## 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 October 18, 2018, American Legion Hall, 22 West Broadway, Ave., Meridian, Idaho

**Next Quarterly Devil Dog Growl/Pack Growl:** November 6, 2018, 1830 at the FRA Building, Lloyd Thies Hall. 1102 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. South, Nampa, ID.

Monthly Breakfast with Spouses: 3rd 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

**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.

Meeting opened at 1905/7:05 PM

The Senior Vice Commandant and the Adjutant/Paymaster were excused, all other officers were present.

Eleven members and one auxiliary member present.

Minutes of the August meeting were approved. They are available for your review at the detachment website tvdmcl.org.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

**Commandant Modler:** Has decided that for the remainder of his term as commandant, that detachment business meetings will be open meetings. Declaring the detachment business meetings open meetings allows members to bring guests and/or family members to meetings. Commandant Modler, made this decision to make it easier for members with children to attend meetings and not have to hire people to look after their children. Non-members who attend detachment meetings will not be permitted to join member debates, discussions or any other official business actions of the detachment.

Junior Vice Commandant Gunter: Reported that he had contacted all delinquent dues members, and of the detachment's 45 regular members 23 have not renewed. If you are delinquent, then please renew immediately.

Paymaster report held for the October meeting when the paymaster is present to respond to any questions.

**Judge Advocate**: In response to the question posed by the Commandant during the August meeting, stated that he could not find any restriction in either the League or the Detachment bylaws that would prohibit holding open meetings.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Social Committee:** Committee chair, Maggie Modler, reminded that the detachment Christmas Party is scheduled for December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Gowen Field All-Ranks Club. The menu has not been set, and the decision to have the meal served either at tables or through buffet service, has not been made. The projected per-person cost is \$60.00. (It will not be as inexpensive as Marie Calendar's, but that establishment has closed.) Any member with an alternate suggestion for the Christmas Party should notify Maggie Modler immediately: 208-371-4236

**Color Guard:** Of the several members who signed up to form and participate as members of a detachment color guard, only two attended the meeting organized by the color guard commander, Steve Neff. Members who are interested in color guard membership need to contact Steve immediately at 208-371-6697 or <u>marinee4neff@gmail.com</u>. Formation of a detachment color guard is fast becoming an important issue rather than something nice to have because our local Marine Corps Reserve unit, Company C, 4<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion is becoming every more pressed to participate in Marine funerals. Steve's initiative to form a color guard is timely, so if you are physically capable of performing as a color guard member please consider joining.

**Fund Raising:** Sell your raffle tickets as quickly as possible. If you have money to turn in, then call Frank Guy, who will meet you to receive the stubs and money for tickets sold. 208-989-1044

**Training:** September training was a quiz on MCL uniform regulations; a copy of the quiz is attached should you want to test your League uniform knowledge. Answers may be found on the third and fourth pages of the quiz.

## GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

The detachment's living memorial that commemorates members who died while an active detachment member will be relocated to a spot near the gazebo that is on the Veterans Hospital grounds. Pipes underneath the original location burst, which drove the relocation. The detachment purchased a Thunder Cloud Flowering Plum tree to replace the tree that was destroyed during the pipe repair process.

Marine Corps Birthday Ball tickets are available at the Marine Corps Reserve Center at Gowen Field. **Detachment member Bob Smith will be honored as the oldest Marine.** The Reserve Center phone number is 208-422-6256.

Flu shots will be available October 2-4 ,approximately 0900 to 1500, in a drive-through arrangement located on a VA Hospital parking lot. Shots may also be received in the hospital's walk-in clinic and for a longer period of time.

The detachment will cook and serve in support of the Veterans' Home parking lot cookout on Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1000 – 1500. Show time is 0900.

This year's Veterans Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday November 3d. Timings will be announced later.

The meeting closed at 2020/8:20 PM.

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