

Marine Corps League

Cpl. Suzi Sannes

Detachment 1262

VFW Post 2057, NC Hwy 97

Rocky Mount, N.C.

06 Jan. 2014

The January meeting was called to order by Commandant Charles Minton at 1900 hours. There were 16 members and 2 guests present.

The posting of colors, salute to the flag and Pledge of Allegiance were led by the Sergeant at Arms. The meeting was declared in order.

Roll call of officers: Jr. Vice Commandant Jeri Mann (arrived after roll call); Chaplain Alan Clement, Historian James Berardi, Jr. Past Commandant Vincent Tesoro and Public Relations Officer Walt Pridgen were absent.

Visiting Guest: PFC. Lukis Weaver and his father, Billy Weaver was in attendance. Lukis gave an accounting of his time in Parris Island and assignment to current duty station.

Induction of New Members: No New Applicants.

Correspondence: Tom and Joan Deaner were called front and center. Both were presented with their life membership gold cards and pins.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of the December meeting were presented for approval to the general membership. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Rick Ferguson. A second to the motion was made by Tom Deaner. Membership polled

for discussion. Being no discussion, a vote was taken. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Paymaster Report: Presented to general membership by the Paymaster Larry Hill, detailing beginning balance of \$10,143.49, deposits of \$153.50, Payments of \$708.07, cash on hand of \$3,220.00, giving an ending balance of \$12,808.92. Motion to accept the report as submitted made by Tom Deaner and seconded by Lisa Ferguson. Membership polled for discussion. Being no discussion, a vote was taken. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Sickbay Report: John Dinan was welcomed back to the membership after his illness. Vincent Tesoro is still under the weather.

Officers Report: Adjutant gave a report of the website's photo capability update. We will no longer be required to adjust the pixel size of the photos taken. Software upgrade makes the adjustment for you now. ... National advises that we are not to keep a copy of the Marine's DD214 on file because of personal content. Membership was advised they may request their forms be returned, or they will be shredded.

Toys For Tots: Judge Advocate/TFT Coordinator David Sannes addressed the membership. Help from the detachment membership was exceptional. Dwight Harper led the warehouse team, coordinating the receipt, categorizing and distribution. Wally Darling and Tom Taylor were there every day keeping the toys organized. Rick Ferguson was available every time he was asked. Rick Thomason provided trailer and transport for all the large box pick-up and delivery. ... End of Year Report: 3,700 children were referred for presents by the counties served and the Salvation Army. 4,700 primary presents and 11,000 stocking stuffers were dispensed.

Detachment Party: Lisa Ferguson addressed the membership with details of the upcoming party on January 18th. Catering will be by Hunter Hill Café. The meal is to be served at 1830 Hrs. consisting of fried chicken, bar-b-cue pork and appropriate vegetables. Membership is asked to bring appetizers and desserts. The DJ will be "Uncle Mike", who has agreed to a reduced rate for the veterans.

This will be a BYOB affair with drinks and ice provided. Dance will start at 2000 Hrs. ... Commandant polled the membership for attendance. Joe Pisarik will find out from the VFW membership and Bill Knight will find out from the American Legion membership of potential attendance.

Winter Quarterly: Membership polled for attendance of the Winter Quarterly meeting in Salisbury. Two of the general membership will be going.

NEW BUSINESS

Next month will be the time for nomination of officers for the upcoming year. Commandant Minton advises he will not accept another term as Commandant. He will not be at the February meeting to decline any nomination, but wanted to thank the membership for trusting him in his term of office.

Quarterly Speakers: We will be returning to the practice of having guest speakers on a quarterly basis. The guest speaker for February will be Steve Felton of Ameriprise Financial.

Good of The League: No submissions

Being no further business, the colors were retired and the meeting was closed at 1931 hours by the Sergeant at Arms; the alternate Chaplin read the closing prayer and general membership dismissed.

Next meeting scheduled for 03 Feb., 2014 at the VFW Post 2057 on NC Hwy 97, Rocky Mount, N.C.

Respectfully submitted,

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