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WOOF-O-GRAM

It's an HONOR to be a DEVIL DOG!

53rd Chief Devil Dog

CDD Phil Ruhmshottel



TAIL WAGS FROM THE 53RD CHIEF DEVIL DOG

First of all, I want to thank the membership for the trust you have shown in electing me as your 53rd Chief Devil Dog. It is an awesome responsibility that I have taken to heart and will do my best for each and every member of the Order.

Scratchings from the 70th Supreme Growl have been entered in the Orders history book. I trust that all who attended had a memorable time, especially the motley crew of new pedigrees. Congratulations to each candidate on the completion of the journey from mongrel through Pup and Devil Dog to Pedigree

Devil Dog; wear your gold collar with pride. We had a large number of candidates who were not able to find Rochester; next year we'll leave a better trail to Greensboro. I send woofs for a job well done to all of the pedigrees that helped make the initiation and convention week a success and above all, a memorable time for the candidates. Thanks too to the many efforts of the Fleas who added extra fun to the week. We had a great time thanks to the hard working Dogs of the MN Pack. I hope the NC Dogs took notes.

If you are planning to advance at the 2010 Supreme Growl it is never too early to send in your advancement papers. There are no penalties if you change your mind and don't report; however, if you don't file before 1 July 2010 and show up you most likely will not be approved for advancement.

Very soon 2010 dues will come due. Dues payments must originate at the Pound level, to include those members purchasing a life membership; they all must be routed through the pack where one exists. Remember, life memberships must be submitted on a separate transmittal. Make it easier on your Pack and Kennel Dog Robbers by submitting as many renewals as possible on each transmittal. It is best if you can submit your entire Pound at the same time but remember, ALL DUES ARE DUE ON 1 SEPTEMBER.

Are your Growls fun? Are you following the ritual? Are you holding social events? Are you supporting a children's charity? Does your Pound help older members attend by offering them rides? One of our greatest problems with growth is that each year we fail to renew almost the same number of Dogs as we recruit. Call your members and remind them it is time to renew, if they don't respond find out why they no longer wish to belong to the MODD.

The close of the Supreme Growl also brings the time for the Pound's Growl of the Pound where you elect and install your new officers. Don't forget to send your installation report to the Kennel Dog Robber, even if you reelect the same officers. To keep communication avenues open the Kennel Staff must know who your pound officers are.

In today's cyber world many of us communicate via e-mail; feel free to send me e-mails but please be sure that your name shows in the "FROM" box and the subject says something about MODD. If not, it is very likely that I will not recognize your "e-mail name" and may delete your message.

STAMP THOSE PASSPORTS / MAIL PASSPORT FUNDS TO THE KDR

SENIOR VICE CHIEF

-----SR. Vice Chief Barks about-----

Woof, Woof to all you great dogs that continue to wander around, sniff out the area, and leave pee mail where ever we can. I want to thank you all for all the support you gave to me and the Kennel during my two years as Jr Vice. We were able to bring in some ground breaking programs for fundraising that appear to be very successful. However, I want all of you dogs out there to know that they could not be successful without your contributions of both your time and your bone donations. I want to especially thank the Division Vice Chiefs for their support and cooperation in promoting the programs, assisting with the fundraisers, and actively leading their divisions. I would also like you to continue to support the efforts of our new Jr. Vice Chief PDD Ken Travis and please keep those donations and ideas coming. I am trying to find all the final numbers to give to Ken for his WOG entry and I must say somebody has really trashed my dog house since the Supreme Growl. If I do not get him the numbers, I just want you to know it was good!

I appreciate your confidence in selecting me as your Sr Vice Chief, and I look forward to the challenges that come with it. I asked the Chief what he would like from me and after smacking me behind the skull he said increase membership. So I signed up with the Fleet Reserve Association and I increased their membership by one. When I reported my action to the Chief, he smacks me behind the skull again, and then he said to increase the membership in the MODD. You now know what is coming! No longer will you see at the top of all my WOG entries "Sweepstakes, Sweepstakes, Sweepstakes", but now you may see "Recruiting, Recruiting, Recruiting". I sit here and think of all my old recruiting skills; gathering my assets maps, reviewing my QMCLA, (Qualified Marine Corps League Applicant), discovering the benefits of being a Devil Dog; while at the same time bringing the life into the Pound, Pack, and Kennel that will continue us as an Order to move forward. Our Goal is to move us to above 6000 and I think it is very achievable. We will do it and we will do it with bringing in pups of action and pups that are hungry. Hungry to be a part of our MODD , hungry to get out there as a Devil Dog, hungry to help some children, and a desire to maintain being an active member in their MCL Detachment and Department.

However bringing in new members is only part of the problem. We need to keep the good members we have. I was notified by the Kennel Dog Robber that we have dropped 408 members for lack of dues. We are now just above 5400 members strong. We have some small pounds that at times find it difficult to maintain activity and promoting their program. I look forward to helping anybody or taking ideas from anybody that would like to talk about these issues. We can bring our order up past 6000 members if we all pull together. I look forward to this challenge and I look towards your continued support in building a strong kennel.

Woof, Woof and Semper Fi,,,PDD Mike English, Sr. Vice Chief

JUNIOR VICE CHIEF

WOOFINGS FROM THE JR. VICE CHIEF DEVIL DOG

First off I want to thank all the dogs supporting me over the last several years as Kennel Police Dog and then Kennel Mad Dog, what a time! This Supreme Growl at Rochester was GRReeaat, as were all the Initiates who are now PDD's. There is no Position in the Dog World as great as Mad Dog, well almost. Now you have made me Jr. Vice Chief, and it is my goal to live up to all the trust you have put in me.

I will be getting out and about to see more of you all. Please be kind when I come to visit as I am new. Yeah Right! I can see it now. It is a real joy to be around Dog kind. We all know how to howl and have a good time. My new position is mostly fundraising, and unless someone is willing and able to donate a massive amount of big bones, I will need some of the great ideas you have for fundraising. Please send me any schemes, I mean ideas on how to bring bones into the Kennel. If your ideas work, we will share whose idea it was, and if it doesn't, we all know who gets the blame.

I have some big paws to fill. Sr. Vice PDD Mike English has done us all proud these last couple of years. His sweepstake has really taken off as well as his other programs. Now I have to live up to them. So I can use any ideas on how to tweak them more. This year's winners of the sweepstakes: \$5 category: \$1,000 to FL Pack, \$500 to Pup Moorehead and \$250 to John Selland; \$1 category: \$300 to DD Barbara Kauffman, \$150 to Pat McCallister, \$75 to PDD Marvin Sowinski. Total income from the raffle was about \$15,000. Remember, you can involve everyone in this sweepstakes not just Devil Dogs or family. The Kennel is counting with all four paws on you.

I would also like to bring up the bond between all dogs and kids. You need to remember that all Passport bones - all the bones! go to a Children's Hospital in the vicinity of the Supreme Growl. By law, we can't add to it even if we wanted. Please send in all Passport Bones as soon as you receive them. The kids will love you for it.

Semper Woofing, PDD Ken Travis Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog

SMART DOG

Woof Woof,

It is hard to believe summer is gone and fall is here already. It feels like we just left the Supreme Growl!

We had a lot of fun at the Supreme Growl and we got a lot work done! It truly was an honor to be elected Kennel Smart Dog. As always I stand ready on all paws to assist ALL dogs of the Kennel.

I have received several sets of bylaw to review – some are not being approved. Please do not copy the Kennel Bylaws into your Pack or Pound Bylaws. Do not put anything in your bylaws that the Pack/Pound can not change. Pack and Pound bylaws need to cover the following – quorum, dues, special Pound Awards, Pound nominations (if different from Kennel), and other items specific to your Pound. Membership requirements, Uniforms etc can not be changed by the Pack/Pound, so please do not include them. Pounds do not state what your Pack or the Kennel is responsible for. Packs do not state the responsibilities of your Pounds or the Kennel.

If you want a sample set of bylaws to help you, please feel free to contact me. We have developed sample bylaws to aid the Packs and Pounds. They are two pages long (which are a lot shorter than most bylaws submitted by Packs and Pounds) and contain all the basics.

Have a great fall! I look forward to seeing you at the Mid-Winter Growl!

Woof Woof

PDD Leanna L Dietrich, KSD

KENNEL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Woof Woof all you Karniverous Kanines:

Let's start with a hearty congratulations to two esteemed PDD's. First, to our newest PCDD Laurel Hull for another outstanding year. Job Well Done! And second to my good friend and the 53rd Chief Devil Dog Phil Ruhmshottel. Many of you may not know that several years ago we had a Kennel Dog Robber who had a meltdown. CDD Ruhmshottel stepped in and took over the position stone cold and held it for several years, doing an outstanding job along the way. I look forward to his upcoming tenure.

The National Convention and Supreme Growl was the best year ever for the Kennel. A majority of the income raised was by our then Junior Vice Chief (now Senior Vice Chief) Devil Dog Mike English. Mike's fundraisers grossed over \$15,000.00, which is almost how much we gave for the Children's Hospital donation this year. All together, we raised just shy of \$20,000 for the Kennel. I would like to extend my kudos to Mike, as over the past two years, his fundraisers have grossed over \$25, 000.

I am looking for some information and need to talk to a Devil Dog with EXTENSIVE tax law or IRS background. I have some tax questions. If you are available for some questions, please call me at my home – 860-774-0378.

Recently I have been receiving death notices and other completed paperwork from the Packs and Pounds. These are being sent to the wrong Dog! I have blank forms that I mail out to you when you need your supply refreshed. When you fill out a form of any kind, it needs to be mailed to the Kennel Dog Robber, Steve Joppa. He updates and controls the membership database. When you send completed forms to me, I have to then send them to Steve, which not only costs more, but also delays the time the paperwork finally gets to its correct destination. For Death Notice, you can send them to Steve or to the Kennel Dog Trainer, Bill Nelson.

We have been discussing with the National Executive Director, Mike Blum, and the Convention Committee a change of location during midwinter. Years ago, we had space below the mail ballrooms for the Dog House and Quartermaster. For a few years, we have been relegated to the second floor of the hotel. We are trying now to return to the lower floor so that we are easier to find. Look for us in Falls Church down the stairs from the main meeting rooms.

Hopefully, the holiday season will find you and yours enjoying a bowl of cheer and happy times.

S/W

PCDD Doug Fisk, Kennel Executive Secretary

JUNIOR PAST CHIEF

Greetings from the Junior Past Chief! As such, I again wish to tell the Kennel Staff Thank You for all you do for the Kennel and all you did for me for the last two years. I also want to thank the Dog House Staff for the excellent job they did in Rochester in August. Everyone seemed to have a great time and that was due to your efforts.

I look forward to working with the recently elected Kennel Staff and to assist in any way I can. I wish the Kennel Staff every success in the future.

To the Dogs of the Kennel, please be aware that the Kennel works very hard on your behalf, but it cannot do it alone. The Kennel cannot pay your dues, send in your Installation Reports or your Dues Transmittals. That is up to the members of the Pound to be ready to pay their dues when due...that is now. It is up to the Pound Dog Robbers to make sure that every member of the Kennel pays their dues and that they are sent in with a properly filled out Dues Transmittal.

That means that it is the job of the Pack Dog Robber to make sure that all the Pounds in your Pack have sent in dues, and that Installation Reports have been submitted. That's right, it is time for elections. If you haven't held an office in the Pound and you are a Devil Dog, put your name in the hat and try it out. If you have all the growls you are supposed to have, you'll only have to perform your duties 4 times. Not too tough!

Best wishes to all the Dogs in the Kennel as we move into fall and get the business of the Kennel behind us so that we can rest during the winter. The time to act is now - don't put it off - and send in your Passport fees to the Kennel Dog Robber.

Semper Woof, Laurel Hull, 52nd Chief Devil Dog, Junior Past Chief Devil Dog

KENNEL DOG ROBBER

Staff Growl, August 3, 2009

Roll call held with all officers present or accounted for.

The staff growl scratchings from Mid Winter were posted in the WOG. A motion was made to accept them as posted. It was seconded and passed.

Sickness and Distress: PCDD Gary Chartrand is in the hospital. He is in a lot of pain and is being diagnosed. More information will be coming.

PDD Baldwin's funeral is to be held today.

The first Supreme Growl coin has been produced and are available for purchase. We will see how it goes and make a decision whether the program will be continued. It will be a good idea to have a coin with you at the Growl. The Jr Vice was thanked for the excellent job he has done raising money for the Kennel.

A leadership school will be held by Jr Vice English on Thursday after the staff growl. The staff growl will be held in the dog house at 9:00.

The 75th Supreme Growl will be coming up in a few years. A committee will be appointed to look at ideas and ways to commemorate the event. One idea was to create a special dog tag as was done for the 50th.

PDD Ruhmshottel suggested that two versions of the WOG be posted on the web site. The present version takes a long time to download if you have dial up service. PDD Smith will take it under advisement and will take care of the matter. The Chief thanked PDD Smith for his excellent service producing the WOG.

The growl closed at 2:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen C. Joppa, Kennel Dog Robber

Supreme Growl Scratchings, Aug 5, 2009

The growl was opened at 1:12 by Chief Devil Dog Hull with the usual ceremony.

PCDD's on board were: PCDD Taylor, PCDD Chartrand, PCDD Williams, PCDD Lent, PCDD Barrows, PCDD Garland, and PCDD Fisk.

A roll call of officers was held with all officers present or accounted for.

The growl was dedicated in memoriam to PDD Charles Hollon Jr by PDD Dietrich and to PDD Charles Baldwin by PDD Bobbie Ann Swain.

League officers recognized were: PNC Jack Ryan, SR Vice Vic Voltaggio, PNC Eddie McIntyre, PNC Pat Cody and NC Jim Laskey.

Kennel Dogs of the year in attendance were recognized: PCDD Williams, PCDD Lent, PCDD Chartrand, PDD Bigwood, PDD Swain, and PDD Hicks.

The scratchings of the last growl were presented and were approved as published.

A memorial service for those who have passed was held. The list of the deceased is published in the "70th Supreme Growl Reports Book 2009".

Sick and Distress: PDD Bill Siebel, PDD Bledsoe, PDD Lutz, PDD Merchant, PDD Conrad, and PCDD Hensley.

The Dog Robber's report is published in the "book" and was approved as published.

Bylaw changes were considered with the following results. (see the items referred to within the "book")

Constitution changes:

1. PCDD Williams moved to accept. 2nd by PCDD Garland, Passed
2. PDD Clifton moved to accept, 2nd by PDD Evans Passed

Bylaw changes:

1. PDD Clifton moved to accept, PCDD Williams 2nd Failed.
2. PDD Sarapata moved to accept, PDD Evans 2nd. PDD Ruhmshottel moved to amend to just say 12 months. PDD Evans 2nd Passed.
3. PDD Ruhmshottel moved to accept and amend to 12 months. PDD Clifton 2nd Passed.
4. PDD Kerley moved to accept. PDD Laskey 2nd Failed.

PDD Sarapata moved to accept all officer reports published in the "book". The motion was seconded and passed.

The winners of the advancement raffle were announced. PDD Adam Kline won the Sunday pot for \$300 and PDD Steve Stickley won the Monday pot of \$100.

New Pound charters were presented to the Macomb Mongrels of the MI Pack, the Kan Gnaw Dawgs of the WV Pack and the Pax River Dawgs of the MD Pack.

A check for \$16,523.40 was presented to the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. These funds were derived from the passport stamp fees paid by our members.

The Pound Dog Robber of the year is PDD Ralph Timpe of IL and the Pack Dog Robber of the year is PDD Phil Ruhmshottel.

The Past Chiefs awarded the PIA Medal to Commandant Laskey and to Chief Hull.

Elections were held for the coming year with the following results:

Chief Devil Dog	PDD Phil Ruhmshottel
Sr Vice CDD	PDD Mike English
Jr Vice CDD	PDD Ken Travis
Smart Dog	PDD Leanna Dietrich
Mad Dog	PDD Wayne Sarapata
Police Dog	PDD Jack Severn
Dog Trainer	PDD Bill Nelson

Installation of the new officers was conducted.

At the MODD Luncheon Past Chief's Awards were presented to: PDD Adrian Cervini, PDD Joe Summers, PDD James Curcio, PDD Gerald Fay, and PDD Jimmie Lee Howard.

The growl was closed at 1658.

PDD Jack Severn was named The Dog of the Year at the banquet.

Respectfully submitted, Stephen C. Joppa, Kennel Dog Robber

Staff Growl, August 6, 2009

The growl was opened at 8:05 by Chief Ruhmshottel.

The Chief emphasized that the passport fees need to be increased and all Pounds and Packs need to submit them.

The Chief announced that he wants to only receive business mail on his computer. Please do not send him junk.

The Division Vice Chiefs get a stipend but they must apply for it before the end of June.

The Woof O Gram will be posted on the web site with a simple version that will download with dial up service as well as the full version.

It was emphasized to use the chain of command. Refer your question or problem locally first.

A committee will be appointed to plan for the 75th anniversary of the MODD.

The reports book needs to be expanded and more donations sought.

A question has brought up about pre-registering the Dogs prior to the convention. It will be looked into.

PDD Severn presented PCDD Hull with a portrait that he had created.

The growl was closed at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen C. Joppa, Kennel Dog Robber

**If your unit does not appear below, and you
have had a growl, you owe Bones to the Kennel.**

Date	Num	Name	Paid Amount	Total
07/05/2009	2716	001 PD, NJ Pack	112.00	112.00
07/23/2009	2783	007 PD, NV Pack	8.00	8.00
08/27/2009	2917	011 PD, NY PACK	53.00	53.00
08/09/2009	2831	012 PD, IL PACK	75.00	75.00
08/09/2009	2830	019 PD, PA PACK	200.00	200.00
08/14/2009	2866	047 PD, CA PACK	22.00	22.00
07/23/2009	2786	071 PD, CA PACK	24.00	24.00
07/03/2009	2707	077 PD, MO PACK	100.00	100.00
07/16/2009	2745	079 PD, FL Pack	46.00	46.00
07/09/2009	2726	086 PD, MO PACK	24.00	24.00
08/26/2009	2913	087 PD, TX PACK	6.00	6.00
08/13/2009	2864	1000 PD, IL PACK	32.00	32.00
07/23/2009	2785	109 PD, PA PACK	24.00	24.00
08/19/2009	2881	112 PD, AZ PACK	6.00	6.00
07/27/2009	2810	118 PD, WA Pack	8.00	8.00
07/26/2009	2801	121 PD, IN PACK	3.00	3.00
07/19/2009	2765	126 PD, VA PACK	7.00	7.00
07/05/2009	2715	133 PD, PA PACK	38.00	38.00
07/18/2009	2758	136 PD, NJ Pack	139.00	139.00
07/24/2009	2789	141 PD, CT PACK	9.00	9.00
07/27/2009	2808	169 PD, PA PACK	12.00	12.00
07/21/2009	2776	170 PD, WI PACK	17.00	17.00
08/10/2009	2845	177 PD, TX PACK	57.00	57.00
07/30/2009	2819	179 PD, PA PACK	12.00	12.00
08/09/2009	2829	185 PD, WA PACK	30.00	30.00

07/01/2009	2691	188 PD, PA PACK		12.00	12.00
07/18/2009	2757	199 PD, TX PACK		26.00	26.00
08/21/2009	2894	204 PD, MD Pack		120.00	120.00
08/11/2009	2855	210 PD, NC PACK		54.00	54.00
08/19/2009	2882	212 PD, GA Pack		25.00	25.00
07/21/2009	2777	215 PD, WV PACK		101.75	101.75
07/03/2009	2702	227 PD, NJ PACK		113.00	113.00
07/02/2009	2701	229 PD, PA PACK		68.00	68.00
07/19/2009	2763	232 PD, FL Pack		28.00	28.00
08/17/2009	2876	240 PD, CA Pack		22.00	22.00
07/23/2009	2781	249 PD VT NO PACK		32.00	32.00
07/03/2009	2704	263 PD, FL Pack		7.00	7.00
07/01/2009	2683	267 PD, FL PACK		5.00	
08/21/2009	2891	267 PD, FL PACK		5.00	10.00
07/24/2009	2796	268 PD, TX PACK		10.00	
07/24/2009	2797	268 PD, TX PACK		44.00	
07/27/2009	2813	268 PD, TX PACK		14.00	68.00
07/17/2009	2749	271 PD, TN PACK		41.00	41.00
08/10/2009	2838	272 PD, CA Pack		14.00	14.00
07/19/2009	2767	275 PD, PA PACK		28.00	28.00
07/11/2009	2735	278 PD, FL PACK		10.00	10.00
08/17/2009	2873	281 PD, CO PACK		35.00	35.00
07/10/2009	2730	287 PD, WA PACK		17.00	17.00
07/16/2009	2744	290 Pd, MT Pack		24.00	24.00
07/27/2009	2814	292 PD, NJ Pack		19.00	19.00
07/18/2009	2751	293 PD, AZ PACK		20.00	20.00
07/09/2009	2723	294 PD, IN PACK		170.00	
07/31/2009	2824	294 PD, IN PACK		27.00	
08/27/2009	2920	294 PD, IN PACK		11.00	208.00
07/16/2009	2747	295 PD, GA PACK		8.00	8
08/10/2009	2832	303 PD, KY PACK		10.00	10
07/08/2009	2720	310 PD, AZ PACK		24.00	
09/01/2009	2935	310 PD, AZ PACK		12.00	36.00
07/02/2009	2696	311 PD, TX PACK		22.00	
07/02/2009	2697	311 PD, TX PACK		250.00	272.00
07/01/2009	2684	312 PD, SC Pack		25.00	25.00
07/02/2009	2699	315 PD, OR PACK		11.00	11.00
07/27/2009	2805	316 PD, MD PACK		18.00	18.00
07/02/2009	2700	319 PD, NC Pack		15.00	15.00
07/03/2009	2705	321 PD, NH Pack		12.00	12.00
07/11/2009	2734	323 PD, CA Pack		35.00	35.00
07/19/2009	2764	325 PD, CA Pack		11.00	11.00
08/12/2009	2859	331 PD, WV PACK		24.00	24.00
07/30/2009	2820	333 PD, MD Pack		51.00	51.00
07/18/2009	2753	337 PD, TN PACK		14.00	14.00
07/24/2009	2799	339 PD, UT		13.00	13.00
07/05/2009	2717	341 PD, KY Pack		5.00	
07/23/2009	2784	341 PD, KY Pack		5.00	10.00
08/24/2009	2912	342 PD, NM PACK		24.00	24.00
07/02/2009	2694	AZ Pack		50.00	50.00
07/27/2009	2818	CO PACK		11.00	11.00
07/24/2009	2788	CT Pack		90.00	90.00
07/19/2009	2766	IA PACK		68.00	68.00
07/24/2009	2792	IL PACK		86.00	86.00

07/10/2009	2729	MN PACK		34.00	34.00
08/24/2009	2898	MT PACK		7.00	7.00
07/30/2009	2823	NC PACK		104.10	104.10
07/24/2009	2791	NM PACK		25.00	
08/24/2009	2911	NM PACK		25.00	50.00
07/01/2009	2690	PA PACK		79.00	79.00
07/09/2009	2727	SD PACK		14.00	14.00
07/09/2009	2728	TN PACK		37.00	37.00
07/02/2009	2698	TX PACK		45.00	45.00
07/05/2009	2710	WA PACK		40.00	40.00

KENNEL DOG TRAINER

Dog Trainers of the Order, I want to thank all the Dog Trainers last year that got the word out timely on the Death of a Dog of the Order.

I am thankful this year has not started out like last year. I have only received 5 death notices so far in **August and September**. One indicated a death in May 09, One in June 09 and two in August 09. The number of cards sent to the surviving spouse/family member: "0". The reasons: May 09 and June 09 are beyond 30 days after the death of the Dog. August 09 reasons: A ? was put in for the name of a surviving family member and there was no surviving family for the other Dog.

It would be nice to see a lot of the Dog Trainers at the Mid-winter mini Growl in Fairfax, VA. I feel a Think Tank might be needed to fix problems with the MODD Notice of Death (NOD) form. This form should be sent out ASAP upon the death of a Dog of the Order and should be filled out completely. If information is unavailable, please say so on the form, no blank spaces, please.

Apparently the form is hard to distribute correctly too by some. If you have any idea how we can make a simple form simpler, please let me know at my email address.

Using the following Notice of Death (NOD) Form **distribution** will ensure the Dog is recognized on the MODD Web Site (Kennel Dog Trainer). It will stop the membership fee notification and the Woof-O-Gram (WOG) from reaching the surviving family member, saving the MODD hundreds of Bones in postage.

Pound Dog Trainer will retain the last copy (golden rod color)

Pound Dog Trainer will forward all others to the Pack Dog Trainer

Pack Dog Trainer will retain the last copy (pink color)

Pack Dog Trainer will forward the top copy (white) to the Kennel Dog Robber

Pack Dog Trainer will forward the last page (yellow color) to the Kennel Dog Trainer.

Semper Fidelis and Woof Woof!

Bill Nelson, Kennel Dog Trainer

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KENNEL AWARDS COMMITTEE

It is not too early to be thinking about nominations for Pack Dog Robber of the Year and/or the Pound Dog Robber of the Year. Both of these awards are in recognition of the efforts put forth by the "Glue" that helps to hold the MODD together. By this, I mean those hard working Dogs who not only collect and forward our dues to the appropriate parties, Pound, Pack and Kennel but also collect and forward our Passport funds so necessary to finance our annual Donations to Children's Care facilities in the host city of our MCL Nat'l Convention and our MODD Supreme Growl.

Keep also in mind our Annual Membership Awards that are presented at the Supreme Growl, it is not too early to be thinking about increasing our Membership and also working on renewals to keep our numbers strong.

And last but not least, lets give some serious thought to the Kennel Dog-of-the-Year Award. Getting nominations should not be like "Pulling Teeth"! There are a number of worthy candidates out there in the wonderful world of the Devil Dogs.

Woof, Woof!!

MODD Awards Committee Chairdog PDD John Bigwood

KENNEL MAD DOG



Woof, Woof to all dogs of the Order,

For the canines within the Order that missed the Supreme Growl in Rochester, MN, a wagging good time was available for the dogs around the feed dish and water bowl. We were able to bring about another 90+ PDD's into the fold. As we look forward to our 71th Supreme Growl in North Carolina, we anticipate a large turnout of Devil Dogs looking for that coveted Gold Collar in 2010.

For the PDD's that would like to become part of the magic of taking those Devil Dogs and helping to mold them into the "Lean Mean Barking Machine ala Gold", please submit all your wagging information as soon as possible. NOW for the DD's thinking of advancement, it is never too early to get your papers together. Even if you're not certain you can attend, go ahead and put in the paperwork. Don't forget to keep a copy! There is great honor to be a Devil Dog.
On a personal bark, thank you for your votes to allow me to be your Mad Dog.

Semper Woof,

PDD Wayne J. Sarapata,

Kennel Mad Dog, semperdog@juno.com, 1421 Decatur St., Chesapeake, VA 23324-2241

KENNEL POLICE DOG



I would like to congratulate all the new PDDs on your advancement – great job. Hope you had fun.

I would also like to congratulate and thank all the Kennel staff and the initiation team for all their hard work and outstanding job on the growl. A big woof thank to my deputies, PDD Bob Clifton, PDD John Pugliese, PDD Phil Uecker and PDD Mike McLain for their hard work and for making me look good. I couldn't ask for a better bunch of Deputy Dogs.

I'm so looking forward to our next convention and growl in NC. I have a feeling this is going to be a great one.

Again, I would like to thank the Kennel for presenting me with the highest honor a Devil Dog can receive – The Dog of the Year Award. I'm humbled and appreciative of this great honor.

If I can help any of you dogs, or if you have any questions, please let me know.

See you at Mid-Winter.

Semper Woof, PDD Jack Severn, Kennel Police Dog/Staff Artist

KENNEL BARKING DOG



Woof, Woof from the Kennel Barking Dog!

I would like to offer my congratulations to the following: the Kennel Staff for putting on such a fine Supreme Growl in Rah-Rah Rochester; the newly elected and appointed officers; members who advanced to Pedigreed Devil Dogs; PDD Jack Severn, who was honored as the Kennel Dog of the Year; Chief Ruhmshottel for being selected as Pack Dog Robber of the Year; PDD Ralph Timpe (who happens to be a member of my own pound) for being chosen Pound Dog Robber of

the Year; PDD Adrian Cervini, PDD Joe Summers, PDD James Curcio, PDD Gerald Fay, and PDD Jimmie Lee Howard for being honored as recipients of the Past Chief Devil Dogs Society awards; and the Department of Idaho who was chosen to host the 2011 National Convention.

I had the honor of accompanying Chief Hull to the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester where she presented a check in the amount of 16,523.40 big bones! Congratulations and thanks to the pounds who are holding growls and submitting the required bones from passport stamps to the Kennel. Let's help Chief Ruhmshottel collect an even greater number of bones to present to a worthy children's cause in Greensboro next summer.

Several dogs had barked concerns that they were unable to view the complete edition of the Woof-O-Gram online, due to the large file size. We listened and acted upon those concerns. The decision was made at the Kennel Staff Growl to post the mailed edition on the Kennel website in addition to the longer one, in order to accommodate those dogs who have dial-up internet hookups. Look under "Barks" on the Kennel home page for either "Condensed Version", which is the mailed edition, or the "Complete Version", which contains news and pictures from the Kennel, Packs, and Pounds. We hope this solves the problem.

If you have news or photos that would be of interest to dogs around the country, please submit them to me at carolnco@mchsi.com. As always, it is an Honor to be a Devil Dog!

Semper Woofing,

PDD C.O. Smith, Kennel Barking Dog

CENTRAL DIVISION

Woof, Woof. As we begin our new Fiscal Year of 2010, I want to congratulate all the newly elected Worthy Pack Leaders and thank all the Past Worthy Pack Leaders of Fy-2009 for your service to the MODD.

Those of you who did not attend the Supreme Growl this year missed a good one. The Central Division was presented with a third place plaque for Membership (PDD James F. Powell Award) and each dog should give themselves a big scratch on their hind quarter. Let's keep this going by maintaining our current members and reinstating our dogs who fell in ditch somewhere. We need to also be on the outlook for new members.

I would like for all you dogs to make sure that you are wearing the Marine Corps League uniform as laid out in Enclosure Three (3) – Uniform Code – Marine Corps League, MCL National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures. In my travels I have noticed that some of you are wearing pins on your covers and that is a big no, no.

Now I have to report that the following Pack and Pounds did not send in any Passport fees for FY-2009 per the Kennel records.

Wisconsin Pack, Pounds 243 IL Pack, 256 OH Pack, 294 IN Pack, 309 IL Pack, 314 MI Pack. I would like each Worthy Pack Leader from the aforementioned Packs to get back on the status of the pack and pounds that failed to submit their passport fees. (e-mail devildog01_235@yahoo.com or call me).

As of Sept 23, 2009 until Jan 1, 2010, I will not be able to visit with you Packs or Pounds. My Prostate Cancer has returned and I have to take radiation treatments and then recover. However, I will be available by phone, so call if the need arises.

Hoping to bark with you at the MID-Winter Conference in February 2010. It is a pleasure to serve you and may all your growls be fun.

Semper Woofing,

PDD Ron Bricking 01-235

Central Division Vice Chief Devil Dog

859-583-4373

MIDEAST DIVISION

Woof-Woof to you unbelievable dogs of the Mideast Division –

I'm getting ready to start winterizing my doghouse for the upcoming winter.

I attended the MCL National Convention in Rochester, Minnesota. We had a fantastic growl thanks to Chief Hull. At the growl, the Division was awarded the PDD James F. Powell award. This award is named after our Kennel Quartermaster of many years. It recognizes the top division in the Kennel for membership during the previous fiscal year. Woof-Woof to the division and to all Mideast Pack Leaders!

Also at the growl, I was presented two pound charters: West Virginia Pack Kan Gnaw Dogs Pound #343 and Maryland Pack Pax River Dogs Pound #344. Woof-Woof to Pack Leaders Turley and Hadley!

At the Devil Dog Luncheon, the Maryland Pack received several high honors. PDD Jimmie Lee Howard, past Barking Dog for over 11 years, or 77 dog years, received the Past Chief's Award. I myself also received another Past Chief's Award. Then, later in the week at the banquet, Kennel Police Dog and friend PDD Jack Severn received the Kennel Dog of the year. Thanks to the entire Kennel staff – you are fantastic!

To the Pack leaders of the Mideast Division: please make sure your pack and pounds are having at least four growls a year. Make sure you turn your passport bones in on time. Don't let down the kids in Greensboro. We don't want to fall short.

Woof-Woof - Semper Fi

Jerry Fay, Vice Chief Devil Dog, Mideast Division, sargeusmcl@verizon.net, Phone 410-531-3816

MIDWEST DIVISION

Wolf, Wolf

The Midwest Division will be holding the Fall Conference in Sioux City, IA on October 16-18, 2009. The local Pound/Pack will be holding a Growl on Saturday afternoon during the conference. Being a Division Conference I will have the honor of leading this Growl. Being that this Growl will be my first as Division Vice Chief, I am looking forward to being tested by all Dogs on board. All Division Dogs should keep in mind who is holding the big bone/gavel. As always I will be more than fair. All Dogs will have an equal chance to donate bones, small and large.

Being the first Division Conference Growl after the Supreme Growl at National, there is a lot of information to be passed on. We also will be putting a plan together for the upcoming year. It is important that all Division Pack Leaders and Pound Keepers be on hand as to contribute to the ideas and goals to be implemented. A communication network will be set up at this time. We will need to put together a list of all Division Keepers and Leaders with contact information. Cross communication throughout the Division will be important in the future.

I will be making as many visits to Pack and Pound Growls as possible over the next year or two. I want to learn as well as instruct and inform.

As always, I am available to all Division Dogs through my email: lee_hollrah@yahoo.com. See you in October.

**Semper Wolf,
PDD Lee Hollrah**

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

To All Dogs!

There are specific procedures for almost everything we need to "Bark" about in the 2 books about Dogs. When in doubt, use the chain of command, starting with your Pound Keeper. Each of you has a Smart Dog available.

This year there's a good chance I will be able to visit more Growls throughout the Division. If you let me know when they are, I can make arrangements and plans. I realize many Growls are sometimes spontaneous, but we'll do the best we can. I believe more exposure to your Dogs means more information can be passed along and lots of your questions about enlarging your Pound can be addressed. I will probably make the conventions. I believe they are not scheduled on the same dates.

You should always have fun when you get together. We are the "Fun and Honor" of the league. FUN!!! Even if you have to plan it. When I show up, fun there shall be.

**Bob Cowan,
RMDVCDD**

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

Woof, Woof, Woof

The dogs in New England are starting to get ready for the hunting season so they can run loose in the forest and have a great time barking.

The dogs in Vermont were spotted holding their autumn growl in one of the Green Mountain valleys where they initiated two new pups after they proved their abilities by treeing a cat. They also held their election of officers after

they took a head count to see who was missing so they could be nominated for a position. Requested during the growl were names of dogs that provided their worth during the past year by improving the VT Pound and could be nominated for the Dog of the Year.

A number of New England dogs attended the Supreme Growl in Rochester, but they required constant watching to assure that they didn't sneak off to the water bowl too often. All the Pack Leaders and Pound Keepers were reminded that the Woof-O-Gram is now on line and that the only dogs that will receive a snail mail copy are the dogs whose names were submitted to Kennel requesting a hard copy. All of the Pound Leaders and Pound Keepers have been barked at to remember to submit their 990 forms before the end of the year. The Teufelhund Pound must have been tired of all the barking as they made sure they led all of the pounds by submitting their 990 on 28 June. Reminder was also sent to the Pound Keepers that they needed to hold their election of officers by the end of November.

The Maine Pack held a discussion with the VCDD - NE to review a number of subjects and to show that they now had indoor hydrants in Maine and no longer have to use the trees out back. Dogs in MA showed that they are thinking ahead as they already have their 2010 Grand Growl planned at Westover AFRB next June. NH Pound 159 changed their name to the Chinook Pound, which had recently been named the official dog of NH by the Governor. They also recently made up an inventory list of their possessions and discovered that they are worth more than \$10.

Dogs in New England will be busy doing the next month assisting with the Toys 4 Tots campaign, electing and installing new Pound officers and participating in Veteran ceremonies, especially that most sacred of all days, 10 November. The NH Pack and Pound will be participating in the raising of the Marine Corps flag over the state capital at 08:00 on 10 November as they have been doing for a number of years.

Semper Fi - Honor, Courage, Commitment

**Frank A Diekmann, PDD, VCDD – New England, fad302@comcast.net, 603-472-4988, 603-714-5351
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NORTHEAST DIVISION

Woof-Woof to all the Dogs of the Northeast Division. This is my first column since I was appointed to this position by our 53rd Chief Devil Dog, Phil Ruhmshotel, at the Supreme Growl in Rochester, MN. I'd like to thank him, the 52nd Chief, Laurel Hull and Past NEDVCDD Bobbieann Swain for the confidence they have placed in me. I hope that I can live up to their expectations.

I have already made contact with the Pack Leaders of New York and New Jersey. I will be attending their Fall Growls in the next few weeks. Since I'm the Pennsylvania Pack Dog Robber, contact with Pennsylvania Pack Leader should not be a problem. I will also be looking to get out and attend as many Pound Growls in the Division as my schedule will permit.

September 1st starts a new year for the Dogs of the Division, and I can only encourage all Dogs to get involved. The MODD is only what you make it, and it's not only up to the Pound and Pack Officers to make things happen. We all should make an effort to get reinstated; those Dogs that have been dropped from the rolls or have not paid their dues for 2009.

I wish all the Dogs of the NE Division a great and prosperous year.

Woof Woof, PDD Jim Powell, NEDVCDD

NORTHWEST DIVISION

Woof Woof to all the dogs in the Northwest, I am the new NWDVCDD. I am replacing PDD Steve Hilton who has done a job with this Division.

I would like to extend my congratulations to the new Kennel Officers.

I am looking forward to this appointment and seeing you in the months ahead at a Pack or Pound Growl. Summer has been warm, and now the cold winds from the north are soon to be howling.

Keep a heaping bowl of kibbles close by.

Dogs of the NW DIV. can contact me by email mos0311@verizon.net.

Semper Woof and Semper Fi.

PDD Paul Sullivan, Northwest Division Vice Chief Devil Dog

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SOUTHEAST DIVISION

Woof Woof to all the Devil Dogs of the Southeast Division. I am honored and proud to be your new Vice Chief Devil Dog for the best Division in the Kennel. Many of you may remember me as the Past Pack Leader from South Carolina for four of the past six years. I have recently spoken to all of the Southeast Division Pack Leaders and look forward to working with them to make this a banner year for our Division and the Kennel. We need to emphasize the FUN and HONOR part of becoming and being a Devil Dog, to train our new Pups well, and to work on the retention of our Dogs by keeping them involved and active. The way to ensure our growth is to extend the honor of joining our ranks to active League Members with an invitation to join the Devil Dogs. Our Growls need to be well published and scheduled well in advance for maximum participation. I am making plans to attend several Pack Growls as I travel with my show dogs through the Southeast.

Semper Woofing,

PDD Dan Hoffman, Vice Chief Devil Dog, Southeast Division, dhoffman@sc.rr.com, 803-422-6842

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

Woof-Woof all you Big Dogs of the Southwest Division. Many things have transpired since our last WOG, the most important of which was the Supreme Growl and the election of the new Alpha Dog. It was great to see all of you in Rochester and it was certainly a pleasure to be assigned to take the #1, First Platoon, see attached photo, through the Initiation for Pedigree Devil Dog. The initiates were whining and whimpering by the time Wednesday Morning rolled around but you couldn't find a more educated and motivated Platoon anywhere. Thanks to all the new Pedigree's, not just from First Platoon but Kennel wide for taking the time and effort to reach for the Big Doggy Bone at the Supreme Growl and get their Gold Collar!! For those of you that were able to attend I hope you have returned to your Pounds and Packs, Barking and Howling about the fun you had and are infecting your fellow Dogs with the sense of camaraderie that oozed through out the Supreme Growl. Remind all Dogs that you sniff tails with of the purposes of the Fun and Honor Society. Don't forget the wonderful things that the Dogs do for the Children in the area of the Supreme Growl, this year a large donation to the Ronald McDonald house near the Mayo Clinic. Also I hope that you have returned with a fresh outlook on the Devil Dogs as the elite of the elite and are presently Barking up a storm to seek out those eligible Marine Corps League members who need to be recommended for acceptance into our ranks. I am amazed that we have not been able to tree at least 10% of the League for the Dogs. I know there are more than 10% who are more than qualified, are already doing great and wonderful things within the League and should be recommended for Pup but lets start with 10% as a target!! For the Division Dog Robbers, I can not emphasize enough how important your assignment is, from the processing of the membership applications, renewals, and especially the forwarding of the Passport Bones to Kennel in a timely manner. This year our Kennel donation to the Ronald McDonald House was several thousand below what it could, and should have been because some of us have not done all we could in this matter. Do the math Dogs, if every Dog of the Order attends just 4 Growls a year, say 3 Pound and 1 Pack, not including special stamps or attendance at the Supreme Growl then our Honorable Chief Devil Dog would be making presentations to the local Children's Hospital in amounts of \$20,000 Big Bones instead of the \$15,000-17,000 they are doing at this time. Start nipping at each others hind legs in an effort to encourage attendance at the Growls and challenge each other (competition?) to be the one with the largest number of Growl Stamps in your Passport this year!!!

The Southwest Division is gearing up for a banner year. We are stronger than ever and are adding more all the time. We are looking forward to May and our doggie paddle to the Island of Kauai where we will be Chartering the first Pound in the State of Hawaii. We also have a prospective Pound coming up within the Aloha Detachment on the Island of Oahu. We are closing in on establishing a brand new Pack for Hawaii, the first in a long time, and way overdue considering the number of active, former and retired Marines in the Islands. Don't forget to get all your Dogs in a Row for the upcoming events within the Division. We are heavily involved in Wounded Warriors, Toys for Tots, Marine Birthday Celebrations and then we are up to our dew claws in planning and preparation for the Marine Expo West at Camp Pendleton, followed immediately by the Southwest Division Conference and QUINN.

Thanks to all Dogs for everything that you have accomplished during this past year and all that you are going to do during this upcoming year. A great big Thank You to PCDD Laurel Hull for visiting our Division so often during her tenure and providing all the Leadership and Direction, some requested and some not requested but necessary to keep us on the right path. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or needs and I will do whatever it takes to make things work.

Semper Barking from Arizona

PDD Milt Cruver, SWDVCDD

SOUTHERN DIVISION

Woof! Woof!

The Dogs of the Southern Division are proud to announce that there will be a Pound in Arkansas. The Razorback Pound #346 is located in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and affiliated with the River Valley Detachment. Ten Mongrels became Pups in the Order at the Southern Division Conference and the eight Arkansas Pups are ready to transfer to the Razorback Pound as soon as they hold their first growl. Congratulations to PDD Randy Riggs and "Southern Division Marine of the Year" Pup Johnny Gothard and all the new Pups in Arkansas. You make us want to howl with pride. Thanks to Past Chief Clif Williams for swearing in the new Pups and Sr. Vice Pound Keeper Polly Weidenkopf for officiating at this Growl of Pound #268.

The T.O.T. Dogs Pound also held a growl the Saturday before the Southern Division in Granbury, Texas. We had a Family Day in Granbury and visited the new Military Museum. The ladies went shopping on the square while we held our growl. We all then had lunch at Celebration Hall at Granbury Live before going to the Granbury Live Show. We all had a great time and the turnout was really great. Thanks to Con Shuck and Alex Azar and the Comanche Peak Detachment for hosting this Growl.

We added four new Texas Pups in Granbury and two at the Southern Division plus the eight Arkansas Pups - way to go Pound 268! The Department of Texas Commandant was in attendance and Counterfeit Dog George Simpson was also there before his offense. The rest of that story later.

In June we attended the Department of Oklahoma's Convention & Pack Growl and installed their New Pack Officers. Past Commandant DD Marty McKnight got the Pack paperwork properly prepared and up to date. Thanks Marty for a job well done. We had a great time in Oklahoma and had the honor of installing their New Pack Officers. Oklahoma Marine of the Year, PDD Terry Funk, is the new Oklahoma Pack Leader.

We then attended the Department of Arkansas State Convention in June and held an organizational meeting for the soon to be formed Razorback Pound. Nineteen Marines signed up to become Pups in the Order. A second Pound and a Pack for Arkansas can't be too far off. Commandant Laskey modeled the optional head gear for the Arkansas Pound. Now if we can only teach him to call the Hogs they may make him an honorary member of the Razorback Pound.

Now for the rest of the story... at the National Convention this year many Devil Dogs went through the initiation to become PDDs in the Order but there was only one Counterfeit Dog. DD George Simpson thought he would save some big bones by taking his private box of doggy treats with him and due to his generous nature he also passed out these dog bones to other Devil Dogs to save them some small bones. Well the moral of this story is "crime does not pay." The Chief fined him several big bones and he will forever be known as "Counterfeit Dog."

It is an honor to have been selected as your Southern Division Vice Chief Devil Dog for the coming year. I hope you will always remember to have some fun and to always be good dogs. Well, at least try. Don't take treats from George or it could cost you big bones. (See the photos from all of the above mentioned growls in the Complete edition of the Woof-O-Gram.)

Semper Woofing

Southern Division Vice Chief PDD Bernie O'Dell



KENNEL HISTORIAN

Charter Boxes, MCL, MODD and MCLA "The Rest of the Story"

Since 2005, it has been widely known that awards given out by the MODD at the National Convention are manufactured from rough lumber by me at our pipe organ shop down stairs. It's far less expensive for the Order going this route that if we had to contract a custom trophy shop to have these made for our particular use. These include the four or five past chiefs Awards given out at the MODD-Flea luncheon and the Kennel Dog of the Year Award presented at the closing banquet. All of these are made individually and each has its own "character" as no two pieces of lumber are the same. We do try to make these awards appear to "grow together" at the seams but that's altogether another story.

Many of those who have attended meetings and growls on the National level have also seen the charters for all three organizations housed in handsome albeit scratched solid walnut boxes with hinged doors. There is however a story behind these boxes that many if not most of the members of the League and Order is not aware of and should be so enlightened.

During the Mid Winter conference of 1997, some concern was expressed that the National charter was a very important icon to the organization and that something should be considered for its protection in transit from location to location. The idea was kicked around but nothing definite was concluded.

In March of the same year, a company that I had formally worked for call to say they had a rather old "half log" of walnut that was in the way and wanted it out of there ASAP. Having seen the half log for many years, I knew it had some age on it but wasn't certain of any particular heritage. As one to never let a good piece of lumber get away, I traveled down into Waynesboro to retrieve the booty.

It took the help of several employees to get the log down from its lofty perch at Klann Inc. and get it loaded into the truck. Only after we had unloaded it at the shop did we begin to know the true value of this "log".

The method of determining the age of any given tree is to count the rings starting from the core to the outside. When we did this, we determined the age of the tree was between 220 and 225 years old. Going by this, we concluded that this very tree was a new sapling at the time when the Marine Corps was founded in 1775. The lumber from this tree had to go to something very special, not some dusty old pipe organ!

I called some friends who own and operate another large pipe organ company in Staunton and asked if they could help me get the log machined into what we call "rough cut lumber". After I told them what I was planning, they agreed to help out by allowing me full access to their large machine shop and putting two of their employees at my disposal to help with the chores.

When we finished with the machining, I had enough lumber to build three to four boxes of the sizes need to house the individual charters. Every possible inch of wood was to be used with as little scrap as possible in the end.

I was able to contact the individuals responsible for each one of the three charters and get the rough dimensions for each one separately. Construction and assembly began in June of 1997 and completion came a week before the 1997 Convention in Nashville.

Upon arrival in Nashville, I spoke briefly with National Commandant Frank Meakem about having the opportunity to make "a special presentation" at the opening ceremony. I didn't want to divulge the special content of this time required but I said it was "VERY SPECIAL" to all who would be there that morning. He wasn't certain if any time could be allotted for anything that wasn't already on the schedule as their time table on opening day was very tight.

On the morning of the opening day, I spoke again with the Commandant to ask for just a brief time for this presentation just prior to recess, to which he replied, "All right, I'll give you two minutes"!

As far as I was concerned, that's about all the time I needed. When the time came, the three charter boxes were picked up by Bill Gibson for the MODD, my wife Jean carried the MCLA, and I carried the MCL box. We marched smartly down the aisle to the front of the room and after a very brief story about the lumber; the boxes were presented to the National Commandant, The President of the Auxiliary, and the Chief Devil Dog.

During the recess of the opening ceremony, the three charters were quickly placed in their individual boxes and secured.

So, the next time you have the opportunity to attend an event where the National Charters of the MCL, MODD and Auxiliary are present, take a moment to go forward and see and touch some real "history". If you get down and listen real close, you might even hear them whisper softly "**Semper Fi Marine**"!!

And now you know "THE REST OF THE STORY"

PCDD Bob Lent,

Kennel Historian



MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS

The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League

*Congratulations and a big "WOOF WOOF" to all of the
newly elected and appointed officers!*

KENNEL QUARTERMASTER

Woof Woof and we had a great time at the National Convention in Rochester, MN.

I have eliminated the Decals, MAS 30 thru MAS 35. and also the gold colored polo shirt, APP 32. I will be getting a new button down white shirt with the MODD Logo on the back. I am looking for a shirt like the one that Past Chief Jay KACSAN had. If you have one and/or know someone who does, I would like to borrow it. It will not be damaged, and it will be returned to you. I want if to copy the logo on the back. Once I get that, I will have the white shirts in stock, hopefully prior to the Mid-Winter Staff meeting. I have no idea what the cost will be. If you have access to one, please call me before you do anything else. I do not need a half dozen. (512)819-9688.

Does everyone out there know that I accept credit cards, Visa, MC and Discover? I do not accept American Express. I have accepted credit cards for the past several years. I still have Devil Dogs out there and ask that I extend them credit. If you forget and need supplies for your growl next week, get your credit card out.

On the bottom of the order form the way the wording on the shipping rates seems to be confusing several Dogs lately. Simply put, the shipping rate for orders of \$40 or less, add \$4 shipping and handling. Now if the order is \$45, you add 10% of the total order, ie, \$4.50. That does not mean the \$4 plus \$4.50, it simply means \$4.50. If the order is \$125.00, 10% is \$12.50 for a total of \$137.50. If you order a cap patch, \$3.00, the minimum shipping cost is \$4. This is the average of the shipping and handling cost.

Woof Woof,

Clifton Williams, 43rd Chief Devil Dog

Hon. Kennel Quartermaster



Merchandise Price List



Effective Sept 2009

Code	Description	Price	Code	Description	Price
Pub 1	Kennel By Laws w/changes	\$6.00	App 01	Golf Shirt, Black, Red, White	\$36.00
Pub 1A	Changes to By-Laws	\$2.00	App 03	MODD Baseball Cap, Black	\$12.00
Pub 2	Kennel Ritual (Large Edition)	\$3.00	App 04	Mock Turtleneck, Jersey	\$32.00
Pub 4	Dog Robbers Manual	\$3.50		Red or White	
Pub 5	Bulldog Sketch 8 1/2" x 11"	\$2.00	App 05	Sweat Shirt Navy w/EGA "USMC"	\$30.00
Pub 6	MODD Logo Inside Decal	\$2.00	App 07	T-Shirt Red or Gold	\$11.00
Pub 7	MODD Logo Outside Decal	\$2.00	App 12	Vest, Red	\$39.00
Pub 8	MODD Logo Sticker Sheet 24	\$1.50	App 13	Blue Denim Shirt w/MODD S/S	\$35.00
Pub 9	MODD Ribbon Chart	\$2.00	App 16	Black Denim Shirt w/MODD S/S	\$35.00
Pub 10	MCL Ribbon Chart	\$2.00	App 17	Vest, Red w/MODD Logo on Back	\$65.00
Pub 11	MODD Logo Rubber Stamp 1"	\$14.00	App 18	Jacket, Black w/MODD on back	\$80.00
Pub 12	MODD Logo Rubber Stamp 2"	\$17.00	App 20	MODD Beret, Black, Red, Gold	\$25.00
Pub 14	MODD Logo Disc Enameled	\$10.00	App 24	Jacket Red w/Zipper w/MODD	\$80.00
Pub 17	MODD Collar (Ribbon) Chart	\$2.00		Logo on Reverse	
Pub 18	Kennel Ritual (Small Edition)	\$2.00	App 25	Shirt Dress Maroon w/MODD L/S	\$35.00
Pub 19	Handbook f/New Pups)(Large)	\$1.50	App 26	Shirt Dress Maroon w/USMC L/S	\$35.00
Pub 20	Handbook (f/New Pups)Small Ed	\$1.00	App 27	Shirt Dress Forest Green L/S	\$35.00
Pub 21	Bumper Sticker "Not As Lean"	\$1.50		w/MODD Logo	
Awd 01	Disc f/MODD Pk/Pd Award Antique	\$18.00	App 28	Shirt Dress Forest Green L/S	\$35.00
Awd 02	Pack Dog of the Year Plaque	\$50.00		w/USMC	
Awd 03	Pound Dog of the Year Plaque	\$50.00	App 29	Belt Black w/Bulldog Gold/Silver	\$35.00
Awd 04	Pack DOY Lapel Pin	\$3.50		or USMC Gold or Silver Buckle	
Awd 05	Pound DOY Lapel Pin	\$3.50	App 31	Misc Baseball Caps	\$12.00
Awd 06	Pack DOY Mini-Medal	\$12.50	App 33	Shirt, Maroon w/MODD S/S	\$35.00
Awd 07	Pound DOY Mini-Medal	\$12.50	App 34	Shirt Maroon w/USMC S/S	\$35.00
Awd 08	Pack DOY Ribbon	\$5.00	App 35	Shirt Green w/MODD S/S	\$35.00
Awd 09	Pound DOY Ribbon	\$5.00	App 36	Shirt Green w/USMC S/S	\$35.00
Awd 10	Pack Leader Comm. Ribbon	\$2.00	App 37	Old Style Devil Dog Baseball Cap	\$12.00
Awd 11	Pack Leader Comm. Certificate	\$2.00	App 38	MODD Watch Standers Cap	\$10.00
Awd 12	Pound Keeper Comm. Ribbon	\$2.00	Pat 1	MODD Cap Patch (Official)	\$3.00
Awd 13	Pound Keeper Comm. Certificate	\$2.00	Pat 2	MODD Shoulder Patch (Official)	\$4.00
Awd 14	Past Pack Leader Large Medal	\$10.00	Pat 3	Patch White w/Bulldog Head	\$3.00
Awd 15	Past Pack Leader Mini-Medal	\$7.00	Pat 4	Patch Red w/Bulldog Head	\$3.00
Awd 16	Past Pound Keeper Large Medal	\$10.00	Pat 5	Patch "DEVIL DOG: Letters Only	\$3.00
Awd 17	Past Pound Keeper Mini-Medal	\$7.00	Pat 6	MODD 8 1/2" Cap Patch Design	\$30.00
Awd 18	MODD Certificate of Appreciation	\$2.00	Pat 7	Bulldog w/Green Helmet	\$3.50
Awd 19	Past Pack Leader Ribbon	\$2.00	Pat 8	White Bulldog w/Helmet Standing	\$3.50
Awd 20	Past Pound Keeper Ribbon	\$2.00	Pat 9	Black Bulldog w/Helmet Standing	\$3.50
Awd 21	MODD Distinguished Service Award	\$2.00	Pat 11	MODD Patch 10" w/Letters	\$35.00
Awd 22	MODD Ceritificate f/All Occasion	\$1.50	Pat 12	Hollywood Marine Patch	\$5.00
Awd 23	MODD Cert. w/Foil Logo Black	\$1.50	Pat 13	Parris Island Patch	\$5.00
Awd 24	MODD Cert.w/Foil Logo Color	\$1.50	Pat 14	Patch USMC Emblem 9 1/2" Round	\$12.00
Awd 25	Pack DOY Certificate	\$2.00	TAG 1	MODD Dog Tag	\$3.50
Awd 26	Pound DOY Certificate	\$2.00	Engr	Engraving on Tag 1	\$5.00
			Pass	MODD Passport	\$5.00
	(Con't Reverse)		NPK 1	New Pup Kit (****)	\$20.00





Merchandise Price List

Effective Sept 2009

Code	Description	Price	Code	Description	Price
Awd 27	Pack DOY Large Medal	\$15.00	Pat Conv	La, Wa, Oh, Ma, NM, Fl, Mn Conv.	\$4.00
Awd 28	Pound DOY Large Medal	\$15.00	Pat 15	Patch USMC Emblem 6" X 8"	\$12.00
Rib-PDD	Collar, Gold f/PDD	\$1.00	Pat 16	USMC Bulldog 1775 X 10"	\$13.00
Rib-DD	Collar, Red f/DD	\$1.00	Pat 17	Patch MODD 11 1/2: w/Letters	\$45.00
Rib-Pup	Collar, Black f/Pup	\$1.00	MAS 1	MODD Walking Cane 36"	\$190.00
Rib-PDD-G	Collar, Gold w/Grommet	\$1.50	MAS 1A	MODD Walking Cane 42"	\$200.00
Rib-DD-G	Collar, Red w/Grommet	\$1.50	MAS 2	Magnet, "I Love My Marine Bulldog	\$3.00
Rib-Pup-G	Collar, Black w/Grommet	\$1.50	MAS 16	Yellow Footprints Floor Matt	\$45.00
Pin 1	MODD Lapel Pin (Pat 2 Design)	\$3.00	MAS 17	MODD Logo Wood Cutout	\$35.00
Pin 2	Pin, Small Dog Standing	\$1.50	MAS 18	USMC Emblem Antenna Top G/S	\$7.00
Pin 3	Bulldog in Globe and Anchor	\$3.00	MAS 20	MCL Logo Wood Cutout	\$35.00
Pin 4	MODD Life Membership Pin	\$3.00	MAS 21	Car Magnets, Support our Marines,	\$1.00
Pin 5	Pin, USMC w/Bulldog Head	\$3.00	MAS 22	Marines, USMC Red	
Pin 6	Pin, USMC as above w/Wreath	\$3.00	MAS 23	Magnet, MODD Logo 6"	\$5.00
Pin 8	Pin, Bulldog w/White Blanket	\$3.00	MAS 26	Fireplug, Red Plastic	\$43.00
Pin 9	Pin, Bulldog Running Front	\$3.00	MAS 27	MAGNET 12" Round USMC Logo	\$10.00
Pin 10	Pin, Bulldog w/Helmet	\$3.00	MAS 30	MAGNET, USMC Emblem 5 1/2"	\$5.00
Pin 11	Pin, Bulldog w/Barracks Cover	\$3.00	MAS 37	Decal Chrome EGA 8" X 9"	\$23.00
Pin 12	PIA Medal and Ribbon	\$13.50	MAS 38	MODD Night Stick w/Laser Cut	\$40.00
Pin 13	Yellow Footprints Pin	\$3.00	MAS 39	Devil Dog Bottle Topper Stone	\$11.00
Pin 14	Pin, These Colors Don't Run	\$3.00	MAS 40	Devil Dog Brass Bottle Opener	\$7.00
Pin 15	Pin, USMC, Air, Land and Sea	\$3.00	MAS 41	MODD Bones Bag	\$2.00
Pin 16	Pin, Medium Bulldog Standing	\$3.00	MAS 42	USMC Swagger Stick	\$50.00
Pin 18	Pin, Cross Flags	\$3.00	MAS 43	MAGNET MODD Logo 12"	\$15.00
Pin 19	Pin, USMC Retirees's (Official)	\$7.50	MAS 44	MODD Blazier Crest w/Pins	\$18.00
Pin 20	Pin, Retiree's Unofficial	\$3.00		MODD Blazier Crest w/o Pins	\$17.00
Mold 1	MCL Candy Mold	\$3.00		The above two items are not	
Mold 2	MODD Logo Candy Mold	\$3.00		Official uniform Items	
Flag 2	Flag, USMC w/Bulldog 3' X 5'	\$7.50	BUC 1	Buckle, These Colors Don't Run	\$13.00
Flag 6	Flag, USMC 3' X 5'	\$7.50	BUC 2	Buckle, USMC w/M-16	\$13.00
Flag 7	MODD Flag 3' X 5' Yellow and Black	\$40.00	BUC 3	Buckle, Pewter Iwo Jima	\$13.00
Flag 8	Flag, USMC Embroidered 3' X 5'	\$30.00	BUC 5	Buckle, Onyx w/Bulldoghead	\$30.00
Flag 9	Flag USA Embroidered 3' X 5'	\$30.00			

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NPK 1 The New Pup Kit contains the following items: Black Collar w/Grommet, Dog Tag, Lapel Pin #1 Passport, Cap Patch, Shoulder Patch and Small Handbook

**Kennel Web Site is:
"Kennelmodd.org"**

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Military Order of the Devil Dogs

Merchandise Price List/Order Form

Date: _____

Effective Sept 2008

	CODE #	DESCRIPTION	SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
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Make checks payable to "Kennel Quartermaster" only.

The Kennel Quartermaster will accept Visa and Master Card, checks, money orders and travelers checks.

Name: _____ Degree / MODD Tag # _____

Address: _____ Check # _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Pound # _____

Tel # _____ E-Mail: _____

Shipping Rate: \$0 to \$40. is a \$4.00 Minimum.
\$40. to \$250. add 10%. Over \$250. add 5%.

Mail to PCDD Clifton Williams, Kennel
Quartermaster, 125 Grist Mill Loop,
Georgetown, TX 78626-9437.

Tel: 512-819-9688

Fax: 512-864-7897

E-mail: "pastchiefdd@verizon.net"

Visa (13-16 Digits) Master Card (16 Digits)

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Month / Year

Expiration Date

Credit Card Owner's Address (if not as above)

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

**Military Order of the Devil Dogs,
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SUMMER 2009

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It's an HONOR to be a DEVIL DOG!

And, now, the rest of the story...

Sniffing Around the Packs and Pounds



If your Pack or Pound is doing some good work or has an interesting story to share, please submit it to the Kennel Barking Dog at the following email address: carolinco@mchsi.com. It will appear in the "Complete" edition of the Woof-O-Gram only. Photos may also be submitted. Please remember that the newsletter will be out there in cyber space for the whole world to see. The Kennel Barking Dog reserves the right to omit or edit anything deemed inappropriate for viewing.

STATON ISLAND POUND SALT #69



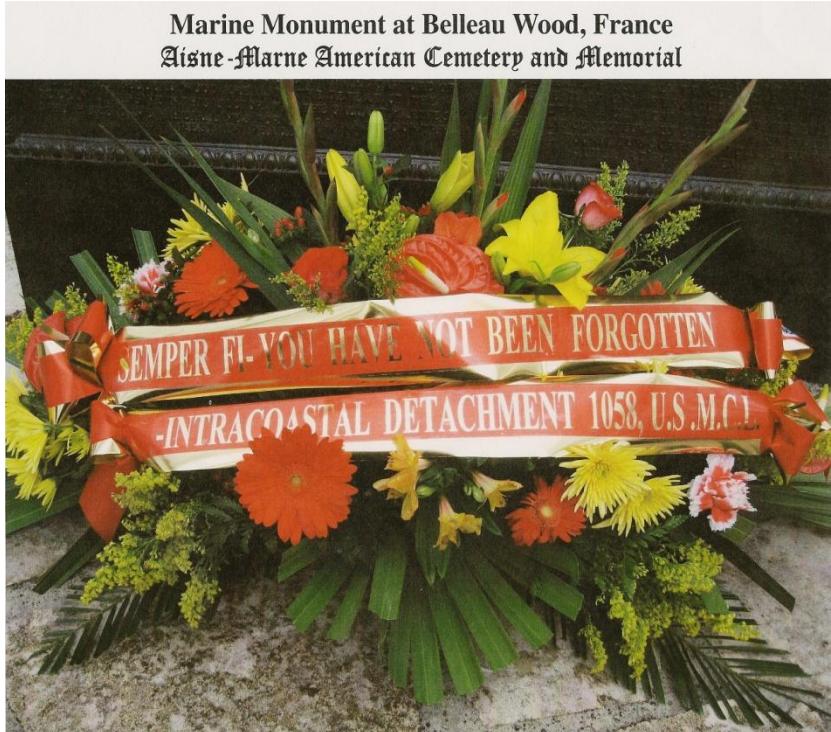
On December 16, 2008, members of Staten Island's Military Order of Devil Dogs, Pound Salt #69, donated trykes and Christmas gifts to four special children from PS 37 on Staten Island. Pictured: (top left) Detachment Commandant Anthony "Butch" Sarcone, Dept. of NY Pack Leader John Gamba; (top right) Butch Sarcone, John Gamba, Bill Reilly, Ray Sullivan, child Joseph Cambria; (bottom left) Devil Dogs of Pound Salt #69 with recipients; (bottom right) John Gamba and Joan Canu, Representative, National Football League.

Submitted by John Gamba, Dept. of NY Pack Leader

INTRACOASTAL DETACHMENT 1058



Marine Corps League, Intracoastal Detachment 1058, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Presentation on November 10th, 2008, 233rd Marine Corps Birthday



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The Intracoastal Detachment 1058, Marine Corps League, located in Ft. Lauderdale, FL planned the installation of memorial and dedication services to honor the heroic Marines of WWI at the AISNE-MARNE American Cemetery at Belleau Woods, France. The floral wreath presentation was made on 10 Nov 2008 on the 233rd Marine Corps birthday. The Marine regiments that fought at Belleau Woods left a heritage of which those who follow may ever be proud.

The General of the Armies, John J. Pershing's motto of "TIME WILL NOT THIN THE GLORY OF THEIR DEES" is faithfully supported. At this time, it is necessary to give enormous credit to the Operations Dept. of the regional Mediterranean Headquarters of the American Battle Monuments Commission. We were fortunate to have the cooperation of Brig Gen J.W. Nicholson, USA (ret.) who is serving at this time as Secretary of ABMC. Further, it is the responsibility of Gen J.W. Nicholson, as the Secretary, to honor and preserve those overseas commemorative cemeteries and memorials of the U.S. Armed Forces, whom have died in the service of their country and are interred in foreign soil.

Unquestionably, the Marines located in Belleau Woods, France are indeed a national treasure, and they have inspired patriotism, evoke gratitude, and continuously demonstrate sacrifice of Marines in every war. In other words, the Marines located in foreign American cemeteries serve as powerful symbols of DUTY, HONOR, AND COUNTRY.

Finally, this unquestionably demonstrates that the decades of Marines, after every war, have not forgotten our proud Marine Corps heritage. As depicted on the floral wreath, "SEMPER FI – YOU HAVE NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN." The gallant Marines who gave their lives for Corps and Country forever rest in peace. In fact, the sacrifices made by Marines in every war have not and will never be forgotten.

The officers and members of the Intracoastal Detachment 1058 of Ft. Lauderdale are proud to have made this presentation so that our Marine heritage will never be forgotten.

Semper Woofing
V. Matthew Rao
Detachment Service Officer

WEST VIRGINIA PACK GROWL



The West Virginia Pack was fortunate to have then Chief Devil Dog Laurel Hull and the 51st Chief Devil Dog Don Garland (top left) present at their recent Growl of the Pack. Pictured (bottom left) are PDD D.J. Turley with 52nd Chief Devil Dog Laurel Hull. At right are attendees from MD and NC Packs.

Submitted by PDD Bill Nelson, Kennel Dog Trainer and Past WV Pack Leader

RAZORBACK POUND #346, FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

The Dogs of the Southern Division are proud to announce that there will be a Pound in Arkansas. The Razorback Pound #346 is located in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and affiliated with the River Valley Detachment. Ten Mongrels became Pups in the Order at the Southern Division Conference and the eight Arkansas Pups are ready to transfer to the Razorback Pound as soon as they hold their first growl.



Members of the Razorback Pound are pictured above with PCDD Clif Williams (gold/black cover)

Submitted by PDD Bernie O'Dell,
SDVCDD

T.O.T. DOGS POUND #268



New pups taking oath of office



Southern Division Growl

Submitted by PDD Bernie O'Dell, SDVCDD

OKLAHOMA PACK GROWL



Newly installed officers of Oklahoma Pack

Submitted by PDD Bernie O'Dell, SDVCDD

ARKANSAS STATE CONVENTION



National Commandant Jim Laskey donned Razorback head gear
in honor of the new Razorback Pound in Arkansas.

Submitted by PDD Bernie O'Dell, SDVCDD

COUNTERFEIT DOG



Wanted or Maybe Not

Counterfeit Dog

Alias George Simpson

Alias Dorcas' husband

Alias Deputy Kennel Quartermaster

Alias Department of Texas District 7 Vice Commandant

Alias "The Waco Flash"

Congratulations George you have earned the Title.

Congratulations to all new PDDs. You too George!

Welcome to all the Pups.

Semper Woofing

Southern Division Vice Chief PDD Bernie O'Dell

GREEN MOUNTAIN POUND #249

We held our Autumn Growl on the 13th of September. We initiated two new Pups and elected officers for the coming year. We are a small pound and have not been active other than our quarterly growls. I am currently soliciting nominations for Dog of the Year, which will be presented at the Grand Growl in February.

Woof Woof,

Jay Miller

Poundkeeper, Green Mountain Pound (#249)

CENTRAL ILLINOIS POUND #226



A big Woof Woof to our newest Pups: Alex Applebee and Jess Meado! We had a great September growl. Members attending are pictured at left: (front row) PDD Ralph Timpe, PDD Warren Musch, DD Kelly Surratt, PDD C.O. Smith, DD Bill Woollen, DD Ron Burns; (back row) Pup Jess Meado, PDD Jim Carleton, DD John Waltrip, Pup Randy Weber, PDD Bob Komnick, DD Jerry Lowe, DD Tony Bingham. Congratulations to our newly installed officers and a big Woof Woof to PDD Ralph Timpe who is pictured (lower left) receiving his plaque for Pound Dog Robber of the Year from Pound Keeper PDD C.O. Smith.



If you are looking for an easy fundraising event, you might be interested in holding a Holiday Raffle. One of our members, PDD Jim Carleton, volunteers to print the tickets. He uses business card stock with raffle information on the left hand sheets and buyer information on the right ones. This makes it simple to tear apart as tickets are sold. We hand out tickets at our September growl and mail them to those dogs who are absent. All ticket money must be turned in no later than the November growl, at which time we draw our winner. It's a 50/50 raffle, so our pound gets half of the profit. All dogs are encouraged to sell (or buy) their allotment of 24 tickets (one big bone each or 6 for 5 big bones). This will be our second year for the raffle.

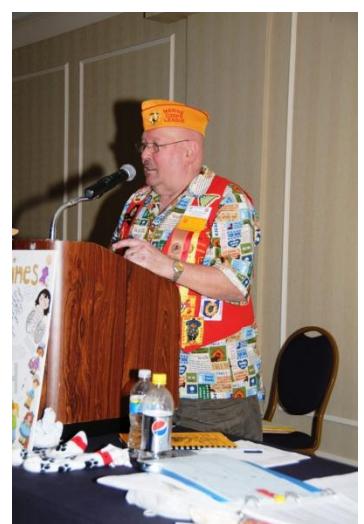
Tickets sell easily with most people willing to give a big bone for a chance to win some extra bones for holiday shopping. Proceeds are used to support two schools for mentally and physically challenged children in our area.

If any Packs or Pounds have some other fundraising ideas that they would be willing to share, please send them in to the Kennel Barking Dog for publication in the Spring edition of the Woof-O-Gram.

Semper Woofing,

PDD C.O. Smith, Pound Keeper

DEVIL DOGS IN RAH-RAH ROCHESTER



MORE DEVIL DOGS IN RAH-RAH ROCHESTER



EVEN MORE DEVIL DOGS AT RAH-RAH ROCHESTER!!!



LAST PHOTOS OF DEVIL DOGS AT RAH-RAH ROCHESTER



OK, THESE ARE REALLY THE LAST PHOTOS OF DOGS AT RAH-RAH ROCHESTER!!



DOGGONE IT, THIS IS THE END!!!



Good night, Chesty, wherever you are!