

Detachment Meeting Minutes

Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League January 22, 2024

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by our Chaplain James Sanchez

Members in attendance: 14

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

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Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	John Dunker	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ray Sturm	P
Adjutant	Debbie Deene	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	E
Chaplain	James Sanchez	P
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Joe Peacy	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Bill Collins	E
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	P
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	P
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: No report

ADJUTANT'S REPORT: Minutes from January were read aloud, and meeting minutes will be posted on the Detachment website and in the newsletter. Copies available on table.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PAYMASTER: The financial report was given by Ben Wells. This amount is as follows:

Checking: \$15350.50 Savings: \$2268.52 Total assets: \$17,619.02

CHAPLAIN REPORT: George Owens III a family was sent a card to the family. George's son wants to stay in touch with the Detachment and would like to attend the annual golf tournament. We also received Charles M. Miller charter member has passed and a card will be sent to his family.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Helmka reported that there will be a Leadership college on April 20,2024, at Post 276. This will be from 08:00-16:00 and lunch will be provided. The applications are available, and the fee is \$40.00 per person. This is open to all MCL Members, Officers, and Associate members. Discussion was made to start thinking about Marine of the year and associate of the year. There was an email sent from the Department Commandant to urge all to try and participate on February 6,2024the the State House upper gallery in Annapolis, to lobby for events that will be discussed that is relevant to all veterans. Please wear MCL shirts and covers if you attend.

Fellowship dinner will be held on February 19, 2024, at Two Rivers in Pasadena at 6:30pm. Literature was emailed to me from a law firm in Baltimore pertaining to Camp Lejeune health issues. Information is available, please contact me if you have any questions.

Lastly, we have secured the American Legion Post 175, in Severna Park for our detachment. Our meetings will be moved to the 3rd Monday of each month. The next meeting is February 19,2024. I will be meeting with the post commander this Friday to go over final details pertaining to where we will store our equipment and supplies.

Discussion brought up about our annual bull and oyster roast and planning for that accordingly. We are looking into trying to have this in April 2024, more details to follow. I will assist john Dunker with the planning of this event.

SENIOR VICE: No report

JUNIOR VICE: No report

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Ceremony and Installation of new officers as follows John Dunker -as Senior Vice and Ben Wells - as Paymaster. Sergeant of Arms declared these officers as official.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ray Sturm reported he would like to process the monthly newsletter the early part of the month and would like all reports sent to him as soon as possible. If anyone has any interesting articles, please forward them to Ray.

QUARTERMASTER: No report

BY LAWS- No report

HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT: No report

COLOR GUARD: No report nothing until May 2024

YOUNG MARINES: Commander Ray Sturm reported the Young Marines had their overnight trip at Post 276 was a successful event. They will be working on their rifle skills and training at the 12th precinct, which has a great range. The parade in Annapolis for the bowl parade was cancelled due to the weather. The month of February they will be doing a navigation event outdoors, this will be a cold weekend hopefully there will not be any more rain.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: No report



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NEW BUSINESS: Motion was made to purchase a new bugle for the detachment not to exceed \$700.00, then an amendment was made and second not to exceed \$800.00. This was voted on and approved.

A motion was also made that the league reimburse all who attend the leadership college once they have been issued their diplomas, this was voted on and accepted.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Commandant Burt Helmka suggested continuing holding fellowship dinners at local restaurants, hoping to draw more attendance, this was a unanimous decision, and we all enjoyed the past dinners. Participation is encouraged.

Lastly Ben Wells wanted to share the proper way to exit and enter any MCL meeting and /or convention in progress in the event you must leave the room.

When leaving the room you stand up salute the American Flag the you salute the Sgt, At Arms, then salute the Sgt. At Arms upon entering and then the American Falg

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Golf tournament meeting to be held at Bens office on Thursday January 25,2024 at 5:00pm.

Mid-Winter Conference Pentagon City February 22-24,2024 Leadership college April 20,2024 Post 276, Severn, Md Recruitment drive April 27, 20204 at 10:00am Bass Pro Hanover. Md Department Convention Ocean City, Md May 9-11,2024 Mid-East Conference Martinsburg, West Va. June 27-29.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on February 19, 2024.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Deene, Adjutant Marine Corps League - A. A. County Detachment 1049