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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
TREASURE VALLEY DETACHMENT & AUXILIARY

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MAY EVENTS

Regular Monthly Meeting
7:00 PM, Thursday May 16th at
the Gowen Field Indoor Pavilion

Breakfast with Spouses
Saturday, May 18th 10:00 AM at
Mike's Restaurant, Hillcrest
Shopping Center, Boise

Weekly Coffee: Saturdays, (other
than the third Saturday) 9:00
AM at Mike's Restaurant

SPECIAL EVENTS

Department Annual Convention: Scheduled for 17-19 May
2002, at Cactus Pete's Resort in Jackpot, Nevada. Registration
details were in the March newsletter.

IN MEMORIAL

We express the collective condolences of the detachment and the
auxiliary to Bill Johnson and family for their loss of Joyce Johnson
who died on Monday May 6, 2002.

Please remember to use your Albertson's Community Partner Card whenever you shop at an Albertson's store.

Please pay your dues if they are due. Due this month: Ken Harris, Leo Holmes, and Robbie Nuttall.
Due in June: Tim Barrick, Pat Coonrod, and Don Sutliff. Even if you are unable to participate fully in
detachment activities your support through membership is important to the League. Please know that for all
veterans organizations there is strength in numbers.

AUXILIARY NEWS

**May meeting: 7:00 PM Thursday
May 16th at the Idaho Military
Museum.**

Following a disappointing turnout at our special April 11th meeting that failed to produce the necessary quorum to conduct an election, we broke with convention and conducted the auxiliary's annual election of officers during the Saturday breakfast at Mike's restaurant on April 20th. This was a spontaneous decision motivated by the good number of ladies at the breakfast. The one new

officer elected was Donna Schumaker as junior vice president replacing Alice Daly. Otherwise, incumbents were re-elected.

I hope to see as many of you at the Department Convention in Jackpot, Nevada as can possibly arrange to attend.

On a personal note, my thanks to those of you who sent flowers and cards or phoned me during my recent hospitalization.

Ralph had the time to take good care of me, but if any of you experience challenges during an illness or at other exceptional times and can use our assistance, please let one of the officers know so that we can get that information to our members.

Please keep Joyce Johnson's family in your prayers as they cope with her passing.

Barbara Elston, President.

DETACHMENT NEWS

We had a great turnout for our 1st Quarter Social/Meeting on April 17th at Louie's Restaurant in downtown Boise. Judging from the numerous unsolicited comments that I received about the evening, all members who were able to attend enjoyed both the camaraderie of the occasion and **Major General Huly's, (Commanding General of MCRD San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region)** talk about recruiting and recruit training.

It was especially gratifying to have most of the **recruiters from the Boise Recruiting Sub-Station** and their wives and girl friends in attendance, as well as the **CO and Recruiter Instructor of Recruiting Station Salt Lake, and the Assistant Chief of Staff for Recruiting for the Western Recruiting Region** there as well. I do believe that all of us enjoyed talking to some active duty Marines.

I have communicated our thanks to General Huly for juggling his very full schedule in order to attend our event.

I have also expressed the detachment's appreciation to our Department of Idaho Commandant, **Brad Robinson**

and his wife for joining us at their own expense from Couer d' Alene, in order to conduct the officer installation that was part of the evening's events.

Sir Commandant, your very appropriate personal remarks in addition to those required by MCL ritual reminded both the new officers and all of us of our obligations to the MCL, and our responsibilities as former Marines. Thanks again.

Officers installed were: **Roy Jost** as senior vice commandant, **Ken Ohls** as junior vice commandant, **Rich Erickson** as judge advocate, and **Arnie Strawn** as sergeant at arms. The undersigned was re-installed as detachment commandant.

We held an officers meeting on May 8th in order to ensure all officers understand their duties and to begin developing detachment goals for the year ahead. Because of the normal July and August summer break period, the plan will not announced until our September meeting. I will, however, keep all of you informed of development through this newsletter. I stress that your suggestions, recommendations, and comments are not just welcome but encouraged.

MCL uniform sources in addition to the League's Ship's Store are:

Red Blazer: Katzins, 228 Market Street, Newark, NJ 07102; phone 1-800.201.0500; price is \$79.00 plus shipping and handling

White shirts: Quartermaster Uniforms. 1-800.444.8643 or www.uniforms.com (No price listed)

You may purchase black trousers from KMART for as low as \$16.00.

I've prepared this month's newsletter's body in 12-pitch type so that **MAYBE Roy Jost can read it without his glasses** that he seems to have permanently misplaced. Maybe we can all chip in a quarter and help him buy some reading glasses.

Tell me what you think of the calendar included with this newsletter. Is the format useful?

Join us at Gowen Field on May 16th for the monthly meeting.

Semper Fi,
Gary

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