



SEMPER PARATUS

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
OUTER BANKS DETACHMENT #1264
THE KERN PITTS CENTER**

Minutes of the detachment meeting on 13 March 2012 held at the Kern Pitts Center, Southern Shores, NC

In Attendance were:

Dean Tyler	Commandant
Pat Riley	Adjutant
Doug Wendling	PIO
John Jumet	
Dale Draper	
Dennis Thompson	
Bob Messinger	Paymaster
Kevin Wescott	Sergeant-at-Arms/Eagle Scout Recognition Officer
Steve Gillis	
Tim Gregory	
Elizabeth Wendling	

The meeting was opened by Commandant Tyler requesting Sergeant-At-Arms to secure the quarters, post the colors, and lead us in Pledge of Allegiance and declare the meeting open for the transaction of official business.

At the direction of Commandant Tyler, Doug Wendling (acting in the absence of the Chaplain) opened the meeting with a prayer.

There was one new member sworn in. Steve Gillis was sworn in as a new Detachment member and introduced to and welcomed by the membership.

Old Business:

Adjutant Pat Riley reported that the minutes of the February meeting had been submitted and were posted on the Detachment website.

Paymaster Bob Messinger's report included the status of Detachment dues (both current and delinquent) in summary. He read a draft of a letter to be sent to all delinquent members to determine if they wish to continue membership before any further action is taken. The Detachment will assist the member if there are temporary financial difficulties. There was a lengthy discussion and it was agreed to proceed with the letter. Detachment financial data is available to any member at any time.

There was a discussion dealing with a policy on Detachment donations. Pat Riley reported on the web site charitynavigator.org which evaluates and rates veteran and troop related charities. A lengthy discussion on Detachment donation policy resulted in the following policy statement. "With the exception of our current donation commitment, the Detachment will restrict donations to needs in the immediate area." Each future recipient will be thoroughly vetted before the Detachment commits to the donation.

New Business:

Bob Messinger showed an emblem display box which he had made and suggested that he could make them for the Detachment to sell as a fund raiser. The matter was discussed and taken under advisement.

There was a discussion of participation in the Saint Patrick's Day parade on 18 March. The Detachment members participating will meet at Staples parking lot at 1100. The Detachment will be number 5 element in the parade.

There was a discussion of the upcoming Belk charity sale and Detachment participation. The Detachment membership was encouraged to volunteer for the duty roster at Belk between now and the Sale date. This event has the best fund raiser for the Detachment in the past and should be in the future.

Commandant Tyler announced that Detachment member Gary Felder from Hatteras has been diagnosed with colon cancer.

Commandant Tyler mentioned the upcoming “Welcome Home Viet Nam Vets” event in Charlotte on 31 March.

Dale Draper mentioned a newspaper article about Dare County appointing a Veterans Adviser. He will investigate the significance of the position.

Commandant Tyler announced that he would be unable to attend the Spring Quarterly Meeting in Cherry Point.

Commandant Tyler recognized Elizabeth Wendling’s Birthday Anniversary.

Commandant Tyler stated that if there is no further business, we will proceed to close.

The Detachment was requested to stand in silent respect for all Marines who have answered The Supreme Commandant’s call to Detachment Everlasting.

Commandant Tyler requested the Chaplain lead the Detachment in closing prayer

Commandant Tyler requested the Sergeant-At-Arms to declare the meeting officially closed.

Sergeant-At-Arms by authority of the Commandant declared this meeting officially closed until 10 April 2012 when it will be reopened for the transaction of official business.