

The conference will be held in Clovis, California, 13-14 March 2009 at the Clovis Veteran's Memorial Building at 453 Hughes Avenue, Clovis, CA 93612. A map is attached.

Itinerary:

Friday

1200-1900 Check in and registration in Veterans Room, \$5 fee includes morning refreshments both days and registration fee. Saturday lunch will be \$5 additional.

1300-1500: The Board of Trustees meeting in Meeting Room A.

1500-??: Commandants' Council meeting in Meeting Room A.

1600-1800: Hospitality Period (no host bar) in Meeting Room A.

Saturday

All activities today will be in Veterans Room.

0800-0830 Check-in and registration in Veterans Room, fee \$10 including lunch.

0830-1130: General meeting.

1130-1300: Lunch.

1300-?: Business session

The Growl begins one hour after the conclusion of the Dept. conference

Hotel:

Best Western Clovis Cole

Carol Griggs, Manager

415 Clovis Avenue

Clovis, CA 93612

(559) 299-1547

\$99 + tax per night for king bed.

\$105 + tax per night f/dble queen.

Check in time 3 p.m.

Free continental breakfast each morning

Reservations must be made using a credit card no later than March 1, 2009. The block is reserved for "Det. 14 MCL"

Meals:

Breakfasts may either be taken at the hotel (continental style) or at a restaurant in town.

There is a Sandy's Kountry Junction one block south of 5th and Clovis Avenues, on Clovis, or there is a Country Waffles on Clovis about a mile south of 5th Avenue.

A lunch consisting of a home made tri-tip sandwich w/french fries, pickle, home-made cookie and drink will be provided on Saturday. The cost of the lunch will be \$5.00 and

collected during registration.

Dinners are an individual choice. A selection of restaurants is presented below. All are within walking distance. There are also several watering holes in the same area for those preferring adult beverages.

Restaurants:

Trelia (upscale - reservations suggested)

Miso (Japanese)

Kimmie's Bar & Grill

Good Fellas Family Dining

DiCicco's (Italian)

Bobby Salazar's (Mexican)

Salsa's (Mexican - very good - everything home made)

500 Club & Casino (good food and drinks - very popular - casino is actually a card room)

*Note: There are a number of restaurants open for breakfast nearby if attendees don't desire to partake of the continental breakfasts at the hotels. There will also be some refreshments in the meeting rooms.

Amenities:

Detachment 14 will have a "Ship's Store" set up for attendees to be able to purchase Marine and Marine Corps League related goodies on Saturday only.

The Clovis Visitor's Center, located in the Clovis train station building, will provide visitor bags with maps of Clovis, restaurants and other venues found in Clovis. Conference schedules, agendas and other information will be placed within these bags.