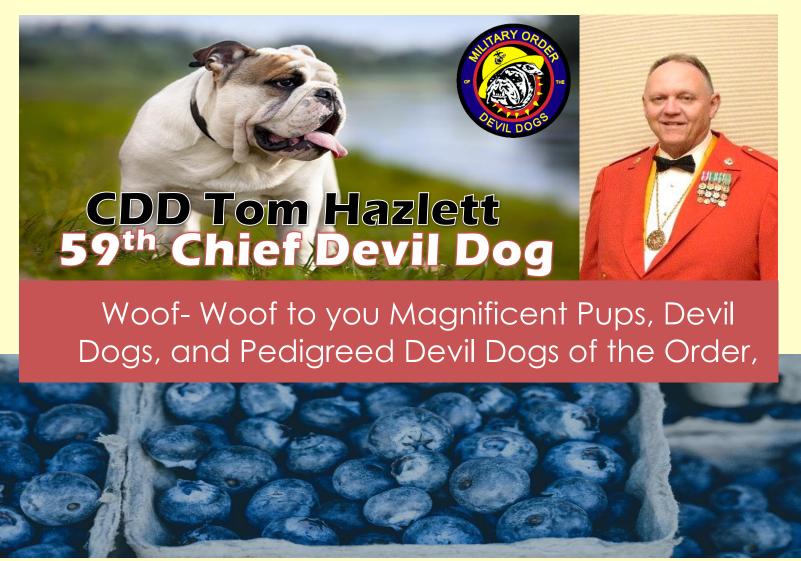
# Kennel Woof-O-Gram SPRING 2021





I smell Spring in the air and it sure smells good! It also indicates that it is time for some of you Worthy Pack Leaders and Sir Pound Keepers to get out from under your COVID reasons for not doing anything for the past year and a half and start getting busy! I know there are some of you out there that have continued to march since the outbreak in March of 2020, but there are some of you that have done absolutely nothing! With the popularity of programs like Free ZOOM and FREE CONFERENCE CALL....did you notice the word "Free"? There is absolutely no reason not to have maintained communication between you and your Membership. There is also that amazing invention called a telephone which actually allows you to put in a few numbers and like magic...it allows you to speak to a human...might even be one of your Dogs!

Okay, I will come right to the point, our communication abilities STINK!

I have spoken with so many members around the Order that are clueless as far as events going on. I asked back in March of 2020 to PLEASE stay in touch with your members, PLEASE check up on one-another, PLEASE make sure your members are in good health and not in trouble. What do I get back...for the most part...NOTHING. I constantly hear that I have not had any contact from my Pound Keeper, or that we have not had a Growl for over a year. Believe me, it shows!

When I noticed in the Honorable Dog Robber's report that over half the Pounds in the Order failed to contribute any Passport Fees, that to me meant you were not having Growls. I will accept COVID being the reason since March of 2020 but, some of you did not submit any for 8 months prior to March of 2020. That tells me that Charters need to be pulled because you are only there by Name, but not doing anything.



I perfectly understand the strain that COVID has put on many of us. I perfectly understand how you do not wish to be around others outside of your homes. But failure to communicate and check up on each other is not perfectly understood; it is NOT Marine-like. We are known to take care of one another; Remember the statement, "No Marine Left Behind'? That is because we do take care of one another. I've reached out to the Division Vice Chiefs and asked them to pass the word down through the Packs to the Pounds to PLEASE communicate with one another. Please make sure your members are staying well and not having problems that someone might be able to assist them with. Instead, I find out that just the opposite is occurring, it seems some are not getting the word, it seems there are many members of our Order that have had the COVID Virus and not one single Dog in their Pack or Pound knew of it. Dogs have been in hospitals for weeks without a Get-Well Card, no phone call, no communication at all. This is not the MODD I think it is, not the MCL that I think it is, nor is it the Marine Corps that I think it is.

#### COME ON Marines, Corpsmen and if any Chaplains, get off your haunches and get back into the game.

I have held many On-Line meetings, we have had one Gathering of the Dogs, which was last October in Ocean City, MD. and a Hundred Dogs were there. We are getting ready to have our second Gathering in Greenville, SC where I expect almost 200 Dogs to be there. Unfortunately, some of our membership will have no clue at all that either will have already taken place or will take place...why? Because we are not passing the word!

I know that most of you Dogs are outstanding and that you go out of your way to help, but I feel I have let you down when I hear that you are not getting the word. I hope you are all aware that only those who have registered your name, Dog Tag Number, and E-mail address will get this WOG and that as of now, only  $1/4^{th}$  of our Order will be able to read the WOG. Why just  $1/4^{th}$ ? Because either the individual Dog refuses to register his or her name online through our website, or that they did not get the word. My bet would be that most still do not know of the request that every Dog register his or her name so that all can receive the WOG and updates on what is going on within the Order.





Now that Spring is in the air, I hope your Packs and Pounds will start getting together either in Growl assembly or using on-line programs or just the telephone. I hope to see many of you in Greenville, SC for the  $2^{nd}$  Gathering of the Dogs or through some of the Division and Department meetings that I have planned on attending. Come on, we have used COVID for much too long as an excuse for not having Growls. Remember, If you Keep it Fun, They Will Come!

Semper Woof Tom 59<sup>th</sup> CDD



### Remembering a Friend, A Great Marine, a Past Chief Devil Dog

One of the worse emails I've ever sent began "...It is with great sorrow that I advise my brother & sister Dogs that the 47th Chief Devil Dog Lamar Golden, PDD77-110 (Pound 19) ascended to the Supreme Kennel on Friday, 22 January 2021..."

He was also National Commandant from 1991 to 1993 and a retired Gunnery Sergeant of Marines. Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Evelyn Golden 1540 North 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19121 - 3706. The family anticipates a memorial service once the COVID restrictions have been lifted, either this fall or in early 2022, maybe at the Chapel of Fours Chaplains in Philadelphia, PA.

Over the next few weeks, the email in-box "blew up", as brother & sister Dogs and Marines reacted.

You only had to be in Lamar's presence once to recognize that you were in the company of someone unique, someone that genuinely cared, someone that had "walked the walk". But he never "talked the talk" because he was the "real deal" and you were simply better for having spent some time with him.

Lamar was born in southern Alabama in 1935. His mother died when he was three. Needing work and a better life for his son, Lamar's Dad took them both to Philadelphia, PA where it was rumored that, as the country was edging its way out of the Great Depression, there was decent, well-paying work to be had with the many large manufacturing companies in the city at the time. Lamar said that Daddy "did alright". I never knew Lamar's father's name because Lamar always referred to him simply as Daddy.

Growing up in West Philadelphia, Lamar did (his words) "typical boy stuff" and attended church. He attended church because Daddy did and because, as he attained his early teens, Lamar met and was mentored by many World War II Marine Corps Veterans, who were also "Montford Point Marines" and who were also very much involved with the church. At the time, and up through the late 1990s, there was an extremely active Chapter of the "Montford Point Marines" in Philadelphia. Those folks were welcoming to any Marine and especially to any friend of Lamar's; even though he could not be a "regular" member.

Lamar joined the Corps right out of high school in June 1953. It was to be his "home away from home" for the next 21 years.

Lamar and I met the day I left the Corps (29 May 1969). I had to accept a hardship discharge because of a serious family situation, after 8½ years in our Corps. I was in the First Sergeant's office, when Lamar - then a Staff Sergeant - came in. He and the First Sergeant were old friends - and while I was in the Colonel's office accepting my honorable discharge - they talked about my situation. When I came back out, Lamar took me aside and said that he was aware of my circumstances.



He put his arm around me and said, "I'll pray for you". I knew then that - regardless of rank or skin tone, I had a friend.

After a year of being really angry and drinking to excess, I joined the League here in NJ. I learned later that Lamar got involved in the League in PA during his last two years in the Corps before retiring and going to work for the USPS, from which he also retired. In about 1975, I started running into him at League and Chapel of Four Chaplains events.

A couple of years later he was the PA Dept. Commandant, and the rest is League and Devil Dog history. He served as National Commandant from 1991 – 1993 and as the 47<sup>th</sup> Chief Devil Dog from 1998 – 2000.

He is the last of three individuals to have been both National Commandant and as Chief Devil Dog in the history of the League and the Order.

At the 1982 Supreme Growl in Dearborn, MI, PDD Golden was heavily fined for falsely proclaiming that the Order's Charter was not present. Upon being shown the Charter in its rightful place and being advised to wear his spectacles, he was relieved of some **MAJOR BIG BONES** and directed to take his seat.

At the 1983 Supreme Growl – in my role as the then-Chief Devil Dog - PDD Golden protested the reference in the 1982 Supreme Growl "Scratchings" relative to his not recognizing the Order's Charter the previous year. I asked if he wished to hear the tape of that Growl, PDD Golden meekly said "NO", which cost him more BIG BONES. The next thing I knew, I hear PDD Frost (later the 40<sup>th</sup> Chief Devil Dog) in that stentorian voice of his (had he been on the drill field, you could have heard him at the front gate, that's how loud he was) say, "...we have two PDDs impersonating an Oreo cookie..." I look down and here comes PDD Golden and PDD Don Gast from NJ handcuffed together which was never satisfactorily explained (they spent the remainder of the Supreme Growl "as one"). I made a command decision to accept this "deformity" and fined them both copiously. They actually proposed two motions on the floor about routine Kennel business which – to my amazement – were approved.

He would always greet me as if I had known him forever and that he was my friend. Later, in the late 1990s, I was privileged to attend his ordination as a minister. He lost his first wife - Marie - (my wife and I were there - in the hospital when she passed) and we grieved together. The only "bad habit" Lamar had was those overly long, "stinky" cigars! Man, did those things clear a room!

Then - through the church - he met Evelyn and we were fortunate to be able to attend their marriage at the Chapel of Four Chaplains in Philly. Over the past few years, our time together became less; but, when Lamar was diagnosed with prostate cancer in about 2010, I made a special effort to go up to Philly to see him. Then, the mild dementia set in a couple of years ago. Yet, he always knew who I was and somewhat recalled our past adventures and Marines we had both known. The cancer metastasized and he went into hospice; and, nine days later he was gone forever. Nonetheless, he will always be in my thoughts and I like to think that - even though the world as he knew it - was slipping away; I was a constant presence and I think we both can be at peace with that. He was a dear friend, a brother Marine and Devil Dog - I think that is the tie that binds. I look forward to the day we can be together in the Hereafter telling stories and always laughing.

One of the things Lamar said – when the occasion called for it was, "..I have been greatly affected by the forces of love, hate, prejudice, death, life, destruction, reconstruction, treachery, bravery, comradeship, kindness, and by the unseen Powers of God..." This then, is the story, the stuff of the soul – in a nutshell – of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, the Marine Corps League – and Lamar.

While he occasionally had his critics, Lamar would address the issue; but he felt that if you called out individuals or groups publicly, they would be likely to be vengeful or not cooperate "for the greater good". He worked to always bring Marines and Dogs together for a common purpose and believed that personal confrontation wasn't the way to succeed "for the greater good".

Evelyn has asked that any donations - in memory of Lamar — be made to The Chapel of Four Chaplains. Lamar was a long-time Board Member of the Chapel and a Chapel Bronze Medallion Award recipient from many, many years ago. If any member of the Order and/or the Marine Corps League is desirous of contributing in Lamar's memory, the checks made be payable to: **The Chapel of Four Chaplains, 1201 Constitution Avenue, The Navy Yard - Building 649, Philadelphia. Pennsylvania 19112; Attention: Bill Kaemmer, Executive Director**.

That's my tribute to a good, faithful, dear old friend and brother Marine who lifted me up at an incredibly low point in my life!! My brother lived a good life, was kind to everyone - took everyone at face value - and will be greatly missed by this Ol' Dog.

PDD 74-115 Paul Sutton, 37th Chief Devil Dog



Here we are with what would have been a Woof-O-Gram full of photos, stories and comments on what is normally a very engaging and entertaining Kennel Growl at Mid-Winter. Unfortunately, we have none of that to peruse in the wake of the cancellation of the "in-person" conference due to COVID restrictions in Virginia this year. What we do have, as we round out the year since the 2020 Mid-Winter, is evidence that Devil Dogs continue the tradition of adapting to, and overcoming, difficult obstacles with determination and humor. In response to current restrictions, we saw the National Commandant and staff quickly implement a productive virtual Mid-Winter Conference. All paws can still see it on the national website, www.mcleaguelibrary.org/conference, and Facebook page, www.facebook.com/mclnational.

Similarly, 59<sup>th</sup> CDD Tom Hazlett recognized an opportunity howling to be taken advantage of and quickly set up online meetings with Kennel Staff, who together decided to set up a 2<sup>nd</sup> Gathering of the Dogs. As I write this, the Gathering is scheduled for less than a month away in Greenville, SC and promises to be another great time to include a Kennel Growl open to all Pups, Devil Dogs and Pedigreed Devil Dogs.

If you have this in your paws and are reading about The Gathering for the 1st time, you might want to go to <a href="https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org">https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org</a>, scroll down the page and enter your information to be included in the information loop for future barks and WOG's which will then come directly to you with all the news fit to chew on.



In last year's Spring WOG, I urged Dogs to push the envelope and find virtual ways to stay in touch with Pound and Pack members and keep things rolling despite lockdowns, social distancing, etc. Tools such as <a href="https://zoom.us">https://zoom.us</a> and <a href="https://zoom.us">www.freeconferencecall.com</a> have enabled Kennel staff to plan and organize two Gathering of the Dogs over the last year. These resources also provided the flexibility needed to keep the MODD moving forward. Utilizing these and similar tools, the Chief was able to stand up Hawaii Pound #393, first ever Pound in Hawaii, congrats Dogs; MO Pack advanced two Pups to Devil Dog, CariAnne Behr, whose paws were there in dog and on deck, and Rachel Sanning, who joined in online from her workplace at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany (Woof, Woof Devil Dogs!).

Additionally, the Kennel Facebook page, <a href="www.facebook.com/kennel.modd">www.facebook.com/kennel.modd</a>, as well as the Facebook pages of many Packs and Pounds around the country, have been used to check on the health and welfare of members, keep Dogs in touch with each other, hold Growls, provide platforms for training, informational and entertaining videos and other beneficial uses.

With these tools in mind, and considering that even for those Pounds and Packs who are once again meeting in person, we still have and always will have Dogs who for various reasons both COVID and non-COVID related are unable to join us in person. Therefore, I again urge you to investigate how you might incorporate these tools to include these Dogs in your Growls and other activities. Perhaps you will find other examples within these pages of how others have taken advantage of non-traditional tools to keep Dogs involved and stay in touch. Keep up the good work!

I look forward to seeing many of you in Greenville in a couple of weeks. For the rest of you Dogs, as of today the Supreme Growl is still on track for August in Springfield, IL. If you are a DD looking to advance in Springfield, be sure to connect with your Pound Dog Robber and take care of your advancement paperwork so it can be in the Kennel Dog Robber's paws well before the end of June. Remember, there is NO PENALTY if you submit it and aren't able to make it to Springfield. The Kennel Operations Dog, PDD Lynn Sabel, and his deputies will simply see that the advancement form is properly round filed.

Finally, barking about Dog Robbers, if you have a deserving, hardworking Pound or Pack Dog Robber who has served in that position for at least three years, go to the Events tab on <a href="https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org">https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org</a>, and on pages 69 and 70 of the By-Laws you'll find nomination information for both **The PCDD John Zak Award,** recognizing the outstanding Pound Dog Robber of the Year, and **The PCDD Kenneth E. Farris Award** recognizing the outstanding Pack Dog Robber of the Year. I look forward to seeing your nomination letters this August!

Now Dogs, till Greenville, SC or Springfield, IL WOOF-WOOF!

#### **SEMPER LATRATUS!**

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Military Order of the Devil Dogs

PDD J.D. Jones 09-019

**Junior Vice Chief Devil Dog** 

Woof-Woof Devil Dogs,



The Crazy calendar year of 2020 is finally over. I trust that you are now beginning to live again. I hope that you have resumed your MCL meetings and are meeting in Growl Assembled. We cannot continue to live under a rock. I realize that some states are more restrictive than others, but we cannot just roll over and let them control us. We must continue to LIVE. When there is a Will - there is a Way.

Please go to <a href="www.militaryorderofthedevildogs.org">www.militaryorderofthedevildogs.org</a> and register your information. We only are asking your "Email address, Name, Phone # & Dog Tag #" This information will be for the M.O.D.D. use only. Your information will not be shared with any outside organizations. All info from the Kennel will be disseminated via email, as well as all future Woof-O-Grams. If you have Dogs in your Pounds and Packs that do not have internet capabilities, you will need to make them a hard copy of these publications.

Operation Cow Hound is continuing to grow around the Kennel. I continue to hear about Pounds and Packs starting to be involved with this program. Here in NC one of our Dogs, PDD AL Pisquale has made contact with a local pet store and they have donated over 1500 lbs. of Dog Food to us over the last 2 months. Pet Mania, <a href="https://www.petmanianc.com">www.petmanianc.com</a> has committed to giving us a sizeable donation every quarter.

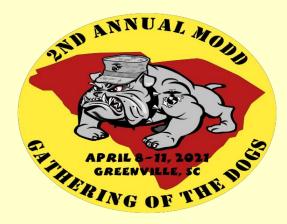
If you happen to be driving to the  $2^{nd}$  Gathering of the Dogs, Please Bring some Dog or Cat food with you. We will be making a Donation to the local A.S.P.C.A. on Saturday.



Please keep checking on the Dogs in your Pound and Pack. If any need help and you do not have the means to provide, please reach out. We are a family, no one needs to be alone or doing without.

Please stay safe out there and look forward to seeing you in Greenville, SC for the Second Gathering of the Dogs. August in Springfield, Illinois I plan on Running for a second term as your Honorable Junior Vice Chief Devil Dog and I would appreciate your support. I look forward to seeing you in Growl assembled.

It's Honor & a Privilege to be a Devil Dog.



Semper Fi,

PDD J.D. Jones 09-019









#### **Kennel Aide-de-Kamp**



#### **PDD Mike Francis**

#### WOOF-WOOF,

Greetings to the Denizens of Dogdom! Things are slowly turning around across the Country. Spring is in the air and restrictions are starting to ease up. Pounds and Packs are beginning to hold Growls again. Some, for the first time in over a year. Unfortunately, the MCL National Mid-Winter Conference and Kennel Mini-Growl had to be canceled in February. The Chief immediately took action and began planning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Gathering of the Dogs. Hopefully you are reading this as you pack your bags. It is scheduled for 8-11 April, in Greenville, South Carolina. The Kennel Staff has been working tirelessly to iron out all of the details and it is shaping up to be one Howling Good Time! Stand by for lots of pictures if you are unable to attend and a pile of Big Bones for the annual Children's Hospital donation. Dogs from all around the Kennel are already planning to be there. We even have DD Scott Bryan, from the "Tunnel Rats" Pound 393, flying in from Hawaii to attend. The Chief has invited Madame Big Flea and all of her "Pests" to join in on the fun this year. The South Carolina Dogs are panting.

In December, my Flea and I pitched in to finish off our Detachment Toys-for-Tots program. Almost 3000 children in four counties this year. Although we were limited by restrictions, the Marines accomplished our Mission. We finished off 2020 by celebrating Christmas and New Years with Karen's family.

January was much slower than normal. The Missouri Pack Growl attendance was a lot smaller. Although seven out of ten Pack Officers were unable to attend, we did Initiate three Pups and Obligate them as DDs. It was a pleasure to do this for the Honorable SVCDD PDD Alan Sanning's daughter, via video from Germany. Congratulations to DDs Julio Cruz, Carianne Behr and Rachel Sanning. It was motivating to attend the very first Growl of the "Tunnel Rats" Pound 393, in Hawaii, via video. An Honor to Initiate Mongrel Betty Kramer and Obligate her as a Pup. Welcome to our Order, Master Guns! Great to be a Charter Member of this Pound. The SEMO Devil Dogs, Pound 330, held our first Growl of the year in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. It was the first time we played "Bombardier" and all the Dogs were barking.





Proud to be Sir Pound Keeper. Unfortunately, we lost one of our newer members. Pup Neil Dougan passed away on the 25<sup>th</sup>. He was a Vietnam Veteran and will be missed. Fair Winds and Following Seas, Marine.

We had bitter cold and a major snowstorm in February, but our Pound still got together for an afternoon of comradery. We invited the Fleas to join us at our local Humane Society. Everyone brought items to donate and we had a total of 22 Dogs & Fleas present. Because of current restrictions, the event was held outside in the snow and ice. Big Barks to all who braved the 16-degree weather and stiff wind. Afterwards we all gathered for chow at the Marine Barracks. A group picture of us and the donation was printed in the local newspaper. On the 20th, I traveled to Wentzville, Missouri to attend a Growl with the "St. Charles County Dogs" of Pound 086. It was fun to fill in for the Pound Mad Dog and assist with the Initiation of two Mongrels. The Midwest DVCDD PDD Chuck Covert Obligated the new Pups. Welcome Aboard to Pups Matt "Too Short" White and Ryan "Cowboy" Petras. The last day of the month I was in Marietta, Ohio for an awards ceremony. Several Dogs from "Pioneer Pound" 373 received recognition. DD Joe Matthews received the Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award. PDD Dave Smith, DD Roy Trembly and myself received our Commission as Kentucky Colonels. WOOF WOOF!

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March I traveled to Arnold, Missouri to a Growl with the "Show Me" Pound 66. Mongrel Jamie Quistgaard was Initiated and Obligated as a new Pup. His singing and dancing skills need some work.... The Honorable 58<sup>th</sup> PCDD Leonard Spicer, DVCDD PDD Chuck Covert and I, headed to Kansas on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. We attend a Growl with the "Lenexa" Pound 378. This was the first Growl that they had been able to hold in a year. The trip was well worth the drive as we were able to assist with the Obligation of DD Max Deweese to PDD. This Marine will be 100 years old on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March. He is a Veteran of WW II and Korea. PDD Deweese is a piece of living history and it was awesome to hear him speak about landing on Guadalcanal. Big Barks to PDD Joe Hughes for the Dunkin Donuts Coffee!

I received some sad news yesterday. PDD Tom Lytle passed away on the 9<sup>th</sup>. He was a Marine's Marine and served during WW II and Korea. Tom was one of the first Marines I met when I joined the MCL. It was a hard sell to convince him to join the MODD, but I finally wore him down. He brought me into the Masonic Lodge and was a true Brother. His 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday was just last month on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February. Headed to West Virginia on Friday for his funeral. I will never forget you, Brother. The world has lost a good Man.

Semper Woofing,

PDD Mike Francis Aide-de-Kamp 304-991-0427

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13 FEB 2021 - On a cold, blustery Saturday, Marines from the Military Order of the Devil Dogs and the MODD Fleas donated supplies to the Humane Society in Cape Girardeau. SEMO Devil Dogs Pound 330 Missouri Pack.







19 JAN 2021 - Recognizing our Past Pound Keeper DD Matt Anders Military Order of the Devil Dogs SEMO Devil Dogs Pound 330 Missouri Pack Cape Girardeau.



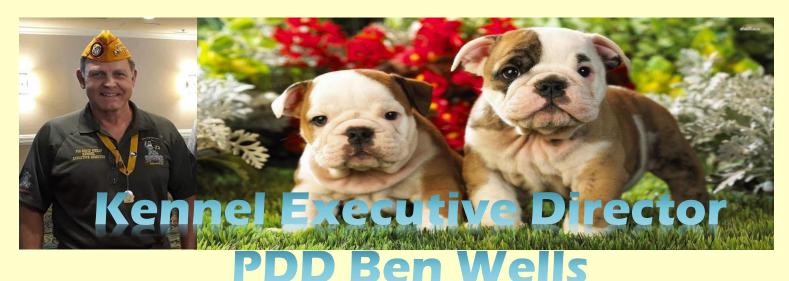
2 MAR 2021 - New Pup Jamie Quistgaard Pound Growl in Arnold, MO. Military Order of the Devil Dogs "Show Me" Pound 66 Missouri Pack.



16 JAN 2021 - The Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Pack Growl, took place in Jefferson City, Missouri. We had 17 Dogs on Deck and one joined us from Germany via the internet. We Initiated and Obligated 3 Pups into the Degree of Devil Dog. Congratulations: DD Julio Cruz - Pound 66 DD Carianne Behr - Pound 77 DD Rachel Sanning - Pound 77 (Currently working in Germany). We were able to raise 304 Big Bones for the Children's Hospital.



6 MAR 2021 - Made it to Kansas! Military Order of the Devil Dogs. "Lenexa" Pound 378 Kansas Pack. Congratulations to the new PDD Max Deweese. Marine Deweese is a WW II & Korea Veteran.



Woof-Woof,

I was hoping to see everyone at Mid-Winter but this was canceled as you know by now. No worries, we will just have a gathering instead. No one will keep the Dogs down, see you is Greenville, South Carolina for the "Gathering" April 8<sup>th</sup> thru the 10<sup>th</sup>.

Everything on my end is going pretty well, the books are in order and we will have enough Bones to give to the Children at the Supreme Growl in Springfield this year. I hope everyone is planning to be there.

Our new website is looking good except for the Packs and Pound information that was asked for. Please read the Kennel Webmasters report and get him the information he needs to complete the site.

Semper Fi, PDD Ben Wells - Executive Director



Woof-Woof Dogs!

#### PDD Tom Bates

Wow! In the last Woof-O-Gram, I asked you to continue to post pictures and stories from your Growls, your community events, etc. to the Kennel Facebook page...

And you did! It is great seeing all of you, having fun and helping your local animal shelters with food, toys, cleaning supplies, etc. Keep them coming!

Share your ideas on ways we can creatively help, and especially build up the Bones for the Children's Hospital...

And as I said before, please share the links to your own Facebook pages for your Pounds and Packs.

We ARE the Fun and Honor Society!

Semper Woofing,







Northwest Division areas are just opening to between 50 percent and more beginning March 22, 2021.

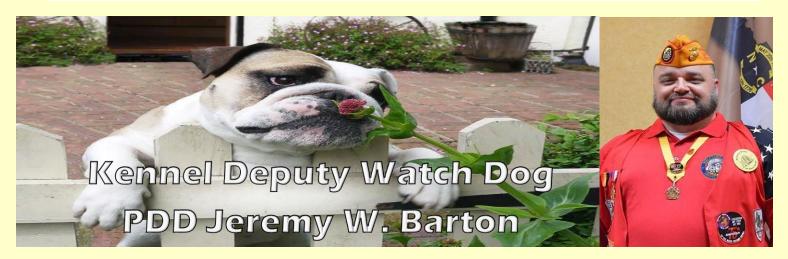
This will make it much easier for Growls to occur.

We have Grand Growls scheduled in Idaho the weekend of May 21-23, 2021--Washington weekend of June 3-6, 2021--Montana June 12, 2023. Oregon has not set up there dates yet.

Semper Roofing,

PDD Bonnie Holden

**NWDVCDD** 



Woof-Woof fellow Devil Dogs,

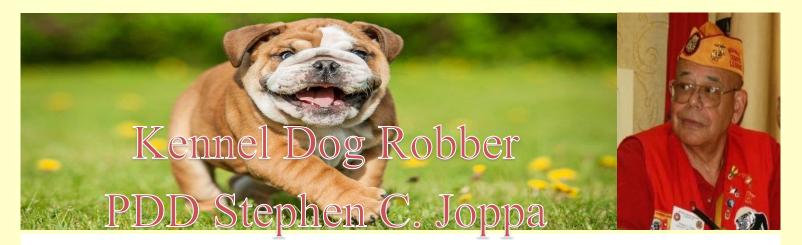
I had the chance to witness a Pound renaming ceremony in Tennessee. They made the Dogs from North Carolina feel right at home. We need to do a better job at getting the information from the Kennel out to the Pounds and Packs. In the Winter WOG, I submitted my letter of intent to run for Honorable Kennel Dog Trainer, I hope to see everyone in Springfield. GEAUX TIGERS!

PDD Jeremy W. Barton 12-344

Blue Ridge Pound 319

North Carolina Pack

Mideast Division



It is that time of year again when anyone wishing to advance to PDD at the Supreme Growl in IL needs to get their request to me. They must be in my hands prior to **July 1**. If the Advancement papers are not in on time you may be denied the opportunity to go through initiation and be obligated as a PDD. Please remember that the **Pack Dog Robber** must sign the request for advancement and that a copy should be kept by the Pack, Pound and by the individual Dog. Please bring your copy of the request with you as insurance against anything going wrong.

#### Please remember that the By-Laws have changed. You must be in attendance by 5:00 PM on Monday.

Passport funds continue to arrive with many more Pounds contributing. However, there are still way too many Pounds and Packs that have not sent in their Bones. Pounds and Packs are required by the By-Laws to hold at least 4 Growls per year. If you are holding the required Growls, then the fee for stamping the passports should be sent in. The Children's ospital in Springfield will be very grateful for your contribution.

I continue to receive Installation Reports with dates other than Sept through Nov. The bylaws state that Pound elections are to be held within that time period. **We are not the same as the League.** 

All Packs and Pounds should be incorporated in order to protect themselves and to allow them to legally collect donations. Each should also have a EIN number from the IRS and be filing 990 forms annually. Send the information to the Kennel Dog Robber. If you do not file your taxes the IRS will revoke your tax-exempt status. Trust me, you do not want to go through the hassle of all the paperwork and time to get re-established as a tax-exempt organization. There is a new version of the Installation Report on the Kennel web site Please use them.

We will no longer keep or send out hard copy forms. The only ones that will be available will be on the website. Use those forms.

Many members have still not renewed their membership for 2021. **Dog Robbers: Please follow up on this and get them paid!** 

Three major awards are presented at the Supreme Growl: Kennel Dog of the Year, Kennel Pound Dog Robber of the Year and Kennel Pack Dog Robber of the Year. Nominations have been pitiful! If you have a Dog that you think is worthy of this Honor, please take the time to make the submission. Follow instructions in the By-Laws and get them to me prior to July 20.

Up to date manuals and forms are available on the website. Please make sure you are using current versions of the By-Laws, Dog Robber manual and forms.



Dogbone Dateline: Norfolk, Virginia 3/11/2021 06:30 AM

Woof Bark to all of our very resourceful members of the Oder from the 51st Chief Devil Dog.

Just like you all, I am slobbering in contemplation of another Gathering (In South Carolina) due to the pandemic preventing you all from visiting my back yard.

Have we followed up and checked on our members we have not seen in over three months. Three months is too long to miss a Pound Growl, so we need to make sure our brothers are OK. Many places are relaxing restrictions, so I hope this is a sign of things to come and we can all run around together barking and slobbering like normal again.



#### Donald R. "Don" Garland

A big wagging tail to our Chief Devil Dog for maintaining his focus and keeping the Kennel up-to-date, and let's not forget his Aid, PDD Francis who is one of the most traveled Dogs I know in the Kennel, although every time we have a video meeting it looks like our Mid-East Division Vice Chief Devil Dog Craig Reeling is always driving somewhere. That is good news because that means, our leaders are working overtime to ensure our Order continues to be a Leader among the Veteran Service Organizations.

There are a lot of great things happening around the Kennel, even with all the challenges and restrictions, so let us all recommit ourselves to do a little better at attending Growls and events, and getting involved in our communities again. There should be no shortage of ideas on what we can do, and certainly everything that is legal and doable should be considered. If you attend the Gathering in South Carolina, you will receive an explanation on what we mean by legal. This small word is very important to who we are and what we do, as we stated in our Oaths, we will never to anything that will bring discredit to our Order.

We have yet another year ahead of us to bring in new members and improve our Pounds, Packs, and Divisions. A wise old Dog once said to me, if you think there needs to be changes to any aspect of what your local Pound or Pack is doing, you need to become a partner for Change by stepping up. Don't just complain because you do not like something, offer a solution, step up to see to it that a solution is implemented, and raise your noggin knowing you were the change master!

Let's bark about all the good things your local Pound and Pack are doing and recognize ALL of the Dogs working to keep the Pound viable, and in turn making it successful.

Hope to see you in South Carolina!.....
Woof Bark, the 51st CDD







#### Kennel Smart Dog PDD Evie Remines

Woof! Woof!

With COVID vaccines being distributed, we may see a light at the end of this tunnel at some point. It has now been a year dealing with this and even though I know it is important, I will be so happy to not have to wear a mask and keep away from people!!

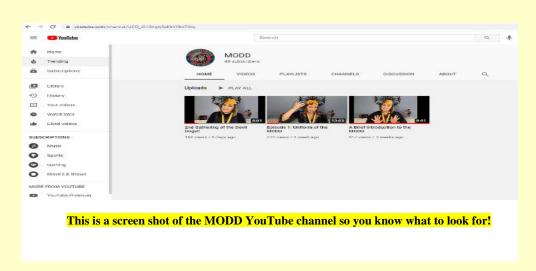
Kennel By-Law change submissions are no longer being accepted. Changes that were submitted last year, as well as this year are included in this issue of the WOG. (very bottom). Be sure to review them and make sure you share them at Pound and Pack Growls. There are eleven of them to go over at the Supreme Growl in Springfield, so the more familiar everyone is of them, the quicker we will get through them! There is absolutely **NO REASON** for anyone to come to the Supreme Growl without reviewing the By-Law change submissions!! They are printed here, posted on the MODD Website, and given to you when checking into the Dog House prior to the Supreme Growl!! I can take questions ahead of the Supreme Growl to go over while we are reading the proposals during the Growl as well. Let's be prepared this time!!! I know this is not the most fun thing to do at a Supreme Growl, but it is important and being ready will make it an easier experience!

I have started a YouTube channel with short (15-ish minute) videos on different MODD topics. This will also be a place where we can make announcements. I post these videos on Facebook and they are shared among various Dogs within the Order. If you have a topic you would like me to cover, please let me know. There will be one or two videos reviewing the By-Law change submissions in the next couple of months. Link to the MODD YouTube is: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD\_JS18Kgly8zKkVI0st7Wg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD\_JS18Kgly8zKkVI0st7Wg</a> I have three videos posted so far, but try to get a new one done about every two weeks.

I won't talk about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Gathering of the Dogs, as I'm sure it will be discussed in other reports. I will just say that I look forward to going and seeing everyone there!

Respectively yours, PDD Evie Remines Kennel Smart Dog

mclchick@hotmail.com 62 Craigtown Road Port Deposit, MD 21904





Spring is coming, I not too sure of that! Not here in New England. I am wearing woolen mittens and winter caps inside my Doghouse. I hope all New England Dogs and their families are staying safe and healthy. We almost reached 100% compliance with our paperwork. Maybe this year we may reach 100%. This means all Pounds & Packs do their 990's, Officers Installation Reports and State Incorporation Reports. Please send a copy to me.

The New England States are opening a little, Growls are being scheduled. New England Division is hoping to schedule the Division Conference first week in June with the MA Department Convention.

April 8-11 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> Gathering of the Dogs in SC. Go to website For More Information <u>Events | Military Order</u> of the Devil Dogs Last years was great, this year should be even better! Hope to see you there.

New email address to reach me- VCDDCharie@gmail.com

Woof -Woof,

PDD Cherie Monnell

New England Division Vice Chief Devil Dog







#### Kennel Charity Dog PDD Barbara Vanner

**Hello Fellow Dogs!** 

If you're anything like I am, you've probably found that COVID-19 has left you with little to do, and, as a result, are going through all of the excess clutter in your house. Before you toss all of that out, consider having your Pack or Pound having a socially distanced yard sale. At the same time, you could sell chips, drinks, and hot dogs and have the proceeds go to the Children's Hospital fund.

The current level of donations to the Children's fund is much lower than it has been in the past; we need to rectify this problem. If a Pound/ Pack yard sale isn't your thing, let me know what you'd like to do, and I'll pass it along. We all need to work together for the Children's Hospital and ensure that the upcoming National Convention donation in August is the biggest ever.

Lastly, if you know or run across someone who has Marine Corps, Marine Corps League, or Devil Dog memorabilia and is willing to donate them, please let me know. We can use these items for auctions and prizes to help bring in the Bones for the Children's Hospital Fund.

WOOF-WOOF.

PDD Barbara Vanner Honorable Charity Dog barbaravanner1422@gmail.com (717) 243-6827



#### Kennel Quartermaster PDD Wendy Zamora





Woof-Woof Dogs,

Winter is almost gone and with that comes the blooming of buds on trees, spring flowers and most importantly, warmer weather.

MODD Tumblers are here. These tumblers are 24 ounce and will run \$35 each. I have Black, Red and Yellow. Please order with MAS75 and the color you wish to have.

We are almost ready to do ordering on-line for credit card purchases. The webmaster is working diligently to make this happen by the time of the Gathering. You can still order by snail mail, email or phone. If ordering by phone, please call after 5:30 pm est.

I hope to see all Dogs at the Gathering of the Dogs in South Carolina. But if not, keep in mind the Kennel Quartermaster will always be open as it has been throughout the pandemic.

Please make all checks payable to Military Order of Devil Dogs.







#### **Merchandise Price List**



#### **EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 2020**

Code	Description	Price	Code	Description	Price
App 01	Golf Shirt; Blk, Red, White, Grn, Blue	\$ 36.00	AWD 17	Past Pound Keeper Mini Medal	\$ 12.50
App 03	MODD Baseball Cap, Black,Red	\$ 12.00	AWD 18	MODD Certificate of Appreciation	\$ 2.00
App 04	Mock Turtleneck, Jersey White Only	\$ 32.00	AWD 19	Past Pack Leader Ribbon	\$ 2.00
App 05	Sweat Shirt Navy w/EGA "USMC"	\$ 30.00	AWD 20	Past Pound Keeper Ribbon	\$ 2.00
App 07	T-Shirt Red or Gold	\$ 11.00	AWD 21	MODD Distinguished Service Award	\$ 2.00
App 12	Vest, Red size S to 4xl	\$ 46.00	AWD 22	MODD Certificate f/All Occasion	\$ 2.00
App 13	Blue Denim Shirt w/MODD S/S	\$ 35.00	AWD 23	MODD Cert w/Foil Logo Black	\$ 2.00
App 16	Black Denim Shirt w/MODD S/S	\$ 35.00	AWD 24	MODD Cert w/Foil Logo Color	\$ 2.00
App 17	Vest, Red w/MODD Logo on Back	\$ 78.00	AWD 25	Pack DOY Certificate	\$ 2.00
App 18	Jacket Black w/MODD on Back	\$ 80.00	AWD 26	Pound DOY Certificate	\$ 2.00
App 20	MODD Beret, Black, Red, Gold, Camo	\$ 25.00	<b>AWD 27</b>	Pack DOY Large Medal	\$ 15.00
App 24	Jacket Red w/MODD on Back	\$ 80.00	AWD 28	Pound DOY Large Medal	\$ 15.00
App31C	Baseball Cap Camo	\$ 12.00	AWD 29	Award Presentation Folder	\$ 2.00
App31D	Baseball Cap USMC Devil Dogs	\$ 12.00	AWD 30	MODD Life Membership Certificate	\$ 2.00
App31S	Baseball Cap Semper Fi	\$ 12.00	AWD 31	MODD Cert w/foil logo only - color	\$ 2.00
App31W	Baseball Cap Woman Veteran	\$ 12.00	BUC 1	Buckle, These Colors Don't Run	\$ 13.00
App 39	Shirt, White w/MODD Logo on Back	\$ 42.00	BUC 2	Buckle, USMC w/M-16	\$ 13.00
App 40	Jacket, Gold Heavy w/MODD Logo	\$ 80.00	Flag 2	Flag, USMC w/Bulldog 3' x 5'	\$ 13.00
App 42	Windshirt Black or Red w/MODD	\$ 35.00	Flag 6	Flag, USMC 3' x 5'	\$ 13.00
App 43	Jersey Red or Black w/MODD	\$ 30.00	Flag 10	Flag, MIA/POW 3' x 5'	\$ 7.50
App 44	MODD Baseball Cap, Blk w/Gold Brim	\$ 15.00	Flag 11	Flag, USN 3'x 5'	\$ 7.50
App 45	Red Shirt w/100th Anniv. Patch	\$ 30.00	Flag 12	Flag, USA 3'x 5'	\$ 7.50
App 46	Black Skull Cap w/MODD	\$ 12.00	MAS 2	Magnet, "I Love My Marine Bulldog"	\$ 3.00
App 47	Black Knit Cap w/MODD	\$ 12.00	MAS 22	Magnet, MODD Logo 6" Square	\$ 7.50
App 49	Freedom Polo w/MODD	\$ 40.00	MAS 26	Magnet, 12" Round USMC Logo	\$ 10.00
App 50	Sweat Pant w/MODD Logo M-3XL	\$ 24.00	MAS 27	Magnet, USMC Emblem 5 1/2"	\$ 5.00
App 51	2020 Wipeout T-Shirts	\$ 15.00	MAS 40	Bones Bag	\$ 2.75
App 52	MODD Face Mask	\$ 9.00	MAS 43	MODD Blazer Crest w/Pins	\$ 18.00
App 53	MODD Neck Gaiter	\$ 13.00	MAS 44	MODD Blazer Crest w/o Pins	\$ 17.00
AWD 01	Disc w/MODD Pk/Pd Awards	\$ 18.00	MAS 56	Hitch Cover	\$ 10.00
AWD 02	Pack Dog of the Year Plaque	\$ 50.00	MAS 57	Spring Assisted Knife	\$ 12.00
AWD 03	Pound Dog of the Year Plaque	\$ 50.00	MAS 60	Camo Knife Blade	\$ 12.00
AWD 04	Pack DOY Lapel Pin	\$ 3.50	MAS 61	Oklahoma Challenge Coin	\$ 10.00
AWD 05	Pound DOY Lapel Pin	\$ 3.50	MAS 62	USMC Fixed Blade w/sheath	\$ 25.00
AWD 06	Pack DOY Mini Medal	\$ 12.50	MAS 64	Devil Dog Challenge Coin	\$ 10.00
AWD 07	Pound DOY Mini Medal	\$ 12.50	MAS 65	Kansas Challenge Coin	\$ 10.00
AWD 08	Pack DOY Ribbon	\$ 5.00	MAS 66	100th Anniversary Challenge Coin	\$ 12.00
AWD 09	Pound DOY Ribbon	\$ 5.00	MAS 69	New York Challenge Coin	\$ 12.00
AWD 10	Pack Leader Comm Ribbon	\$ 2.00	MAS 70	Bulldog Stress Reliever	\$ 6.00
AWD 11	Pack Leader Comm Certificate	\$ 2.00	MAS 71	Eyeglass Chain (Blk, Red, Gold)	\$ 7.00
AWD 12	Pound Keeper Comm Ribbon	\$ 2.00	MAS 72	MODD, Wood Plaque Logo	\$ 40.00
AWD 13	Pound Keeper Comm Certificate	\$ 2.00	MAS 73	Plush Bulldog Blk or Red	\$ 12.00
AWD 14	Past Pack Leader Large Medal	\$ 15.00	MAS 74	2020 Wipeout Challenge Coin	\$ 12.00
AWD 15	Past Pack Leader Mini Medal	\$ 12.50	NPK 1	New Pup Kit (****)	\$ 20.00
AWD 16	Past Pound Keeper Large Medal	\$ 15.00	Pass	MODD Passport	\$ 5.00

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Pat 1	MODD Cap Patch (Official)	\$	3.00	Pin 24	I rec'd my PDD at the 75th	\$	3.00
Pat 2	MODD Shoulder Patch (Official)	\$	4.00	Pin 26	Arizona 76th Growl Pin	\$	5.00
Pat 4	Patch Red w/Bulldog Head	\$	3.00	Pin 27	Lest We Forget Pin		3.00
Pat 5	Patch "DEVIL DOG" Letters Only	\$	3.00	Pin 28	MODD 1" Pin	\$ \$	3.00
Pat 6	MODD 8 1/2" Cap Patch Design	\$	30.00	Pin 29	2017 Supreme Growl Pin	\$	3.00
Pat 7	Bulldog w/Green Helmet	\$	3.50	Pin 30	2017 Convention Pin	\$	3.00
Pat 8	Bulldog, Dress Blues	\$	3.00	Pin 31	2018 Supreme Growl Pin	\$	3.00
Pat 11	MODD Patch 10" w/Letters	\$	35.00	Pin 32	Brass Bulldog Head	\$ \$ \$	3.00
Pat 12	Hollywood Marine Patch	\$	5.00	Pin 33	White Standing Bulldog	\$	3.00
Pat 13	Parris Island Patch	\$	5.00	Pin 75	75th Anny Lapel Pin	\$	3.00
Pat 14	Patch, USMC Emblem 9 1/2 Round	\$	12.00	Pin B	Rubber Back f/Pins (50 per pack)	\$ \$	2.50
Pat 15	Patch USMC Emblem 6" x 8"	\$	12.00	Pub 1	Kennel By Laws w/changes	\$	6.00
Pat 17	Patch MODD 11 1/2" w/Letters	\$	45.00	Pub 2	Kennel Ritual (Large Edition)	\$	3.00
Pat 18	Patch Bulldog Head Small	\$	3.00	Pub 4	Dog Robbers Manual	\$ \$ \$	3.50
Pat 19	Patch Bulldog Head Lg	\$ \$	10.00	Pub 5	Bulldog Sketch 8 1/2" x 11"	\$	2.00
Pat 20	Pack Leader	\$	7.00	Pub 6	MODD Logo Inside Decal	\$	2.00
Pat 21	Pound Keeper	\$	7.00	Pub 7	MODD Logo Outside Decal	\$	2.00
Pat 22	Dog Robber	\$	6.00	Pub 8	MODD Logo Sticker Sheet 24	\$	1.50
Pat 23	Sr Vice Pack Leader	\$	8.50	Pub 9	MODD Ribbon Chart	\$ \$ \$	2.00
Pat 24	Sr Vice Pound Keeper	\$	8.50	Pub 17	MODD Collar (Ribbon) Chart	\$	2.00
Pat 25	Jr Vice Pack Leader	\$	8.50	Pub 18	Kennel Ritual (Small Edition)	\$	2.00
Pat 26	Jr Vice Pound Keeper	\$	8.50	Pub 19	Handbook, f/New Pups (large)	\$	1.50
Pat 27	Smart Dog	\$	6.00	Pub 20	Handbook, f/New Pups (Small Ed)	\$	1.00
Pat 28	Watch Dog	\$	6.00	Pub 22	MODD Get Well Cards	\$	5.00
Pat 29	Dog Trainer	\$	7.00	Pub 23	1" MODD Rubber Stamp Self Ink	\$	27.00
Pat 30	Barking Dog	\$	7.00	Pub 24	2" MODD Rubber Stamp Self Ik	\$	30.00
Pat 31	Police Dog	\$	6.00	Pub 25	Note Pad 5 1/2 x 8 1/2	\$	2.00
Pat 32	Mad Dog	\$	6.00	Pub 26	MODD Stationary 8 1/2 x 11	\$	6.00
Pat 33	I rec'd my PDD at the 75th	\$	3.00	Pub 27	MODD Sympathy Cards	\$ \$ \$	5.00
Pat Conv	AL, FL, ID, KS, MA, MI, MN, MT, NM, NC,	\$	4.00	Rib-DD-G	Collar, Red w/grommet	\$	1.50
	NY, WA, WV, AZ			RIB-PDD-G	Collar, Gold w/grommet	\$	1.50
Pat 34	100th Anniversary Patch	\$	7.00	Rib-Pup-G	Collar, Black w/grommet	\$	1.50
Pat 35	2020 Wipeout Patch	\$	5.00	Tag 1	MODD Dog Tag	\$	3.50
Pin 1	MODD Lapel Pin (Pat 2 Design)	\$	3.00		All apparel comes in S to 3XL		
Pin 3	Bulldog in Globe and Anchor	\$	3.00		****except when noted****		
Pin 4	MODD Life Membership Pin	\$	3.00				
Pin 5	Pin, USMC w/Bulldog Head	\$	3.00		The New Pup Kit contains the following	30 <del>77</del> 207	:
Pin 6	PIN, USMC as above w/Wreath	\$	3.00		r w/grommet, Dog Tag, Lapel Pin, Pas	sport,	
Pin 8	Pin, Bulldog w/White Blanket	\$	3.00	Cap Patch,	Shoulder Patch and Small Handbook		
Pin 9	Pin, Bulldog Running Front	\$	3.00				
Pin 10	Pin, Bulldog w/Helmet	\$	3.00		MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO		
Pin 11	Pin, Bulldog w/Barracks Cover	\$	3.00		MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOG	S	
Pin 12	PIA Medal and Ribbon	\$	13.50				
Pin 13	Pin, Yellow Footprints	\$	3.00		Kennel Website		
Pin 14	Pin, These Colors Don't Run	\$	3.00		moddkennel.org		
Pin 15	Pin, USMC Air, Land and Sea	\$	3.00		_		
Pin 16	Pin, Medium Bulldog Standing	\$	3.00		Kennel Quartermaster Email:		
Pin 18	Pin, Cross Flags	\$	3.00		kennelquartermaster@gmail.com	n	
Pin 20	Pin, Retiree's Unofficial	\$	3.00		,		
Pin 21	Pin Iwo Jima	\$	3.00		Phone: (517) 541-1501		
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WOOF-WOOF Devil Dogs!!! Here is hoping all Dogs and their families are safe, happy and healthy. This past year has been difficult for most of us, and tested even the most patient among us. Hopefully, the beginning of Spring, warmer temps and the blossoming of spring flowers will also bring the turning point we have all been waiting for: the return of some kind of "normal". BIG shout out to everyone from the Kennel, down to the Packs and Pounds that are spreading the word about getting our email addresses submitted for the Kennel Roster. Many Dogs have gone to the MODD Kennel website and filled out the form online.

https://militaryorderofthedevildogs.org/ is the link to click to get there. Scroll down to where it says GET YOUR INFORMATION UPDATED HERE. It's super-fast and easy. Even this old Dog was able to do it! One of the big reasons they are asking us to send this information in is this:

- 1.) The WOG is no longer being snail mailed primarily due to the crazy costs of mailing it. The ONLY way to receive it now is by email. (unless of course you have a fellow Dog who is willing to print it off and share with you).
- 2.) Email is the quickest, most efficient way to send updates from the Chief, Kennel, Pack or Pound. As we know the WOG is packed with outstanding articles, pictures and great info from around the entire country. What better way to keep up with the Barkings from coast to coast!!!

I would personally like to encourage all Dogs to take a brief moment, go to the Kennel Website and with a few quick clicks your email will be updated within the Kennel. Then all this fantastic info will come DIRECTLY to you!!! Easy, Peasy.

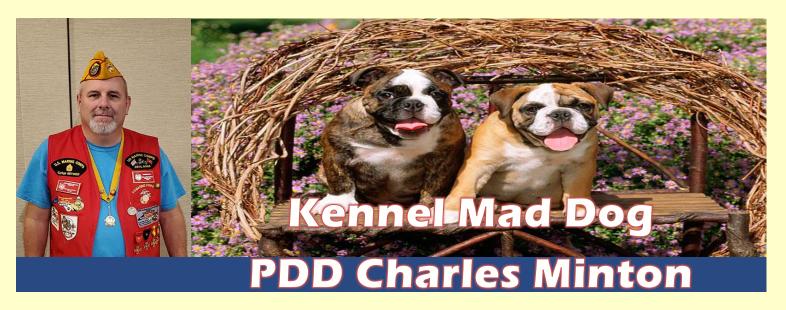
Wishing each and every Dog and their families a very HAPPY, HEALTHY and wonderful Spring!

PDD Gina McManus (Olson) Kennel Deputy Watch Dog 14-277

semperfiwm2021@gmail.com







Woof-Woof Dogs of the order,

Wow so much has been happening since I last Barked with you all. First off, we are sad that the Mid-Winter Conference was canceled which in turn canceled our Mini-Growl, but never fear the Devil Dogs never give up or retreat, by the time you have read this we will have held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Gathering of the Dogs in Greenville SC April 8-11, 2021. I can't see into the future but from what I'm hearing around the hydrant, we are going to have a great time and Dogs are planning to attend from all over. I hope to have seen some of you there.

With all the restrictions that are still in place with the COVID-19 virus we need to keep our ears and eyes open for any possible changes to the 2021 Supreme Growl in Springfield, Illinois which is fast approaching and if you plan on advancing to PDD then you need to get the ball rolling now and get your paperwork filled.

So now for some housekeeping items you're probably wondering why these look so familiar, that's because these are some of the most important things that need to be done and passed on for Dogs who are advancing.

So 1st of all, I need all the Dog Robbers to make sure that you" get new advancement paperwork filled out" for the Dogs who were going up at Daytona and get them submitted to the Kennel Dog Robber along with in any new ones that you'll have moving up in August 2021 at the Supreme Growl in Springfield, Illinois.

2<sup>nd</sup>, I've been emailing my handlers and monitors to see who is planning to attend the Supreme Growl or not and as of now we are looking pretty good with handlers and assistants but I still need a few more. If you're interested in being a handler or event monitor, please send me an email or give me a call and I'll add you to my roster. <a href="mailto:sgtcdminton@yahoo.com">sstcdminton@yahoo.com</a> or 252-452-0728.

3<sup>rd</sup>, 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'll have. All DD's who are advancing must be registered with the Marine Corps League first and then register at the Dog house for your initiation no later than 5:00 PM on August 9<sup>th</sup>.







**And last but not least.** We have had a lot of Dogs who have in the past scheduled trips and other activities during the daytime and have been missing too much time during the initiation activities. **DD's need to make** sure they do not book any trips from August 9-11, so you can attend the whole training cycle. If you don't participate then we can't advance you, so please make sure you are attending all the initiation training sessions.

It has been a pleasure serving as your Kennel Mad Dog and it is my intension to run again in 2021 for the Kennel Mad Dog. I would appreciate your support in this endeavor and I look forward to seeing you all at the future Growls and especially at the 2021 Supreme Growl.

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

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

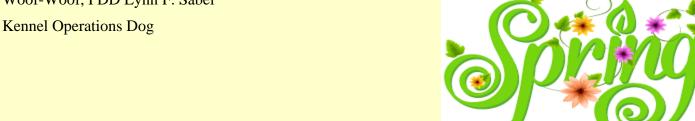


Woof-Woof to all Dogs of the Order,

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For all Devil Dogs who plan on advancing to Pedigree in Springfield, Illinois, NOW is the time to get your paperwork into your Pound Dog Robber. Make sure you keep a copy of the paperwork to bring with you. All paperwork needs to be into the Kennel Dog Robber prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>. The process is - Have your Pound Dog Robber and you complete the advancement form and mail it to your Pack Dog Robber. The Pack Dog Robber will forward it to the Kennel Dog Robber. All of that takes time. You can't wait till the last minute to fill it out. If it comes in late you will not be able to advance. Before you come to the Dog House you will need to register on the League side. Also, it is recommended you check into the Dog House on Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup>. The latest you can register in the Dog House is 5 PM on Monday August 9<sup>th</sup>. It would also be appreciated it you could bring the correct fees with you. Registration is 5 Big Bones. Also bring at least 5 single Big Bones also in case there are issues with your uniform or passport.

Woof-Woof, PDD Lynn F. Sabel





Woof-Woof Dogs of the Order,

For the past quarter, the Dogs of the Northeast Division have been hard at work handling Kennel business. Even with the "Lock Down" we have been collecting emails and phone numbers of all the Dogs of their perspective Packs and Pounds. This is not an easy task but one that we are working on diligently. If you have not already contacted your Pack Leader with information requested, please do so. If you cannot reach them then email me. <a href="mailto:Sgtjd2@gmail.com">Sgtjd2@gmail.com</a> It is critical that we get the rosters correct.

I have been working with the Pack Leaders on making sure all the Pounds have their Dog Houses in order with 990's and Incorporation paperwork. Make sure this is being handled on the Pound level and report up the chain if you need assistance. Remember we all fall under Group 0955 which is the MCL.

Every Pack in the Northeast fall under the same guidelines and restrictions with COVID-19. If you can gather a group of Dogs less than 10, then by all means make sure you are using SD and have yourself a Growl. If not, then I would suggest ZOOM. I have attended several ZOOM Growls and have had a Woofing good time participating. Heck, if you are holding one, shoot me an email and I may be able to attend. Some of the Pounds have even made-up stickers for the passports and will mail them to you. I have my passport marked and waiting.

Just because we cannot meet face to face doesn't mean we cannot try to have some fun.

If you did not know there is a Military Order of the Devil Dogs Northeast Division Facebook page. Please take a look at it, Like and Share it. To the Dogs of the Northeast, if you have photos of Zoom Growls or actual Growls, please send them to me or share them on the Facebook Page yourself.

As always if you need anything from me please do not hesitate to bark at me at <a href="mailto:sgtjd2@gmail.com">sgtjd2@gmail.com</a>. I always look forward to hearing from the Dogs of the Division.

Semper Woofing,

PDD Joe "Woody" DeAngelo 14-380 Honorable Vice Chief Devil Dog Northeast Division Military Order of the Devil Dogs

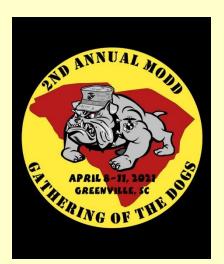




Attending the Kennel Zoom meeting



Attending Tasmanian Devil Dogs Zoom



Northeast Division passing on the word about the Gathering of the Dogs

Screenshot during one of my informative videos to the Division.





Barkings from The Great Southwest Division

Woof! Woof! Devil Dogs! It's been hard, looking back through the rear-view mirror at 2020. The Mid-Winter Conference and Growl being cancelled and going on Zoom. The trials and tribulations we have all experienced with the Pandemic taking a heavy toll on all of us. As I said before, we see the light at the end of the Tunnel, and less we forget we are still in the Tunnel.

We continue to meet on all sorts of social media platforms (Zoom, Webinar, Conference Calls), in order to keep up with our fellow Dogs. We look for ways to ensure we are all well and doing our best during the past Holidays. We strive to acknowledge that we are all in this together.

Addressing the need for all Dogs to register on the Kennel website will enhance our abilities to keep everyone informed and up to date. Please continue to get all the Dogs registered on the Kennel website.

Should the Pounds and Packs have their Growls, it is important that we submit the dues in a timely fashion and donate to the Kennel Fundraising for the good of the MODD as well as the Children's Hospitals. It is incumbent on us to meet and/or exceed last year's Donations. It is important to keep our Pounds and Packs paperwork up-to-date.

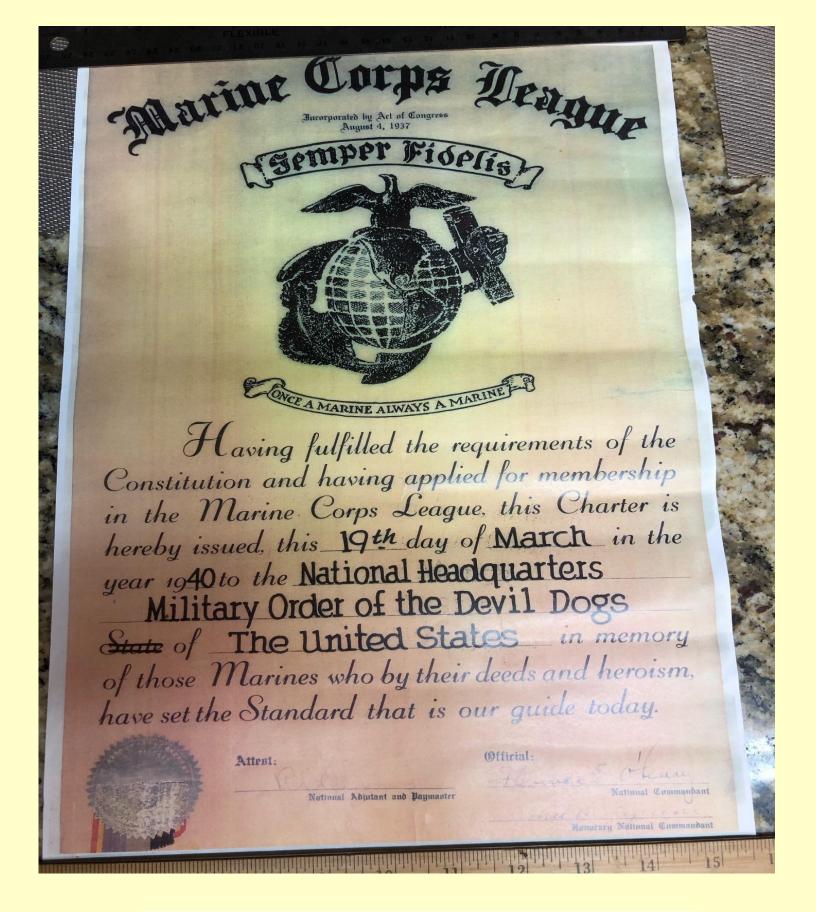
There is still more work to be done and use the Dog Gathering to further the MODD and expand our membership. I am encouraged and hopeful for this year's Pack Grand Growls and the Supreme Growl in Springfield. Until then, let us be Careful and Stay Safe.

Semper Woof!!

PDD Aaron Bazán

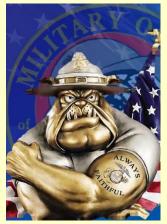
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My copy of the original Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD) Charter and noticed that our Eighty First (81) Anniversary was on March 19, 2021. Woof-Woof!

Original was signed by Honorary National Commandant General Lejeune.



## Southern Division Vice Chief Devil Dog PDD Ken Price



WOOF-WOOF! Greetings from the Dogs of the Southern Division.

Hope to see you at the Gathering in Greenville, South Carolina in April.

Good news from the great State of Arkansas; they have in the past year formed a new Pound and now have a Pack for the State. The Charter will be presented at the Southern Division Growl in North Little Rock on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Reminders to all Pounds and Packs: Installation Reports and 990's must be submitted to the Kennel Dog Robber and a copy submitted to the Vice Chief Devil Dog Southern Division ASAP. If you're experiencing difficulties, call me and I'll assist.

I know it's been a challenging year for everyone and know some Growls have been conducted. Please remember that passport fees must be sent to the Kennel Dog Robber immediately after each Growl. If you're sending donations for the Children's Hospital, please indicate on the paperwork that it is a contribution, not a passport fee.

I would like to personally thank and recognize PDD Marty McKnight, Pack of Oklahoma Dog Robber and Deputy Vice Chief Devil Dog of the Southern Division for taking the reins and covering the Division while I was in the hospital and recovering. Thanks for keeping me straight!

Let's get back to having safe Growls. A challenge to all Pound Keepers and Pack Leaders, please get your Dogs logged in and registered on the Kennel website. Again, this is the only way they will receive the Woof-O-Gram and other important information passed down from the Kennel.

I'm also sending a reminder to all Packs and Pounds within the Southern Division to recruit, recruit!

PDD Ken Price SDVCDD





#### Woof-Woof!

We are finally coming out of winter and the pandemic appears to finally be slowing down! In person Growls are starting to become more and more frequent within the Division! I am one happy Dog for sure!

Now is the time to get any Growl you may have had to cancel, rescheduled. Remember, Kennel By-Laws state all Pounds must conduct a minimum of 4 Growls per year. As Pound Keeper for Pound 086, I've scheduled Growls in back-to-back months just so we could get caught up and back on track. If my Pound can do it, so can yours. Please remember to send in your Passport Fee's and any donations to the Kennel right after your Growl. Passport fees should be equal to the exact number of Dogs in attendance. Put amounts in the memo line on your check. Example: 17 Passport / 248 Children's Hospital Fund. Don't forget, when you schedule a Growl, be sure and let me know. If it works with my schedule, I will do my best to attend. Nothing makes me happier than attending a Growl at any level!

Pound Keepers, please make sure that the information I send out to you gets out to all of the Dogs in your Pound. I talk to at least one Dog a week that says they didn't know about something I had passed down weeks before. Pack Leaders, this is also your responsibility to make sure the Pound Keepers in your Pack are doing their jobs.

Pack Leaders and Dog Robbers should be ensuring that their Pack and each Pound within their Pack is up to date on 990's. This is still a problem within the Division. I've put out plenty of emails and made a bunch of phone calls to help facilitate this getting done. But I've not received much in the way of replies. This is unacceptable. If you haven't filed, or your Pound/Pack has been revoked, you are no longer allowed to do any fundraising of any type. You not only risk losing your Charter, but the Officers of the offending Pack/Pound can also be held liable. No one wants to go down either of those roads so lets get it fixed together. If you need help, please contact me at your earliest convenience. It may take some time and effort, but it can be solved.

If you have not done so, please go to the Home Page of Kennel website (www.militaryorderofthedevildogs.org) and update your contact info. It takes less than a minute. We need your email address, First name, Last name, telephone number (optional but encouraged) and Dog Tag number. This is the only way you will receive the WOG in your inbox!

As of right now, I'm scheduled to attend the Gathering of the Dogs in Greenville, South Carolina April 8<sup>th</sup> - 11th, the Midwest Division Conference in Wichita, Kansas April 16-17, and the Dept. of Minnesota Conference/Growl of the Pack April 30 and May 1<sup>st</sup>. I hope to see many of you at these events! Again, I've put emails out about all of these upcoming events. But if you still need info on any of them, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Let's all do our best to put 2020 far behind us, and make 2021 a year to remember for the MODD!

Semper Fi,

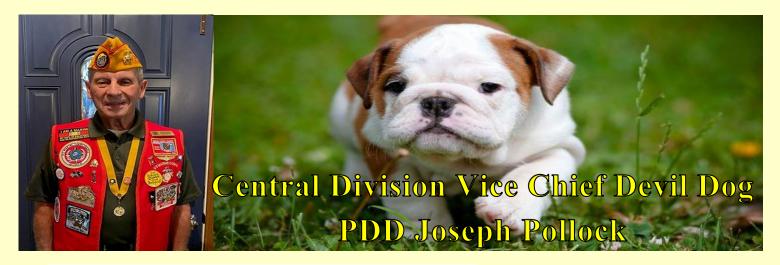
PDD Chuck Covert Midwest Division Vice Chief Devil Dog semperfi\_marine2000@yahoo.com 636-290-1222

The two newest members of the St Charles County Dogs Pound 086, Missouri Pack being obligated to the degree of Pup in the Order. Pup Matt White (left) and Pup Ryan Petras. (right)



WWII Veteran Max Deweese being elevated to PDD by the Honorable 58th Past Chief Devil Dog Leonard Spicer. Lenexa Pound 378, Kansas Pack.





Woof-Woof Devil Dogs, Central Division sends a big Growl to all.

I hope this finds all of you healthy and ready to get out and do a lot of howling. Our Dogs are starting to hold Pack and Pound meetings once again and it is a great feeling.

Several weeks ago, I sent an E-Mail to our Pack leaders about the upcoming Dog Gathering April 8,9,10 in Greenville S.C. I ask that they forward it to their Pounds with information directing them to MODD.org, as all the information they need is in the events section.

It's important that **ALL OUR DOGS** get online and submit their Name, Dog tag number and E-Mail, this is a must.

Pack Leaders and Pound Keepers Please review your 990's and make sure you are up to date. Trust me if you go delinquent and lose your not-for-profit status, the road back can be long and costly, and all fund raising must stop until fixed.

Our National Convention being held in Springfield, IL is fast approaching. With only 5 months to go, it is time for those who intend to become Pedigreed Devil Dogs to get their paperwork together.

Make sure it is correct with the proper signatures. If not, you will not be able to advance.

I hope all our Dogs have a great year with lots of howling and raise a lot of Big Bones at our Growls.

We are holding our Central Division Conference March 18-March 21 in Elkhart Lake WI.

Semper Woofing
PDD Joe Pollock
Vice Chief Devil Dog
Central Division
Ph.563-349-2423
pimarine63@aol.com





## Kennel Webmaster DD Chris Soldano



Dogs,

Well Woof-Woof, things are crazy. There are so many other things going on that it is making my head spin. I have been working on many aspects of the website. Updates are a constant as there are always many updates and security fixes that get done. Some of this may also go over many heads, however, here is some info; I have added in a new caching add on to the site to help with speed and service to users. I have also implemented the usage of a content delivery network that also makes that better around the nation. The network also caches the site and delivers the site faster than if it was just through our own servers. So far, I have seen very good improvement with speed and stability. However, please keep in mind that there are many other factors that may play a part in how you are connecting to the site. And the issue is not always on our end and might be the connection in your area that poses the problem. So, if there are issues please check back and if it is constant, feel free to contact me and I will see what I can see from my end.

There are still many other things being worked on. The Quartermaster store link was added to the site and the store is viewable in a limited aspect. One of the few things that we are still working out is the connection of shipping and cost to the web store. Other things still being worked on are the page dedicated to the artwork of our own MODD artist HCDD Jack Severn, and more on the history. Also, there are many other things that pop up on the news portion of the site from time to time so please check it often.

Now for my "shame on you" portion of this article. It is widely known about the new website. It has been around for some time now. And the fact that we have had a website for a few years now, isn't news at all. We also have a *Find A Pack or Pound* page, with a locator that I have to say at this point, I am beyond aggravated with. It amazes me that even with all the information that goes out, we are still missing more info on Pounds and Packs across the country than I can even fathom. I am not sure how else to say this, and I know it will piss people off, however, if we do not continue to bring OUR organization into the current century with technology and communication, OUR organization will eventually fade away. If you go to our locator and look at that map, you can plainly see how much area is completely blank. That is totally unacceptable. If you are not getting your information in, you are part of the reason that this organization will fail. Please do your part. It does not matter if you're the new Pup in a Pound, if you have the info, please send it. It only helps us all out. We want our organization to thrive and grow, not die out. If we do not do what we need to make sure that our organization is here for future generations of Marines, then that shame is on us. If you're not doing your part, shame on you!

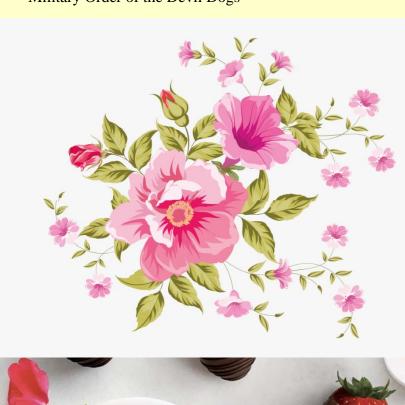


If there is anything that anyone needs from me, or information that needs to be sent to me regarding the website, please email me at:  $\underline{mclmoddtool@gmail.com}$ . I will be happy to assist anyone in any way that I can.

Looking forward to a better year and a great 2021. Happy New Year!

Respectfully submitted,

DD Christopher "Tool" Soldano 18-108 Bits & Bytes Dog Military Order of the Devil Dogs









### MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS, INC.

### THE FINAL ROLL CALL 2020-2021

### From NODs received on or before 15MAR2021

### Alabama Pack

PDD Raymond C. Barry 11-540

### Arizona Pack

Pup Herbert "Lucky" Page 18-014

DD Thomas H. Lavelle 16-267

PDD Edward Macintyre 75-006

PDD Charles Marquez 96-108

PDD William N. Panos 04-167

PDD David F. Skelton 10-365

### California Pack

Pup Theodore "Ted" George Katsounakis 07-025

DD Donald "Don" Joy 11-348

PDD John Coley 15-428

PDD Craig J. Jones 16-198

PDD Henry "Hank" Pezzetti 11-379

### **Connecticut Pack**

Pup Richard W. Orzulak 93-198

Pup James D. Torvinen 02-399

DD Robert C. Batka 12-286

PDD Leo F. Fitzpatrick 05-444

PDD Joseph J. Gustin 55-143

PDD Edwin Kivela 89-112

PDD Edison C. Occhi 80-038

PDD George R. Perodeau 05-073

PDD Robert H. Pierce 16-032

PDD Chester Strachel 67-189

PDD Eugene C. Torvinen 71-053

### Florida Pack

PDD Russell Heady 99-016

PDD Edward Topoleski 01-116

### Indiana Pack

Pup Robert Zemburski 15-148

DD Paul J. Herring 94-075

PDD Michael M. Jacob 97-409

PDD Donald Landers 03-036

### Iowa Pack

DD Deward McMillen 04-374

DD Les Nation 82-249

PDD Bobby Clarkson 77-076

### **Kansas Pack**

Pup George E. Hudson 11-412

Pup David L. Wood 18-107

### Maine Pack

Pup Leon Burgess 21-041

DD Roger Torres 10-333

PDD Herbert P. Broy 10-335

PDD Richard E. Tolman 99-040

### **Maryland Pack**

PDD Murphy J. Burke, Jr. 99-335

PDD Arvel H. Raines 05-034

PDD Bobbie D. Richards 05-028

PDD James M. Zirakian 05-029

Massachusetts

DD Edwin Buckhout 11-119

DD James J. Murphy 99-223

PDD Richard "Dick" Clary 04-211

Michigan Pack

Pup Robert Neil Dougan 20-149

DD Gary Gross 10-495

PDD George Granberry, Jr. 12-172

PDD Donald J. McKeon 15-410

Missouri Pack

Pup Leigh Davis 17-331

PDD John Brody 89-107

PDD Ronald N. Long 03-242

PDD Joseph J. Patrick 12-304

PDD Felix Piotrowski 97-291

PDD Richard A. Wagner

PDD Gary L. Walker 88-247

North Carolina Pack

DD Albert Duspiva 10-182

DD Robert L. Ebel 04-041

PDD Santino H. Mazzu 15-152

PDD Kenneth E. Vinal 05-164

PDD James L. Weisenburger 81-025

DD David L. Schulte 94-268

Nebraska Pack

Pup Steven Brownfield 18-072

DD Steven Davis 17-099

Nevada Pack

DD Stanley M. Croonquist 17-113

DD Norman Honadle 15-192

DD Bruce L. Russell 19-062

**New Hampshire Pack** 

DD Frank C. Wisinski 03-423

Ohio Pack

PDD Barry Ryan 96-475

Oklahoma Pack

PDD Raymond F. McGee 06-556

PDD Grace E. Meyers 01-187

Pennsylvania Pack

DD Robert D. Gavin 94-403

DD Lance D. Hodell 02-251

DD Carmine Laino 01-035

DD Manfred Sauer 95-170

47th PCDD PNC Lamar Golden 77-110

**New Jersey Pack** 

DD Michael Farano, Sr. 08-223

PDD Walter V. Biernacki 18-256

PDD George Charlton, Jr. 86-072

PDD Charles R. Gardiner 74-131

PDD Vittorrio A. Giglio 98-105

PDD Harry T. Risley 03-172

**New York Pack** 

Pup William "Bill" Brander 09-444

Pup James O'Neil 12-011

PDD William E. Bowen 05-277

PDD James L. Case 00-054

PDD Peter Cosenza 97-226

PDD Vincent D. Fiola 01-207

South Carolina Pack

DD Thomas H. Boyd III 12-337

DD Leslie Gregg, Sr. 18-332

PDD Arthur R. Blenk 10-318

PDD Lawrence Frelin 08-085

PDD Richard "Dick" Schreck 09-074

### South Dakota Pack

Pup Deanna Burchell 16-069

DD Gene Tornow 00-425

DD Gary Whitney 08-244

### Vermont Pack

PDD Raymond St. John 90-297

### Virginia Pack

Pup Larry P. Hebert 07-073

### **Washington Pack**

PDD William A. Cundiff 09-069

PDD Jack J. Rasmussen 90-079

PDD James L. Renton II 05-136

PDD John H. Witham 03-315

### West Virginia

Pup Giles L. Carter 18-182

Pup Jerry E. Kessler 20-112

DD Harry R. Allman 17-124

DD Donald K. Cliff 12-334

DD William S. Walters 14-202

PDD Jerry L. Cook 12-050

PDD Paul DiMarzo 18-046

PDD Robert W. "Bill" Gray 07-461

PDD Archie H. Sweet 05-259

PDD Troy L. Varney 07-358

PDD Boyd L. Whipkey 99-022

### Wisconsin Pack

PDD Raymond J. Nessmann 90-062



Rest in Peace

# Military Order of the Devil Dogs



From: PDD Tom Krueger

To: Honorable Kennel Smart Dog PDD Evelyn Remines

Subj: Proposed Change to Kennel Bylaws

Ref: Kennel Bylaws Article XIII Section 1301 Amending of Bylaws

Like to recommend the following Proposed Bylaw Change for consideration.

Article I Section 103 - Election, Notification, Obligation and Rejection;

### Currently Reads:

### Election

A. Under the Order of Business "Election of Candidates" the Unit Dog Robber shall read all applications for obligation and initiation, certifying as to their correctness and as to the amount of membership dues and/or election fees accompanying each application.

- 1. Voting shall be by secret ballot, either by a show of hands or written, and shall be under supervision of the Smart Dog and Police Dog, with the Pound Keeper, Worthy Pack Leader, or Honorable Chief Devil Dog (the presiding officer having jurisdiction) confirming the results of the ballot.
- 2. It is permissible to vote for the candidates as a group. When the vote is taken for the group, a simple majority will determine the acceptance or rejection of the group. Rejection shall require a ballot for each and every candidate.

### Notification

B. The Unit Dog Robber shall promptly notify all successful candidates of the time and place for obligation and it shall be the duty of the candidates to be present.

1. Should the successful Pup candidate fail to appear at two successive Growls of the Pound without just and valid reason, the approval shall be

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withdrawn, the membership dues refunded and the election fee forfeited to the Pound. They shall not be eligible for approval for a period of six calendar months from the last Growl of the Pound to which they were instructed to appear. They shall also be required to pay their proper membership dues and election fees.

2. Should the successful Devil Dog candidate fail to appear at the Growl of the Pack or the Grand Growl of the Pack to which they were instructed to appear, the approval shall be withdrawn and their election fee forfeited to the Pack. They will not be eligible again for obligation and initiation until one calendar year has elapsed or until the next succeeding Grand Growl of the Pack, whichever shall be last occurring, and the payment of a proper election fee.

3. Should the successful Pedigreed Devil Dog candidate fail to appear at the current Supreme Growl, the approval shall be withdrawn and their election fee shall be forfeited to the Kennel. They will not be eligible for obligation and initiation until the next succeeding Supreme Growl of the Kennel and the payment of a proper election fee.

### **Obligation**

C. Any successful candidate, having appeared at the time and place fixed for the assembly of the Growl of the unit of obligation and initiation into the Degree called for in their application, shall be initiated under supervision of the Unit Mad Dog into the mysteries of said Degree in accordance with the traditions of the Order and after the initiation, shall be obligated to the Degree as set forth in the Ritual of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs Inc., by the Unit presiding officer or by any past presiding officer of a superior unit.

### Rejection

D. Should the application of any candidate be rejected by the Unit to which the application has been made, the election fees and in the case of the application for the Degree of Pup, the membership dues accompanying the application shall be immediately returned to the applicant by the Unit Dog Robber and the name of the rejected candidate cannot again be presented for consideration for such a period as may be applicable under paragraph B-1, B2, and B-3 of this section.

### **Unit Dog Robber**

E. It shall be the duty of the Unit Dog Robber to place the date and over their signature, certify as to the disposition made of the application. The original papers shall be retained in the files and copies of the application, duly certified and signed, be forthwith sent to the Dog Robbers of their superior and/or junior jurisdiction.

# Change to Read:

### Election

A. Under the Order of Business "Election of Candidates" the **Pound/Pack/Kennel**Dog Robber shall read all applications for obligation and initiation, certifying as to their
correctness and as to the amount of membership dues and/or election fees
accompanying each application.

- 3. Voting shall be by secret ballot, either by a show of hands or written, and shall be under supervision of the Smart Dog and Police Dog, with the Pound Keeper, Worthy Pack Leader, or Honorable Chief Devil Dog (the presiding officer having jurisdiction) confirming the results of the ballot.
- 4. It is permissible to vote for the candidates as a group. When the vote is taken for the group, a simple majority will determine the acceptance or rejection of the group. Rejection shall require a ballot for each and every candidate.

### **Notification**

B. The **Pound/Pack/Kennel** Dog Robber shall promptly notify all successful candidates of the time and place for obligation and it shall be the duty of the candidates to be present.

4. Should the successful Pup candidate fail to appear at two successive Growls of the Pound without just and valid reason, the approval shall be withdrawn, the membership dues refunded and the election fee forfeited to the Pound. They shall not be eligible for approval for a period of six calendar months from the last Growl of the Pound to which they were instructed to appear. They shall also be required to pay their proper membership dues and election fees.

5. Should the successful Devil Dog candidate fail to appear at the Growl of the Pack or the Grand Growl of the Pack to which they were instructed to appear, the approval shall be withdrawn and their election fee forfeited to the Pack. They will not be eligible again for obligation and initiation until one calendar year has elapsed or until the next succeeding Grand Growl of the Pack, whichever shall be last occurring, and the payment of a proper election fee.

6. Should the successful Pedigreed Devil Dog candidate fail to appear at the current Supreme Growl, the approval shall be withdrawn and their election fee shall be forfeited to the Kennel. They will not be eligible for obligation and initiation until the next succeeding Supreme Growl of the Kennel and the payment of a proper election fee.

### **Obligation**

C. Any successful candidate, having appeared at the time and place fixed for the assembly of the Growl of the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** of obligation and initiation into the Degree called for in their application, shall be initiated under supervision of the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** Mad Dog into the mysteries of said Degree in accordance with the traditions of the Order and after the initiation, shall be obligated to the Degree as set forth in the Ritual of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs Inc., by the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** presiding officer or by any past presiding officer of a superior **Pound/Pack/Kennel**.

### Rejection

D. Should the application of any candidate be rejected by the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** to which the application has been made, the election fees and in the case of the application for the Degree of Pup, the membership dues accompanying the application shall be immediately returned to the applicant by the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** Dog Robber and the name of the rejected candidate cannot again be presented for consideration for such a period as may be applicable under paragraph B-1, B2, and B-3 of this section.

### Pound/Pack/Kennel Dog Robber

E. It shall be the duty of the **Pound/Pack/Kennel** Dog Robber to place the date and over their signature, certify as to the disposition made of the application. The original papers shall be retained in the files and copies of the application, duly certified and signed, be forthwith sent to the Dog Robbers of their superior and/or junior jurisdiction.

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This Section talks of Unit (s). Within in the Military Order of the Devil Dogs there are no Unit (s). There are Pounds/Packs and the Kennel. This change brings us into compliance with our own terminology with in the Military Order of the Devil Dogs.

Respectfully Submitted

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# Military Order of the Devil Dogs &

BLC #2

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From: PDD Tom Krueger

To: Honorable Kennel Smart Dog PDD Evelyn Remines

Subj: Proposed Change to Kennel Bylaws

Ref: Kennel Bylaws Article XIII Section 1301 Amending of Bylaws

Like to recommend the following Proposed Bylaw change for consideration.

Article IV - Initiation Section 416, Sub-Section D;

### **Currently Reads:**

All applicants for Initiation to the Degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog, Devil Dog and Pup at the Supreme Growl, in accordance with Article I and Subparagraph 416 C of these Bylaws, must register first with the Marine Corps League, Inc., and then immediately proceed to the Kennel Dog House and register for the Supreme Growl and initiation. This registration must be completed **no** later than 1700 **two days** prior to the Supreme Growl. Anyone not registering by 1700 **or at least in line to register on that day will not** be initiated during the Supreme Growl without the express approval of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog, the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber and the Honorable Kennel Mad Dog **on an individual case by case basis**. Packs and Pounds holding Growls and Initiation concurrently with Marine Corps League organizations (Divisions, Departments, etc.) should include similar provisions within their Bylaws, which are consistent with the local requirements and scheduling.

### **Change to Read:**

All applicants for Initiation to the Degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog, Devil Dog and Pup at the Supreme Growl, in accordance with Article I and Subparagraph 416 C of these Bylaws, must register first with the Marine Corps League, Inc. **Recommended Prior** to 1500 and then immediately proceed to the Kennel Dog House and register for the Supreme Growl and initiation. This registration must be completed **NO** later than 1700

Two days prior to the Supreme Growl. Anyone not registering by 1700 or at least in line to register on that day will not be initiated during the Supreme Growl 2 of 2 (2020) without the express approval of the Honorable Chief Devil Dog and the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber and the Honorable Kennel Mad Dog on an individual case by case basis. Packs and Pounds holding Growls and Initiation concurrently with Marine Corps League organizations (Divisions, Departments, etc.), should include similar provisions within their Bylaws, which are consistent with the local requirements and scheduling.

### **Rational:**

In past Years to many Devil Dogs have missed the right to advance due to failing to register with the Marine Corps League Inc. then make it to the Kennel Dog House by the required time. By requiring them to ensure that wishing Devil Dogs register early with the Marine Corps League Inc. those Devil Dogs have adequate time to make it to the Kennel Dog House.

Respectfully Submitted

T.E. Krueger

PDD Tom Krueger

From:

Leans & Dutuck PCDD Leanna L. Dietrich, Kennel Executive Director

To:

Kennel Smart Dog, PDD Evelyn F. Remines

Date:

September 22, 2019

Subject:

Proposed Bylaws Change, Kennel Bylaws, MODD

In accordance with Article XIII, Section 1301, Kennel Bylaws, the following proposed change and rationale therefore is submitted for consideration at the 2020 Supreme Growl:

Article XII - GENERAL - Section 1213 - Dissolution

Currently reads

### Section 1213 - Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution or final liquidation of the Order, the remaining net assets shall be distributed to such nonprofit corporations or associations as are exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, as the Board of Trustees in the exercise of its discretion may determine, and no part of such net assets may inure to the benefit of any individual member or person,

Change to read

#### Section 1213 - Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation or the organization, the Board of Directors or governing staff shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation or organization, dispose of all the assets of the corporation or organization in such manner, or to such organization(s) organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization(s) under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors or governing staff shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation or organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

This change is being submitted to bring the Kennel Bylaws into compliance with the current rules and regulations concerning Organizations with a "not for profit" 501(c) determination.

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From: PDD Paul D. Smigowski, 99-221, Smart Dog Pound #174

To: Kennel Smart Dog PDD Evelyn Remines

Date: February 2, 2020

Subject: Proposed Bylaw Change, Kennel Bylaws, MODD

The following Change and rationale is submitted for Article II, Section 205.

### ARTICLE II - POUNDS - Section 205 - Growls - Regular, Annual, Special and Staff

### Currently reads:

A. REGULAR - Each Pound shall hold no less than four regular assemblies during any fiscal year, which assemblies shall include the annual assembly of the Pound, for the election of officers.

### Change to read:

A. REGULAR - Each Pound shall hold no less than two regular assemblies during any fiscal year, which assemblies shall include the annual assembly of the Pound, for the election of officers.

#### Rationale:

1st - Our Pound covers the whole Upper Peninsula of Michigan, in addition to the Northern part of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, an area "In excess of".. 16,377 square miles just for the U.P., plus the additional area in the Lower Peninsula. This makes travel to the Pound Growl a "planned" event, not a quick, spur of the moment trip. From the East End of the U.P. to the West End is about.. 225 miles. We have found that having two growls, allows us to function well, plan what we need, and complete our tasks. (Two mileage examples for us are: The one-way travel to the growl, at present for the Pound Keeper is about 66 miles, and the current Smart Dog about 112 miles, other members' mileage within the Upper Peninsula are similar. This is with a centrally located place for the growls, agreed on by the members.)
We also understand there are other pounds with similar circumstances.

2<sup>nd</sup> - There already is a written exception to this requirement in the Kennel bylaws. This is in:

ARTICLE II - POUNDS Section 201 - Definition

C. 2. ..... as "Name of the State" Pound....... "and by reason of the wide geographical residency of the membership making it difficult to hold a "called" or "stated" Growl of the Pound, it shall be in order for such a Pound to convene any Growl of the Pound, only in concert with a Convention of the Marine Corps League, Inc."

Respectively Submitted

PDD Paul D. Smigowski 99-221 Currently - Smart Dog MODD Pound #174 Past - MODD Michigan Pack Smart Dog Past - MODD Pound #174 Dog Robber

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### MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS

### MAINE PACK

### FEBRUARY 19, 2020

To:

PDD Evie Remines, Kennel Smart Dog

From: PDD Stephen Fleming, WDR, Maine Pack

Subj: Proposed change to Kennel By-laws

In accordance with Article # 13-Amending of By-laws, Section 1301-Method of Amending, the following is submitted for consideration by the Body assembled at the 2020 Supreme Growl.

Section 308-eligibility to hold office:

### Currently reads:

"All members of the several Pounds and Strays, comprising the membership of the pack and holding the Degree of Devil Dog, or Pedigreed Devil Dog shall be eligible for elections to any office of the Pack, subject however, to the following limitations and restrictions....."

### Change to read:

All members of the several Pounds comprising the membership of the pack and holding the Degree of Devil Dog, or Pedigreed Devil Dog shall be eligible for elections to any office of the Pack, subject however, to the following limitations and restrictions......

### RATIONALE:

By existing by-law "Section 605-Stray, A stray shall be any member of the Order, who for good and proper reason, cannot be attached to any functioning Pound. "

Strays do not pay dues to Pounds or Pack, therefore they are not In Good Standings to either a Pound or Pack. Strays belong to the Kennel only, and are on the roster of the Kennel and are NOT on Pound or Pack rosters.

Respectfully submitted,

WDR PDD Stephen Fleming 11-047

Cory Dressler <cjdressler@ymail.com>

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I propose the following change to the modd constitution, article seven paragraph one. 1 March should be changed to 15 March to reflect current practice.

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Sent from my iPad



# Military Order of the Devil Dogs

From: PDD Evelyn F. Remines, Kennel Smart Dog

To: Devil Dog Membership

Subj: Proposed Addition to Kennel ByLaws

To be heard at the 2021 Supreme Growl

### ADD:

### SECTION 421 - Cancellation of Supreme Growl

In the event that the Supreme Growl of the Kennel needs to be cancelled due to natural, manmade, or other unforeseen circumstances, the following will apply:

- All proposed changes to the Kennel ByLaws that had been submitted within the guidelines of Section 402 will be held to be heard at the next Supreme Growl.
- All elected and appointed Officers of the Kennel will continue in their current offices until the next Supreme Growl. This will apply even if the Kennel Officers have served two consecutive terms.

### Rationale:

The COVID-19 Pandemic led to the cancellation of the Supreme Growl in August of 2020. Because no Supreme Growl was held, there was not a chance for the membership to hear and vote upon proposed ByLaw changes, or for Officer Nominations and Elections to take place.

All ByLaws that were submitted are still important and will be held with the Kennel Smart Dog until the they can be presented to the Kennel membership for a vote.

Since the Kennel cannot operate without elected and appointed Officers, the currently standing officers will continue in their offices until the next Supreme Growl. This will still have to hold true even if the current officers have already held two consecutive terms in their respective offices as there is no practical way to have a virtual or mail-in vote for Kennel Officers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Military Order of the Devil Dogs

Evelyn 7. Remines

Kennel Smart Dog



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To be heard at the 2021 Supreme Growl

### ADD:

### SECTION 111 - Dual Membership

- A. Devil Dogs who fulfill the requirements listed in Section 101 Eligibility may join more than one Pound or Pack in the Order if they so wish.
  - 1. The member will keep their current Degree of Obligation (PDD, DD, or Pup)
  - 2. The member will pay separate dues to each Pound or Pack of which they hold membership
  - 3. Life membership can be held in multiple Pounds or Packs
  - 4. Since the MODD is a one vote per person democracy, there is no reason to declare voting rights with any one Pound or Pack
  - 5. Elected or Appointed Offices can be held in each Pound or Pack if there is no conflict of interest and all duties of multiple Offices can be upheld in a satisfactory matter

### Rationale:

More members of the Order have been joining multiple Pounds and Packs with no set guidelines in place. These items are to clear up any questions concerning membership in multiple Pounds or Packs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Military Order of the Devil Dogs

Evelyn F. Remines

Kennel Smart Dog

Proposed Bylaw Change dated February 1, 2021

#### **ARTICLE XII - GENERAL**

### **Existing Wording:**

### Section 1203 - Titles

The titles recognized by the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Inc., are:

- 1. PUP Addressed to those obligated in the Degree of Pup.
- 2. DOG Addressed to those in the Degree of Devil Dog and Pedigreed Devil Dog.
- 3. SIR Prefix used before the title of all Pound Officers.
- 4. WORTHY Prefix used before the title of all Pack Officers.
- 5. HONORABLE Prefix used before the title of all Kennel Officers.

### **Proposed Wording:**

### Section 1203 - Titles

The titles recognized by the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Inc., are:

- 1. PUP Addressed to those obligated in the Degree of Pup.
- 2. DOG Addressed to those in the Degree of Devil Dog and Pedigreed Devil Dog.
- 3. SIR/MA'AM Prefix used before the title of all Pound Officers.
- 4. WORTHY Prefix used before the title of all Pack Officers.
- 5. HONORABLE Prefix used before the title of all Kennel Officers.

### Rationale:

Gender specific titles are used throughout the rituals and this change addresses our many female officers across the Kennel.

Respectfully Submitted, PDD Randy Ott Jr., 06-059 Pound 185 Dog Robber Worthy Washington Pack Dog Robber

\*\*\*Written (non-electronic) submission with signature available to be seen upon request - EFR

Proposed Bylaw Change dated February 1, 2021

#### ARTICLE XII - GENERAL

### **Existing Wording:**

### Section 1209 - Life Memberships

- E. Paid Life Memberships shall be made available at a cost of \$150.00 each for those Members of the ORDER who are up to and including age 60 years, and for \$125.00 for those Members who are age 61 years and above. All applicants shall meet the following criteria. NOTE: Because the Paid Life Membership is classified as Dues (Section 104), the current flat rate of \$100.00 will remain in effect until the close of the Supreme Growl of the Kennel in 2005 and the increase shall become effective at that time.
- 1. The member shall be a Pedigreed Devil Dog, shall be a Life Member of the Marine Corps League, Inc., and shall have maintained at least five (5) years continuous membership in the Marine Corps League, Inc., and shall have no outstanding obligations to either the Order or the League.
- 2. Once Life Memberships in the Order are transmitted to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber; the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber shall remit \$30.00 to the Pound, and \$30.00 to the Pack in which the Pound is located. The Kennel shall retain the balance. In the case of a Dog belonging to a Pound in a State where there is no established Pack, the Kennel shall retain the amount allocated for a Pack. In the case of Kennel Strays purchasing Life Memberships, the Kennel Dog Robber shall make no distribution.
- 3. The transmittal of Paid Life Memberships shall be the responsibility of the Pound, via the Pack, to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber. Pounds in States having no established Pack shall transmit directly to the Kennel.
- 4. Permanent metal Paid Life Member plates and cardboard type membership cards will be issued to the Pedigreed Devil Dog only at the time of their original transmittal.
- 5. Pedigreed Devil Dogs holding Paid Life Membership Status in the Order are exempt from future Kennel, Pack and Pound Membership Dues.
- F. Honorary Life Membership can be awarded to all members of the Marine Corps League, Inc., who served in United States Marine Corps units in the American Expeditionary Force, in France, during the First World War. These Honorary members shall have no voice or vote in any Growl of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Inc., unless they shall have previously held a Degree in the Order.

### **Proposed Wording:**

- E. Paid Life Memberships (PLMs) shall be made available to all Pedigreed Devil Dogs at a cost of \$150.00 for those who are up to and including 60 years old, and at a cost of \$125.00 for those Pedigreed Devil Dogs who are age 61 years and above. PLMs for Pups of the Order shall be made available at a cost of \$250.00 regardless of age. PLMs for Devil Dogs of the Order shall be made available at a cost of \$200.00 regardless of age.
- All PLM applicants regardless of title shall meet the following criteria:
- 1. The member shall be a Paid Life Member of the Marine Corps League, Inc., and shall have no outstanding obligations to either the Order or the League.

- 2. Once Paid Life Memberships in the Order are transmitted to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber; the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber shall remit \$30.00 to the Pound, and \$30.00 to the Pack in which the Pound is located. The Kennel shall retain the balance. In the case of a Dog belonging to a Pound in a State where there is no established Pack, the Kennel shall retain the amount allocated for a Pack. In the case of Kennel Strays purchasing Paid Life Memberships, the Kennel Dog Robber shall make no distribution.
- 3. The transmittal of Paid Life Memberships shall be the responsibility of the Pound, via the Pack, to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber. Pounds in States having no established Pack shall transmit directly to the Kennel.
- 4. Permanent metal Paid Life Membership plates and cardboard type membership cards will be issued to the Member only at the time of their original transmittal.
- 5. Members holding Paid Life Membership Status in the Order are exempt from future Kennel, Pack and Pound Membership Dues.
- F. Removed as there a no living members of the First World War.

#### Rationale:

Across the Kennel, there are Pups/Devil Dogs who have become PLMs in the Marine Corps League, Inc., yet cannot become PLMs in the Order until they achieve Pedigreed status. Many of them for whatever reason cannot become a Pedigreed Devil Dog. Therefore, they must renew on an annual basis. We have no requirement in the League for them to become PLMs other than pay a nominal one-time fee. The requirement to join the MODD is that they have been a member in the League for at least one year and after that can advance to Devil Dog and so on. Time is covered for their membership in the Order by these requirements.

For this reason, they are being "punished" for being a Pup/Devil Dog. The Kennel continually loses membership each year from non-paying of dues. As our PLMs do not generate revenue for the Pound/Packs other than the initial \$30, their PLM goes directly to the Fund. After that, they are in the Order for life and have saved themselves a few bones along the way. Win-Win!

Respectfully Submitted, PDD Randy Ott Jr., 06-059 Pound 185 Dog Robber Worthy Washington Pack Dog Robber

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Proposed Bylaw Change dated February 1, 2021

### ARTICLE IV- THE KENNEL

### Existing Wording:

#### Section 417 - Kennel Awards

- 2. Pounds Each Pound may select a Pound Dog of the Year according to Subparagraph (1). The Pound Dog of the Year may be a Pedigreed Devil Dog, a Devil Dog or a Pup. The Pound Dog of the Year selectee may be submitted to the Pack (if one exists in the State where the Pound is situated) for consideration as Pack Dog of the Year; however, only a Pedigreed Devil Dog or Devil Dog may be submitted to the Pack. The Pound will submit its Nomination for Kennel Dog of the Year directly to the Kennel in accordance with subparagraphs (4) and (5) and will provide a copy of the Nomination to its respective Pack, if there is a Pack in that State. Only a Pedigreed Devil Dog may be nominated for Kennel Dog of the Year. In all cases ONLY the Pound may make nominations for Kennel Dog of the Year. Only one (1) nomination per Pound per year is permitted.
- **3. Packs** -Each Pack may select a Pack Dog of the Year according to its established criteria from candidates submitted by the Pounds within its jurisdiction. The Pack selection process shall be guided by subparagraph (1). Only Pedigreed Devil Dogs and Devil Dogs may be selected as a Pack Dog of the Year.

### Proposed Wording:

#### Section 417 - Kennel Awards

- 2. Pounds Each Pound may select a Pound Dog of the Year according to Subparagraph (1). The Pound Dog of the Year may be a Pedigreed Devil Dog, a Devil Dog or a Pup. The Pound Dog of the Year selectee may be submitted to the Pack (if one exists in the State where the Pound is situated) for consideration as Pack Dog of the Year; all Pups, Devil Dogs and Pedigreed Devil Dogs are eligible for the Pack Dog of the Year. The Pound will submit its Nomination for Kennel Dog of the Year directly to the Kennel in accordance with subparagraphs (4) and (5) and will provide a copy of the Nomination to its respective Pack, if there is a Pack in that State. In all cases, ONLY the Pound may make nominations for Kennel Dog of the Year; All Devil Dogs and Pedigreed Devil Dogs are eligible for the Kennel Dog of the Year. Only one (1) nomination per Pound, per year is permitted.
- **3. Packs** -Each Pack may select a Pack Dog of the Year according to its established criteria from candidates submitted by the Pounds within its jurisdiction. The Pack selection process shall be guided by subparagraph (1). All Pups, Devil Dogs and Pedigreed Devil Dogs are eligible for the Pack Dog of the Year.

#### Rationale:

A Pup is eligible for the Pound Dog of the Year yet may not be submitted for Pack Dog of the Year. Our awards continue to be short of write-ups each year by all dogs who put in a lot of work in their local areas. These Pups cannot elevate for different reasons, and they are being ignored for their hard work because of their degree. By making these awards available for all eligible dogs, the competition and acknowledgement of their work will increase.

Respectfully Submitted, PDD Randy Ott Jr., 06-059 Pound 185 Dog Robber/Worthy Washington Pack Dog Robber

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# Military Order of the Devil Dogs

13 Mar 2021

From: DD Ryan Siemer, 18-192 CWO3 Edward J. Albus Pound #370, NC Pack Worthy Police Dog To: PDD Evelyn Remines, Honorable Kennel Smart Dog

Subj: PROPOSED CHANGE TO KENNEL BYLAWS

Ref: (a) Kennel Bylaws Article XIII Section 1301 Amending of Bylaws

 Per the reference, I would like to recommend the following Proposed Change Bylaw for Consideration.

Article I – Membership, Section 101 – Eligibility, Sub-paragraph B, Sub-paragraph 4.

### **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 Kennel Dog Robber for factual verification. Once the Honorable Kennel 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 Kennel 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:

### 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 qualified candidate who has otherwise complied with paragraphs D and E of this Section and who is also an Active Duty or Reserve on Active orders Marine or FMF Corpsman/ Chaplain and whose duty obligations to service have them unable to make the trip to the Grand Growl of the Pack or the Supreme Growl of the Kennel 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 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.

c. 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, and active duty service exemptions shall be sent directly to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber for factual verification. Once the Honorable Kennel 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 Kennel 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, active duty 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

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#### Rationale:

As an active duty Marine who has taken the pleasure of joining the Marine Corps League and then the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, I can tell you first hand it is very difficult to attend some of the functions required to advance in both organizations. This exception would allow fellow active duty members to continue to rise in the Order's ranks even if their commitment to active duty service prevented them from attending the Pack/Kennel events. This would help promote the Order and could add more eligible members knowing that their active duty service would not hinder them.

Respectfully Submitted,

DD Ryan Siemer 18-192 CWO3 Edward J Albus Pound #370 NC Pack Worthy Police Dog Hold your smart phone's camera up to the QR Code (don't take a picture) just point your smart phone's camera at the QR Code and you will be taken to the perspective website via a pop-up link, then click the link to launch the webpage.

# **Kennel Website**



# **Kennel Facebook**







# Kennel Barking Dog PDD Lewis W. Rice III



# **Final Thoughts**

You can't control how people receive your energy, but positive energy is contagious!

Surround yourself with positive people who will nourish and uplift your soul.

Pictured with Past Pound Keeper Devell "Bull" Durham Jr. aka SgtMaj Durham (retired) of the Jesse O. Price Pound 210, North Carolina Pack.

