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Happy Birthday

Nov. 10, 1775 to Nov. 10, 2006

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Regular Business Meeting of the Treasure Valley Detachment Marine Corps League for November, will be held at 19:00 hours November 16th, and will be held at the Indoor Pavilion at Gowen Field. There will not be a meeting on December 21st, but our annual Christmas Party. We will meet at 1800 hours, be early to help decorate the Pavilion. The next regular business meeting will be January 18th. Your opinions and voice is important to the detachment. So please try to attend the meetings every month.

Happy Hour & Koffee Klatch, Mike's Restaurant closed his doors October 3, 2006 and we had our last Koffee Klatch at Mike's on Saturday October 2nd. We will have Koffee Klatch at Quinn's on Vista Ave. Happy Hour breakfast will be on the

third Saturday of the month, this month will be on November 18th. All other Saturdays are for the Koffee Klatch.

Veterans Day Parade is on Saturday, the 4th of November and we need to muster on Jefferson St. between 11th and 12th Streets, next to the Boise Cascade Building, at 0900 hours; the same location as last year. The parade starts at 1000 hours, so bring a chair and something warm to wear.

The U. S. Marine Corps Birthday Ball will be held at The Grove Hotel, downtown Boise, this year, on Saturday November 4th.

Effective, January 1, 2007 the yearly membership dues will increase five dollars (\$5.00) to \$30.00 per year. Life membership rates will also go up at the same time 61 years and older will be \$125, 51 to 60 year old \$250, 41 to 50 year old \$350, and 40 and under will be \$400. So if you want to become a life member and a member now in good standing call Ralph Elston.

Idaho Veterans Cemetery at 1100, 9 November 2006 There will be an interment of twenty-two (22) veterans who have been abandoned by their families. The Ceremony will take place at the Columbaria Wall, on the left as you enter the Veterans Cemetery.

The Army will place Army Remains.
The Air Force will place Air Force Remains.
The Navy will place Navy Remains.

As of this writing there are no Marine remains to be interred.

The Marines will do the Flag Folding and Firing Detail.

If Parking is not available inside, street parking is permissible

Marine Corps Birthday Celebration at the Idaho State Veterans Home will be held at 1100 hours in the dinning room, on the 10th of November. The detachment will provide the cake and ice cream and the home will find the oldest and youngest Marine residents they have. We celebrate the Marine Corps Birthday with the Marines living at the Veterans Home every year, and they always enjoy it when we show up.

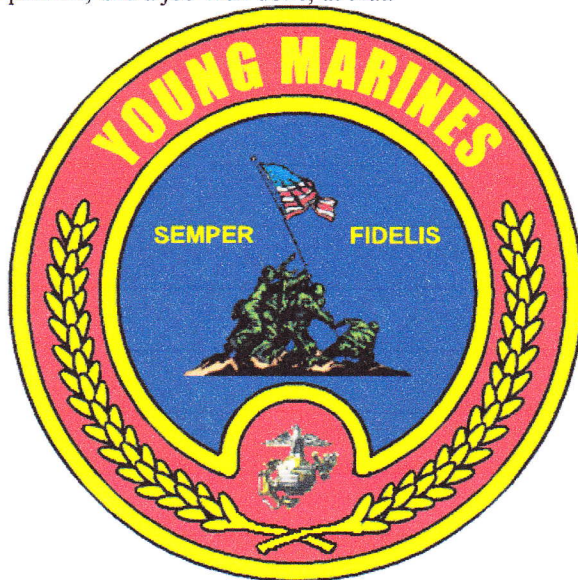
Idaho State Veterans Home, on the 11th of November will have their Veterans Day Program at 1100 hours. On the 11th month of the year, the 11th day of the month, and at the 11th hour of the day in 1918 the war with Germany, Ottoman Empire, Austria-Hungary, and Bulgaria ended; the armistice of World War 1 was signed. After World War 1 ended, the United States observed that day as Armistice Day, until President Dwight Eisenhower signed a bill changing it to Veterans Day in 1954, to honor all veterans from all of America's wars. This day today celebrates and honors the men and women that put their lives on the line for the defense of the freedoms we all hold dear. The Marine Corps League will host this year's event. You are welcome to join the rest of us, as we represent our detachment at the Idaho State Veterans Home. During the program the "Spirit of Freedom Service Award" will be presented and Velma Williams is one of the recipients of the award. The award was created by Senator Mike Crapo to recognize veterans and volunteers for their achievement and dedication to serve.



This years Toys for Tots will kick off again the day after Thanksgiving, and 1st. Sgt. William E. Heyob has asked for volunteers to help collect and sort the toys at the Reserve Center on Gowen Field this year. If you're interested, give him a call at 208-422-6255.

The Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise started into its sixteenth year with the fall Parking Lot Party today October 1, 2006 in grand style with up to 75 fine antique cars from the Model T and Model A Car Clubs, which sponsored the event as well as other good looking vehicles of an age long gone by, from other car clubs that wanted to join in the festivities. To the tunes of Warren Lemmons, Ralph Symonds, A Work In Progress, and the Jefferies the crowd was entertained while they ate and looked over the cars. The Treasure Valley Young Marines where on hand to set up the tables, escort the veterans from the home and keep the area ship shape, and afterwards policed the area and put away the tables and chairs. The early birds got there as early as 0830 to start prepping the onions, The moms and dads of the Young Marines got there at 0930 to peel and slice the onions, as well as get things ready to serve the food to the hungry multitude. Enoch Hanson was the first

Marine on the beach at 0930 to get the grills ready and by 1000 hours the rest of the Marines from the Treasure Valley Detachment Marine Corps League, arrived to cook the hamburgers, bratwurst, and our famous grilled onions. Manning the grills were Rich Erickson, Roy and Merikay Jost, Bob Smith, Ralph Elston, Jason and Cecily Anton, Joe Toluse, and John L' Abbe. These fellow Marines were on hand and accounted for Robbie Nuttel, Jerry Bob Shaffer, and Gary Strong, The days events couldn't be complete without the Young Marines singing the Marine Corps Hymn to all that were present, and a job well done, at that.



Treasure Valley Young Marines

Who we are:

The Young Marines is a youth education and service program for boys and girls, ages 8 through completion of high school. The Young Marines is the official youth program of the U.S. Marine Corps and the focal point for the Marine Corps' Youth Drug Demand Reduction Efforts.

Information about the Treasure Valley Young Marines and their next boot camp is available on the Internet at:

- Our Web Site:
<http://www.idtvym.org>

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Mission

The mission of the Young Marines is to positively impact America's future by providing quality youth development programs for boys and girls that nurtures and develops its members into responsible citizens who enjoy and promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

Motto

Strengthening the lives of America's youth

Young Marine Obligation

From this day forward, I sincerely promise, I will set an example for all other youth to follow and I shall never do anything that would bring disgrace or dishonor upon God, my Country and its flag, my parents, myself or the Young Marines. These I will honor and respect in a manner that will reflect credit upon them and myself. *Semper Fidelis.*

Young Marine Creed

- Obey my parents and all others in charge of me whether young or old.
- Keep myself neat at all times without other people telling me to.
- Keep myself clean in mind by attending the church of my faith.
- Keep my mind alert to learn in school, at home or at play.
- Remember having self-discipline will enable me to control my body and mind in case of an emergency

Happy Birthday to the Ladies: Carolyn Dunlap, Delores Lee, Sherry Meade, Catherine Schroeder, and Lynne Sterling

AUXILIARY NEWS

TREASURE VALLEY MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY #408

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Treasure Valley Marine Corp Auxiliary Meeting October 19, 2006

The meeting was called to order and the prayer, flag salute, and roll call was given. The minutes from our September meeting were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given. Barbara Elston will send out reminders to pay dues to the 5 members that haven't paid yet.

The Chaplain informed us about Donna Schumaker's foot surgery. She is still in a lot of pain and will have to stay off of her foot for 12 weeks. I'm sure she would appreciate a phone call or card with a word of encouragement. New rosters were passed out and corrections made. Correspondence from John and Jeannette L'Abbe was read. They are in Rhode Island and have visited Jerusalem fishing village that is directly opposite Galilee fishing village. We also had a thank you note from our past national president, Ruth Moyse, for our gift to her upon leaving office.

Pauline Evans reported that the audit was still pending. Barbara Elston reported that Phil Hawkins from the Veterans

Home discouraged our supporting the Blind Veterans at this time because so many other organizations are supporting them now. After some discussion we decided to investigate other ways to help our community and will discuss it during our next meeting.

The closing prayer was given and the meeting closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Meade
Sr. Vice/Sec.

Note: I must have the minutes by the last Friday of the month or they may not be in the newsletter, Ed.

EVENT HORIZON

- U. S. Marine Corps Birthday Ball Nov. 4th.
- Veterans Day Parade Nov. 4th.
- Marine Corps Birthday at ISVH Nov. 10th.
- Veterans Day Program ISVH Nov. 11th.
- Business Meeting November 16th.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

On November 10th, 1775 our Corps was born as the Continental Congress raised the "first and second battalions of American Marines." Each year as we celebrate our birthday, we pause to reflect on the Marines of yesteryear who fought in our touchstone battles and forged the modern Marine Corps with their courage, integrity, and undying commitment to their fellow Marines. Each of our storied battles is a link in the long chain that binds all Marines together— from the Continental Marines at Bunker Hill to the *Teufelhunden* crossing the wheat fields of Belleau Wood. This chain binds us to the Marines on the crest of Mount Suribachi; it passes through the ice and snow of the Chosin Reservoir and the steaming jungles of Vietnam, and it anchors firmly today in the desert sands of Iraq.

This year's celebration again finds many *from* our ranks serving with distinction in harm's way. As we have for the past 231 years, our Corps is answering the Nation's call. I can report first hand that our Marines fighting on the front lines of the Long War on Terror are performing brilliantly, acquitting themselves with honor, dedication, and dignity in difficult and dangerous environments.

All Marines are making a difference. Regardless of where you are serving, you are adding new chapters to the legacy that was earned with sweat and blood on old battlefields. Just as previous generations of Marines shaped today's Marine Corps, your deeds are molding the Corps of tomorrow. Our Corps has never been stronger, and all Americans are extremely proud of your magnificent performance and unwavering commitment to serve our Corps and country. With high caliber Marines like you, our future has never been brighter.

Another irreplaceable element of our success as Marines is the terrific support we receive from our families. Through the long hours, *the* exercises, and the combat deployments, their

support is unconditional and firm. They give us love and devotion, providing us with the strength to drive on when duty calls. Today we should all acknowledge our loved ones for their patient, steadfast service.

To all who have earned the title Marine, to the superb Sailors who serve with us in every clime and place, and to our precious families—I wish each one of you a heartfelt *Happy 231st*

Birthday.

Semper Fidelis and Keep Attacking!

M. W. Hagee

General, U.S. Marine Corps



A Little History of Tun Tavern

One of the first lessons a young Marine recruit receives after he leaves the yellow footprints behind is the year and the birthplace of the United States Marine Corps. As well the name of Samuel Nicolas, but vary few learned or remembers the history behind the first recruiting station the Marine Corps had in 1775. On Carpenter's Wharf, now known as Penn's Landing, Mr. Samuel Carpenter chose the corner of Water Street and Tun Alley to build one of the first brew houses in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1685. Carpenter named his new brew house Tun Tavern and the tavern soon had a reputation for having the finest beer in all Philadelphia, this reputation lasted for well over a hundred years. There still is a Tun Tavern Brewery and the Tun Tavern site with an historical marker is part of a walking tour in Philadelphia today.

For ninety years Tun Tavern played an important role in American Colonial life. The tavern saw the founding or establishing on American soil several key organizations that are still active today. In 1720 the St. George Society held their first meeting at Tun Tavern. The St. George Society was and

is a philanthropic society that helped destitute English emigrants. Eleven years later St John's Lodge also known as the Tun Tavern Lodge, a Grand Lodge of the Masonic Temple had their first meeting at the tavern June 26, 1732 as reported in the Pennsylvania Gazette No. 187, printed by B. Franklin. The Masons of Philadelphia claim that this was the first teaching of the Masonic Temple in America. The third Grand Master of the Mason Lodge was Benjamin Franklin in 1734. In 1747 saw the founding of the St. Andrew's Society, also at Tun Tavern. St. Andrew Society is a charitable organization as well, that seen to the well being of the poor Scottish emigrants.

In the early 1740's Tun Tavern had new proprietors and the tavern went through a major renovation, with a new restaurant added and a name change to "Peggy Mullian's Red Hot Beef Steak Club at Tun Tavern". The restaurant became a who's who of colonial America. The popularity of the restaurant shook Philadelphia and for its day, was one of its hottest gathering places.

War in the Colonies broke out in 1754 with the French and Indians; and the Pennsylvania Colonial Legislature commissioned Col. Benjamin Franklin in 1756 to recruit and command the Pennsylvania Militia as the Colonel Commander to battle the Indians along the frontier with forts near what would become Pittsburgh. Franklin chose the Tun Tavern as his recruiting post and to organize his regiment. As independence from England loomed over the horizon the tavern hosted many of the founding fathers of our nation with the likes of Gen. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and on several occasions the First and Second Continental Congress.

November 10, 1775 Tun Tavern became endeared to the hearts of every Marine to have served in the Corps. Stemming from meetings of the Maritime Commission headed by John Adams, and held at the tavern, the findings brought a bought the resolution that the Second Continental Congress passed to create two Battalions of Marines; and commissioned Samuel Nicolas, the first Commandant of the Continental Marines, to recruit those battalions. That day, Nicolas went directly to Tun Tavern and appointed Robert Mullian, the son of Peggy Mullian, as Chief Marine Recruiter. Easy duty giving out free cold beer to prospective recruits who thronged to the tavern to drink a little brew and have the opportunity get to serve in the newly minted Marine Corps and be paid six and two-thirds dollars each month. Less than three weeks later the two battalions were raised and Samuel Nicolas was officially commissioned "Captain of the Marines", and the new Continental Marines joined in the fight for the independence from England.

That two battalions of Marines be raised consisting of one colonel, two lieutenant colonels, two majors and officers as usual in other regiments, that they consist of an equal number of privates with other battalions; that particular care be taken that no person be appointed to office or enlisted into said battalions, but such as are good seamen, or so acquainted with maritime affairs as to be able to serve to advantage by sea.
(Resolution of the Continental Congress, 10 November 1775.)

GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND IN GOD WE TRUST