



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
P. O. Box 1081, Wake Forest, NC 27588-1081

“Once a Marine, Always a Marine”
www.airlandncdet.org

Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257 Monthly Meeting: 13 April 2010

Prior to the opening of the Official Detachment Meeting two presentations were made to the membership:

Rich Heroux of the American Legion discussed three topics (1) he had Veterans Posters on sale for \$25.00, (2) the Legion sponsored Spaghetti Dinner held on Flag Day June 14, 2010 would be held at Borders Restaurant in Wake Forest from 1600 to 1900 hours, and (3) the combined veterans council raffle tickets were presented to the Detachment. The raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 6 for \$25.00. A Detachment member will be tasked with handling of our share of the tickets.

Janet Whalen discussed the signs of a stroke and the importance of immediately calling 911 when these signs appear. This was the second potential life saving presentation made by Janet, the first being the correct procedures for performing CPR. The membership is very appreciative of Mrs. Whalen’s presentations.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

- a. 1905 hours Meeting called to order by Commandant Ray O’Neill

2. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT:

- a. All present or accounted for.

3. ATTENDANCE:

- a. 22members, 2 guests, 1 new Regular member, 1 potential new Associate Member.

4. NEW MEMNBERS:

- a. Terry Shackelton, a new member, took the oath of membership in the Detachment.

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved even though they were not published in the Newsletter. As the Newsletter is on temporary hold, future Detachment Meeting Minutes will be sent to Tim Bonner for email distribution to the membership. This will be a temporary procedure until the Newsletter is back up and running.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** None received.

7. PAYMASTER'S REPORT:

- a. Paymaster reported that the Detachment's beginning Bank Balance was \$7,418.82 with deposits for the month of \$311.00 and disbursements of \$324.95 leaving an ending balance of \$7,404.87.

8. SICK AND DISTRESSED:

- a. Frank Kildea is not doing well. Tim Bonner reports that his cancer has spread and the prospect for recovery is not good.
- b. Patricia Thor is recovering from her fall, and is expected back into action in the near future.

9. REPORT OF OFFICERS:

- a. MEETING PROGRAMS – Ed Whalen requested that members coordinate with him for any potential pre-meeting programs
- b. 2010 MARINE CORPS BALL –Initial Ball Committee volunteers are Ed Whalen, Kevin Hughes, George Cattelona and Patricia Thor. An initial Committee Meeting will be organized soon.

10. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. MEMBERSHIP: Nothing to report
- b. BYLAW REVISION COMMITTEE: Nothing to report
- c. USO COORDINATION: Bob Peters requested names of Detachment volunteers to added to a "transportation" list for use by the RDU USO when a service man gets stranded at the airport and would require local transportation to resolve an issue.
- d. MEETING IN THE STREETS: Ed Whalen asked for volunteers to assist with the Wake Forest Meeting in the Streets for Saturday May 1, 2010. The activity will last from 1000 to 1600 hours.
- e. VETS COUNCIL: Bob Peters reported that for the Vets Council Raffle this year the Detachment would receive the same percentage of the proceeds as we contribute in sales. If we sell 20% of the tickets we would receive 20% of the proceeds of the Raffle.
- f. SIX SUNDAYS: Ed Whalen requested assistance and volunteers from the membership.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. WAKE FOREST FARMERS MARKET: The topic was brought to the floor for discussion and to obtain volunteers just as it has been for the last couple of meetings. It was generally agreed that the Detachment would participate in this weekly Saturday event, but no specifics were decided.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM: The Commandant requested that if anyone knew any young men going through the Eagle Scout Program that he be notified so that the Detachment could perhaps participate in the program.
- b. LEGION HALL RENT: The Commandant reported that we have paid the first quarter rent of \$150.00 (\$50.00 per month) to the Legion.
- c. MARINE OF THE YEAR AWARD WOMAN MARINE OF THE YEAR AWARE: The Commandant indicated that nominees should be submitted to Tim Bonner prior to May's meeting.

- d. **MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY FLAG PLACEMENT:** The Commandant reported that the Detachment will participate as we have in past years with the American Legion. Our contribution to purchase flags will be \$130.00. The flag placement will take place on the Saturday before Memorial Day May 29th.
- e. **DETACHMENT PICNIC:** Will be held on Saturday August 28, 2010. Ed Whalen and Fred Leenerts will select a Picnic Site and will report to the Detachment during the May Meeting.
- f. **CAN FOR NEEDY MARINES AND OTHER VETS IN NEED:** A request was made for each member to bring in at least one can for each meeting to establish a small inventory for when a local Marine or other Veteran is in need of assistance.

13. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Names of drawing winners and the winner of the 50/50 were not obtained.

14. COMMANDANT RAY O'NEILL CLOSED THE MEETING AT 2000 HOURS

15. NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: Wake Forest Legion Hall on 11 May 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Leenerts
Adjutant

