



Detachment Meeting Minutes
Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049
Marine Corps League
October 23, 2023

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Sr. Vice Commandant Ben Wells.
Members in attendance: 13

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Peacy	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Adjutant	Debbie Deane	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	A
Chaplain	Bill Collins	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	E
Newsletter Editor	Ed Dahling	P
Paymaster	Joe Peacy	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	E
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

PAYMASTER: The financial report was given by Commandant Burt Helmka this report was from our last meeting, this amount may be off a bit will revise on next newsletter.

Checking:	\$10,774.03
Savings:	<u>\$ 2,268.23</u>
Total assets:	\$13,012.26

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Tommy is still sick and on oxygen at home. Bill Collins does not walk much but when he does, he is using a walker.

COMMANDANT: No report – however will have discussion 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 would like to process the monthly newsletter the early part of the month and would like all reports sent to him as soon as possible. If anyone has any interesting articles, please forward them to Ray.

QUARTERMASTER: We have a locker of several items for sale please feel free to

BY LAWS- We voted on the By- laws and administration procedures they passed with one change to match National.

HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT: No report

COLOR GUARD: Woody Bowman announced that the color guard will be attending the Food Harvest Parade on November 5th in Pasadena at Tick Neck Park. They will also be attending Crownsville Veterans Cemetery on Veterans Day (Friday, November 10, 2023). The group will also be at Food Lion on Mountain Road in Pasadena in December, usually around Pearl Harbor Day, date to be announced.

YOUNG MARINES: Commander Ray Sturm reported the Young Marines have been busy lately.

- The young marines ran a 3-mile run at Quantico last month Drug, Demand, Reduction, DDR dash and went to the museum. This was a national run and there will be photos to follow.
- The Young Marines will be prepared to do colors for a cake cutting ceremony on November 11th., at the Brightview nursing home They will also be present at an appreciation dinner for the veterans at the Bowie Elks on the 13th. They are preparing to do a rifle class. They also will be participating in a Turkey giveaway at the church. Their Christmas Party will be held at the Glen Burnie Bowl this year,

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka announces we are still in search of a home to house our annual Marine birthday cake cutting ceremony. We finally have secured a location at the American Legion Post 175, which was a delay due to some miscommunication issues. The agreement was voted on and Commandant Helmka will make the best decision possible to have this event and not cancel.

The topic of moving to a new location for meetings was discussed briefly and tabled for future. Burt called the Severna Park American Legion and explained our needs. Waiting for a reply. Burt also contacted American Legion Post 40 in Glen Burnie. They both welcomed the Detachment and are looking into finding storage in the building. Final decision to be made later. If we cannot secure a location, we will stay at VFW Post 160.



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Burt suggested continuing holding fellowship dinners at local restaurants, hoping to draw more attendance, this was a unanimous decision, and we all enjoyed the past dinners. Participation is encouraged.

NEW BUSINESS: The young marines have agreed to help at the recruitment drive on April 27th, 2024 and have asked the league to purchase a young marine's table cover, we will vote on this at our next meeting. Burt asked us to try and use the Detachment business cards to pass on to possible new members. The motion was set forth to purchase a gross of yellow roses and we voted to do so. This is a simple and easy fundraiser for us.

The Marine Corp Heritage Foundation is asking for a donation. Nila Caulder put in a motion to send \$100.00, and motion was seconded by Ben Wells.

The Maryland Department of Foreign Wars Department are looking for donations to provide covers and baseball caps to the VA hospital. MOCA and the Cooties are also sending caps and covers. There are approximately 40 Marines within Maryland to provide for. This is done for all military branches one at a time. There was a motion by Ben Wells to donate \$150.00 and a second by Debbie Deene.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Mrs. Jane Huffman - Our raffle fundraiser will be held live on November 26th, 2023, and there are just a few numbers left. Currently the raffle has brought in \$1130.00. Our bus trip to the Green Dragon farmers market in Lancaster raised \$1120.00, for the league. We thank Mrs. Jane for all that she does for us; she's awesome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: We want to not only thank Joe Peacy for taking on the Jr. Vice role but adding the Paymaster position along with it.

Don't forget the Boy Scouts Troop along with Jim Galvin at their Christmas dinner and night of fun. This will be at the Columbian Center on Ritchie Highway from 6:00-8:30 on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023, This is an event you really will enjoy please try an attend, you will not be disappointed.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on November 27, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Deene, Adjutant
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