



Middle Georgia
 Detachment 970
 Marine Corps League

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Now Hear This!

COMMANDANT'S CORNER

September 2014

Marines,

I understood that the August meeting that I missed went well. The National Convention in West Virginia was pretty good, and I did attend several meetings of interest.

My wife and I saw a lot of old friends and past acquaintances from past Conventions and did enjoy ourselves. It is always, however, good to be back home.

These next few months are going to be busy for our Detachment and League. Several of the Staff will be going to a recruitment opportunity in Byron with Joe Barbee on Saturday the 6th of September. The event is the car show at the Big Peach Discount Mall behind Denny's. We will be there around 9am and stay till most of us get too tired after lunch. Joe will give more details at our meeting.

The Detachment will be voting on the 100 wreaths that the Staff and finance committee approved for the Wreaths across America event on December 13th (12:00 noon).

I am looking forward to the Family Covered Dish Meeting which will be held at our meeting in October, beginning at 1800, with the meeting starting at 1900. Signup sheets will again be available at the entrance desk this coming meeting in September. Everyone needs to sign up to bring a covered dish.

We need further feedback concerning the Spaghetti dinner as if this is pursued we will need many volunteers to help cook and distribute meals as well as to sell tickets. This is a fundraiser for our Detachment, and everyone in the Detachment will be needed and must get involved. We will want to sell a minimum of 200 tickets.

Semper Fidelis

Jeff Amerson, Commandant
 Middle Georgia Detachment 970

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2014 Detachment Officers

- Commandant Jeff Amerson
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- Senior Vice Commandant Ed Barbee
- Junior Vice Commandant Tuffy Phillips
- Judge Advocate David Mincey
- Adjutant Annette Dyché
- Paymaster Ray Walker
- Sergeant at Arms Bobby Shepherd
- Jr. Past Commandant.....Bill Hall

Detachment Meetings

1900 - 1st Tuesday of month
 at the American Legion
 5530 Thomaston Rd, Macon, GA



Staff Meetings

1630 - 3rd Tuesday of month
 @ Forest Hills United Methodist Church

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Submissions should be
 emailed to Carl by the 24th of
 each month.

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September 2, 2014 1900
Next Detachment Meeting
American Legion

September 16, 2014 1630
Next Staff Meeting
Forest Hills Methodist Church

*Detachment Meetings are the
 1st Tuesday of each month,
 and the Staff Meetings are the
 3rd Tuesday of each month.*



Don't forget, Leonard Pless has signed
 up for refreshments in September.



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
MIDDLE GEORGIA DETACHMENT #970
August 2014 • Meeting Minutes

Opening by Ritual:

Meeting called to order and Marine Corps League Mission Statement read by Senior Vice Commandant Ed Barbee.

Roll Call of Officers:

All were in attendance with exception of Commandant Jeff Amerson, Jr. Vice Commandant, Tuffy Phillips, Paymaster Ray Walker, and Jr. Past Commandant, Bill Hall, who all were at the National Convention in West Virginia.

Visitor:

Our visitor was Daniel Krattli of Smarr, who served in the Marine Corps stationed in Yuma, AZ from 1982-1986. His father, two brothers and extended family also proudly served in the Corps.

Meeting Minutes:

Motion was made to accept, as submitted, the minutes for the July meeting by Carl Kitchens, seconded by Tom Hisel. The motion carried.

Financial Report:

Paymaster Ray Walker's Financial report is as follows:

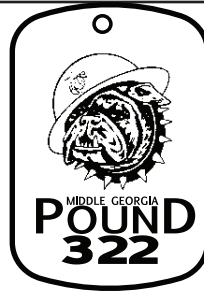
Beginning balance:..... \$9963.21
Disbursements:.....\$132.12
Deposits: \$25.00
Adjustments..... \$3.00
Ending balance:..... \$9853.09

Motion was made to accept the Paymaster's report by Marvin Jackson and seconded by Bobby Shepherd. The motion carried.

Sickness and Distress:

Wirt Durdin, Squad Leader, Squad 7 reported Howard Hardison, is not showing very much improvement, having both good and bad days under hospice care.

Also, David Oxley suffered a bruised shoulder and hip due to a fall.



Devil Dog NEWS

Woof Woof All You Dogs.

The Devil Dogs elected their new set of officers.

They are as follows,

Pound Keeper PDD Tuffy Phillips
Senior Vice:.....PDD Michael Clark
Jr. Vice..... PDD Jeff Amerson
Smart Dog..... PDD David Mincey
(Judge Advocate)
Dog Trainer..... PDD Lamar Scott
(Chaplain)
Police Dog.....PDD Ray Walker
(Sgt. at Arms)
Mad DogPDD Levi McKenna

Appointed positions:

Dog Robber PDD Bill Hall
(paymaster/Adjutant)
Watch Dog Joe Barbee
Barking Dog.....Tom Hisel

The Pound will be having a Boston Butt sale for a fund raiser in November. These butts will be cooked the 21st and delivered that evening or Saturday the 22nd. See a member if you wish to order a Boston Butt. They will be \$35 each and weigh approx. 8 to 10 pounds.

Woof , Woof
PDD Jeff Amerson



Officers' Report:

Sergeant at Arms, Bobby Shepherd reports 23 in attendance including our visitor and associate member.

Old Business:

A sign-up sheet is available for the Rodney Davis Memorial Fund Rock 'n Soul Event at Scottish rite on Vineville Road, Sept. 13th. We will be responsible for Color Guard, 50/50 ticket sales and drawing, selling tickets at the door and taking up tickets and money and handing out programs.

Friday, November 7 is the Byron Cemetery flag placement day.

The family covered dish meeting will be in October. Sign-up sheet is available for this also.

Staff members discussed at the July staff meeting and the finance committee voted to purchase 100 wreaths from the Wreaths Across America organization for placement on veterans' gravesites in the Riverside Cemetery. There will be further discussion and a vote by the body at the September meeting.

Members are encouraged to visit the moving Vietnam Wall at the Dublin VA November 14-17, 2014.

Senior V. Commandant Ed Barbee also made an appeal to all to help make our newsletter more glamorous through contributions of informative, newsworthy or amusing articles related to the Marine Corps and the Marine Corps League. Please submit these to Carl Kitchens.

New Business:

Staff members discussed and agreed in favor of a spaghetti dinner as a more feasible option in lieu of the proposed fish fry fundraiser. The meal would be prepared by our member volunteers at the American Legion Post 3, Thomaston Road, Macon. Meal tickets would be purchased for \$7 each. This will be voted on at the September meeting.

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

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,
Annette Dyche, Adjutant