# Passport Fee or a Donation?

### What is a Passport Fee?

- Section 505 of the Kennel Bylaws which cover Passports and Visa Stamps.
- A. All Devil Dogs shall procure a MODD Passport at a cost regulated by the Kennel, which will distribute them to the Packs and Pounds. The fine for attending any Kennel, Pack or Pound Growl will be One Big Bone (one dollar) \$1.00 without a passport in any attending Devil Dogs possession.
- B. The Kennel, Pack and Pounds will procure a Visa Stamp to stamp all Passports with the date of all Growls attended by said Devil Dog presenting their Passport. Cost of Visa Stamping shall be One Big Bone (one dollar) \$1.00.
- C. All monies (bones) collected for Passport of Visa stamping shall be forwarded after each Growl to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber, who will hold these monies (bones) in a special Passport account.
- D. All monies (bones) collected will be used each year at the Marine Corps League, Inc., National Convention, where a check for a sizable portion of that account will be presented first, to a children's hospital in the convention city, or to another suitable local charity and the Executive Board of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Inc., may select. The check shall be accompanied by a letter stipulating that the Order's contribution is to be used for special equipment purchases only and for no other purpose.
- E. Any Devil Dog Passport that is lost, or misplaced, not stolen, if turned into either the Kennel, Pack or Pound Dog Robber, shall be stamped four (4) times and returned at a cost of Two Big Bones (two dollars) \$2.00, as a finder's fee.

## Math for Devil Dogs

• Let's say you have 12 "Dogs" attending a Pound Growl, how many "Passport Fee" bones should you send to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber?..... What if you have several Dignitaries or "Guests", like the Honorable Chief Devil Dog? What if the Honorable Junior Vice Chief Devil Dog attends your Pound Growl? What if the Northeast Division Vice Chief Devil Dog also attends? Now how many "Passport Fee" bones do you send to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber?..... Chew on that for a minute.

#### **Donations**

- Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines a Donation as "the act or an instance of donating": such as "the making of a gift especially to a charity or public institution" also as "a free contribution"
- So, let's say you are at a Growl, and you pay your "One Big Bones" for your Passport Fee and all you have is a Five Big Bone Bill, and you say, "donate the rest to the Children's Hospital Fund", the Pound or Pack Dog Robber should put those "bones" to the side as it is a donation, not part of the Passport Fees.
- After the Growl, the Pound or Pack Dog Robber has Sixteen Big Bones (\$16.00) in Passport Fees and donations totaling Fifty Big Bones (\$50.00). Now, its time to mail the check to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber, how much is the check going to be for?..... Can he mail the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber a check for Sixty-Six Big Bones (\$66.00)? Yes, he can. On the MEMO LINE of the check write 16 Passport Fee and 50 donation. It's that easy. That will help the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber know the difference between the Passport Fees and Donation.

#### Questions?

- My Pack Dog Robber wants the Pounds to mail the Passport Fees and Donations to the Pack. Is that correct? NO!! After every Pound Growl, mail the Passport Fees and Donations directly to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber. If you need to, send the Pack Dog Robber an email, stating the total amount of Big Bones being turned in.
- I was told by my old Pound Dog Robber to keep the Passport fees and Donations till the end of the year, and then mail a big check? NO!! Once again, you need to mail all Passport Fees and Donations to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber after the Growl.
- What if my Pound wants to do something else with the Passport Fees and Donations, can we do that? NO!! Once again, you mail those Big Bones to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber.