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Devil Dog's Creed

I AM AN AMERICAN; I WAS BORN IN FRANCE. I HAVE HELD THE TITLE OF UNITED STATES MARINE, AND UNDERSTAND THE COMMITMENT OF HOLDING THE TITLE, DEVIL DOG. IT IS A TRADITION BORN AT BELLEAU WOOD IN THE YEAR 1918, OF A FORCE IN READINESS AND THE FIRST TO FIGHT. AS A DEVIL DOG. I ASK NO QUARTER AND GIVE NO QUARTER. I WILL DO EVERTHING IN MY POWER TO UPHOLD THE OBJECTIVES OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS AND TO CARRY OUT MY DUTIES TO A SWIFT AND SATISFACTORY COMPLETION.

Honorable Chief Devil Dog PDD Mary B. Krauss (MAE) P.O. Box 3264 Toms River, N.J. 08756 (201) 240-2760/240-2783 This publication is being sent to all elected officers, appointed officers and Past Chiefs. We are the FUN and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League. We do not want to take the FUN out of the MODD -- all we ask is that there be limits and timing. Officers and Committees work very hard during the year and we must allow them to report. Swearing in

new PDD's is a serious business and we should show respect to the order during installation. The Kennel meets only once a year at the Supreme Growl in August and your funny antics, water pistols and surprises are welcome and expected. Our mid-winter Business Growl is to cover any business that is necessary before August. As Kennel Chief I will allow any Devil Dog attending mid-winter, no matter what degree they hold, to sit in on the Growl. Last year in February, we had a very productive Growl and it gave many Dogs a chance to air their views.

I asked all Staff officers and Past Chiefs for input for this report. If there has been no communication back I will simply list NO RESPONSE.

Tentative Plans Of MODD: Friday, 2/17/90 there will be a luncheon for elected and appointed Staff. Last year we had it on the roof of the hotel where we stayed and it was great. However we are going to another hotel, I have asked the Chairman of the Mid-Winter Staff to give me a name of where we could go and am awaiting a reply at this date. This will be during the League lunch break. Their will be a Staff Meeting (time to be announced) Friday before the Growl. National Commandant Ray Berling contacted me and said he will adjourn the League Meeting at 4:00 p.m. to give us time to hold the Growl then. (Approximate time 4:15 p.m.) We will only have 1½ hours for this Growl. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a Dedication Ceremony and Reception at the new National Headquarters facility. MODD By-Laws committee will meet (time to be announced). A By-Laws meeting was held in Las Vegas with 6 members present. We covered much ground and I found out it was very optimistic to think the By-Laws could be rewritten in one year. There will be some major additions and a few changes at this time but it will be an on-going job for the new Chief and Chiefs to come.

Honorable Kennel Dog Robber
PCDD Kenneth E. Farris
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At the half-year point the Kennel membership stands, for all practical purposes, at fifteen hundred in good standing. Anyone who does not have a 1989-90 membership car is delinquent since I January 1990. We need five hundred forty-five dues to reach last years strength on 30 June 1989.

PDD Don Lumsden who is providing our new computor service reports to me that he now has our Phase III-D service in place and is ready to implement changes and additions to our file. He also tells that we have twenty-six hundred names in the file. This means that we have about five hundred and fifty Dogs that did not pay their dues last year, some maybe for two or three years. The Kennel cannot afford to maintain Dogs in the file who are not paying. For each member in the file there is a card printed in September. Cards cost almost a dollar each. Therefore I will make a sweep through the cards files and remove anyone who has not paid for three years. The Kennel books balance for the first half of the year and an informal report will be given to members at Mid-winter.

Honorable Sr. Vice Chief Devil Dog PKDR Hyman Rosen, PNC 274 Tuscany, E. Delray Beach, Florida 33446 (305) 499-0263 During the past five months I attended Growls in Bradinton, and Winter Haven, with the State of Florida Pack. I also present the Law Inforcement Pound their Charter. Keeping in touch with all the Pounds in Florida.

I keep in touch with the Pack in Massachusetts and the Pound Keeper Leo Fortier is quite ill.

I have been in touch with Ken Farris and Jim Powell quite often. If anything to report I will report at the Mid-winter Staff Meeting.

Honorable Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog PDDClifton W. Williams 8520 West Palm Lane #1066 Phoenix, AZ. 85037 PDD Williams has been in constant touch with the Chief and Kennel Headquarters. Cliff: "I have 6,000 tickets printed up for the fund raising program. The prizes will be three (3) Sears Gift Certificates, (First) \$250.00 (Second) \$100.00 and (Third) \$50.00. The winner need not be there for the drawing and the tickets are \$1.00 each

or 6 for \$5.00. Books are in pads of 6 tickets each and I will begin distributing them at the Quin Division Conference on the 18 January 1990. I have a copy or Master copy in my possession so they might be printed without the extra costs of typesetting.

I have checked recently with the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber, Ken Farris, and have learned that my old Pack of Texas is still lagging behind on sending in its dues again. It is the job of the Dog Robber at Pound and Pack level to collect and forward the Pups, Devil Dogs and the Pedigree's dues on a timely basis and work at the job. The Dog Robber is the worker of the Pound. The Pound Keeper, I've been told is a figure head, and I must agree, because they are the ones who hold the meetings and their right hand man, the Dog Robber, sets the date for the Growls, gathers the supplies needed for the growl, etc. A strong man is needed for this job, and we have a very stron man at the Kennel level. What about the Pack and Pound level. Check you man out. Most of them are doing a good job.

Worthy Madam Kennel Chief Mae Krauss is working on the By-laws with the By-laws committee. She is doing a fine job. We need input on the By-laws. We need it soon so that work can be accomplished prior to the Supreme Growl in Sacramento. The By-laws have to be amended and updated to include the new initiation so that in the future there will be no physical hazing during the initiations.

I will be seeking the job and office of Kennel Chief in Sacramento, California at the Supreme Growl. We need more new Devil Dogs in the Order and I will be working towards that goal. First to get more worthy members of the League into the Order. Second, we need to retain more of the members that are already members of the MODD. Third we must try to regroup those who have strayed from the Order and get them back, and get them to work. These are my goals for the 90's. I call upon all Devil Dogs to work with me in this goal. I will not be able to attend the National Mid-winter in Virginia, I will be at the Supreme Growl the entire week of 12-18 August, 1990 and hope to see you there.

Honorable Kennel Smart Dog PDD Lamar Golden 1411 S. 52nd Street Philadelphia, Pa. 19143 (215) 729-6564

Honorable Kennel Dog Trainer PDD Michael F. Macera 88 Marion Street Bridgeton, N.J. 08302 (609) 455-5795 PDD Golden has been in constant touch with the Chief by letter and phone.

He has handled rulings on two Devil Dogs who went through the initiation in Dallas to become PDD's only a few months after receiving their Devil Dog Degree. This was ruled illegal and these Dogs must go through another initiation in order to be able to wear their Gold Ribbons. In all cases we follow the By-laws in this regard.

PDD Golden chaired the By-laws committee meeting at the Quin Division.

This is the report of the events of the office of the Honorable Dog Trainer from the past National Convention until January 8, 1990.

DECEASED:

PDD Max A. Marangi, Pound 118, Pack of Washington DD Edward A. Ferracci, Pound 142, Pack of Connecticut 1/3/90

CARDS SENT

Mrs. Max Marangi, Wife (Sympathy)

PDD William Burke, Pound 93, Pack of N. J. (Get Well)

PDD Herb Mielke, Pound 136, Pack of N. J. (Get Well)

PDD Esse Davis, Pound 136, Pack of N. J. (Get Well)

PDD Carl Oerke, Pound 136, Pack of N. J. (Get Well)

PDD Roddy MacDonald, Pound 136, Pack of N.J. (Get Well)

PDD Ricardo Herbert (Wife Scotty) Pound 96, Pack of N.J.

(Get Well)

Pup Bobby Jones, Kennel Stray, West Virginia (Get Well) Mrs. Edward A. Ferracci, Wife (Sympathy)

To summerize briefly, unless the Pack Dog Robbers furnish this office with the names of the deceased and sick Dogs, you cannot expect cards to be sent to those affected.

NOTE: Shortly after Mike Macera filed his report - he passed away - January 31, 1990. I have appointed a new Kennel Dog Trainer: PDD Earl W. Herrington, 20 Carriage Hill Drive, Newington, CT. 06111 - phone (203) 666-3699.

Honorable Kennel Police Dog PDD Gerard Finn 84 Tyrconnell Avenue Massapequa Park, N. Y. 11762 (516) 541-5450 My activity since the convention in Dallas is as follows:

Attended 5 growls of Pound 120 - NY Attended 3 growls of Pound 11 - NY Installed Officers of Pound 120 - NY

Approved the elevation of two Pups, who are disabled, to the rank of Devil Dog. Attended Mid-Winter Staff Meeting of Dept. of N.Y. in Kingston, N.Y. and conducted the Pack Growl. I will be in Virginia at the Mid-Winter Staff Meeting in February.

Honorable Kennel Mad Dog PDD Constance L. Barrick 1030 Leroy Avenue Ferndale, MI. 48220 (313) 398-2246

Please extend my best wishes for a properous 1990 to the Kennel Staff. Due to work commitments I will be unable to be in Virginia in February.

I am presently working on a registration/consent form which I will submit for approval to the Staff.

If anyone has suggestions for the Sacramento "do" initiation please contact me. Dogs I've talked to liked the close order drill and the questions/answers on MODD history. I understand the Dogs are to fall out in street clothes BUT we had a Dog fall out in Dress Blues. (This is not allowed). Special thanks to Bobby Applebaum, Mike Macera and George Williams for their help in the Dog House in Dallas. Love to you all - see you in Sacramento - Bubbles

PDD Gary O. Chartrand 477 Michigan Avenue #1232 Detroit, MI. 48226 (313) 964-6830

Honorable Deputy Kennel Dog Robber In response to your letter 12/24/89 - PDD Ken Farris and I keep in constant touch and are already making plans for the National Convention in August 1990.

Honorable Kennel Watch Dog PDD Frank V. Goodman 427½ John Street East Newark, N. J. 07029 (201) 484-8657

Our Watch Dog has not beein feeling to frisky for the past six months. He has had surgery and is on the road to recovery and hopes to be at Mid-winter Growl.

"My only MODD activity was the Pack of N. J. Growl where as Pack Police Dog I had the honor to be the first to bark at the Honorable Chief Mama of all Dogs about her promotion in the League Magazine of Dan Daly to the rank of General."

"Although slightly inactive as the Watch Dog has been, he has been watching and barks his approvel of the changes that have been made in the Honor and Fun Society of the Marine Corps League."

"Many dogs have sent me very kind wishes and in other ways been helpful during my illness and I sincerely thank them and promise that until he is wagging his tail again, the watch dog will be watching.

Honorable Kennel Liason Officer to the Marine Corps League PDD Jeannie DeWitte 426 Hook Road Pennsville, N.J. 08870 (609) 678-6284

PDD DeWitte is always ready to do anything the Kennel asks her to. She worked in the Dog House and was a big help and pleasant addition to our Staff. She has indicated she will help us again this year.

Honorable Kennel Liaison Office to the MODD-FLEAS PDD Ferne L. Lauter RD 7162 Reading, PA. 19506 (215) 779-2769

Before leaving the National Convention in Dalls, I asked several Fleas if they knew who was elected Big Flea. No one knew. I finally came across it in the latest issue of the League Magazine. I intend to get in touch with Elsie Fowler as soon as possible - even though late.

As Pack Leader of the Great Pack of Pennsylvania, I put together a newsletter entitled "PAW-PRINTS" which was mailed to every dog in the Pack. The newsletter contained articles from the Kennel Woof O Gram and news of the Pack. We anticipate getting out another issue in March.

A Pack Growl has been called for Friday 12 January 1990 at the Holiday Inn, King of Prussia, PA. This will be the site of the Grand Growl to be held 22 June 1990. Hope to see some of you Devil Dogs there.

Honorable Kennel Quartermaster PDD James F. Powell 1071 Overlook Drive Toms River, N.J. 08753 (201) 270-5866

One of my goals for this year is to establish a catalog for the MODD gear presently carried in our Price List, work has already began and some progress has been achieved. I plan to report my progress in later issues of the Woof O Gram. String Ties that were found so popular at our 1989 Supreme Growl are now available at \$7.00 each plus

10% P&H from the Kennel Quartermaster. The concern expressed in Dallas that a second plate be affixed to all Pack & Kennel "Dog of the Year" awards indicating it as being from the Honor Society of the Marine Corps League has been established and is presently in operation.

Honorable Kennel Deputy Quartermaster PDD William H. Fogelsonger 4862 Orphanage Road Waynesboro, PA. 17268 (717) 762-5857 Bill has been working very closely with the Pack of Pennsylvania and his local Pound. His duties are to help the Quartermaster when necessary. Bill will be in Virginia for Mid-winter Meeting.

Honorable Kennel Historian PCDD J. P. Kacsan 3814 Foster Road North Versailles, PA. 15137 (412) 678-311 I have heard from Jay several times since Dallas. He keeps on top of everything and keeps us honest. At the present moment I owe Jay a letter. If all goes well we will see Jay in Sacramento.

Honorable Kennel Barking Dog PDD George E. Williams P.O. Box 772 Elmer, N.J. 08318 (609) 358-2315 It is a pleasure for me to report at this time that all is well and that the third edition of the Woof-O-Gram, that includes the Anniversary Edition is in the mail as scheduled. I believe that a different format has replaced the old one. This is in an effort to clean up our act in this area also. Female Devil Dogs while I edit the Woof-

O-Gram will be known as just that, Female Dogs. All the other unsavory titles will not be used or tolerated for print while I publish. Though some may have their ideas why I may have that outlook, the only reason is first it is uncomplimentary of any member of this or any other Honor Society and for those that use those particular terms cause me to wonder if they really qualify to be a member of this or any other honor society.

Other facts about publishing and editing the Woof-O-Gram are:

- The cost of putting the Woor-O-Gram out in the mail has been cut. This due to the cost
 of supplies that include paper, copies, staples, labels has been reduced to just
 about zero.
- 2. Copies have been furnished by Mildred Applebaum and my wife Fran Williams at no cost to MODD.
- 3. They also have furnished paper for the copies. This may seem insignificant, but when you times 250×12 it equals about 3,000 sheets of paper.
- 4. The labels I have been making on the copy machine and then cutting and gluing a savings of \$6.00 a mailing.
- 5. The staples I furnish and plan to do so in the future.
- 6. The stamps are out only cost at the present time for publishing and editing.
- 7. We could go to bulk mail now that we have a mailing of 200 plus BUT I strongly recommend we continue the first class mailing. We would pay the highest bulk mail rate and speed is a problem with bulk mailings. I honestly feel we are putting out a fine newsletter and bulk mailing would detract from what we have accomplished.
- 8. You have noticed the comic strip Sr Chesty and I plan on continuing as long as I am Kennel Barking Dog. I only hope that the progress you and I have made together continues after we both leave office. For it to receed backwards now would be a crime.
- I believe that the Woof-O-Gram can stand improvement and polishing. I'm just now getting my feet wet, but for it to revert back to the past... I shudder at the thought.

Chief's Note: PDD George Williams is doing a wonderful job. He is always coming up with new thoughts and ideas and is always available to give input which I treasure. George has been under the weather and will not be able to make Mid-winter. He is confined to the house and will be out of work for some time to come. His address is above and perhaps some of the Dogs will send George a get well card and a few words on how you like his features. George also has the March Woof-O-Gram almost 80% completed. How about sending him some news from your area

Honorable Deputy Kennel Police Dog PDD Paul A. Waselewski 116 N. Linden Street Robsonia, PA. 19551 (215) 693-6221

Honorable Deputy Kennel Police Dog I have not heard from PDD Waselewski this year but am sure he is active in Pennsylvania Pack and his Pound.

Honorable Special Assistant to the Chief - East PDD Celestino Catuzza 51 Madison Avenue Lackawana, N.Y. 14218 (716) 823-0488

In response to my letter of 12/24/89, Chet reports that he has been active on a local area and that Pound 37-NY meetings 4 times a year and that the members are made up of Dogs from 5 Detachments in the western NY area. Growls are alternated to areas where detachments are located and at times Dogs travel 100+ miles to make a growl.

Chet noted an interesting fact. As he was looking over the Kennel roster he noticed that he was the second oldest dog there (membership time not age wise). His PDD#58-4, was given to me long after I became a dog. My original number was 121, seconded only to Jay Kacsan's #24.

To MODD members who were present at the Dallas Growl you will remember Chet got hurt due to horse play - immediately after the Supreme Growl he stayed in bed (Thursday till Sunday) and his back is still not 100% alright. This shows that we must be careful with physical acts as they can result in serious injuries.

Honorable Special Assistant to the Chief - West PDD Garv J. Kniss 10465 B.W. Cktdesdake Terrace Beaverton, Oregon 97005-8143 (503) 646-0372

Gary will not be a Mid-winter in Virginia, I did get to see and talk to him at the Quin Division Meeting. If all goes well he will be in Sacramento. He reports that the Pack of Oregon is attempting to get all renewals sent in along with new Pups dues. Also the Devil Dogs in the Northwest are tossing around the idea of chartering a bus for Dogs headed to Sacramento.

He noted that he likes what he sees and hears about MODD. He notes that he was at a League meeting and the Poundkeeper from a local Pound was handing out copies of the Woof-O-Gram.

Honorable Staff Artist & Illustrator PDD Michael P. Kneefe 4223 S. 170th Street Seattle, WA. 98188 (205) 244-6872

Michael keeps in touch with the Chief. I would like to tell you if you get a chance to call Michael when he is not home - his recording is just great and if I lived closer I would listen just to cheer up myself. Michael has designed three new bolo tie ideas and they are on file with the Quartermaster. Originally we did

not know we would be able to duplicate the string tie we had at the Supreme Growl. Mike has been working with the Northwest Devil Dogs and attends all functions and is available at any time. I met and talked with him at the Quin Division Meeting and he will be in Virginia at the Mid-Winter. At his own expense Michael put a full page ad in the Quin Division Journal for the Kennel - thanks Mike.

Honorable Northeast Kennel Aide PDD Robert S. Applebaum 1042 Garry Avenue Vineland, N.J. 08360 (609) 609-692-3121

Bob Applebaum has been very active in his territory. He has made Pack Growls of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He is doing his job and available to any State in his area if he is requested to be there. Bob will be at the Mid-Winter Staff Meeting/Growl in Virginia. As noted in George Williams report, his wife Mildred does much work for MODD in running off and assembling copies of the Woof O Gram.

Honorable New England Kennel Aide PDD Joseph J. Callahan, Sr. 304 Atlantic Avenue North Quincy, MA. 02171 (617) 328-9175

Joe has updated his listing of Pounds, Packs, etc. in his Division. He will be in Virginia and anxious to attend the Staff Growl and Business Growl on Friday 2/16/90. News from Massachusetts:

PDD Leo T. Fortier wishes to express his gratitude for the honor he received for his work and devotion to the MODD

Especially during our 50th Anniversary and being founded in Boston. it was a double honor, namely being recognized for his work and being a Massachusetts resident. I presented this plaque at ouf first Staff Meeting in September, and felt very proud to represent the Kennel at this special occasion.

Honorable Mideast Kennel Aide PDD Irene Smoke 6519 Delia Drive Alexandria, Va. 22310 (703) 971-5181 I don't have an official report, however, I hope to visit all of the Pounds and Packs within the Mideast. I received from Ken Farris a listing of all Pound Keepers and Pack Leaders within the Mideast and I want to contact them for information on their Growls, etc.

At the Department of Virginia's Staff meeting on 3 December 1989, the Pack Leader did not call for a Pack Growl. I have not been down to Quantico to talk to him, to find out why. There were only about 12 Dogs there. Chiefs note: I have talked to Irene on the phone and she is representing the MODD very well in her area. Irene will be at the Mid-Winter Staff Meeting.

Honorable Southeast Kennel Aide PDD James W. Spears 5410 NW 18th Place Lauderhill, FL. 33313

Kennel Aide

First allow me to pledge to the Kennel my support as the Kennel Division Aide. I consider this an honor an I love the honor of the Devil Dogs and will do all within my means to project the image of the Honor Society. I will not be at Mid-Winter due to my duties with Sheriff Department, but will be interested in the procedures of the Growl. The

Law Enforcement Detachment just the other day received its charter for a pound to be started. The Broward Detachment will be invited to join with us in the Law Enforcement Pound and I will make an effort to contact the Miami Detachment in hopes that they would consider starting a pound in that detachment or joining with us. I will keep Kennel advised. The Woof-O-Gram was excellent and I have received many outstanding comments from Devil Dogs in the area as to how much they have enjoyed the articles and news.

Honorable Central Kennel Aide PDD James A. Lahr RR-3 Lincoln, IL. 62656 (217) 735-2485 Jim has compiled a listing of Packs and Pounds in the Central Division. This was a lengthly job and very well documented. Jim has been on the phone many times with me and Ken Farris and is willing to do anything the Kennel asks him. At the Quin Division Meeting in Las Vegas last month, Jim Lahr said he will be seeking the office of Sr. Vice Kennel Chief in Sacramento.

Honorable Southern Kennel Aide PDD Sondra L. Metzger P.O. Box 2161 Oklahoma City, OK. 73101 (405) 732-2315

I had a nice long letter from Sondra Metzger. In this letter she stated she did not know exactly what her duties were as Southern Division Aide. She feels that there should be a guideline for this job. I agree with her and am going to ask our Barking Dog to prepare a

guideline for Aide and also other jobs within the Kennel so there will be a clear picture for Devil Dogs who accept the appointed jobs. I met several of Sondra's Dogs at the Quin Division and they say she is doing a great job. Sondra will not be at Mid-Winter but will be in Sacramento.

Honorable Southwest Kennel Aide PDD William F. King 501 Fortuna Avenue Modesto, CA. 95354 (209) 524-4238 Bill King gave an up-date on the Sacramento Convention as it relates to the Devil Dogs. He certainly has beeing working hard and has a handle on everything you can think of and we should give him a big thank you Bark for all his endeavors.

The Devil Dog House is all arranged for with locked keys, Ken Farris will have the Keys for the Dog House and since the Quartermaster will have a separate room for gear he will have the key for Quartermaster room. Concering the Thursday luncheon, I will arrange for the guest speaker. Cost of meal is \$15.00 per person. Pound #49 will take charge of selling tickets.

I have the Devil Dog Passport stamps ready and will use at Quinn Division . These stamps fit into the passport pages easily. The little Gold Minner is the central figure in everything for convention. To have your passport stamped it will cost one big bone (\$1.00) each thus we will be able to raise more money for the childrens ward in whatever city we are going to.

Bill King is in charge of the Devil Dog luncheon, also in having passport stamps made and the stamping of same. He will decide which hospital we will make our donation to and set up for press, etc. The Pound or Dept. of California (I'm not sure) is having a patch made for this Sacramento Convention. It will be sold by the local people and the funds are their funds as is done at each and every convention in the past. Bill has been working on this for two years and I am sure the Devil Dogs will be very happy with all the plans has made for the Kennel. If you have any questions for Bill his address and phone number appear at the start of his report.

Bill King said he will be seeking the office of Jr. Vice Kennel Chief at Sacramento.

Honorable Rocky Mountain Kennel Aide PDD Raymond Lozano 541 NW Sanchez Avenue Albuquerque, NM 87107 (505) 344-7079

Ray Lozano has been doing a super job. I have had many communications from him, by letter and in discussion at Quin Division Meeting in January. Ray will be at Mid-Winter in McLean, VA. in February.Ray reports that he attend an impromptu Pack of Colorado growl 20 October 1989. Had the pleasure of seeing Past Kennel Aide, PDD Jim Lugg who as always is a world of information about the Devil Dog

organization. Had dinner with Pack of Colorado Pak Leader, PDD Stan Cooper who along with Pack Dog Robber DD Dan Brown have now put in my hands the name of all Colorado Pounds, Pound Leaders and Pound Dog Robbers including addresses and telephone numbers as well as all officers of the CO Pack. Here in New Mexico although we only have one Pound Growl annually I have personally met with Pound Leader PDD Lou Schlueter and Pound Dog Robber DD Jim Festing, and many other of Devil Dogs throughout our state - DD Jearl Lindley, Pup Pete Jimenez and PDD Bob Dintelman to name a few. Dropped a welcoming letter to the Honorable Kennel Jr. Vice Chief Devil Dog Cliff Williams who recently moved into our neighboring state of Arizona.

Honorable Northeast Kennel Aide PDD Thomas W. Bates 16733 N. Burke Ave. Seattle, WA. 98133 (206) 542-4238 I have not had a reply to my letters to Tom. I do hope that he plans to be in Virginia and also Sacramento as he is my official bone watcher. PDD Kneefe brought me up to date on the Northeast at Las Vegas.

Honorable Midwest Kennel Aide PDD Johanna Glasrud 514 W. Hickory Street Stillwater, MN. 55082 (612) 439-2147 I spoke to Johanna at the Quin Division Meeting and she brought me up to date on her area. There not is too much happening at this time.

CHILDRENS HOSPITAL COMMITTEE
PCDD Gilbert Gray
PCDD Donald Frost
PDD Joseph Mammone

I have heard that PCDD Gray is getting better all the time. He will handle the donation, etc. in Saczamento meanwhile there is nothing he can do. PCDD Frost I understand is not well and we hope he gets better soon. PDD Joe Mammone is sunning himself in Florida.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Pdd, Lamar Golden, PCDD Ken Farris, PDD Clifton Williams, PCDD Paul Sutton, PDD Michael Kneefe, PDD Robert Applebaum, PDD Michael Macera, PDD George Williams, PDD Jack Nash.

In Las Vegas PDD Lamar Golden, Clifton Williams, PDD Michael Kneefe, PDD Robert Applebaum, PDD Jack Nash - met for 4 hours with the Chief and accomplished a great deal. In Virginia we will have a meeting with PDD Golden, PDD Kneefe, PDD Applebaum, PDD Nash and the Chief and try to finalize many subjects.

PCDD Banks, English, Gallagher, Kacsan, and Sutton have all been in contact with the Chief during the last 6 months.

It should be noted that PCDD Edwin Gallagher had 50th Anniversary Dog Tags made up for the Devil Dogs who did not receive them at Dallas. They will be either distributed at Mid-Winter or mailed when I return home.

Note from the Chief:

I would suggest all Smart Dogs be sure they have a copy of the By-Laws and study them and if in doubt call the Kennel Smart Dog. Many Dogs have asked me if they can go up a degree at Mid-Winter Business Growl. The Kennel only has one Supreme Growl a year and that is at the National Convention. It also should be noted that you must have your DD Red Ribbon for one year prior to advancing.

In Sacramento please tell your Pounds and Packs if they have a Dog that is advancing a degree that their papers for advancement must be in the hands of our Kennel Dog Robber Kenneth Farris no later than July 1, 1990. If you think you are going to Sacramento - file your papers and if you can't be there we will pull the application - but if you wait until August and appear and want to go through you will not be able to. This has been printed in all Woof-O-Grams and has been specifically told to your Aides who in turn will tell you. This is necessary because of what happened last year when two Dogs advanced illegally. It also is necessary because of the time limit - the Mad Dog must have these papers checked out by Kennel Dog Robber - also it gives us time to plan for initiation. Please spread the work now so we will not have to tell Dogs it is too late and they tell us they didn't know. Also, be sure to have all applications signed in proper places and have witnesses sign so the Kennel Dog Robber will not have to send back, etc.

You will note from this report that almost 100% of the Devil Dogs who are elected or appointed officers have input. This is good news for the Kennel it shows each and every one is trying to do a good job. As we go forth we will get better. I average 20 to 40 letters at least a month. I try to answer them all. I do spend at least 15-20 hours a week on the Devil Dogs and this is a necessity for the Chief to do. Ken Farris does an excellent job and is busy all the time, a Chief should take the burden off Ken where possible. Write his own letters and copy to Kennel.

Because of the knit pickers out there, very few, some of them will only get out of this report that perhaps I spelled a word or didn't have my margins right - but I say to you this is done in haste because of some of the late reports coming in and I have not proof read this - so please do not call to tell me about any errors - hopefully they will be few and you will get the drift.

I am very pleased with the Devil Dogs and the professional way most of them are handling the changes. We want to make our organization the best that it can be, and I feel we are on the right track. Almost all Devil Dogs in the Kennel support the changes we have made and can understand it is necessary for the good of the order.

Keep the cards and letters, plus phone calls coming in - I expect to remain an active Chief until I go out of office in August. Even after that I expect to still have input and be available for the next Chief to answer questions or help out in any way.

See you at Mid-Winter or if not - in Sacramento. Everyone I have talked to is going to Sacramento and I hope it is the largest Convention, largest Grand Growl ever. With the plans in place(per Bill King) we can't miss.

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Mae Krauss Chief Devil Dog