

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
MIDDLE GEORGIA DETACHMENT #970
July 2, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Opening by Ritual: Meeting called to order and Marine Corps League Mission Statement read by Commandant Bill Hall.

Roll Call of Officers: All officers, less Jr. Vice Comm. Paul Reynolds and 2nd Plt. Leader, both excused, were present. Present were: 23 members, 3 associate members, 1 visitor, Ken Maye, Legion Post 3 Commander, also Marine Vietnam veteran; and one guest of Bob Shepherd: Jimmy Evans, applying for membership. Jimmy served in Vietnam and Cuba from '64-'68.

Meeting Minutes: Motion was made to accept the minutes as published by Michael Clark and seconded by Tuffy Phillips.

Correspondence: Commandant expressed thanks for the condolence cards for his father's passing. Sr. V. Commandant Jeff Amerson stood to announce congratulations and hand deliver a card to Paul Odom on the occasion of his 60th wedding anniversary, celebrated with his wife Jackie on June 13.

Financial Report: Paymaster Ray Walker reports as follows: Beginning balance: \$20,206.44; Disbursements: \$6296.12; Deposits: \$3382.00; Adjustments: \$8.00 Bank Svc.Charge; Ending balance: \$17284.32. Motion was made to accept the Paymaster's report as given by Jeff Amerson, Sr. Vice, and seconded by Tom Hisel. The motion carried. Commandant asked if there are any outstanding accounts from the Convention. Joe Barbee responded, "No."

Sickness and Distress: A hearty 'Welcome Back' to Howard Hardison!

Officers' Reports: Sgt at Arms announced \$58 collected in the 50/50 drawing, the prize to be \$29. As a closing personal comment regarding our Department Convention, Commandant Hall praised "the '10%ers'" for their back-breaking labor and hours of support, without whom we could not have produced such a successful Convention. Commandant inquired and by group response was satisfied that everyone received a meeting reminder phone call from their Plt. Leaders.

Committee Report: Michael Clark opened discussion to make plans for the next finance committee meeting. It was decided to convene on July 27, same place as last time, Cracker Barrel, at the big round table, 10 a.m. Ray Walker requested Michael make a note to remind all members via email.

Old Business: Convention Chairman, Joe Barbee, stating, "The Convention is Over," made a report on the final numbers of the Convention: Income: \$19,295.00, Expenses: \$9,203.46, Net Income: \$10,091.54. He also added that his after-action report was completed and sent to the Dept. webmaster and also will be distributed to all Georgia MCL Department commandants. A hearty "Amen" followed the Commandant's commending Joe Barbee by saying, "You did a wonderful job, Joe."

For The Good of the League: Jimmy Evans was sworn in as a MCL Det. 970 member.

Ken Maye introduced himself as the newly installed Commander of American Legion Post 3. Ken offered all the Post has to encourage and help the MCL and promises to pass on contact info to our Detachment on incoming Post 3 Marines. Ken wants to serve Vets and is willing to help us in fundraising. There is a full kitchen staff for us to use for events. They meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month. There is a joint dinner on the 4th Tuesday with a guest speaker or entertainment. American Legion Dues for this year are only \$25. Our Commandant encouraged everyone to join American Legion Post 3.

After discussion, it was decided to resume quarterly dine out's. The majority vote approved the next dine out to be July 25, 2013 with 25 immediately, by show of hand, signed up to attend. Denise Shepherd has agreed to be event coordinator for our dine outs.

Commandant reminds everyone that our website will be posted with upcoming events, newsletters, etc.

Upcoming events:

Family Night Dine Out, Thursday, 25 July, 6:30 p.m. at O'Charley's.

The National Convention is 4-10 August, 2013 in Grand Rapids Michigan.

Staff Meeting 16 July, 7 p.m. at FHUMC.

August Detachment meeting: 6 August, 2013.

Everyone enjoyed good fellowship around the delicious food provided this evening by the Amersons.

Minutes respectfully submitted, by Annette Dyche, Adjutant