

# Marine Corps League

**Cpl. Suzi Sannes**

**Detachment 1262**

**VFW Post 2057, NC Hwy 97**

**Rocky Mount, NC**

**May 2016**

## **Opening Ceremony:**

At 1900 hours Commandant Rick Thomason instructed Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle to secure the quarters. Twenty-two active members and two guests were present. The posting of colors, salute to the flag, and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle.

The Bible was opened and the opening prayer was read by Chaplain Melvin Wolfe.

The meeting was declared open for the transaction of official business by acting Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle.

## **Roll Call of Officers:**

All present with following exceptions; Honor Guard Cpt-Leo Nieves-absent, National Web Sergeant Lori Sannes – excused, and Jr. Past Commandant Rick Ferguson-excused.

**Visiting Guests:** Mike Cook, Mike Myers

**Induction of New Members:** Fred David and Gene Smallwood

**Correspondence:** Mid-East Division will be in Delaware.

Charles Minton communicated the Active Duty Protocol. Active Duty participants can become regular members of the MCL for free for the duration of their enlistment. Reservists do not count.

The Dedication of the Museum of the Marine will be held on May 6 @ 1:00 to present a Reflection and Celebration Park at East Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune.

**Guest Speaker:** Mike Cook – American Ninja Warrior. Mike has one of the largest backyard Ninja Warrior courses. He is expecting up to 53 contestants from the show to compete and over 100 people to participating. There will be two live bands; blow up bounce for kids, and food vendors. 10% of proceeds will go to his church.

**Old Business:**

Motion to accept April Minutes were accepted by Dave Sannes, second Charles Minton.

Carl Johnson passed out envelopes containing details for the Marine Corps Ball. Details include sponsorship forms. All members are encouraged to seek sponsors.

**Paymasters Report:**

Opening balance is \$6,519.94. Listed deposits totaling \$46.00– total checking \$6565.94. Listed payouts totaling \$57.49. Cash on hand \$40.00 with an ending balance \$6548.45. Previous monies voted as dedicated: Uniform Fund \$91.51, Scout Fund \$655.35, Humanitarian Fund \$252.46. This leaves the Detachment \$5549.13 total useable funds. A motion was made to accept paymaster report by Joe Pisarik, second by Walter Pridgen. Unanimous vote taken and accepted. Jerri Mann is due for May.

**Sickbay Report:** Tom Deaner is having issues with nerves in his neck.

**New Business:** Dave Sannes discussed additional details of the American Ninja Warrior fund raiser to be held at the event. We will sell popcorn \$2 and soft drinks \$1. Dave asked for volunteers to help at the mobile booth donated by Don Bullock Chevrolet.

Dave Evans – Discussed a Welcome Aboard package for new members and member retention. T4T is in need of a new location. Plan is to have a Newsletter for upcoming events and league information.

Charles Minton - Request sponsorship for Troop 11 – 3 Scouts \$150/Scout @ \$450 total donation.

New Adjutant – Rick Thomason asked for volunteers for the Adjutant position. No volunteer interest.

**Officers Forum** – Veterans Day Family Picnic to be held on May 21 at Stone Park by the Joint Veteran Committee. Request each donate - \$125 from the MCL and other Military Detachments.

Nashville Police Dept. requests 7 people for a Firing Detail Memorial

**Good of the League:**

Larry Hill – State Convention Delegate and Alternate for June 10-11. (Volunteers: Bill Knight, Walter Pridgen, Charles Minton)

National Convention – August (Charles Minton, Rick Thomason). MCL will pay for the registration. If you commit and don't come, you will be responsible to pay for the registration.

Pat Milligan – Passed out the MCL Det. 1262 member information form. Please complete and turn in at the June meeting. Mudcats Baseball Outing will be August 13

Veterans Home – There are currently three homeless Veterans, two Marines and one Navy. The American Legion & VFW will propose donations to help with homeless shelter.

May Social – Blooming Festival Cookout in Nashville at Ricks shop, by Rick and Sandra Thomason.

**Closing Ceremony:**

Rick Thomason calls on Sergeant of Arms to retire the colors.

Chaplain reads closing prayer.

Sr. Vice Commandant reads closing statement.

Sergeant of Arms declares meeting officially closed to business till Monday, 6 June 2016.

Ordered by and approved by Commandant Rick Thomason Prepared by: Donna Minton - Adjutant