

Detachment Meeting Minutes

Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League May 23, 2022

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Chaplain Bill Collins. Members in attendance: 9

Commandant: Burt Helmka announced guests in attendance:

Department:

Marine for Life Committee – Ray Sturm Past Department Marine of the Year – Ray Sturm (2018) Maryland Pack Leader – Ray Sturm (2019)

National:

National - Ray Sturm (Marine for Life Committee)

Detachment:

Past Detachment Commandants - Joseph Wright (2011-2013), Ray Sturm (2015-2019), Ben Wells (2019-2022) Past Detachment Marine of the Year - Joe Wright (2015), Ray Sturm (2017), Bill Collins (2019), Tom Maiorana (2020), Norm Huffman (2021)

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ray Sturm	P
Adjutant	Norm Huffman	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	A
Chaplain	Bill Collins	P
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	E
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ed Dahling	E
Paymaster	Ed Dahling	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Bill Collins	P
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: None

ADJUTANT'S REPORT: Minutes from the April meeting were posted on the Detachment website and in the newsletter. Copies available on table.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PAYMASTER: The financial report was given by Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright.

Checking: \$10,418.89 Savings: \$2,267.10 Total assets: \$12,685.99

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Chaplain Collins reported the Veteran from Houston is about to begin treatments. Bill will reach out to him to assure funds are in place when his treatment is scheduled.

Ed Dahling is doing great and enjoying his anniversary.

Ben Wells asked that all keep John Crist from the Antietam Detachment in prayers as he and his wife were in an accident (deer hit the vehicle) and he is in Shock Trauma.

COMMANDANT: The Detachment won funds from the Department's raffle in Ocean City.

SENIOR VICE: No report

JUNIOR VICE: No report

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ray Sturm reported he would like to have all articles turned in by the Saturday after the meeting. Newsletter to go out early June with Paymaster and Officer's reports.

QUARTERMASTER: Please see Bill Collins if you need to acquire anything.

HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT: Joe Wright stated that only twenty-nine members out of seventy-two members read their Detachment email. Would like to send out reminders of meetings but may have to send snail mail to get a response.

COLOR GUARD: Absent

YOUNG MARINES: Commander Ray Sturm reported a Recruit class is ongoing. Graduation is May 29th at 3pm-330pm at the VFW. Ribbons will be presented to those deserving. Parents will be in attendance. All are welcome to attend.

Camp-out was last weekend at Downs Park. Twelve Young Marines in attendance and all had a good time despite the bad weather. Thank you to Norm Huffman for showing up with coffee and doughnuts.

Young Marines will be attending the service at Crownsville Cemetery, Downs Park Family Day, and a parade to be announced.



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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ray Sturm reported the Golf tournament is going well. To date, there are twenty-one foursomes, but there is still space available for golfers. Space still available for Sponsors. Burt Helmka requested bottles of booze for the basket of cheer.

NEW BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka stated a donation request was received from the Marine Corps Museum. Ben Wells made a motion to donate \$100 to the cause. Motion was second and passed.

Ray Sturm made a motion to place the Marine Corps Museum in the annual budget. Motion was second and passed.

Commandant Helmka stated he would like to go over the Bylaws and will contact the Bylaws Chairperson, Danny Fischio for this task.

Jim Galvin reported he has presented thirty-two "Good Citizenship Awards" for the Eagle Scouts over his time in this position. Commandant Helmka will send the quarterly numbers to the County Executive, Stuart Pittman.

Jr. Past Commandant Ben Wells presented Nila Caulder with her 2020 "Associate Member of the Year" ribbon.

Jr. Past Commandant Wells also presented Distinguished Service medals for those who worked with him over the past three years. Awards were presented to:

- Burt Helmka
- Joe Wright
- Bill Collins
- Jim Galvin

Marine of the Year Award was presented to Burt Helmka.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

June 4th, 2022 – Detachment 1049 Recruitment Drive – Downs Park – 8311 John Downs Loop, Pasadena, MD – 12pm-4pm – Be there by 11am for setup. Wear red shirt and ballcap.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: None

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on June 27th, 2022.

Respectfully submitted, Norm Huffman, Adjutant Marine Corps League - A. A. County Detachment 1049