

Dept. of Missouri Commandants

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The Department of Mo. Continues to grow and function at a high level to meet the needs of our current Marines, former Marines, their families and the National Marine Corps League objectives.

Our Operational focus for the past year has been in “lock step “with the objectives set forth by both the Divisional and National commands of Marine Corps League.

This report will be formatted to the new requirements set forth by the 7 April by National Senior Vice Commandant.

- Current membership is 1500; this number is up 111 members or 7.9% from the same period last year, and +34 members or 2.3% from the previous quarter.
- Growth rate for the Dept. of Mo. As stated above is +7.9% from this time period last year.
- Delinquent membership levels at Dept. level are currently 180 members or 12% of total membership. This number while down 81 delinquent members or 27.7% of total membership from June ending 2009, is still at an unacceptable high level and continues to be a major focus of our Leadership TEAM. Our goal for the coming year is to maintain delinquent levels no higher than 8%.

- We have had no Chapter Nines over the past year, although we have a few issues that are being addressed at the Det. Level.
- Web Sgts have been in place at both Det. And Dept. levels since the directive at the 2009 National Conference. However at this time no training has been done against the new data base.
- Chaplin's reports are being forwarded in a timely manner to the Dept. Division and National level.
- We have no major problems within the Dept. Leadership team as it is currently structured. Developmental plans are in place to mentor new Det. Commandants.
- The vision that our Leadership team has for the coming year is to get our membership growth/delinquency issues under control so we can return to what our focus needs to be- **SUPPORTING OUR MARINES AND THEIR FAMILIES!**

We all understand the importance of the National Marine Corps League as a business and the need for National HQ to fund "big picture" programs, but we really must not let that overshadow our mission of "Marines Helping Marines" most of which takes place on the Det. Level .National, Division and Department can lead, push or incent requirements on the Det's and Members, but at the end of the day we all must realize that this is a volunteer organization and our members are participating because they want to support our Marines.

Respectfully Submitted

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