



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
Marine Corps League  
January 20, 2025

## OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.  
The Pledge of Allegiance recited, followed by prayer  
Members in attendance: 8

## ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	p
Sr. Vice Commandant	John Dunker	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Peacy	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	E
Adjutant	Debbie Deene	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	E
Chaplain	James Sanchez	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	E
Historian	Joe Wright	E
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Ben Wells	E
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Dan Ryan	E
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	E
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	E
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** Joe Peacy –No report.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** No report

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

Checking:	\$ 4252.14
Investment Account	<u>\$ 10,115.34</u>
	\$ 14,367.28

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**CHAPLAIN REPORT:** - No report

**COMMANDANT:** Burt Helmka, made a motion to dismiss the formalities and conduct our meeting as usual due to lack of participants and revised meeting location .This motion was seconded by Ray Sturm. Commandant shared that our meeting location is under renovation new bar, new flooring and waterproofing entire building. We will be able to meet next month as scheduled. Commandant, asked to think about ideas on fundraising raising. There also was a discussion on getting donations for our Annual Bull & Oyster roast.

**SENIOR VICE:** John Dunker, shared he has tickets available for our Bull & Oyster Roast that will be held on March 8, 2025. Please see John if you are interested in purchasing tickets .Some tables are set up of some with 8- 9 seats and some with tables of 10 seats. We are about halfway sold at this point. We still need additional donations and sales.

**JUNIOR VICE: Joe Peacy-** Our recruitment drive is scheduled for April 19, 2025 at Bass Pro at Arundel Mills. We will provide hot dogs and chips and water for a donation.

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** No report.

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

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** No report. Just send in any articles or photos of interest you may have.

**QUARTERMASTER:** No report.

**BY LAWS-** No report.

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

**MARINE FOR LIFE:** Ray Sturm- The committee presented votes for Marine of the Year and Associate of the year for the State this will be announced at convention. All Associates were asked to leave when these items were discussed and voted on with those present.

**COLOR GUARD:** No report.

**YOUNG MARINES:** Ray Sturm reported the marines have as always been very busy. They had an encampment at Post 276 this past weekend. The boys will assist in picking up the wreaths at the Veterans Cemetery on February 1, 2025 .They will be presenting colors at the Bluegrass event in February at Post 276 and participate in helping with that event which benefit's Fisher House.

**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**GUEST/VISITOR-** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ray Sturm, shared a proposed budget for 2025. It was suggested to decrease the Fisher house line donation from \$500.00 to \$300.00 and to add a separate line donation for the Caring Cupboard food pantry of \$200.00. This was voted on seconded By Nila Caulder and accepted by all present. This will also be open revisit at our next meeting if needed.



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**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:** There will be a Department meeting and growl on February 8, 2025, at the Jarrettsville VFW. There will be a pack 204 growl on Sunday February 16, 2025. The Blue Grass Festival will be at Post 276, February 22, 2025 and will benefit the Fisher house. Mid-winter convention will be February 26-28 at Pentagon City Sheraton Hotel, There will also be a group going on a tour to Quantico that weekend.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Our next social dinner was proposed for February 21, 2025 and will discussed at our meeting in February. All are invited, guests and friends not limited to just the MCL, when we do have our dinner gatherings they are really fun.

Keep in mind our annual Golf tournament will be Friday June 13, 2025, at Walden Country Club and Gold course. Please start thinking of donations for this event. If anyone needs a donation letter please see Burt Helmka

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Commandant Helmka in absence of Sgt at Arms closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting to be February 17, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Deene, Adjutant  
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