

## Battle Born Detachment February 2008 Newsletter





From The Commandant Greetings Fellow Marines,

As your newly elected Commandant, first I would like to say thank you for the opportunity to serve the league and second I would also thank the other members that where elect as officers.

I would like to continue to encourage everyone in the Detachment to go forth and recruit more members as we look to the future. With new members come news ideas. I would like a 10 percent increase in membership over the next year.

To receive your newsletter by e-mail, or to advice of any changes in your address, call the Adjutant, Ken Santor at (775) 322-1975 or email him at ksantorsr@yahoo.com.

Semper Fi, Ed Arnold

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 5, 2008 Marine Corps League, Battle Born Detachment 672 Held at VFW Post 9211, 255 Burris Lane, Reno, NV

**Opening Ceremony** 7:30 PM

Meeting Officially Opened 7:35 PM

**Roll Call of Detachment Officers:** 

Officers present
Ed Arnold, Commandant
Tom Bickert, Senior Vice Commandant
Ken Santor, Adjutant / Paymaster
David Walker, Chaplain
Richard Olsen, Sgt-at-Arms
Ken Santor, Paymaster

Other Members Present: John Warmouth, Paul Weller, Roger Ferguson, Paul Weller, Bob Sohrt

**Associate Members Present:** None

Guests: Steve Whittlesey, Chris Nero

Applications for Membership, Steve Whittlesey

**Minutes from the previous Meeting:** Distributed via computer.

Correspondence: Ken Santor informed the membership that on 3 Feb 2004, a young lady named Jessie Paleso appeared before those then present and requested some financial aid for her planned trip to Europe as a student ambassador. The Detachment wrote her a check for \$100 which she was unable to use and had been outstanding on our books since then. Her father, while going through some of her things, came across the check and returned it with a letter informing us that she is now a Marine. A motion was made to give her a one year membership and was unanimously passed. It was also decided to ask for her current address and to correspond with her and if she is in country to send her packages.

The Gun Show had \$167.00 in sales and \$95.00 in Devil Pup donations, all of which is now in the bank. The next gun show is in May. There is now about & 1600 in the Devil Pups account; enough to send three

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to the program. The funds were rolled over in a CD.

Ken said that the M1 inventory was down to two and that delivery took about one year. The M1s cost \$450 plus \$20 for shipping. It costs \$100 to refurbish the stocks. They sell for \$900. Ken had sold two M1s in three days with a newspaper ad. It was decided to order six more to replenish our supply.

## **Paymasters Report:**

Report of League Members or Family Members in Distress: Robert LaFleur's back operation screw head came loose and he had to undergo another operation. Harold and Dale are both poor health.

**Report of Officers:** Dave Walker and John Warmouth both received their Life Membership cards.

**Obituaries:** None

Old/Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Good of the League: None

Announcements: DD 214 forms are now available

on line at http://vetrecs.archives.gov/

Local Business: None

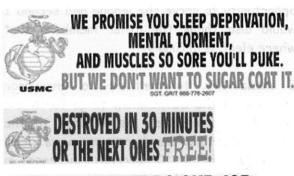
**Scuttlebutt:** This is a new section that I would like to start that will include information of assistance that various members come across and would like to share. I heard recently that GI's who got a reenlistment bonus and were wounded too badly to complete their tour in country were being required to

pay back at least part of the bonus. DOD has instituted a toll free phone number to deal with this problem which they say should never have been instituted. Any GI with this problem is advised to call DOD at 1 800 984 8523.

## Weblinks of interest:

http://www.hbo.com/aliveday/

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