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*"To care for  
him who  
shall have  
borne the  
battle for  
his widow  
and his  
orphan..."*

*Abraham Lincoln*

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## Boise, Idaho Host of the

## Marine Corps League 2011 National Convention



To be connected  
with VA suicide  
Prevention and  
Mental Health  
professionals,  
call the toll-free  
National Suicide

Prevention hotline and indicate you  
are a Veteran. **1-800-273-8255**

Watch for the Treasure Valley Detachment, No 878, newsletter upcoming issues. There will be information about the 2011 Marine Corps League National Convention hosted by our Detachment in Boise, Idaho. Information about hunting Cougars, tours on the old scenic train through the mountains of Idaho. Visit Idaho's best wineries and sample the flavors. Checkout the golf courses..and much more . Go to [www.tvdmcl.org](http://www.tvdmcl.org) for more information.

## Calendar of Events for November

November is going to be a busy months for the Treasure Valley Detachment. Here are the following scheduled events;

**NOV 6TH.....Veterans Day Parade. Meet at Cascade Bldg, on W Bannock St, 0900. Need more info contact Don Griffith 898-0974. Wear your TVD/MC League Sweater/Jackets & for-n-aft cover if you have one, if not still come.**

**NOV 6TH..... Marine Corps Ball for those who already have their tickets**

**NOV 10TH..... 11:30 am cake cutting ceremony at the Idaho State Veterans Home, in commemoration of the Marine Corps Birthday.**

**NOV 11TH.....11:00am Veterans Day Ceremony at Idaho State Veterans Home. Guest speaker, Col Buckley USAF**

**TOYS FOR TOTS.....The Marine Corps Reserve Center will need help in manual labor, i.e. separating toys by age groups and filling bags for children. Contact the Marine Corps Reserve Center at - 422-6256 if you would like to volunteer. This event will go on until December until all the packaging is completed.**

**"HAPPT BIRTHDAY MARINES !" Semper Fi !**

**For further information on any of the above events feel free to contact the Editor, Don Griffith at 898-0974 or Detachment Commandant Arnie Strawn at 208-454-8295**



I have some sad news to pass on to all our Marine Corps League members- Oct 16th this past two weeks, a great and admired member of the Idaho Dept Marine Corps League passed away. "Forgive me if my brief statement sounds clumsy". I was taken back and shock to hear from Bobby Lee that Roy Weaver, Sr Vice Commandant of the Idaho Dept of the Marine Corps League had passed away suddenly. Roy Weaver had attended the Northwest Conference in Boise on Oct 11th . and was doing well and looked fine. If you recall from my last newsletter in Sep, Roy was a POW and was on the infamous death march in Bataan, Philippines. He was later shipped out on the infamous Japanese freighter, referred to as "Hell Ships- The Tottori Maru". Roy later arrived in a POW camp in Mukden, Manchuria. Roy had met with the nieces of their deceased Uncle, SSgt Lynch who was Roy's bunkmate at the same prison compound. There was suppose to be another get together early next year to make a final DNA test on Roy Weaver's friend, SSgt Lynch, to confirm his identity and to bring him home to rest. Unfortunately Roy will not make his last trip. But I know Roy Weaver, he's probably already joined his bunkmate and they will soon be joined by other great Marines who will pass into history. God Bless Roy, his friend SSgt Lynch and their families. Semper Fi, Marine



**Checkout our Treasure Valley Detachment, #878, Marine Corps League Website. Log onto; [www.tcdmcl.org](http://www.tcdmcl.org)**



### *MC League, Treasure Valley Det, No 878 Staff Meeting*



Next meeting is Nov18th at 1900, at the Pavilion on Gown Field. Topics for discussion will be on the Detachments' monthly agenda, scheduled events, ideas to generate money for the detachment to cover expenses from now until the 2011 National Convention. Please show up and voice your support. The winner for the *Progressive Jackpot* for Sep was Ben Bramlet. Unfortunately Ben was not present at the meeting to claim his prize. Remember you have to be present to receive your *Progressive Jackpot* winning.

### *Manning the Booth*

To All Hands; We need volunteers to help man our Marine Corps League booth and help in finding places to setup our booth. No time or dates have been mentioned yet. We need to find out how many volunteers will help and how many locations we can establish to setup our booth. For further information on this project contact Ken Johnson for details. Tel 208-453-5005 or email Ken at [kenj7@q.com](mailto:kenj7@q.com)

### *Northwest Division Conference Boise, Idaho*

The NW Division was held at Doubletree Riverside Hotel on October 11th. A lot of topics were discussed. Particularly on the upcoming 2011 Marine Corps League National Convention.



**NOTICE TO ALL MARINE CORPS  
LEAGUE MEMBERS-WHEN RE-  
NEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP.  
DO NOT SEND YOUR MEMBER-  
SHIP TO NATIONAL. SEND YOUR PAYMENT  
AND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TO;  
**RALPH ELSTON, OUR PAYMASTER.**  
**TEL #853-7344****



NW Division Officers opening the meeting. Center in black sweater is John Woods, Div Vice Commandant



Pictured left, our DetCmdt, Arnie Strawn, Second from right, is our SrViceCmdt, David Kleinfeldt. Our Detachment had a good turnout of members. A "Thank You" is deserved to all who participated. Good showing.



Second from Right Gary Randel, our Sec/Treasurer for the 2011 National Convention Board



Lunch break– Our Detachment members taking a break. L-R; Jack Cunningham? Tom Hisaw, Bill Sawyer, unk member, Arnie Strawn, Art Kilton, and Mike Meade

### *Marine Corps League Boise Activities*

Our upcoming 2011 National Convention will be full of activities for everyone as well as the daily schedule of meetings. This is just a few samples of activities that will be planned and setup by our friends at the Boise Convention & Visitors Bureau



Authentic Basque Party and good wine- Checkout the website at [www.basquemuseum.com](http://www.basquemuseum.com)



Thunder Mountain Line– Travel the old rails beside crystal clear mountain streams. See white water rafters coming down the rapids. The train stops at the half way point and serves lunch and drinks with some old live western music for entertainment . See more on their website at [www.thundermountainline.com](http://www.thundermountainline.com)

*Checkout our website for more details and up to date events that will be available for all visitors coming to Boise.....* [www.tvdmcl.org](http://www.tvdmcl.org)

*Klatch**Coffee*

Don't forget folks our coffee time at Quinn's Restaurant, every Saturday. Doors are opened around 0830, (Give or take a half hour). Come join us for a cup of brew and a lot of BS. One thing Marines are good for.....*Lots of tall tales and complaining*

month's newsletter you can contact Art Kilton at his email address [arthurkilton1@msn.com](mailto:arthurkilton1@msn.com) or Don Griffith at; [griffithusmc@msn.com](mailto:griffithusmc@msn.com) Art's C# 440-4057.

Editor's tel# 898-0974 . We can supply you with more order sheets/Receipts.



### ***Dates of interest for October;***

Nov 6, 1854.....The morning report showed the Marine Corps totaled 63 officers and 1,389 enlisted men

Nov 7, 2004.....Operation Phantom Fury (Al-Fajr) began in Fallujah, Iraq

Nov 9, 1968..... Marine Maj Walter Cunningham received Apollo 7 astronaut wings

Nov 10, 1775.....The Continental Congress authorized the creation of the Marine Corps

Nov 11, 1918.....Armistice Day WWI ended on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of the year

Nov 13, 1968.....Operation *Daring Endeavor* was commenced by the 7th Marine Regt in Vietnam

Nov 15, 1950.....Elements of the 1stMarDiv reached the Chosin Reservoir in North Korea

Nov 20, 1943.....The 2dMarDiv landed at Betio Island, Tarawa Atoll, Gilbert Islands

Nov 22, 1943....Tarawa was secured after 72 hours of bitter fighting

Nov 25, 1958....The Marine Corps grade structure was revised to make room for additional ranks(E8/E9)

Nov 27, 1941.....The 4th Marine Regt departed Shanghai, China to strengthen forces at Olongapo, Philippines

*November**Birthdays*

Carolyn Dunlap

Delores Lee

Sherry Meade

Theresa Nakashima

Catherine Schroeder

Lynne Sterling

**From all the members of the MC League, TVD, No.878**  
**We wish you ladies a much deserved "Happy Birthday"**

### **NOTICE THIS IS A REPEAT**

To All hands;

We need everyone to help out in our upcoming projects if we want our Marine Corps League 2011 National Convention to succeed. In your daily activities of going out for dinner, or other business engagements you could take the time to talk with management about our National Convention in 2011 and how the Business Community can help out with donations and to get their business establishment printed in our 2011 National Convention Ad Book for a reasonable fee. In our last month's newsletter was an outline what's called a *chest sheet*. It's nothing more than how to approach management and sale their business for a reasonable donation fee to be printed in our Convention Ad book. Also in the enclosure was a breakdown of the prices for the ad book. If you don't have last ⇒⇒⇒



Happiness is a belt-fed weapon

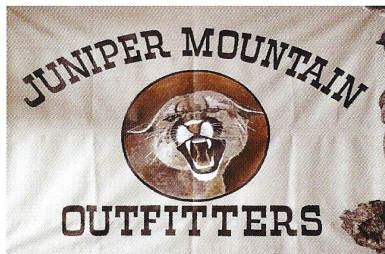


*Want to win a Cougar Hunt in Idaho? For just \$5.00 a sweepstake ticket you can be a lucky winner. See the enclosure below for full details. You say you're not a hunter, instead an Animal Lover.....We have a surprise for you also. All you animal lovers, over the hill, (OLD), handicap, or just not into hunting. You can win a cash prize of*

**\$2500.00**

*Just fill out the coupon below*

## Once in a lifetime Cougar Hunt \$5



Master Guides and Professional Outfitters, Paul and Stan Meholchick, are donating an all expenses paid, guaranteed trophy, Cougar Hunt in Idaho's spectacular Owyhee Mountains.

The *U.S. Marine Corps League 2011 National Convention* is offering this unique hunt as a grand prize. The lucky donors name will be drawn at the banquet of the 2011 MCL National Convention in Boise, Idaho, Riverside Double Tree Inn, Friday, August 5, 2011.



Each **\$5.00** donation provides donors one opportunity to win this exceptional Prize.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Donations in \$5.00 increments.**

Total remitted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check or money order. Please do not send cash.

Send to:

**MCL 2011 National Convention**

**P O Box 45874**

**Boise, Idaho 83711**

Donations may be made through our web site: [www.tvdmcl.org](http://www.tvdmcl.org)

Please make a copy for your records.

Your entries will be put into the drawing and a confirmation receipt sent to you.

Information available from

- Art Kilton:  
[arthurkilton1@msn.com](mailto:arthurkilton1@msn.com)

Winner of the drawing (who need not be present to win) will receive the following:

- The hunt! During the winter of 2011-2012, Owyhee Mts, Idaho
- Air fare to and from:  
Your home state's major airport, and Boise, Idaho airport.
- Transportation to and from hunt site.
- Hunting License and Cougar permit.
- All equipment necessary for a successful hunt.  
including as necessary
- ATV's or Snowmobiles.
- Tracking dogs and horses.
- Lodging and meals.
- Weapons and ammunition.  
(furnished if requested).
- Dressing done by Outfitter.

Taxidermy is an option and will be paid for by the winner if you decide to mount your trophy.

Total value of the hunt is \$6,000.00 - 7,000.00

Your total cost other than taxidermy is a donation in \$5.00 increments.

The Marine Corps League is a non-profit Veteran's organization. We work with and support a variety of Veteran's groups.

**For information about the hunt, contact:**  
**JuniperMountainOutfitters.com**  
**Paul or Stan Meholchick**



**Checkout our website for more details;**

**[www.tvdmcl.org](http://www.tvdmcl.org)**