



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257
Monthly Meeting: 08Nov2016**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 1900 hours the Meeting was called to order by Commandant Lambert and the opening ceremony was held.

A. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

All present or accounted for:

Commandant Pete Lambert – present
Sr. Vice Commandant John Phipps – present
Jr. Vice Commandant Ami DePierro – present
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present
Paymaster Ed Whalen – present
Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present
Chaplain Tammy Holt – excused
Sgt. at Arms Ken Jenkins – present
Service Officer Ron Prokopowicz – excused
Junior Past Commandant Terry Shackelton – present

B. ATTENDANCE

Approximately 17 members and no guests present.

C. NEW MEMBERS

None present.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

October meeting minutes have been published and posted to the website.

E. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Thank you note from Fisher House at Camp Lejeune for our donation received.

F. PAYMASTER’S REPORT

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.

G. SICK & DISTRESSED

The Chaplain was excused due to Bob Hunter removing from a TIA and just released from the hospital. Bert Lockhart is recovering from knee replacement. Angelo DeBenedictis is recovering from minor surgery. Jim Vasilko's wife, Rose, has not had her surgery yet. Bob Peter's wife is not suitable for heart valve replacement due to complications. Remember Captain Andrew Byers, USA, Wake Forest resident, who was killed in Afghanistan

Please keep all of our sick or injured in your thoughts and prayers. Prayers really do help those who are in need. A call once in a while helps as well.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. Adjutant Kemeny discussed Toys For Tots. Anyone needing boxes this year will be asked to pick them up at the storage facility at their convenience. We will have our annual T4T toy buy at Kmart on 3Dec2016. Further information will be provided later.
2. Golden Corral and other businesses will have Military Appreciation functions for Veterans Day and the list was provided by the Adjutant in an email. In addition to the Wake Forest Veterans Day ceremony at the Heritage Veterans' Memorial on 11Nov2016, there will be a ceremony at WF Town Hall in the afternoon.
3. Paymaster Whalen reminded us of several events and dates. The Marine Corps Birthday Dinner on 8Nov2016 was cancelled due to lack of signups. Our December meeting on 12Dec2016 will be the potluck supper and spouses are invited. Uniform for the event is the red jacket. An email for signups and dishes to be provided will go out in late November.
4. The gun show on 19/20Nov2016 will be the give-away for the current rifle and the first showing of the new rifle. We will have two tables and need a few more members to sign up and support this show. We also need everyone to turn in all raffle tickets and any money collected so that they can be included in the ticket pull. Ticket sales are usually heavy because of the Sunday announcement of the 2016 winner.
5. Jack and Ed attended an award ceremony at the Miracle League of Franklin County to receive a plaque for our financial support for the organization. Ed noted that several organizations advertise with 4'x8' signs on the outfield fence and thought that might be another way for us to solicit members to the Detachment. He will get good numbers for the cost and present it to the BOT.

6. Ed visited with Shirley and Dennis Gross during a visit to Indiana and found them doing well.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. The next VA Bingo night will be on 7Dec16 and the time is 1615. The VA staff would like magazine donations for use at the Hospital. Please bring magazines to the meetings with your name erased from the covers and Pete will transport them to the VA on bingo night.
2. The next flag raising at Wake Forest Town Hall will be on 3Apr2017 at 1100 hours. This will be for Jim Steffens, one of our members and an Iwo Jima Marine.
3. The USO at RDU is desperate for snack items to feed the many Marines and other service members passing through the airport. Members are asked to bring in snack items to our meetings and Terry will deliver to the RDU USO.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Commemorative glasses purchased for the MC Birthday Dinner are available, one per attendee tonight, for free. If anyone desires additional glasses, they are available at \$3.00 per.
2. Commandant Lambert discussed the current push to place flags on White Street on various holidays such as Memorial Day, 4th of July and Veterans Day. There is a committee formed to present the idea to the Town of Wake Forest and obtain approval to do so. There is some discussion on how and where to place the flags. The committee is seeking approval from various service organizations for the concept. The Detachment voted to give that approval and Commandant Lambert will forward a letter to that effect.

K. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

1. After the close of the meeting we read the MC Birthday letters from Commandant Lejeune and Commandant Neller and cut a birthday cake. First pieces went to George Cattelona and John Phipps.
2. Bill Brown won the 50/50 raffle and Debra Bonner won the attendance raffle which stood at \$275.00.

Commandant Lambert closed the meeting at approximately 2000 hours.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 13Dec2016 at 1800 at the Legion Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Kemeny
Adjutant