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COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Steve Salanik



Commandant

Steve Salanik

Well, summer is over, I hope you all had an enjoyable one. Now that fall is upon us it's time to roll up our sleeves and get to work. We have the Bull & Oyster Roast coming up on October 21st. Also now that our Sr. Vice Commandant Pete Pervi is the Anne Arundel County Toys For Tots representative he will need help from all of us. Our Detachment will also host the Mid-East Conference on March 14th & 15th 2008 at a hotel near BWI airport. Please call Ed Ross if you would like to help.

There were several amendments to the uniform dress code passed at the national convention. They concern both regular and associate members. When I get the final copy of the changes I will pass them on.

We also need to discuss the probability of raising our dues. Last year National raised their take from \$12 to \$18 and this January the State will raise theirs from \$2 to \$4 per member. The Detachment covered the \$6 increase waiting to see what the State would do. Now that both increases are in place, we must reconsider our dues structure. Any increase must be transmitted to National by November 1st.

I hope to see all of you at our next meeting on September 24th.

Semper Fi,
Steve Salanik



**Senior Vice
Ed Ross**

Annual Bull & Oyster Roast



Sunday October 21, 2007 at VFW Post 160's Hall. 2597 Dorsey Rd. Glen Burnie Md. 21060.

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Ed



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Pete Pervi**



My Brothers,

We are now an official entity for the 2007 Toys For Tots Campaign. If you go on the Toys For Tots home page and do a Maryland search, you will find my name listed as a local contact. Reminder that on 9/6 (Thursday), 1830 at the VFW Post we will have our first Toys For Tots meeting.

See the letter from the Marine Toys For Tots Foundation On the next page.

Semper Fi and Woof Woof
Pete

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TOYS FOR TOTS
FOUNDATION

From: Marine Toys for Tots Foundation

To: Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Det 1049

Subj: Participation in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program

Ref: (a) 2007 Toys for Tots Application

(b) Marine Corps Order 5726.14F

(c) Marine Forces Reserve Order P5726.1C

(d) Marine Toys for Tots Foundation Standing Operating Procedures
(SOP-07)

1. Your organization's request (reference (a)) to conduct a Toys For Tots campaign in your community during the fall/winter of 2007, in support of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is approved. This approval is contingent upon compliance with the provisions of references (b), (c), and (d), the forwarding of all donations and funds to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation for accounting and management purposes, the completion and submission of the report and photo of locally donated toys, and completion and submission of the annual campaign after action report to the Foundation no later than 15 January 2008.

2. References (a) through (d) are available on the Foundation website (www.toysfortots.org) in the Coordinator's Corner. Reference (d) will also be distributed at the Toys for Tots Coordinator Conference in September. Please review each document at the earliest possible time, and use each as a reference during the campaign to minimize errors and guide the conduct of the local campaign.

3. The current After Action Report is available on the Foundation website (www.toysfortots.org) in the Coordinator's Corner. If internet access is not available, a copy is provided in the SOP at Appendix Z.

4. Request notification of the correct name, mailing address, phone/fax numbers, and e-mail address of the local coordinator to the Foundation whenever a change occurs.

5. Good luck during the 2007 campaign.

Sincerely,

Brian A. Murray

Major, USMC (Ret)

Vice President, Operations



VAVS
Phil Schwarzenberg

**Veterans Benefit Service
Program**

The Service Program of the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs assists veterans and eligible dependents in acquiring their benefits. The staff of the Service Program is authorized to represent veterans and their dependents before the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, as well as provide general information to those seeking assistance, regardless of representation.

The Service Program currently has Service Officers located in communities throughout Maryland to aid and serve veterans and their eligible dependents. Contact the Program Office most convenient to you. Appointments may be scheduled through the Program Office nearest the itinerant location.

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Public Relations
Ed Dahling

Vietnam Memorial Seeking Readers



The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund is looking for 2,000 volunteers to read all 58,256 names inscribed on "The Wall," from Nov. 7-10. This special tribute is in honor of the 25th anniversary of the memorial's dedication in 1982.

For registration information and Forms, go to: www.vvmf.org/index.cfm?SectionID=582, or call the Vietnam Veterans Memorial fund at (202) 393-0090, ext. 109.



Chaplain's Corner
Ken Rollins

The chaplain's duty at our detachment is important to all of us, and I can only be effective and perform my duty if I am kept informed. Please notify me as soon as possible regarding any sickness, distress, or deaths to any marine or marine's family member.

My phone number is ;
410-859-1325.

My address is;
Kenneth R. Rollins
101 S. Longcross Rd.
Linthicum Hts., Md. 21090



Historian Vic Halme

This Month in History *Selected August Dates of Marine Corps Historical Significance*

23 September 1779: John Paul Jones's French-Irish Marines in epic battle between Bonhomme Richard and Serapis.

10 September 1813: Marine Lt. John Brooks killed when Oliver Perry defeats British fleet on Lake Erie.

13 September 1847: In Mexico City, Marines help seize fortress of Chapultepec and next day occupy the National Palace on site of the Halls of Montezuma.

28 September 1901: Maj. "Tony" Walker takes out 314 Marines to destroy Filipino insurgents who slaughtered U.S. Army company on Samar.

28 September 1906: Provisional Marines Brigade of 2,800 men lands at Havana; Marines stay until 1909.

3 September 1918: In Haiti, native leader Charlemagne Peralte starts revolt of "Cacos" against Marines rule.

13 September 1942: On Guadalcanal, Marines turn back Japanese attack in Battle of Edson's Ridge.

16 September 1943: Maj. Gregory "Pappy" Boyington shoots down five planes: he would claim 28, the most of any Marine.

15 September 1950: 1st Marine Division makes assault landing at Inchon on west coast of Korea, retakes Seoul.



Legislative Jim LeGette

Doug Sterner, Pueblo, Colorado who was instrumental in the enactment of the "Stolen Valor Act" of 2005 is now pursuing the passage of the "Preservation of Valor Act" that would create a database listing all military valor awards. It is hoped that this proposal will be passed as federal law, maintained by the federal government and, most important, accessible by anyone that has Internet capability. Therefore, anyone could search a name of a veteran and obtain what valor awards the veteran had earned.

The Veterans Affairs Department was recently chastised by the U.S. Court of Appeals in San Francisco regarding the failure on the part of the VA to pay retroactive disability benefits to Vietnam war veterans who contracted a form of leukemia after exposure to Agent Orange. It is anticipated, with this decision that years of legal battles will end, if the VA does not appeal to the Supreme Court.

Kristin Henderson, a Navy spouse, proposes that a "war tax" be enacted for the purposes of financing support services needed by military families and combat veterans. Military families would be exempt from the tax. The assistance would include combat trauma counseling, living assistance and marriage counseling among other forms of support.



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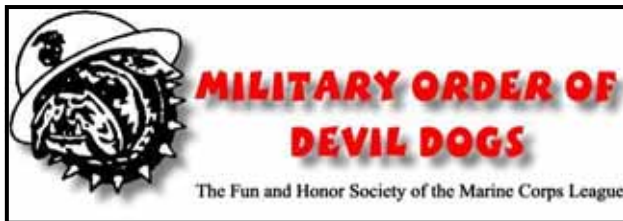
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Semper Fi & Woof Woof
Ed Dahling



Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD)

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(MCL)*

Woof woof,

Things are going very well in Dogdom.
Pound 204 held a Growl on 19 Aug and brought
in 11 new Pups. Congratulations to Chuck Albo,
Ed Dahling, Pete Pervi, and Philip Schwareberg
from this detachment who are now full-fledged
Pups. Shake their paw the next time you see
them..

The Supreme Growl has been held but I have-
n't gotten much feedback as as what went on out
in Albuquerque, New Mexico. My main concern
is changes to the By-laws which I have to keep
up with. If any were changed, I will be hearing
from the Kennel Smart Dog soon.

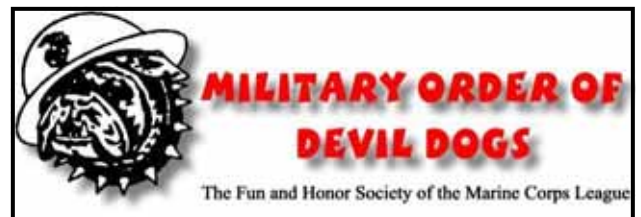
The Pack of Maryland will Growl immedi-
ately following the Department Staff Meeting on
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Annual dues expire on 31 Aug. If you haven't
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Woof woof,
PDD Paul Taylor
Dog Robber



The Marine NCO'S Sword

The noncommissioned officers of the Marine Corps have several distinctions of which they can be justly proud. They are the only noncommissioned officers in any branch of the regular United States Armed Forces who routinely have the privilege of carrying swords. (Certain units of the National Guard still authorize NCO swords for ceremonial use when wearing the distinctive uniform of the regiment). In addition, they have the unique position of being the only NCOs ever authorized to carry what is normally a commissioned officers weapon.

The present day sword issued to the noncommissioned officers of the Corps was originally adopted by the War Department on April 9, 1850, as the regulation saber for the foot officers of the infantry. In 1859, just prior to the Civil War, the commissioned officers of the Marine Corps had adopted the Model 1850 foot officer's sword. They found it more serviceable than their lighter, Mameluke-type saber and particularly welcomed its leather scabbard which was not subject to the many dents their former brass scabbard had been forever acquiring in life aboard ship.

Following the War between the States, the repeating military rifle made rapid developments. Dominating the battlefields of the world and sounding the death knell of the sword, the foot officer's sword was looked upon as being more of an encumbrance than an asset in the field.

Prodded by a desire to reinstate the traditional weapon of their predecessor, especially since its purpose had become more symbolic than utilitarian, Marine officers reverted to their Mameluke sword in 1875 when the Corps entered its so-called "Golden Era". At this time, Marine noncommissioned officers acquired the arm being given up by their commissioned brothers-in-arms. Its this same weapon, with only minor alterations, which SNCOs of the Corps still carry in Marine parade formations. It was a gesture of considerable respect to the Marine non-commissioned officers, for never before had a badge so symbolic of the commissioned officer been turned over to the noncom-missioned ranks.

At first glance, the Marine NCO sword in use from 1875 until 1934 was no different than the 1850 officers model. Only the fishskin covering on the grip had been replaced by black leather and the letters "U.S.M.C" etched on the reverse side of the blade instead of "U.S.", which had appeared on the officers arm. In 1934, revised regulations called for a slightly more slender blade which eliminated the narrow fuller. A new and decorative etching was inscribed, "United States Marines". Otherwise, it remained identical to the Civil War officers model, albeit a lighter, somewhat less serviceable version.

The commissioned and noncommissioned officers now retain the sword for what it implies to their profession, rather than for the use that it offers. Their primary duty is to lead, not to shoot. The sword thus continues as the personification of military tradition and has been entrusted to those most responsible for maintaining the weapon. Except for the famous Mameluke hilted sword of Marine commissioned officers, the Marine NCO sword rates as the oldest U.S. weapon still in use.

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