



Middle Georgia
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Marine Corps League

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Now Hear This!
January 2013

Commandant
Bill Hall

Senior Vice Commandant
Jeff Amerson

Junior Vice Commandant
Paul Reynolds

Judge Advocate
David Mincey

Adjutant
Annette Dyche

Paymaster
Ray Walker

1st Platoon Leader
Tuffy Phillips

2nd Platoon Leader
Carl Kitchens



2013 Detachment Officers

COMMANDANT'S CORNER HAPPY NEW YEAR MARINES!

I wish everyone the best for 2013. I would like to thank the Marines of Detachment 970 for entrusting me with the position of Commandant. I will do my best to live up to that trust. I would like to thank our past Commandant Joe Barbee for the excellent job that he did during his term as Commandant.

This year is the first time since 2005 that **we will be hosting the Department of Georgia Convention** and I'm excited about the opportunities that this gives us as a Detachment. Detachment 970 has always been a leader in the Department thanks to our past Commandants and the members of the Detachment and I'm sure this will continue. **Joe Barbee has agreed to continue as the Chairman of the Convention Committee** and he has things well under way, but we will need everyone to pitch in and help make this Convention a success. Starting this month the campaign for Convention book ad sells will be getting into full swing. **I would like to ask that each member be**

responsible for selling at least one ad. Please see the ad schedule of prices in this newsletter. Contact Tuffy Phillips or Joe Barbee with any questions.

Along with the ad sells we are **holding a raffle for an M-1 rifle.** The rifle is in excellent condition and all parts have matched serial numbers. **Tickets are \$10.00 each and only a limited number available,** see Paul Reynolds for tickets. Thanks go to Tuffy Phillips for providing this rifle.

I am in the process of developing a calendar of events for the year and your staff will be looking at activities at the **next staff meeting on February 15th.** If you have an activity in mind for the detachment let one of your officers know or you are welcome to attend the monthly staff meeting. Staff meetings are held at the Riverside United Methodist Church's Scout Hut at 1900 on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome at all staff meetings.

Your 2013 officers are:

Bill Hall - Commandant
Jeff Amerson - Senior Vice Commandant
Paul Reynolds - Junior Vice Commandant
David Mincey Judge Advocate
Annette Dyche - Adjutant
Ray Walker - Paymaster
Tuffy Phillips - 1st Platoon Leader
Carl Kitchens - 2nd Platoon Leader

Remember we are here to help your Detachment run smoothly and help everyone get the most out of their membership. Please stay in contact with your staff and let your voice be heard.

I am looking forward to a great year for our Detachment, but remember the more members that are involved the more successful the Detachment will be and the more each of us will benefit from membership in the League.

Semper Fi
Bill Hall
Commandant

Detachment Meeting the 1st Tuesday of each month and the staff meetings the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines:

This New Year let's make a resolution to get new members signed up for our Detachment. I really want to see our Detachment grow so shake that stick and rattle the bushes. I will do my part, which reminds me that our past Commandant Joe Barbee was awarded the Detachment Recruiter of the year at our fabulous Christmas Dinner and Awards banquet. Congratulations Joe!

I look forward to serving with a great bunch of officers this year and as you all know by now this Detachment cannot run on just the Officers. We need all the members to participate in some way, especially with our State Convention coming in May. Our Detachment is hosting this event so raise your hand and ask to help where you can.

That's all for now as I am getting used to my new job which requires a section in our Newsletter. I look forward to a great year for our Detachment.

Semper Fi , my Brothers.
 Jeff Amerson
 Sr. Vice Commandant , 2013



Joe Barbee presenting a check for Toys for Tots in Forsyth. Thanks to Marvin Jackson for heading up the drive the weekend after Thanksgiving and thanks to all members that assisted.



The crew assisting with Toys For Tots collection at Central High School. Thanks to Bitsy Phillips for setting up this collection.

STATE CONVENTION NEWS



At the State Staff Meeting Detachment 940 gave a presentation about hosting the 2013 convention at the Macon Marriott.

Convention Program

A convention Program will be given to every attendee.

Members are asked to sell ads for the programs

- Full Page Color Ad \$250
- Half Page Color Ad \$125
- Full Page B&W \$100
- Half Page B&W \$50
- In Memory \$10

Logos and advertisements in PDF Format are preferred. Early submission of your payment and ad assures a better spot in the program.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MIDDLE GEORGIA DETACHMENT # 970

November 6th, 2012 • Meeting Minutes

Opening by Ritual:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Joe Barbee.

Commandant Joe Barbee read the Mission Statement for the Marine Corps League.

There were 25 regular members present and 2 Associate members present.

Roll Call of Officers:

Absent was Jr. Past Commandant Bo Stollenwerck; absent were Chaplains James Jackson and Bob Burns.

Meeting Minutes:

Motion was made to accept the minutes as posted in the news letter and distributed by Ron Chipman and seconded by Michael Clark. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Paymaster Ray Walker reported on the present financial situation: The beginning balance was \$ 6878.52 with Disbursements of \$ 22.00. Deposits of \$ 95.00 with an ending balance of \$ 6949.52. A detailed report may be gotten from the Paymaster if required. Motion was made to accept the Paymasters report by Tom Hisel and seconded by Mike San Paolo. Motion Carried.

Sickness and Distress:

Gene Krattli's wife has been hospitalized with heart problems. Things were not looking good and that was all the info we had at this time. Please keep her and the family in your thought and prayers.

Howard Hardison fell 3 times and is now in a wheel chair and is in pretty bad shape. He is not doing so well so please remember him in thoughts and prayers.

Jeremie Frasure has been doing

pretty good and hopes to make it to our Christmas Banquet.

Bill Hall reported that his 92 year old Father has been diagnosed with kidney cancer.

Let's keep all our Marines and Marine family's in our thoughts and prayers.

Officer's report:

Sr. Vice Bill Hall wanted to acknowledge and *thank Marine David Mincey* for how our Parris Island trip went. David did a fantastic job with the organization and other logistics effort involved. We all had a great time.

Bill also thanked *Annette Dyche* for the great food prepared for us tonight at the social gathering before our meeting.

Platoon Leader Carl Kitchens wanted to thank *Ron Chipman* (and his wife) for a fantastic job on organizing our Marine Corps Birthday meal and celebration; we look forward to a grand time.

David Mincey was asked about the P.I. trip we made and said it was one of the best and biggest we had been to so far. Joe said there were 723 recruits that graduated that Friday. After discussing the rifle range and the tall Female D.I.'s plus the fine speech made by the Recruit Commandant, it was a great trip. Pictures of our group are available from our Associate member Bitsy Phillips. Bill Hall will help with reproducing the pictures for distribution.

Carl Kitchens reported that his wife will take over the Newsletter starting in January. Commandant Joe Barbee stated that we still need a volunteer to take charge of the Hospitality Room for the State Convention.

Unfinished Business:

Marvin Jackson need some help up in Forsyth to collect for Toys for Tots on November 23-25th. He needs at least 12 Marines to help that weekend. Times are from 7am to 11am, 11am till 3pm and then 3pm till 7pm.

New Business:

Phil McGoldrick reported that this year's Veterans service at Macon Memorial Park will be Friday November 9th starting at 11am. This was being done on Friday so as not to interfere with the Rodney Davis Memorial presentation Saturday. We will be furnishing the Honor Guard, Color Guard and Wreath placing.

The Rodney Davis Memorial presentation will be Saturday the 10th. Our Color Guard and Honor Guard will be there to perform. All members need to be there at 0930. Speeches and ceremony begins at 1000. Our part will take place (Honor Guard) will be performed at 11:11 am.

There will be a Veterans ceremony at the Peak Road Hospices Center and we will have our Color Guard participating at this event. This will be Monday at 0900. Color Guard be there at 0830. If you come wear your Red Cover.

Our Detachment celebration for the Marine Corps Birthday will be the 10th, Saturday evening starting at 1800 with dinner served at 1900. Dress code will be Red Blazer or Coat and Tie. Motion was made to the fact that dress code will be coat and tie but not mandatory and that if you can wear your Red Blazer, made by Bill Hall and seconded by Mike San Paolo. Motion carried.

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Elections of officers:

Joe read the information concerning elections and reports from Nomination Committee.

Paul Odom, chairman for Nominating Committee read the slate of officers recommended. The following were nominated:

Commandant - Bill Hall
Sr. Vice - Jeff Amerson
Jr. Vice - Paul Reynolds
Judge Advocate- David Mincey

Following protocol, nominations were asked from the floor for each position. Hearing none the Adjutant was asked by Commandant Joe Barbee to cast one unanimous vote for each of the nominated officers.

Joe stated that the new slate of officers would be installed at the Christmas Dinner celebration and Detachment meeting. Appointed officers list will be presented to the newly elected Commandant and will be announced at the Christmas Dinner.

Good of the League:

By- Law change submitted by Bill Hall concerning the Marine of the Year Committee under Article eight under Committee which bring into line what the Department By-Laws state. Joe stated that this By-Law is also in the National By-Laws so therefore we as a Detachment is

covered. After some discussion the By-Law was read in its entirety.

“The Marine of the year Committee shall select the Detachment Marine of the Year. The Marine of the Year Committee will consist of all past recipients of the Award. The Chair of the committee shall be the latest recipient of the award present. When a Marine of the Year is selected for the Middle Georgia Detachment 970 the Marine so recognized will automatically receive the Distinguished Citizen Medal / Bronze C. Having been recommended by his or her Detachment and approved by the Committee. Enclosure 4 of National By-Laws descriptions of ribbons, medals and awards, and who may authorize, One C governs the awarding of this medal. This change is retroactive to all recipients of the Detachment Marine of the Year award. This By-Law change is submitted to bring the Detachment in line with the National and Department of Georgia By-Laws. Change should be applied to Article 8 under Committees”. This will be reread at the next meeting and voted on.

The next Detachment Staff meeting will be the 15th of November at 1900 hours. The next Department Staff Conference will be December the 7th and 8th at the Macon Marriott at the Centra Plex.

There being no further business the meeting was closed by ritual.

Minutes submitted by
Jeff Amerson, Adjutant.



Jeff and Bill at the state staff meeting discuss the Detachment's convention-presentation during a break.

The entrance of the Macon Marriott Lobby

