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**Next General Membership Meeting
February 23rd at 7 p.m.**

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT

Marines, can you believe that January is all but a memory? It must be true that time goes by faster as we get older. I remember as a kid that it used to take forever for Christmas to arrive after Thanksgiving.

The college bowl games, the NFL season and the playoff games are all history ...except for the Super Bowl Game. The Club will be hosting a Super Bowl party. The possibilities are interesting and it should be a good game. Mark your calendars and come and have a great day.

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**The deadline for next issue will be
February 19, 2010**

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LEATHERNECK CLUB SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

February 2010

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2 Chicago Police 7 p.m.	3 Bottle Club 7 p.m.	4	5	6 Finance Meeting Noon
7 SUPER BOWL ALL DAY LET'S PARTY!	8 Officers Meeting 6 .m. Marine Riders 7 p.m.	9 Chips Meeting 7 p.m.	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 General Meeting 7 p.m.	24	25	26	27
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MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB MANAGER - JIMMY GRACH

I hope we have a good turnout for Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th. We are having a concession stand set-up, which includes sliders, hot dogs, pizza, nachos, popcorn and peanuts. All for just \$10.00.! Also, we are giving out prizes during the game. There are Super Bowl cards ... so make sure you get your spot before we are sold out. After the game the shotgun will be raffled off ... we still have tickets for the raffled if you want in.

Sorry about the "Smoke Out", but we are planning another one soon. Also, we are working on a "Lobster Feast" for April.

If anyone has any ideas for a social activity or how to improve the Club, please remember to put your suggestion in the "Blue Box, next to the Galley.

See you at the Club!

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

A new year is unfolding, like a blossom with petals curled tightly, concealing the beauty within. Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good, with the comfort of warmth in our relations, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others. As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible with YOUR help and guidance.

I, myself, would like to see a little care and comfort from our Detachment. If all member would call each other, by phone, to ask if any member needs help, or just if they are okay would brighten ones day. Be compassionate to one another, compliment each other ... it is so easy, and I am sure you will feel a lot better, just to make ones day brighter.

Captain Jack and I officiated at a memorial service for a former Marine, Michael J. Hurley. It was well attended, the ritual was done in English, and members of those who attended said prayers in Hebrew ... which was enjoyed by everyone. Michael was a retired Suffolk County Police Department employee, who attended the service,, and had won various awards, both military and in the police department.

Our dear friend and member, Harold "Cage" Pennington, passed away Jan. 15th. He was a member for over 20 years, served 2 terms as Commandant here at the Club, held several other positions at the post, as well as holding the office of Department Commandant. Cage was one of the original PARA-Marines and will be truly missed. Let's keep him, and his family, in our prayers.

Also, Durango Lane has cancer and is in need of our prayers and thoughts.

God bless each and everyone.
Your Chaplain

DD-214s ARE NOW ON-LINE

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following website for veterans to gain access to their DD-214s: <http://vetrecs.archives.gov/> Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members can use this site. Others individuals, with a need for a document, must still complete the standard Form 180, which also can be downloaded from the online site.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT CONT'D.

The Greater Nevada Detachment will host the Annual Nevada State Department Convention May 21st and 22nd. It will be a great opportunity to showcase our facility to the other detachments in NV.

One of the events will be a Pistol Match at American Shooters on Saturday afternoon. The weapon will be the 45 Cal Pistol using ball ammo. All firing will be done at 10 yards; 10 rounds slow fire and 10 rounds timed fire, fired in two strings of 5 rounds each, in 20 seconds. The range fee will be \$10.00 and the cost of the ammo. It should be fun.

During the Marine Corps Birthday week, I spoke with several members from other detachments, not in Nevada, and they told me that their unit raised almost \$4,000, and over \$5,000 using the MCL Red Rose Program. The board of officers have decided that we will get involved and participate in the program. Details will have been discussed at the January meeting. If we could raise something in that same financial range, it would certainly go a long way in helping us complete our mission of supporting Marines in need, the JROTC programs and the Devil Pups

We are all in this together. Let's make our CLUB a fun, energetic, vibrant and growing organization.

I do hope that everyone was able to keep their powder dry and not be too inconvenienced by all the wet weather. At least we didn't have to worry about bad guys shooting at us or our homes falling on top of us.

SEMPER FI,

Jack O'Rourke

DAVIS FUNERAL HOME PLANS NEW SEMINAR

Last year Davis Funeral Home held an informative seminar, at the Club, on "Pre-Needs ... Planning Ahead". They are planning to hold another seminar, on the same subject, in mid-March. The exact date and time will be published in the March edition of "The Word". If you would like to attend this seminar, please call the Club and let us know, as lunch and/or dinner will be provided by Davis Funeral Home; and they need a rough count on those planning to attend.

MARINE RIDERS OF LAS VEGAS - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2/1/2010 MCA Meeting
2/8/2010 Marine Riders Monthly Meeting
2/11/2010 COC Meeting

The Founders of the Marine Riders of Las Vegas are members of the Marine Corps League Greater Nevada Detachment #186 Incorporated by an act of Congress in 1937, the Marine Corps League perpetuates the traditions and spirit of ALL Marines who proudly wear or who have worn the eagle, globe and anchor of the Corps. For more information on the visit the [Marine Corps League Greater Nevada Detachment #186](#) website.

For more information on the Marine Riders of Las Vegas go to <http://www.marineriders.us/>

REMINDER FROM THE HISTORIAN

Remember, if you snap that picture, our Historian, Betty Elinoff, would like a copy for the League's "History Book". You can drop a copy off at the Club or call Betty for a pick-up. Funeral card, obituary notices or any other notification of the loss of one of our fellow Marines, is also appreciated.

MESSAGE FROM THE GALLEY GRILL

Happy New Year from Chef Spider ... hope all is well.

This is a new year for new changes. The Galley hours and menu will be changing just a bit. New hours and menus will be available at the Club starting February 1st.

Don't forget about "Social Night" every Friday starting about 1800 hrs. We have great food specials ... so come on down, bring your friends, or make new ones, and enjoy some great food.

A big thank you to everyone for your loyal support to the Galley Grill.

From your Galley Chefs Greg and Greg, Jr.

MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2010

MCL #	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	EXPIRE DATE
127506	BAGGS	ROBERT	10-Feb
220525	COFFMAN	KERRY	10-Feb
183393	CREAMER	CHARLES	10-Feb
X22873	IVES	JENNIE	10-Feb
120148	LEONARD	JOHN	10-Feb
220527	SMITH	KIMBERLY	10-Feb
197867	SOUDERS	LARRY	10-Feb
134678	CHILLANO	RAYMOND	10-Mar
104717	EVERS	HOWARD	10-Mar
214383	FOUGHNER	JOSEPH	10-Mar

MCL #	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	EXPIRE DATE
192127	KAHN	LOUIS	10-Mar
128145	LINSCOTT	DENNIS	10-Mar
X15766	MOORE	BILL	10-Mar
214384	PARRY	MATTHEW	10-Mar
148314	RUSSO	RICHARD	10-Mar
205776	SCHNEIDER	MATTHEW	10-Mar
162839	SUTHERLAND	WILLIAM	10-Mar
192129	TOSO	CHESTER	10-Mar
X014802	UNDERWOOD	PATSY	10-Mar

ART MADE FROM OLD UNIFORMS

KEY WEST --

Dress blues from the Navy. Night camouflage fatigues from the Marine Corps. A flak jacket worn in Vietnam.

Military uniforms once meticulously pressed and proudly worn lay cut in pieces on a table in the back yard of The Studios of Key West, destined to be pulverized into pulp in the name of art.

The Combat Paper Project turns the pulp into paper and then into cathartic works of art that give shape and texture to veterans' military memories -- good, bad, deeply buried.

Former Army field artillery soldier Drew Cameron co-founded the thought-provoking and empowering project two years ago at a studio in Vermont. He wanted to help himself heal from the isolation of post-combat life and destructive behavior, such as ``boozing," by sharing his war experiences and disillusionment.

While art therapy for war veterans has been popular since the 1960s and '70s, deconstructing uniforms for art was an idea conceived by Cameron and project co-founder Drew Matott, a book and paper artist with no military experience.

For more information about the project, workshop or exhibit, go to www.combatpaper.org..

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.

READ "THE WORD" ON-LINE

If you have access to a computer visit our web-site at <http://www.mcldet186.org/newsletters.cfm> to view the current or past issues. By the first of each month the latest edition of "The Word" is posted. This really helps the Club with mailing costs. Just send a email to editor@mcldet186.org , so you can be removed from the mailing list. **Thank you for your support!**

RENTAL OF CHILDRESS HALL FOR REUNIONS, MEETINGS, ETC.

Need a place to hold your holiday party, have your wedding/reception, or just hold that monthly meeting? We have that space! For pricing information and availability contact the club manager, Jimmy Grach, at (702)368-1775 or email him at clubmgr@mcldet186.org.

GENERAL MEETING REMINDER

Next General Meeting is Feb.23rd. All associate/regular members are welcome.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Name: _____ Spouses Name _____

Street: _____ # _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Email Address _____ Phone No: _____

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

Life () Associate Life () See current issue of "The Word" for fees

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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.