



## MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AIR, LAND, NC DETACHMENT MINUTES: 15 NOVEMBER 2006

<u>OPENING CEREMONY:</u> 1911 HOURS, PRESENTATION OF COLORS, OPENING PRAYER.

<u>OFFICERS PRESENT:</u> JERRY DANGLER, JACK PETRARCA, JAMES MAROON, BOB PETERS, MARK BYRD, JOSEPH GOODROW, KEITH CHURCH

OFFICERS ABSENT: RAY O'NEILL

MEMBERS PRESENT: GEORGE CATELLONA, PAT CONNELLY, A.J.

GUEST PRESENT: JOHN HOFFMAN, WILLIAM WHEELER JR.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: JOHN HOFFMAN, WILLIAM
WHEELER JR.

**CEREMONY OF INITIATION: NONE.** 

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: READ BY ADJUTANT BYRD.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE.

REPORT OF PAYMASTER: SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT/PAYMASTER MAROON REPORTS WE HAVE ABOUT \$90.00 IN THE BANK AT THIS TIME. EVERYONE WILL GET AN EXPENSE REPORT SOON.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: JR. VICE COMMANDANT RAY O'NEILL IS UNDERGOING TREATMENT FOR LYMPHOMA. THE DETACHMENT WISHES HIM A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

**REPORTING OFFICERS:** 

<u>SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT MAROON:</u> NO REPORT. <u>JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT O'NEILL:</u> ABSENT, NO REPORT.

JUNIOR PAST COMMANDANT PETRARCA: INFORMED THE DETACHMENT THAT HE AND SR. VICE COMMANDANT MAROON MET ON 16 OCTOBER AT MCDONALD'S TO GO OVER THE PAPERWORK AND APPLICATIONS. THEY ASSEMBLED EVERYTHING ALONG WITH A CHECK FOR \$248.00 TO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS M.C.L. AND A CHECK FOR \$48.00 TO DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA AND SENT IT OUT WITH TWENTY-ONE SUBMITTALS (16 NEW MEMBERS AND 5 TRANSFERS). THE CHARTER IS NOW AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL. OUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS ARE IN THE HANDS OF THE STATE ADJUTANT AT THIS TIME. OUR CHARTER WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE DETACHMENT ON 5 DECEMBER 2006 AT THE WAKE FOREST AMERICAN LEGION WITH NATIONAL VICE COMMANDANT-MIDEAST DIVISION, STEVE WILSON

MAKING THE PRESENTATION. DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA COMMANDANT, PETER MELETIS WILL FORMALLY INSTALL THE OFFICERS FOLLOWING THE CHARTER PRESENTATION. THE STATE ADJUTANT AND WEBMASTER WILL BE PRESENT AS WELL. JACK SUGGESTS WE ATTACH A MAP TO THE E-MAILS AND MAILINGS TO INSURE EVERYONE KNOWS HOW TO GET TO THE AMERICAN LEGION. JACK MENTIONED THE VARIOUS FORMS REQUIRED BY THE LEAGUE AND GAVE COPIES TO THE ADJUTANT. THE ADJUTANT SHOULD CONTACT THE LEAGUE FOR DEATH NOTICES AS THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT COPIES. THE FIRST FORM WE MUST SUBMIT WILL BE A REPORT OF THE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, WHICH WILL BE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE INSTALLATION ON 5 DECEMBER. WE WILL NEED TO WRITE UP OUR BYLAWS AND APPLY FOR A TAX ID NUMBER SO WE CAN OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT. JACK PRESENTED AN EXAMPLE OF BYLAWS FROM THE TARHEEL DETACHMENT TO COMMANDANT DANGLER. JACK PASSED OUT FORMS FOR MEMBERS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN TOYS FOR TOTS. MEMBERS ARE NEEDED TO PICK UP TOYS FROM STORES AND DROP THEM OFF AT THE RESERVE CENTER. CONTACT D.T. COX OF TARHEEL DETACHMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION. COMMANDANT DANGLER POINTED OUT HOW THANKFUL HE IS FOR JACK AND HOW INSTRUMENTAL JACK HAS BEEN IN THE CREATION OF THIS DETACHMENT.

JUDGE ADVOCATE PETERS: REITERATED THE FACT THAT WE WILL NEED TO WORK OUT OUR BYLAWS. FINANCIAL GUIDELINES SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE BYLAWS. HE OFFERED TO HELP SET UP A DETACHMENT NEWS LETTER, AS HE HAS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS FROM TARHEEL. BOB SUGGESTS WE INCLUDE THE MINUTES IN OUR DETACHMENT NEWSLETTER. BOB HAS ADDRESSES FOR SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE RICHARD MAXEY HELP GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT OUR NEW DETACHMENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTHERN REGION. WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT HAVING GUEST SPEAKERS TO KEEP THE MEETINGS INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE SO PEOPLE WANT TO KEEP COMING BACK. COMMANDANT DANGLER ADDED THAT WE WOULD LIMIT SPEAKERS TO A TWO-MINUTE TIME LIMIT DURING THE MEETINGS, AND IF YOU NEED MORE TIME JUST ASK.

CHAPLIN CHURCH: PASSED AROUND SOME DETACHMENT RECRUITING BROCHURES HE CREATED FOR EVERYONE TO TAKE LOOK. HE ASKS THAT MEMBERS GET WITH HIM TO SUGGEST ANY CHANGES. KEITH HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO CREATING A DETACHMENT NEWS LETTER. COMMANDANT DANGLER POINTS OUT THE NEWS LETTER WILL BE CALLED "21 GUNS" RELEVANT TO OUR ORIGINAL TWENTY-ONE SIGNATURES ON THE ROSTER. COMMANDANT DANGLER SUGGESTS WE CONSIDER SELLING ADVERTISEMENT SPACE IN THE NEWS LETTER. JUDGE ADVOCATE PETERS POINTED OUT NOT

ONLY BUSINESS BUT ALSO EVEN INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS BUY SPACE IN THE TARHEEL DETACHMENT NEWSLETTER.

<u>ADJUTANT BYRD:</u> ASK MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN CONTACTED REGARDING PROOF OF SERVICE, TO PLEASE PROVIDE SUCH PROOF OR LET US KNOW YOU ARE IN THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING YOUR RECORDS. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING A COPY OF YOUR DD-214, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

<u>SERGEANT AT ARMS GOODROW:</u> NO REPORT. <u>REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:</u> NONE. <u>REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:</u> NONE.

**FINISHED BUSINESS:** 

<u>COMMANDANT DANGLER:</u> ANNOUNCED THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION WILL ALLOW OUR DETACHMENT TO HOLD ITS MONTHLY MEETING IN THERE BUILDING BEGINNING WITH THE MEETING ON 6 DECEMBER. JERRY THANKED BOB PETERS FOR HIS INFLUENCE IN THE MATTER. WE WILL GET THE DIRECTIONS OUT TO EVERYONE PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

JUDGE ADVOCATE PETERS: ENCOURAGED EACH OF US TO JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION. HE SAYS THEY HAVE A GREAT COOK. WE SHOULD FIND SOME ONE WITH A TALENT FOR COOKING FOR OUR DETACHMENT, AS THE FACILITY HAS A GRILL OUT BACK AND A FULL KITCHEN

NEW BUSINESS: TOYS FOR TOTS- COMMANDANT DANGLER SAYS NEXT YEAR WE WILL GO OUT ON OUR ON, BUT THIS YEAR WE JUST DID NOT HAVE TIME SO WE WILL PARTICIPATE WITH TAR HEEL DETACHMENT. JERRY POINTS OUT THAT ON 6 JANUARY, THE STAFF WILL HOLD A MEETING TO DISCUSS A CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR, AND IF ANYONE HAS ANY IDEAS FOR PROJECTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE US BECOME INVOLVED WITH, PLEASE ADVISE ONE OF THE OFFICERS. WE ALSO NEED IDEAS FOR FUNDRAISERS.

<u>COMMANDANT DANGLER:</u> ASK EVERYONE TO THINK ABOUT EVENTS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PART IN THE COMING YEAR. IF WE DO NOT HAVE THE MANPOWER, WE MIGHT EVEN TEAM-UP WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION OR VFW DETACHMENT FROM THE AREA. WE DO WANT TO MAKE A PUBLIC PRESENCE IN OUR AREA BY PARTICIPATING IN LOCAL EVENTS.

<u>COMMANDANT DANGLER:</u> HE AND SR. VICE COMMANDANT MAROON WERE AT THE VETERANS DAY PARADE IN RALEIGH. GEORGE CATELLONA WAS IN CHARGE OF THE TRAVELING VIETNAM WALL. WE NEED TO FIND EVENTS IN OUR AREA TO BECOME INVOLVED WITH IN THE FUTURE SUCH AS THE VETERANS DAY PARADE IN WAKE FOREST, AREA MEMORIAL DAY AND CHRISTMAS PARADES, ETC.

<u>COMMANDANT DANGLER:</u> MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL INCREASE IN JANUARY SO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO RENEW OR BECOME A LIFE MEMBER SHOULD DO SO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CHARTER PRESENTATION.

<u>COMMANDANT DANGLER:</u> COVERS ARE THE MINIMUM ITEM A MEMBER MAY WEAR AND BE CONSIDERED TO BE IN UNIFORM. WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND SOMEONE TO EMBROIDER OUR DETACHMENT NUMBER IN THE COVERS. <u>MARINE WHEELER</u> SAID HE HAS A NEIGHBOR WHO COULD DO IT AND WILL LOOK INTO THAT.

COMMANDANT DANGLER: ASK A VOLUNTEER TO BE IN CHARGE OF LINING UP WHO WILL BRING WHAT SNACKS, DRINKS, ETC., TO THE CHARTER PRESENTATION. NO ONE VOLUNTEERED, SO HE SAID HE WOULD DO IT HIMSELF. JERRY SAID THE CHARTER PRESENTATION IS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT EVENT IN THE LIFE OF OUR YOUNG DETACHMENT. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO BRING GUEST. WE WILL NOT CONDUCT THE MEETING AS A NORMAL DETACHMENT MEETING. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: LAURA HARDEE SANG A SONG TO THE DETACHMENT TO COMMEMORATE THE MARINE CORPS 231<sup>ST</sup> BIRTHDAY. SHE ALSO LED THE DETACHMENT IN SINGING THE MARINE CORPS HYMN.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

STAFF: 0900 HOURS, 6 JANUARY 2007 AT THE WAKEFIELD DINER. GENERAL: 1900 HOURS, 5 DECEMBER 2006 AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST IN WAKE FOREST.

MEETING RAFFLE: A TOTAL OF \$51.00 WAS RAISED. THE 50/50 WINNER WAS PAT CONNELLY, AND HE WAS AWARDED \$25.00. WE ALSO HELD A DRAWING FOR A MARINE CORPS CAP WITH JOHN HOFFMAN WINNING THAT DRAW.

MEETING CLOSED: 2029 HOURS. PRAYER BY CHAPLIN CHURCH.

**SUBMITTED BY:** 

MARK BYRD, ADJUTANT