

# Marine Corps League

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Detachment 1262

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Rocky Mount, NC

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## Opening Ceremony:

At 1900 Commandant Dave Sannes instructed Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle to secure the quarters. The Sergeant at Arms was further instructed to post the colors and lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members were instructed to uncover for the pledge.

Bible was opened and opening prayer was read by Acting Chaplain William Blackmon.

Meeting was declared open for business by Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle.

## Roll Call of Officers:

All present except: Chaplain Melvin Wolf-excused, National Web Sergeant Lori Sannes – excused.

## Visiting Guests:

Dept. Commandant Jeff Jones, Dept. Senior Vice Commandant Rick Thomason, Dept. Jr Past Commandant and worthy pack leader Charles Minton.

## Induction of New Members:

James Wagoner was inducted. Introduced to the Detachment by Jeff Jones. James entered in 1974 , military police MOS, assigned White House / presidential Guard, out 1978.

## Correspondence:

All correspondence sent previously via Gmail.

## Old Business:

**Paymaster Report:** Paymaster report given was report not given in Aug. Update for Oct delayed because of deposits made by Commandant not yet recorded. Report given: Beginning Balance \$7,521.49, Square Reader deposit \$.97, \$80.00 to National, \$20.00 to State dues, \$2.00 paper fee, \$400.00 payment to Post 2057. Total payout \$502.00, balance \$7,020.46. \$40.00 cash on hand, \$91.51 uniform fund, \$331.00 humanitarian fund, left usable funds at \$6,636.49 for Sept. Larry knew of \$1292.00 UBW event, \$30.00 membership check, 90.45 memberships square reader, 19.84 raffle, 90.45 raffle for total avail \$8683.65. expenditures: \$130.00 national, \$20.00 state & 44.41 ships store for cover. No motion or vote taken, report is in progress.

## Sickbay Report:

Acting Chaplain William Blackmon knew of no updates at this time. Mentioned Mel was out of town, so must be doing OK. Jeff Jones asked members to keep Ken Parker of Carry-on Det., back surgery, blood clots lung, back in hospital.

## Officers Report:

Sr Vice Joe Pisarik opens raffle update. Have 600 tickets for M1a rifle. \$10.00 a ticket, we have 125 tickets out. Would like members to take 10 tickets asked for 'volunteers'. 20 for those wearing Gold hats was suggested in good humor. Asks members to approach after meeting. No rifle present because of location, but is on display on Wed at Post.

Jr Vice Rick Ferguson mentions how putting weapon out to his friends on Facebook has generated a significant number of orders.

Paymaster Larry Hill explains confusion new all member payment system is causing. Clarification will take some time. Uses a few members as examples. Members are going to need to comply with requests. Larry offers a list of those who need to catch up. Time was taken to confer with a few individual members.

Commandant Dave Sannes starts by further clarifying how tickets will be assigned and how important it is to keep tickets close to selling in order for record keeping. Discussed use of social media as a worthwhile tactic. Asks for any questions; none forthcoming. Drawing will be when all tickets are sold, be careful how you present that as to not to make it sound indefinite.

### **New Business**

Dave Sannes asks for update on Birthday ball. Rick Thomason mentions time and date. Describes \$279.00 neckless donated by Bailey's and a ladies watch from Osborn Jewelers. There will be wine and beer open cash bar. 1800 hr happy hr, food at 1900 followed by ceremony. Offered to take money tonight. \$25.00 ahead. Cash, checks, credit cards accepted.

Dave Sannes opens discussion about Canines for Service, a 25 year old organization in Wilmington that is the longest serving service dog provider in North Carolina. Service dogs for veterans may be a viable candidate for a veteran's program to affiliate with. There may be a choice of activities. From getting schooled to actually training dogs, become equipped to determine if a dog is a fit for the program so we could be point of contact for surrounding counties to pick up, evaluate, and hold till a trainer is available. Also discussed was idea of organizing an annual "Walk and Dog Dash" copying what they do in Wilmington. This activity could definitely yield the kind of exposure we're looking for. Nothing definitive was decided.

Adjutant Pat Milligan has floor to explain area breakdown of T4Ts box distribution. Has 5 areas, asks for a volunteer to take responsibility for each list. Goes into detail what each area entails. Joe Pisarik, Rick Ferguson, Bill Knight/Walter Pridgen step up. Encouragement and suggestions were discussed how each volunteer might develop more locations in their area. "red boxes" were discussed. Coin collection canisters are available for members who have a close relationship with a willing local business.

Having a work day every Sat morning at the ware house. Asked work party to be at warehouse this upcoming Sat at 0900. Discussed how members have access warehouse at will through combination access to key. Explained how volunteers and members will be needed to distribute the toys this year directly to families at the warehouse.

### **Good of the League:**

Charles Minton mentions dues that are due for Pound #210 from our Detachment. At this time our dismal results from our hosting of the growl were explained.

Rick Thomason promotes upcoming Division Meeting at Ocean Isle.

### **Closing Ceremony**

Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle retires the colors

Acting Chaplain William Blackmon reads closing prayer

Sr Vice Joe Pisarik reads closing statement.

Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle declares the meeting officially closed until Monday, November 6.