

Detachment Meeting Minutes

Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League November 27, 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 Ben Wells in absence of Chaplain James Sanchez Members in attendance: 18

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

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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 Deene	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	E
Chaplain	James Sanchez	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	E
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Ben Wells	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 November meeting minutes will be 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 is what we have currently but will be revised in the next newsletter.

 Checking:
 \$10,774.03

 Savings:
 \$2,268,23

 Total assets:
 \$13012.26.

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Bill Collins still in rehab; he has been out however it's difficult to get in and out of the vehicle. Ed and Sandy Dahling are recovering from covid, keep them in prayer. George Owen (Southern Maryland) has passed away details on his arrangements to follow.

COMMANDANT: We had a discussion of trailers for rent from a non-profit veteran's organization www.Facebook.com/PullingforVeterans, serving veterans and awareness of PTSD. 100% goes to Veterans Resources.

Jack Severn is home from the hospital from a respiratory illness. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers. Craig Reihling has forms for anyone interested in purchasing Marine Corp license plates.

We were well received at Post 175 for our cake cutting ceremony. We opened the bar for an hour for their members and several marines who were there. They also had their own cake cutting ceremony we were invited to attend and then the post commander opened the bar for an additional hour for all as we had done/

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: No report

BY LAWS- No report.

HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT: No report

COLOR GUARD: No report

YOUNG MARINES: Commander Ray Sturm reported the Young Marines have been very busy lately. They will be attending and helping with a craft fair at the Bowie Elks Club. They will also be attending services for George Owens on Sunday, December 3,2023. All are required to wear full uniforms.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka announced the topic of moving to a new location for meetings was discussed briefly and tabled for future. 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. * Motion was made by Ray Sturm to follow up at next meeting and leave this as unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS: The Department of Maryland MCL Convention will be held at the Grand Hotel in Ocean City, Maryland, May 9,10,11, 2024. Room rates are from \$80.00-\$215.00. The banquet fee is \$60.00 per person. We have been locked in this hotel for three years.

The Mid-East Convention will be in June 2024 in Martinsburg, West Virginia. More details to follow. The Mid-Winter Convention will be in February at the Sheraton in Pentagon City.



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GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Commandant Burt Helmka suggested continuing holding fellowship dinners at local restaurants, hoping to draw more attendance, this was a unanimous decision. The basket raffle was a big success. We raised \$2000.00 on this thanks to Ms. Jane and all her efforts. Also, the Giant Food raffle brought in \$500.00. The bus trip to Lancaster brought in \$1129.54. As always, we appreciate all that Ms. Jane and Norm do for our league. We have so many good people in our group that make our events a success.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our fellowship dinner January 19th at Casa Del A Nona in Severn. February's dinner will be at Two Rivers again date and details to follow.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on December 18, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Deene, Adjutant
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