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DAKOTA LEATHERNECKS

Faithful to the Corps and country — and now YOUR community

North Dakota is a state well-known for its support of the military. Yet, some branches of service are more well-known than others. The United

States Marine Corps, sometimes referred to as the silent professionals, is making some noise west of Mandan — and hoping people will hear its current mission of helping and educating in our local communities and beyond.

The Marine Corps League originated in 1923 and was chartered by Congress in 1937. It is the only Marine Corps-specific veteran service organization in the world.

The Dakota Leathernecks Detachment #1419 is currently the only chartered detachment of the Marine Corps League in North Dakota. One year ago, the Dakota Leathernecks began renovating the old Price Consolidated School building two miles west of Mandan. Still under construction, members have already been using



Marines Ken Pilon (left) and Ray Morrell

it as a clubhouse to host meetings and events for Marines who have been out of the service for some time, those who are just getting out, those who are still active, and people in the community who simply support the Marine Corps.

Much more financial support is needed to finish the building and ultimately provide funds so members can address issues important to Marines, like veteran suicide.

In Mor-Gran-Sou's November local pages of the *North Dakota Living* magazine, learn how your support can greatly move the mission of the Dakota Leathernecks forward.

Holiday closings

In observance of the holidays in November, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative will be closed: **Friday, Nov. 11** for Veterans Day, and



Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, for Thanksgiving.

The directors and staff of Mor-Gran-Sou ask you to keep our military in mind as we celebrate the holidays.

Line crews will be available in case of an electrical emergency outage.



High School Sophomores & Juniors: NOW's the time to apply for the 2017 Youth Tour, scheduled for JUNE 10 to 16

This year's essay question is:

"Democracy is the foundation of our American way of life and of cooperative enterprise. The fundamentals of democracy include voter participation, political party affiliation, and public debate of issues. Describe what you think makes our current democracy strong, and provide suggestions for ways our democracy can be made stronger and more effective."

Read more about how to apply in the November local pages of the North Dakota Living magazine.

The holidays are around the corner! Gift certificates are available at Mor-Gran-Sou.

If a certain someone on your list is a member of Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative and you need a bright idea on what to buy for Christmas ... why not wrap a gift certificate he or she can use toward an electric bill? Call Mor-Gran-Sou at 701-597-3301, 701-663-0297 or 800-750-8212 and ask for Julie or Jackie.

We can help you "lighten" the holidays.

Also in the NOVEMBER issue of North Dakota Living:

- Cold weather charges
- Solen enhances community, Thanks to generous donation
- Meeting minutes & more

Mor-Gran-Sou members recognized at Celebrate Bismarck-Mandan

The Bismarck-Mandan Chamber of Commerce (BMCC) held its annual "Celebrate Bismarck-Mandan" on Sept. 22 at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. More than 400 people attended the award ceremony that featured eight award recipients and some special honors.

Two Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative business consumers received recognition: Farm Credit Services of Mandan and Cloverdale Foods. Farm Credit Services of Mandan was given the Granite Award, which is bestowed on organizations that have stood the test of time in the Bismarck-Mandan area for 50 years or more. Cloverdale was given the Golden Eagle award, which is supplied by the Chamber's Military Affairs Committee. It honors organizations that have an amazing track record of supporting local and national armed forces.

Dave Leingang, community growth director for BMCC, says the Chamber's Excellence and Business Committee plans the annual event. Committee members accept nominations for multiple awards, review the list of nominees, and rate them to determine who is most deserving of the award.

"With Farm Credit Services of Mandan celebrating its 100th year, [earning the Granite Award] was a great compliment to them. It was good timing for them, too," Leingang said.





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