

Minutes: 08 May 2007

Note: Prior to the regular meeting, we had Rich Heroux talk about some fundraisers the VFW and American Legion are holding.

Opening ceremony: 1916 hours, Pledge of Allegiance, Opening Prayer (led by David Hochstrasser).

Roll Call of Officers: *Present:* Commandant Dangler, Sr. Vice Goodrow, Jr. Vice O'Neill, Adjutant Byrd, Sgt-at-Arms Wheeler. *Absent:* Judge Advocate Peters, Paymaster Hoffmann, and Chaplain Church.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Approved as written.

Correspondence: Jr. Vice Goodrow read various correspondences, which he had received from the Marine Corps League pertaining to delinquent members, members at large, honor and respect for deceased Marines, Chapel of the four Chaplains award, and the MCL National Convention. Adjutant Byrd also gave details on an e-mail he received concerning the Department of NC Convention.

Report of Paymaster: (reported by Sr. Vice Goodrow) current balance = \$593.50, beginning balance = \$472.50, no disbursements, total deposits = \$121.00.

Sick or in distress: The Commandant reports that James Satterwhite is doing better and Jim Steffens has injured his back.

Report of Officers present:

Senior Vice Goodrow: Reported that even though our bank account is looking good, we still owe the Commandant for purchases he has made out of his own personal funds.

Junior Vice O'Neill: Reported that next month he is trying to arrange to have a person from the Veterans Administration come as a guest speaker.

Adjutant Byrd: Reported Detachment strength at 32 members. Passed out maps to the site of the Detachment's picnic to those who needed them. Reported that the Detachment will no longer retain a copy of the members DD-214 because the National Judge Advocate has advised against it. We will only

view the document now to insure that the new members are qualified to join.

Unfinished Business:

Detachment flag – Commandant Dangler presented a picture of the new flag that the officers had been working with and passed it around for the members present to look at.

Picnic - Commandant Dangler reminded everyone of the picnic, which will be held on 19 May from 1100 – 1500. David Hochstrasser, who is coordinating the event, passed around a sheet for everyone to write down what they are able to provide and how many will be in their parties.

Raffle – Commandant Dangler informed us that the three prizes for the raffle would be as follows: 1st prize = Stainless Steel Grill, 2nd prize = \$75.00 gift card from Ace Hardware, 3rd prize = gift basket. Junior Vice O'Neill presented the tickets, which he had printed up and said for everyone to get with him before leaving so that he could issue them out. The price per ticket will be \$2.00. The Commandant said that he expected each member to sell at least ten tickets.

Memorial Day events - Commandant Dangler informed everyone that Sgt-at-Arms Wheeler is in charge of the color guard and told everyone to get with Will after the meeting if they wanted to volunteer. Dick Maxey pointed out how important it was to make a good impression since this will be our Detachment's first introduction to the people of Wake Forest.

Dick said that he has found a bugler to help us. Commandant Dangler informed us that he has purchased a complete flag set because he did not want to take a chance on borrowing one for the events on Memorial Day. The Commandant also said that the flags have adjustable staffs so that we can use them in any building.

Adopt a street program - Alan Lorith suggested that the Detachment become involved with the Adopt a street program. Commandant Dangler replied that he already has our Detachment on the waiting list, and that he wants us to get a street in a high-traffic area for the exposure the sign would bring to us.

New Business:

Quartermaster's position – Commandant Dangler expressed the need to assign a Quartermaster for the Detachment, who could order items online for the Detachment to save on shipping cost, and for those Marines who do not have access to a computer.

Fifth Marine Division Reunion – George Cattelona informed us that there would be a need for Marines, from the Detachment, to serve as greeters at the airport for the incoming Marines during the Fifth Marine Division Reunion on 22, 23 and 24 August 2007. More info will follow as the August event draws closer.

Newsletter Ads – Commandant Dangler reminded everyone that ad space is available to all members for \$60.00 per year or \$5.00 per month. Non-member prices are \$125.00 per year for small companies and \$250.00 per year for larger corporations.

Meeting Raffle: Drawings were held with the results as follows: Rob O'Loughlin won a lapel pin that was donated by Pat Connelly and

George Cattelona won a Marine Corps tag that was also donated by Pat Connelly. A total of \$45.00 was collected for the 50/50 drawing, with George Cattelona also winning this draw. George donated all but his initial investment of \$5.00 to the Detachment.

Announcements: The Detachment will be meeting at the North Carolina Capitol building on the north side at the Veterans Memorial on 1100 hours on 2 June 2007 to spend some time together and look at the monuments.

Closing Ceremony: 2034 hours, salute to colors, closing prayer by David Hochstrasser.

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 12 June 2007 at the Wake Forest American Legion.**

Submitted by,

Mark Byrd

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Adjutant

Detachment Raffle



First Prize: Stainless Steel Gas Grill

Second Prize: \$75.00 Gift Card from Ace Hardware

Third Prize: Gift Basket

Tickets are \$2.00 each

Sales will run May through June 2007. Drawing to be held at the Detachment's regular meeting on 10 July 2007. Please help make this a success!!! Get your tickets from the Jr. Vice.