

# WOOF~O~GRAM

MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS, INC.  
SPRING EDITION 2015

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



## GROWLING'S FROM THE 56<sup>TH</sup> CHIEF DEVIL DOG

### Woof Woof Dogs of the Kennel,

We are working with the National Jr. Vice Commandant and the PDD Ferguson to keep the list of 990s up to date. We would like to thank all the Packs / Pounds for their attention to this request. We have been requested to forward copies of our 990 filings to Headquarters. When you file your 990 please forward it to the Kennel Dog Robber so he can coordinate with National Headquarters on this effort.

The Children's Hospital Fund Challenge trophy was presented to Maryland Pack at a Pack Growl. This trophy is a travelling trophy and will be awarded each year to the Pack raising the most bones for the Children's Hospital Fund. Remember this is done via Passport Stamps, Passport Fines and special donations. Our goal is to exceed the donation made last year - 24,000 Big Bones.

Spring means it is time to crawl out of our dog houses and look around our Packs for the dogs to lead our Packs in the coming year.



**56th Chief Devil Dog  
Leanna Dietrich**

Attend your Pack Grand Growls, have fun and elect qualified dogs to move your Pack forward. Look around your detachments for dedicated regular members and invite them to join your Pound. Remember your Pound needs quality members to grow. Speaking of quality members, please remember to recognize those quality dogs by nominating them as your Pound/Pack/Kennel Dogs of the Year. Thank them for their hard work and dedication - a "thank you" goes a long way!

TEAM!!! PDD "Otter"  
Ott, PDD Dunne and PDD Smith have been working diligently reviewing pictures from recent

Kennel Growls and Initiations to create picture albums for the Kennel website. They are sniffing through all they have received looking for the best. If you have pictures from a Kennel Growl or Kennel Initiation please feel free to email them in. You may have that picture that everyone wishes they took. TEAM!!!

If you are a Devil Dog and you are thinking about advancing in Scottsdale, please get your paperwork to your Dog Robbers as soon as possible. The Kennel Dog Robber must receive all advancement forms by 1 July 2015.

Please keep all members of our Armed Services, those serving in harms' way or in support roles, in your prayers as they protect the freedoms we enjoy today.

"IT IS TRULY AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS."

*Leanna Dietrich*

The 56<sup>th</sup> Chief Devil Dog



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### SPRING EDITION

2015

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\*\*\* PLEASE \*\*\*

**SUBMIT A CHANGE OF ADDRESS TO YOUR POUND DOG ROBBER AS SOON AS YOU MOVE**

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

Woof Woof, Dogs of the Order,

With the Mid-Winter Mini-Growl behind us, it is time to focus on growling and growing! The Kennel currently stands strong at approximately 6,000 members. In order to even maintain this number, we all need to be recruiting new pups and encouraging delinquent dogs to ante up. During the past six months, we have lost too many members, partly due to deaths, but a large portion due to disgruntled (or bored) dogs who have not renewed their dues. I have a few suggestions that will liven up your growls and will, hopefully, help your pound increase its membership.

First, your growls need to be **FUN!** Is your pound just going through the motions and only following the ritual? If so, introduce some playful activities that will make your sessions more enjoyable. We are fortunate in my pound to have some fun-loving and disruptive Devil Dogs who come to the growls fully equipped with Nerf guns, bouncy balls, and a host of other fun toys. And watch out if you leave your Passport unattended for more than a few seconds; it will cost more than a bone to get it back!

Do you ever have contests or games at your growls? There was a dance contest at the Mid-Winter growl with contestants in disguise until a winner was chosen by applause. We learned that most Dogs can't dance! Need more fun ideas? How about a Trivia Contest, a game of Pin the Tail on the "Doggy", or a game of Count the Beans (replace the beans with a jar of dog biscuits)? If space is available, have a team Shooting Match with Nerf guns or a Grenade Toss with toy hand grenades, aiming for a small barrel or similar container. Anyone unable to participate due to physical limitations can serve as judges and time keepers (fifteen minute maximum suggested). Remember, we are the **FUN AND HONOR SOCIETY** of the Marine Corps League, so get creative and make your growls fun. Then watch your numbers grow!!!

I look forward to attending the Central Division Conference and Mini-Growl in Madison, WI in April. The following week, it will be an honor to represent Chief Dietrich at the New England Division Conference and Quad State Convention in Portsmouth, NH. Since our Honorable Chief has decided to run for Junior Past Chief at the Supreme Growl in Scottsdale, I announced my candidacy for Chief Devil Dog during the Mini-Growl in Falls Church. Your support will be appreciated. It is truly an Honor to be a Devil Dog!

Semper Woofing,

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

Woof Woof Dogs of the Kennel,

The Mid-Winter Mini-Growl was as huge success. The raffles brought in MANY big bones (but not enough) and the "Ghost dance contest" was a lot of fun. A big thanks goes out to all Dogs who participate in the raffles and the contest. The Chief had a ball.

We are all gearing up for the 2015 Supreme Growl in Scottsdale, AZ.

Here is a short recap on some of the fundraising we are doing over the next few months. Corporate Sponsorship Program –We are asking the dogs of the kennel to seek 100BB sponsors to help support/fund our many programs. All sponsors will receive a certificate of appreciation and a letter thanking them for their tax-deductible donation. A complete listing of all corporate sponsors will be placed in the reports book. To ensure they are included, please mail them to my dog house no later than 1 July 2015. (cont. pg 3)

### Jr. Vice CDD continued...

Supreme Growl Sweepstakes –Sweepstake tickets are being included in this edition of the WOG. If you are mailing your sweepstakes tickets, please mail them so they arrive at my dog house no later than 20 July 2015. Sweepstakes tickets will be available at the Dog House at the National Convention in Scottsdale, AZ. The winners will be drawn at the Supreme Growl. If you need additional sweepstakes tickets, please contact me via email so they can be sent out ASAP.

More information on the Corporate Sponsorship Program and the Kennel Sweepstakes can be found on the Kennel website [www.moddkennel.org](http://www.moddkennel.org).

For all you challenge coin collectors, we will have a 2015 Supreme Growl Coin. It will be available at the Kennel Dog House in Scottsdale!

It is truly an honor to serve the dogs of the Order!

Woof Woof,  
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### Our Jr. Past Chief has something to bark about...

Woof, Woof Devil Dogs!

It again appears that the cold weather has frozen our paws in many parts of the country. However, that did not stop us from having an Outstanding Midwinter Growl in VA. We had many bones raised for the Passport Fund that goes directly to the annual Children's Hospital, many bones raised for the general fund, and many Dogs dancing in the isles. There was almost an X rated performance that our Chief Devil Dog was the subject of interest. You Devil Dogs, (Pups, DD's, & PDD's), at all levels are invited to attend this Kennel Midwinter Growl each and every year. It is one of the most fun growls that you will attend; not only because it is a Kennel Growl with the Chief Devil Dog in charge, but because of all the different levels of Dogs that are allowed to attend. We want to see more Pups and DDs attending this growl. Even if you do not have the time to attend the complete MCL conference, you should make the time to at least register with the MCL and MODD on that Friday afternoon and attend the Growl at Midwinter Friday evening. It is always held in the evening and many of you Dogs within driving distance could car pool and have one heck of good time and learn some things about the Kennel. More important, you can give your input to the Kennel!

Announcements were made at the growl and it appears the Chief Devil Dog is challenging me for my position as Jr Past Chief. I elected not to run for the title again and I support the 56th Chief Devil Dog in her goals of taking over my post. We will again be looking at new leadership at the Supreme Growl being elected. The Supreme Growl is where each PDD attending has the right to give their vote and input as to who the leadership of the Kennel will be. If you are a PDD or upcoming PDD, (a DD planning on going through your initiation and training at National), that wants to be part of the decision making process of the Kennel; then you should plan on attending the Supreme Growl. Also, the Supreme Growl is just a blast to attend and one that you will talk about in the future. Put it on you Bucket List and make it a habit!

It was great seeing you Dogs a Midwinter and I look forward to seeing many of you in the near future.

Michael W. English  
The 54<sup>th</sup> CDD  
Jr PCDD



## Mad Dog stands tall and makes it happen...

Woof, Woof Dogs,

Okay all you Devil Dogs, it's time to come out of your long winters slumber, shake off the cold and start planning your August trip to Scottsdale to go for your gold collar and join the ranks of all the PDD's that have gone before you. We look forward to welcoming you to the Supreme Growl as our newest Pedigree Devil Dogs!

Of course, before you can test your mettle in Scottsdale the paperwork has to be in order. So, shake a leg and hound your Pound Dog Robber to get your paperwork on the way to the Kennel Dog Robber so that he has it in paw no later than 30 June. From there it's mostly downhill, well, except of course for those four little days in August where you get to join with your fellow DD's in pursuit of your Gold; one hundred forty days and counting down...

See you in "The West's Most Western Town" on August 9th!



Semper Woofing!  
PDD Alan D. Sanning  
Honorable Kennel Mad Dog  
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## Smart Dog will be Da Judge of that...

Smart Dog

Woof, woof and Greetings to all Dogs. Now that the 1<sup>st</sup> of March has come and gone, I have in hand all proposed changes to Kennel Bylaws and have requested that the Honorable Kennel Barking Dog post them in the Woof-O-Gram and have also sent them to our Kennel Webmaster to have them posted on line. Thank you to those who took the time to suggest changes and I look forward to reviewing the proposed changes with the Bylaws Committee in August.

I would like to thank all of the Dogs who ventured the many storms from around our Country to attend our Mid-Winter Growl. We had a great time and as it was stated, we found out that Dogs just cannot dance. You had to be there in order to understand the reasoning behind the statement. It was a fun Growl and the Kennel was able to add some nice Bones to the Passport Fund.

I again encourage you to use me if needed. Please remember, many of your questions may still be answered through the use of the "Obedience School" which is posted on the Kennel Website. If you have an issue that is not covered in the By Laws or within the Obedience School presentation, please let me know through proper channels and I will do what is necessary to find an answer to the issue.

It is an honor to serve the Order as your Kennel Smart Dog; I wish you all a safe remainder of the winter and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible attend the Supreme Growl in Scottsdale, Az. where I am sure we will have a great Supreme Growl and an all-around enjoyable National Convention. Please remember all those who are serving our Great Nation, especially those in Harm's Way. May they remain safe and may they soon return safely home to their loved ones.

Remember, if you keep it fun, they will come!

PDD Thomas W. Hazlett

Honorable Kennel Smart Dog



## Spring Woof-O-Gram 2015

**A big WOOF to all you Dogs:**

**Brrr - It has been some Winter with all the record-breaking cold and snow.**

**Seem's funny sitting here writing the Spring Woof-O-Gram, looking at 11 inches of snow and about 10 degrees outside.**

**Attended the Mid-winter Conference and Growl. Our new Chief Devil Dog, Leanna Dietrich, held a fun, entertaining and wild growl. A big Woof to Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog, Leonard Spicer, for putting on the crazy and wild dance contest. It was a big hit.**

**Starting to work on the art for our patches, coins, and stamp, for the 76th Supreme Growl in Scottsdale, Arizona.**

**Also been working on my Department Convention Program Book.**

**Attended several pack and pound growls.**

**Stay warm and safe, just think only Three more weeks to SPRING.**

**If I can help any of you dogs, or if you have any questions, please let me know.  
Continued prayers for our military and their families.**

**Semper Woof,  
PDD Jack Severn,  
Kennel Police Dog/Staff Artist  
Kennel Dog of the Year, 2009**

## Kennel Executive Secretary is recovering from wounds received at Charleston

Woof Woof all you Karniverous Kanines;

Midwinter was another fun time, and it was nice to see all my friends and make a few new ones there. At least this year the weather co-operated with us and the DC area did not see any snow. I did return home to more in the Northeast, though. I for one am ready for Spring to spring. While there are worse places up here, at my house we have a total of about 5 feet over the past month. Notice I am not measuring in inches anymore! What is amazing to me is by the middle of January we had less than 2 inches throughout the season. So a lot of snow has dumped on us in a short time.

It has come to the attention of the Kennel that some enterprising individuals have purchased a 75th Anniversary Pin, removed the pins from it, drilled a hole in it and have placed it on their collar like a dog tag.

If you all remember, we decided to create and sell pins to those individuals who could not attend the 75th Supreme Growl to receive the anniversary dog tag. They would be able to get a memento of the anniversary growl and year. We did this for those who are too elderly, infirmed, working or lack the funds to go to the Supreme Growl.

Defacing the pin and making it into a dog tag is NOT ALLOWED. The pin was never intended to be a tag and may not be worn as such. Trust me when I say it is very easy to determine if it is the actual tag or a modified pin.

All members of the Order are now on notice. The Kennel and the Chief Devil Dog strongly urge any Pound Keeper or Pack Leader to fine infractions heavily. I have been informed that three dogs have been caught doing this to date, and the fines have been \$10, \$20 and \$50 respectively. Feel free to hit any dog doing this as heavily as you want.

I know that there are some Pounds and Packs that have bylaws that preclude heavy fining, but I think an infraction of this nature should preclude those regulations.

If you know of someone who has or is thinking of doing this, please discuss the issue with them and try to talk them out of it. I hope this issue ends here and now so we can go on to more important ones.

Semper Woofing,  
49th CDD Doug Fisk  
Kennel Executive Secretary



LEFT IS THE OFFICIAL 75TH ANNIVERSARY MEDALLION WITH CHAIN WHICH WAS ONLY GIVEN TO THOSE DOGS PRESENT AT THE SUPREME GROWL IN CHARLESTON, WV.

RIGHT IS THE OFFICAL 75TH ANNIVERSARY PIN WHICH IS AVAILABLE TO ALL DOGS OF THE ORDER UNTIL THE 76TH SUPREME GROWL IN SCOTTSDALE, AZ.

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Mid Winter Mini-Growl  
Fun was had by all who attended.  
(L-R) Sr. VCDD CO. Smith, PDD Lynn Sabel  
and PDD Roger Gardner were all smiles  
before the Police Dogs fined them heavily for  
having so much fun.



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

Woof Woof from the NW Division Dogs:

From all the PDD, DD and Pups from the Northwest. I just returned from the Mid Winter Conference and had a good Kennel Staff Meeting. I do not have any reports from Pack Leaders to report.

We have some PDD advancements in Montana and Washington which will be completed by next quarter with the new by law change. There have not been any new by laws submitted to date for the Kennel.

Looking forward to attending the Department of Montana Convention in May 2015 and the Department of Washington Convention in June 2015. This year I will also attend some Growls in the Oregon and Idaho Packs.

Woofingly,

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

Starting the New Year to make sure that the CT dogs knew their commands CT Pack Leader PDD Fred Mc Goldrick called a growl of the CT dogs on 11 Jan to let them know that he was the lead dog in CT. PDD Mc Goldrick stated that any dog who thought differently needed to change their mind or he would afflict them with a hundred thousand fleas. There were 24 dogs in attendance including PCDD Fisk. Once again the dogs refused to believe me that my tag number was 16-4792 and I was unjustly fined. This after I had to get up early and hitch up my sleigh and travel 177 miles from NH. PDD Mc Goldrick conducted the growl during which it was noted that a patch has been ordered to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the CT Pack. The financial status of the Pack was presented which showed that they had sufficient bones to purchase some dog food (pizza) which was quickly ordered and devoured at the conclusion of the growl.

During an ice storm on the 18th of January I drove to Rutland VT to attend a growl of Pond 249, Green Mountain Pound. There were 13 dogs in attendance. Sir Pound Keeper PDD Jim Chase did an excellent job of conducting the growl and making sure that the dogs obeyed the rules that he established or they were fined and he found a number of infractions during the growl to fine dogs in attendance. VCDD PDD Diekmann was judged to have screwed up his introduction and was fined. Under the good of the league I presented the current status of the pound and congratulated them as all of their reports were submitted on time and 100% of the dogs dues were received prior to the due date of 1 Sept. Sir Pound Dog Robber, Barbara Kaufmann presented the dates for the scheduled growls not only for 2015 but 2016 as well. I also learned that you shouldn't go to VT in the winter. While attending the growl the ice storm increased and as a result there were numerous wrecks or cars in ditches as I travel home. What should have been a 2½ hour trip took twice as long on the way back to my dog house.

While driving to Worcester MA on February 1st I saw a dog along the highway barking at cars. Turned out to be PDD Anttila so I picked him up before he got hit and took him to the MA Pack growl. There were 14 dogs in attendance as a number of dogs used the excuse that they couldn't attend as they needed to get ready for the Super Bowl and cheer the Patriots to victory and needed to go to the store and get some doggie treats and brown water for their bowls. The growl was opened by PDD Griffin and to recognize the Patriots didn't fine any dogs during the opening ceremony. The MA Pack Veterinarian, "Doc" declared that all dogs present should get a distemper shot. Reports were presented and an announcement was made that on the 29th of March the dogs will conduct a birthday party for the organization. I gave a status report regarding the importance of filing reports and dues on time. Currently there are two pounds in MA that need to file for incorporation. The biggest issue is the payment of dues and the Pack/Pound Jr Vice Pound Keepers need to follow up with all dogs who's dues have yet to be paid. All dogs were reminded that the dues are scheduled to be in the paws of the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber on or before 1 September. Notices for payment of dues need to go out in June allowing July and August for submission of their dues or follow up as required. During the growl Pup Holbrook advanced to Devil Dog. Congratulations. The growl was brought to a close by the Honorable Pack Leader PDD Griffin by fining all dogs' present one big bone for showing up. Luckily I was able to hitch up to my sled and make it back to NH between snow storms. The NH Pack reported that all of the dogs in the Pack either still hibernating, have gone south or are out plowing paths through the 6' of snow. Some of the dogs are keeping very busy getting ready for the Quad State Conference / New England Convention in Portsmouth on April 17th thru 19th. As a fundraiser Pack Leader Monnell offer to have some dogs hired out to pull sleds.

In February a number of New England dogs traveled to Falls Church VA for the Mid-Winter Conference and growl but a major snow storm moved in so most of the dogs left on Saturday trying to beat the predicted snow storm. Worthy Pack Leader McGoldrick reported that the dogs from CT had a great time at the conference even though some of the dogs had to leave early. The CT pack will be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and will be selling a 50th anniversary patch to note this event and plan to have a birthday cake at CT's annual convention in June.

Since the last Woof-O-Gram in December I worked with a retired Gunny Sergeant on the Toys for Tots campaign in Bedford NH. We placed 70+ boxes that resulted in over 4,000 toys being collected and delivered to the local USMCR center. Representing the Devil Dogs and the local MCL detachments I participated in a number of Eagle Scout Ceremonies. Participated with other dogs and MCL members in conducting bingos at the Manchester NH VAMC and also visited veterans in the hospital. The Building Dreams for Marines organization in which I participate as a Board Member and representing the Devil Dogs has modified the homes of 9 disabled Marines to improve the quality of their lives. Over the past few months I attended Pack/Pound grows in CT, NH, VT, MA. In each of these growls I presented a status report and stressed the importance of each Pack/Pound in maintaining all records and filling the few reports required by the dogs on time. Currently all Packs/Pounds in New England have an EIN#. Only two pounds still need to obtain their incorporations documents. 3 pounds have failed to submit their installation report one of which has been suspended due to their long delay in submitting a report. Progress has been made on having the Packs/Pounds file a 990 form. Follow up is taking place with all pounds that have failed to file. 3 pounds have yet to submit any passport fees leading to the question as to whether these pounds are holding the required 4 grows per year as required by the bylaws. I also attended the Mid-Winter growl and had a great time unfortunately due to the projected snow storm I left on Saturday so I wouldn't be trapped in Washington DC.





The President's Own Marine Band brass quintet played a variety of beautiful music before dinner was served.



**Central Division...Trying to stay warm...**

At this time I have received most of the pound installation reports for Central Division, and have letters out to all Division Pack Leaders requesting same. At this time membership numbers are:

	Paid 2014	Paid 2015	Life
Illinois Pack	23	90	49
Indiana Pack	11	96	68
Kentucky Pack	4	24	11
Michigan Pack	19	79	88
Ohio Pack	1	92	41
Wisconsin Pack	39	57	55



Central Division

- \*I attended all Pound Growls of my Pound
- \*I have attended all meetings and functions of my Detachment
- \*I served on the Rifle Squad for 19 Veteran's Funerals
- \*I served in our color guard to post colors for Veterans Day services at the LaSalle Veterans Home
- \*I presided at a PDD upgrade of two WWII dogs to PDD in Lansing, MI
- \*I stood Honor Guard at the visitation of two members of my Detachment
- \*I attended the last Advisory Board meeting at the LaSalle Veterans Home
- \*I helped my Pound put on a cookout at the LaSalle Veterans Home
- \*I just finished my 2nd year as Pound Keeper
- \*I was elected Pack Leader of the Illinois Pack in June
- \*I helped with Bingo for the residents at the LaSalle Veterans Home
- \*I have traveled 1485 miles on Kennel business
- \*I am presently attempting to fill in blanks on EINs and Inc #'s

Semper Woof  
 Dale Munson  
 Central Division VCDD



56th Chief Devil Dog Leanna Dietrich saluting the MODD Charter in honor of our fallen Past Chiefs Toni Baisden and Ken Travis.

Dogs were up to their usual shenanigans for the entire Mini Growl. It was noted that many dogs wet themselves barking and howling at all of the hi-jinx.



### Rocky Mountain Division can't wait to see you in Scottsdale 2015...

Woof, Woof;

I hope all Devil Dogs of the Rocky MTN Division are staying warm. With the Mid Winter Conference over and the Department / Grand Growls getting underway its time to focus on getting ready for advancements. I like to remind all Dogs looking to advance that they ensure they notify their Pound Dog Robbers first, this way the needed and requirement for signatures are complete on the advancement form. Any Devil Dogs looking to advance to Pedigree Devil Dog at the Supreme Growl ensure you first get your Pound signatures as well as have the form set in prior to 1 July, 2015 to the honorable Kennel Dog Robber. Then show up on Sunday prior to the start of the National Convention / Supreme Growl (This way you get the most out of the initiation process). Check in with the Marine Corps League first then proceed to the Dog House. Ensure you have your Pass Port filled out completely as well as Dog Tag, have your membership card handy as well (Have some Big Bones). I ask that you remember to have fun. I like any Devil Dogs advancing to please let me know so I will know if any from the RMD are advancing. I also like to remind the Pound / Pack Dog Robbers that each year when you renew your Pound / Pack Incorporation, 990's and Installation reports please send them to myself as well the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber. After each Growl send in your Pass Port Fees, please don't hold them and send at one time, what's happening is to many are forgetting to send them in. I like to say Thank You to the Pounds / Packs of the RMD for your hard work on staying on top of all reports. I am available to any and all Devil Dogs of the Order for any questions. I like to ask that each Pound / Pack have a organization that they support. Having a purpose tends to entice Membership growth.

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

Woof, woof!

Too often the Kennel learns of a member's death long after the Marine or FMF Corpsman has reported to the Supreme Commandant. Since serving as Kennel Dog Trainer, I have received Notice of Death forms for members who have left our sweet earth years ago. In some instances it is a simple oversight of others or the family did not understand that they must report the death, so the Pound (local) can notify its Pack (State) and finally the Kennel (National), i.e., Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD). It has been troublesome to speak with family members who feel that the MODD should know about the death of a Marine or FMF Corpsman and when asked about the actual notice of death, the family member realizes no one reported. It is difficult enough to take care of those members who are reported appropriately and disastrous in those circumstances that are not handled well. It is this Dog Trainer's request that members of your family be told to report the death of their loved one to all groups who are affected by the death. It might be a good project for each of us to write down the various organizations that we are active with, so that when the time comes the family is aware of those organizations which are important to be notified and everyone can be given the courtesy of the notice of death. We do not look forward to this time; but, rather, just prepared for it.

Woof, woof,



Thanks for all your kindness.

PDD Tom Minchin  
Kennel Dog Trainer

### SOUTHWEST DIVISION BARKS...

#### BARKS & HOWLS FROM THE SOUTHWEST DIVISION

Though it's raining today & a little snow is being dumped on the higher elevations as we sit here & moan, it's still nothing compared with the rest of you Dogs have been putting up with. When we left Ronald Reagan Airport Sunday after Midwinter the wind-chill factor was -5! It got worse later. This Left-Coast cur ain't used to that! Glad to be back home (we'll make up for it in August!). The Nevada Pack had a great Grawl at their Department Midwinter Conference in early January. I know because my bone stash was almost gone when I checked it out the next morning. Either that or the much-rumored ghosts that haunt the old hotel where we stayed in Tonopah were also bone thieves.

A few short weeks later my mistress let me wander down to Camp Pendleton for Marine Expo West & the Quin and Southwest Division Conferences. California Pack again hosted a combined mini-Grawl. The venue for that Grawl and the conferences had to be changed from the usual hotel at the last minute because the new hotel management wanted to charge for what had been free in the past. Fortunately the Southwest Mesa Lodge, an Inn Of The Corps was gracious enough to let us utilize their breakfast room at no cost. The weather was perfect, which didn't really prep us for MCL's Midwinter Conference, but we did survive. I am beginning to think that this mangy old Dog may just be getting to old for all these radical changes! The Kennel Mini-Grawl was outstanding, with a special entertainment contest provided at no charge. (thank God!)

Hope to see all you members of Dogdom at the Supreme Grawl in sunny Arizona !

Woof/Woof !  
PDD Bob Villalobos  
00-228  
SWDVCDD

PS. Dates for 76th Supreme Grawl and 93rd MCL Convention are 8-15 August 2015 in Scottsdale, AZ.



Nineteen members of MODD Pound 312 "The Dirty Swamp Dogs" pose for a photo after presenting a check for \$4,000.00 to Rev. Randy Harling (in suit), President of the Connie Maxwell Children's Home in Greenwood, South Carolina. We have donated over \$20,00 to Connie Maxwell over the past 9 years.

Top row...Randy Morgan, Johnny Horton, Ron Peterson, Buddy Reeves, Vic Kotowski.  
 2nd row: Rev. Randy Harling, (President of Connie Maxwell), Larry Frelin, Chuck McConnell, Paul Quattlebaum. 3rd row: Chuck Paxton, Bobby Birt, Wayne Lackey.  
 Front row: Dick Schreck, Clarence Spivey, Charles Sullivan, Beulah Scott, Len Palgurta (Pound Keeper), Fred Romaine. In chair: Fred's son, John Romaine who we've appointed as an Honorary Devil Dog.

[Our New Kennel Quartermaster wants to make a deal...](#)

Woof Woof all you dogs of the Kennel.

Having a new job and taking on Quartermaster is proving to be a lot for one dog. Thankfully Deputy Dogs are helping with this transition.

The plan is to get the MODD Store online with pictures and more items. This takes time and that's what's been going on in Michigan. Thanks for your patience and keep sending your requests with the old forms until otherwise noted.

SEMPER WOOF

PDD Wendy Zamora

Honorable Kennel Quartermaster

kennelquartermaster@gmail.com



Kennel Dog Robber wants you to get busy...



**MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS**  
**KENNEL DOG ROBBER**  
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TO: HBD PDD Ott  
 FROM: Kennel Dog Robber  
 SUBJ: Winter 2014 WOG

## Kennel Dog Robber 2015 Mid Winter Report

The current MODD strength is 5889 members in an active status. Of that number there are 1068 or 18% who have not paid dues for 2015. We have 2801 members paid for 2015 and 2017 life members. Three members are in an "other" status.

There has been 1 new charter submitted. We have gained 227 new members so far this year. As of Sept 1, 2014 470 were dropped from membership for non payment of dues. Of that number 85 have since been reinstated to membership.

I have records of 60 members who have passed away. The KDT may have others that I am unaware of.

We have received the following monies as of Feb 1:

Reinstatements \$278.00

Passports \$8323.25

Life Dues \$14,425.00

Regular Dues \$30,868.00

Charters \$20.00

162 Packs and Pounds have submitted installation reports for 2015. 67 submitted installation reports for 14 and 26 for 13. The other 4 are still listed as 2012 for their last report. 1 is a newly chartered Pound.

150 Packs or Pounds have submitted passport monies for the first half of the fiscal year. I will send a more complete report at the end of the month.

114 have submitted 990's, not all for the current year.

247 have an EIN and we have 13 on the list of Pounds who do not have one reported yet

Rosters were printed and mailed just after the new calendar year. They have been transmitted to the Pounds, Packs and Divisions.

The first few requests for advancement to PDD have started to come in. It is not too early to submit them.

WOOF WOOF

Stephen C. Joppa  
 Kennel Dog Robber

## Da Barking Dog wants to hear from you

### LEARNING ABOUT THE DEVIL DOGS

The official publication of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs is the Woof~O~Gram (WOG). This publication is available online to all members throughout the year. An all hands mailing is done with the Spring Edition only. This is for the Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog's Sweepstakes Entries and other vital information. If you wish to receive the quarterly WOGs via snail mail, you must contact your Pound Dog Robber, who will forward your information to the Kennel Dog Robber to be registered at no cost to you. All dogs may post to the WOG. My info is available online and below.

WOOFINGLY,

PDD OTTER



# Please put the following dates in your calendar as the WOG deadlines:

**Sept 15    Dec 15    Mar 15    June 15**

**[kbdmodd@gmail.com](mailto:kbdmodd@gmail.com)**

### Our New Lucky Dog...

Woof, Woof!!!

For all you dogs out there who aren't sure why this PDD keeps sticking my paws in your coin purses, let it be known that my main mission for the Kennel is to help the Honorable Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog, PDD Leonard Spicer sell sweepstake tickets and raffle tickets for the 50/50 or any special Chief's gifts during the Mid Winter and National conventions. Any Devil Dogs going up to PDD at the Supreme growl will be required to come see me, so make sure they have some extra big bones to purchase some tickets. My table won't be hard to miss as I have the "Luck o the Irish" scattered about. There may even be a "pot of green" for the Devil Dogs to pick a treat from!

Support your Kennel and make sure to come see me at the growl. If you need sweepstakes tickets before then, you can contact Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog PDD Leonard Spicer via email at [spicer3@prodigy.net](mailto:spicer3@prodigy.net)

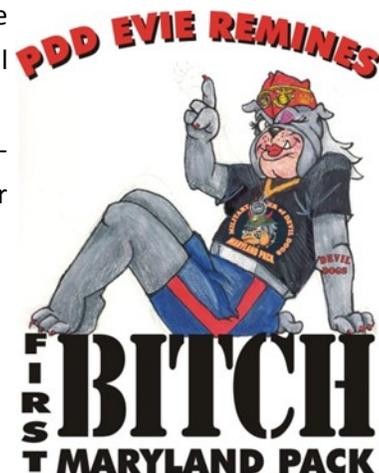
If you have any questions for me, you can contact me at [mcLchick@hotmail.com](mailto:mcLchick@hotmail.com)

Semper Barking,

PDD Evie Remines

Kennel Lucky Dog

[mcLchick@hotmail.com](mailto:mcLchick@hotmail.com)



### Kennel Historian is at the ready with the Camera...

At the Mid Winter Staff Grawl this office brought up a proposal that we change the format to which the Convention CD Photo Program is provided to the membership. In the past, all the photos were "burned" on a CD and mailed to those dogs who purchased one at the Convention. The proposal was to investigate the possibility of using "flash drives" in place of CD's as the best way to provide the finished product to our members. At the time of proposal, the costs per unit appeared to be within the margins of being equal to previous products. It was agreed after discussion that we move ahead with the intent of changing to the new format for this year's program. We now find that there may be a snag in going forward.

Upon returning from Mid Winter, I began asking for quotations for large quantities of Flash Drives to use over the next few years. What we are now being told is the Chinese manufacturers have raised their prices significantly since the last quotation was received which may put a crimp in our plans. The result is that individual costs per unit may be slightly higher than originally proposed and going this route may have to be postponed for the time being. In any case we will continue to pursue getting costs and attempt to be ready in advance for this year's Convention.

Please advise all those who plan on attending this year's Convention for the purpose of elevating to PDD of the availability of these photo journals as it is the best way to have a keepsake of the "Convention Experience" that will last a lifetime. The cost will again be \$15.00 which includes first class shipping and handling. We're hoping that expected delivery times after the convention will be shortened as the time required for burning data from the computer to the flash drives should take much less time to accomplish versus CD's if we are in fact able to go this route.

Another topic that I was asked to bring to everyone's attention is the Past Chief's Award which is presented annually to a maximum of five deserving members of the Order at the MODD/Flea luncheon during the Convention. This award is open to all hard working members of the Order with the degree of PDD. Only a Past Chief may submit a direct nomination at the Mid Winter Conference for consideration of this award. However, Pound Keepers, Pack Leaders and Division Vice Chief DD's are encouraged to provide names and MODD only back ground of deserving members to any Past Chief for his/her consideration of an award.

It should be noted that what we as Past Chief's are looking for are the "movers and shakers" of the Order that deserve to be recognized for their hard work and efforts on the local level. Kennel office positions are useful but not required for consideration. A Chief may submit only one name per year in nomination but that doesn't limit him/her from receiving multiple names for consideration. The time to input for consideration is any time after the Supreme Grawl until the Mid Winter conference for the next year's award.

Please take the time to think long and hard about those out there that do so much on a local level for the Order and give them the consideration for one of our highest awards.

PCDD Bob Lent  
PKDOY 1996

From: PDD Dale Condry

To: Kennel, MODD

Subject: MODD Dog tags

All Pups, Devil Dogs & Pedigrees,

Having listened to many Dogs talk of having trouble finding somebody to engrave Dog tags and being over charged (I had a jeweler try to charge me \$50 and ended up having to pay \$25) I have purchased an engraving machine. I'm not nice enough to do it free, the charge is \$10.00 (check or money order please).

If interested tape your tag only, to a piece of paper (no chain) and mail to me with a stamped self-addressed return envelope along with the \$10.00. Send contact telephone number in case I need clarification. If you have no tag Send \$15.00 and I'll get one for you.

**Make sure you include:**

**Name**

**Dog tag number**

**Pound number**

**Pack**

Mail to: PDD Dale Condry 130 SW Surreal Ct., Lake City, FL 32024

Contact: 386-362-8075  
semperficows@msn.com



The MODD Leadership taking a moment at the Mini Growl to have their picture taken. This has been a busy year for the Kennel across the country. Keep up the great work you do in your Communities and together we will make a difference. Left to right: PDD Alan “Mad Dog” Sanning, PDD Tom “Smart Dog” Hazlett, PDD Leonard “Jr. Vice CDD” Spicer, Leanna “The 56th CDD” Dietrich, PDD C.O. “Sr. Vice CDD Smith, PDD Tom “Dog Trainer” Minchin, and Mike “Jr. Past CDD” English.

PDD Don Haines, Kennel Deputy Watch Dog, pays one Big Bone to PDD C.O. Smith, Senior Vice Chief, for one of Smith’s personal stamps in his Passport at their January growl.



Central Illinois Pound 226 all growled up in the picture at right with their dogs. Front L to R: PDD Warren Musch, PDD C.O. Smith, PDD Bill Barta. PDD Don Haines, PDD Dan Spilker.

Back L to R: PDD Luke Doellman, PDD Bill Woollen, PDD Jerry Lowe, PDD Sue Gibbons, DD Tony Bingham, PDD Jim Carleton.



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**MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS, INC.  
BYLAWS  
ARTICLE IV – THE KENNEL**

**Section 404– Authority, Subparagraph (B)(C)**

Current wording:

404C. the Kennel Board of Trustees shall consist of the elected Kennel Officers and the Junior Past Chief Devil Dog. The Kennel Dog Robber/Executive Secretary shall be a member without vote.

Proposed wording

404C. the Kennel Board of Trustees shall consist of the elected Kennel Officers and the Junior Past Chief Devil Dog. **The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber and the Honorable Kennel Executive Director** shall be members without vote.

**Section 409 – Kennel Officers, Elected and Appointed Staff, Subparagraph (B)**

Current wording:

409B. APPOINTED - After the election, the Honorable Chief Devil Dog-elect shall appoint an Honorable Kennel Dog Robber/Honorable National Executive Secretary.....

1. It is preferable that the Honorable Chief Devil Dog-elect shall appoint to the office of Honorable Kennel Dog Robber/Honorable National Executive Secretary a Pedigreed Devil Dog who is experienced in the duties and responsibilities of the Dog Robber at either the Pound or Pack level.

Proposed wording

409B. APPOINTED - After the election, the Honorable Chief Devil Dog-elect shall appoint an **Honorable Kennel Dog Robber and an Honorable Kennel Executive Director**.....

1. It is preferable that the Honorable Chief Devil Dog-elect shall appoint **to the office of Honorable Kennel Dog Robber and to the office of Honorable Kennel Executive Director** a Pedigreed Devil Dog who is experienced in fiscal and administrative duties at the Kennel level.

**Section 412 – Kennel Officers - Duties, Subparagraph (D)**

Current wording:

412D. the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber/Honorable National Executive Secretary

1. Shall be responsible to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and the Kennel for all records and accounts of the Order, shall keep a brief but proper record of all pertinent minutes of all Kennel Growls and Kennel Staff Growls, and shall be the custodian with the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, of all monies, property, securities and records of the Kennel. They shall keep on deposit in a reputable bank, all monies and securities of the order, and shall make all disbursements for all accounts owing when approved by proper authority, by check, which shall be countersigned by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog. They shall keep an accurate and current file on all members of the Order, and shall issue all membership cards. They shall perform such duties customarily executed by recording secretaries, financial secretaries and treasurers. They shall make a full and correct accounting and report, including financial statements, to each Supreme Growl of the Kennel and at such other times as may be directed by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog or the Kennel Staff. They shall forward an up-to-date financial report to all members of the Kennel Staff, all Worthy Pack Leaders, all Worthy Pack Dog Robbers, all Pound Keepers, and all Pound Dog Robbers semi-annually, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, or by other competent authority. The Kennel Dog Robber shall not disburse any funds after the close of the Supreme Growl of the Kennel except those approved by the Supreme Growl. They shall serve as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Corporation.

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2. Due to the technical requirements of the position, the Kennel Board of Trustees may, upon the recommendation of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, divide the responsibilities of this position between two members of the Order. The listed duties and the titles will be assigned to the two offices by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and the Kennel Board of Trustees, and all other provisions of these Bylaws will apply to both offices. **Eliminate existing 412(D)(2) in the 2014 edition (75<sup>th</sup> Supreme Growl) as it has been rendered redundant because of these proposed amendments.**
4. The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber/Honorable National Executive Secretary will, in the first **WOOF-O-GRAM** following each Growl of the Kennel and each Growl of the Kennel Staff, publish the Scratchings to the Membership.

Proposed wording (redesignate existing, unchanged numbered segment 3 as number 5)

**412 (D) (1). The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber** shall be responsible to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and the Kennel for all records of the Order and shall keep a brief but proper record of all pertinent minutes of all Kennel Growls and Kennel Staff Growls. The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber shall keep an accurate and current file on all members of the Order, and shall issue all membership cards. The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber shall not disburse any funds after the close of the Supreme Growl of the Kennel except those approved by the Supreme Growl.

**412 (D) (2). The Honorable Kennel Executive Director** shall be responsible to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and the Kennel and shall be the custodian with the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, of all monies, property, securities and investments of the Kennel. The Honorable Kennel Executive Director shall keep on deposit in a reputable bank, all monies and securities of the Order, and shall make all disbursements for all accounts owing when approved by proper authority, by check, which shall be countersigned by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog. They shall perform such duties customarily executed by recording secretaries, financial secretaries and treasurers. They shall make a full and correct accounting and report, including financial statements, to each Supreme Growl of the Kennel and at such other times as may be directed by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog or the Kennel Staff. They shall forward an up-to-date financial report to all members of the Kennel Staff, all Worthy Pack Leaders, all Worthy Pack Dog Robbers, all Pound Keepers, and all Pound Dog Robbers semi-annually, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, or by other competent authority. They shall serve as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Corporation.

**412 (D) (3). The office of Honorable Kennel Deputy Executive Director shall be created to assist The Honorable Kennel Executive Director in all functions and responsibilities assigned to The Honorable Kennel Executive Director.**

**412 (D) (4) The Honorable Kennel Dog Robber** will, in the first **WOOF-O-GRAM** following each Growl of the Kennel and each Growl of the Kennel Staff, publish the Scratchings to the Membership.

Rationale:

At the 6 August 2014 meeting of the Past Chief's Society, a change in the name of the Kennel Executive Secretary to Kennel Executive Director was discussed at length. It was noted that, in the corporate world, an Executive Director is fully vested with decision-making authority; whereas an Executive Secretary usually acts at the direction of the Executive Director who derives their authority from the national organization. At that August 2014 Growl of the Past Chief's Society, it was the recommendation of Past Chiefs Fisk and Williams that the name change be pursued and that the Past Chief's Society pursue this proposed change to the Kennel at its 76<sup>th</sup> Supreme Growl to effectuate this amendment at no additional cost to the Order. Having been discussed at the Past Chief's Society meeting on 13 February 2015 and approved unanimously by the seven (7) Past Chief Devil Dogs in attendance; it is herewith forwarded for consideration of the Dogs attending the 76<sup>th</sup> Supreme Growl.

Submitted on behalf of the Past Chief's Society

by PDD Paul L. Sutton, PKDOY, PKDR

37<sup>th</sup> Chief Devil Dog, MODD; L/Cpl H. R. Swain IV Pound 328, New Jersey Pack  
18 February 2015

Proposed Bylaw Amendment # 2



# Military Order of the Devil Dogs

23 February 2015

From: PDD Glen Barry Evans

To: Honorable Kennel Smart Dog

Subj: Proposal to Amend the BYLAWS of THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS

1. In accordance with ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 1301 of the BYLAWS, the following is proposed to amend the MODD KENNEL BYLAWS by Inserting the new Paragraph G into Section 101 of Article I to read as follows:

G. Any Member of the Order may belong to more than one Pound, provided they are in good standing in the Marine Corps League and the Military Order of the Devil Dogs and provided each Pound to which they apply votes to accept them as a Member of the Pound. Upon acceptance and payment of the appropriate Dues in each Pound, the Member shall have full rights and privileges within each Pound including Membership in the relative Pack(s); however, for voting within the Pack and Kennel level, they will have only one vote in each.

Designate the existing Paragraph G to be Paragraph H.

**RATIONALE:**

Some Members of the Order have maintained Memberships in more than one Pound (commonly called Dual or Multiple Membership) for some time. While the practice is somewhat widely used, there are inconsistencies in the manner it is implemented in the various Packs and Pounds, because there is currently no guidance in the MODD Kennel Bylaws. This void will be corrected by the inclusion of the proposed Paragraph in the Bylaws and will standardize the practice throughout the Order. Note that each Pound to which a Member applies must still vote to accept them as a Member, so that local control is maintained for each Pound.

Semper Woofing.

PDD Glen Barry Evans

The fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League



MILITARY ORDER of the DEVIL DOGS
APPLICATION FOR DEGREE ADVANCEMENT



(NAME) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
(LAST) (FIRST) (INITIAL)

(ADDRESS) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP+4)

MCL MEMBERSHIP # \_\_\_\_\_ MODD TAG # \_\_\_\_\_ POUND # \_\_\_\_\_ PACK \_\_\_\_\_

THE ABOVE NAMED APPLICANT FOR THE DEGREE OF (check one) ( ) DEVIL DOG ( ) PEDIGREE DEVIL DOG IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING IN THE MILITARY ORDER of the DEVIL DOGS AND PRESENTLY HOLDS THE DEGREE OF (check one) ( ) PUP ( ) DEVIL DOG.

(DATE) (PACK/POUND DOG ROBBER'S SIGNATURE)
APPLICATIONS FOR PEDIGREE MUST HAVE PACK DOG ROBBERS SIGNATURE WHERE A PACK EXISTS.

SECTION II - TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT:

I, THE ABOVE REFERENCED APPLICANT HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION TO THE MILITARY ORDER of the DEVIL DOGS, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE 'ORDER' FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERGOING AN INITIATION TO BECOME A \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE ORDER AND UPON COMPLETION OF THIS INITIATION I WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ACCEPTANCE TO SAID DEGREE. I HAVE VOLUNTARILY REQUESTED SAID INITIATION, GIVEN MY PERMISSION TO THE 'ORDER' TO INSTITUTE SAME AND SO HEREBY LIST ANY PHYSICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENTS, SICKNESS OR DISEASES THAT I MAY HAVE.

(LIST - IF NONE, SO STATE)

NOW THEREFORE, I HAVE AGREED TO AND DO HEREBY FOREVER RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE 'ORDER' FROM ANY AND ALL MANNER OF ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTIONS, SUITS, CLAIMS AND DEMANDS WHATSOEVER, IN LAW OR IN EQUITY WHICH I, MYSELF EVER HAD, NOW HAVE, OR WHICH I, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS OR BENEFICIARY MAY HEREAFTER HAVE AGAINST SAID 'ORDER' FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY INJURY OR ILLNESS SUSTAINED AS A RESULT OF THIS INITIATION. I FURTHER STATE THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY ME TO BE TRUE AND ACCURATE STATEMENTS.

ATTEST:

(SIGNATURE: MAD DOG)
(For advancement at the Supreme Growl leave Mad Dog and witness signature lines blank.)

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

(WITNESS SIGNATURE)

(DATE OF INITIATION)

SECTION III: FOR KENNEL DOG ROBBER ONLY

RECEIVED AND RECORDED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_. THE ABOVE NAMED MEMBER HAS BEEN ELEVATED TO THE DEGREE OF ( ) DEVIL DOG ( ) PEDIGREE DEVIL DOG

(SIGNATURE: KENNEL DOG ROBBER)

FORM DISTRIBUTION: POUND RETAINS THE LAST COPY AND FORWARDS ALL OTHER COPIES TO THE PACK (IF ONE EXISTS). PACK WILL RETAIN BOTTOM COPY AND FORWARD ALL OTHERS TO KENNEL. KENNEL WILL RETURN ENDORSED COPIES TO PACK AND POUND.



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**EVERY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT, DETACHMENT, AUXILIARY UNIT, KENNEL, PACK AND POUND ARE ENCOURAGED TO PLACE AN AD IN SUPPORT OF THE 2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

### The Mid West Division has a new Vice Chief... and sad news...

My thanks to 56<sup>th</sup> Chief Devil Dog Leanna Dietrich for my appointment to Vice Chief Devil Dog - Midwest to replace PDD Sanning with his election to Kennel Mad Dog. I look forward to working and visiting with the Dogs throughout the Midwest Division.

Sadly, one of my first duties is to report the passing of one of our previous Vice Chief Devil Dogs, PDD Levon "Lee" Hollrah, 96-439 of St. Charles County Dogs Pound# 86. Lee passed away on Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Some of you knew Lee had been dealing with health issues for years. Those issues were not minor or few in number. Despite these serious problems I can only think of one Division, Department, or National Convention that Lee did not attend and I would guess that he likely made that trip and just became too ill to actually make it down to the meetings or Growl. I believe most of you that knew Lee would agree that it was his love of his fellow Marines, the League, and especially the "Dogs" that gave Lee the fortitude to endure his many trials and continue to participate long after many would have thrown in the towel and been content to be home bound, that however was not PDD Lee Hollrah, he most assuredly was one of the few, the proud, Marine! Fair winds and following seas!

Some of the Packs and Pounds in the Division are still trying to thaw out from winter and should be shaking off the snow and cold and be off and running soon. The KS Pack Leader, PDD Bryson Allen, is working on a new Pound in the Kansas City, KS area. Pack Dog Robber, PDD Harvey Harris, has been helping various Pounds to help them get their Articles of Incorporation and tax status squared away.

MO Pack recently voted that for their annual children's charity in conjunction with the Grand Growl they will donate to Mercy Children's Hospital in Springfield, MO for the purchase of needed equipment for their "Care For Life" outreach clinic for children with specialized health needs and also to purchase a new "MediKin Teaching Doll" for Mercy's Jane Pitt Pediatric Cancer Center. In simplest terms, the MediKin's are very sophisticated "toys" used to educate, soothe and overcome the children's fear and apprehension over procedures which they will be undergoing. MO Pack Leader, PDD Teresa Terry has challenged all Pounds to step up to the plate this year and raise funds to help with this effort to help meet children's health needs. The Pound Dog Robbers should send the Pound donations to Pack Dog Robber, PDD Janice Hartley by June 12<sup>th</sup>.

With the 2016 Supreme Growl being held in nearby Tulsa, OK the Pounds in the Division should be thinking about their Pups that they want to advance to DD before August this year so they will be eligible to go up for PDD in Tulsa. With Tulsa being a relatively short trip we should have a lot of DD's ready to make the trip next year to try for PDD.

Have a great spring! I look forward to seeing some of you Dogs during your Grand Growls later this spring or as we roll into summer.

Woof, Woof! PDD Steve Michalski  
VCDD Midwest Division,  
[stbo88@yahoo.com](mailto:stbo88@yahoo.com)  
Home Phone 314-776-1905  
Cell 314-707-1903

Here's a photo from Grand Rapids of PDD Lee Hollrah  
He was a fine Dog Handler and even better Marine!  
Semper Fidelis!

PDD Levon "Lee" Hollrah - St. Charles County Dogs Pound# 86  
May 29, 1947 - March 12, 2015



**Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Inc.**

**W~O~G SPRING 2015**

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

Kennel Barking Dog

3924 N. Sunderland Ct.

Spokane, WA 99206-4457

[kbdmodd@gmail.com](mailto:kbdmodd@gmail.com)

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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!**