



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257
Monthly Meeting: 09Oct2012**

The Capital City Young Marines had 8 members and two leaders in attendance to make a presentation on their activities. Kimberly Gibbons made the presentation with support from the attending Young Marines. She also thanked us for the \$400 donation to attend a recent training trip.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- A. At 1900 hours the Meeting called to order by Senior Vice Commandant Holliday and the opening ceremony was held.

2. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

- A. All present or accounted for:

Commandant Terry Shackelton – excused
Sr. Vice Commandant Brandon Holliday - present
Jr. Vice Commandant – needs to be replaced
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present
Paymaster Ed Whalen – present
Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present
Chaplain Ken Jenkins – present
Sgt. at Arms Ron Prokopowicz – present

3. Attendance

- A. 22 members and 11 guests.

4. NEW MEMBERS

- A. No prospective members in attendance.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- A. Minutes from the September meeting have been posted to the website.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- A. No correspondence has been received.

7. PAYMASTER’S REPORT

- A. Paymaster reported that the Detachment’s finance’s are in excellent condition. The details will no longer be posted to the minutes, since these

minutes are now public information on the website. If any members desire to see the details, please let the Adjutant know and the financials can be emailed.

8. SICK & DISTRESSED

- A.** Chaplin Jenkins noted that Commandant Shackleton has almost completed his chemotherapy. He will need an additional hospital stay in December to remove a small tumor from his pituitary gland that will complete his medical needs.
- B.** Joe Grieco had a fall at home and broke a bone in his leg. It is healing well and he is in attendance tonight. Joe Grieco's wife, Angela, remains on dialysis and in fair condition. Joe also noted that his grandson is home from a tour in Afghanistan.

Please keep all of our sick or injured in your thoughts and prayers. They really do help those who are in need.

9. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. Senior Vice Commandant** – SVC Holliday noted that attendance at the October gun show in Greensboro October 13-14, 2012 to sell tickets will be predicated on having enough volunteers for that. Depending on the results of a call for volunteers, an email will be issued regarding our attendance.
- B. Sergeant at Arms** - SAA Prokopowicz noted that the December meeting will be a potluck supper and will also be a Christmas party to which spouses and significant others are invited. The November meeting supper will be provided by Chef Ron.

10. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A.** The MCBB Committee continues planning for the Marine Corps Birthday Ball in the Mill Room at the Factory on 10Nov2012. At our Executive Staff meeting, we thought that we may need to cancel the MCBB this year due to lack of interest by you, our members. We only had 19 paid attendees, far short of the 50 needed for paying the majority of the costs for the event. However, at the membership meeting, attending members came through with 19 more, for a total of 38 paid attendees, and with a promise of 5 more from George Cattelona. This still left us 7 short. But Tim Bonner stood and asked everyone present (22 of us) to chip in enough to make up for the missing attendees and ensure we could have the Ball. We all came through with more than enough money to keep the Detachment Ball on track. Congratulations and thanks to all of you. In order to close out ticket sales for the Ball; anyone else who wants to attend or invite additional people from outside the Detachment (family, friends, neighbors, Marines), please have your money, \$25/person into Ed Whelan's hands by 1Nov2012. That is the final cutoff in order to properly prepare the venue for all attendees.
- B.** Jim Vasilko volunteered to be the event Commandant, Ami DePierro will be the Narrator and Jack Kemeny will act as Adjutant. The photographer has been hired, the caterer will be Main Street Grill, the DJ is ready to go, and the Young Marines will be the Honor Guard for the ceremony.
- C.** The Guest of Honor at the MCBB will be Jerry Collins, who provided the Ford pickup for the Charity Yard Sale. He is an Army veteran.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. No unfinished business was discussed.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- A. SVC Holliday suggested that some of our charitable funds could be used to help kids a Christmas. \$2500 was suggested as a number that could help a number of families buy items for kids. We are now looking for a way to identify these families that we can help. A local church, County Social Services, or the Reserve Unit may help identify local Marine or civilian families that need help.
- B. SVC Holliday also recommended that we sponsor a local sports team in one of the local leagues, baseball, softball or soccer teams may be identified for our support.
- C. Adjutant Kemeny noted that Toys For Tots will begin around Thanksgiving, as usual. The memo announcing T4T will go to the membership at the end of October and the collection boxes will be available at the next membership meeting in November. Boxes will be repaired with new posters, if necessary, and additional boxes will be requested from the Reserve Unit. This will be the final year for Adjutant Kemeny heading up the T4T program. Another volunteer will be needed for next year.
- D. Past Commandant O'Neill noted that the nominating committee for next year's officer slate must be set up in October in order to present the slate of officers at the November meeting, and voted on in December. Past Commandant O'Neill, Paymaster Whelan and Adjutant Kemeny will be on the nominating committee and meet later this month. They will contact members looking for volunteers. Anyone who is interested can contact any one of them and volunteer.

13. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

- A. Ginger Minowicz won the 50/50 raffle and donated the \$40.00 to Toys For Tots.

SVC Holliday closed the meeting at approximately 2030 hours.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: Wake Forest Legion Hall on 13Nov2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Kemeny
Adjutant