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November's Events Was a Busy Month

November the 1st Was the Marine Corps Ball At the Grove and hosted by the Marines of 4th Tank Battalion.

November the 7th was Missing in America Ceremony at the Veterans Cemetery. There were eleven burials that day, which two were wives.

November 8th was Veterans Day Parade

November the 10th Is the official Marine Corps Birthday, which we celebrated with our fellow Marines at the Idaho State Veterans Home.

The following day.....November 11th, again at the Idaho State Veterans Home we celebrated Veterans Day with our fellow Veterans.

It was a very, very busy month and your participation in all events was greatly appreciated. Thanks to all who attended and those, due to physical conditions, who could not participate. Our thoughts were with you. The following photos show some of the events we participated in and our Treasure Valley Young Marines and Gem State Young Marines.....Great showing Young Marines !!



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November 7th, Missing In America Ceremony→



Veterans Day Parade





Color Guard from Co "C", 4th Tank Bn



Treasure Valley Detachment, Marine Corps League
Commandant Erickson reading the Marine Corps
Commandant's message



Oldest Marine receiving the first piece of cake
Mr. Loren Stricklin was a young Marine on the Island of
Bougainville, during WWII. He was an aviation
mechanic and served in, MAG-11, MAG-12, & MAG-
24. He was with VMF-211 and VMF-451 (N).



Our Governor C. L. "Butch" Otter as guest speaker for
the Veterans Day celebration at the Idaho State Veterans
Home.



Congratulations to our Treasure Valley Young
Marines. Again they out performed last years fund
raising for the Veterans Day Parade. The Young
Marines raised over \$200.00 above last years amount,
bringing the total to a little over \$900.00, which will
cover the cost of the new Special Events permit.
Hoorah!! Young Marines.



Business Meeting for December, 2008

The regular business meeting of the Treasure
Valley Detachment for December 18th is cancelled.
Instead we will be having our annual Christmas
Party at the Pavilion on Gowen Field at 1830hrs.
Our next regular meeting will be on Jan.15, 2009,
at 1900hrs. Please mark your calendars.



Koffee Klatch

Our weekly Saturday get-together for coffee, is every Saturday at Qinn's restaurant at 0900.....Although some of us early birds get there around 0800 the doors don't officially open until 0900.

The third Saturday is with our wives and sweethearts so bring them along for some great conversations and tall tales. If you are a former Marine, active duty Marine or a Navy Corpsman you are welcome to set in on our Saturday morning coffee and breakfast . We would love to hear your tall tales or sea stories as well.



TOYS for TOTS

The Toys for Tots event is already in full swing at the Marine Reserve Center. If you would like to volunteer and help out by gathering toys and bagging them for the Marines, your help will be greatly appreciated. Just call the Marine Reserve Center or Don Griffith, Editor/Publisher of the TVDMCLeague, newsletter, Phone# 208-898-0974



December 24th Idaho State Veterans Home

At 2:00 pm

We need all hands to help out with the distribution of presents to our fellow Veterans living at the ISVH. We will be assisting the Marines from Co C, 4th Tank Bn. It is our duty to always remember our Veterans on these special holidays and to show our appreciation and thanks for a "**JOB WELL DONE**".

8th1941-The Japanese attacked American garrison at Wake Island, Guam & the Philippines
9th1968- The 1st, 5th, 7th & 26th Marine Regiments participated in Operation Meade River, Vietnam
9th1992- Marines of 2/9 landed at Mogadishu, Somalia to begin Operation Restore Hope
12th2001- Task Force 58 commanded by BGen James Mattis, rolled through Kandahar, Afghanistan & secured the city's airport
13th1967- BLT 3/26 went into Khe Sanh, Vietnam as reinforcements
23rd1941- The Japanese landed at, and captured Wake Island
24th1950- The last elements of the 1stMarDiv departed Hungnam, North Korea



Dates of Interest.....December

1st1950-The 1stMarDiv began its bitter withdrawal from Yudamni, North Korea
7th1941- The Japanese attack Pearl Harbor and killed 3,000 Marines and Sailors
7th1941- Midway Island is shelled
7th1941- 1stLt George Ham Cannon was the first Marines of WWII to receive the Medal of Honor →



God Bless America & Our Marine Corps



Christmas Party 2008



Thursday, December 18th at 1830 hrs At the Pavilion on Gowen Field

- *Each person should furnish their own tableware & utensils*
- *Each person should bring their own drinks*
- *Each person, couples or family is asked to bring gifts for exchange. (Valued for no less than \$20.00 and gift wrapped)*
- *Each person is asked to bring a toy/gift unwrapped for donation to the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program*
- *All members are asked to come early to help out with the Christmas decorations in the Pavilion*
- *NOTE: Those folks who do not bring gifts for exchange will not be part of the gift exchange event*
- *Special THANKS to Richard Cross for donating the Turkey and Bob Smith for donating the Ham...Thanks Guys, Hoooorah!! Semper Fi !*

Those of you who are attending please bring the following food corresponding with your last name;

A-E..... Please bring a hors d'oeuvre

F-K.....Please bring a desert

L-P..... Please bring a side dish

R-W.....Please bring a salad

Hope to see you all on December 18thLets have a great Merry Christmas get together and a fun event with the gifts exchange.

Semper Fi

