



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
Marine Corps League  
August 25, 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 Judge Advocate Ray Sturm.  
Members in attendance: 12

Commandant Helmka announced guests in attendance.

### **National:**

Ray Sturm (Marine for Life Committee)

### **Department:**

Ray Sturm – Marine for Life Committee Chair

Past Department Marine of the Year – Paul Taylor (2010), Ray Sturm (2018), Ed Dahling (2019).  
Ben Wells (2020).

### **Detachment:**

Past Detachment Commandants - Joseph Wright (2011-2013), Ed Dahling (2013-2015), Ray Sturm (2015-2019).  
Past Detachment Marine of the Year – Joe Wright (2015), Ed Dahling (2016), Ray Sturm (2017), Norm Huffman (2021), Burt Helmka (2022).

## 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	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	E
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ed Dahling	P
Paymaster	Ed Dahling	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:** None

**ADJUTANT’S REPORT:** Minutes from the July 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:	\$10,336.36
Savings:	<u>\$ 2,267.38</u>
Total assets:	\$12,603.74

**CHAPLAIN REPORT:** Woody Bowman had a knee operation and cannot drive for a few weeks.

**COMMANDANT:** No report – will discuss in Old and New Business

**SENIOR VICE:** No report

**JUNIOR VICE:** No report

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** No report

**JR. PAST COMMANDANT:** No report

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Ray Sturm reported he will combine the August and September newsletters and would like all reports sent to him as soon as possible. Ray reminded all their dues were due by August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**QUARTERMASTER:** Absent

**HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT:** No report

**COLOR GUARD:** Absent

**YOUNG MARINES:** Commander Ray Sturm reported the Young Marines have a busy schedule:

- Participated in school supply drive for Operation Homefront
- Sept – Encampment at Ft. Frederick
- December 3 – Craft Show at the Bowie Elks

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Commandant Helmka reported Danny Fischio has agreed to handle the By-Law Committee. The last update was 2009. Burt requested Joe Wright send a link to members requesting they look at the bylaws and admin procedures for any proposed changes. Major update concerns dues. We need to assure our bylaws coincide with the National bylaws. Please send any proposed changes to Danny Fischio.

The topic of moving to an new location for meetings was discussed. Burt visited the Severna Park American Legion and explained our needs. Waiting on a reply. Burt also contacted American Legion Post 40 in Glen Burnie. They welcomed the Detachment and are looking into finding storage in the building. Final decision to be determined.

Burt suggested holding fellowship/meeting at local restaurants, hoping to draw more attendance. Some suggestions were: Glory Days – Airport – 30-day notice – lunch



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Bella Napoli – has private room - Pasadena  
Cracker Barrell – Airport - no weekends  
Green Turtle – Pasadena – lunch  
Bob Evans – call ahead weekdays – may have a 10–15-minute wait  
Momma Lucia – Hanover  
Hideaway Happy Hour - Odenton  
Piney Orchard Parkway restaurant  
Burt suggested all look for possible venues.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Burt requested we all use the Detachment business cards to gain possible new members.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:** Ed Dahling was presented with a Certificate for his tour as Department Paymaster, dated May 8, 2022.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

August 27, 2022 – Department meeting – Baltimore – 1426 E. Ft. Avenue  
August 28, 2022 – Pound Growl – VFW Post 160

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,  
Norm Huffman, Adjutant  
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