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Next General Membership Meeting Sept. 23, 2008 at 7 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT

What a couple of months we've been having at the Club! Compared to last July 2007 ... July 2008 was a record month. Revenues were up and our illustrious Bar Manager, Jim Grach has kept costs at record low. Jim tells me the trend for August is more of the same. Many thanks to all our members who continually frequent the Leatherneck Club; you are all keeping us afloat!

It is getting close to the time for elections again! No, not just the national elections, but those of the Greater Nevada Detachment. The months of August and September have always been set aside for nominations. Elections for the detachment are held in October and the installation of new officers is held in November after the "Ball". We are now looking for nominations!

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Deadlines for next issue will be Sept. 22, 2008

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MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER - JIMMY GRACH

Football season is here, so come on down and watch your favorite team. We have 6 televisions, 3 big screens and 3 regular size. Our football package should be in by the time you get this issue of "The Word".

A great big thanks to Gary Johnson for helping me with the bunker. **Well done Gary!**

If anyone would like to make a meal for "Social Night", the 3rd Saturday of the month, let me know. The Club will pay for the food ... if you prepare it.

Remember, Karaoke will be on Friday night.

LEATHERNECK CLUB SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

THIS MONTH AT THE LEATHERNECK CLUB

Note: Dates are subject to change or events may be added per management.

- 9-01 Officers Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-02 Chicago Police Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-03 Bottle Club Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-05 Joe Locatelli POL/Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
- 9-06 Poker Stop - 10:00 a.m.
- 9-06 American Legion Meeting - 10:00 a.m.
- 9-06 Finance Meeting - Noon
- 9-06 Latin Night - 10:00 p.m.
- 9-08 Marine Riders Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-09 Chips Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-12 YTB Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-13 Devil Pups - 4:00 p.m..
- 9-13 Latin Night - 10:00 p.m.
- 9-17 Nevada Gems - 11:00 a.m.
- 9-19 Private Party - 7:00 p.m.
- 9-20 Latin Night - 10:00 p.m.
- 9-23 General Meeting - 7:00 p.m..
- 9-26 YTB Meeting - 7:00 p.m..
- 9-27 Latin Night - 10:00 p.m.

MASTER CARD AND VISA

Master Card and Visa are now accepted at the Club Bar.

MARINE RIDERS OF LAS VEGAS - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

9-1	Four Corners Biker Rally
9-8	Marine Riders' Monthly Meeting - 7 p.m. - Leatherneck Club
9-11	Confederation of Clubs Meeting
9-13	2nd Annual Red & Gold in the Silver State party.
9-16	ABATE Meeting at Mr. D's
9-24-9-28	Reno Street Vibrations

For information on upcoming events visit the Marine Riders' website at <http://marineriders.us>.

MARINE RIDERS OF LAS VEGAS - MEETING INFORMATION

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.	Marine Riders of Las Vegas Monthly Meeting	Marine Corps League
2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.	Confederation of Clubs	Eagles Club (Corner of Bruce & Washington by Cashman Field)
1st Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.	Marine Corps League Officers Meeting	Marine Corps League

Please email "SNOOPY" with all updates, changes or corrections at snoopy@marineriders.us. or you can email the editor of The Word at editor@mcldet186.org.

PURCHASE STOCK IN THE LEATHERNECK CLUB

If you are interested in purchasing stock just pick-up a stock purchase form the next time you come to the Club. Return it to the Club and the stock certificate will be mailed to you.

DRILL REUNION MEETING

September 4th through 7th there will be a "Drill Reunion" meeting at Crown Point/Mission Valley, San Diego, CA. For more information call 619-281-0996.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

October is drawing near and so is my term as Senior Vice Commandant. My time in this position has been gratifying and I hope I served you well. Having served as Chaplain and now Senior Vice Commandant, I have always believed that to do the job ... do it right! That's been my credo in the active Marine Corps and the Marine Corps League.

Now, my attention and dedication must be on my own health concerns, which have become more significant during the past several years. It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that I will not seek a second term as Senior Vice Commandant. Nor will I seek another office in the Detachment. It is my hope that others in the Detachment will step up to the plate and take an active role in the operations of our organization.

My tenure as Chaplain and Senior Vice Commandant has been an experience that I will always cherish.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Semper Fi.

Gunny Jim Frizzle

RENTAL OF CHILDRESS HALL FOR REUNIONS, MEETINGS, ETC.

If you wish to use the space for a party or a meeting place, please contact the club manager, Jimmy Grach, (702)368-1775 or email clubmgr@mcldet186.org for pricing and availability.

BAD NEWS

This Club is also a museum. We have people that take pictures and other memorabilia from our Club. All these items were donations and entrusted to this Club.

THIS HAS TO STOP!

Anyone taking pictures, etc., without permission of Club management will be dealt with severely.

GENERAL MEETING REMINDER

Next General Meeting is Sept. 23RD. All associate/regular members are welcome.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT CONTINUED

The entire slate of officers is up for grabs this year. In addition, the seats of Marty Essex and Phil Cufari are open on the Finance Committee. Robert Veloz has stepped up to chair the election committee and will be addressing the membership during the August meeting. Those members in good standing that wish to run for office need to be nominated during either the August or September meeting. A note of order here: The bylaws state that you must be present to accept a nomination or have a representative in attendance with written acceptance of the nomination. I strongly suggest that you be in attendance at the September meeting should you wish to be nominated.

The current slate of officers consists of: Sr. Vice Jim Frizzel, Jr. Vice Gary Copenhagen, Judge Advocate Steve King, Adjutant, Dave McGrath, Paymaster Scott Kruse, Chaplain Rich Moran and Sgt at Arms Carroll George. They have all done an outstanding job of volunteering their time to support the membership of the League. Should they desire another term in office, they deserve your support. Some of them may not run again. We will need members to fill their positions on the board. If you have any questions about the jobs, ask them or talk to me.

Master Card and VISA will now be accepted at the bar. Allowing for any “unanticipated technical glitch,” in other words, “a screw up” the ability to use charge cards should now be up and running. Come on in and buy a round...create your own “MasterCard Moment!”

By the time the regular season begins, we should have the satellite NFL package available at the Club. Our goal is to show as many games as possible during each day. It will be first come, first served as to what will teams will have priority so come early to reserve your seat. I have been told food will be available all day during football season.

The annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball is fast approaching. The “Ball” will be held at the Southpoint Casino. Tickets are \$60.00 each for an evening of ceremony, dining and dancing. This will be the Corps’ 233rd birthday. Lt. Gen Buck Bedard will be our guest of honor. This, “Marine's Marine” has had an incredible career. He will be an outstanding guest of honor. Be sure to call Jack O'Rourke for tickets at: 702-809-5302

Freedom is not free, but the U.S. Marine Corps will pay most of your share.

Ned Dolan

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Please remember in your prayers and thoughts Col. Earl Rutledge's daughter, Chet Foulke, Phil Cufari, Marty Essex and all our Armed Forces.

How about our Chef! We have our own "Mess Sergeant" Travis. A good meal is to be had at the Club so come and enjoy! Thank you Travis.

November 11th is coming up so let us Marine Veterans show up big in the parade, be proud and show your pride of being a veteran.

Question:: What remark is usually made by seniors when they enter an antique store?

Answer: "I remember these".

God Bless,
Your Chaplain R. Moran

MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL TICKETS

Birthday Ball tickets are on sale. They are \$60.00 each and are non-refundable. Don't wait until the last minute. Make your check payable to the Marine Corps League. Include a self-addressed envelope and mail it to the Marine Corps League, 4360 Spring Mountain, Las Vegas, NV 89102, attention Jack O'Rourke. The tickets will be returned directly to you in the envelope you provide or call Jack O'Rourke at 702-809-5302

GOLF ANYONE?

Would you participate if the Club held a golf tournament next June? Jimmy Grach needs your feed-back in order for management to make a decision as to having a tournament or not. Let your bartender know your thoughts the next time you are in the Club or call (702) 368-1775.

DONATIONS NEEDED

We need two 32" wall mounted flat screen televisions to place on the back wall of the bar for the football season and other events. Remember ... all donations are tax deductible. This is the time to get involved and help out our Club.

MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS

A list of members names for expiring membership were not available at the time of this publication. Please be sure your dues are current and that they do not expire in the month of September.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRICE INFORMATION

As of January 1, 2007

Up to and including age 35:	\$400.00
Age 36 up to and including age 50:	\$350.00
Age 51 up to and including age 60:	\$250.00
Age 61 and over:	\$125.00

Consider a life membership on your next renewal date.

The person applying for life membership must be a regular member in good standing for one (1) year prior to application.

National Bylaws Article Six—Members Section 645—Life Members

Any member of the Marine Corps League who is in good standing may become a life member, upon proper payment of the fee, as required herein. A life member shall be subject to the payment of no further dues of a detachment, department, or national, such member shall have all privileges, rights and benefits enjoyed as a member as long as that member shall live.

TOYS FOR TOTS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Since 1947 Marines have been distributing shiny new toys to needy children and you can help make a difference in a child's life.

This year's tournament will be held on Friday, November 7, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. at Nellis AFB. All information including the application form is on the USMC Toys For Tots website at <http://www.toysfortotsvegas.org>.

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***All renewal dues and new memberships for will now cost \$30. Please consider becoming a life member. Life Membership information is on page 6 and Membership Expirations are on page 7.**



**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

Name: _____

Street: _____ # _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Phone Number _____

Date of Enlistment/Commissioning: _____

Date of Discharge/Separation/Retire: _____

Type of Application: New () Renewal () Dual () Regular () Associate ()

() I hereby apply for membership in the Greater Nevada Detachment, and enclosure \$30.00 for one year's membership

() I hereby apply for membership in the Marine Corps League as a Member-At-Large (MAL) and enclose \$30.00 for one year's membership

*Includes free subscription to **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MAGAZINE**

I hereby certify I have served as a U.S. Marine for more than 90 days, that the character of my service has been honorable, and if discharged, I am in receipt of an honorable discharge. By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable discharge/service upon request.

(Sponsor-where applicable)

Applicant's Signature

Upon completion, turn into your Detachment sponsor with required payment. Applicants for MAL Membership, remit this form with check or money order in the amount of \$30.00 to: Marine Corps League, P.O. Box 3070, Merrifield, VA 22116.