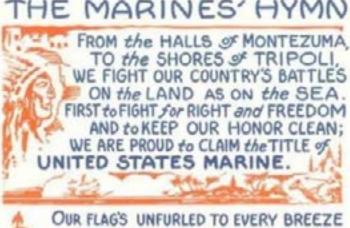
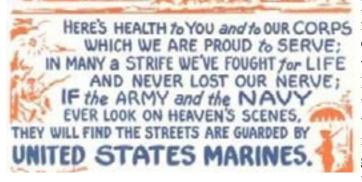


Growlings from the 60th Chief Devil Dog: CDD Alan Sanning



FROM DAWN TO SETTING SUN; WE HAVE FOUGHT IN EVERY CLIME and PLACE WHERE WE COULD TAKE A GUN; Whe SNOW FAR of NORTHERN LANDS AND IN SUNNY TROPIC SCENES, YOU WILL FIND US ALWAYS on the JOB THE UNITED STATES MARINES.



E MARINES' HYMN WOOF-WOOF Dogs! Mid-Winter Conference & Mini-Growl are over, Division Conferences are underway, quickly followed by Department Conventions & installation of Pack Officers at Grand Growls. Then it is "California or Bust", as we don our sunglasses and head to the 84th Supreme Growl in Rancho Mirage. Feels like we just left Oklahoma City, it is all good though as Dogs from around the country will again come together to

> Howl, Growl and do what we do every year and help children in need. It is indeed an honor to be a Devil Dog alongside such great company as you!

This year marked our first Mid-Winter Conference and Kennel



Mini-Growl in Arlington, VA about a stone's throw from Henderson Hall the home of Headquarters Marine Corps. Everything kicked off well with hard charging volunteers to help Operations Dog, Quartermaster, Lucky Dog and their Deputies with unloading and setup of their respective areas. The Dog House was a bit tight and noisier as we had to work with quite a bit less room than we had in Norfolk. The Lucky Dog had a great location where he and his Deputies did their usual fantastic job. A job made easier by all of the great items donated for the raffles and auctions by individual Dogs, Pounds and Packs from around the Kennel. Big Barks

to all who had a paw in helping with everything, as well as those who patronized the Quartermaster store and Lucky Dog table, WOOF-WOOF!

The Joint Hospitality room, (MCL, MODD and MCLA), was full of camaraderie with plenty of seating and food available. Unfortunately, there are some who do not understand the purpose of the Joint Hospitality room. It provides a place to relax and visit with others while enjoying some light food with a cash bar available. It is not intended to provide a dinner or provide food for carry out, which really defeats the concept. I am sure there are some who do not realize this, which is why I mention it here. It really does provide a great opportunity to move around the room, visit with friends and make new acquaintances. I encourage you to take advantage of it when you have the opportunity.

We had a good Mini-Growl with the usual levying of fines and my crowd-pleasing magic trick of making my stack of big bones rapidly disappear right in front of everyone's eyes; which of course I could not do without the eager assistance of the Honorable Police Dog, which I WILL NOT forget! Your Honorable JVCDD brought many Dogs to their hind legs as they participated in the competition he brought to the floor. It was outstanding to see so many Dogs up and participating. Big Barks to all of you for keeping it fun!

Revised Kennel publications addressed in the Winter WOG, may now be ordered from the Quartermaster or downloaded from the Kennel website. During the Mini-Growl there was a fair amount of discussion on a change to the Opening Ceremony per the 2023 revised Ritual which I will attempt to clarify here.

Pre-2023 Ritual

Police Dog, you will now advance the colors and lead the body in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. (Presiding Officer gives two raps of the gavel to bring growl to its feet, **and all Dogs present that are covered, salute, others stand at attention.)**

In 2023 Revision of the Ritual

(Presiding Officer gives two raps of the Bone to bring Growl to Attention. **The Police Dog will issue the** command "Hand Salute," advance the colors, and then "Ready Two," followed by "Uncover." All Dogs will then place their right paw over their heart before reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Considering discussion on the matter from the Mini-Growl, post Staff Growl, as well as the Kennel Staff Growl of March 24, 2024, the Board of Trustees met and voted unanimously to keep the Opening Ceremony per the Ritual 2023 revision. The primary reason for this unanimous decision was to bring us into line with our oath to uphold and defend the Constitution and Laws of the United States. Specifically, to follow federal law as found in the US Code per USC, Title 4, Chapter 1, section 4; Pledge of allegiance to the flag: manner of delivery. You may find that portion online if interested.

In preparation for the 84th Supreme Growl, if planning to attend, please familiarize yourself with the five proposed Kennel Bylaw Changes to be considered then. Additionally, for those Devil Dog's considering going up for your Gold Collar this year, now would be a great time to get with your Pound Dog Robber and get your Advancement paperwork started so it has time to make it to your Pack Dog Robber, (in States with a Pack), and then on to the Kennel Dog Robber who must have it before July 1st. If you end up not going, no problem, better safe than sorry. Once you start the paperwork with your Pound Dog Robber you should personally check the information at the "2024 Supreme Growl" tab on the website in a couple weeks. In particular, scroll down the page to the section "APPLICATIONS PROCESSED BY KENNEL DOG ROBBER". Once your paperwork has been received and processed your information will be added to this section. You are not cleared for advancement until you are shown on that list. So, if not there in a couple weeks you should check back with your Pound Dog Robber. Please share this information with the rest of your Pound. Do not expect to be allowed to advance if your name and information is not on this page.

The Kennel Children's Hospital Fund is doing relatively well at this point, thanks to all who are out there putting forth an effort to raise more Big Bones for this outstanding project to help sick children! All Passport fees and other donations for the Childrens Hospital Fund need to be to the Kennel Dog Robber before July 1st for this year's donation. Unfortunately, one of our most passionate, tireless and effective fundraisers for the children has been our Honorable Charity Dog, PDD Barbara Vanner. Barbara has serious health issues which will prevent her from attending the Supreme Growl this year and have most certainly curtailed her fundraising efforts. Knowing her character, I am sure that bothers her as much, if not more than the actual impact to her own personal well-being. I am certain that she would appreciate your thoughts, prayers, cards and letters if you have the opportunity to reach out to her.

After enjoying the hospitality of Southern Division along with a fun Growl in Texarkana in March, I am now looking forward to visiting and Growling with many more of you Dogs at other Division and Department Conferences currently on my calendar. Keep having fun and doing great things!

Semper Latratus! CDD Alan Sanning 60thchiefdevildog@gmail.com





For the whole world is Irish on the 17th o'March! Wait, how'd you say you spell your last name??? Shenanigans in the Southern Division.



Payback for Dad jokes? Marita inducted Dad, PDD Hull into the Order of the Tomcats. Or, was it the Military Order of the Magenta Moths, (MOMM)? PDD Covert along for the ride, err flight! This is why they keep porch lights off in Oklahoma.



PDD Herrera and his steed, Trigger, wow the Southern Division Dogs with a championship Reining demonstration. PDD Killalea commented, "You should see it when he stops Trigger on a dime and then takes him into a counter spin tighter than an armadillo on the half-shell, it's a beautiful thing to see."

Sr. Vice Chief Devil Dog: PDD Jeffery Jones



Woof Woof Dogs of the Order,

For those Dogs that did not know it, I had a Total Joint Revision in my Right Knee, & was unable to attend 2024 Mid-Winter Conference and Mini-Growl. During the announcements phase of the Growl I had recorded video to be played, where I declared my intention to campaign for the nomination of the 61st Chief Devil Dog. I would really appreciate your support and Vote during the Supreme Growl in August.

Devil Dogs planning to Advance to Pedigree Devil Dog in August, Please go ahead and get with your Pound Dog Robber and submit your paperwork as soon as possible. Do this even if you are not 100% sure that you will be attending. It would be better to register and not attend than to miss the cut-off date. Chief Sanning will not make any exceptions for not registering.

The latest M.O.D.D. raffle is underway. It is a Sig Sauer P320 U.S.M.C M-18 Model. Please purchase tickets and forward the Facebook link to all your friends and family. You do not need to be a M.C.L. member to win.

The latest Operation Chow Hound Patches are now available. This year we will be supporting the Humane Society of the Desert from Palm Springs, CA. The Patches are 3" Round Embroidered in multiple colors. All

profits from the sale of these patches will be given to the Shelter during the week of the Convention. If you would like to help our cause, please mail a Check for 6 Bones each and the Patches will be sent directly to you.

It is a Honor to be a Devil Dog.

Semper Fi, PDD J.D. Jones 09-019 H.S.V.C.D.D. (252) 205-6506

Jeffrey D. Jones 11870 Lodge Rd Middlesex, NC 27557-9330







Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog: PDD Joe "Woody" DeAngelo



Woof woof Dogs of the Order,

It is hard to believe that I am here scratching my Spring article. Where does the time go? Since the Winter WOG there was a lot that went into getting ready for Mid-Winter and what a Mid-Winter Conference it was. The Lucky Dog and his team again hit it out of the park. With all the Daily and the weekend raffle we brought in tons of Bones for the Kennel. All the donations for the raffles we had were outstanding and I want to thank everyone that donated to the cause. I also



want to personally thank DD Stephanie Abbott for all her hard work trying to get Corporate Donors for our Organization. Keep fighting the good fight. It has not gone unnoticed.

Our hospitality room was a huge success and had many Dogs and League/Auxiliary members in attendance. It was great seeing everyone that came out to the Mini Growl, and it was spicy to say the least. I am sure others will report in more detail. The Budget committee met and completed the 2024-2025 budget which will be posted in the Summer WOG as per the Kennel Bylaws. Our online raffles are now a normal occurrence and are part of our income. Great job to everyone who made this happen. I look forward to many more successful raffles. The current raffle as of today is the Sig P230 M18 Pistol. What a beautiful Weapon. If you think that this is a great raffle wait until you see the next few after this one.

The newly revamped Operation Chowhound is now up and running. All proceeds from Packs and Pounds can be sent into the Kennel Dog Robber as you would send in Childrens Hospital funds, please make sure you put Operation chowhound in the memo field, and we will hold it in a separate account to distribute at the Supreme Growl. There is also the online donation form that can be accessed from the website that can be used for donations, just specify which one via the dropdown. We will also have a fillable form up on the website shortly so you can fill it out and email it to the office of the Honorable Jr Vice Chief Devil Dog so we can keep track of how much food we have donated to the cause. It is just to keep track. We will also have Certificate Packets available at the Supreme Growl in the Kennel Quartermaster Store for purchase. All proceeds for this will also go toward Operation Chowhound.

I want to recognize the Honorable Smart Dog and his team for getting the Obedience School up to date along with all his hard work on updating all of our publications. Great Job Mike. I look forward to the next few months getting around the Kennel when I can but, before you know it, we will be in Sunny Palm Springs, California for the 84th Supreme Growl. Everyone keep your head up and keep moving forward.

Semper Woofing, PDD Joe "Woody" DeAngelo 14-380 Honorable Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog Military Order of the Devil Dogs Sgtjd2@gmail.com "You should not be defined by what you are; but, rather by who you are. Are you doing your best to enhance and expand the Military Order of the Devil Dogs?"



MODD SIG P320 M18



This is the Military Order of the Devil Dogs 2024 Sig P320 M18 Raffle.

The prize consists of the SIG SAUER P320 M18 Pistol, or the winner may elect to receive \$500 in lieu of the pistol.

Read more about it here: <u>https://www.sigsauer.com/p320-m18.html</u> Please use the QR Code above, or this link here: <u>https://rafflecreator.com/pages/64353/sig-p320-m18</u>

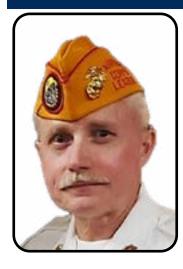
Proceeds from the raffle will go to the operational funds of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. So please consider helping us out and purchasing your tickets today!

In the event of an early drawing we will post the early drawing date and time 24 hours in advance both here and on our Facebook page. If not, the raffle will be drawn on Facebook live at 6:00 PM April 20th.

This raffle is void where prohibited by law. TRANSFER FEES ARE WINNERS RESPONSIBILITY!



Smart Dog: PDD Mike Francis



WOOF WOOF,

Tails are wagging throughout the Kennel and most of the Dogs are starting to poke their noses out of the Doghouse. It's been a long winter, but Spring is in the air here in Missouri. Things are just starting to get busy again. Finished helping with Toys For Tots. We had 6 Counties and about 3400 kids this year. Karen and I enjoyed Christmas with the Honorable 59th Chief Devil Dog PCDD Tom Hazlett. PDD Scotty Bryan was able to make it home for the holidays and many of us rang in the New Year with him and Arlene.

Started 2024 off right, with a Missouri Pack Growl. Worthy Pack Leader PDD Chuck Covert is the "Godfather of the Missouri Mafia." He was presented with a ring and cane. The Honorable 60th Chief Devil Dog

CDD Alan Sanning was in attendance and the fun and games were nonstop. Finished the month of January with a Growl of Pound 086 in O'Fallon, Missouri. There were visiting Dogs from Minnesota, Iowa and Texas! DD Abbott was brought up on some serious charges of "Dino Neglect." After requesting a Lawyer, an MODD Trial was organized. Judge Francis was requested to preside. The Defense Lawyer refused to bribe the Judge, so DD Abbott was found guilty and fined heavily. FUN Growl.

February began with a journey to Pound 383 in Collierville, Tennessee. The Honorable Compliance Dog PDD Steve Seyller was not thrilled about Reveille at 0330. Due to some unforeseen scheduling issues, we held an Installation of Officers for the Pound and got the Pound paperwork squared away, thanks to the Honorable Dog Robber PDD Hartley. It was my Honor to fill in for the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and Advance two Korean War Veterans to PDD. BIG BARKS to the new Pedigreed Devil Dogs, Doc Love and Vic Corson! The journey to the National Mid-Winter Conference and Kennel Mini-Growl was bittersweet. Stopped in Parkersburg, West Virginia to visit a Marine fighting his last battle with cancer. Sir Pound Keeper DD Roy Trembly lost this fight and passed away a week later. He was a Rifleman in Vietnam and was awarded two Purple Hearts. It was hard to snap back when we arrived at the hotel in



Arlington, Virginia for the Conference. So good to see Dogs from across the country again. If you have never attended the National Mid-Winter Conference, you should plan for it next year. This is the only Kennel Growl that Pups, DDs and PDDs can attend together.

The month of March has been challenging. On the 5th we journeyed up to St. Louis for a Growl with Pound 66. Sir Pound Keeper Eddie Dodson sure can hold his paw up for an extended period of time. All Dogs present were impressed. PDD Jason Reimann was chosen as the Pound Dog of the Year. Well, EARNED! The following weekend, Karen and I travelled back to West Virginia, for the Memorial Service for DD Trembly. He was a True and Loyal Brother. I will never forget. Fair Winds and Following Seas, Marine. Semper Fidelis...

The new MODD Cover Patch for the Female Style Cover are now available. The updated MODD Handbook and Ritual are also now in stock. Place your orders with the Kennel Quartermaster. The update to the Obedience School is coming right along. Classes 1-7 and 9 are posted on the Kennel Website.

MilitaryOrderoftheDevilDogs.org. Click on the "**Library**" tab. Click on the "**Publications**" tab. Scroll down the screen to find the Obedience School. Download each PDF and use the information to train your Mongrels or refresh the memories of your entire Pound. Class number 8 will be posted soon. I would especially like to thank PDD Cory Dressler, PDD Steve Seyller, DD Stephanie Abbott and the Kennel Board of Trustees for the input, feedback and computer assistance with the Obedience School update.

March 15th was the deadline for all Proposed Bylaws Changes to the Kennel Bylaws. This year we received a total of 5 proposed changes. These are posted in their entirety, on the Kennel Website and in this issue of the Woof-O-Gram. Please take the time to read these and share them with your Pounds and Packs. Only the Dogs in attendance at the Supreme Growl will be able to vote on these proposed changes. If you have Bylaws questions or I can help you in any way, please contact me.

2024 Proposed Bylaws Changes for the 84th Supreme Growl

#1. FMF Navy Personnel. This change simplifies the language for MODD Membership requirements to cover all current and future changes to the requirements for MCL Regular Membership.

#2. Pound Keeper / Dog Robber. This change clarifies that the Pound Keeper and Pound Dog Robber cannot be the same Dog.

#3. MODD Life Membership Checks. This change calls for two checks to be written from the Pound and simplifies the language to cover any future changes to the cost of MODD Life Membership or distribution of Big Bones.

#4. Executive Director Appointment. This change clarifies the process to appoint the Kennel Executive Director.#5. Advancement Exemptions. This change would add to the list of exemptions for Degree Advancement.

Division Conferences and Department Conventions are happening now. Hope to see many of you at these Growls. Looking forward to the Marine Corps League National Convention and 84th Supreme Growl in Palm Springs, California. 11-16 AUG 2024. I have announced my intention to run for the office of Honorable Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog and would appreciate your support.

We are the FUN and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League. **"Keep it FUN and they will COME"**

WOOF WOOF... It's an HONOR to be a Devil Dog !!!

Semper Woofing, PDD Mike Francis Honorable Smart Dog 304-991-0427 MarineMikeFrancis@gmail.com

PBLC #1 FMF Navy Personnel

29 Feb 2024

From: PDD Rick Bedford, Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

To: MODD Kennel Bylaws Committee

Subj: PROPOSED KENNEL BYLAWS CHANGE FOR 2024, MODD CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Current Verbiage:

A. All Officers and enlisted personnel on honorable active duty with the U. S. Marine Corps (USMC) and all Officers and enlisted personnel honorably separated from the USMC who are bona fide, paid-up, active members of the MCL, and all qualified Navy personnel shall be eligible for consideration for and election to membership in the MODD.

B. The MODD supports the MCL decision of 2001 to authorize qualified Fleet Marine Force (FMF) corpsmen to be regular members of the MCL. Thus, qualified FMF corpsmen members shall enjoy the same rights and benefits as other regular members of the MCL.

C. The MODD supports the MCL's decision of 2013 to authorize qualified FMF chaplains to be regular members of the MCL. Thus, qualified FMF chaplain members shall enjoy the same rights and benefits as other regular members of the MCL.

Proposed Verbiage:

A. Only Regular Members of the MCL in good standing are eligible for membership in the MODD. Associate and Honorary MCL members are not eligible.

B. Potential candidates must have at least 12 months of membership in the MCL and be in good standing to be eligible for consideration for and election to membership in the MODD. Additional membership requirements are listed in Article I of the Kennel bylaws.

Rationale:

Combining subsections A, B, and C simplifies Article IV of the MODD Constitution, and brings the MODD in line with current (and future) MCL regular membership requirements.

Semper Woof,

PDD RICK BEDFORD Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

PBLC #2 Pound Keeper/Dog Robber

26 Dec 2023

From: PDD Rick Bedford, Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

To: MODD Kennel Bylaws Committee

Subj: PROPOSED KENNEL BYLAWS CHANGE FOR 2024 - SECTION 209: POUND OFFICERS – ELECTED/APPOINTED

Current Verbiage:

A. ELECTED - The elected Officers of the Pound shall be the Pound Keeper, Senior Vice Pound Keeper, Junior Vice Pound Keeper, Pound Smart Dog, Pound Dog Trainer, Pound Police Dog, and Pound Mad Dog.

B. APPOINTED - The appointed Officers of the Pound shall be the Pound Dog Robber, Pound Watch Dog, Pound Barking Dog, and such other subordinate Officers as the Pound Keeper, in his/her discretion, may choose to appoint. It is preferable that the Pound Keeper make all appointments following the election so as to permit the Installation of the appointed Officers with the elected Officers. The appointed Officers shall serve only at the convenience and pleasure of the Pound Keeper.

Proposed Verbiage:

A. ELECTED - The elected Officers of the Pound shall be the Pound Keeper (*who shall not concurrently hold the office of Pound Dog Robber*), Senior Vice Pound Keeper, Junior Vice Pound Keeper, Pound Smart Dog, Pound Dog Trainer, Pound Police Dog, and Pound Mad Dog.

B. APPOINTED - The appointed Officers of the Pound shall be the Pound Dog Robber (who shall not concurrently hold the office of Pound Keeper), Pound Watch Dog, Pound Barking Dog, and such other subordinate Officers as the Pound Keeper, in his/her discretion, may choose to appoint. It is preferable that the Pound Keeper make all appointments following the election so as to permit the Installation of the appointed Officers with the elected Officers. The appointed Officers shall serve only at the convenience and pleasure of the Pound Keeper.

Rationale:

This change will align Section 209 with Section 309: Pack Officers – Elected / Appointed Staff, which reads similarly. It will also codify in the Bylaws that the Pound Keeper cannot also be the Pound Dog Robber, eliminating a possible conflict of interest, and creating a separation of duties in these critical positions.

Semper Woof,

PDD RICK BEDFORD Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

PBLC #3 MODD Life Membership Checks

29 Feb 2024

From: PDD Rick Bedford, Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

To: MODD Kennel Bylaws Committee

Subj: PROPOSED KENNEL BYLAWS CHANGE FOR 2024 - SECTION 1209: LIFE MEMBERSHIPS, PARAGRAPH E.2.B.

Current Verbiage:

If the member belongs to a Pound in a state WITH an established Pack, the life membership transmittal, along with the appropriate payment will be forwarded to the Pack Dog Robber. The Pound Dog Robber shall remit a check in the amount listed in (2)(a), made payable to the MODD (state) Pack, and forward the payment along with the life membership transmittal to the Pack Dog Robber.

The Pack Dog Robber shall remit a check made payable to the MODD Kennel, deducting \$30.00 (*e.g., Members of the MODD up to and including 60 years of age, the Pack Dog Robber shall remit a check in the amount of \$90.00. For Members of the MODD 61 years and older the check amount shall be \$65.00*)

The Pack Dog Robber shall then forward the check, along with Life Membership transmittal to the Honorable Dog Robber.

Proposed Verbiage:

If the member belongs to a Pound in a state WITH an established Pack, the life membership transmittal, along with the appropriate payment will be forwarded to the Pack Dog Robber. The Pound Dog Robber shall remit <u>two</u> checks; one check of the required amount made payable to the MODD (state) Pack, and one check of the required amount (*based on the applicant's age*), made payable to the MODD Kennel. The Pack Dog Robber shall retain the Pack's portion, then forward the other check, along with the Life Membership transmittal to the Honorable Dog Robber. Refer to the MODD Dog Robber's Manual for the current Life Membership amounts for the Pack and the Kennel.

Rationale:

This will streamline the process for the Pack Dog Robber, and simplifies the accounting. Instead of depositing the single check from the Pound for the full amount, then having to write another check to send to the MODD Kennel for its portion, the Pack Dog Robber can simply deposit the first check for the Pack's portion, and forward the second check to the MODD Kennel, along with the transmittal.

Semper Woof,

PDD RICK BEDFORD

Worthy Smart Dog, Florida Pack

PBLC #4 Executive Director Appointment

March 12, 2024

From: PDD Raymond Sturm, Deputy Kennel Executive Director

To: MODD Kennel Bylaws Committee

Subj: Proposed Changes to Kennel Bylaws, Article IV, Section 409

In accordance with MODD Constitution and Bylaws (Revised 2023), Article IV, Section 403 and Article XIII, Section 1301 the following is submitted for consideration.

Proposed bylaw change to Section 409: Kennel Officers-Elected/Appointed Staff

CURRENT:

Section 409 B. APPOINTED – After the election, the Kennel Board of Trustees will appoint, with the approval of the Chief, an Honorable Executive Director.

PROPOSED:

Section 409 B. APPOINTED – After the election, the <mark>Honorable Chief Devil Dog will appoint, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, an Honorable Executive Director.</mark>

RATIONALE:

As written, the process is backwards from standard practice. For instance, the President nominates a person for a position and the US Senate confirms the person. Additionally, the PDD who wrote the current bylaw has stated that it is worded incorrectly from his intent. The proposed change fixes it.

Respectfully submitted,

Stan

Raymond Sturm Deputy Kennel Executive Director

PBLC #5 Advancement Exemptions

From: DD Jacob Bertin

To: Kennel By-Laws Committee

Subj: Proposed Change to Kennel By-Laws

Ref: Kennel By-Laws Article I Section 101

I would like to recommend the following proposed Kennel By-Law change for consideration and adoption.

Article I Section 101, Paragraph B, Sub Paragraph 4. Exceptions

Currently Reads:

4. EXCEPTIONS:

a. Any qualified candidate who has otherwise complied with paragraphs D and E of this Section and who is also a World War I Veteran, World War II Veteran, Korean War Veteran (service between 27 June 1950 to 27 July 1954 - dates eligible for the Korean Service Medal: ref DOD), and any service prior to 27 June 1950 would also qualify for advancement to the rank of Pedigreed Devil Dog. The aforementioned candidates would not be required to attend the Supreme Growl of the Kennel to be elevated.

b. Any such other candidate who is in failing health, and to whom the trip to the Grand Growl of the Pack or the Supreme Growl of the Kennel would cause undue hardship and/or physical endangerment, shall, by written request of the Pound with the approval endorsement of the Pack, and with the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, be permitted elevation to the next higher degree at a Growl of the Pound, or at a Special Growl of the Pack permit. Pounds that are not part of a functioning Pack may petition the Honorable Chief Devil Dog directly. The written request from the Pound on behalf of a Pup or Devil Dog in failing health shall be accompanied by a statement from competent medical authority specifically addressing the condition of the individual for whom the exemption is being sought. The Pound Keeper's written request shall be countersigned by the Worthy Pack Leader in states where there is a functioning Pack; or, sent directly to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog where there is not a functioning Pack in the state, with a copy of the request sent directly to the Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog of the respective Division. All requests for medical, World War II, and Korean War service exemptions shall be sent directly to the Honorable Dog Robber for factual verification. Once the Honorable Dog Robber validates, both, the faithful service of the Devil Dog for whom the medical exemption is sought and has determined that the medical evidence provided is compelling and complete; the Honorable Dog Robber shall obtain from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog such approval (either in hard copy or digitally) of the request of either the Pound or the Pack as determined to be sufficient for record-keeping purposes and, by direction, notify the Pound or the Pack as soon as possible that the request for World War II, Korean War Veteran wartime service and/or medical

exemption has been granted. Once the written approval has been received from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, the Pound Keeper, or Pack Leader, as appropriate, shall appoint an Installation Officer and Installation Team appropriate for the degree to be conferred, with the express understanding that said Growl will be held within ninety (90) days of the receipt of the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog. The Honorable Chief Devil Dog and, in the case of a Growl of the Pound, the Worthy Pack Leader should ensure that there is a representative from their respective Staff, whenever possible.

Change to Read:

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b. Any such other candidate who is in failing health, and to whom the trip to the Grand Growl of the Pack or the Supreme Growl of the Kennel would cause undue hardship and/or physical endangerment, shall, by written request of the Pound with the approval endorsement of the Pack, and with the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, be permitted elevation to the next higher degree at a Growl of the Pound, or at a Special Growl of the Pack permit. Pounds that are not part of a functioning Pack may petition the Honorable Chief Devil Dog directly. The written request from the Pound on behalf of a Pup or Devil Dog in failing health shall be accompanied by a statement from competent medical authority specifically addressing the condition of the individual for whom the exemption is being sought. The Pound Keeper's written request shall be countersigned by the Worthy Pack Leader in states where there is a functioning Pack; or, sent directly to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog where there is not a functioning Pack in the state, with a copy of the request sent directly to the Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog of the respective Division. All requests for medical, World War II, and Korean War service exemptions shall be sent directly to the Honorable Dog Robber for factual verification. Once the Honorable Dog Robber validates, both, the faithful service of the Devil Dog for whom the medical exemption is sought and has determined that the medical evidence provided is compelling and complete; the Honorable Dog Robber shall obtain from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog such approval (either in hard copy or digitally) of the request of either the Pound or the Pack as determined to be sufficient for record-keeping purposes and, by direction, notify the Pound or the Pack as soon as possible that the request for World War II, Korean War Veteran wartime service and/or medical exemption has been granted. Once the written approval has been received from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, the Pound Keeper, or Pack Leader, as appropriate, shall appoint an Installation Officer and Installation Team appropriate for the degree to be conferred, with the express understanding that said Growl will be held within ninety (90) days of the receipt of the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog. The Honorable Chief Devil Dog and, in the case of a

Growl of the Pound, the Worthy Pack Leader should ensure that there is a representative from their respective Staff, whenever possible.

c. Any such other candidate who does not fall under exemptions (a), (b), and has otherwise complied with paragraphs D and E of this Section and who has provided sufficient evidence that their travel to the Grand Growl of the Pack or the Supreme Growl of the Kennel is hindered by significant circumstances including but not limited to being the caregiver to immediate family member/s who may need ongoing 24 hour 7 days a week care shall, by written request of the Pound with the approval endorsement of the Pack, and with the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, be permitted elevation to the next higher degree at a Growl of the Pound, or at a Special Growl of the Pack. Pounds that are not part of a functioning Pack may petition the Honorable Chief Devil Dog directly. The written request from the Pound on behalf of a Pup or Devil Dog hindered by significant circumstances shall be accompanied by a statement from a competent medical authority specifically addressing the condition of the immediate family member/s whose care is deemed ongoing 24 hour 7 days a week. The Pound Keeper's written request shall be countersigned by the Worthy Pack Leader in states where there is a functional Pack; or, sent directly to the Honorable Chief Devil Dog where there is not a functioning Pack in the state, with a copy of the request sent directly to the Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog of the respective Division. All requests covered by exemptions listed in (a), (b), or (c) shall be sent directly to the Honorable Dog Robber for factual verification. Once the Honorable Dog Robber validates, both, the faithful service of the Devil Dog or Pedigree Devil Dog for whom the significant circumstances exemption is sought and has determined that the medical evidence provided is compelling and complete; the Honorable Dog Robber shall obtain from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog such approval (either in hard copy or digitally) of the request of either the Pound or the Pack as determined to be sufficient for record-keeping purposes and, by direction, notify the Pound or the Pack as soon as possible that the request for either (a), (b), or (c) exemption has been granted. Once the written approval has been received from the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, the Pound Keeper, or Pack Leader, as appropriate, shall appoint an Installation Officer and Installation Team appropriate for the degree to be conferred, with the express understanding the said Growl will be held within ninety (90) days of the receipt of the written permission of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog. The Honorable Chief Devil Dog and, in the case of a Growl of the Pound, the Worthy Pack Leader should ensure that there is a representative from their respective Staff, whenever possible. The conditions that qualify for a significant circumstance exemption are as follows:

aa. Chronic Health Conditions including Diabetes, Heart Disease, Respiratory problems, or anything deemed a Chronic Health Condition by a competent medical authority.

bb. Cognitive Impairments including Alzheimer's Disease, Dementia, Brain Tumors, Stroke, or anything deemed a Cognitive Impairment by a competent medical authority.

cc. Complex Medical Needs including Ventilators, Individuals with Severe Disabilities, Individuals considered Special Needs, Patients recovering from major surgeries, or anything deemed a Complex Medical Need by a competent medical authority.

dd. End of Life care including patients in Hospice or Palliative care, or anything deemed End of Life care by a competent medical authority. ee. Other Significant Medical or Physical conditions including Moderate cerebral palsy, Paraplegia, Spina bifida, Hydrocephalus, Partially controlled seizures, Hearing or vision impairment, which affects the ability to communicate or function, or anything deemed a significant medical or physical condition by a competent medical authority.

Rational:

The first two exemptions cover the dogs with their service in WWI, WWII, Korea, or their own medical issues. They do not cover the other significant circumstances that some dogs deal with daily. Caring for their immediate family members including spouses, children, grandchildren, parents, sisters, brothers, or others who may have a medical condition whether mental or physical that fully encompasses their lives. They may get lucky and be able to attend a Pound Growl, but attending a Grand Growl or Supreme Growl is out of the question. Every dog across all Pounds, Packs as well as Kennel staff either knows someone in this predicament or they themselves are in it. This change would hopefully cover those dogs to get them their respective collars, which may be years in the waiting. The MODD is the Fun & Honor society, I do not think there is any better way to Honor those dogs who would fall under this exemption than to adopt this amendment and get them Advanced.

Respectfully Submitted

DD Jacob Bertin

Worthy Dog Robber

PA Pack

Mad Dog: PDD Charles Minton



Woof Woof Dogs of the order,

3-11-2023

The Mid-Winter Conference Has come and gone, the Kennel Mini Growl was a howling good time. As we all should know by now the Mini Growl is open to all Dogs regardless of Degree and it was great seeing all the Pup's and DD's that showed up and got a taste of how fun the Kennel Growls are. The 2023 Supreme Growl in Palms Springs CA is also fast approaching, and if you plan on advancing to PDD then you need to get the ball rolling now and get your paperwork filled out and turned in as soon as you can. The fun and games are already being planned and I am looking forward to having a great initiation and Growl.

Don't forget to go to the Kennel web site and check out the changes that have been made to the Ritual, Handbook, and the Dog Robbers manual. The Obedience Classes are also being revamped and the ones that are completed are on the web site

as well. All of these can be downloaded and printed if you want to. The Kennel Quartermaster also has copies of the Ritual, Handbook, and Dog Robbers manuals for sale if you need them.

House Keeping items

So, 1st of all, I need all the Dog Robbers to make sure that you start working on the paperwork for the Dogs who are going up in Palms Spring CA and get them submitted to the Kennel Dog Robber. Please do not wait until the last minute to turn in advancement forms it makes it harder to set up the initiation process and Platoons. **Remember that all applications for advancement need to be in the Kennel Dog Robbers Paws by July 1st, not post marked by the 1st but in their Paws by then.** If your snail mailing them then you might want to get them sent in by June 17th to allow time for them to be received by the Kennel Dog Robber. You can also have your Dogs fill out the paperwork online print it off get the signatures needed then you can scan it and email to the Kennel Dog Robber, this will make sure that they are received in time.

2nd, I have talked with my handlers and monitors from last year to see who is planning to attend the Supreme Growl or not. I'm looking pretty good right now, but I never turn down help so, if you're interested in being a handler or event monitor, please send me an email and I'll add you to my roster.

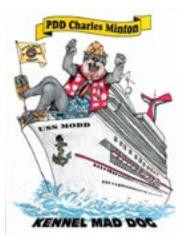
3rd, one very important thing that needs to be passed to all DD's who are advancing, is that the earlier you can arrive and get registered the more fun you will have. <u>All DD's who are</u>

advancing must be registered with the Marine Corps League first and then register at the Doghouse for your initiation no later than 5:00 PM on August 12th.

4th If you are advancing to PDD please do not plan any activities from 12-14 August. You are required to be with your platoon training and preparing for your initiation.

5th, check the advancement section on the website for current list of paperwork recieved.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a bark and I'll be glad to help in any way that can.



At the Mid-Winter Kennel Mini Growl, I announced my intention to seek election as your Kennel Smart Dog I would appreciate your consideration and support.

Semper Woofing PDD Charles Minton Honorable Mad Dog 252-452-0728 ssgtcdminton@yahoo.com

PDD CHARLES MINTON

VOTE!

For 2024 Smart Dog

Woof Woof Dogs of the Order,

I am PDD Charles Minton, and I am running for the position of Kennel Smart Dog. I would appreciate your support and vote at the Supreme Growl on August 14th, 2024.

My goal is to interpret and follow our bylaws to the best of my ability, so that our Order can and will continue to operate as smooth as it can. I will also continue to listen to the members and use your input and suggestions to ensure that our manuals and procedures are kept up to date so the Order can continue operating as efficient as possible.

I plan to take on this position with the same tenacity and enthusiasm as I did while I was your Honorable Mad Dog, and I promise I will continue to work my Hats off for you as I have done in the past.

Executive Director: PDD Ben Wells

Woof Woof!

It was wonderful to see so many Dogs at Mid-Winter! Can we get a drum roll please!!!!

Many of the Dog Robbers have requested the column for last year paid, make a return to the roster. Well, it is back, please look over your roster to ensure that it is correct. If you have not paid dues since Janice became the Kennel Dog Robber, we had to pull information from the old spreadsheets.



We have been working with several Dog Robbers to get their rosters and the kennel roster on the same page. As stated in the Winter WOG if you need a roster, please contact the bookkeeper for the kennel at emw617@comcast.

Thanks to PDD Gayle Smith from AZ Pound 99 the only dog that read the article!

The kennel had a very successful Mid-Winter thanks to the lucky dog and his deputies!

On a sad note, PDD Bill Schmidt has stepped down from being one of my deputies. Bill you will be missed! Thanks for all your help and support over the last few years we appreciate you more then you will ever know!

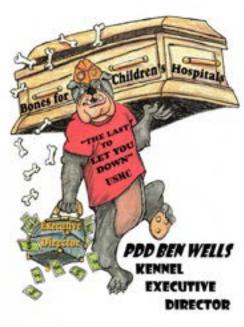
Working Mid-Winter and Supreme Growl is a very difficult job and cannot be done without our deputies. The newest deputy to the Kennel Executive Director is PDD Sarah Belden she has an accounting background and knows QuickBooks so these talents should come in handy in the future! Welcome aboard we look forward to you wearing your track shoes in California.

The financial state of the Kennel is better than it has ever been, and this could not be done without the kennel staff all working together to ensure we are working hard on behalf of the kennel.

Thanks to the Quartermaster Wendy Zamora and her deputies that work so hard.

The current online raffle has taken off like a rocket if you haven't gotten your tickets please do.

Woof Woof! David "Ben" Wells



Bytes & Bytes Dog: PDD Chris "Tool" Soldano



Woof Woof,

Things have been running fairly well on the technology side of the house right now. both of our websites are doing well and working well.

As mentioned in previous WOG's and at Growls, we are working on the front end Database for the Dog Robbers to access. At this years Mid-Winter Mini-Growl, I had reproted that usage of it was going well and that as a result, we would start to open the database up to Pack Dog Robbers this year.

I have only had a few Pack Dog Robbers contact me so far for access. So if this is something that you are interested in getting access to, please email me at <u>webmaster@militaryorderofthedevildogs.org</u>. Once I have confirmed your status as the Pack Dog Robber, I will then get you set up in the database with access. You will

recieve an email from our database partner CASPIO, so please look for an email from them. Please check your SPAM and JUNK folders if you do not see it within a few days of your request. If you cannot find it at all, please contact me and we can walk though it together.

Ok so here is what you do once you have access to it.

- 1. Go to the protected library page, the password is WoofWoof.
- 2. Scroll down the page to the link called Test Database (Limited Access), it is below all the scratchings.
- 3. That link will open a new page with a logon button, click it. That page just above the button, will also list the last time that the database was updated.
- 4. That button will open a new window to put in your username and passord you set up from the email.
- 5. ONce submitted, that window will go away and on the original page a form will appear.
- 6. You can search by any criteria within that form, the more areas you put data into, the more narrow your search.
- 7. Once you have submitted your search, a list will appear below. On the top left of the list is a link that will let you download the list you just created.
- 8. At the end of every listing line is a details button. Clicking that button will give you all information that we are currently allowed to display. Please remember that this list will not list phone numbers or addresses, it will list emails if there is one for that dog.

Please keep in mind this database is just a tool for you, to make doing certain things easier. All of our records come from YOU! So if there is an issue with the data that you are seeing, you need to submit the proper forms in order for that data to be fixed or completed.

Also the Database and our websites and technology are ever growing and changing. We are doing everything we can to make sure that we find and implement things that help make your responsible duties an easier task for you to complete. As we find better options, we will update things. As always, if you need anything please feel free to contact me.

Woof Woof, Semper Fidelis, PDD Chris "Tool" Soldano <u>mclmoddtool@gmail.com</u>



Dog Robber: PDD Janice Hartley



It's time to start sending advancements to PDD applications in – remember they need to be in my paws NLT 1 July. Hint- Hint, they can be emailed to me after your Pack Dog Robber signs them. Per the updated bylaws the candidates for PDD must be in attendance by 1700 on Monday the 14th of August. Be sure to arrive early because you have to pick up your credentials from the MCL Registration prior to reporting to the Doghouse.

Passport stamping fees and donations to our Childrens Hospital Fund continue to arrive. Remember the bylaws require each pound to have a minimum of four growls each fiscal year and those bones collected for the stamping and donations to the Childrens Hospital are to be



sent into me within a few days after the growl - so don't wait until the fiscal year is

about over.

I continue receiving ROIs done on OUTDATED forms and/or we find many of the officers are not current with their dues which means the ROI is invalid. We need the physical address that your officers live at plus phone number and email address. Also many pounds are still holding their elections prior to the Supreme Growl. By-laws require the Pound election and installation to be done within 90 days after the Supreme Growl.

One of my deputies is monitoring the database that the Marine Corps League uses verse our database, finding dogs that are not current in the League. Remember you must be current in both! When this happens, you will be removed and placed in the Strays with a note stating not current with MCL.

On another note: The Kennel has three major awards that are presented during the Supreme Growl. They are Kennel Dog of the Year. Kennel Pound Dog Robber of the Year and Kennel Pack Dog of the Year. So far, I have not received any nominations. The Kennel Pound or Kennel Pack Dog Robber of the Year nominations must be in my paws NLT 1 June. You can still hand deliver nominations for Kennel Dog of the Year NLT 12 August. I know that there are dogs out there that are deserving of recognition. Let's see if we can get more than one or two nominations. For each category.

We now have an updated Dog Robber Manual and all new forms – USE THEM! If you continue using outdated forms, you may be getting them back and finding that the system is not updated! During this past year, I have even received the OLD, OLD 5-part forms. If you still have some of these, they make good fire starters.

Hope to see many of you in California for the Supreme Growl.

Woof, Woof

Janice Hartley Kennel Dog Robber

Kennel Aide-de-Kamp to the 60th Chief / Midwest Division Vice Chief Devil Dog PDD Chuck Covert



Woof Woof,

It's that time of year again when Division and Department Conventions start happening all across the Kennel! And that means Pack Growls at the Division Conventions and Grand Growls of the Packs at the Department Conventions will be here before we know it! I'm looking forward to seeing many of you in Growl assembled soon! Right now, my itinerary includes going to the MWD Conference, MN, IA, KS, and MO Conferences.

Midwest Division is still at 100% compliance thanks to my predecessors PDD Mike Francis and PDD Bill Wittenberg. There are a few Pounds within the

Division that need to have their 990's done by March 15th, 2024. They have all been notified by the Pack Leaders or by one of my ADVCDD's. Let's all strive to keep up the excellent work!

There are just a few things I want everyone to know I'll be working on for the remainder of this term as the DVCDD. First, I will strive to bring unity to the members of the Division. It's okay to not like another Dog within the Division because of personality conflicts. It's not okay to talk in disparaging words about that Dog to other Dogs. We are all Marines or Naval Personnel and should act like it. Second, Pound Keepers and Pack Leaders should not be canceling Growls just because they themselves aren't able to attend. This should be the perfect time for you to help pass on your knowledge to your Sr. Vice Pound Keepers or Sr. Vice Pack Leaders. Give them your agenda and let them know you're available to ask any questions they may have. This will only make the Order stronger in the long run. Lastly, all big bones for the Kennel Children's Hospital Fund should be sent into the Kennel Dog Robber by June 30th, and all advancement paperwork to PDD needs to be in the Kennel Dog Robber's paws by July 1, 2024. (Please ensure all paperwork is filled out correctly.) It's never too early to turn either of these into the Kennel Dog Robber.

Semper Fi,

PDD Chuck Covert

Honorable Aide de Kamp to the 60th Chief Devil Dog/Honorable Midwest Division Vice Chief Devil Dog



MODD SIG P320 M18



This is the Military Order of the Devil Dogs 2024 Sig P320 M18 Raffle.

The prize consists of the SIG SAUER P320 M18 Pistol, or the winner may elect to receive \$500 in lieu of the pistol.

Read more about it here: <u>https://www.sigsauer.com/p320-m18.html</u> Please use the QR Code above, or this link here: <u>https://rafflecreator.com/pages/64353/sig-p320-m18</u>

Proceeds from the raffle will go to the operational funds of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. So please consider helping us out and purchasing your tickets today!

In the event of an early drawing we will post the early drawing date and time 24 hours in advance both here and on our Facebook page. If not, the raffle will be drawn on Facebook live at 6:00 PM April 20th.

This raffle is void where prohibited by law. TRANSFER FEES ARE WINNERS RESPONSIBILITY!



Barking Dog: PDD Tom "Shoe Shine Boy" Bates



Woof woof, Dogs of the Order!

Had a great time at Mid-Winter Conference, even wearing a cervical collar! Still on the mend from my accident and surgery; I appreciate all the barks to the Supreme Chief above on my behalf. Had a fantastic time, wandering around DC with PDD Antonio Chapa, the Jr. Vice Commandant, Dept of CA; and Deputy Barking Dog Manny Ibarra!





Manny and Jay, although deputies in title; we are a team! They have really stepped up and leaned in. Two outstanding dogs.

One of the duties of the Barking Dog is to prepare and publish the Woof-O-Gram 4 times a year. Like the Facebook page, we are sniffing around for pictures and stories. Send them in! mcl.bates@gmail.com Woof woof!



Deputy Barking Dogs PDD Jay Ramirez and PDD Manny Ibarra



Historian & 51st Chief Devil Dog: PCDD Don Garland



Dateline: Norfolk, Virginia 03/11/2024 11:00 AM

Woof Bark, and Greetings from the 51st Chief Devil Dog....A.K.A...Super Chief. As I sit on my hind haunches to write this, Happy 0311 Day all you grunts in Dogdom! Well, if you missed the Mid-Winter Mini Growl, rest assured we missed you! From the trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps, Opening Ceremony, tours around the Capital to sites like Iwo Jima Memorial and the closing banquet, there was a whole lot of fun and comradery. A lot was accomplished as we updated all on the upcoming convention in California. If you can make it, a trip to 29 Palms is scheduled for Thursday, of the convention week.

I hope all of the Dogs in Dogdom are well. The weather is improving, albeityou might lite the lite that turns into a shining example of our membership wet right now, so think about getting out off the leash and to your pound growls, attend

a Pack Grand Growl and make plans so long as your circumstances permit to meet in Growl assembled in California in August!

I look forward to reading all the reports in the next upcoming WOG as I know all have been very busy preparing for improved weather and getting off the leashes to participate in Pound, Pack and other worthy community programs.

Make sure if you are out and about, on or off the leash, that you stay safe on the roads. Get out and sniff the bushes for some old members, look them up and check in on them then chase down some of those worthy Marine Corps League members, and invite the ones that are movers and shakers into the Order. We need more members that can be active participants in the order.

I hope a lot of you dogs are registered and ready for a howling good time in California, I am sure you will find it entertaining and fun, with a little knowledge thrown in for good measure.Woof Bark, the 51st CDD



Kennel Veterinarian: PDD's Howard Koontz, Paul Gunther, Douglas Essinger

We the Kennel Veterinarians (medical staff) for the good of the MODD and ALL Marine Corps League members (and their families) do propose and recommend the following suggestions be implemented by the League and MODD. Before listing these, we would like to offer some pertinent information about the three current active Veterinarians.

We have a former Corpsman who is also a certified EMT, another former Corpsman who is also a Registered Nurse, the third member is a Registered Nurse. Between us, we have two Bachelors' degrees, a Masters Degree and a PhD. Combined, we have over 100 years of experience including ER & Outpatient; ICU, Cardiac Surgery step down, Respiratory and to add some variety, throw in Pediatrics, Labor & Delivery. We wear the white lab coats to be easily recognized, not to look good (although we do!)

We are NOT Medical Doctors and cannot diagnose a condition nor prescribe or give out medicine, even Tylenol or Aspirin. However, with our combined experience, we can recognize when a condition is or can become serious, even critical, and the person needs more urgent care then we can provide. We can stabilize the person, get vital signs, etc., and all pertinent information to pass onto EMS. We can do this, but only if EVERY member of the League helps us, even if you do not take prescription medicines or have any known problems. If you have a living will, end of life directive, or are an organ donor, that information should also be on your person. This can be easily done by typing or clearly printing your name on a piece of paper with the following information:

1.) Emergency contact, name, and phone number including area code; include your room number and name and phone number of person(s) that are with you.

2.) Doctor or Primary Care Provider, name, phone number. If a VAMC, name of the facility and phone number;

- 3.) Pacemaker or history of heart problems, diabetic;
- 4.) Hip or knee replacement, etc. (in short, a brief medical history);
- 5.) List of all PRESCRIBED medications, name of drug, dosage;
- 6.) Living will, end of life directive or are an organ donor.
- EXAMPLE OF INFORMATION Last name first, first name last

Jones, John Paul

Dr. Myers, VAMC Mountain Home, TN 423 926-1171 Wife Hildabelle room 13, cell 133.135.6183 Pacemaker Left knee replacement Drug alpha, 25mg Drug bravo, 50mg Drug Charlie 100 mg Etc., etc. with all prescription drugs. IF YOU TAKE NITRO FOR CHEST PAIN, PUT THAT BOTTLE IN YOUR FRONT RIGHT PANTS POCKET. I have a living will, end of life directive or am an organ donor.

Keep a copy of this information in your wallet, staple it to the inside back page of your passport, and for those advancing to PDD, a copy to the Veterinarians. Even if you not a member of MODD but have a pacemaker, take prescription medications or other notable health problems, this information should be passed on to the veterinarians as it applies to you. Having this information makes our job easier.

Woof, Woof

Central Division: PDD Joe Pollock



Woof-Woof Devil Dogs,

A new year has started and I hope it has been a good one for all of you. My Assistant Central DVCC Darrell Tharp started off the year by having open heart surgery. He is doing well and hope to see him up and around soon. I have been doing the usual Officer Installations, several PDD upgrades, and several new charters. It looks to be a busy year and that's a plus for us. I have just returned from our Marine Corps League National Mid-Winter Conference. It would have been nice to see all of you attend. Those Dogs I can't get around to see I will be sending out an e-mail of high-Lites.

Within the next few months we have several important events happening that our Pack Leaders, Pound Keepers, And Dog Robbers need to attend. These events should be attended by as many Devil Dogs as possible as this is where a lot of our learning comes from. All Dogs need to remember that we have a wealth of information available to those needing help, or just wanting to better understand the various processes we use daily.

REMEMBER, we are not yet 100% compliance and we should be. This will be the main topic of conversation for those lagging behind.

I will be attending an Officer Installation and Staff Meeting in DeKalb on 3-21-24.

Our Central Division Conference will be held in Kalamazoo, MI 4-12/16-24

Our Department of Illinois State Convention will be held in Springfield, IL 6-12/16-24. at the Northfield, Inn

Semper Woofing PDD Joe Pollock 05-062 Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog Central Division 563-349-2423

Northeast Division: PDD Jay Hauck



Hello and WOOF WOOF to the dogs of the Order.

Now that midwinter has past, which I personally had a blast at, it's time to get ready for Pack gand growls and the Kennel supreme growl. Meaning if you plan to advance, get with you Pounds Dog Robber, and get that paperwork in. Advancements are a great time.

Another thing I would like to mention is the rosters. Please help us update these. We need your lists to update ours. Thank you

Woof Woof Northeast Division Vice Chief Devil Dog PDD Jason Hauck 18-279



New England Division: PDD Cherie Monnell



New England Division-WOG Spring 2024

The New England Division is going strong and with the promise of spring in the air the dogs are getting out and running.

I am still not able to travel all the time but keep in touch with all and am available to all. The Packs and Pounds keep up to date with the paperwork.

Come mid-April the dogs of New England will get together at the Quad State Convention and New England Division Conference in NH with a Growl on Friday night.



As always, I am available by email and phone on the following days and times; Mon-Fri-0900-1800, Sat-Sun-1000-1200. Emails may be sent anytime, but please no phone calls after the stated times unless an emergency.

Woof-Woof PDD Cherie Monnell New England Division Vice Chief Devil Dog VCDDCharie@gmail.com 207-752-0025



PDD Scotty Bryan: Deputy Mad Dog/Deputy Police Dog





WOOF WOOF DOGS,

As some of you Dogs might have heard or have not heard. I announced my intention to run for the position of Kennel Mad Dog at Mid-Winter. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as a Deputy Mad Dog under the Honorable Mad Dog PDD Charles Minton, and as a Deputy Police Dog under the Honorable Police Dog PDD Matt Veprek. I have learned a lot about the Kennel and serving the Kennel under both of these Dogs. A BIG WOOF WOOF and MAHALO to both of these Dogs.

It will be my honor and pleasure to serve as Kennel Mad Dog. I look forward to seeing all you Dogs at the Supreme Growl in Palm Springs, CA., and I appreciate your vote and support.

WOOF WOOF, PDD Scotty Bryan 16-156 SEMO Devil Dogs #330, MO Pack Tunnel Rats #393 Hawaii, CA Pack

Honorable Deputy Mad Dog Honorable Deputy Police Dog





Southwest Division: PDD Aaron Bazán



Woof, Woof! Devils Dogs,

Greetings from the Great Southwest Division, all is good after attending the Mid Winter Conference and it was great to reconnect and share information and ideas with the fellow Dogs. The enthusiasm was awesome and the outing to the Marine Corps Museum was a great highlight of our stay at the Sheraton Pentagon City in Arlington, VA.



A change in the Kennel ritual book, with the justification, showed just how much we've progressed in a unified stance. We will pass this on to our Packs & Pounds so that we may all continue to be on the right track.

It is good to see that several Packs are having their Spring Conferences as will we in the California Pack in Clovis, CA. We will address what has been discussed and share with them our experiences from Mid-Winter. We will be addressing recruitment and retention plans so that we may continue to show strength in numbers to proceed forward.

All Dogs should consider becoming more active as it instills a sense of purpose that attracts more attention to the Order. Being mindful not to act in a manner that reflects unwanted attention.

Getting excited to attend the Supreme Growl at the Westin Rancho Mirage Golf & Spa, in Palm Springs, CA!! It will be an exciting time to assist in setting up for this Supreme Growl and make this event a highlight of your stay in California!

Wishing a Barking good time to be had by all.

Respectfully Submitted, PDD Aaron Bazán Southwest Division Vice Chief Devil Dog

Northwest Division: PDD Bonnie Holden



Looking forward to Grand Growls in Oregon in April, Idaho and Montana in May and Washington in June.

I will be attending all the Grand Growls. We will be reviewing all Passport Fees and getting up to speed on the required Growls per year in all Pounds and Packs.

We need to maintain the requirements set forth by the bylaws. We will also be going over the submitted bylaw changes that will be voted on at the Supreme Growl. Most of all we will be having fun and camaraderie.

Bonnie Holden NWDVCDD

Southeast Division: PDD Jim Stone



Woof Woof all you Magnificent Dogs from the Southeast!!

Just returned from a fantastic Southeast Division Conference in Chattanooga, TN. Those Dogs put on a great conference and enjoyed a great Growl! There was a lot of Dogs there and we learned a lot in the MCL meetings, thanks to COO Bob Borka and Pat national Commandant Johnny Baker. We raffled off coins for the Kennel for the Children's Hospital food and raised 560 Big Bones.

I really need all Pack Leaders and Dog Robbers to do your job and get your 990's, ROI's and Secretary of State filings done. Once that has been done, send a copy of your receipts and ROIs to Kennel Dog Robbers and forward a copy to me. Your ROI MUST be sent within 14 days of your installation.

If you are forming a new Pound, you must send it to the Pack Leader for his/her signature. Then they forward it to me for signature and I will forward it to the Kennel. If you fail to forward it to the Pack Leader or to me and send it to the Kennel, it will be returned to you for the proper chain.

Also, if you have someone you wish to advance to PPD, but there is a medical exemption necessary, follow the Kennel directions and forward to me for approval and forward to the Kennel. We can all make our jobs easier if we follow the Bylaws and instructions. I am looking forward to visiting most of you at your pack growls. We should always have fun and should have our dogs bring dog food, cat food, bowls, etc. for our operation chow hound. Keep a count of the number of pounds you collect and have a local dog carry it to the local shelter. It is a great program to support our furry friends.

We should all be recruiting new dogs to join us. At your next growl, look around you and see how many pups you have and how we all have grown older. Remember, it's our legacy and we are responsible for building it. Last, but not least, I would like to welcome the board, John Gionet as my newest assistant. John is a hard worker and says he is looking forward to the job. Semper Woofing, PDD Jim Stone

Southern Division: PDD Sal "Animal Mother" Cenicacelaya



April 2024: Canine Chronicles and Growling Success!

Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog Southern Division here, I hope this report finds you with your tail wagging and your ears perked up for the exciting year ahead! It's been a doggone good year representing the Southern Division, and I've gotta say, it feels like I've been chasing my tail trying to keep up with all the pawsome activities.

First off, a big shout-out to the Kennel Staff for being the real MVPs in providing top-notch mentorship. A special bark to the 60th Honorable Chief Devil Dog Alan Sanning for attending the Southern Division Conference and Grand Growl hosted by the



Oklahoma Pack. You guys are like the seasoned veterans of the dog park, guiding us through the tricks of the trade. Looking forward to more training sessions – maybe a few on how to fetch a mean cup of coffee or some big bones, lol!

Now, let's dive into the Pack & Pound reports:

TEXAS:

Worthy Pack Leader PDD Audrea Killalea, behind the Texas Pack, is leading a pack of ambitious Dogs. I mean, they're setting their sights on becoming PDDs at the Supreme Growl in Palms Springs. Talk about aiming for the kibble in the sky! And major kudos for supporting local shelters through Operation ChowHound – that's one way to prove we have big hearts to go with our big paws. Oh, and a round of ap-paws for the new website – www.moddtxpack.org – because every pack needs a virtual doghouse!

OKLAHOMA:

Worthy Pack Leader PDD Chris Blake, the Worthy Pack Leader of the Oklahoma Pack, has his crew, the Green Country Grunts, growling almost every month. Not only did they pass the hat to collect \$300 Big Bones for Leisure Park Elementary, but they've been keeping up with their ROI's and 990's. That's financial responsibility at its finest. And encouraging the War Dog Pound in Miami, OK, to recruit new members? Now that's leadership that deserves a treat!

ARKANSAS:

Madam Pound Keeper PDD Cindy West, the Pound Keeper of the Arkansas Pound, is keeping River Valley Pound 346 in check. New officers in place, two growls down – it sounds like they're on a roll! Let's hope their momentum keeps rolling like a tennis ball in a game of fetch. As we march into the 101st Anniversary of the Marine Corps League in Palm Springs, CA, I'm ready to see our Southern Division dogs shine. It's gonna be a bark-tastic time highlighting their achievements – I'm talking more cheers than a post-fetch celebration!

Semper Woofing, PDD Sal Cenicacelaya 19-081 Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog Southern Division



WOOF WOOF DEVIL DOGS!

I just want to bark at you mutts about the upcoming Supreme Growl in Palm Springs! Are you advancing? Have you been practicing your ability to report? Have you been reviewing your MODD knowledge? Pond Keepers, are your Dogs who are advancing ready for what lies ahead? If you don't have your paperwork submitted by the deadline, you will be waiting until next year in Texas. So make sure your Pound Keeper and Dog Robber have got your papers in order and sent to the Kennel as required.

All Packs and Pounds of the MidEast Division, you need to be barking at me and Assistant VCDD, PDD Omar Jabr about your upcoming Growls and Grand Growls. If we have enough advance notice it makes it much more possible to attend. To date I have only been contacted by two Packs about their upcoming Grand Growls.

I also want to give a big bark of encouragement for all Packs and Pounds to keep up the good work of being in compliance. This is not an easy task sometimes. But it is important to stay on top of this. To my knowledge there is currently only one pound that needs to get their dog house in order. But the Pack Leader has assured me that it will be squared away in an efficient and timely manner!

One more thing! We are the "Fun and Honor Society" and we need to be living up to that reputation! There needs to be fun and games at EVERY growl, no matter how big or small. Be creative, but also be mindful of the physical limitations of your Dogs! Make sure that these fun activities and games are geared toward maximum participation of all Dogs in attendance.

The Virginia Pack will be Growling May 18th, Holiday Inn, Sterling, VA. The North Carolina Pack will be Growling on June 6th, 2024, Wyndham Garden Inn, Greensboro NC. The MidEast Division will be Growling on June 29th, Holiday Inn, Martinsburg, WV.

WOOF WOOF!

PDD Ric Ledford, 19-275 MidEast Division Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog I was honored to be presiding officer over advancement to the Degree of Pedigree Devil Dog of Jeffrey Brooks tag# 23-112 Jr. Vice Pack Leader, AlabamaPack(stage 4 pancreatic cancer)

We had three Alabama Pack officers and pound officers from both pounds that he is a member of. Coosa Mud Dogs Pound #233 Shoals Salty Dogs Pound #410 Both Alabama Pack.

In short this was the absolute highest honor to be able to preside over his advancement.

PDD Ricky Pitts 19-244 Coosa Mud Dogs Pound #233 & Shoals Salty Dogs Pound #410 Worthy Pack Leader Alabama Pack Asst. VCDD S.E. Division WOOF WOOF













Pictures from Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog: PDD Joe "Woody" DeAngelo





















Pictures from Kennel Smart Dog: PDD Mike Francis



6 JAN 2024

Who is the real "PDD Batman"?

The Marine Corps League Department Quarterly Meeting took place in Jefferson City, Missouri. The Military Order of the Devil Dogs held a Growl of the Missouri Pack afterwards.



20 JAN 2024 WOOF WOOF !!! Judge Francis, DD Abbott, the "Accused Dog" and the "Evidence"... We had 21 Dogs on deck! Visitors from Minnesota, Iowa, Texas and across the state of Missouri! Two new Mongrels joined the Order and were Initiated to the degree of PUP. The Military Order of the Devil Dogs. "St. Charles County Dogs", Pound 086. Missouri Pack. Pound Growl in O'Fallon, Missouri.



3 FEB 2024 DD Charles Love. It was truly an Honor to Obligate DD Love to Pedigreed Devil Dog today! Doc Love enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1947 at the age of 17. He served as a Corpsman for his entire career 1947-1968 and retired as a Senior Chief Petty Officer. Doc fought in Korea 1952-1953 with "C" Company 1/7 and was wounded twice. Thank God for U.S. Navy Corpsmen... Military Order of the Devil Dogs. Pound Growl. Master Sergeant Troy Mitchell Pound



3 FEB 2024 DD Vic Corson. It was truly an Honor to Obligate DD Corson to Pedigreed Devil Dog today! Marine Corson enlisted in the US Army and served 1948-1950. He then enlisted in the US Marine Corps and served 1950-1969. Marine Corson fought in the Korean War and retired as a GySgt. Military Order of the Devil Dogs. Master Sergeant Troy Mitchell Pound 383. Jackson, Tennessee.



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3 FEB 2024 Kennel Mini-Growl. Marine Corps League National Mid-Winter Conference Military Order of the Devil Dogs Kennel Mini-Growl Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel Arlington, Virginia.



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Tennessee Dogs! Kennel Mini-Growl. Marine Corps League National Mid-Winter Conference Military Order of the Devil Dogs Kennel Mini-Growl Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel Arlington, Virginia.



24 FEB 2024 Dogs and their dates at the Grande Banquet. Marine Corps League National Mid-Winter Conference Military Order of the Devil Dogs Kennel Mini-Growl Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel Arlington, Virginia.



5 MAR 2024 All fueled up and ready to go!!! Military Order of the Devil Dogs "Show Me" Pound 66 Missouri Pack St. Louis, MO.



5 MAR 2024 Any Dogs want to sit with me in the Frag Zone? Lots of laughs today. 20 Dogs On Deck! Military Order of the Devil Dogs "Show Me" Pound 66 Missouri Pack St. Louis, MO.



5 MAR 2024 The new Pound Dog of the Year is PDD Jason Reimann! WOOF WOOF !!! Lots of laughs today. 20 Dogs On Deck! Military Order of the Devil Dogs "Show Me" Pound 66 Missouri Pack St. Louis, MO.



MODD SIG P320 M18



This is the Military Order of the Devil Dogs 2024 Sig P320 M18 Raffle.

The prize consists of the SIG SAUER P320 M18 Pistol, or the winner may elect to receive \$500 in lieu of the pistol.

Read more about it here: <u>https://www.sigsauer.com/p320-m18.html</u> Please use the QR Code above, or this link here: <u>https://rafflecreator.com/pages/64353/sig-p320-m18</u>

Proceeds from the raffle will go to the operational funds of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. So please consider helping us out and purchasing your tickets today!

In the event of an early drawing we will post the early drawing date and time 24 hours in advance both here and on our Facebook page. If not, the raffle will be drawn on Facebook live at 6:00 PM April 20th.

This raffle is void where prohibited by law. TRANSFER FEES ARE WINNERS RESPONSIBILITY!

