

Granite State Marine Corps League Detachment #542

July 14 , 2026 at 1800

Uniform of the day: MCL cover

Opening Ceremony: Commandant, Sgt-at-Arms, Chaplain

Roll Call of Officers and Appointed Positions:

Commandant :	Eric Anthony	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Sr Vice Cmndt :	Jesse Stufflebeam	Pr. ☐	Ex. ☒	Abs. ☐
Jr Vice Cmndt :	Vacant	Pr. ☐	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Judge Advoc :	Chris Peirce	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Jr Past Cmndt :	B J Byers	Pr. ☐	Ex. ☒	Abs. ☐
Acting Adjutant:	Jo Zurwell	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Chaplain :	Joe Duquette	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Paymaster :	Marge Romano	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Quartermaster :	Steve White	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Sgt at Arms :	Paul Coutu	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Webmaster :	Jo Zurwell	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Scouting :	Kayley Bass/Sara Steffen	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐
Aide De Camp :	Kevin Brown	Pr. ☒	Ex. ☐	Abs. ☐

We have a quorum.

Other Members attending:

Pauly Labbe, Mary Ann Diekman, Joey Duquette, Pat Anthony

New Members Attending and Sworn-In:

Jonathan Janosz

Guests attending:

Gerry Duncan, Pete and Sarah Miner all from NH Still on Watch, Cody Dumont,
Department of NH Commandant

Prior to the official business commencing the detachment was joined by Gerry Duncan, Pete Miner and Sarah Miner from NH Still on Watch for a presentation on their project. *Romano* introduced the group and explained that she was once on the committee but had to leave due to other commitments.

Gerry explained how the program started and what it is doing now. NH Still on Watch is working towards creating the Military Suicide Loss Memorial Monument that will be located at the NH State Veteran Cemetery in Boscawen, NH. They supplied a flyer that is attached to the minutes. From the flyer, "We are building a memorial at the NH State Veterans Cemetery. We will remember the veterans who died by suicide, support the families and service members who carry their memory, and remind every veteran still fighting silent battles that they are never alone."
"END THE SILENCE HONOR THE SERVICE"

They have a timeline for different sections of the monument, first being an eight-foot granite bench that will be installed by November 1st. They plan to have what is in the image on the flyer with the bench, flag on the bench, dog next to the bench and a pair of boots. Other than the bench, all other items will be made of bronze. Their goal is to have the whole project completed by Labor Day of next year as they are raising funds for the total of \$33K still needed for the balance of the project. Their stated mission on the flyer is, "We envision a NH where every veteran feels seen, supported and connected. Where barriers are replaced with understanding. Where remembrance fuels action so that no veteran fights alone." She thanked the detachment for their time, and the detachment members thanked her for their information.

The meeting then moved on to an acknowledgement of the memorial paver for Maurice Labbe presented to his widow and GSD member Pauly Labbe. The paver will be placed at the Easterseals Military Campus in Franklin, New Hampshire on August 4th at 10am. *Anthony* read off the following remarks in memory of Maurice Labbe.

Maurice was a Seagoing Marine who served in WWII on the Battleship Indiana. He rose to the honored position of Admiral's orderly.

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Anthony shared some informational paperwork with Pauly, and she was very appreciative of the thoughtful gesture of the detachment to remember her late husband Maurice.

Commandant Anthony and Chaplain Duquette then performed the swearing in ceremony of a new member to the detachment, NH State Trooper Jonathan Janosz. Following the ceremony everyone welcomed him to the detachment.

Approval of previous meeting's minutes:

*White made the **MOTION** accept the previous meeting's minutes; Brown seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.***

Anthony then provided an update on the progress of the Marine Corps Ball. The Puritan Backroom has been procured for the event. *White* stated he is coordinating a visit to the space for the committee. *Peirce* provided *White* with the Marine Corps birthday event plan to be followed. *Romano* stated that the checking account for the ball is currently at \$5,957.75. *Peirce* handed a check for \$1000 from Hidden Battles to *Romano*. *Romano* then advised that the DJ has been selected, and the center pieces have been decided on. *Anthony* stated that he passed out several of the sponsorship letters at a recent meeting of local business owners. *White* stated he is waiting to hear back from the messages he has left at Navy Federal Credit Union, he may go there in person to speak with them for a sponsorship.

Romano then shared how much was received from the detachment's ten days at the Revo Casino in Lebanon, NH back in May; \$60,382.54. She stated these funds are in the checking account not earning any interest. Since it is not a guarantee to be selected by the Revo Casino in 2027 she suggested that the detachment move some of these funds into a three- or six-month CD to earn interest until needed in 2027. She and *Anthony* had reached out to Marty Michaud, a financial advisor for his suggestion and he thought that a CD would be better than a money market account because a CD is covered by FDIC insurance. She shared the percentages for different month terms from different banks, but she would prefer to stick with Citizen's Bank as all of the other accounts for the detachment are with that bank. *Dumont* then mentioned that he was at the Seacoast detachment meeting last night, and they were discussing the exact same thing as their funds from their casino days was even more than GSD. The commandant, Dick Lak, had reached out to the NH Gaming Commission to make sure there were no limitations on what could be done with the funds received from these events in regard to holding the funds or putting into CD or other financial accounts. *Dumont* asked that no decision be made until after the NH Gaming Commission gets back the Seacoast detachment, which should be soon, as what would apply to them would also apply to GSD 542. It was agreed that waiting until Seacoast heard a response was reasonable.

Romano then advised all that the membership renewals are now due. She stated that in the past the online payment process was done via PayPal, but this year it has been set up with Zeffy so that there are no fees pulled from the payment. The option to mail in a check is still available. She sent an email out via Constant Contact, with help from *Zurwell*, to all members with the information needed to

renew. She thanked *Zurwell* for all her help with getting Zeffy connected to the bank account and for updating the website to have this new process flow correctly.

A reminder for VetFest was shared by *Dumont*. He stated that the Department will have a tent and if anyone would like to come over and help cover the tent he will be happy for the company; there is no official signup sheet, just show up. Saturday August 8th from 9am to 2pm at the Deerfield Fairgrounds at 34 Stage Road, Deerfield, NH. For more information on the event please visit their Facebook page at [2nd Annual VetFest](#).

The conversation then moved to challenge coin sales. *White* said that he knows the coins are in the storage unit, but it is a large unit, and he has not found them yet. He will continue looking and get an inventory total so that sales of the coins can start. He stated he would be willing to be the one to ship the orders when they come in but he had questions on how best to package and ship them. Both *Romano* and *Zurwell* stated that bubble envelopes would be the most economical way to package and ship. *Zurwell* stated she had written up a process for what needed to be done to be ready to sell and ship the orders and she would email that to *White*.

White then continued onto the next topic of the Union Leader ad space pricing. He stated that he has reached out to his account manager, Billy, but he was on vacation and expects a reply back by next week or he will call back. This is to determine the best pricing possible for placing an ad in the Union Leader for either the detachment to promote MCL and or for the Marine Corps Ball.

Member Jim Ambrose, who was not present at the meeting, but sent an email after the June fundraising event at Market Basket, with his idea for the detachment to invest in some new folding chairs that are used at the fundraising table events. The current ones are very low and hard on the back and knees for many. He offered an option that he thought would work well at a cost of \$69.99 each on Amazon. This information was passed around to all present to see what it looked like. A short discussion was had to decide on two or four chairs, final decision was to purchase four chairs as there are normally two tables and two chairs at most fundraising events. *White* made the motion to purchase four of these portable folding chairs for \$69.99 each; the motion was seconded by *Coutu* and the vote passed unanimously. *Anthony* will purchase the chairs and let the Quartermaster know when they have come in.

Anthony then turned the floor over to *Dumont* who reminded the membership that GSD 542 would be hosting the Q3 Department meeting and he would like someone to email him the date and time so he can set up the sign-up page on the website. *Zurwell* said she would email the date and time selected.

Dumont then reminded the membership that this weekend will be the golf tournament that they have one spot still available. The Department has a booth/tent at the event that will have over 70 Marines. *Romano* suggested putting out flyers for MCL and for the Marine Corps Ball to stir up interest. *Dumont* then pointed to a large stack of flyers that he had given to *Anthony* prior to the meeting that would be given out at that event and others coming up. It might be a good idea to include a specific flyer for the Marine Corps Ball as well at the booth as the flyer that was done is for MCL in general.

Reports of Officers

Senior Vice Commandant: (Jesse Stufflebeam) –

Stufflebeam was absent unexpectedly from the meeting as he stopped to save a cat that was left on the side of the highway. Therefore, the two items that were on the agenda for him were not discussed. However, *Zurwell* mentioned that The Bass Pro Shops Fundraiser on August 14-15 have all, but one slot filled and *Coutu* asked which was still open and he would see if he could do it. She said she would let him know.

Paymasters Report: (Marge Romano) – See attached report from Paymaster.

\$86,369.84 balance; \$2,000 outstanding checks; committed funds \$4,587, deposits \$62,908.54, resulting in a balance available of \$79,782.84. Specifically mentioned were the funds raised at the Market Basket fundraiser on 6/26-27 for a total of \$2,486.

To see the full details of the Paymaster, see the attached report.

FUNday Breakfast Report: (Marge Romano)

- The 50/50 raffle raised \$40. The raffle winner, Doc Lawrence. Current total in the account is \$587 for the Trade School Scholarship.

Chaplain Report: (Joe Duquette)

Sick, Injured, Hospitalized Members: *Duquette* stated everyone seems to be in good health. Bill Rogers is doing well as he fights cancer and has lost a lot of weight, but he will be jumping out of a plane at some point soon for his birthday.

Members / spouses recently passed away:

Updates from VA Hospital: There will be BINGO this month on July 19 at 1pm, if interested to join meet in the back parking lot. *Romano* invited everyone to come and volunteer their time, it is a heart-warming experience. She then stated that the detachment needs more people volunteering at the fundraising tables as it is always the same people.

Duquette read off a thank you card from his granddaughter Rachel Otto for the \$500 scholarship she received from the detachment.

Duquette then shared that on Saturday July 18th from 9am – 3pm there will be the Chester Rod and Gun Club Fundraiser Shoot at 99 Rod Gun Club Road, Chester, NH 03036 and all the proceeds will be coming to the Granite State Detachment as it is organized by a GSD member. *Duquette* and *Romano* will be doing and others are welcome to come and represent for the detachment.

Judge Advocate: (Chris Peirce) – *Peirce* asked the Department Commandant *Dumont* if the new bylaws have been approved by National yet, and *Dumont* stated that he believes everything has been approved but he would verify.

Peirce then mentioned that he was on the *Mt. Washington* for his birthday recently and he saw all the CLC on the ship as well, these are the residents of the veterans home at the VA.

Junior Vice Commandant: (position open at present) – NTR

Quartermaster: (Steve White) – *White* had nothing else to report. *Anthony* stated that he had the dress blues of Dan Fedor in his car and would like to give them to *White* to put in the storage unit and add that to the inventory of uniforms available.

Webmasters Report: (Jo Zurwell) –

Zurwell reported from her written report, see attached the status of the website and the activity for the site.

Scouting Report: (Kayley Bass/Sara Steffen) –

Steffen advised that there was nothing to report, all the scouts are out camping and earning their badges.

Correspondence: (Commandant, Paymaster, et al) Eric Anthony reporting

Anthony read off a thank you email from Mike Martioski for the plant and card sent to his wife Trish after her recent surgery. *Anthony* then read off the thank you card received from Arwen Feng, one of the recent winners of the Frank A Diekmann scholarship. See the attached image of her card.

Aide De Camp : (Kevin Brown)

Brown reinforced his sentiments from meetings past that it is important to keep up with doing the smaller fundraising event and not fall back on the NH Charitable Gaming funds as they are not guaranteed each year. He asked if Hannaford would do any fundraising tables at their stores like Market Basket. *Peirce* stated that he did not believe that they did but if asked Hannaford would make donations to different organizations. *Brown* asked if anyone would have objection to him tracking down Hannaford for this opportunity; no one objected. *Sarah Miner* suggested Shaws, if there was one in the detachment's area, as she knew that they did have fundraising tables on occasion.

Brown then mentioned that counting the funds raised at the fundraising tables was not an issue until it came to counting the coins. He asked if anyone knew of any banks that had coin counting machines that could be used for this process. Several options were given, with the caveat that membership to those banks might be required. He wrote down the banks, and he will contact them to find one that would work for the detachment's needs.

Donations inbound: (Paymaster, Commandant): NTR

Donation Review Committee: (Chris Peirce)

Peirce stated that he sent a draft of what he suggested for the coming year of donations to the full committee. A lot of what was suggested is similar if not identical to what was done in 2025. He did mention that he suggested \$5000 for the discretionary fund, and another \$5000 for miscellaneous emergencies to help Marines in need. He stated that once the committee members had a chance to review the report and they discuss it he would report at the next meeting their recommendations. There was a question as to whether *Romano* was on the committee as she had not received the report from *Peirce*. He stated that it was an

oversight on his part and apologized for forgetting her and he would email the report to her after the meeting.

Romano then stated that Liberty House is currently looking for donations of can food, pasta and other like items as well as clean, new underwear and hygiene items. *Peirce* suggest that the detachment make the first food bank donation be to Liberty House.

Awards: (Commandant, et al) – NTR

Honor Details: (vacant) – NTR

Scholarship committee: (Jo Zurwell) - NTR

Continuing Business:

Old Business:

The items listed on the agenda as old business were tabled until the next meeting as it was getting late.

Brown mentioned that he is continuing to reach out to Alex Ray to come to one of the detachment breakfasts. *Steffen* suggested reaching out to SWAM as they had the Common Man at their last event and they may have a way to connect.

New Business:

None

For the Good of the Order

- *Anthony* stated that he would be leaving the following day for California to pick up his brother and bring him back to NH to live with him and Pat until he can get settled in his own place. He will be gone for a few days.
- *Peirce* asked if anyone was interested in hiking or sailing as he had flyers for events with both. He asked *Zurwell* to email out the flyers he shared with her to all at the meeting.
- This was the first meeting that was held with Zoom as an option to join. No one joined in this manner for the July meeting, but it will be available each meeting going forward and the Zoom connection information will be at the

bottom of the agenda each month and emailed in a reminder email to the full membership.

Closing Ceremony:

(Commandant, Sgt-at-Arms, Senior VC, Chaplain)

Meeting Adjourned at 1943.

Next meeting dates:

- The next FUNday breakfast will be on **July 25, 2026** (Sat.) at the Airport Diner, 08:00
- The next official meeting will be on Tuesday, **August 11, 2026**, at 1800 hours.

--- Jo Zurwell, Acting Adjutant

Granite State Marine Corps League
Detachment #542
Agenda – July 14, 2026

1. Opening Ceremony
2. Roll Call
3. NH Still on Watch Committee – Military Suicide Loss Memorial – Gerry Duncan
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes June 9, 2026
5. Commandant
 - a. Maurice Labbe Paver – Update Marge/Chris
 - b. MC Ball – Joint event w Dillion Detachment – Update
 - c. Revo Casino Funds – CD/Money Market Account -Financial options
 - d. Annual Membership Dues - Marge
 - e. VetFest August 8th – who will be able to work the booth?
 - f. Challenge Coin sales – review process, need volunteer to ship orders
 - g. Union Leader – ad space pricing – Steve contact at paper
 - h. Portable Folding Chair purchase for fundraising events – Jim Ambrose email - Eric
6. Officer Reports
 - a. SVC – Jesse Stufflebeam
 - Bass Pro Shops Fundraiser Aug 14-15
 - Cruising Downtown Manchester – Tent/Booth 9/5
 - b. Paymaster – Marge Romano
 - Revo Casino Funds Received
 - c. Chaplain – Joe Duquette
 - d. Judge Advocate – Chris Peirce
 - e. Jr Vice – vacant
 - f. Quartermaster –Steve White –
 - g. Webmaster – Jo Zurwell
 - h. Scouting -Kaylee Bass and Sara Steffen
 - i. Correspondence -Eric Anthony
 - Thank You card from scholarship awardee Arwen Feng
 - Thank You email from Mike Martioski
 - j. Aide de Camp – Kevin Brown
 - k. Donations Inbound – Eric Anthony

- l. Donation Evaluation Committee– Chris Peirce -discuss charities selected to support in 2026 and in what way.
- m. Awards
- n. Honor Detail
- o. Scholarship – Jo Zurwell NTR
7. Continuing Business
 - a. Old Business
 - Hospital visitation list – who wants to be on notification list - how to build this list?
 - Member Affiliated Community Outreach List – Eric – how build this list?
 - b. New Business
8. For the Good of the Order – anyone have anything to share
9. Closing Ceremony
10. Next breakfast is July 25, 2026. Next Member meeting August 11th

Zoom Connection information:

Topic: Marine Corps League - Granite State Detachment 542

Time: This is a recurring meeting -Meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1800.

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86305815609?pwd=mVhxUZe9GyHxZja0YFJm5MoBfQeESf.1>

Meeting ID: 863 0581 5609

Passcode: 267169

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<i>FOR 2027</i>		
January	\$ 37.00	
February	\$ 70.00	
March	\$ 265.00	
April	\$ 70.00	Raffle Winner Paul Coutu donated back to Scholarship fund
May	\$ 105.00	Raffle Winner Maryanne Diekman donated back to Scholarship fund
June	\$ 40.00	Raffle winner Doc Lawrence
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
TOTAL	\$ 587.00	

Webmaster and Social Media Manager

Board Report for

July 14, 2026, GSD 542 Meeting

Since the last meeting the following were either done on the website and/or added to social media.

- Created framework for June issue of newsletter. Started adding components to the email. Officer reports, NE Div newsletter, upcoming dates and a few other things.
- Created SignUp Genius event for June 26/27 Market Basket fundraising event in Bedford.
- Created email to send to all members on the passing of former member Chris Alberding's wife.
- Worked on adding sections to the newsletter
- Made final edits to the Oorah newsletter and emailed out and added to Resources page on website and moved over March issue to archive page.
- Created blog post for NH First for Veterans Initiative flyer Chris discussed at June meeting.
- Created blog post for NH Veterans Resources flyer Chris discussed at June meeting
- Combined the March, April and May minutes respectively and uploaded them to the members minute page on website.
- Created calendar event for Cruisin' Downtown Manchester Car show, but had trouble getting all the details of the event from their website so took a little longer than normal.
- Created Bass Pro Shops Sign Up Genius form and sent to officers and will send out in an email to all members later this week.
- Added Steffen Family Foundation link and information to the resources page of the website.
- Created email in CC for asking for sponsorships for MC Ball from our contacts. Emailed officers for approval. Edited accordingly.
- Made final edits and sent the email for sponsorships for MC Ball.
- Created calendar event for Edgar Norcross WWII veteran funeral. Created blog post for Edgar Norcross with all information and images send from War Department.
- Created Constant Contact email to solicit volunteers for Market Basket and Bass Pro Shops fundraisers and included section for Norcross ceremony w link to blog post for details.
- Created a challenge coin sale process for selling coins on the GSD website via Zeffy. Sent to officers for review and feedback.
- Added calendar event for Easterseals Phase 2 ribbon cutting ceremony w Maurice Labbe memorial paver event to website and Google calendar.
- Created email in CC for reminder for monthly breakfast and a last call for volunteers for the Market Basket fundraiser.
- Created July 4th social media post, scheduled it to post at 3am July 4th.
- This is not an all-inclusive list of what I did since the last meeting, but it is what best pertains to the website and social media.
- Reviewed website usage report from Monster Insights

Website: Google Analytics GA4 numbers for June 1 – June 30, 2026

	1/1/26 – 1/31/26	2/1/26- 2/28/26	3/1/26- 3/31/26	4/1/26- 4/30/26	5/1/26- 5/31/26	6/1/26- 6/30/26
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Total Website Users	540	550	573	447	879	1,844
Direct Find	481	487	492	376	821	1,791
Organic Search	45	39	48	50	50	50
Referral (link on another site to ours)	11	16	31	4	6	3
Organic Social	3	8	2	17	2	0

The top landing page views were as follows:

	1/1/26-1/31/26	2/1/26-2/28/26	3/1/26-3/31/26	4/1/26-4/30/26	5/1/26-5/31/26	6/1/26-6/30/26
Main Home page	206	191	214	202	186	181
Contact Us	0	0	0	20	0	0
Detachment Officers	0	25	9	0	24	0
Events	43	47	55	62	249	1247
Resources	19	29	21	17	0	0
Semper Fidelis Newsletter	15	0	0	0	0	0
Scholarships	0	50	65	28	0	0
Scholarship Application	0	32	21	14	0	0
Membership	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mobius Mobility	19	0	0	0	0	0
Monthly Meeting Mins	32	18	0	0	25	0
NE Div Feb-Mar 2025 Newsletter	16	0	0	0	0	0
News & Events			34	6	0	0

It seems that the Events page has been active, but I don't think these are all true hits to the page as it is so much more than normal and it registered over 5 events, but the analysis software could not show which events.

Oorah Newsletter Readership

Issue Date	Qty Sent to	Qty Opened	Qty Clicked
March 2025	751	313	17
June 2025	735	274	10
September 2025	731	299	19
December 2025	718	280 (42%)	6 (1%)
March 2026	715	266 (38.7%)	12 (1.8%)

Respectfully Submitted, Jo Zurwell, #238602, Webmaster & Social Media Manager

Dear Granite State Detachment #842,

Thank you so much for honoring me with the Frank A. Dickmann Academic scholarship. Words can't express how relieved I feel that I can pay my first semester bill. I chose to attend Johns Hopkins University because I felt it would give me the most opportunities to make a difference, so thank you so much for enabling me to do that without worrying about financial burdens. Thank you as well for your belief in my potential. I will strive to make the biggest impact possible as a medical professional and during my educational journey.

Sincerely,

Arwen Peng

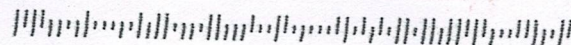
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LRVC Hiking Group Launch

Building camaraderie, wellness, and connection through the outdoors

The Lakes Region Veterans Coalition (LRVC) is launching a Veterans Hiking Group with a hike on Lockes Hill Trail on Sat, July 18th from 10:30AM to 12:30PM. This is a beginner-friendly, easy introduction hike - perfect for all experience levels. You can get trail info using the following QR code



The LRVC will provide trail snacks and water. This event is open to all Veterans and their families. The hike will be guided, and the pace will be set by the group - no one left behind.

Future hikes are coming - additional hikes of varying difficulty levels planned throughout the Lakes Region area. Be part of something new - come join us for this kickoff event!

“Let’s get out and stay active — building connection, wellness, and camaraderie through the outdoors.”

Apply online using the QR code below. Spaces are limited and will be given out on a first come, first served basis.



If you have problems with the online application, send an email to info@lrvcnh.org.

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Veteran Sailing Day

The Lakes Region Veterans Coalition (LRVC) and the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA) are partnering to offer an afternoon of sailing on beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee on Friday, August 28th, 2026. This is offered at no cost to interested Veterans!

Small groups of Veterans will sail from 1PM to 4PM with experienced skippers from the LWSA and learn the basics of sailing while enjoying the beauty of Lake Winnepesaukee and the surrounding mountains. The event will end with a BBQ dinner at the LWSA clubhouse on Smith Cove in Gilford, NH.

Apply online at <https://forms.gle/AU2P18ZiX3z9vUwG8> or by using the QR code below. Spaces are limited and will be given out on a first come, first served basis. NOTE: This event is open to Veterans only, not non-Veteran family members or friends.



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