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This section of each Woof-o-Gram, will be reserved from comments from Sir Chesty. It will contain at times the history of our start on June 6, 1918, at 5PM...**THE BIRTHDAY OF THE DEVIL DOGS.** We should be observing that day with the same reverence as we accord the other various Marine Corps Dates...Perhaps even more so! An old Gunnery Sgt. commanding his platoon in the absence of their wounded Lieutenant, who had fought in the Philippines, Vera Cruz, Santo Domingo and at the Walls of Peking, left the security of the woods first, and turned to his troops and said, "Come on, you sons-O-Bitches! Do you want to live forever? **THE DEVIL DOGS WERE BORN.** Our predecessors left us a heritage second-to-none.

We the lowly curs that have followed them, must never forget what they did, nor their sacrifices. Caring to call ourselves Devil Dogs, we must never lose sight of their deeds, or bring discredit to the name **DEVIL DOG...** It should be one, that only reflects good deeds and acts of honor. In accepting the title, Devil Dog we must never forget what it stands for. Just as much pride, as you reserve for the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, you should also be willing to commit to the title, Devil Dog and perhaps a little extra. By the way, that Gunnery Sgt. was Fourty Four year old 1st Sgt. Dan Daly. On the morning of June 6th, 31 officers and 1,056 Marines were casualties and history was being written. On June 30th the French renamed Belleau Wood to bear the name henceforth as, "Bois de la Brigade de Marine."

PAY YOUR DUES, DAWGS!



SIR CHESTY SEZ "

Sir Chesty has one objective, to reflect only the highest honor and pride upon the first Marines that became recognized around the World from that time forth as a fighting force to be reckoned with. **THE NAME DEVIL DOG, DON'T TAKE IT LIGHTLY!**

Sir Chesty

THE BARK, BITE & HOWL OF THE KENNEL!

THE CHIEF SEZ:

This is our last Woof-O-Gram of the year. It is only eight (8) weeks until our 50th Anniversary Supreme Growl in Dallas Texas. Every Devil Dog should make every effort to attend. Because this is our 50th Anniversary we will be registering all Devil Dogs, Pups, DD, and PDD's. Although this will not allow Pups and DD to attend the Supreme Growl, they will receive a Dog Tag, Patch and a Mug and be allowed to join in any planned events during the convention. You must have a 1988-1989 Devil Dog Membership Card and be a paid up member of the Marine Corps League to do this. You must have these cards with you - do not depend upon the Kennel Dog Robber to check this out in the Dog House - this is your responsibility - check your cards before you leave home.

With the help of the Kennel Staff, elected and appointed officers - plus the rank and file this has been a great year for me. I set up a Panel to study the Procedure for Initiation of Candidates. By 1990 we hope to have a set plan in place but for the present we studied and discussed the 1989 Initiation in Dallas, Texas. We still have to finalize procedures but I can tell you the following:

There will be no more hazing during the initiation. You will wear your street clothes and cover during the initiation. No one will be allowed to touch the Devil Dogs or the bone.

Initiation Team will consist of our Mad Dog, "Bubbles" and the initiation team comprising of twelve. This team will wear gold arm bands at all times and be the only ones to join in during the initiation on Thursday afternoon. If you want to be on the initiation team, submit in writing to me your request, and in Dallas, "Bubbles" and I will discuss and she will pick the men she would like to assist her.

Immediately after the initiation the Devil Dogs advancing from PUP to DD will be sworn in by the Chief and dismissed. All Devil Dogs advancing from degree of DD to PDD will be excused until a time set by the Chief - and at that time they will assemble outside the Growl room along with the Mad Dog "Bubbles" and shortly thereafter brought into the Growl and take their oath.

I know there will be some Devil Dogs that will resist the change of no hazing. However we cannot do what we did years ago in 1989. Our organization is a Proud one and we get the "Cream of the Crop" - however, I believe we could have many more Devil Dogs aboard that would be an asset that do now join when asked simply because they do not believe in hazing. They are not "afraid" Whimps", etc. they simply, along with law enforcement agencies feel hazing should be out.

Hopefully we will start our 51st year on this new version of initiation and will prosper and grow -- some Devil Dogs think I am "Smoking funny cigarettes" when I say I believe that by the end of 1990 we will be up at least 1,000 members.

*Semper Woof Woof
Mae Krauss - Chief*

REPORT FROM KENNEL HEADQUARTERS:

We are still having problems with proper completion of paperwork, in particular, applications/advancement forms. I call you attention to the biggest problem, no Marine Corps League membership numbers and applicants signature. Every time someone moves up you send an advancement form to Kennel. Those of you who will be at Dallas I will be available to answer questions about procedures.

Those of you who have/or had World War I Honorary Life Member Marines in your Pounds please report to me whether or not they are deceased. During the past year I have had two instances where the Post Office has lost membership cards to the Pack. Both involved thirty to forty cards each. They had to be retyped by hand and remailed. You wonder what the Post Office does with these packages that are well identified with addresses to both destination and return.

The Kennel is already receiving dues for the year 1989-90. Please remember that you will not be receiving the 1989-90 membership cards until September after the changes from the Supreme Growl are made in the computer.

Semper Fi, PCDD Ken Farris

FROM THE DOG TRAINER'S CORNER:

Since the last Woof-O-Gram, Taps sounded for the last time for the following Dogs:

PDD Dorothy M. Anderson, Pack of Connecticut
DD Raymond Venable, Sr., Pack of New Jersey
PDD William McCormick, Pack of Texas
PKDR, PDD Manuel Valdez, Pack of Texas

Get Well wishes were sent to PDD Hy Rosen who was hospitalized recently. Hy is feeling better and thanks all the Dogs for their phone calls and get well cards.

The Chief reports that she heard from PCDD Gilbert Gray, PNC, and he is coming along slowly but feels there is a good chance he will be in Dallas with us.

She also has heard from PDD Clem Russell and he is out of the hospital and feeling fair - but has hopes to be at Dallas to greet all his friends. PDD Russell is the oldest living Devil Dog on our roster.

At this time I would like to ask all Pound Dog Trainers to notify me when any of your Dogs pass away or are seriously ill so I can send an appropriate card to them. Either drop me a card: 88 Marion St., Bridgeton, N.J. 08302 or telephone (609) 455-5795. Make sure you include name and address of those to be contacted. I'm asking your help so we can let the Dogs know we care on the Kennel level. It is always nice to be remembered in times of sickness or death in the family. Time is coming for the Supreme Growl and I do need your names of departed Dogs to prepare my Memorial Service.

Semper Fi, Michael F. Macera, Kennel Dog Trainer

Due to lack of participation of our Jr. Vice Kennel Chief, his duties have been turned over to other staff officers.

1. Our fund raiser chance books. I asked our Sr. Vice PDD Hy Rosen to handle early April. He immediately had the books printed and mailed out. For the Honor Society to continue its history of being a large contributor to the Scholarship Fund and other worthy causes, the fund raiser must be a success. Even though we were late this year, I am sure our Devil Dogs will support this effort and get their bones into PDD Hy Rosen or bring them to Dallas in August.

2. Devil Dog/Flea/Past Presidents and Past Commandants luncheon. This has been turned over to our Honorable Kennel Division Aide-De-Camp - Southern, PDD Clifton Williams. It will be held in Harpers Pent-House at the Dalls Hilton Inn on Thursday, August 10, 1989 at noon. Tickets will be \$15.00 each. Advance ticket sales can be made by sending bones to PDD Williams, 1306 Niles Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78412 or calling (512-993-8568.

DOG HOUSE IN DALLAS, TEXAS

PCDD Ken Farris is in charge of the Dog House. The hours are as follows:

Monday, August 7, 1989.....9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 8, 1989.....9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 9, 1989.....9:00 a.m. through 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 10, 1989.....9:00 a.m. through 12:00 noon

You must first register with the Marine Corps League before picking up your Devil Dog registration. Devil Dogs advancing a degree must be registered by Wednesday, August 9, 1989 at noon. Thursday registration is just for PDD's who are coming in for the Growl Thursday evening.

Kennel Mad Dog PDD Connie (Bubbles) Barrick would like all Devil Dogs advancing a degree to know the following:

1. You must be registered by the League and Kennel before you see her.
2. You must have your Application for Degree Advancement completed, Top section with Name and Address and then Section II must be completed. You will note it must be signed not only by you but your Pound/Pack Dog Robber. Your Pound Dog Robber has these forms or they can be obtained from PCDD Ken Farris.
3. Bones: You must pay \$20.00 deposit for a dog collar that you will wear - this is refunded when collar is returned. (Dog House will be open Friday morning just to refund these bones.)

You must buy a Passport for \$5.00. PDD Bill King will be handling stamping of Passports and selling them.

You will receive three books of chances to sell or buy - total cost will be \$15.00.

You will be required to buy a bone that is worn around your neck at a cost of \$2.00.

Please be prepared to pay in cash - if you have a check cash it at the front desk - reason for this is many Devil Dogs are hadling this procedure and we want to keep our funds straight.

DOG DROPPINGS: By your Kennel Barking Dog, George Barrows, As submitted

The only Dogs that I have heard from or talked to, in the past few months, since Mid-Winter Conference are included in the next few pages. Thanks Dogs for making this job a little easier.

First, your Barking Dog of the Kennel, is properly chagrined and mortally wounded to think that he has cast PDD James Lugg, Pack Leader of the grand and glorious state of Colorado, as a resident of California. I couldn't read the address because it was probably written to close to the paper. Gomen.

Pound # 132 of the pack of Pennsylvania puts out a beautiful newsletter, through their Detachment Landis-McLeaf. Again thanks to PDD Bill Fogelsonger for his sending the Kennel Barking Dog, his newsletters.

Quiet Meeting



The cartoon drawing to the left of this column should draw a fine for the Editor from his Poundkeeper for advertising their Growl as a "Meeting???"

The Newsletter was from Pound # 2, of the Pack of Massachusetts...They certainly have one very active pound, as testified by the order of business in their growls. It seems they have Golf Classics, and Bitches giving birth to new puppies, Military functions, ceremonies, etc. It is very pleasureble to read these newsletters, and to try to report on same.

Note from the Deputy Kennel Barking Dog: I whole heartedly agree with my Senior Kennel Barking Dog...There should be hefty fine for the purpertrator of the newsletter of Pound #-2. But Sir, who is or what is an editor? Do you perhaps mean the Barking Dog?
No insubordination intended... Heh...Heh...Hah. Just a small fine on that one.

The Pack of New York, has sent me quite a few newsletters, or should I say the Pounds, within the Pack. I'll try to report on a few.

Pound 149, instead of a newsletter, this pound thought enough of your hard working Barking Dog, to at least send him a copy of their minutes of a growl. It seems they were connected with a Bike-A-Thon, on the George Washington Bridge. Maybe in their next minutes, we'll hear how they made out. This fund was for Cancer. They do have a "POLICY" in their Pound that I would like to share with everyone, and that is as follows:
ANY DOG NOT ATTENDING AT LEAST 50% OF THEIR GROWLS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO ADVANCE TO THE NEXT DEGREE. Wonder how this was accomplished, or rather the outcome of it. Not a bad idea.

This Pound also attends the Veterans Hospital at Montrose FDR Veteran's Hospital, and have parties for the patients.

Our past Chief Devil Dog, PDD Gray is well, at this writing and again would like to remind all members of, our great and illustrious Order that, Kennel is still waiting for donations to our Children's Hospital Fund. Pounds, Packs, or individual Dogs may make those contributions; by sending them to our Honorable Dog Robber, PDD Ken Farris.

This is a new program, that will be initiated at the Supreme Growl in Dallas and for those Dogs that are not informed...This is a fund that was set up to purchase some kind of equipment for a children's ward; in our National Convention Cities. This will enhance the name of the Military Order of devil Dogs and will give us Dogs, an added sense of honor and accomplishment. **PLEASE TAKE PART!**

Pound # 37, of Lockport, had a litter of new pups...Dropped of on their doorstep. One was so harassed that the next day, he burned his shirt and became a Sabres fan.

Pound #11 of Long Island...It seems that a "Bitch from Queens, New York," having no automobile to get to their Race Night hired a taxi to bring her to the clubhouse of Sunrise Detachment. That's dedication. They thanked her for the fine donation (money she spent) at their Night at the Races. The children of the Mike Hanbury Hospital Fund, will thank all of them at Pound #11, for their continued support. Even our head "Top Stuff" Madame, Kennel Chief was in attendance, from New Jersey. They thanked her for her donation (money) too.

Pound #133, sends me the most information, and they are still involved with a children's ward in their neighboring cities and have still held their elections and have their installation. And they are still donating to the "Mike Hanbury" Hospital Fund, which the Department of New York started in respect to the memory of a great Marine Corps Leaguer. To raise money for their ventures, each Dog, donates a ten dollar bill to their raffle fund. One entry for each \$10.00. I remember one year that PDD Poquadeck and I, had a contest at a Departmental Convention, to see who could outlast who in added donations. I let him win of course...

Poop Scupe; By the Deputy Kennel Barking Dog

At the New Jersey State Departmental Convention to be held on June 22nd thru 24th; the Pack of New Jersey will present awards to the selected outstanding citizens; male and female. These awards will carry names that are familiar to most Dogs. There is the Donald Gast, New Jersey Woman of the Year Award and the Jack Muerdler, Governor William Livingston Award for the male citizen of the year. These two awards from the Military Order of Devil Dogs, Pack of New Jersey can not be awarded to any Leaguer. This is an annual award and other Packs might look towards a similar presentation.

I was most fortunate to be selected by our most Honorable Chief to sit in on the Committee on correcting, suggesting and hopefully changing some of the antics within the Order. I'd personally like to thank all who contributed...You are the majority not the minority. You have spoken and I believe changes will be forthcoming.

Of human interest...This Deputy Barking Dog, through a friendly newspaper feature writer, was able to accomplish for the local Woodbury, N.J. Marine Recruiter, what he hadn't been able to do for 21 years. Find the family from Woodbury of his Vietnam buddy who died in his arms. I must admit I too had searched to no avail for a year and half, before asking the reporter to write the Gunny's story. Within an hour of the paper circulation, the calls came flowing in from family members and friends. In June the Gunnery Sgt. Jack Parsons will be invited to that families reunion. Let me tell you this Dog is elated.

