

**Billy Stelpflug Detachment #1064  
Marine Corps League  
Business Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** 04/20/2024  
**Location:** Clubhouse at Auburn Legends,  
41 Lee Rd, Auburn, AL 36832  
**Recorded By:** Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster

**Called to Order:** 0730 by Gene Stanaland, Commandant

**Raffle:** \$55 won by Rusty Alums and donated to Detachment.

**Attendance: Officers present:** Gene Stanaland, Commandant  
Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster  
John Reichman, Sgt at Arms  
Rusty Alums, Jr Past Commandant/  
Detachment Liaison  
Bob Jonson, Judge Advocate  
Jim Doyle, Webmaster

**Officers absent:** Matt Wilson, Sr Vice Commandant  
Ron Russell, Chaplin  
Mike Carreca, Jr Vice Commandant

**Members present:** Rudy Vuchinich, Gene Stanaland, Fred Hamff, John Reichman, Rusty Alums, Jim Doyle, Caleb Pipes, Harry Waites, Bob Jonson, Harry Hooper

**Adjutant/Paymaster Report:** Current account balance is \$7824.05.

**Health and Welfare Report:** Perry and Edna Caldwell continue to reside in Room 136 Arbor Springs, and they would welcome visitors. Peggy Stelpflug is home and is receiving daily nursing care and is also in high spirits. Leonard Riley returned to work but remains understandably concerned about his well-being.

**Officer Elections:** All current officers were reelected by unanimous voice vote.

**Deceased Members:** John Reichman brought and displayed the plaque that has the names of all deceased Detachment members.

**Food Bank:** Rusty Alums and Gene Stanaland volunteered this month. Our shift is from 8:00 to 12:00 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Food bank is located at 355 Industry Dr, Auburn, AL 36832, 334 821-9006.

**Momentos for Perry Caldwell and Peggy Stelpflug:** The two 0311 MOS challenge coins for Perry, two 0351 MOS challenge coins for Peggy, and two Marine Corps

greeting cards were delivered by Ron Russell and Gene Stanaland. Both Peggy and Perry were delighted with the gifts.

**Memorial Day Breakfast:** The Detachment typically reserves two tables for our members and guests. No information has yet been provided regarding this year's event. An email was sent to David Dorton, Director of Public Affairs City of Auburn, requesting information.

**Major Bill Winter Memorial:** Jim Doyle reported that the Auburn University Foundation is collecting money to fund a memorial for Major Bill Winter. Major Winter was a classmate of Jim Doyle's in the Marine Corps/Navy ROTC program at Auburn University. Major Winter was highly decorated in the Marine ROTC program. Very importantly, Major Winter was KIA in the Beirut Bombing that also killed Billy Stelpflug, our Detachment namesake. Jim moved and Rusty seconded, which was unanimously approved, that the Detachment donate \$100.00 for the memorial fund. Check was sent.

**Detachment Social:** No plans for the next social were discussed. More information forthcoming.

**Facility:** Thanks to Fred Hamff for the facility for our meetings.

**Nonagenarian Birthdays:** The Detachment celebrated our nonagenarian Marines today with cake, cherry pie, apple pie, lemonade, and birthday cards. Ages are Peggy Stelpflug 93, Charlie Block 90, Earl Allen (soon to be) 90, Caleb Pipes (soon to be) 90, and Gene Stanaland (soon to be) 90.

**Adjourned** at 0830

**Next Meeting:** The next regular business meeting will be in May 2024.