

# Marine Corps League

**Cpl. Suzi Sannes**

**Detachment 1262**

**VFW Post 2057, NC Hwy 97**

**Rocky Mount, NC**

**November 2015**

## **Opening Ceremony:**

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

The Bible was opened and the opening prayer was read by acting Chaplain Michael Black.

The meeting was declared open for the transaction of official business by acting Sergeant at Arms David Evans.

## **Roll Call of Officers:**

All present with following exceptions; Public Relations Moonie Sloan- absent, Amber Rushton-excused, Sgt at Arms Claude Battle-absent, Chaplain Melvin Wolfe-excused, Judge Advocate/Honor Guard Cpt-Leo Nieves-absent, and National Web Sergeant Lori Sannes - excused.

**Visiting Guests:** Jeff Jones and Michael Black

**Induction of New Members:** None

**Correspondence:** Operation Green Light – Tom Deaner communicated that Walmart is sponsoring “Green Light” for Veterans. The green light on your porch or house window is to show support to our fellow veterans.

## **Guest Speaker:**

Nash County Sheriff, Major Brandon Medina was recognized. A brief overview of investigations, purchases that were made with drug money, restructure of some employees, stated that some of the Sheriffs were responsible for taking patients with mental illnesses to their doctor visits. Discussed the new uniforms that the Sheriffs would be issued on November 15. The Joint Drug and Gang Forces are to address drug issues and violence. The Grant was approved – No cost to tax payers. Major Brandon Medina can be contacted at 252-886-0636.

## **Old Business:**

Motion to accept April Minutes were accepted by Rick Ferguson, second Walter Pridgen.

Marine Corps Birthday Ball – Nov 7 Begins at 11:00, Ceremony will begin at 12:00 the meal afterwards. Please from a covered dish, BYOB.

**Paymasters Report:**

Opening balance is \$6759.72. Listed deposits totaling \$467.00 – total checking \$7226.72. Listed payouts totaling \$30 – total checking \$7226.72. Cash on hand \$40.00 with an ending balance \$7236.72. Previous monies voted NC Wesleyan \$300. Leaves the Detachment \$5987.40 total useable funds. Motion to accept paymaster report by Joe Pisarik, second by Bill Knight. Unanimous vote taken and accepted.

**Sickbay Report:**

Mark Withrows mother is sick, please keep Mark and his mother in your prayers.

**Officers Reports:**

One Call & Individual calls from the Staff to the League members as a reminder on Sunday prior to the Monthly Meeting.

**New Business:**

**Marine of the Year** – Rick Thomason and Dave Sannes will present the Shadow Box with Metal to John Dinan wife.

Bylaws – Charles discussed the administrative corrections to the Bylaws. He will make the needed corrections, obtain signature and mail. The Bylaws need to be posted on the website.

T4T – Dave wanted to thank those that volunteers for the Golf Tournament. Pat Milligan has agreed to take over the delivery and pickup of boxes. Please coordinate with Pat for getting boxes out.

Events to Support: Nov. 21 – Lady of the Moose, Dec. 5 – Capital Ford, Dec. 6 – Rocky Mount Parade Color Guard. Need 1-2 men to man the T4T boxes. Dec. 11 – Faith Christian, Dec. 12 – Breakfast – Colonial Virginians, and Dec. 12 – Beargrass Parade at 10:00am.

The purchase of ten raffle tickets was proposed in the name of the Detachment. If the Detachment won, it was agreed to raffle out. 1<sup>st</sup> motion to accept was Joe Pisarick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Walt Pridgen, all in favor.

**Good of the League:**

Jeffrey Jones-There is a new Web Master for the State

Bill Knight – VA is having a Job Fair from 10AM-1PM located on Fountain Rd, passed the Incubator.

Commandant – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, we need more participation to support the Jack Louchery Park function. There has been discussion about changing the event back to Monday vs Saturday due to lack of volunteers and civilian attendance.

The “Veterans Home” in Rocky Mount is to aid Veterans in transition. The home can house up to 6 veterans at any given time. It is a controlled environment, no drugs or alcohol. They can stay 60-90 days.

Veterans Day- November 11 at 11:00AM at Jack Louchery Park.

**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, 7 December 2015.

Ordered by and approved by Commandant Rick Thomason

Prepared by: Donna Minton - Adjutant