

## April 2010 Newsletter for the Battle Born Detachment 672

Greetings Marines,

Best Wishes to all Battle Born Marines, and "Thank You " to all members who attended the April meeting. I hope everyone had a Happy Easter, and enjoyed the weekend with family and friends. Be watchful for any fellow marines you may meet in your daily travels, and encourage them to attend our meetings. Bring any names of potential "Devil Pups" for this summers program to the May meeting , so that the detachment can get them qualified in time for the summer activites. Now that spring is here, be sure to be active in your outdoor exercise, keep yourself healthy!! I will be in Maryland for the May meeting, but will be back for the June meeting.

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Rich Olsen

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### **Meeting Minutes for 6 April 2010**

Marine Corps League, Battle Born Detachment 672 , held at VFW Post 9211,  
255 Burriss Lane, Reno, NV 89509 5429

Opening Ceremony :	19:29
Officially Opened :	19:29
Meeting closed :	20:37

Detachment Officers:  
Commandant: Richard Olsen  
Senior Vice : Tom Bickert  
Jr. Vice: Fred Vigil  
Adjutant / Paymaster: Ken Santor  
Chaplain: Dave Walker  
Sgt-at-Arms: John Warmouth  
JAG : Larry Mullins  
Web Sgt: John Glatthar

Members Present:  
Bob Marshall  
John Howell  
John Matthews  
Bob Sohrt

Fred R Vigil  
Larry F Mullins  
David L Walker  
Tom Bickert  
Richard J Olsen  
John A Warmouth  
Chris Nero  
Kimberly Pasini Wood  
John Glatthar

Associate Members Present:

Bob Livingston

Guests:

Glenn Rey

Jim Snyder

Jim Pockrus

Kimberly Pasini Wood

Andres Montonya

**Apps for Membership:**

One transfer from Carson City to be formalized at the May meeting.

Andres Montonya, a Bataan Death March survivor, was given Associate membership by a unanimous vote.

**Minutes from the previous Meeting:** Approved

**Correspondence :** NONE

**Paymasters Report:** NONE Report of League Members or Family

**Members in Distress:**

John Howell will have his hip replaced at Renown Hospital on the 20th of April.

**Report of Officers:** The

**Report of standing committees:** Larry says that when the temperature gets above freezing at night the cemetery will leave the water on over the weekend. We will have a work detail at the cemetery sometime in May. Larry requests that anyone who has an unwanted/unneeded copy of Semper Fi with the Iwo Jima cover please bring it to the May meeting so that he can get them to the family of Willis Max Riggs whose photo appears on the cover. Mr. Riggs is an Iwo Jima Marine who is buried in the NNVC. Larry has the new plaque for the cemetery cannon. Roger has picked up the new flags for the cemetery to replace the worn ones out there now.

**Obituaries:** NONE

**Old/Unfinished Business:** NONE

**New business:**

Top Brunner has been promoted

Jim Snyder of the VFW / American Legion Riders informed us that the Moving Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Wall will be in Reno at Rancho San Rafael 17 June to 20 June. There will be a big opening ceremony on the 17th of June. The setup of this will be on the 16th of June and they are looking for people who have woodworking skills to help. They have three people lined up to assist with computers, but figure that they will need nine people good on computers. If you want to volunteer they can be contacted at [motoring@ijango.com](mailto:motoring@ijango.com). They will have their next meeting on Sunday, 11 April 09:00 at the Bonanza Casino.

Fred introduced his uncle, Andres Montonya, who is a survivor of the Bataan Death March. By a unanimous vote it was decided to make him an associate member of the Detachment.

Larry informs us that for anyone attending the State Convention there is a Days Inn that is a 10 minute drive from where the convention is to be held that costs \$44.00/ night, IF booked through the Las Vegas Convention Authority. The \$50.00 registration fee covers free drinks at the bar. Larry has found a place that will make up MCL patches for \$3.75 for the small, and \$11.89 for the large when purchased in lots of 50.

**Good of the League:**

Fred is working on getting us a table at the Reno Rodeo.

**Announcements:** The Commandant gave a history of John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry and the Marine Corps' involvement.

<http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/guides/JohnBrownBib.pdf>

<http://www.lva.virginia.gov/exhibits/DeathLiberty/johnbrown/>

<http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/johnbrown.htm>

are the web sites that were used for research, for anyone who wishes to learn more.

**Local Business:** NONE

Next meeting May 4 2010