

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
OUTER BANKS DETACHMENT #1264
Thomas A. Baum Center
9 October 2007

Minutes of the general membership meeting of the Detachment.

The meeting was opened by Commandant, Doug Wendling at 1900. Sergeant-At-Arms secured the quarters and declared that all present were qualified to be present.

In attendance were Members: Robert Messinger, John Jumet, Robert Yanacek, Lee Baronet, Tim Gregory, Len Stone, Kevin McGrath, and Doug Wendling. Guests in attendance were: Phillip Wendling and Martin Smith.

The Commandant led the Pledge to the Flag and the Opening Prayer was conducted by Judge Advocate, Lee Baronet.

The Sergeant-At-Arms declared the meeting open for the transaction of official business.

The Adjutant Paymaster, Bob Messinger reported finances as of the end of September 2007. The financial report was given. (Since we do not publish our financial records on the website, it was emphasized that Detachment financial reports are open for review by any member upon request.)

The Commandant brought to the attention of the Detachment that Jr. Vice Commandant Paul Strehan has had pretty severe heart problems over the past few months and was to have surgery sometime in October.

Adjutant Paymaster Bob Messinger inquired on how dues will be invoiced to members, and the amount of dues for 2008. Discussion was held and it was explained that National will be sending renewal notices to each member with a master copy to the Adjutant Paymaster.

Judge Advocate, Lee Baronet gave his committee report on the slate of candidates for election in November. He also mentioned that Auditors will be appointed in November for the audit of our financial records.

The Commandant recommended that we consider having a Public Relations Officer. The MCL is the only federally chartered veteran's organization in the United States, yet very little is known about us and we should get the word out, especially in our community.

The Commandant reminded everyone that invitations were sent out for the Marine Corps Birthday brunch on Saturday 10 November at the Duck Woods Country Club.

Recognition was given to those members with October birthdays.

Guest speaker, Marty Smith, a retired Master Sergeant, was introduced by the Commandant. Marty is a volunteer at the National Museum of the Marine Corps at Quantico and gave a very interesting and informative talk about the Museum.

The Commandant then introduced the next speaker, his son, Phillip Wendling, who is a Marine veteran of Desert Storm. Phillip highlighted his interesting experiences of which he was part of the first unit to have engagement with the enemy.

The Adjutant Paymaster Bob Messinger stated that he had contact with National in regards to Toys for Tots. He was informed that we were too late, that application to participate must be done in June.

The Sergeant-At-Arms, Robert Yanacek retired the colors. Judge Advocate Lee Baronet offered a closing prayer and the Commandant asked the Sergeant-at-Arms to declare the meeting officially closed at 2005. The Sergeant-at-Arms declared the meeting closed until 13 November 2007 when it will reopen for the transaction of official business.

Minutes recorded by Adjutant Paymaster, Bob Messinger