



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257
Monthly Meeting: 14Jan2020**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 1900 hours the Meeting was called to order by Commandant Glenn and the opening ceremony was held.

A. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

All present or accounted for:
Commandant Jerry Glenn – present
Sr. Vice Commandant Terry Shackleton – present
Jr. Vice Commandant Bill Mosenia – present
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present
Paymaster Ed Whalen – present
Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present
Chaplain Tammy Holt – present
Sgt. at Arms Ken Jenkins – present
Service Officer Bill Brown – present
Junior Past Commandant Bill Brown - present

B. ATTENDANCE

Approximately 15 members and no guests.

C. NEW MEMBERS

None.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of last month’s meeting have not yet been published to the website. Those minutes have been emailed to the membership and approved by voice vote at this meeting.

E. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Correspondence received via email and forwarded to pertinent staff and members.

F. PAYMASTER’S REPORT

Paymaster provided a financial report to the Board of Trustees and reported that the Detachment’s finance’s are in good condition. The details will no longer be posted to the minutes, since these minutes are now public information.

G. SICK & DISTRESSED

1. Chaplain Holt discussed the list of sick and infirm. They include Bert Lockhart being evaluated with kidney problems, Angelo DeBenedictis being medically evaluated after passing out at home, Joe Mitchell suffering a fall resulting in cracked ribs and other injuries, Pete Lambert awaiting a kidney, and Jerry Glenn recovering from knee replacement, Joe Clap continues with cancer treatment and is recovering. A potential new member, William Council, is undergoing cancer treatment at the Atlanta VA hospital. Please keep everyone in your thoughts and prayers and call and visit to keep everyone's spirits up.
2. Bob Peters noted that two Marines are in residence at Hillside Rehab Center and would appreciate visitors. Bob ? is in Room 402 and Richard ? is in Room 116.
3. Bill Brown is going to check on Tom and Mary Perrone.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. Commandant Glenn and Jr. Past Commandant Brown started off by presenting Meritorious Commendations to Ed Whalen and Jack Kemeny for their long time service to the Detachment and the Marine Corps League. Both Marines were surprised and appreciative of this honor.
2. Commandant Glenn discussed the various committees he has formed to supervise the business of the Detachment.
 - a. Jerry noted that he has appointed a Historian, Bob Peters, who will head the **Historian Committee** to collect and compile documents, photos and other material regarding our 13 year history. He will keep record of past Officers, certain correspondence, and events. Bob received plaques and awards from past events and certain correspondence previously kept by the Adjutant. He also has photos and other memorabilia associated with the Detachment, the MCL and the Marine Corps. He will keep all such items and select certain items for display on our wall in the Legion Hall.
 - b. **Gun Raffle Committee** - Ed Whalen
Ed will continue to head up the committee that provides selection and purchase of raffle weapons, sets up the display for ticket sales at gun shows, obtains tickets for sale, develops the gun show assignments, and deals with raffle winners.
 - c. **Awards Committee** - Bill Brown
Bill will head the committee determining medals and ribbons to be awarded to elected and appointed officers, determining Marine of the Year and Woman of the Year awards, including production of the included plaques, determining meritorious citations to show appreciation for support and achievement within the Detachment.
 - d. **Grant Committee**- Open?
 - Scholarship Programs
 - Toys for Tots (Danny Richards)
 - Young Marines (contact Ryan Siemer)
 - Veteran Services Volunteering
 - Marines Helping Marines

These are just some of the programs the Marine Corps League supports. These are the reasons the League qualifies as a 501c(4) charitable organization that supports Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Navy Chaplains

and their families.

e. Color Guard Committee - Bill Brown

Bill will schedule events, assign member to needed activities, and maintain color guard equipment and procedures.

f. Social/Entertainment Committee – Arlene Kemeny is considering becoming an Associate Member and heading this committee.

Current social events include: summer picnic with spouses, annual Birthday Ball Dinner with spouses, the Christmas Pot Luck Dinner with spouses and maybe a fall season chili cook-off.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. Commandant Glenn discussed the upcoming MCL and Department conferences and conventions to be held in 2020.

2. P/M Whalen reminded the membership to sign in on the circulating sheet and include any volunteer hours for the month past. He also noted he needed additional volunteers for the Raleigh gun show on 18-19Jan2020.

3. Commandant Brown noted the Bylaws Committee continues working on the required changes from National MCL and should have them complete soonest.

4. Pete Lambert noted the next flag raising will be in April 2020. We should have a flag raising for George Cattalona in October if his daughter is able to attend. We may have another Marine flag raising in 2020, TBD. Bingo at the VA Hospital will continue, but Pete will be the only attendee due to the lock down situation in the ward.

4. Danny Richards is incapacitated due to shoulder surgery, so Bert Lockhart distributed the certificates from the Marine Reserve Unit thanking us and our box location businesses for supporting Toys For Tots.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Doug Doster was in attendance and has agreed to continue as the Detachment Web Sergeant. He has the Detachment web site, airlandnc.org, up and running. It needs extensive updating to complete the content.

2. Doug, being the Adjutant for the American Legion Post, updated us on the expansion and renovation of the Hall. He noted that each of the veterans' organizations will have a section of wall space in the meeting room for items they wish to display. Bob Peters will coordinate our area. Doug also noted that the Hall will have a sound system and included TV and lectern for use to help out all our hard of hearing members.

3. Doug shared two notes from the community thanking veterans for their service. These notes are attached.

Terry Shackleton won the 50/50 raffle. Pete Lambert won the attendance raffle.

Commandant Glenn closed the meeting at approximately 1950 hours and the closing ceremony was held.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 11Feb2020 at 1900 at the Legion Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Kemeny
Adjutant

Dear veteran

Thank you for all of the sacrifices
you have made in the protection of
our country. You truly are an American
Hero. Thank you again for all
you have done for our country.

Thank you and God bless

A thankful citizen.

Dear Veteran,

I would like to thank you for your service to our country. I know you must get these types of letters every year and it might get a little old. I wanted to let you know that people like you have inspired me to join the Army and have in turn made it possible for me to. I am currently a female that is enrolled in an ROTC program in College. I am excited to join the ranks of the other great Americans who have served our country.

Otherwise, I hope you are doing well since serving and that you are able to enjoy life as much as possible. It must be hard acclimating yourself to civilian life, so I hope it is going well for you. So far I am enjoying ROTC and think everything we are learning is very interesting. I know that the Army will be a big change from College life, but I am hoping to embrace that change and learn as much as I can. I want to go Engineers or Intelligence because I think both of those branches would be exciting and right up my alley.

I hope you know how much you have done for all of us and how much you have made possible for everyone living in the US. We all owe you a lot for the sacrifices you have made.

Thank you,

Claire