

# First State Detachment Marine Corps League

## Minutes of Monthly Membership Meeting

### Wednesday, 9/26/2018

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#### Roll call of Officers:

All Present except Commandant DelPiano, who is recovering from surgery, and JVC Rick Poundsberry.

#### Special Announcements:

Members Birthdays: Happy Birthday to Jack Watson and Jack White.

#### Report of Officers:

SVC -- No Report

JVC – Absent

JA – Mentioned the report given by DE Dept SVC Frank Mathers, you are now allowed to wear The Marine Of The Year Ribbon with Undress Uniform. New is the ruling that for funerals, no ribbons, medals or nametags are to be worn. Red Detachment MCL fore/aft cap are only MCL cap top be worn during funeral services. Youth Fitness requirements are being changed. Chapter 9 cases are being adjudicated at the lowest level possible. The Marine Corps League National Library is a great source of information, it has everything. Its address is: [mcleaguelibrary.org](http://mcleaguelibrary.org) He recommended that Marines Bill Davis and Jack Carey should be memorialized in the upcoming Journal. Also mentioned since Bill is gone we have not participated in North side Park activities.

Adjutant – No Report

Paymaster—Received a Thank You note from the Bettencourt Family for her daughter's head injury. He received another request from Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro. In the past we sent \$150. A letter from Four Steps requesting a donation. \$100.00 was approved by the committee. Sent out 37 Dues Notices, received 21, 19 were processed and sent on to National HQ. 2 declined to pay, 1 due to ill health the other for financial reasons. \$100 was sent to Worcester County Veterans Memorial Fund. John P. Kay fund OKed for \$250 and another \$250 for Jack Carey TFT. Sami read his financial report, which was accepted. \$551 was received at Jeep Week. The request from Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro was approved for \$150.

SAA—No Report

Web Sgt—Be alert for scammers.

Quartermaster – Has some pins from a variety of units. Check them out, they are free.

Chaplain – Dave Cahn is doing well nothing needed. Paul Peterson wife is still having problems. Frank DelPiano is home recovering from a hip operation. Hank Albert's wife, Georgia, is in rehab. Al Kessler is coming along ok; he is doing a little more driving.

Detachment Guidebook—Is up to date

Toys For Tots: Lists have been distributed. Collection boxes have arrived. We received \$3600 from the foundation and \$3000 at Christmas in July. Boxes will be placed Nov. 1.

Marine Corps Birthday Ball:

Pocomoke Color Guard will be there. Detachment members are free, guests and others \$40.

Youth Physical Fitness: --There are changes pending, details at a later date.

Convention Center:

Volunteers are needed for the Home & Condo Show to be held 10/27-10/28 from 10—5 both days. Sign up sheet is available.

Marine Resources: --Changes Pending

Finance: --No Report

Old Business

We raised \$551 in 3 days at Jeep Week. Money raised will go to “HOMES FOR THE TROOPS”.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Engineer reunion is to be at the Flagship Hotel on 10/2 evening. All are welcome. At 1800.

Good Of the League

Marine Jack Rine gave an inspiring demonstration of a self-defense item, The Tac-Pen.

Journal—Ads are now being solicited. To be printed and distributed at the Ball.

Web Sgt--Department Meeting October 20 in Dover. The Mid-Winter 2/28 -- 3/2 in Fredericks, VA. Also, keep track of your recruiting efforts. Death notice forms as well as others need to be completed accurately. The National By laws are being perused and modified which will affect our detachment. Scholarships are not awarded because the forms are not completed properly. Proper uniforms are necessary for photos to be included in “Simpler If”. Marine of the Year medallion can be worn with the white shirt and blue or black trousers.

Due to the diligence of our paymaster, Sami, the National with a banner has recognized us for keeping up with our records.

Bob Broderick is working with a group to raise funds in Milwaukee, WI help with a food bank for homeless vets. Our detachment will donate \$100.

We still have Challenge Coins and Tee Shirts for sale. Marine Mathers reported that the Marine Corps is concerned about unauthorized use of the EGA . Be aware this symbol is copy written material. Permission must be obtained before use.

There was a painting donated at the August meeting which has disappeared.

There was some discussion of the disappointing “Seas the Day” activity.

The next meeting will be held at the O. C. American Legion on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1200.

SAA retired the colors; the Chaplain led us in prayer. Meeting Ended.

Respectfully submitted,

*John Sushinsky*, Adjutant.