

Detachment Meeting Minutes

Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League June 28, 2021

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant David "Ben" Wells at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Chaplain Bill Collins.

Members in Attendance: 14

Commandant Wells announced guests in attendance:

National - Ray Sturm (Marine for Life Committee)

Department Officers – Ray Sturm (Marine for Life)

Department Marine of the Year – Ray Sturm

Past Detachment Commandants: Ray Sturm (2015-2019), Joseph Wright, (2012-2015)

Past Marine of the Year: Ben Wells (2018), Ray Sturm (2017)

Past Detachment Marine of the Year: Joe Wright, Ray Sturm, Ben Wells, Bill Collins, Norman Huffman

Maryland Pack Leader – Ray Sturm (2019)

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	David "Ben" Wells	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Burt Helmka	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	P
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ed Dahling	E
Paymaster	Ed Dahling	E
Public Information Officer	Guy Hall	E
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	John and April Westerlund	A

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

ADJUTANT'S REPORT: Adjutant Huffman reported minutes from the May meeting were distributed via website. Copies available on the table.

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

Savings: \$2,266.05 Checking: \$8,867.93

CHAPLAIN REPORT:

Chaplain Bill Collins reported Ed Dahling is on his second round of chemo and had a pretty good day today. Please continue to send cards and notes to Ed to let him know we are thinking of him.

Chaplain Collins reported the passing of Charlie Young and Guy Hall. Ben also reported the passing of Allen Noger (husband of Alison, the photographer at the Department of Maryland Convention)

Chaplain Collins will be holding his PowerPoint presentation on PTSD after the meeting. He reported the Marines the Detachment has helped with getting HBOT treatments (outside the VA system), are doing well. Cost to help one person is @\$7,000.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Ben Wells expressed our need to have new members join the Detachment. We need to think of ways to attract new and existing members. Joe Wright will create a new email list to get the word out concerning meetings and other pertinent information. We also need to use social media to get the word out to the community. Other suggestions included; setting up the recruitment tent at Bass Pro, Virtual Marine Corps marathon, hold a Mud Run, or start a Rugby Team. Those who participate may show interest in joining.

SENIOR VICE: Burt Helmka gave information on fundraising events.

JUNIOR VICE: No report.

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright will try to come up with the newsletter until Newsletter Editor Ed Dahling returns.

QUARTERMASTER: Let Quartermaster Bill Collins know if you need anything, and he will order it.

HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT: No report.

COLOR GUARD: Color Guard Woody Bowman reported on the following scheduled events:

July 5th – Severna Park Parade

November 11th – Veterans Day – present Colors at Crownsville Cemetery

YOUNG MARINES: Absent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright will be learning Quickbooks and will set up a laptop for the Paymaster. It will be established so officers will have a standard to follow to make financial records easier to track. Will discuss this more at the next meeting.



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Sr. Vice Commandant Burt Helmka presented suggestions for fundraising. September – Bushel of Crabs & 5 lb. of shrimp – Only 250 tickets @ \$5.00 October – Bull & Oyster Roast – October 9th November – LOTTO ticket sale

After discussion, it was determined it may be too hard to sell the Crab and the LOTTO tickets at the same time. It was decided to only do the LOTTO ticket fundraiser. Burt to get the tickets for next meeting.

Jane Huffman reported she is running a Delaware Park Horseracing and Casino Bustrip to benefit the Detachment on August 19th, 2021.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Report was given for the golf tournament. (approximate)

144 golfers

Gross profit - \$28,500

Expenses - \$10,577

Net profit - \$17, 600

Breakdown of funds: Semper Fi (\$6,000), TREAT NOW (\$6,000), Caring Cupboard Foodbank (\$1,000).

Remaining funds go to the Detachment for seed money for next tournament.

Previous HIGH profit was \$15,000 to Marines Helping Heroes

Sgt at Arms Jim Galvin reported Troop 216 has been down for 14 months and have lost 2 Scouts in the meantime. (Jim Dunne and? Corbin). Three homes are still on lockdown. All Scouts, eighteen and over, must have background checks and fill out new applications. The Scouts must also obtain their physicals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on July 26, 2021. Closing prayer was given by Chaplain Bill Collins.

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