

**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 Frasureis 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 Dyché 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.

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.