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Subject: PA Dept MCL Website Report

There are approximately 300 webpages/documents on the PA Dept MCL Web Server of which 150 have been added or updated at least once since the June 2007 Department Convention. This volume of changes indicates that the Department Website is being updated on almost a daily basis to provide our Department membership the most current and timely information possible. Enhancements have included a more meaningful and user friendly Navigation Toolbar, additions of sections for Department Officer and Committee Reports; Detachment Commandant contact information; Department Marine of the Year Society; MODD and Flea information; 990 IRS reporting requirements and inclusion of the Ritual Manual and Officers Guide

This has been possible due to the augmentation of the Department's Webmaster work group and the assignment of specific update responsibility to each member of the work group

To help ensure that timely and accurate information is added to the Department's Website, the Webmasters prefer to receive reports and information in electronic format. The preferred format for reports is 1) Adobe - .pdf 2) Word Processing - .doc; .rtf or 3) email text.

We are still receiving many reports in hard copy paper format, such as Detachment and MODD installation reports that are time consuming and cumbersome to transcribe and convert to a suitable web format. Many of these reports blend themselves to tabular format such as an Excel Spreadsheet.

As a Department, we are significantly failing to meet the National MCL objective of having all Detachments use the National Locator system. Currently 50 of the 79 Detachments (63.3%) have never updated their individual webpage since it was implemented in May 2006. By District – Central 72.7%; North East 61.5%; North West 66.7%; South East 52.4%; South West 64.7%. We find this ironic, since many of these Detachments have outstanding individual websites and some Detachment have members who are either elected or appointed staff at the Department and/or National level

Respectfully Submitted,
Your Webmaster Team