



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
Marine Corps League  
July 15, 2024

## OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance recited, followed by prayer by Ben Wells in caplins absence.

Members in attendance: 11

## ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	John Dunker	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Peacy	E
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	E
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	E
Paymaster	Ben Wells	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Vacant	
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	E
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	P
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	E
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	E

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** No report

**ADJUTANT'S REPORT:** Minutes from May are noted, and minutes will be posted on the detachment website along with the newsletter. Copies available on table.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**PAYMASTER:** The financial report was given by Ben Wells. This amount is as follows:

Checking:	\$ 7236.34
Savings:	\$ 2269.37
CD	\$ 2340.23 (CD's have been shut down and moved pending
CD	\$ 3144.17 paperwork from Morgan Stanley to invest;
	precise totals once all, set-in place.)
Total assets:	\$ 14186.17

Everything looks good just waiting to transfer and invest. We need to fundraise to keep our accounts replenished.

**CHAPLAIN REPORT:** No Report.

**COMMANDANT:** Commandant Helmka reported that the MD pack took care of the pack lead in W.Va...in June. The National convention is in Palm Springs, CA...

Our membership dues will be coming due in August.

Commandant also reported on the MCL app is an article about the shooting in PA involving a fellow marine Dave Dutch of Westmoreland County PA. Detachment, please keep him in our prayers.

I am working with Senior Vice Dunker on our Bull & Oyster roast, and it is well under control. I will have flyers ready to distribute at our next meeting. I am asking everyone to donate a bottle of liquor or beer for our basket of cheer fundraiser.

A Department meeting is scheduled on August 31, 2024, in Salisbury Maryland. This is on the Maryland MCL website

**SENIOR VICE:** John Dunker stated we will have our Bull & Oyster Roast on October 26, 2024, from 1-5 pm. The September dates were not available. The facility will hold approximately 100-120 people max. We will have tickets available for our next meeting. We are still getting pricing from the legion the oysters as well as the DJ. Desperately needing baskets and fundraising for this event. We are waiting for pricing before we have the tickets printed and distributed. We will have our normal or as Norms special some lay down boards that day as well.

**JUNIOR VICE:** No report.

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** No report.

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

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** No report

**QUARTERMASTER:** As Commandant Helmka reported in leu of no current Quartermaster position. There are items available for sale in the footlocker if anyone is interested. There were several shirts ordered in different sizes.

**BY LAWS-** No report.

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

**MARINE FOR LIFE:** No report

**COLOR GUARD:** Woody Bowman shared that the Severna Park parade was a great success. Members of the FT. Meade color guard assisted. Was informed tat our contact at the veteran's cemetery Pat Ritter will be retiring. I have no additional dates until November 1 ,2024.

**YOUNG MARINES:** No report



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**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Ben Wells reported that we still do not have electricity for our storage as originally promised. Commandant Helmka is asking everyone to donate a bottle of liquor or beer for our basket of cheer fundraisers.

Ms. Jane is willing to assist Debbie with live raffles for fundraising. We can do 12 of these a year.

**GUEST/VISITOR-** No report

**NEW BUSINESS:** No report

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

We will need to start planning and requesting donations from the community for the Bull & Oyster roast. Debbie will start a live FB fundraiser to assist in costs starting in August into September, we will call it an after-Labor Day raffle. Nila Caulder suggested we simply do this and see where we end up after the roast. People have more money after the new year.

Jim asked us to reach out to him and confirm everyone's email address and telephone number for future social dinners so we may be contacted as a reminder. These are great social times and very nice, we would like more participation.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Commandant announces that the American legion will be hosting legion baseball at Joe Cannon stadium and as asked for volunteers to assist. The dates will be July 26 to the 29 contact Burt so he can inform the commander of the legion if anyone is willing and able. We would be selling 50/50 tickets and Tee shirts and manning the entry.

Our next social dinner will be on August 30, 2024, at Cas Del a Nona at 6:30.

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting to be held on August 19, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Deene, Adjutant  
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