

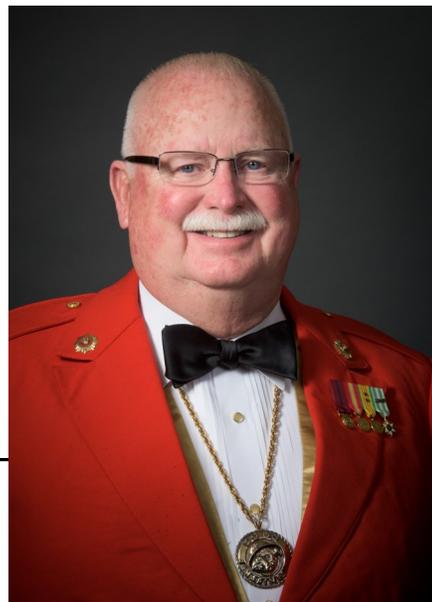
# WOOF~O~GRAM

MILITARY ORDER OF THE  
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SUMMER EDITION 2016

"It's an HONOR to be a DEVIL DOG!"

## A WHISTLING FROM THE 57<sup>TH</sup> CHIEF DEVIL DOG



WOOF, WOOF to all Dogs of the Order ,

As I write this article, the Supreme Growl is only fifty-six days away. Are you ready to spend a week "LIVING ON TULSA TIME?" If you are planning to advance, your paperwork must have been submitted by 01 July. If it was not, see ya next year! Please remember to bring a copy of your advancement papers to the convention with you. If your paperwork is missing, it will be up to you to provide proof of submission by the deadline. And remember that you must be signed in first with the League and then in the Dog House, no later than 1700 on Monday of the convention.

There is much fun and frivolity planned for the Supreme Growl. You won't want to miss it! There will be opportunities for your active participation; bring plenty of bones if you wish to be a contestant! We will have an appearance by a Kennel Kourt Jester who will have you rolling on the floor with your paws in the air, and there will be an encore appearance by PDD Helen Hicks, PNC - hopefully not at the expense of your Chief again! (Those of you who attended the Mid-Winter Mini-Growl will understand that comment.) In addition, our Jr. Vice Chief PDD Tom Hazlett has some new dog tricks ready for the growl. There will also be several opportunities to acquire the coveted "57th CDD Spirit Awards. By the way, HCDD Jack Severn, our trusty Kennel Artist, has shared his artwork with me for the 77th Supreme Growl Challenge Coin. Wow...he never ceases to amaze me! In addition to selling chances on the Jr. Vice Sweepstakes raffle tickets, PDD Hazlett will have the coins available for purchase in the Dog House. You won't want to be caught without one during the Supreme Growl. Consider yourself warned!

This has been a busy spring for me. Since the Mid-Winter Conference, I have attended two fun growls: during the Central Division Conference in Westlake, OH and the Department of Maryland (Merlin) Convention in Ocean City, MD. On Memorial Day, I was honored to be the Keynote Speaker at Rock Island National Cemetery in Rock Island, IL. What a humbling experience! This past weekend I attended my own Department of Illinois Convention and Grand Growl, and next week I will head to Terre Haute, IN for the Department of Indiana Convention and Grand Growl. Unfortunately, I had to turn down invitations to the Department of Missouri and Department of Connecticut conventions due to scheduling conflicts.

My request for one big bone from each member to donate to the Children's Hospital in Tulsa has had great results. Thanks to each and every one of you who have contributed to this fund, and special thanks to those Packs and Pounds who chose to donate extra bones to the cause. Any bones submitted after the end of the fiscal year (30 June) will be added to the hospital fund for the 2017 National Convention and Supreme Growl in Orland Park, KS, so please send your bones if you have not done so already. I announced at the Mid-Winter Mini-Growl my intentions to run for a second term. If re-elected, I plan to continue this new initiative of collecting a bone from each member to add to the bone bag for the 2017 children's hospital recipient.



Try to make it to your groomer to get freshened up for the Supreme Growl. See ya at LZ Tulsa! Remember to keep me in the loop. It is truly an HONOR to be a DEVIL DOG!

Semper Woof,

*C.O. Smith*

57th Chief Devil Dog

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YOU MOVE**

**Sr. Vice Chief Devil Dog thanks you for your support...**

Woof Woof Dogs of the Order,

Well wishes to all. I'm pleased and proud to Bark out loud and clear that the membership is moving in the right direction. Moving slow but in the right direction. We are currently a little over 6000, it is my goal to reach 7000. To reach this we the members of the Order must be relentless in our pursuit of new members, retaining current Dogs and reaching out to those delinquent members. The recipe for success is to have fun at your Growls, step up and help the Marine Corps League as; you recruit them. Invite leaguers to your luncheon, breakfast coffee meets, picnics, fundraisers (Christmas in July) or whatever you do make it happen have fun, raise Bones and recruit. Semo Pound 330 will be having their Christmas in July on July 16 from 4:30pm-9:30pm, Cape Girardeau, MO. All are invited.

I would like to thank all who responded to my request for updates on the 990's and EIN's. We are just trying to make sure your tails are protected in the IRS and Non-Profit world. A special thanks to PDD Bonnie Holden for sending out all the letters at my request. I also want to thank PDD Steve Joppa for receiving the extra paper work put on his plate, OOH RAH to both of you.

Pound, Packs, Division make sure you keep your Membership Roster up-to-date. I will explain why this is so important at a future Growl.

I have attended in the last year Nationals, Midwinter, several Growls, and Pound Installation-presented Charter. I've attended multiple Veterans ceremonies. I have visited Veterans at the VA Hospital and VA Home Memorial Day services and Flag dedication.

Devil Dogs continue to recruit and retain new and old members. I am seeking a 2<sup>nd</sup> term in the position of Sr. Vice Chief Devil Dog.

It is an honor to serve.

Woof Woof,

PDD Leonard Spicer

Sr. Vice Chief Devil Dog

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**Jr. Vice CDD has some bones to raise...**

Woof, woof to all you Dogs out there.

Summer has arrived and those temperature digits have shot up; I hope your membership and activities have done the same. As you know, our Supreme Growl is just around the corner and Tulsa should be a great time.

Over the past few weeks I have been receiving a lot of mail containing Sweepstakes ticket purchases; I want to thank everyone for participating and I hope those Big Bones keep rolling in.

Remember to encourage your Pounds and Packs to seek out members of the league that are aggressive and invite them to join up with the MODD. We need to keep growing and multiplying in number. Find ways to make your Growls fun and enjoyable and at the same time (cont. pg 3)

be productive in your goals.

As we get ready for the National Convention and the Supreme growl, remember to get your paperwork in for those Devil Dogs wishing to Obligate to PDD. Remember to get your Installation Reports into Kennel and remember to pay your Passport fees on time and in accordance with our By-Laws. As always, remember to file your 990's, it is the law!

Please remember our troops who are serving our great nation; especially remember our troops serving in Harm's Way. Don't forget to thank those remaining WWII and Korean War Veterans; a handshake and a thank you are both free and it does mean a great deal to them to be recognized.

As always, if you keep it fun, they will come! Have a great Summer and I look forward to seeing you in Tulsa.



Semper Woof!  
 Tom Hazlett  
 Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog  
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Our Jr. Past Chief Devil Dog is ready for Tulsa



Top Photo: (L-R) PDD Warren Musch and PDD Robert (Randy) Weber  
 Bottom Photo: (L-R) PDD Tim Martin, PDD John Buckley, CDD C.O. Smith were given Quilts of Valor at the Dept. of IL convention and IL Pack Grand Growl. The quilts were given on behalf of their combat service.

### Kennel Veterinarian has some shots for advancing dogs...

Woof, woof,

All advancing Dogs, if you need a cane or walker to assist you, be sure to bring it and use it during your time in Tulsa. Drinking fluids is important as like ensuring you bring and take all your medications. The process to advance to PDD is meant to be memorable as well as fun. Come prepared to continue with the fun and honor we Dogs all enjoy. Don't worry if you forgot your flea medicine as we have plenty.

There will be assistance given as needed in the Kennel Dog House and in the hotel where the activities are being held.

PDD Roger Ware  
Kennel Veterinarian  
Cell phone: 240-338-0929



### Smart Dog will be Da Judge of that...

Woof Woof Dogs of the Order.

First of all, I would like to Thank You for believing in me and electing me as your Smart Dog. This year has been very informative and rewarding. I have Barked with Dogs from all over the Kennel regarding Protocol, Procedures, Uniforms and Ritual. Each of your questions has made me more diligent in making sure I was as informed of the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures as possible. I hope I have been helpful to all who called upon me for advice or with questions. I welcome inquiries from any Dog that might have a question about the Order. It is my goal to acknowledge your question within hours, and document a ruling by close of next business day.

Our 77th Supreme Growl will be here shortly. Make sure your Advancement paperwork has been submitted in time, with all the correct signatures. In order to avoid any question of eligibility, bring a copy of the signed and submitted "Application for Degree Advancement" with you. I look forward to meeting and interacting with all Devil Dogs advancing to the honored title of Pedigree Devil Dog.

Please review the 2016 proposed bylaws as they will be voted on during the Supreme Growl. You will find them posted on the Kennel web site (<http://moddkennel.org/Home/tabid/190/Default.aspx>) under the GROWL INFO Tab.

I consider the position of Kennel Smart Dog as one of trust, honor and integrity. With your support and vote of confidence, I would be proud to serve a second term. I hereby announce my candidacy for the position of Honorable Kennel Smart Dog for the 2016/2017 term of office.

Semper Fi,  
PDD J.D. Jones 09-019  
Honorable Kennel Smart Dog  
(252) 205-6506



The Ops Dog has some directions

Attention: All Dogs,

FYI - Tulsa Registrations are as follows:

Everyone must register with the MCL National Convention before they are allowed to register with the MODD. Times and locations will be posted all over the place.

National Staff, Kennel Staff, and Advancing Dogs are registered in the Doghouse.

ALL other Dogs will be registered outside the Doghouse by the Watchdog and his Deputies.

Woof-Woof,

PDD Ray Carrier

Kennel Operations Dog



Police Dog and his Deputies are ready to fine every dog in Tulsa

Woof Woof all you Mangy Dogs!

This is coming to you as I recuperate from our PA Pack Growl where several pups moved up to Devil Dog status after an eventful evening of "fun time" initiation trials and dog-like tricks. Even though there were a few injuries requiring veterinary service and an exterminator all Dogs and Fleas are expected to heal by August for Tulsa. No more details other than many Big Bones were raised. As for the rest, "what happens in PA, stays in PA". Looking forward to the Supreme Growl at Tulsa in August. Bring plenty of bones as I will make sure they end up with the children. It has been an honor as well as a learning experience to be your Kennel Police Dog this last year. I look forward to seeking re-election in Tulsa.

PDD Rodney Hoffman

Kennel Police Dog



PCDD McDougall shares a News flash from the West Coast

The Department of California is re-chartering the Camp Joseph H. Pendleton Oceanside Detachment #23 and we have two transfers who are Pedigrees , the 31<sup>st</sup> Chief Virginia McDougall and PDD "Hap" Arnold and also the prospect of PDD Bob Canright also transferring.

So keep on the lookout for a Pound in about a year.

Woof, woof

PCDD 31<sup>st</sup>

Virginia McDougall



### Kennel Executive Director likes his new Title

Woof Woof all you Karniverous Kanines;

Some repeat information, but worth repeating.

IF YOU PLAN TO ADVANCE TO PEDIGREED Devil Dog in August 2016, your paperwork MUST BE IN HANDS OF THE KENNEL DOG ROBBER no later than June 30, 2016. By the time this printed the deadline will have passed. You also MUST BE REGISTERED at the National Convention with both the Marine Corps League and with Kennel Headquarters by 1700 on Monday. I can assure you if you do not complete these requirements by the deadline you will be dealing with the Chief Devil Dog and he will not be a happy camper. Attaining the high and honorable degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog is an honor, not a privilege. Make sure you complete your paperwork and get your Pack Dog Robber (or Pound Dog Robber if you have no Pack) to sign it, make a copy for you to carry with you, and get it in on time.

Those of you who will be elected or appointed to a Pound or Pack position during the past few and coming months should plan to get and read a copy of the Kennel (and Pack / Pound as applicable) Bylaws, especially if you are attaining an Office for the very first time. Those who have been on a staff position before, elected or appointed to another Office should also do this to keep abreast of the latest changes. I am still surprised when I do this and something I forgot or skimmed over a previous time pops up. You should also get and read the Ritual. If you have a position that requires you to be part of a function that uses the Ritual, practice aloud before your events, this will help you with the actual presentation.

Also, while many Pounds and Packs have an individual who has been in that Office a long time should plan to have a couple Dogs who are familiar with the requirements of that Office on the sidelines in case the current incumbent is incapacitated. The good Lord will call for each one of us someday. Plan for the future. Get a couple of copies of the Dog Robber manual and read this as well.

The Kennel Quartermaster has all of the aforementioned publications.

See you in Tulsa!

Semper Woofing,  
49th CDD Doug Fisk  
Kennel Executive Director



Left Photo: (L-R) DD Leonard Stielper, Jr and PDD Gore sharing a few laughs and some tall sea stories.  
  
Right Photo: (L-R) PDD Richard Gore (a.k.a. MCL National Commandant) checking his Instagram account.



### Never believe those dogs in the New England Division...

On the 6th of February I again displayed my failure to comprehend and displayed poor judgment by traveling south of the NH border into that liberal quagmire called MA. This time though, for protection, I brought along Sir Pound Keeper, PDD Mark Lindsley from Pound 159, and part of the great NH Pack. (16-02-02). We attended Pound 62 growl conducted by PDD Larry (never wrong) Rice. At the beginning of the growl there were 17 dogs in attendance but by the end of the growl there were 19 dogs in attendance. This was accomplished by initiating two new pups during the growl. Being from the north, PK, PDD Rice again unfairly picked on me throughout the growl and fined me over 10 big bones for alleged violations. The Dog Robber gave his report and was requested to dig up the Pound's financial can in his back yard so that it could be audited to assure that he didn't misuse the funds needed to purchase doggie treats. It was noted that the MA Convention will take place on the 3rd and 4th of June and that all dogs should make every effort to attend. PDD Rice also encouraged all dogs to attend the Mid-Winter growl were all dogs are invited. PCDD Taylor assured that the DD bylaws were followed – (16-02-01). I congratulated the Pound on having all of their reports current and that there was only one dog whose dues hadn't been paid for 2016. It was stated that this dog is in the hospital so a motion was made, seconded and passed for the Pound to pay his dues. This will bring this pound 100% in compliance with the DD regulations. WELL DONE POUND 62. PDD Rice closed the growl stating that the next growl would be on the 7th of May. Dogs in attendance claimed that he stated earlier that the next growl would be 14th of May. PK, PDD (Never Wrong) Rice stated that all dogs in attendance miss-heard him. That he definitely stated that the growl would be on the 14th of May and all dogs present were fined one big bone. The next day found me driving north to Westbrook Maine to attend the Pack of ME growl. There were 22 dogs in attendance. Worthy Pack Leader PDD Chuck Lang opened the growl at 11:16. Being a dog that follows the rules I pointed out that this was 16 minutes late. PDD Lang showed his appreciation for having this violation pointed out by fining me two big bones for delay of growl. PDD Lane conducted the growl during which he fined all dogs in attendance that had shiny shoes one big bone and then thought better of it and fined all dogs that didn't have shiny shoes two big bones. He also double checked the Passports to make sure there weren't any forgeries (16-02-04). Nominations of the officers for 2016-2017 then took place. Under the good of the order, I presented the current status of the ME Pack and congratulated them for having all required documents current and 90% of the dues for dogs that pay annually collected. I was privileged to present the Maine Pack Dog of the Year award to PDD Herb Broy. Congratulations Herb After the growl the dogs enjoyed a hearty meal of spaghetti and meatballs. There were some complaints though as some of the dogs wanted kibble and bits. In February, to reinvigorate my Marine spirit and pride, I visited PI although I located better quarters than the barracks by staying at a B&B in Beaufort SC. But I chose one that maintained the boot camp tradition of calling a gathering of the recruits in residence at 17:00 for the daily wine and cheese tasting event.

On 4 March I participated in the MODD Kennel Staff meeting conducted by CDD C.O. Smith who made sure all dogs present were well behaved. After the staff meeting I conducted an MODD budget review committee a process which is easy due to the well-presented financial documents by PCDD Fisk, Kennel Executive Director. I continue to represent the MODD organization on the Board of Directors of the Building Dreams for Marines. This organization has as its objective to improve the quality of life of disabled Marines by making modification to the Marines home by improving access such as enlarging bathrooms to allow for wheel chairs, roll in/roll out showers, access ramps, providing a deck allowing the Marine to spend time outside, etc. To date we have modified 11 homes of disabled Marines. Their disability does not have to be combat related. The disability can also be from an accident, a health issue or age. March 20 found me in Concord NH attending a growl of the NH Pack. Worthy Pack Leader Monnell made sure the 11 dogs in attendance conducted themselves according to the DD Bylaws which caused a lot of howling. I couldn't find my scratching from this Pack Growl but luckily for me the Worthy Pack Barking dog, PDD Finck, took notes. He reported that PDD Shea was fined one big bone for failure to salute. The roll call of officers was conducted and there was no response when the position of Smart Dog was barked out. Finally after the WPL barked 3 times PDD Diekmann barked he was present and just forgot that he was the Worthy Pack Smart Dog. He was fined one big bone for sleeping on the job. The PL was fined one big bone for referring to the title of her position incorrectly as Pack Commandant. The WPL then fined everyone one big bone for failure to follow DD protocol. PDD Warner inquired about the meeting and immediately was fined one big bone for calling the gathering a meeting. I gave a status report on the Pack & Pounds of NH and congratulated the dogs for having all of their reports current. The Pound Dog Robbers were reminded to request that the dogs in their Pounds donate one big bone to the Children's Hospital Fund. Nomination of Pack officers for the coming year then took place.

Following the Pack Growl I attended a growl of Chinook Pound 159 misled by Pound Keeper Mark Lindsley. There was a lot of barking and the PK wanted to know what was going on so he fined all dogs present for confusing him. As Pound Dog Robber I gave the financial report and stated that I was going to bury the Pound's funds in a very secret place. I also requested that all of the Pound Dogs donate one big bone to the Chief's special Children's Hospital Fund addition. On 2 April I drove to Boothbay ME which is over a 300 mile drive. Just wish the weather was better as this is a very picturesque part of the Maine Coast. The growl was scheduled to start at 11:00 and I arrived at 10:55, just in time. But the growl hadn't started by 11:20 and I reminded the Worthy Pack Leader PDD Chuck Lang about the start time and he then started the growl and fined me one big bone for bothering him. The Worthy Pack Dog Trainer DD Ed Lake took 5 minutes to find the Bible and was fined one big bone for delay of growl. There were 16 dogs in attendance. The introduction of the officers then took place and I was unfairly fined one big bone each for a sloppy introduction, (cont. pg 9)

### North West Division...12th Dog in the Kennel

Woof Woof:

This quarter I was honored to attend the Department of Idaho Convention where the grand Growl for the Idaho Pack was held. Five Pups were initiated, and four Pups were advanced to Devil Dogs.

The new Pack Officers were installed and a Howling time was had by all.

I will be attending the Department of Oregon and Department of Washington Grand Growls in June and July 2016 and will report on those events as they are available.

Department of Montana is holding there Grand Growl on June 19, 2016 and I will not be able to attend as I will be in Alaska during their convention but will be there next year.

Robert Bush Pound 353 out of Washington Pack delivered a badly needed shower chair to the Pope's Kids Place March 2016 PDD Bonnie Holden, PDD John Britcher, DD Bob Broostrom, and DD Dick Calvert were in attendance. Hope to see many of you at National Convention in August at Tulsa Oklahoma.

Semper Woof

PDD Bonnie Holden

NWDVCDD

nwdvcdd@gmail.com



### Southern Division Dogs are staying afloat...

*This ole Dog is busy packing his bones and dish for the trip to the Texas Pack Grand Growl in Dallas. I am also, trying to keep track of all the Dogs from Southern Division that will be elevating to Pedigree in Tulsa at the Supreme Growl. I am proud to say the Division will be sending several to the Supreme Growl from all three states. I can only hope they're trained to perfection. I do know that they will have the closest trek as Tulsa is just a short romp for our much traveled Texas, Arkansas, and Oklahoma Dogs. You know the saying "we measure distance in hours" when we're traveling across the wide expanse of the Southern Division.*

*So we're getting ready for a "hot" Growlin' good time to be had in Tulsa.*

**WOLF! WOLF!**

*PDD Ron Tomonelli*

*Southern Division Vice Chief*



### Never believe those dogs in the New England Division...?

failure to believe that my dog tag number was 17-9437 and not knowing my last name. The WPL continued the growl finning a dog whenever he could. I presented the status report on the Pack and Pounds of Maine and congratulated them on having their reports current. WPL Lang reminded the Pack Dog Robbers that they are to request the dogs in their pounds to support the Chief's by donating a big bone to the children's hospital fund. The election of the 2016 Pack officers then took place. After the closing of the growl a group picture was taken (16-04-10) followed by an outstanding meal prepared by DD Linda Laweryson. The moose had been shot a few weeks before by PDD Gary Laweryson. The only moose I saw when in Maine was in a gas station (16-04-01).

On April 10th I headed south to attend a MA Pack growl. As usual I checked the woods around Ashby MA and sure enough PDD Anttila was lost in the woods chasing squirrels. I picked him up and took him to the growl so he could develop his hunting skills. PDD Behenna started the growl after he asked a few dogs what was happening, I provided him with a copy of the ritual and then he checked to make sure all items noted in the bylaws were in place. There were 28 dogs in attendance. The roll call of officers was conducted along with the introduction of dignitaries. I was unjustly fined because the Worthy Pack Leader refused to believe that my dog tag number started with 17. A group of dogs showed up late with the unbelievable story that they had a flat tire and were justly fined. The WPL fined the dogs in attendance a number of times for disrupting the growl. One dog advanced to DD. Under the good of the league PCDD Taylor presented the Chief's Mid-Winter Report and I presented the MA Pack and Pound status report. The dogs were also reminded to solicit one big bone from each dog to be given to the Chief for the Hospital fund. Dogs from ME, VT, RI and NH along with some dogs from MA, CT, and a lost dog from PA, PDD Bill Miller, gathered in South Portland ME for the Quad State Growl. Worthy ME Pack Leader Chuck Lang made sure that he let the dogs in attendance know he was in charge and that they could quit their howling. PDD Laskey claimed that he couldn't be fined because he paid his fines in advance. For the privilege of visiting Maine WPL, PDD Lang fined all out of state dogs one big bone. A dog then inquired if there was going to be a raffle. When it was stated that none was planned, a mighty howl went up from the dogs present. Talkative dog, PDD Larry Herman then calmed down the dogs by telling a number of jokes which kept the dogs in a good mood. During the growl 3 RI dogs became pups. To keep testing the tracking ability of the dogs in NE next year's Quad State will be held in RI on April 21st. We understand that there are a couple of dogs wandering around NH trying to find the location of the 2015 Quad State growl. They will be captured and sent back to school for tracker training.

On May 22nd I attended the CT Pack growl which was conducted by Worthy Pack Leader PDD McGoldrick. The growl started 2 minutes late showing that they forgot their dog training at PI when we were instructed if a gathering was to start on the hour that's when it must start. PDD Herman then came in even though the growl was supposedly secured. Temporary Police Dog PCDD Doug Fisk made sure all dogs were fined for every conceivable reason and even some that weren't conceivable. I was unjustly fined 3 big bones allegedly for mistakes in my introduction. When I questioned why I was fined my fines were doubled for questioning why I was being fined. During the growl a pup was initiated who wasn't housebroken and went around the dog house peeing on the dogs present. I was privileged to attend the MA Pack growl on the 3rd of June. The growl started at its scheduled time of 20:00ish by Pack Leader Chuck Behenna. Chuck quickly passed through the growl ritual ending with the nomination and election of officers for 2016-2017. The installation of the new officers took place by the installation team consisting of PCDD Fisk, PCDD Taylor and PDD Diekmann. All the best to the new Pack Leader PDD Paul Manna and his team. (continued on Page 14)

### Our 45th CDD has a few interesting words to share...

Woof-Woof all you Magnificent Mastiff's,

Well it's that time of year again, and I hope those that are planning on attending the Supreme Growl are gearing up for a good time. I had the honor of attending the Annual Conventions of the Departments of Mass and CT, and at both Grand Growls, our National Commandant was in attendance. Although it cost him plenty of big Bones, all in both Dog Houses knew he was onboard, and had all paws laughing their hindquarters off. I think CMDT Gore has set some kind of precedence among National Commandants attending, and being involved in Supreme, and Grand Growls. I hope it continues. I hope that as many Dogs as possible will be attending the Convention Opening Ceremonies on Monday morning. Please remember, that when Honorable Chief is announced, we need to bring the house down, with applause, growls, and anyway you can make noise welcoming the 57th. I bet that the civilian dignitaries, that are there and witnessing this, will be thinking, who the hell is this guy, I had better bring my "A" game.....LOL

In closing, I want to remind everyone, that we will be conducting our Annual Elections of Officers. If you think you have what it takes, to improve our Kennel, have someone nominate you for whatever Office you want. Please keep in mind that there is no shame in being defeated, and you might even bring some fun into the process. Well Brother's & Sisters, that's it for this edition, have a safe trip to Tulsa, and I'm looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Woof-Woof,

PCDD Bill Taylor

45th CDD

### Mid-West Division still barking and howling after all these bones...

Well summer is close and you know that means, Supreme growl, Tulsa. Are you ready?

Just want to remind you all to make sure to send in the advancement paperwork to your Pack Dog robbers for any Devil Dogs wishing to advance.

Midwest has been quiet these last 3 months. In April I attended the Midwest Division Spring conference and growl in Overland Park Kansas, same town as the 2017 National Convention will be held, different hotel, but same town.

Busy with the upcoming 2016 Department Convention and Grand Growl. We have Saint Louis Police Chief Sam Dotson as the guest speaker to welcome all Marines, Dogs and their families to the convention.

Then at the evening banquet the guest speaker is Major Jason Frei USMC Retired who commanded Battery A, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines and wounded in the battle of Nasiriyah. Receiving a Bronze Star with combat V and the Purple Heart.

Also Missouri Pack will have a representative from the Saint Louis Children's hospital present to accept a \$2000.00 donation to the cardiac division. Barnes Jewish is the parent company.

Photos enclosed show two mongrels advancing to PUPS at a pound 66 Missouri growl. The other photo show a PUP with major dental problems (PUP Ray). Midwest division is working on getting him some help. LOL!

Looking forward to seeing all you dogs in Tulsa, especially those of you wishing to move up to PDD.

Semper woof,  
PDD Steve Michalski  
VCDD Midwest Division.



### From the Kennel Historian

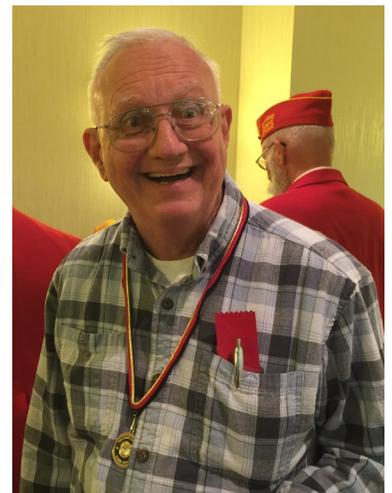
There are two items that I'd like to present to the membership in this issue of the WOG. The first item is to advise everyone that we will once again be taking orders at this year's Convention for the Photo CD of all MODD activities. As in past years, we will have numerous members taking "candid" photos of all the stages of the PDD initiations which have become a keepsake of those who have gone before. Over the years we have received numerous accolades about the content of these CD's. All photos and inserts will be in JPG format which can be readily opened on virtually any computer. The cost for the CD which includes shipping via first class mail will be \$15.00. Please let those members who plan on making the trip to Tulsa for the purpose of obtaining their degree of PDD that this is something they'll really want to obtain.

The second item is a notice that the email address for this office has changed. The previous address shown in the Kennel roster had to be changed due to complications caused by Microsoft's upgrades to Windows 10. After much turmoil, I decided to obtain another address with a more reliable service. The new address is [moddhistory@gmail.com](mailto:moddhistory@gmail.com). I would greatly appreciate it if everyone who reads this missal makes the change to their address book ASAP.

Hope to see everyone in Tulsa.

Semper Woofing

PCDD Bob Lent



### North East Dogs are very busy ...

Woof woof dog of the canals everything in my division is doing well. Just return from a converge in New Jersey installed four new pups, five pups moved up to DD. Heading to Pennsylvania for a converge, all pounds had the four growls. There are a few issues that came up. Hopeful we can take care of it at the pound level.

PDD Bernie Scott  
 Northeast Division Vice Chief  
 PDD Bernie Scott  
 North East Division Vice Chief Devil Dog

### Central Division...Trying to stay cool & dry...

I enjoyed a good Growl at the Central Division Conference in April even though the weather was less than cooperative. In May, the Cheese Dogs held their Grand Growl. Good job dogs and thanks for the hospitality extended to this Illinois Biker Dog. I just returned from the Michigan Growl. Nice motorcycle ride to Muskegon. The Michigan Dogs put on a successful Grand Growl. Sorry about a couple stumbles while running your election and Officer Installation. Next wee is my Grand Growl with the usual rowdy Illinois Dogs. Like most other Dogs, I'm looking forward to Tulsa. it's only a short 618 mile ride. Hope to see a few old Dogs and a big upgrade class.

Until August, Semper Woof  
 Dale Munson  
 Cen. Div. VCDD



### Rocky Mountain Division...Let the games begin...

Woof, Woof Devil Dogs;

I like to say Thank You to all the Dogs of the Rocky Mountain Division, and hope all have had great Department Convention's and Grand Growl's. I like to Congratulate all That have advanced to the Degree of Devil Dog. I also like to remind all Devil Dogs that are thinking of advancing to the degree of Pedigree Devil Dog at this year's Supreme Growl, ensure your paper work is into the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber by 1 July, 2016. Then ensure your at the National Convention NO LATER THEN 1700 on Monday of the start of the National Convention. I would suggest that all get there and check in on that Sunday. You must check-in with the Marine Corps League first then proceed to the Kennel Dog House to check-in there for advancement. Ensure you are in full uniform, (Cover, Dog Tag, Pass port and Membership card). I will tell you ensure you have your Large Bones in hand as well. I like to also remind all Dogs that its getting close to that time of the year where Membership Dues will be due. Start making arrangements for that time. I like to ask all as well to remember the Chief's word's, Have Fun and its all about the Kids. At every Growl remember to recite the Devil Dog creed. If Dog would like a copy of it, let me know and I will get you a copy. Thank you for the great Hospitality that was extended as I traveled to your Grand Growls. I am honored to be part of the Rocky Mountain Division.

PDD Tom Krueger  
 VCDD RMD  
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 tekusmc@aol.com



**South East Division can't wait to see you in Tulsa 2016...**



Woof Woof !!

A successful SE Division Growl sent the dogs of the division back to their packs renewed and out to find the bones “for the children” some good response has been noted with Florida sending a bone for each member on the rosters. Elections at the Pack have been underway and a new slate of dogs have come on board and are sniffing around and making sure that everyone knows the honor it is to be a Devil Dog.

This May I forwarded my regrets to the Chief that I would be unable to continue to represent the Southeast going forward so PDD A.B. Grantham has accepted the appointment by the Chief to lead and assist the Dogs of the Southeast. He has done excellent work assisting the formation of pounds in the Florida Panhandle and is working with the Mississippi Dogs hungry to have a pound of their own. So now with his leadership I am sure that the Southeast will continue to move forward and become a stronger part of the Kennel.

PDD Dave Sargent  
 SED VCDD  
 dave@davidhsargent.com

**Kennel Lucky Dog wants you to buy tickets and WIN!!!**

Woof! Woof!

I hope everyone has been having a nicer spring than those of us on the upper East Coast. We're stinking up the place from all the wet dog hair due to the constant rain. Here's hoping the clouds blow away and summer gets off to a good start.

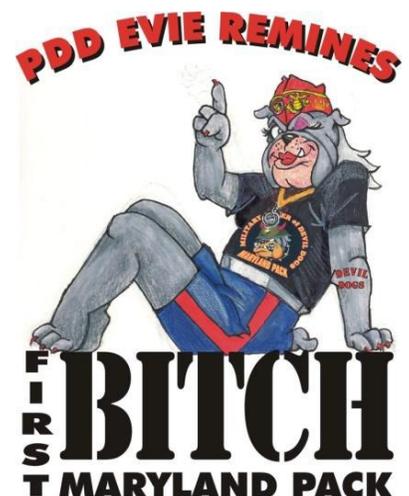
We're fast approaching the National Convention in Tulsa, OK. I hope to see all you puppies out there where I'll be helping the JVCDD with raffle tickets, 50/50 tickets and any other items the Chiefs may have for me. I promise I won't make things as confusing as I did last year. I have to remember KISS – keep it simple, stupid. Not that I'm calling all my fellow dogs stupid, but because I confused myself!!! The fleas from all the mongrels running around must have addled my grey matter.

You can keep the flow through the Kennel Dog House going at a smooth pace by purchasing your sweepstakes tickets now. Contact the JVCDD in order to get yours.

If you have any questions for me, you can contact me at [mclchick@hotmail.com](mailto:mclchick@hotmail.com)

Semper Barking,

PDD Evie Remines Kennel Lucky Dog



### Our Dog Trainer takes a moment to think...

Dear Dogs of the Order:

Last year after our National Convention in Scottsdale, AZ I was diagnosed with Stage III Melanoma (skin) Cancer. I have spent many hours at hospitals with some visits to a large hospital in Hershey, PA and many visits to the local VA Hospital in Lebanon, PA. With all my visits to these medical facilities, I am amazed at the differences of people's interaction with each other. Some families seem to take all the medical issues in stride and deal with the problems that their particular disease presents to them and simply "keep on truckin'." Others come to the hospital or clinic with a "chip on their shoulder" and no one can lessen the pain for them. They seem to want to pick a fight with anyone and are ready to do so. It is truly a revelation to watch how those who come without problems seem to do better than those who are miserable.

Instead of complaining about the hardships that have fallen upon individuals, it appears that those who can deal with the medical concern do so much better than those who wish to fight it. I believe that those of us who can accept whatever is placed in our way and deal with the consequences, always have a better time of it than those who become combative with the medical staff.

Perhaps we should all learn a truth about how to deal with adversity. Firstly, discover what is wrong and determine a means to get through it and secondly, deal with the steps to help correct whatever is in our way. Let us pray for each other that we can do both these things. It will make our lives and those around us more enjoyable.

PDD Tom Minchin

Kennel Dog Trainer



### SOUTHWEST DIVISION BARKS...

**A hearty WOOF! from Southwest Division**

This old Dog still can't figure out the weather. April & May were exceptionally wet months that almost brought us out of the drought, and now we're having 100 degree plus days to start off June. No spring, just winter to summer. Go figure! I had a great time at the Nevada Pack Grand Growl in Las Vegas. The modified motto is: what you bring to Vegas, stays in Vegas. That include a lot of the bones I saved up all winter. We had a chance to visit the Leatherneck Club It's a great venue with a lot of history. If any of you Dogs are in Las Vegas it's a "must visit" thing to do on your bucket list. It's very convenient to have a shooting range AND a message emporium sharing the same parking lot. I'm sure it was planned that way!

The Grand Growl of the California Pack was well attended at the last Spring Conference in Santa Rosa, CA, It's the first Growl I've been to where the Dogs present would not let the Pack adjourn the Growl, at least until many more bones were assessed. The Grand Growl at the Department Convention in Sacramento was also a blast, with PCDD Cliff Williams in attendance, as well as PCDD Virginia McDougall. I don't think I have any bones left in my meager bone bag after those last three Grand Growls!

Stay well, Devil Dogs!

See y'all in Tulsa.

PDD Bob Villalobos, 00-228

SWDVCDD,

SDR Folsom Bulldogs Pound # 071





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WOOF WOOF

I know it seems like all I do is whine and bark. Most of the Pounds and Packs are actually doing a good job and are to be complimented. I would like to take this opportunity to do that. **Thank you to all those that have read the bylaws and the Dog Robber manual and have made my job easier.**

The Supreme Growl is rapidly approaching. I hope to see many of you in Tulsa. From the number of PDD applications that I have received (49 to date) it looks like the turnout will be below average. If you have not made your travel plans yet the time is getting close! By the time you get this it will be too late to get your advancement application in. Sorry! See you next year in for the 78th Supreme Growl.

At the Supreme Growl awards will be given out. To date I have virtually no submissions. I am very disappointed. It looks like no one in the Pounds think any of their Dogs do anything or are of being recognized. This has been the trend over the last several years and I think it is pitiful. Awards are about the only way someone can be thanked for all of the effort they put in for the good of the Order. There is still time to get your submission in. They will be accepted until noon of the day prior to the Growl. Let's get those nominations in! **Please make sure you follow the instructions in the bylaws on mailing.** Otherwise the committee cannot consider the application.

Now for some good news, the top 6 contributors to the Passport Fund are: **#207 MD \$2266, MD Pack \$1739, PA Pack \$970, #333 MD \$834, FL Pack \$794. Their outstanding support is greatly appreciated.**

The new fiscal year begins July 1 and I will begin accepting dues renewals for the 2017 year at that time. All Dog dues should be renewed by September 1 to be in compliance with the bylaws. On Sept 1 I will drop from the rolls all Dogs that have not paid their dues for 2016. After that date you will be required to pay back dues and a reinstatement fees to get back in good standing.

I keep getting Installation Reports throughout the year. Elections **and installation of new officers is to occur within three months after the Supreme Growl.** If you are holding your election and installation at other times of the year you are in violation of the bylaws.

Passport fees continue to come in and they are much appreciated. More Pounds and Packs are doing their job and sending in their bones. The children's hospital that is selected in Oklahoma will be very happy with the donation we are going to give them. Some Pounds and Packs continue to neglect this important area. I encourage each Dog to check with their Dog Robber and ask if he has sent in the required stamp fees. We want the donation to be the largest ever.

WOOF WOOF

*Stephen C. Joppa*  
Kennel Dog Robber



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C/O: PDD Randy Ott, aka: "Otter"

Kennel Barking Dog

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## DEVIL DOG'S CREED

I am an American, I was born in France. I hold the title of United States Marine, and understand the commitment of holding the title, Devil Dog. It is a tradition born at Belleau Wood in the year 1918, of a force in readiness and the "First to Fight." As a Devil Dog, I ask no quarter and give no quarter. I will do everything in my power to uphold the objectives of the Military Order of Devil Dogs and to carry out my duties to a swift and satisfactory completion.

**Good night, Chesty, wherever you are!**