



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League  
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**Detachment Meeting Minutes:** 14 April 2009

- **Meeting called to order:** 1935 Meeting called to order. Prior to the opening of the meeting Mrs. Whalen, wife of member Ed Whalen, gave a presentation that updated all present on the Heart Saver Device (AED) and the latest thinking on the CPR process. This presentation by Mrs. Whalen, a registered nurse, was beneficial to all in attendance.
- **Roll Call of Officers by the Adjutant** found all present or accounted except for the Commandant Mark Byrd who had an unavoidable conflict. The meeting was conducted by the Sr. Vice Commandant Frank Kildea.
- **Attendance:** 21 Members and 3 guests were present including the Officers.
- **New Members:** 1 new application for membership was received, voted on and accepted. The new is: Kenneth A. Jenkins
- **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.
- **Correspondence Received:**

- “Operation Semper Fi” Ground Breaking/Flag Raising Ceremony folder
- **Paymaster’s Report:** Paymaster Hochstrasser’s report was presented by Joe Bagley. The report was approved as delivered.
- **Sick and Distressed:** David Hochstrasser’s wife had a Pacemaker implanted and Ray Gerald’s wife had a double hip replacement.

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- **Standing Committee Reports:**
  - **Fundraising:** Frank Kildea handed out a Detachment calendar for the next two months.
  - **Membership:** Ed Whalen reminded the membership that several members were delinquent on their MCL dues.
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- **Special Committee Reports:**
  - **Raffle:** Ray O’Neill has provided an additional 1,000 Raffle Tickets. As of today the Detachment has sold \$317.00 in Raffle Tickets.
  - **Raffle:** Kevin Flaherty is attempting to set up a table at the Seymore Johnston Air Force Base Air Show in May to sell raffle tickets.
  - **Wake Forest Veterans Council – SIX SUNDAYS:** Bob Cubillas reported that 3 members of the Detachment are requested each Sunday from 1530 to 1930. These 3 MCL members will be part of the total of 9 members of the Veterans Council who will be supporting this activity each week. Bob asked the membership to sign up for this activity, but at the end of the evening not enough members has signed up. The dates for the SIX SUNDAYS are: April 19 and 26; May 3, 10, 17 and 24.

- **Unfinished Business:**

- Frank Kildea briefly discussed the “Meet in the Streets” activities.

- **New Business:**

- Frank Hochstrasser presented a motion that the Detachment provide \$150.00 donation to the “Operation Semper Fi” which is building a master bedroom for a young wounded Marine who lives in Lillington, NC. The bedroom is being built for SSgt. Poe and his wife. SSgt. Poe was severely wounded in Iraq and cannot use the stairs in his home. The motion carried and was approved unanimously.
- Frank Williams reported that he is placing the Shirt Order Form on the Detachment’s web site so shirts can be ordered directly by the members.
- Frank Williams presented the case for the Detachment’s participation in the rebuilding of George Cattelona’s rear deck so that George’s home is more easily sellable. Frank Williams made a motion that the Detachment donate up to \$1,500 in materials and provide the members labor to fix George’s deck. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
- Frank Williams requested that the Detachment sponsor Frank Kildea for both the NC MCL and National MCL as the Marine of the Year. Again, this motion carried by unanimous vote.

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- The Purple Heart Dinner in November was discussed and it was mentioned that this was only for residents of Wake Forest. Bob Cubillas indicated that he would do some research and report back to the membership.
- Bob Cubillas indicated that we have been requested to provide small flags for the gravesites of veterans on Memorial Day. Bob agreed to research the cost of the flags and report back to the membership.

- Bob Cubillas indicated that the Veterans Council has discussed a joint raffle to be held in August. It was agreed that this topic would be discussed at the next Detachment meeting.

- **Good of the League:**

- David Young and Tamara Holt received their MCL Membership pins.
- Bop Peters and Frank Williams received awards for their Toys for Tots participation.
- A total of \$70 was collected for the 50/50 drawing with April Cates holding the winning ticket. Ray O'Neill won a Thermos, Dan Richards won a pocketknife and Joe Bagley won a water bottle.

- **Adjournment:** Sr. Vice Commandant Kildea adjourned the meeting at 2100 hours

- **Next Detachment Meeting:** Wake Forest Legion Hall on May 12, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Leenerts

Adjutant

