

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
TREASURE VALLEY DETACHMENT # 878 & TREASURE VALLEY POUND # 270**

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## **COMING EVENTS**

**Next Regular Monthly Meeting:** 7:00 PM, Thursday November 15, 2018 American Legion Hall, 22 West Broadway, Ave., Meridian, Idaho

**Next Quarterly Devil Dog Growl/Pack Growl:** 6 November 1830 at the FRA Building, Lloyd Thies Hall. 1102 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. South, Nampa, ID.

**Monthly Breakfast with Spouses:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, 8:30 AM at Quinn's 1005 S Vista Ave., Boise, ID

**Weekly Coffee:** 8:30 AM Saturdays at Quinn's, 1005 S Vista Ave., Boise, ID

Meeting opened 1900

**PURPOSE & INTENT:** To keep detachment members informed of past and future detachment actions and activities. To present a concise summary of the detachment's monthly business meeting.

All officers were present except for the Jr. Vice who was excused and the Past Commandant. The current serving Past Commandant has asked to step down and none are available to assume the position. As all but one prior Commandants (current Adjutant/Paymaster) no longer attend meetings.

Minutes of the September meeting were approved. They are available for your review at the detachment website [tvdmccl.org](http://tvdmccl.org).

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Information from National MCL on Mid-Winter Conference and Tree Lighting Ceremony at National Hq. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. Registration for donations at being accepted for the Tree of Lights in support of the US Marine Youth Foundation.

**Paymaster report:** Paymaster Reports for September and October we read and accepted.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**Commandant Modler:** Reminded the membership of a wheel chair available to transport to and from parking lot for meetings. Thanked prior officers for their attendance, the few that were present who had not quit attending. Need for prior Marine of the Year

**Senior Vice-Commandant Balfour:** Presentation on VA Home ongoing maintenance performed and being needed due to more issues being discovered. Also due to shortages in staffing admissions have been limited.

**Junior Vice Commandant Gunter:** Excused

**Judge Advocate:** No issues to report, waiting posting of new National Bylaws from convention.

**Adjutant/Paymaster:** We have 53 life members, **45 regular members** of which **23 have not renewed** their membership. Renewals were due June 2018. We have 3 Associate members, one Life Associate member. If you change your address, phone number or e-mail please notify the Adjutant/Paymaster and the Commandant.

**Detachment Rep for Ada County United Veterans:** Marine Swickard, meeting details. Women's Veterans Conference 20 Oct at the Riverside. Wreaths Across America at the Veterans cemetery on Saturday 15 Dec at 10AM and recovery 19 January.

**Sergeant-at Arms:** Fourteen members and two associate members and one guest (perspective member) were present. By end of meeting Ron Kinney had signed up as a new member (welcome aboard).

**Chaplain:** NEED input from membership on those that are on the sick, lame or lazy roster, also information on those Marines in need of assistance in the local community. Thank you to the membership from Marine Carlisle on the showing of members at the services for his grandson Casey Carlisle (also a Marine) at his services in September. (note from Commandant please consider attending services for Marines at detachment project, see the website for details.)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Established Awards Committee:** The Sr. Vice is chairman, Marine Schubert volunteered, still a need for one other member.

**Newsletter Editor:** Request for replacement "Newsletter Editor", no volunteer from floor, readers please contact the commandant if you would like to become the next editor. **"Without a journal or paper of some kind you cannot unite the people."** Mohandas Gandhi 1893

**Eagle Scout Committee chair:** did not have any information on new Eagle Scouts.

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Fund Raising Committee:** Marine Guy reported that as of yesterday we made a profit of \$2694 please sell and turn-in or return all tickets for final numbers, call Frank (208-989-1044) he will pick up if needs be. about 100 tickets out need to be accounted. Kudos to Frank Partridge for his moving of tickets over 150 so far.

**Parade Committee:** Boise Veterans on 3 November meet at 0900 by the old Boise Cascade building on 11<sup>th</sup> and Jefferson, those with trucks please wash-em up and the trailer will be towed by Dick Keplinger. Please wear detachment red items, MCL cover and warm clothing.

**Art Jackson Memorial:** Marine Nakashima presented details on proposals of patches, detachment banner and poster for trailer to display detachment honoring Art Jackson.

**Coffee Wagon:** Thanks to Frank Guy and Gary Randel for their assistance \$349.59 for last weekend of September.

**Social Events:** Detachment annual Christmas Dinner will be held at Gowen Field MWR Club on 13 December at 1730 to 2100. See flyer for details. Members and any guests welcome, dinner \$39.00 for the meal and a \$10 donation to Toys for Tots. A white elephant gift exchange of a funny or serious gift not to exceed \$25.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Detachment Color Guard :** Marine Michael Schubert made a presentation on establishing a Detachment Color Guard, arguing that this is a capability the detachment should have in the event there are requests for color guards that C Company, 4<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion cannot meet. Discussion revealed that the necessary equipment is available. Color Guard members would need to purchase certain uniform items at their own expense. **if you are interested in becoming a TVD Color Guard member.** Contact Mike Schubert at [1bzyfamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:1bzyfamily@sbcglobal.net).

**Break:** 50/50 Raffle, \$24 to detachment and \$24 to winner, Marine Walt Modler which was donated to the detachment social fund.

#### **NEW BUISNESS:**

**Open Meeting:** The Judge Advocate and the Adjutant researched the ramification of changing the detachment's normal closed meeting format to an open meeting format. None were determined so as Commandant for the remainder of my term in office all meetings will be open. Thereby allowing members with children or other guests to bring them with them to the meeting so that they could avoid the cost of having to pay for child care. Let it be understood that their attendance they can not vote in decisions of the detachment or participate in discussions.

**Toys for Tots:** Detachment has opportunity to assist Marine Reservists at collection points in valley. Details are being finalized on dress and grooming standards for detachment members. If interested in participating contact Marine Skip Nakashima at ([samuri180@hotmail.com](mailto:samuri180@hotmail.com)) for additional instruction and dates. Several members present signed up.

**MCL Flag for VA Home:** Marine Balfour requested to add a League flag to the display of flags in the dinning room motion was made for up to \$150 for a stand, pole and flag motion passed.

**Wreaths Across America:** Motion made to donate to program \$150 to support the national program, motion passed.

#### **GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

**National Convention:** Billings Montana Aug 2019, hotels are filling up, get your reservation before none are available.

**Marine Corps Ball:** C Company on 3 November at the Center on the Grove. Contact C Company for tickets \$60 each. Life member Marine Robert Smith will be oldest Marine 2 tables are set aside for detachment members.

**TVD Living Memorial:** Replacement tree and 3 of the four stone plaques are in just off the sidewalk next to the gazebo. Fourth plaque is in maintenance to change the base, to be in place next week.

**Future event:** VA Home MC Cake cutting ceremony 10 Nov 10AM.

The meeting closed at 2032.

**Walt Modler, for this one only, I will be Editor, someone please contact me about taking on this Newsletter. Without an Editor most communication with the non-attending members will cease again, unless you come to a meeting.**

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