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 $\mathscr{N}$ ovember's Events Was a Busy Month

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

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

November 8<sup>th</sup> was Veterans Day Parade

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

The following day.....November 11<sup>th,</sup> 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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Color Guard from Co "C", 4th Tank Bn

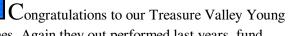


Treasure Valley Detachment, Marine Corps League Commandant Erickson reading the Marine Corps Commandant's message



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).





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. Hooorah!! Young Marines.



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



## Business Meeting for December, 2008

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The regular business meeting of the Treasure Valley Detachment for December 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

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**O**ur 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.



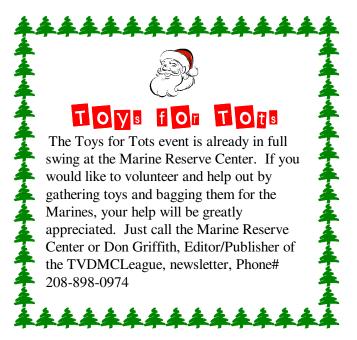
December 24<sup>th</sup> Idaho State Veterans Home At 2:00 pm

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, 4<sup>th</sup> 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*".



Dates of Interest......December

1<sup>st</sup>....1950-The 1stMarDiv began its bitter withdrawal from Yudamni, North Korea 7<sup>th</sup>....1941- The Japanese attack Pearl Harbor and killed 3,000 Marines and Sailors 7<sup>th</sup>....1941- Midway Island is shelled 7<sup>th</sup>....1941- 1stLt George Ham Cannon was the first Marines of WWII to receive the Medal of Honor →



8<sup>th</sup>....1941-The Japanese attacked American garrison at Wake Island, Guam & the Philippines 9<sup>th</sup>....1968- The 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiments participated in Operation Meade River, Vietnam 9<sup>th</sup>....1992- Marines of 2/9 landed at Mogadishu, Somalia to begin Operation Restore Hope 12<sup>th</sup>....2001- Task Force 58 commanded by BGen James Mattis, rolled through Kandahar, Afghanistan & secured the city's airport 13<sup>th</sup>....1967- BLT 3/26 went into Khe Sanh, Vietnam

as reinforcements 23<sup>rd</sup>....1941- The Japanese landed at, and captured Wake Island

24<sup>th</sup>....1950- The last elements of the 1stMarDiv departed Hungnam, North Korea





God Bless America & Our Marine Coprs



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: <u>Those folks who do not bring gifts for exchange will not be part of the gift exchange event</u>
- 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 18<sup>th</sup>.....Lets have a great Merry Christmas get together and a fun event with the gifts exchange.

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