

Marine Corps League

Cpl. Suzi Sannes

Detachment 1262

VFW Post 2057, NC Hwy 97, Rocky Mount, NC

1 October 2018

Opening Ceremony:

At 1900 Commandant Dave Sannes instructs 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.

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

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

Roll Call of Officers:

All present except: Judge Advocate Mike Pressley – excused, Paymaster Larry Hill – excused, National Web Sergeant Lori Sannes – excused.

Visiting Guests:

Dept. Sr Vice Rick Thomason, and Kennel Mad Dog Charles Minton

Induction of New Members:

None

Correspondence:

None

Old Business:

September Minutes: Emailed and posted on web site. Rick Thomason makes motion to accept minutes as posted. Second by Joe Pisarik. Motion passed.

Paymaster Report: Dave Sannes, in absence of paymaster, reads abbreviated report. Total deposits \$1,557.00 puts checkbook at \$10,975.64. payments totaled \$2,129.54 for ending balance of \$8,846.10. We have \$40.00 cash on hand, and accounting for \$91.51 uniform fund, \$382.46 humanitarian fund, \$500.00 Toys For Tots Coordinator, \$298.89 Commandant's Expense fund and \$750 collected for Marine Corps Ball leaves the Detachment general fund at \$6,866.24. Motion to accept report Rick Thomason, second by Charles Minton. Motion carried.

Sickbay Report: Chaplain had nothing to report

Officers Report:

Sr Vice reports we have our M1A for raffle, tickets will be printed by end of week.

Chaplin Pat Milligan as awards officer has ribbons available for Detachment's Division Meritorious Unit Commendation. Explains resulting from fund raising for injured Sophia. Range of membership eligibility June 23-Dec31, 2017. Pat hands out ribbons and discussion covers that the detachment has, on hand, ribbon bars to sell.

Commandant invites Joey Deaner to the podium to update membership on calendar sales results. He has handed out all those the detachment has. Members who have money outstanding are: Claude Battle, Mike Pressley, Pat Milligan, Carl Johnson and Charles Minton. Clarifies handling of registration cards. Mail directly to Keith Shearin. While you can take a photo and text it to Keith, the hard copy must eventually be given to him. Keith is hoping to get names early.

Commandant mentions the detachment is hosting the pound 210 growl the coming weekend. Recognition is given James Wagoner for volunteering to provide the meal. James has refused reimbursement.

New Business

Dave Sannes brings up birthday ball. First discussion revolves around Leo's cadets are doing veteran's day ceremony earlier same day and is not able to commit at this point to providing our ceremony. Membership is queried as to whether the ROTC Unit from SNHS should be asked as a backup. Discussion runs thru various alternatives, resulting in membership deciding to have members present do an abbreviated ceremony in house. Jeff Jones has agreed to be the guest speaker and will be asked to bring his MIA/POW items so we can recruit a member to read that script also.

Discussion continues regarding ads for book not receiving good response. Charles mentions we have till Oct 23rd to get ads to him, giving membership significant time yet. Last year we had 28 pages, looking now that we are at about 8 pages.

There will be no tickets, pay at door. Regardless, we need by next meeting a headcount for food planning.

Dave Sannes Toys For Tots. All applications outside of DSS workers, approved organizations will have to sit down with us and apply in person. That means we will need membership to be present during the days we will publicize that we are open.

Mentioned days already set aside. We are hoping to be at National Guard Armory off Raleigh Rd.

We will also be looking for help when handing toys out. Reminded membership that the members were asked as a body if we were or were not going to do Toys For Tots. The membership unanimously said yes. This is what you committed to.

Some discussion continued as to procedures.

Good of the League:

Dave Sannes Monday November 12th Wesleyan Collage wants a veteran's firing detail for an event on campus at 1000 hrs. Uniform will be black trousers, long sleeve white shirt / black tie, unit cover.

Rick Thomason reminds members of upcoming growl and the amazing weapon that is displayed with tickets available.

Rick Thomason Department is asking each detachment to do a public event to raise money for Marines that suffered serious damage from hurricanes. A public Marines helping Marines program. Sam's Club was mentioned, Dave Sannes volunteers to check. Rick Thomason volunteers to look into a banner "Marines helping Marines" with Leon, wasn't excited sitting behind black magic marker sign. Charles mentioned banners for \$5.00, he would check out. Several sign suggestions were discussed. Suggestions forwarded about doing more than one, Westridge Grill and Tractor Supply as examples.

Closing Ceremony

Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle retires the colors

Chaplain Pat Milligan reads closing prayer, Sr Vice Joe Pisarik reads closing statement.

Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle declares the meeting officially closed until Monday, November 5, 2018.