



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
Marine Corps League  
September 27, 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: 15

Commandant Wells announced guests in attendance:

National - Ray Sturm (Marine for Life Committee)

Department Officers – Ray Sturm (Marine for Life)

Past Detachment Commandants: Joseph Wright (2011-2013), Ray Sturm (2015-2019), Ben Wells (2019-present)

Past Detachment Marine of the Year: Joe Wright (2015), Ray Sturm (2017), Ben Wells (2018), Bill Collins (2019), Tom Maiorana (2020)

Past Department Marine of the Year – Ray Sturm (2018) and Ben Wells (2020), Ben Wells (2020), Paul Taylor (2010), Baltimore 565

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	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	Joan Wheatley for April Westerlund	P

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** None

**ADJUTANT’S REPORT:** Minutes from the August meeting were posted on the website. Copies available on the table.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** MCL Detachment 1049 received a thank you letter from Fisher House Foundation for donation in June 2021.

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

Savings:	\$ 2,266.34
Checking:	<u>\$10,503.94</u>
Total Detachment Assets	\$12,770.28

**CHAPLAIN REPORT:** Bill Collins shared updates on Ed Dahling.

**COMMANDANT:** 5K run – October 2, 2021 – setup by 7am – Ft. Meade Marines will set up the course. Should be completed by 10am – numbers are down, but still profitable.

The newsletter is back. Ben said he was glad to see that someone sent out a reminder of the meeting.

**SENIOR VICE:** (arrived late) Burt Helmka reported the Bull and Oyster Roast has been scheduled for March 19, 2022 at the American Legion. 2-6pm. \$1,690 turned in tonight for LOTTO tickets.

**JUNIOR VICE:** No report.

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** No report.

**JR. PAST COMMANDANT:** No report.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Ray reported he tried his best to make it readable, and he would try to improve. He didn't realize the work that Mac and Ed did. He said it is not easy putting the letter together and it took him a long time. The newsletter is a way to get information out to members and he would like to send it out the Saturday after meeting. Articles are needed by the Saturday after the meeting.

**QUARTERMASTER:** Bill Collins reported the baseball hats are in and will cost \$20 each.

**HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT:** No report.

**COLOR GUARD:** Woody said that Colors would be presented at Fisher House on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1145am at VFW Quarterfield Rd.

**YOUNG MARINES:** Joan Wheatley reported there has been an increase in members. Currently, there are 10 members and hoping for more by the end of the year. Joan thanked Ray Sturm for serving as Pub master at the Renaissance Fair, which benefitted the Young Marines. The Young Marines set up a booth at the Drug Free Fest. They will be participating in the following upcoming events:

October 2 – assist with the 5K Run – 7am

October 3 - Drill

October 17 – Young Marine Ball

October 31<sup>st</sup> – Halloween get together

Ft. Meade Young Marines may be at the 5K run to assist as well.

October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Red Ribbon Day Drug awareness day.



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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Norm Huffman inquired about the status of the email distribution list. Joe Wright is working on it.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Norm Huffman reported the annual Pasadena Business Association Veterans Day celebration will be held on November 11<sup>th</sup> at the big flag on Mountain Road. Parking is at the athletic field on Woods Road with wagon transportation will be provided to the flag.

Jim Galvin reported the passing of David Woolwine(?). David was a member of Troop 216 and was 73 years old.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

5K Run – October 2, 2021 – Setup by 7am – Ft. Meade Marines will set up the course. Should be completed by 10am

Fisher House – October 2, 2021 – Noon to 8pm – Woody’s Color Guard to present Colors

VFW Family Day – October 16, 2021

The Department Convention will be held at the Ocean City Fenwick Inn May 5-7, 2022.

Call 800-641-0011. Mention MCL.

Paul Taylor announced the next Department meeting will be held in Mt. Airy (111 S. Main St.) on November 20, 2021. Paul also shared his correspondence with Ed Dahling.

Joe Wright announced one can acquire an “America the Beautiful” pass for \$10 online. It is an access card to all Federal recreational property.

Charles Miller has MCL garments to donate.

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on October 25<sup>h</sup>, 2021. Closing prayer was given by Chaplain Bill Collins.

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