

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE OUTER BANKS DETACHMENT

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From: Adjutant

To: Distribution List

Subj: MINUTES OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING FOR JULY 2018

Ref: (a) Marine Corps League National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures

(b) Marine Corps League Outer Banks Detachment Bylaws

Encl: (1) Detachment Muster Roll for July 2018

- (2) Detachment Operational Calendar
- (3) 2108 Summer Belk Charity Sale
- 1. In accordance with the references, a detachment general membership meeting was conducted on 17 July 2018 at the Kern Pitts Center, 5375 North Virginia Dare Trail, Southern Shores, North Carolina.
- 2. A roll-call of detachment members and staff members was conducted, with those in attendance at the meeting identified as "Present" in the remarks column at enclosure (1).
- 3. The meeting commenced at 1900 with Sergeant-at-Arms Wartenbee securing the quarters, presenting the national colors, leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance, and declaring the meeting open for the transaction of official business.
- 4. In the absence of our chaplain, Paymaster Diaz opened the meeting with a brief prayer.
- 5. Guest Speakers. None.
- 6. New Members. No new members were present at this evening's meeting, however since our last meeting two new members have joined our ranks. We welcome aboard our two newest members, Scott Bailey and Jimmie Beale.
- 7. Staff Reports.
 - (a) Commandant. N/A
 - (b) Senior Vice-Commandant. None.
 - (c) Junior Vice-Commandant. None.
 - (d) Judge Advocate. N/A
 - (e) <u>Junior Past-Commandant</u>. None.
- (f) <u>Adjutant</u>. Robert Yanacek reported that we have 48 members on the rolls at this time. Since our last meeting we have added two new members and our percentage of those who are current in their dues has increased slightly to 93.8-percent.
 - (g) Chaplain. N/A

- (h) <u>Paymaster</u>. Jorge Diaz briefed his financial report, including a detailed list of all income and expenditures since our last meeting as well as the detachment's current account balance. Jorge's written financial report was examined, discussed, and accepted.
- (i) <u>Quartermaster</u>. Dennis Thompson reported that the detachment has most sizes of polo shirts and jackets currently in stock and available for purchase. Polo shirts are available at a cost of \$23 each, along with nylon jackets in the size of M to XL. Nylon jackets in sizes 2XL through 4XL are available at a cost of \$27.
- (j) <u>Sergeant-at-Arms</u>. Mike Wartenbee reported that he attended the Department of North Carolina convention in Winston-Salem from 29 June through 1 July 2018. He had a good time at the meeting and has a number of items that he will brief later in the meeting.

8. Old Business

- (a) <u>Awards Presentation</u>. Sergeant-at-Arms Wartenbee presented to the detachment a number of awards that he accepted on behalf of the detachment at the recent convention he attended in Winston-Salem. These awards included certificates of recognition for both our website and Facebook pages, and an "Attendance" streamer for our participation in this years departmental meetings. In addition, the detachment also received our second Department Meritorious Unit Commendation for our efforts in assisting the family of Sophia Bettancourt last year. Accordingly, as this is a unit-level award, those members present on our rolls anytime from 23 June through 31 December 2017 are authorized to wear the Department Meritorious Unit Commendation.
- (b) <u>Recruiting and Retention</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that three members remain delinquent in their dues. All three have moved out of our area and will be dropped from the rolls in late-August and early-September unless their dues payment is received.
- (c) <u>Grants and Donations</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that the Walmart Foundation "Volunteerism Always Pays" grant for the second quarter of the fiscal year was approved on 28 June 2018 and that a check should be received prior to next month's meeting.
- (d) <u>Sickbay</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that member and Korean War veteran, John Dozier has moved to the Spring Arbor skilled-nursing facility in Kill Devil Hills. John's wife Betty has also moved there and is in an adjoining room. John has not been well over the past few months and this move will hopefully provide him and his wife with the round-the-clock medical attention they require. Junior Past-Commandant Draper added that he stopped by Spring Arbor earlier in the month and visited with the Doziers. and that they were thankful for his visit. In closing, he reminded everyone that skilled nursing facilities can be rather lonely places, and that it would be great for our members to occasionally stop by for a short visit.

(e) Marine in Need. None.

- (f) <u>Website and Marketing</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that our website and Facebook pages are upto-date, including photographs and news about recent events. Our Facebook page continues to be received quite well by the public and the number of those who follow our page has increased from 475 to 497 followers since our last month's meeting.
- (g) <u>Social Activity</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that on 3 July, nine members and one guest met for the free breakfast social offered to veterans at the Jolly Roger restaurant in Kill Devil Hills. He added that everyone in attendance enjoyed both the food and company. Next month's breakfast social will be on 7 August 2018 at 0900. All hands are invited and encouraged to attend.

- (h) <u>Administration</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that the Permanent Life Member (PLM) audit has been e-mailed to the detachment commandant and will need to be certified and submitted no later than 31 August 2018. In addition, in light of a number of members recently changing their address, a report of these changes has been submitted to the national headquarters.
 - (i) <u>Correspondence</u>. None.
- (j) <u>Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that construction work at our designated access on West Third Street has been completed. To get us off to a good start he visited the site on 9 July and performed a quick cleanup. Our cleanup activities will resume on Tuesday, 18 September 2018 at 1000. Any member available to assist is encouraged to participate in this effort.
- (k) <u>Calendar of Upcoming Events</u>. A calendar of upcoming events for this and for the three following thee months is provided at enclosure (2).
- (I) <u>Annual Dues Notices</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reminded all non-lifetime members that annual membership dues must be paid not later than 31 August 2018. Dues may be paid at any time before that date, and doing so would certainly assist our paymaster. A reminder was posted on our Facebook page on 9 July, and e-mail notices will be sent out within the next 30 days.
- (j) <u>President's Volunteer Service Award</u>. Adjutant Yanacek reported that one of our members has met the established criteria for the President's Volunteer Service Award for 2017 and that he recommended ordering the award presentation items as soon as possible. The presentation items consist of an official certificate, a congratulatory letter from he President of the United States, and either a commemorative lapel pin, coin, or a medallion. The cost for the awards package will be between \$6.25 and \$10.50 plus shipping and handling—depending on which commemorative item is chosen. Following a brief discussion it was decided to place the award order for the medallion package and make arrangement for the presentation event as soon as possible. The adjutant will take the necessary actions to effect the presentation of this award without undue delay.

9. New Business

- (a) <u>Summer Belk Charity Sale</u>. Adjutant Yanacek recently received notification that Belk is planning an unscheduled charity sale event this summer and to inquire as to our interest in participating. As this was an unscheduled event that will begin within the next few weeks, Commandant Hudson directed that a schedule be prepared with the hope that any members available to support this activity will participate. Accordingly a schedule has been established as detailed in enclosure (3). Ticket sales will commence on Saturday, 28 July and conclude on Sunday, 19 August. The date of the actual sale will be Saturday, 25 August from 0600 to 1000. This is an unforeseen opportunity for the detachment to raise additional funds and any support from our members would certainly be appreciated. Those wishing to assist us in this effort should contact the adjutant.
- (b) <u>Detachment Picnic</u>. Adjutant Yanacek opened a discussion to gauge if there was any interest in holding a detachment picnic following our tourist season. Those present were supportive to the idea of getting together to cook and eat some hot dogs and hamburgers, however no definitive decision was made. The adjutant will look into possible locations during the month of October and will brief this for a decision at our September meeting.
- (c) <u>Recommendation for Certificate of Appreciation</u>. Adjutant Yanacek recommended that the detachment award a Certificate of Appreciation to a local resident for his efforts in locating and returning a lost identification tag to its Marine veteran owner. The resident, Mike Manning, found the dog tag at the Lowes in Kill Devil Hills and contacted the detachment in the hopes of locating its owner. Following a

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posting on our Facebook page, the Chief Operating Officer of the Marine Corps League was able to locate ts owner in Lynchburg, Virginia, contact him, and effect the return of this lost item. All present supported recognizing Mister Manning and tentative plans to present him with the certificate at our next breakfast social on 7 August were made. The adjutant will take action necessary to prepare the certificate and coordinate the presentation with Mister Manning.

- (d) Department of North Carolina Fundraising Initiatives. Sergeant-at-Arms Wartenbee briefed the membership on two Department of North Carolina fundraising initiatives. The first is a raffle for a Ruger Precision 6.5mm Creedmore rifle with telescopic sight. He has raffle tickets for this rifle available at a cost of \$10 each. The drawing will be held at the next department meeting and only a limited number of tickets will be sold. The second initiative is a 2019 calendar that is being offered at a cost of \$30 each. Each of these calendars comes with a three-digit "lucky number." Should your calendar's "lucky number" be drawn on the North Carolina Lottery's "pick three" any time during the year, you win the amount displayed on the calendar for the day your number is selected. Cash prizes for each day range from \$35 to \$100. The detachment was provided with 25 of these calendars to sell. Those calendars that are not sold must be returned to the Department of North Carolina. Paymaster Diaz inquired as who was the beneficiary of the money that was raised through the sale of the calendars. Sergeant-at-Arms Wartenbee explained that as this was a department initiative, any amount raised would be retained by the department. This information brought up two significant issues. The first is the issue of raising money that would provide no direct benefit to the detachment, its members, or our community. The second concern was the fiscal accountability for the 25 calendars we received. Paymaster Diaz cautioned that any money collected either for the raffle or calendar sales should be independent of the detachment's fiscal chain. His point was well-taken and any sales of either item will be paid directly to the Department of North Carolina. Any members interested in purchasing either raffle tickets or a calendar may do so by contacting the sergeant-at-arms or adjutant.
- 10. Acting-chaplain Diaz closed the meeting with a prayer.
- 11. The meeting concluded at 1955 with Sergeant-at-Arms Wartenbee retiring the national colors and declaring the meeting closed until 14 August 2018, when the detachment's membership will reconvene for the transaction of official business.

Robert J. Yanacek

Robert J. Yanacek Adjutant

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DETACHMENT MUSTER ROLL FOR JULY 2018

Line	Name	Staff Billet	Remarks	
1.	Anderson, Stephen E.			
2.	Bailey, James S.			
3.	Beale Jr., James R.			
4.	Bowser, Oyoma R.	Junior Vice-Commandant	Present	
5.	Boyce Sr., Ronald A.			
6.	Clark, Craig T.		Present	
7.	Diaz, Jorge L.	Paymaster	Present	
8.	Dozier, Clare			
9.	Dozier, John J.			
10.	Draper, Frank D.	Junior Past-Commandant	Present	
11.	Faircloth, Steven E.			
12.	Fearing Jr., Zenas E.			
13.	Felder, Gary L.			
14.	Figura, John P.			
15.	Gibson, Ron G.			
16.	Gillis, Steven			
17.	Gregory, Timothy G.		Present	
18.	Hannon, W. Scott			
19.	Hudson, Daniel R.	Commandant		
20.	Hunley, Thomas M.		Present	
21.	Hurley, Thomas F.			
22.	Keating, Michael A.	Senior Vice-Commandant	Present	
23.	Laney, Russell E.	Judge Advocate		
24.	Lawrenson, Richard	Chaplain		
25.	Lotspeich, Cory B.			
26.	Mason, Ronald L.			
27.	McGrath, Kevin J.			
28.	Messinger Sr., Robert L.			
29.	Monroe, James S.			
30.	O'Brien, William W.			
31.	Owens, James W.			

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Line	Name	Staff Billet	Remarks
32.	Patrick, Joseph J.		
33.	Patrick, Susan S.		
34.	Pedersen, Martha E.		
35.	Riley III, Edward W.		
36.	Romano, Frederick R.		
37.	Russano, Frank G.		
38.	Scarborough, Christopher L.		
39.	Spivey, Elvin L.		
40.	Straub, Charles G.		
41.	Strauss, John O.		
42.	Sulik, Richard		
43.	Sulik, Shirley J.		
44.	Thompson, Dennis R.	Quartermaster	Present
45.	Thompson, Stephen D.		
46.	Walker, Carlos E.		
47.	Wartenbee, Michael W.	Sergeant-at-Arms	Present
48.	Yanacek, Robert J.	Adjutant	Present
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DETACHMENT OPERATIONAL CALENDAR





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2018 SUMMER BELK CHARITY SALE

Day	Date	Time	Volunteers				
Saturday	28 July 2018	1200-1400	Robert Yanacek	Dennis Thompson			
Sunday	29 July 2018	1400-1600	Dan Hudson	Mike Watrenbee			
Saturday	4 August 2018	1200-1400	Robert Yanacek	Dennis Thompson	Frank Draper	Mike Keating	
Sunday	5 August 2018	1400-1600	Jorge Diaz	Mike Watrenbee			
Sunday	12 August 2018	1400-1600	Jorge Diaz	Rick Lawrenson			
Saturday	18 August 2018	1200-1400	Robert Yanacek	Dennis Thompson			
Sunday	19 August 2018	1400-1600	Dan Hudson	Mike Watrenbee	Robert Yanacek		
Caturday	25 August 2018	0600-0800	Robert Yanacek	Dennis Thompson			
Saturday		0800-1000	Robert Yanacek	Dennis Thompson	Mike Keating		