Page** – There is no standard format for this page. Each Department Chaplain is responsible to create their own page and coordinate with the Host Detachment to deliver it to them in a timely manner to have it ready for the Program Book

In addition to the required pages, solicit Ads from the Members and Detachments on the Department of Tennessee, and the Members and Units of the MCLA Department of Tennessee, to fill the Program Book. This Book can be an important source of revenue for the Host Detachment