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**Next General Membership Meeting
July 28, 2009 at 7 p.m.**

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT

I just want to address two issues today.

First, we will be participating in the Summerlin 4th of July Parade. We are in 9th position in the escort group at the head of the parade. We should leave the Club no later than 0745. We should be in position by 0815. The parade will start at the corner of Hills Center Drive and Hill Point Road at 0900. We will have the Color Guard, the Corps of Members, the truck, and the Marine Riders. I hope we get a good turn-out for this event. If you have a uniform and can not march, you can ride in the truck. If you have a white shirt and a pair of black trousers, you are welcome to march in the parade. We are representing our Leatherneck Club and the Marine Corps.

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Deadlines for next issue will be July 24, 2009

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LEATHERNECK CLUB SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

July 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bottle Club 7 p.m.	2	3	4 Finance Meeting Noon 4th of July Party
5	6 Ladies Legion Aux. 7 p.m.	7 Chicago Police 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11 Mens Legion 9 a.m. Blue Star 11:30 Booked 7 p.m.
12 JWV 11 a.m.	13 Officers Meeting 7 p.m. Marine Riders 7 p.m.	14 Chips Meeting 7 p.m.	15	16	17 Booked 6 p.m.	18 CSA Meeting 11 a.m.
19	20 Davis Vets Benefits Lunch 11 a.m.	21 Davis Vets Benefits Dinner 4 p.m.	22	23	24	25
26	27 Booked 11 a.m.	28 General Meeting 7 p.m.	29	30	31	

MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER - JIMMY GRACH

Well half of the year is gone and the Leatherneck Club and staff would like to thank everyone for all their support the last six months ...well done!

4th of July we are having hot dogs and hamburgers from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. If any one would like to bring potato or macaroni salad, chips, deserts, etc., we all would greatly appreciate it.

The Club wishes you and your family a safe and happy summer!

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Well the hot weather is here, so do not lose your cool. If it gets to hot for you ... think snow!

Captain Jack, our Commandant's, sister just recently passed away. Please remember her in your prayers and thoughts.

A few weeks ago I had a breathing problem. I wish that there was a way to say thank you to our Club Manager, Jim Grach, for coming to my aid so quickly. Jim deserves accolades from everyone at this detachment for all the work he has done at the Club. The Club is actually our second home ... let us protect this home!

Also, let us remember all of our brothers and sisters who are ill, or have left us. Keep them and all of the members of the Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers.

See you all at the 4th of July parade in Summerlin. We are in need of color guards for this event and others, so please contact Capt. Jack.

Have a safe summer.

God bless each of you and your families.

Richard Moran

VA BENEFITS CONTACT INFORMATION

Veterans Benefits Administration (1-800-827-1000)
4800 Alpine Place, Suite 12
Las Vegas, NV 89107

Veterans Center (702) 251-7873
1919 S. Jones Blvd., Suite A
Las Vegas, Nevada 89146

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT CONT'D.

We should all be proud of what we have done. The 4th of July celebrates our independence as a nation and our beloved Corps has been instrumental in maintaining that freedom over the years. Our brave young men and women are in harms way right now protecting our freedom.

Ronald Reagan once said, "Most people go through their entire life wondering if they made a difference, Marines don't have that problem."

The second topic is the Color Guard. I have been the OIC for three and a half years and have only missed one or two events. I need someone to step-up and take over the position as head of the Color Guard. Each one is different depending on the layout. Standing at attention and being at Present Arms during the playing and singing of our National Anthem, in front of the audience, is a real rush. If on one is willing to take over, we will suspend that detail until someone does.

We have had four Color Guards in the last three weeks. They were Arbor View High School Senior Awards, Arbor View High School graduation at the Thomas and Mack Center, the Cinderella Princess Pageant at Sam's Town, and the Sons of the American Revolution at the Embassy Suites. Those members who participated were Bruce Russell, Scot Motl, Bill Coveny, Steve Sanson, Lubin Espinosa, Rich Szyc and myself. I thank all those who have participated.

SEMPER FI,

Capt. Jack

READ "THE WORD" ON-LINE AND SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

About thirty-five individuals have emailed the editor of "The Word" to take them off the mailing list. They are now reading "The Word" on-line. Thank you all ... it makes a big difference!

We are asking our members, who have access to a computer, to visit our web-site at <http://www.mcldet186.org/newsletters.cfm> to view the current issue. No emails will be sent out to members to remind them of the posting. The new monthly edition is posted to the site the 1st of each month.

If you would like to help your **Club** keep their mailing and printing cost to a minimum to **save money**, please send a email to editor@mcldet186.org, so you can be removed from the mailing list. **Thank you for supporting your Club!**

MARINE RIDERS OF LAS VEGAS - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/4/09	Red Flag Event
7/4/09	4th of July Parade - Summerlin
7/8/09	Toys for Tots Meeting
7/9/09	COC Meeting
7/10/09	IOOB MC 2nd Friday Party
7/11/09	Penguin Poker Run
7/13/09	Marine Riders Monthly Meeting
7/17/09	Thunder On The Mountain
7/17/09	MCRD San Diego Graduation
7/18/09	Thunder On The Mountain
7/21/09	ABATE Meeting (TBA)
7/27/09	Marine Riders leave for Sturgis.

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

ADVERTISING ON THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE'S WEB-SITE

If you would like to advertise on the Marine Corps League's web-site contact Rick Reynolds at (702) 633-7577 for more information.

JOIN THE PISTOL TEAM

If you are interested in joining the Marine Corps League's Pistol Team competition contact Capt. Jack at (702) 399-3209 or Art Guterding at (702) 408-7906.

BIRTHDAY BALL

Tickets are now on sale! Contact Chuck Dixon at (702-496-3000) to purchase your tickets today!

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.

GENERAL MEETING REMINDER

Next General Meeting is July 28th. All associate/regular members are welcome.

SOCKS FOR SOLDIERS

The Club has had a request from 39 Marines from the Las Vegas Valley, with 6MT for Socks ... “**please send socks**”. These Marines are in desperate need of over-the-ankle either black or while socks; appropriate to wear under combat boots. Socks can be dropped off at the Club. Let’s all support our fellow Marines and get them some socks.

MESSAGE FROM THE GALLEY GRILL

The Club’s chefs Greg and Greg, Jr., are cooking it up!

The Galley Grill is now open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and closed on Sundays; although on Sundays the Club serves pizza for a small donation.

So come on down to the Club, enjoy a good meal and have a good time with your fellow Marines.

Thank you all for supporting the Club and The Galley Grill.

Chef Greg

TOYS FOR TOTS KICK-OFF PARTY

The Marine Riders are hosting a Toys For Tots kick-off party called “Hot August Night”. All benefits from this event help the needy children of the Las Vegas valley experience the joy of Christmas. The fun begins at 6 p.m. on August 1st, at the Leatherneck Club. Your \$15.00 donation will get you **FREE BEER** and **FREE FOOD**. There will be “Hot Girls” and a live band for your entertainment. (Please note that this is an adult (18+) event so parental discretion is advised.)

The Marine Riders welcome you to come out, have fun, and help them make a difference in the life of a child.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRICE INFORMATION

As of January 1, 2009

Up to and including age 35:	\$500.00
Age 36 up to and including age 50:	\$400.00
Age 51 up to and including age 60:	\$300.00
Age 61 and over:	\$150.00

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.

MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS FOR JULY 31, 2009

<u>MEMBERS #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>MEMBERS #</u>	<u>NAME</u>
180358	Joseph Alvarado	187140	Robert Wolf
144587	Randell Brown	291278	Frank Alshouse
224006	William Candow	223327	Paul Martinez
108582	Paul Easton	223326	Kaine Marzola
224005	Arnoldo Garcia	223324	Raymond Mauss
223955	Shawn Moore	223325	Henry Rees
200655	Bob Russell	223328	Roger Milton
224004	Jeff Van Niel	223379	Dennis French
X015577	Michael Walton	223380	Norman Fuqua
150736	Gary Copenhaver	078952	Dorango Lane
X07569	Donald Hadsel	215578	Chris Martinez
136520	Michael Harvey	223381	William Mc Gary
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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.