

**Marine Corps League
Battle Born Detachment #672
January 2014 Newsletter**

Commandant's Greeting:

I want to say to all members that I will do my best to fulfill the duties of my elected office. I am honored to be your Commandant, and ask for your help, and guidance in the coming year. Our detachment needs, and strives, for all members to contribute their time, and energy, as they are able. I will do the same. I am always ready to listen and hope you will offer your suggestions.

Semper Fi,
Don Enea

Opening Ceremony: Meeting Opened at 19:32 on January 7, 2014
Officially Opened at 19:32
Officially Closed at 20:55.

Current Officers:

Commandant: Don Enea
Senior Vice Commandant : Mike Rios
Junior Vice Commandant: Tom Bickert
Adjutant/Paymaster: Ken Santor
JAG: Ron Breaux
Chaplain: David Walker
Web Sergeant: John Glatthar

Roll Call of Officers:

All present, except for the Web-Sgt.

Detachment members present:

Claudia Willis
Craig Lamke
David Walker
Dennis Poynter
Don Enea
Ed Arnold
Gloria Hutcherson
Hugo Tello
James Hutcherson
Ken Santor
Mike Rios
Paul Weller
Richard Olsen
Rodney McGuire
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert
William Reed

Guests Present:

Debra Rios
Dennis Hansberry
Tami Young

Application for Membership:

New member: Hugo Tello, applied for membership. He was a GySgt, served for 16 years on active duty in MOS 6132, a helo mechanic.

Rodney McGuire became a new member, and was a cook in the USMC. He was stationed mostly at Camp Pendleton.

Dennis Poynter joined the detachment, he served in MOS 0341. He was wounded in RVN, and served there in 1967-1968, was at Khe Sanh and the DMZ.

Ken Santor made a motion for the detachment to pay for the membership dues for Nick Rios, a vote was taken, which passed. David Walker and Paul Weller briefed members on the history of the use of Service Numbers for military personnel.

Review of the Minutes of the previous meeting:

Richard Olsen made a motion for the minutes of the DEC 2013 meeting to be accepted as published in the newsletter. The motion was carried, and the minutes were accepted.

Correspondence:

Ken Santor asked for help in setting the margins for his computer, and was given some advice. Ken also reported about a letter received from Dept of NV Commandant Paul Bowen.

Paul advised that National has raised the annual dues by \$2/year. Our detachment will not raise our members' dues.

Report of Paymaster:

Ken Santor reported on the finances for November and December 2013. The December meeting was shortened because of the Christmas dinner.

November 2013 Total Income was: \$1003. Total Expense was \$556.68.

December Total Income was: \$ 206. Total Expense was \$ 1111.83.

Any member wanting more info on the monthly finances, please contact Ken.

Report of Family/Member in Distress:

None, however Bill Reed's wife is doing better, and Bill and Rita are grandparents again.

Report of Officers: NONE**Report of Committees:**

Claudia Wiles reported to all members on the successful completion of the detachment's role in the 2013 Toys for Tots Program. Special thanks went to Don Enea and Ken Santor for their outstanding effort. Our goal for 2013 was to collect and distribute 30,000 toys.

Our detachment reached a final total of 61,738 toys, books, and stocking stuffers. Ken reported to all that we also helped a family from Tahoe City, CA that had lost everything in a house fire. Our help allowed this family to have a full Christmas. Both Ken and Claudia stressed to all of the need for more volunteers and coordination for the TFT drive in 2014.

Don Enea added that in 2014 all hands will be needed to offset the burden upon the detachment in completing the TFT for that year. Don and Ken briefed all that most citizens in our area believe that TFT is a Salvation Army program, when in fact TFT is a USMC program started by Marines after WW2 to help children at Christmas who had lost their father in WW2. We as a detachment need to get this word out to the community. Don, Ken, and Claudia will start the 2014 TFT coordination this summer and are asking for everyone's help.

Don Enea spoke to all members on his policy of "Brotherhood", and on how this policy can help to recruit and retain new members. Don advised all members to look after, talk to, and encourage any Marine they meet to come to our meetings. In our meetings, there will be no arguing among members, and loud criticizing of each other. This action drives new members away, and we cannot afford to lose even one member. Don and other Officers will be at the bar after each meeting, and at the bar any member can voice their feelings. Don will do his best to entertain all requests, and to listen to any complaint.

Don asks all members for their help in establishing this "Brotherhood" policy.

Unfinished Business:

Paul Weller briefed all on the progress of the Hot Sauce Program. He sent 3 cases to Elko, and also sold some cases locally. Paul received a \$100 donation from a customer as a "thank you" to our detachment for the community work that we do. Paul reported \$958 was received for December 2013 from the Hot Sauce sales.

New Business: NONE

Good of the League:

Don Enea introduced Dennis Hansberry to the members. Dennis is the Head of the Dept of Nevada Devil Dogs, and has been for more than one year. Dennis is with the High Desert Detachment in Fallon. He gave a briefing to all members on the history, goals, purpose, and requirements of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. Dennis wants more of the MCL members to join the MODD, and explained why this is important.

Dennis attended the Mid-Winter Conference in Tonopah in January, and also briefed this. He informed all that the 2014 Dept of NV MCL State Convention will be held on May 02-03 and hosted by the Pahrump Detachment. Any member wishing more info on joining the MODD, please contact Ken Santor, or Tom Bickert.

Ken Santor presented to several members a Certificate of Appreciation for their work/help during the Toys for Tots 2013 Program.

Richard Olsen reported to all on the VA Hospital Quarterly Veteran's Volunteer Service meeting. He attended as the detachment representative, and told of VA happenings.

These are:

1. A new canteen has opened on the first floor and is bright and clean
 2. A new 180 space parking garage is to start being built in the spring.
 3. Volunteers are needed for the 30MAR-04APR VA winter games in Colorado.
 4. May 14th is the 75th Anniversary of the Reno VA Hospital, events planned.
 5. CLC at the VA needs volunteers for upcoming events, like St. Patrick's Day.
- Paul Weller said he has some Korean War Veteran's Medals, see him if interested.

David Walker briefed all on the background and history of the Chaplin position, and had a suggestion that it be an elected position. JAG Ron Breaux will check on this idea.

Richard Olsen gave a "Thank You" to Tom Bickert on Tom attending the January Mid-Winter Conference in Tonopah. Tom also took the detachment's 2013 Accomplishments and Goal's to pass out at the conference.

Ken Santor auctioned off two tickets for movies to the CineMark theaters in Reno. Each ticket was for two people to see any movie of their choice. Both sold for \$10 each.

Don Enea said for all members to be aware of the stealing of bronze plaques around Reno. Attention should be paid to the plaques in the Fernley cemetery. Tom Bickert (a resident of Fernley) said he would check our display from time to time.

Mike Rios briefed all that his son, Nick, send's his "Thank You" to the detachment.

Announcements: NONE

Closing Ceremony: Officially Closed at 20:55.

Next Meeting is February 4, 2014 at 19:30.

MCL DET#672 FEB 2014 NEWSLETTER

Commandant's Greeting.

I want to thank everyone for attending the Feb meeting. Keep looking for new members, and mark your calendar for our upcoming events. We will need volunteers for our detachment activities, and I encourage all members to participate, as I will. The cold weather is fast coming to an end, so standby for spring!! Semper Fi, Don Enea

1/. Opening Ceremony.

Meeting Officially Opened @ 19:30/ Officially Closed @ 20:18.

2/. Roll Call of Officers: All Present.

Members present:	Don Enea	Richard Olsen
	Ken Santor	Ed Arnold
	Ron Breaux	John Glatthar
	Bill Reed	Tom Bickert
	Craig Lamke	David Walker
	Michael Rios	Dennis Pointer
	Hugo Tello	Paul Weller
Guest:	Fon Sutliff	

3/. Application for Membership:

Both Hugo Tello, and Dennis Pointer are now officially new members.

Ed Arnold introduced Fon Sutliff as a guest, Fon was in the USMC for 20 years, and served mostly in the Air Wing as an electronic tech on F4's.

4/. Review of Minutes of previous meeting.

Ken Santor advised all that Rodney McGuire was a guest at the last meeting, and has not yet joined our detachment. Richard Olsen made a motion to have the minutes of the JAN 2014 meeting accepted, with corrections, and it passed.

5/. Correspondence.

A/. Ken Santor informed all of a dinner sponsored by the Fleet Reserve High Assn. The dinner will be on Feb 08, and held at their building at Prater & 4th St. A \$7.00 donation is requested. All are welcome, and a drawing for a door prize will be held.

B/. Ken also advised all that information on Job Fairs for Military Vets can be found on both the Internet and Facebook with dates and locations.

C/. National MCL Headquarters has raised the fees for new Life Members, more later.

D/. This May the Reno VA Hospital will celebrate its 75th year anniversary, and events are planned for the occasion. More on this at the April meeting.

E/. The VA Hospital has a special book about the Korean War donated by the Korean Government, and this book is for any Vet who served during the Korean Conflict.

6/. Report of Paymaster.

A/. Ken Santor reported that JAN 2014 was a slow month. Total Income was \$978.

Total Expense was \$157.99. Any member wanting more info, see Ken.

B/. Ken advised all that he will check on our booth at the Reno Spring Home&Garden Show to be held on FEB 21-23. An email will be sent out to all hands with info.

C/. Don Enea and Ken informed the members that we will most likely have a booth at this year's Reno Rodeo from 19-28 June. A maximum number of volunteers will be needed.

D/. Richard Olsen made a motion to accept the Paymaster report, and this was seconded by Tom Bickert. The motion was approved.

7/. Member/Family in Distress: Bill Reed's wife, Rita, is doing much better.

8/ & 9/. Report of Officers/ Report of Committees.

A/. Tom Bickert reported to all that he had checked the plaques at the Fernley Cemetery, and all are fine. Tom asked if anyone had information on a strong adhesive to bond the plaques to their frame to prevent theft of the plaques. Discussion followed.

B/. Mike Rios reported that plans are being made for another Honor Flight to go to Washington, DC toward the end of April. Also Mike is contacting all members who are behind in their annual dues. In response to a question by Paul Weller, Mike spoke about the progress of his son, Nic, in his USMC training, and Nic will have his name added to the contact list.

10/. Old Business/Unfinished Business.

A/. Don Enea spoke again about his idea of "Brotherhood". Don asked all members to be active in bringing any member, or former Marine to our detachment meetings. We are about helping any marine that needs help, and we need to recruit new members.

B/. Don also spoke to all about the requirement for everyone to carry an Application to the MCL on their person at all times. At all future meetings a check will be made by the Sgt-at-Arms to verify each member has an application. A \$1fine will be assessed to those that do not carry an application.

C/. Richard Olsen was asked by Don Enea, and Paul Weller to confirm what the status was on the Hot Sauce provided to Nevada Blue Printers. Also, Richard gave a short brief on his use of Nevada Blue to print, and copy the detachment

2013 Accomplishment's&Goals that Tom Bickert presented to the Department Of Nevada Mid-Winter Conference in Tonopah in January.

11/. New Business: None.

12/. Good of the League.

A/. JAG Ron Breaux informed all of the research he did on the question of voting for the detachment Chaplin, instead of appointing a member to this position.

Our by-laws allow either method of selection. David Walker made a motion to have the Chaplin position filled by an election, not by appointment, and this motion was seconded by Bill Reed. A vote was held, and the motion passed. Then, Richard Olsen made a motion to have David Walker voted in as the detachment Chaplin until the next election cycle in DEC 2014. This new motion was seconded by Tom Bickert, a vote was held, and passed without dissent.

B/. Don Enea proposed a new rule to limit any guest speaker to a limit of 3 to 5 minutes total time. This limit will prevent excessive talking, and is now in effect.

C/. Ken Santor gave a short recap of 2013 Toys for Tots numbers. Don Enea stated that Reno Toyota will provide 2 vehicles for the 2014 TFT effort.

D/. Paul Weller, in jest, stated that the red stripe on the formal uniform trousers is to help NCO's find where their shoes are located.

13/. Announcements: NONE

14/. Closing Ceremony: Officially Closed at 20:18, Next Meeting 04 MAR 2014.

MARCH 2014 MCL DET#672 NEWSLETTER

Commandant's Greeting

I am happy to have seen such a full turnout of members and guests at our 04 MAR monthly meeting. This month our detachment has several activities, and we need volunteers for the Spring Home Show, and the Gun Show. Please contact me, or Ken if you are able to help with these events. Also, the 2014 Annual MCL DEPT of NV State Convention will be held in Pahrump the first weekend in May, and I have applications for those wanting to attend. Our summer calendar will be a busy one, so please help us with our commitments as much as you can. Semper Fi,
Don Enea

1/. Opening Ceremony. / Officially Opened at 19:30. / Officially Closed at 20:14.

2/. Roll Call. / All Officers present. Members and guests present, listed below.

Bill Reed
Bob Livingston
Bob Sohrt
Claudia Wiles
David Suber
David Walker
Dennis Poynter
Don Enea
Fred Vigil
Gloria Hutcherson
Hugo Tello
Jim Forbus
Jim Hutcherson
Ken Santor
Kimberly Wood
Kristopher Dahir
Mike Rios
Pam Geurin
Pat Warmouth
Paul Weller
Richard Olsen
Roger Ferguson
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert

3/. Application for Membership. None.

However, Dave Suber was introduced by Ron Breaux as a former active duty marine, who served 10 years , mostly at Camp Pendelton.

4/. Minutes of Previous Meeting. Richard Olsen made a motion to have the minutes of the FEB 2014 meeting accepted as published. The vote was passed.

5/. Correspondence. None.

6/. Paymaster Report. Ken Santor reported that FEB was a slow month.

Total Income was \$ 242. Total Expense was \$231.04. Richard Olsen made a motion to accept the report, and Ron Breaux seconded the motion, which passed.

7/. Chaplain's Report. David Walker reported that two members had passed away.

Dennis Espinoza and Phil Kalenowsky both were 55 years old, and both had ceremonies celebrating their lives. Heart attacks appeared to have affected both men. Dennis was interred at the Fernley Cemetery on 09 March after a ceremony.

8/. Report of Member, or Family in Distress. None.

9/. Report of Officers. A/. Mike Rios spoke to members on his program of

contacting members who are delinquent on their dues, and those that do not attend or participate in detachment events.

B/. Don Enea briefed all on an email from Dept of NV Commandant Paul

Bowen concerning the Young Marine Program. Don advised that we do not have the manpower, or funds to participate in this.

C/. Don and Ken spoke to all on the Spring Home Show to be held on March

14, 15, and 16. Also there will be a Gun Show at the Convention Center the

weekend of March 22-23. Volunteers will be needed for both.

D/. Don Enea informed all of our having a booth this year at the Reno Rodeo.

This will be for 10 days, from June 19th thru June 28th. The hours will mostly be from 4pm-10pm. Don will have a sign up sheet, and all are needed. E/. Don Enea has received information on the DEPT of NV State Convention to be held in Pahrump on the weekend of May 2-3. A Devil Dog growl will be held on Friday evening, and the main convention will be May 3rd. A dinner will be served on Saturday evening. Ken Santor briefed all on the cost, and placement of a detachment ad in the Convention booklet. David Walker made a motion to have our detachment place a full page ad in the booklet at a cost of \$125. This motion passed after a discussion/vote. Don has more information if any member wishes to attend. F/. Don Enea asked Fred Vigil on the status of Fred's visits to the Reno/Sparks Indian Colony, and Fred will brief all members at a later meeting.

10/. Report of Committees. None.

11/. Unfinished Business. None.

12/. New Business. Ron Breaux introduced Kris Dahir, who is a candidate for Sparks City Council, Ward #4. Kirs spoke to all for about 4 minutes on his plans for Sparks, especially for the plans for a Veteran's section in the new cemetery being considered in Sparks. Kris also wants to start a program where veterans come to area schools to talk with, and brief students about the veterans service. Ron Breaux also introduced a long time friend of his, Jim Forbus. Jim will work with the Honor Flight Program sponsored by Southwest Airlines.

13/. Good of the League. A/. Bob Livingston informed all about the Mustang Car Show on the weekend of June 6, 7, and 8. This will be held at the Peppermill. B/. Tom Bickert informed all about new concrete barriers being installed on the road leading up to the Fernley Cemetery. These new barriers will affect parking

along the road, and members should be aware of them. A cleanup of the USMC

memorial was discussed, and more information will be given at the May meeting.

C/. Richard Olsen spoke on the VA Hospital's 75th Anniversary coming up on 14

May. More info will be given at a later meeting.

D/. Ken Santor briefed all on a meeting to be held by the VA Administration on

08 March at the Silver Legacy Hotel, from 8:30-11:00. This meeting will discuss

Veteran's policy, issues, benefits, and goals. Seating is limited to 200 persons.

E/. Ken directed all persons attending Dennis Espinoza's ceremony at Fernley

Cemetery on 09 March, to wear formal MCL attire.

F/. Pam Geurin asked Ken on the proper procedure to obtain a free pass, if

a person wants to volunteer at our booths in the Convention Center.

Ken passed

out this information to all members.

14/. Announcements. None.

15/. Closing Ceremony. Officially Closed at 20:14. Next meeting is 01 APRIL.

APRIL 2014 MCL DET#672 NEWSLETTER

Commandant's Greeting:

I want to thank all members for their participation at the March meeting. Things to keep in mind for April are the upcoming Dept of NV MCL State Convention, to be held in Pahrump the first weekend of May.

Also, all members need to keep looking for new Marines to join, and attend our detachment. This upcoming summer will have a lot of activities for our detachment, and the more members we have that can participate in these activities will make it easier for all. For the meeting in May, I have coordinated with the staff of Famous Dave's BBQ to have our May meeting at Famous Dave's in their private dining room. I hope this change of venue will encourage a large turnout. Keep me informed of your ideas on making our detachment better and more productive. Semper Fi, Don Enea

Opening Ceremony: Officially Opened at 19:32 / Officially Closed at 20:43.

Roll Call: All Officers Present. Members and guests present, listed below.

Bill Reed
Claudia Wiles
Darrien Farr
David Sowberg
David Walker
Don Enea
Fred Vigil
Kimberly Wood
Mike Rios
Pam Geurin
Paul Weller
Richard Olsen
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert
Wil Haverly

Application for Membership. NONE

Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Tom Bickert made a motion to accept the March minutes as published in the newsletter. Richard Olsen seconded the motion, and the detachment voted in favor to accept the newsletter.

Correspondence:

Richard Olsen introduced Darrien Farr, who is the Public Affairs Officer for the Reno VA Hospital. Darrien spoke to all members about the program for the 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Reno VA Hospital. May 14, 2014 is exactly 75 years since the Reno VA opened. It was May 14, 1939 that the Reno VA opened. Today the Reno VA has about 1200 employees, 31,000 patients enrolled, and will expand by more than 165,000 square feet by the end of 2017. The 75th celebration will start at 08:00 with a flag raising, followed by guest speakers, and school students singing songs. There will be a static display of old military vehicles from WW2/Korea, and movies from 1939 will be shown in the 4th floor Tahoe meeting room. In the week of May 12-16 there will be constant events throughout the VA Hospital celebrating the 75th Anniversary. All Veterans and their families are invited to attend. The VA canteen will also have food specials to celebrate the 75th anniversary. A special poker chip has been designed to give to all persons attending the anniversary ceremonies. The VA Hospital is a great asset for Northern Nevada, and the adjacent California counties. In 2013 the Reno VA provided more than 414,000 patient visits to qualified persons. All members are encouraged to visit the VA Hospital during the week of May 12-16.

Paymaster's Report.

Ken Santor reported to all that March Total Income was \$ 2381. Total March expense was \$828.53. The detachment voted to accept the Paymaster's report.

Report of Member/Family sick or in Distress:

David Walker briefed all on the scare he had when his wife had a diabetic coma, and was admitted to the hospital. She has since recovered, and is better. Pam Geurin briefed all on the recovery of Bob Sohrt. Bill Reed reported on the passing of Paul Baez. David Walker briefed all on the passing of Ken Bird.

Report of Officers:

Ken Santor advised all that April 2014 is the 26th anniversary of the Battle Born Detachment. David Walker found our detachment flag, which has been missing, and Ken Santor has all of the streamers saved over the years, which Ken will attach to the flagpole.

Mike Rios briefed all on Mike's work on clearing all members in arrears on their annual dues. Also, Mike would like to start an inventory of all DET#672 gear/equipment. Mike is in the process of updating the detachment records to accurately show active members, and to drop members that have passed, or moved.

Ken Santor informed all of a veterans' mixer to be held on April 17th, at 5270 Neil Road, Suite 303. If any member wishes to attend this mixer, please contact Ken.

Don Enea spoke to all of the summer programs for the detachment. These include our booth at the Reno Rodeo from June 19-28. The hours Monday-Friday are 4-10pm, and on the weekend are 12-10pm. Don has a sign in sheet, and needs volunteers to work each day, even if only for a few hours.

The May meeting will take place at Famous Dave's BBQ, and if you want to order dinner, then plan on arriving at 6pm at Famous Dave's. NHP Trooper Officer Chuck Allen, a candidate for Washoe County Sheriff will speak to all members. Don also asked for volunteers to work the Gun Show on May3-4. The Dept of NV MCL State Convention will also be held in Pahrump on the weekend of May 2-3, anyone wishing to attend this convention see Don for details. Don will talk about Toys for Tots at future meetings, but Don asks all to be thinking about the TFT campaign this fall.

Report of Committees: NONE

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business: NONE

Good of the League:

Ron Breaux informed all of a group of aviation buffs that meet at Stead Airport on Tuesday and Thursday in the afternoon. The group is called the Confederate Air Force at Stead, and these members have a love of airplanes. Any MCL member is welcome to attend these informal meetings, and to take pictures of the planes. For more info, contact Ron Breaux.

Mike Rios informed all of a fund raising breakfast for Honor Flight. This will be held at Mayberry Gardens, on the corner of Mayberry and McCarran. The date is May 26th, and the cost is \$5 per person. The time is 7am-11:30am. Volunteers who will work are needed.

Mike Rios briefed all that his son, Nic, has been assigned to Marine Squadron HMX-1. This is the Presidential Helicopter Squadron, and this is quite an honor for Nic. Mike, and all of us in #672 are proud of Nic, and all that he has accomplished.

Richard Olsen informed all that Richard has reserved the picnic area at Lakeridge Shores for the detachment annual picnic. It will be held on Sunday July 13th. The hours are 11:00am till 18:00.

Richard will provide his BBQ grill, and also baked beans. More about the picnic at a later meeting.

Richard spoke to all about ordering new detachment business cards. Discussion followed, and Mike Rios advised that Vista Print can provide

business cards for a cheaper price. A suggestion was made to add the Toys for Tots logo to our business cards.

Richard Olsen made a motion for our detachment to sponsor one high school student to work at the VA Hospital in the Hospital Summer Youth Program. Discussion followed. Mike Rios suggested our detachment sponsor two students, which the members voted to do. The cost was \$50 per student for a total of \$100. Richard would coordinate with Ken to get the funds to the VA.

Richard Olsen briefed all on his completion of the VA Hospital Annual Survey and Review of the MCL DET#672 volunteers and works. This had not been completed for several years, and Richard was able to get our detachment back up to date. The completed report was given to Ken Santor for the detachment files.

Don Enea advised all that a work party will be needed to go to Fernley to clean the USMC 155 gun before the Memorial Day Ceremony. Also, Don has used some of his winnings to purchase some flags to use at our functions. The Fernley work party is set for Friday May 23rd.

Paul Weller briefed all on the progress of the Hot Sauce sales.

Darrien Farr advised all that his office at the VA Hospital is trying to arrange for some of the WW2 Navaho Code Talkers to come to Reno for the Marine Corps Birthday on Nov 10th. More info will be announced as it becomes available.

Our detachment was represented at the funeral of Dennis Espinoza by members Tom Bickert, Jon Yuspa, and Richard Olsen. The ceremony was very professional and well attended.

Ken Santor informed all of Ken's selection as the Veteran of the Month for March 2014 by the Office of Veteran's Affairs of the State of Nevada. Ken was presented with this honor on March 13th, and was the first Marine to be so honored. Ken spoke of some of his work he has done for Nevada veterans thru out the years, and how he helped to get the Veteran's exemption for DMV or homeowners passed by the legislature.

Discussion was held about Reno Police Officer Ira, and how he has helped all in the community.

Announcements. NONE

Next Meeting will be at Famous Dave's BBQ on May 06, 2014.

MAY 2014 MCL DET#672 NEWSLETTER

Commandant's Greeting:

I want to express my thanks for the large turnout of members and guests at the May meeting. I think that everyone enjoyed the food at Famous Dave's, and the change of venue. Also, a special thanks to NHP Trooper Chuck Allen for his briefing provided to all members. As discussed by our detachment during the meeting, we are having a full schedule for this summer, and all hands are needed to complete all of our tasks. I have sign in sheets for our various events, so please check your calendar for dates that you are able to volunteer.

Semper Fi,
Don Enea

Opening Ceremony: Officially Opened at 19:18. / Officially Closed at 20:23.

Roll Call: All Officers Present. Members and guests present listed below.

Bill Reed
Bob Livingston
Bob Sohrt
Claudia Wiles
Craig Lamke
David Walker
Del Hoberg
Dennis Poynter
Don Enea
Gloria Hutcherson
Henry Phillips
Hugo Tello
James Hutcherson
John Glatthar
Ken Santor
Kimberly Wood
Mike Rios
Pam Geurin
Pat Warmouth
Paul Weller
Richard Olsen
Roger Ferguson
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert
Special Guest Speaker NHP Trooper Chuck Allen

NHP Trooper Chuck Allen spoke to all members about his vision and qualifications for becoming Washoe County Sheriff. Ron Breaux invited Trooper Allen to our detachment meeting, and Trooper Allen spoke at length about his life in law enforcement, military service, and his 27 years of living in Nevada. There was a question and answer period following Trooper Allen's remarks. All members appreciated the comments, and the time Trooper Allen spent with the members.

Application for Membership. NONE

Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Richard Olsen informed all members his computer was down, and he was not able to complete the April 2014 newsletter by tonight's meeting. Richard will forward the contents of the April 2014 meeting to John Glatthar by the end of this week, and when able John will format, and email the April newsletter to all members. Don Enea stressed of the need for the newsletter to be sent out, and received in a timely manner.

Correspondence.

Ken Santor spoke to all of his, and Mike Rios's effort to update the membership list, with emphasis on delinquent members' annual dues, and on those who have moved/passed. Ken informed all of a new policy of National MCL that any member delinquent in dues can now keep his membership number, and remain in good standing as long as that member pays something toward his dues.

Also, our detachment will keep the member annual dues at \$31/year for the member, the detachment will pay the extra money National MCL has set for the annual dues.

Don Enea asks all officers to remain after the meeting for an Officers Meeting.

Bill Reed attended the DEPT OF NEVADA MCL State Convention the weekend of May 2-3, held in Pahrump, NV. Bill gave a briefing on what took place, and repeated what the Convention guest speaker had said. This speaker was a retired B/Gen, who said all MCL members should contact our US Senators, especially Senator Reid, for full funding of all USMC requirements. Also, the Southwest Division of the National MCL will expand and open a detachment on the Island Of Guam.

The National MCL Convention for 2014 will be held the week of August 2-9, in Charleston, SC. Bill presented to Ken a copy of the DEPT OF NV MCL State Convention Booklet for our detachment files. Finally, the speaker at the State Convention stated all detachments in the State should develop coordination with local government, and the nearest Veteran's Hospital/Veteran's Administration Office.

Paymaster Report.

Ken Santor reported Total Monthly Income for April 2014 was \$1368. Total Expense was \$1234.26. Any member wanting more financial information, please contact Ken.

Report of Member, or Family in Distress:

The brother of a member has advanced cancer, was on active duty with the Marines in Viet Nam, is 58 years old, lives in Vallejo, CA, and needs prayers from all members.

Report of Officers:

Don Enea again briefed all on the procedures for the detachment's role at the Reno Rodeo. The rodeo will be held from June 19-28 at the Livestock Events Center off Wells Ave. Our detachment will have a 10x10 booth, and has been allotted 2 parking spaces, and 2 entrance badges. We will purchase 3 extra badges at \$5 each for volunteers. The plan is for members to meet at the Denny's Restaurant on 6th Street, and drive to our assigned parking spaces in 2 cars. We hope to have 5 members each day at the rodeo, with at least one member in the booth at all times. Other members at the rodeo will take turns in the booth, and can walk around the rodeo when appropriate.

The booth is to be manned on weekdays from 16:00- 22:00. On Sat-Sun the booth will be manned from 12:00noon-22:00. At the end of each day, those volunteers that will not return for the next day's events will turn in their badge so a different volunteer can use the badge the next day. More info will be given at the June meeting.

Don Enea Spoke to all about our participation at the 3rdMarine Division Reunion to be held at the Grand Sierra Resort the week of August 12-17. We have been asked to help with the check-in of attendees, and to man the bar in the Hospitality Room. Saturday, Aug 16th, will be the main day for the reunion. If any member knows of an available Catholic priest for Sunday 17 Aug, please contact Don, as the reunion committee has asked for this.

Report of Committees: None.

Unfinished Business:

Bill Reed asked about the Reno VA Hospital 75th Anniversary celebrations. Richard Olsen again gave a brief to all members on the activities set for the 14 May event, and for the events week of 12-17 May.

The Web-Sgt has posted a schedule of the events on the detachment website here: <http://www.battlebornmarines.com/2014-event-calendar.html>.

Old Business:

Ken Santor spoke to all members about the work party set for Friday morning, 23 May for cleaning, painting, and generally sprucing up the USMC 155 gun at the Veteran's Cemetery in Fernley. Members will meet at the McDonald's Restaurant at Vista Blvd, and will leave the McDonald's at 08:00, so as to arrive at the Fernley Cemetery at 08:30. All members will clean up the memorial, wash the 155, let it dry, and then paint the 155. Please wear old clothes that will not be affected by dirt or paint. Also, bring a mask to protect your breathing, and eye protection when painting. If the weather is windy, we will not be able to use an air spray painter.

Ken Santor will purchase some plants at the Fernley Lowe's store that will be planted by the members not engaged with the painting. Any member that has an old drop cloth or old sheets to lie on the ground around the 155 gun to protect the cement and walls is asked to bring them. Don Enea has said his son-in-law will provide the paint for the gun. The work party will try to clean the Marine plaques attached to the walls around the 155 gun, however these plaques are showing their age and will eventually have to be replaced.

New Business: None.

Good of the League:

Paul Weller made a motion for our detachment to nominate Marine Nic Rios as our Detachment Marine of the Year for 2014. Paul spoke that Nic has provided all of the members with pride on Nic's performance at MCRD, and on Nic's selection and appointment to Marine Squadron HMX-1.

All members voted in favor of Paul's motion, and Nic's father, Mike Rios, will call Nic to inform him. The detachment will follow up Mike's phone call with a detachment plaque.

Richard Olsen advised all that the annual summer picnic is to be held at the Marina area inside Lakeridge Shores on Sunday, July 13th. The hours will be from 11:00-18:00. Richard will provide his BBQ grill, and also hot baked beans. John Glatthar will put a map to the picnic area up on the detachment website. More information to follow at the June/July meeting.

Bob Livingston informed all of the car show at the Peppermill that will be held on June 7th. All persons are invited to attend. More info will be available at the June meeting.

Ken Santor spoke of a golf tournament to be held to raise money for Nevada's Honor Flight program. This tournament will be hosted at the Silver Oaks Golf Club in Carson City on Friday, June 13.

A breakfast and BBQ lunch will be included for all golf participants. Ken has flyers to pass out to any person interested. The Silver Oaks is located just south of the Carson City Hospital.

Don Enea and Ken Santor again spoke of an Honor Flight breakfast to be held in Reno on Monday 26 May at the Mayberry Garden Shop Nursery. Cost is \$5 per person, and is located near the intersection of Mayberry and McCarran. Volunteers are needed who will work for the entire time of 7am-11:30am. Contact Ken if you can volunteer.

Ken Santor has Honor Flight posters for members to put up around town for all WW2/Korea veterans to see. The Honor Flight Committee wants all WW2/Korea veterans to be informed about this program, which was started so these veterans can see the monuments built in "Honor" of their service and duty. There is no cost to these veterans for the trip, which is to Washington, DC. All funds are raised from the community, and no government taxpayer money is used. The contact phone number for Northern Nevada is 775-323-9955. A member of our detachment, Jon Yuspa, is the coordinator and prime contact for Honor Flight. Jon started Nevada's Honor Flight program when he was transferred from Maryland to Reno by Southwest Airlines.

Announcements. None.

Closing Ceremony. Officially Closed at 20:23. Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 03 at the VFW.

Next Meeting Tuesday June 3 at 1730

June 2014 Newsletter

Commandant's Greeting.

I want to thank all members for the large turnout at our May 06 meeting, held at "Famous Dave's".

Our detachment has important activities scheduled for the months of June/July, and we will need the help, and participation of all hands. I know that everyone in the summer has family and friends that they have committed to vacation with, but please mark your calendar for some of the detachment's activities. Also, June 06th marks the 70th anniversary of D-Day, and please remember all of your fellow veteran's, from all services, on this special day. Again, enjoy your summer, and keep yourself and community safe. Semper Fi, Don Enea

1/. Opening Ceremony. Officially Opened at 19:30. / Officially Closed at 20:28.

2/. Roll Call. All Officers present except the Jr. Vice. Members and guests listed below.

Bill Reed

Bob Livingston

Bob Sohrt

Claudia Wiles

David Walker

Don Enea

Frank Williams

Gloria Hutcherson

Hugo Tello

James Hutcherson

Jim Lopey

John Glatthar

Ken Santor

Kimberly Wood

Mike Evans

Mike Rios

Pam Geurin

Pat Warmouth

Richard Olsen

Ron Breaux

Vita Hoberg

3/. Application for Membership. None

However, a guest, Frank Williams, has moved to Reno from Boise, and has plans to transfer

his MCL membership to our detachment. Frank made a short talk to the members.

4/. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The Web-Sgt, John Glatthar emailed the minutes of the May 2014 meeting to all members,
and there was no discussion.

5/. Correspondence.

Don Enea announced that the MODD will have a meeting at the Reno VFW hall on 26 July from 13:00-14:30. All members of the MODD are encouraged to attend, and any MCL member with 2 years of membership is asked to attend/join. Ken Santor briefed all on the social aspect of the MODD, and stated that the Devil Dogs are the fun part of the MCL.

Members who join can wear a MODD patch on their MCL cover and jacket.

6/. Paymaster Report.

Ken Santor reported to all that when he attempted to transfer all of his files from an old laptop computer to a new laptop, he lost all of those files. He is in the process of trying to recover these files. As a result of the lost files, Ken could not complete a Paymaster report, but he did advise all that he will give an updated report at the next meeting. Claudia Wiles offered to help Ken with his computer problem.

7/. Chaplin Report. None.

8/. Report of Member, or Family in Distress. None.

9/. Report of Officers.

A/. Don Enea and Ken Santor advised all that there will not be a detachment meeting in July

due to the upcoming 4th of July Holiday. July will be dark, as in past years.

B/. Ken Santor and Bob Livingston briefed all on the Mustang Car Show to be held on 07 June at the Peppermill Hotel parking lot. Set up for the show will be on Friday at 13:00.

The show times are from 9:00-17:00, and Don Enea had a sign up sheet for volunteers.

C/. Mike Rios briefed all that his son, Nic has been promoted to L/Cpl. All members were

proud for Nic, and requested Mike to pass on our congratulations. Nic has been assigned to HMX-1 Squadron at Quantico, Virginia.

D/. Vita Hoberg advised all that her Air Force grandson was now serving in Afghanistan.

E/. Ken Santor again spoke of the special Kilroy Golf Tournament to be held in Carson City to raise funds for the Nevada Honor Flight. See Ken if interested. Ken also passed out Honor Flight posters for members to put up on bulletin boards at retail stores in their area, after they obtain permission from the store manager.

F/. Don Enea informed all of a large event poster he has made, and will bring to all meetings. This poster will have all detachment events written on the poster, and any member can also write on this poster with any event that is upcoming. All members are requested to be sure to check this board each and every meeting so that everyone can see, and record all events.

G/. Don Enea again spoke about our detachment's booth that will be erected at the Reno Rodeo, and of the need for volunteers to man this booth. The rodeo will last from

June 19-28, with set up on June 17th. Don has sign up sheets for all members to view, and vendor badges will be obtained for volunteers, so members will not be required to purchase tickets. This will be the first year that we have a booth, this is an experiment

of sorts, if the turnout is positive, we may continue this in the future. Each night our booth will be open till approximately 22:00.

H/. On July 26/27 there will be a gun show at the Convention Center, and volunteers are needed. Contact Ken or Don if you are available to help.

I/. A request for our detachments help at the 3rdMARDIV Convention to be held at the Grand Sierra the week of August 12-16 has been accepted. Any member that is available to help, see Ken or Don. We have been asked to provide staff for the check in of delegates, and to staff the hospitality room.

10/. Report of Committees. None.

11/. Unfinished Business. None.

12/. New Business.

John Glatthar introduced Jim Lopey to the members. Jim is a candidate for Washoe County Sheriff, and Jim spoke for about 20 minutes. He gave his background in law enforcement, and on his qualifications to be elected as Sheriff. Jim has had extensive training in all fields law enforcement/public safety. He also explained his "10 Point Plan". A question and answer period was held following his talk. All members thanked Jim for his willingness to serve, and for speaking to our detachment.

13/. Good of the League.

A/. Richard Olsen spoke about the upcoming Annual Picnic to be held on Sunday 13 July at the Marina Clubhouse in Lakeridge Shores. The hours are 11:00-18:00. All members attending will have to check in at the security gate, and then follow the signs to the Marina parking lot to walk to the picnic site. John Glatthar has put a map on the Battle Born web-site. To see, and print a copy of the map, go to our detachment web-site: www.battlebornmarines.com, and when on the home page, look at the top and

select "information", and when the new page appears, select "Calendar of Events", when the events page appears, scroll down to 'Sunday July13 Picnic'. Click on the "here" selection to actually see the map/or print the map. Be sure to read the briefing given about the picnic.

B/. Claudia Wiles is the Asst. Coordinator for "Toys for Tots". She gave a complete briefing to all about this years program, and the need for all hands to help. She and Ken have sign in sheets for the 3 categories, logistics, operations, and media. The TFT will officially start on 01 October, but now is the time to plan, train, and organize. There are no more Stead Marines, and the whole TFT program is now in our detachment's hands. Don Enea informed all that he is trying to put together a TFT at Wal-Mart.

C/. Ron Breaux has some contacts at Lake Tahoe, and he has asked the members if there is interest in having a summer cruise on the Lake in a 52 foot catamaran. Ron will coordinate with the boat owner to get us a 2 hour cruise for about \$45/person. The catamaran can hold approx 50 persons, it has a bar on board, and operates out of Zephyr Cove. The cruise can be on any day of the week, not just on the weekend. The name of the boat is the "Woodwind". All members, please contact Ron if interested.

D/. John Glatthar has done some research on finding other restaurants that could be used for a future monthly meeting, similar to our May meeting at "Famous Dave's". He has checked out "Black Bear" diner, Denny's, and Round Table Pizza, to name a few. More discussion to be held at a future meeting.

14/. Announcements. None.

15/. Closing Ceremony. Officially Closed at 20:28.

No July meeting.

Next Meeting August 05, 2014 at 19:30.

AUGUST 2014 MCL DET#672 NEWSLETTER

Commandant's Greeting:

As Commandant, I want to thank all members for attending our August meeting. We were dark in July due to the 4th of July holiday. For those members that missed our detachment picnic, I hope you can attend next year's. This month we have been tasked with helping the 3rd MARDIV hold their convention at Reno's Grand Sierra Resort. This is a large event, and all hands are needed. Remember, in September will be the Reno Air Races, our biggest fund raiser of the year. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the September meeting on 02 September.

Semper Fi,
Don Enea

Opening Ceremony: Officially Opened at 19:30

Roll Call: All Officers Present except the Senior Vice and Web Sergeant.

Members Present:

Bill Reed
Bob Sohrt
Claudia Wiles
David Walker
Del Hoberg
Don Enea
Frank Kleckner
Fred Vigil
Ken Santor
Kimberly Wood
Monty Genegabus
Pam Geurin
Richard Olsen
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert

Application for Membership:

Frank Kleckner is a MCL Life Member who has moved to Reno from Kauai, Hawaii. Frank spoke to the members, and will transfer his membership to the Battle Born Detachment. Frank was a 0351 (anti-tanker) MOS, and arrived in Reno on Christmas Eve 2013. He is happy to become a member and we are happy to have him join our detachment.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Richard Olsen advised all that the minutes for the June meeting were on our web-site along with all the other monthly newsletters. The Web-Sgt, John Glatthar, has done an excellent job posting all of the newsletters for everyone to view. Please look at any month listed to inform yourself about what happened at that meeting.

Correspondence:

Del Hoberg informed all members that she has been selected to go on the next Honor Flight. This trip is scheduled to leave Reno on Sept 4, and return on Sept 06. Del said to all that she is on "Cloud 9 " and is excited to be flying to Washington.

Paymaster's Report.

Ken Santor reported to all on the detachment finances for May, June, and July. Ken's computer had been "down" and that is why this report was for 3 months. The Reno Blue Star Mothers donated \$500 to our detachment in the name of our departed member Larry Mullins. The donation was entered into our Devil Pup fund, as was their request.

For the 3 month period, our total income was \$8407.20. Also, our expenses were \$4177.88. Any member wanting more financial information, contact Ken. The membership voted to accept Ken's report without changes.

Chaplain's Report.

David Walker spoke to all members about the shooting KIA of Major General Greene by an Afghan soldier.

Member or Family Sick, or in Distress: NONE

Report of Officers:

Ken Santor reported on the MCL National Convention held on August 3 - 8.

Don Enea stressed that he has scheduled events for our detachment because members wanted these events, and because we want to be engaged with our community. Now the members need to step up to the plate and volunteer to attend and participate in these events. It seems that most events have the same detachment members that volunteer. Where are the rest of our detachment members?? Don understands that everyone has work, family, vacations, commitments, home projects, etcetera, but please help the detachment when able. Even a few hours will be a big help. The more members that are in an event, the more exposure our detachment receives.

Unfinished Business:

Don Enea gave a complete briefing on the upcoming 3rd MARDIV convention to be held at the Grand Sierra Resort from Aug 12-16. He put out a personal request for extra volunteers to man our check-in table, and to staff the Hospitality Suite.

Our detachment has been asked to staff both rooms for the duration of the convention. All volunteers will be able to attend the final banquet on Saturday evening as a "thank you" for their work.

Don has scheduled a meeting for all potential volunteers that will be held at the Starbucks Coffee shop inside the Grand Sierra at 10AM on Tuesday 12 Aug. The uniform for all days of the convention will be "formal, i.e. black shoes, black socks, black slacks, white shirt, MCL tie (or similar), MCL red jacket/blazer, and red MCL cover. The main image is to LOOK SHARP!

Ron Breaux spoke about the possibility of tips being given to our members for their service. Discussion followed, and voting determined that all tips were to be allocated to the detachment scholarship fund, as proposed by Fred Vigil. Don Enea will check with the concerned parties to inquire if we can sell "hot sauce", and some other MCL items.

Good of the League: Richard Olsen thanked all members that attended the annual picnic held at the Lakeridge Shores Marina. Some members were not able to attend, due to the Honor Flight Fundraiser event held the same time in Carson City. Hopefully next year there will not be any conflict.

Richard Olsen spoke about the detachment obtaining more business cards. Discussion followed, and it was agreed to keep the same design for our business cards and to order more cards for upcoming future events. Also, Ken Santor suggested acquiring some magnetic signs to stick on the car/truck doors when we go to events. Richard Olsen said he would check into this suggestion.

Richard Olsen advised all of the upcoming Reno Air Races that will be held in September. Ken reported he had not yet heard anything from JP. More discussion will take place at the Sept 02 meeting.

Announcements: NONE

Closing Ceremony. Officially closed at 20:23.

Next meeting September 2, 2014. Location to be announced. We may meet at Famous Dave's in Reno or at Round Table Pizza in Spanish Springs. Stay tuned.

Marine Corps League Detachment 672 Newsletter for September 2014

Commandant's Greeting,

I wish to thank all members that attended the August meeting. This month our detachment has its biggest project, namely the Reno Air Races. We need volunteers to make this annual commitment a success. Also, be thinking about, and mark your calendars for this year's Toys for Tots drive. Encourage all members to attend our monthly meetings, and keep attempting to recruit new members. Enjoy the upcoming fall weather with your family and friends, have another BBQ before the cold hits us!
SEMPER FI, Don Enea

Opening Ceremony. / Officially Opened at 19:30. / Officially Closed at 20:33.

Roll Call. / All Officers present.
Members and guests listed below.

Bill Reed
Bob Livingston
Bob Sohrt
David Walker
Diana Beidel
Don Enea
Fred Vigil
Hugo Tello
James Beidel
Jerry Beidel
Ken Santor
Kimberly Wood
Pam Geurin
Pat Warmouth
Paul Weller
Richard Olsen
Ron Breaux
Tom Bickert
Vita Holberg

Application for Membership. NONE

Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Richard Olsen made a motion to have a vote to accept the August newsletter as published by the Web-Sgt. The members voted to accept the newsletter as published.

Correspondence. Ken Santor reported that Ken is still working with National MCL to change the MCL Official Records to show the correct middle name of Fred Vigil. Ken will have to make a personal phone call to accomplish this.

Don Enea introduced a guest to the detachment. James Beidel was our candidate to the Devil Pup program this summer. He came to our meeting with his parents. James spoke to the members of his experience at Camp Pendleton, and how he learned from his activities. James gave examples of his experiences, and how he accomplished the program of each day. Paul Weller presented a Marine Corps coin to James at the end of his talk. James's mother also said a few words.

Paymaster's Report

Ken Santor reported to all the August monthly income was \$2375. The August expense was \$614.

The detachment **M1 Garand** rifle sold in August for \$1100, which resulted in a net profit to us of \$600. Any member wanting more information, please contact Ken. Richard Olsen made a motion to accept the Paymaster Report, and Ron Breaux seconded the motion, which passed.

Chaplain's Report.

David Walker spoke of September 2nd being the anniversary of the surrender of Japan aboard the USS Missouri in 1945. David's father was a Navy doctor in WW2, and served with the USMC Pacific forces. David spoke of the actions his father participated in during the war. David read a special prayer to the detachment that addressed the military members' service, and the hope for peace and security in our lives.

Report of Members or Family in Distress. NONE

Report of Officers.

Don Enea briefed all members about the 3rdMARDIV Convention held in Reno. Don observed this event as being unorganized, and not well planned. However, Don gave thanks and praise to the detachment members that volunteered to work at the event.

Report of Committees.

Don Enea gave a short brief of the upcoming plan for the Toys for Tots Program, which will begin in October. A maximum number of volunteers will be needed.

Unfinished Business. NONE

New Business. NONE

Good of the League.

Paul Weller told a joke to all about an encounter he had at the Reno Rodeo. (The contest of the joke will remain a mystery)

Richard Olsen briefed all members about our detachment sponsoring two youths in the VA Hospital Summer Youth Program. We had a brother-sister team that worked very hard in this summer program, and the VA would like them to return next year. Richard also spoke to all of the upcoming elections in October for early voting, and on November 04th for the election day.

Vita Holberg was excited as she informed all of her selection for Honor Flight. Ken Santor, and others, kidded her about the trip, and asked all who were able to go to the airport on Sept 07 to welcome the flight back to Reno.

Hugo Tello spoke to the detachment about the need for all members to participate in detachment events. It appears that the same group of members do most of the events, and it is not fair for these persons to carry this burden. If numerous others participate, it will be much easier for all.

Don and Ken spoke to all about the Reno Air Races. The dates are Wednesday, Sept 10th thru Sunday Sept 14th. Volunteers will meet for breakfast at the Bonanza Casino at 7am, leave for the races after breakfast, and stay until the last race of the day is complete, about 5pm. Wear comfortable shoes, bring a jacket, and be ready to work. Ken has a signup sheet for all who can help.

Don briefed all on the October Gun Show, and the upcoming Fall Home Show. Fred Vigil also reminded all of the November 10th Marine Corps Birthday Cake Ceremony at the VA Hospital, and the November 11th Veteran's Day Parade. Discussion was held on whether we should have a presence at the Carson City 150th Nevada Day Parade.

It was reported that Don Enea won the State Horseshoe Competition held in Hawthorne, and was awarded 1st Prize for his skill. Don has challenged all members to the popular "Ice Bucket " event in support of ALS. This will be held at the VFW at 2pm on this Saturday, Sept 06. Bring your own towel!!

Paul Weller gave a brief to all about a Military Vehicle Museum in Sparks. This museum is run by members of the Harrah family, and has a large collection of restored military vehicles. Discussion followed about having an official visit by our detachment, or combining this visit with a lunch, or dinner. Paul will attempt to gather more information. Part of the discussion centered on where to have our monthly meeting, and on our obligation to pay the VFW a fee each month for our use of the VFW building.

Ron Breaux gave a brief talk on information he received concerning a group of blind veterans that met at Lake Tahoe. These blind vets showed great determination and courage to overcome this loss of sight. These men are a true inspiration for all. Ron spoke of some examples as these vets go kayaking and run marathons.

Paul Weller informed all of the efforts of some veteran groups to help in the release of Marine Sgt Tamoressi, who is being held in a Mexican jail for illegal entry with firearms, after making a wrong turn in his truck. Discussion was held with many members offering comments.

Closing Ceremony. Officially Closed at 20:33.

Next Meeting October 07 at 19:30

Marine Corps League Detachment 672

Newsletter for October 2014

Commandant's Greeting

I want to take this opportunity to thank all members who helped at the Reno Air Races. We have established a strong following among the air race crowd to purchase beverages from our tent. This position has been due to all of your time and effort at this yearly event. Our next big test for the detachment will be this year's Toys For Tots drive.

A large effort by all hands will be required to accomplish our goal. It will not be easy, but it can be achieved. Don't wait till the last minute to winterize your cars, and trucks. Check your battery, tires, chains, and general maintenance.

Keep looking for new members, and think about the nominations for the 2015 Detachment Officers.

Semper Fi,
Don Enea

Opening Ceremony. / Officially Opened at 19:30..

Roll Call: All Officers Present.

Members and guests present:

Bob Livingston
Bob Sohrt
David Walker
Don Enea
Fred Vigil
Hugo Tello
Ken Santor
Mike Rios
Pat Warmouth
Richard Olsen
Tom Bickert
Vita Hoberg

Application for Membership: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Richard Olsen made a motion to accept the September Meeting minutes as published. Tom Bickert seconded this motion, and all members voted to accept the minutes.

Correspondence: Ken Santor reported that the Dept of Nevada Commandant, Paul Bowen has set the Mid-Winter Conference date of 2-3 January, 2015. This will be held in

Tonopah, at the Mizpah Hotel. Discounted rooms are available. A growl will be on Friday night, and the meeting will be on Saturday morning.

Tom Bickert has talked to Paul Bowen about having the meeting on the internet, as with Skype, or perhaps another net conference site.

Tom will try to coordinate more information on this, and report back when able. This would save time and expense for all persons.

Pat Warmouth reported to all that she has seen a group called the " Marine Corps association" at various Wal-Marts, and these persons are trying to raise money and recruit new members. Fred Vigil confirmed this.

Discussion was held, and it appears these outside persons are from California, and should not be soliciting in the Reno area. Please keep an eye out for any such groups, or persons, and question any such group or persons.

Paymaster Report. Ken Santor reported September income of \$ 1529. Total expense was \$220.15. The detachment income from working the Air Races has not yet been received from JP, and Ken will check on that. Any member wanting more information, contact Ken.

Chaplain's Report. NONE

Report of Family, or Member in Distress. It was reported to all that the mother of Claudia Wiles is sick, and not doing well. We all wish, and hope for a speedy recovery for Claudia's mother.

Report of Officers:

Don Enea reported that only he, and David Walker came to the VFW for the ALS Ice Bucket challenge.

Don Enea informed all members that no firearms are allowed at any airport, at any time. This is Federal law, and only persons with a special permit can have these weapons at airports. All members are to leave CCW items off of airport property.

Unfinished Business:

Richard Olsen informed all that the Marine Birthday Cake Ceremony at the VA Hospital will be November 10, 2014 in the CLC Living Center. All members will meet at 12:30, and the Ceremony will begin at 13:00. Fred Vigil briefed all that his wife and daughter are making the cakes, and they will be ready.

Ken Santor spoke to all that Ken has applied to have our detachment in the Veteran's Day Parade, but he has not received the details from the City of Reno.

Good of the League. Del Hoberg spoke to all of her participation on the September Honor Flight to Washington, DC. She had a great time, enjoyed the food, and had the trip of her life. Mike Rios was also on this flight, and explained to all on the sights that were visited. Mike was able to have a quick visit with his son, Nic, who is stationed with HMX-1. Nic is doing fine, and had Mike say 'Hello!" to all MCL members.

Don Enea briefed all members on the upcoming October Gun Show, and on the Fall Home Show. Volunteers are needed for both shows. A set-up for the Gun Show will be on Friday October 10 at 13:00. The Gun Show is to be October 11-12. Please contact Ken or Don if you can volunteer.

The Fall Home Show set-up will be on Thursday October 16th at 13:00. The dates for the Home Show will be October 17, 18, and 19th. Contact Ken, or Don if you can volunteer.

October 15 is the Official start of the Toys For Tots Program. This year we will have TFT boxes at 8 Wal-Mart's, and at Sam's Club. On October 25th, Don will have a media kick-off at the Mae Anne Wal-Mart from 9am-4:30pm.

Both Ken and Don are still trying to secure a warehouse for the TFT toys. It appears that most Reno-Sparks warehouses are being taken with new businesses either associated with Tesla, or the drone industry. A must for the warehouse is a door of at least 5 feet wide to accommodate a pallet. Discussion was held, and most members had helpful comments. A good secretary is needed to keep track of all boxes, and when they need to be picked up. We cannot lose track of any boxes. Our goal is to provide about 50,000 toys to the needy children of Washoe County. This is a huge effort, and all hands are really needed to succeed. The last day for collection of TFT boxes is December 17th. All toys will be turned over to the Reno Salvation Army for distribution.

Richard Olsen spoke to all of some happenings at the VA Hospital. Get Your FLU SHOT!! The VA has a new, secure ID card. Get your new VA ID CARD !!

There is still (as always) construction at the VA, be patient and arrive early for your appointment.

The VA has a web site for all Veteran's. It is called MyHealthVet.com. Check the next time you are at the VA.

The Public Affairs Officer Darren Farr is having a concert on Veteran's Day, after the parade. It will be in downtown Reno, and he is asking for volunteers to help. Contact Mr. Farr at the VA Hospital if you can help.

The VA hospital is planning a new memorial Garden, and will be selling personal bricks that will be installed in this garden. More info to follow for those interested.

Richard Olsen next spoke of the two youth we sponsored at the VA Hospital. They were a brother-sister team, and their help this summer was greatly appreciated at the VA.

Richard made a motion to have our detachment provide \$200 to the Veteran's Food Bank, as we have done in the past few years. This is done for the Thanksgiving, and Christmas Holidays (\$100 to each Holiday). Richard will coordinate with Ken to present this to the Food Bank, which is run by the "Hands Of Hope".

David Walker reminded all that the Campaign in Afghanistan started 13 years ago in 2001.

Meeting Officially Closed at 20:30

Next Meeting will be on November 4, 2014 at 19:30.

Marine Corps League Detachment 672

Newsletter for November 2014

Commandant's Greeting:

November is a special month for our detachment, as November 10th is the USMC birthday, and on the 11th is the Veteran's Day Parade. We hope all members can join in these events. Also, our Toys for Tots drive is in full swing. Unfortunately, we had our supply trailer stolen, and we have sustained a monetary loss. We have to replace numerous items. Our Trailer has been found, minus these items.

At the next meeting the 2015 Officers will be sworn in, and we will have our Christmas dinner.

Let's have a great turnout.

Semper Fi, Don Enea.

Opening Ceremony:

Officially Opened at 19:32

Officially Closed at 20:28.

Roll Call:

All Officers present except JAG, and Sgt-at-Arms.

Members and guests listed below.

Bob Livingston

Chris Nero

David Walker

Del Hoberg

Don Enea

Fred Vigil

John Gray

Ken Santor

Kimberly Wood

Matt Schott

Mike Rios

Norman Allen

Pat Warmouth

Paul Weller

Tom Bickert

Application for Membership:

Two former Marines attended the meeting as observers, and we hope both will become active members.

Matt Schott was a Sgt with the 1stMARDIV in 2004, and had a MOS of 7212. He spent 3 years in a Low Altitude Air Defense unit. He served

in the Mid East, and transferred to the MPs when he was assigned to 29 Palms. He was discharged in 2014, and now works for the State of Nevada.

John Gray had a MOS of 0231. He was assigned to the 2ndMARDIV, and deployed to Afghanistan. He now is a student at UNR, and is earning a degree in Wildlife Conservation.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Ken Santor passed out copies of the October meeting to all members. The Web-Sgt posted the October 2014 newsletter on the website. A motion was made, and seconded by Tom Bickert, to accept the minutes as published, and the vote passed.

Correspondence: NONE

Paymaster Report:

The receipt of funds for October was slim. The detachment did receive the Air Races check from JP in the amount of \$1000. Ken Santor gave the report as Total Income \$1795, and Total Expense as \$1198.56. A motion to accept the report was made, and seconded, and passed on the vote. Any member wanting more information from the paymaster, please contact Ken.

Chaplain Report: NONE

Report of Family or member in distress:

Sad news was given to all members that Claudia Wiles mother had passed away on November 4th. All members offer Claudia condolences on her loss.

Report of Officers:

Ken Santor and Don Enea spoke to all concerning the loss of the detachment trailer. Several members commented about the loss, and on what we should do to obtain a replacement. Discussion followed. Part of the discussion was to give the manager of the Flag Store in Sparks an Associate Membership for all the help he has provided to our detachment throughout the many years. A motion was made on this idea, and it passed.

The loss of the trailer was widely reported on the local news, and as a result of the publicity, many groups have contacted us about helping in the Toys for Tots. Both Ken and Don next spoke on the status of our TFT drive, and on the number and placement of collection boxes. The need for extra volunteers to help with TFT was stressed to all.

Discussion followed with members offering comments.

Fred Vigil and Ken Santor spoke to all about the Veteran's Day Parade on November 11th. Our position in the parade will be 10th. There will be a total of 73 groups in the parade. Fred will have his trailer, and we will share the trailer with the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Start of the parade will be 11:00am. All members are to meet at the VFW at 09:00am to set up the trailer with flags, posters, etc. There will not be a breakfast before the parade but after the parade the VFW will provide free burgers and hot dogs for all vets. Dress warm for the parade.

Richard Olsen has coordinated with the VA Hospital Staff for the necessary arrangements needed for our November 10th USMC Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony. All hands are to meet in the CLC dining hall at 12:30.

The cake cutting will start at 13:00. Fred's wife and daughter are making and decorating the cakes. 2014 is the 100th anniversary of the start of WW1, and the decorations on the cakes will reflect that.

Good of the League:

Ken Santor briefed all members on the upcoming vote for the 2015 detachment officers. Nominations were held, but it was later decided to have the 2014 officers keep their positions for 2015. The installation ceremony will be held at the DEC meeting, before our Christmas dinner.

Fred Vigil again stressed to all on the need to recruit new members. Our detachment has grown in its activities, and the current active members are hard pressed to do everything. Ken Santor commented that we have added new members in the last two years, and these new members do help, however more members are still needed.

Don Enea spoke about the Toys for Tots (TFT) campaign, and the great need for extra volunteers. The TFT office is at 3625 S. Virginia St., Suite "D", next to the JOX Sports Bar. This is located on the north side of the Atlantis Hotel, in the large parking area. Please come and help.

The next meeting will be December 02, at 19:30 at the VFW Hall and will be our Christmas Dinner