

**WORTHY DOG ROBBERS**  
**SCRATCHING'S OF THE 2009 PA PACK GRAND GROWL**  
**Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center**  
**New Cumberland, PA 17070**  
**June 25, 2009**

Worthy Pack Leader PDD Sheriff called the Grand Growl to order at 2001 and the opening ceremonies were conducted.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: All Elected and Appointed Officers were present or accounted for except Worthy Sr. Vice Pack Leader Hollon, Worthy Watch Dog Walter Emerich, PDD Hollon was excused due to severe health problems.

ROLL CALL OF POUNDS: All Pounds of the Pack were present except Pound 20 and Pound 107.

INTRODUCTIONS: 52nd Chief Devil Dog, PDD Laurel Hull  
Kennel Smart Dog, PDD Leanna Dietrich  
NE Div Vice Chief Devil Dog, PDD Bobbie Swain  
Kennel Insurance Advisor, PDD Dick Brown.

PAST PACK LEADERS: PDD Dietrich, PDD German, PDD Pavey, PDD Ascensi and PDD Pomeroy

PAST DOGS OF THE YEAR: PDD Dietrich, PDD Sheriff, PDD Ascensi, PDD McCann, PDD Swain (New Jersey) and 52nd CDD Hull (New Mexico)

SCRATCHINGS OF PRVIOUS GROWL: Submitted in written form and on Pack Website. PDD McCann made a motion to accept and PDD German seconded. Motion Passed.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Was held for the following Dogs and all of those not listed.

PUP Dougherty, Pound 188	PDD Doty, Pound 067
PDD McGinley, unknown	DD Shearer, Pound 275
PUP Hughes, Pound 022	PUP Oliver, Pound 275
PUP Doyle, Pound 188	PUP Weiss, Pound 133
PDD Metzger, Stray	PDD Schappell, Pound 169
PDD Booth, Pound 169	PDD Hahn, Pound 133

SICK AND/OR DISTRESS: Sr. Vice Pack Leader Hollon was hospitalized on June 23rd with heart attack and was removed from ICU today, June 25th. May Hensley has Parkinson Disease and is not doing well. DD Doc Wells of Pound 179 was in the hospital with stomach problems and is now home and doing better. Also from Pound 179, PDD Virginia Rueber took a fall and severely broke her ankle; she is still recuperating and doing therapy. Kennel Deputy Watch Dog PDD Charles Baldwin, Pound 96 had fluid removed from his lungs and also had a heart attack.

DOG ROBBERS FINANCIAL REPORT: Not submitted

SPECIAL NOTE: Musical entertainment was provided by the Fleas.

INITITIONS: Initiation Ceremony was conducted by the 52nd Chief Devil Dog Laurel Hull for the following Dogs:

PUP: Pound 132 – Hoffman  
DD: Pound 019 - Capelli, Gericke, Krautheim, Leahy, Souder  
Pound 132 - Ferguson, Hostetter, Logsdon, Myers, Sipes  
Pound 188 - Leichliter, Murray  
Pound 229 - Greene  
Pound 133 - Mann, Tedford  
Pound 179 - Condron  
Pound 109 - Miller  
Strays - Counts, DeSantis

OFFICER REPORTS:

Sr. Pack Leader	No report.
Jr. Pack Leader	No report.
Quartermaster	No report.
Dog Trainer	No report.
Mad Dog	No report.
Dog Robber	No report due to length of Grand Growl.
Barking Dog	No report.
Smart Dog	No report.
Pack Leader	With the help of the 52nd Chief Devil Dog, Meritorious Commendations to: PDD Charles Chamberlain PDD Leanna Dietrich, PPL PDD Anthony Evangelista PDD Hal Foss PDD Gary German DD William Green PDD Al Harper PDD Charles Hollon PDD Gary McCann PDD William Miller PDD James Powell

## POUND REPORTS:

Pound 019 (PDD Evangelista) reported that they raise money for money for 2 scholarships they sponsor. This year they ran a Spaghetti Dinner which netted approximately \$650 Big Bones and a Lottery that netted approximately \$1190 Big Bones. They give a \$1000 Big Bone scholarship to Overbrook School for the Blind in memory of Master Gunnery Sergeant Brooks Gray and a \$1000 Big Bone scholarship to Archbishop Ryan School for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired in memory of PDD George Curley. CDD Hull then questioned them on why they had not submitted any Passport Stamp Fees to Kennel. PDD Evangelista indicated he would find out and rectify the situation.

Pound 031 (PDD Minchin) reported that they support the K-9 Corps. To help them they purchased 500 Dog Tags that will be imprinted and sold with the monies going to the K-9 Corps. They are also actively working to recruit new Pups. The Chief indicated that Pound 31 had only submitted Kennel Passport Stamp fees once this year. PDD Minchin assured the Chief that the fees will be sent in by the 30th of June.

Pound 109 (DD Sversko) had no report. The Chief indicated that Pound 109 had not submitted any Kennel Passport Stamp fees this year.

Pound 132 (PDD Wells) had no report. The Chief indicated that Pound 132 had not submitted any Kennel Passport Stamp fees this year. PDD Wells indicated he would have this situation corrected.

Pound 169 (PDD German) had no report. The Chief indicated that Pound 169 had only submitted Passport Stamp fees to Kennel in October. PDD German indicated he would have this situation corrected.

Pound 179 (PDD Harper) reported that they had their 7th Annual Albert E Smith Memorial Ceremony at the Arlington Cemetery in Drexel Hill, PA in April. He stated that the Pound's chosen charity is the St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter for Homeless Families and supported their St. Valentine's breakfast every year. They collect food and aluminum cans for the home. The Chief indicated that Pound 179 had only submitted Passport Stamp fees to Kennel once this year. PDD Van Gorder, the Pound Dog Robber responded that the Pound had just completed their last Growl of the year on June 14th and that fees will be submitted by the end of June.

Pound 188 (DD Murray) indicated that his Pound had just submitted their final Passport Stamp fees via the Pack Dog Robber at this Grand Growl. The Pound helped put Christmas Stockings together to send to the troops in Iraq over the holidays. They also helped with the All Divisions with their 50th Anniversary Celebration. Most recently they took Young Marines to a Reading Phillies game and bought souvenirs and food for them.

Pound 229 (DD Greene) had no report. The Chief indicated that Pound 229 had not submitted any Kennel Passport Stamp fees this year. PDD Greene indicated he would try to rectify the situation.

Pound 275 (PDD Hauger) The Chief was happy to report that they were up to date with their Passport fees, but that they should try to rearrange their Growl schedule so that they would coincide more with Kennel.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pack Challenge Coin was discussed and tabled until the next Growl. Prices and options will be looked into before our next Growl.  
A USMC Devil Dog Plaque was auctioned off. DD Krautheim of the Upper Darby Pound was high bidder at \$120.25 Big Bones.  
Copies of the rewritten Pack Bylaws were handed out to each Pound in attendance. An additional copy will be sent to each Pound Smart Dog. They will be discussed and voted on at the Fall Quarterly Growl

NEW BUSINESS:

Chef Devil Dog discussed making sure that the Devil Dog Patches are being properly worn on the cover. She observed Marine Corps Leaguers wearing a collar ribbon without a cover patch. This is not being in proper uniform and is unacceptable behavior for a Devil Dog and needs to be rectified. She also discussed the two (2) Kennel fund raisers; the Junior Vice CDD fund raiser and the Community Support program. She also reiterated that the last printed copy of the Woof-O-Gram is being sent out and that going forward they will be in electronic form unless other arrangements are made on a case by case basis. She then encouraged all of the Pounds of the Pack to make sure they get in their Passport Stamp fees to Kennel on time so that there will be a significant contribution to the local Children's Hospital at the National Convention.

NE Division Vice Chief Devil Dog Swain spoke to the body about her term coming to an end in August and thanked the Pack for its support over the past 4 years.

Motion was made by PDD Pomeroy donate \$1000 Big Bones to the Department Scholarship Fund. Motion was 2nd by PDD Dietrich. Motion passed.

PPL Dietrich made announcement that she had only two (2) nominations for Pack Dog of the Year and that any others must be in by the end of this Grand Growl.

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NOMINATIONS and ELECIONS: Past Pack Leader, PDD Pomeroy conducted the nominations and election of Officers. The new slate of Elected Officers was:

Pack Leader	PDD Tom Tanner	nominated by PPL Sheriff
Sr. Pack Leader	PDD J. R. Wells	nominated by PDD Powell
Jr. Pack Leader	PDD Anthony Evangelista	nominated by PDD McCann
Smart Dog	PDD William Miller	nominated by PPL Dietrich
Police Dog	PDD Gary McCann	nominated by PPL Sheriff
Dog Trainer	PDD Thomas Minchin	nominated by PDD Wells
Mad Dog	PDD Gary German	nominated by PPL Sheriff
Dog Robber	PDD James Powell	nominated by PPL Dietrich

The new slate of Appointed Officers was:

Watch Dog	PDD Charles Chamberlain
Barking/Web Dog	PDD James Powell
Quartermaster	PDD Al Harper

Motion to have Pack Dog Robber cast one ballot for the slate of officers was made by PDD Pomeroy, seconded by DD Sversko. Ballot was cast.

Installation was conducted. The Installation team consisted of Chief Devil Dog, PDD Laurel Hull, Kennel Smart Dog, PDD Dietrich, NE. Div. Kennel Vice Chief Devil Dog, and PDD Bobbie Swain.

CLOSING: There being no further business, new Pack Leader Tom Tanner closed the 2009 Grand Growl at 2237 with the proper ceremonies.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "James J. Powell". The signature is stylized with large, flowing loops and a long horizontal tail.

PDD James J Powell, 05-366  
Worthy PA Pack Dog Robber  
Pound # 179