



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
 Marine Corps League  
 December 23, 2014 Meeting



**OPENING BY RITUAL:**

Meeting called to order by Commandant Ed Dahling at 1900 hours.

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

Members in attendance: 20 members

Commandant acknowledged presence of the following special guests.

- Paul Taylor Department of Maryland Adjutant
- Manny Airey Past Detachment Commandant, Department Marine of the Year
- Joe Wright Past Detachment Commandant
- Woody Bowman Color Guard Commander, Detachment Marine of the Year
- Guy Hall Past Detachment Commandant

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:**

Commandant	Ed Dahling	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Ray Sturm	P
Judge Advocate	David Wells	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Adjutant	Norm Huffman	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	P
Chaplain	Fred Kaminski	P
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	P
House Committee Chairman	VACANT	
Legislative Officer	VACANT	
Newsletter Editor	Ed Dahling	P
Paymaster	Ray Sturm	P
Public Information Officer	Guy Hall	A
Quartermaster	Fred Kaminski	P
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	George Martin	A
Toys for Tots Coordinator	Dawn Parker MCL	A
VAVs Officer	VACANT	
Web Sergeant.	Mike Hadley	A
Young Marine Commander	Dallas Cooper	A

**Note:** Charles Luthardt was acting as Sgt at Arms for George Martin during his recuperation.

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** Ray Sturm reported he received the DD214 for William Collins and will proceed with his application for membership.

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

Adjutant Norm Huffman reported minutes of the October meeting were distributed via the detachment list server (e-mail). Several hardcopies were available at the meeting. Correction to minutes: Incorrect name. Phil Roman should have been Joe Roman. Thank you to Paul Taylor for catching this error. A motion was made and voted on to accept the minutes with correction.



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**CORRESPONDENCE:**

A letter was received from George Martin via email, stating he hopes to get back to his normal routine attending the meetings in about 6 weeks, per his doctor's orders. His back is healing well, but no driving or lifting. He and Fran wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

A letter was received from Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Co. thanking the Detachment and the Toys for Tots Program for the donations for three families, which included eight children in the Lake Shore area.

**PAYMASTER:** Ray Sturm reported that he left his reports at home, but there were two additions: \$35.00 dues and Pound 204 Breakfast @\$13 - \$15. He will have an updated report at the next meeting. Below is the documented report from last month.

Checking	\$ 9,606.81
Savings	\$ 2,258.15
Certificates	\$ 5,003.13
Total	\$ 16,868.09

A motion was made and second to accept the report, pending upcoming audit.

**MEMBERS SICK & IN DISTRESS:**

- George Martin is healing from a back operation and doing well.
- Tom Maiorana has another bout with bronchitis.
- Joe Roman, member of SSgt. Taylor Detachment, Howard County passed November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- Joe Clemente of Mt. Airy Detachment was in hospital, but is currently home.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

**Commandant** – Commandant Ed Dahling reminded everyone elections are coming up for anyone who is interested in running for a position.

**Sr. Vice Commandant** – No Report

**Jr. Vice Commandant** – There was a minor set back on the rifle raffle tickets. They will be available next meeting.

**Judge Advocate** – No Report.

**Chaplain** – No Report.

**Adjutant** - No Report

**By-laws Committee:** Danny Fischio reported the committee met on December 7, 2014 to revise the selection process for Marine of the Year (**MOY**). The proposal will be posted for 30 days for all to review. You may also contact Danny Fischio for copies of the proposed change or you may see the proposal on the Detachment website. The proposed changes will be presented at the January meeting for discussion and vote.

When nominating someone for MOY, please submit a valid reason why you think the nominee is deserving of this honor. Nominations will be accepted in January and February for selection in March. The MOY award will be presented in April. Woody Bowman (as current MOY) and past MOY will do the selection for the MOY. **Keep in mind that if the new proposal is accepted, it will take place immediately.**



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**REPORT OF COMMITTEES:** (*Only listing those with actual reports*)

**Color Guard:**

- On December 6<sup>th</sup>, Colors were presented at the Food Lion on Mt. Rd. in remembrance of Pearl Harbor Day.
- Presented Colors for the remodeling of the Riviera Beach McDonalds.
- There are no other events planned for the Color Guard until March 2015 in Annapolis.

**Public Information Officer:** Guy Hall apologized for missing the Eagle Scouts Awards. He has been busy in Delaware.

**News Letter Editor:** Ed Dahling created a December newsletter and emailed it to those he had email addresses for. He will be working on the January newsletter and requested any information be sent to him for input. General membership was happy to see the newsletter up and running again and hoped to see it continue.

**Quartermaster:** Fred Kaminski reported he will be getting new posters next month.

**Toys for Tots:** Woody Bowman said he has no financial or toy count information, but would let us know as soon as he gets this information from Chris or Pete Smith.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Rich Gonzales stated the VFW will be having elections and asked if any of the VFW members who are with the MCL are interested in running for office. Please keep in mind that the leaders of the VFW will also affect the MCL as well as the VFW.

Nila, of the MCL Auxiliary requested a donation from the Detachment to help support Fisher House at a Jamboree fundraiser for this cause. (Fisher House is a VA built home for family members of wounded soldiers stationed here.) She is also looking for sponsors. A motion was made to donate \$100.00. Jim Brady asked to amend the motion to donate \$250.00. It was voted on and passed.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

- **January 17<sup>th</sup>** - Department meeting will be held in Elkton at the VFW.
- **February 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>**, 2015 - Ray Sturm announced the Mid-Winter Conference would be held at the Marriot on Fairview Park Drive in Falls Church, Virginia
- **March 26 2015** – Quarter Auction - 7 P.M. til 9 P.M. at the Orchard Beach Fire Hall. Contact Norman Huffman at 443-848-1971. All proceeds go to Marine Corp League 1049.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The winner of 50/50 was Ray Sturm.

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:**

Commandant Dahling closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next Detachment meeting will take place on January 26, 2015 at @ 1900 hours. Prayer was given by Chaplain, Fred Kaminski.

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