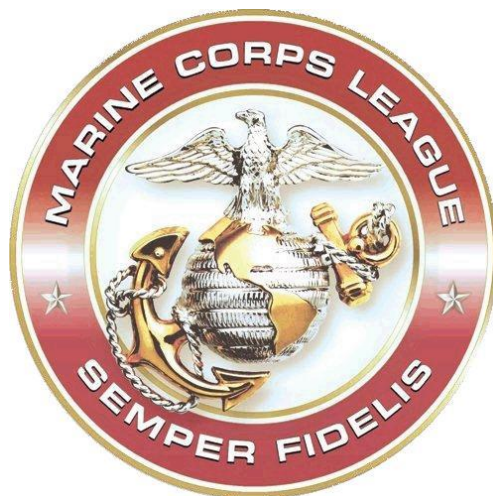


Marine Corps League **Department of North Carolina**



Fall Membership Meeting Minutes **8 September 2018**

Hosted by: North West District
Host DVC: Chuck Wright

Presided by: Commandant Jeffrey Jones
Department of North Carolina
Marine Corps League

Meeting start time: 0930

Meeting Location: Quality Inn & Suites University, Boone

Host Contact: Chuck Wright or John Dilday

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1. Opening Remarks by Dept. Commandant Jeffrey Jones

- Meeting called to order - 0930
- Post Colors –
- Pledge of Allegiance – Sgt-at-Arms – Ralph Farthing
- Open Bible and Invocation – Chaplain Bill Boyd [Uncover]
- This Meeting dedicated to all Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains, and Associates that have received PCS Orders to stand guard at the entrance to the Supreme Commandants residence

2. Recognition of other Guests by the Host Detachment

- Thanks, and remarks to Host Detachment: Northwest District
- DVC Chuck Wright

3. Guest Speaker

- Ashley Danielson, Executive Director, Carolina Museum of the Marine with her husband James Danielson, Major, USMC, and SgtMaj Joe Houle are working to get this museum done. She has been with the museum for two years. She hopes to break ground in 2020 and hopes to open the fall of 2021. This museum will tell the ‘sea stories’ for you and tell them in a different way. The National Museum does a great job at what it does. The ‘Marine experience’ with technology to bring it to life; like a Disney experience, only better. They are fundraising as a group to create this. It has been 19 years in the making – now is the time. General Al Gray is now on the Board of Directors along with 10 flag officers who are helping to make it happen. The website is under construction; when finished, you will be able to donate online. If a corporation would like to help, please have them get in contact with her.

4. Recognition of National Officers & National Marines of the Year

- National Marine of the Year 2018 – Jeffrey Jones
- Mideast Division Vice Commandant – Bruce Rakfeldt
- Mideast Division Marine of the Year 2018 – Rick Thomason
- National & MED Boy Scouts Committee & MED Sgt at Arms - Charles Minton
- National Youth Physical Fitness Chairman - Devell (Bull) Durham
- M.O.D.D. Kennel Dog of the Year 2018 – Rick Thomason
- National Assistant Sgt At Arms – Ken Parker
- National Assistant Sgt At Arms – Rick Thomason
- National Historian – Greg Ciesielski

5. Recognition of the Department Marine/Woman of the Year

- 2018 Department Marine of the Year – Glenn Perkins (Gen Raymond G Davis Det #1162)
- 2017 Department Woman of the Year – Gwen Perkins (Gen Raymond G Davis Det #1162)
- Ask all past MOY & WOY Recipients to stand and be recognized

6. Recognition of Past Department Commandants

- Jr. Past Department Commandant Charles Minton
- Ask all the Past Department Commandants to stand and be recognized.

7. Recognition of Guests with Invitation to address the membership

- Mideast Division National Vice Commandant Bruce Rakfeldt – Mideast has earned a lot of accolades. Every division is up in membership. North Carolina had over 30 members at National. Transmittals and dues – as of July 1st only the new database is being used so this quarter is late due to this change. National hopes to go live January 1, 2019. This online database will allow the member to log in for contact information updates. The Department Paymaster will have more access to data. Modern Day Marine is coming up September 24-27; go if you can.
- MODD NC Pack Worthy Pack Leader –PDD Charles Minton – there were 25 dogs from North Carolina advancing at National. Wants to have a winter growl in January as there will be quite a while between the membership meetings. Looking at creating a new pound in Winston-Salem/Greensboro area.

8. Roll Call of Department Officers

(By the Adjutant– “When called, each Officer shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

- Commandant – Jeffrey Jones
- Sr. Vice Commandant – Rick Thomason
- Jr. Vice Commandant – Keith Shearin
- Judge Advocate – Denny Mathias
- Jr. Past Commandant – Charles Minton
- Aide-De-Camp- John Dilday
- Chaplain – Bill Boyd
- Assistant Chaplain – Jason Hall
- Sgt.-at-Arms - Ralph Farthing
- Paymaster – Randal Rempfer

- Assistant Paymaster – Lori King (absent)
- Young Marines Service Officer – Ryan Siemer (absent)
- Assistant Young Marines Service Officer – Ralph Farthing
- Toys For Tots Coordinator– Larry Hill (absent)
- VAVS Service Officer – Ken Parker
- Legislative Officer – Phil Randall
- Assistant Legislative Officer – Thomas Bates (absent)
- Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
- Eagle Scout Coordinator – Charles Minton
- Marine For Life Liaison – Todd Abbott
- Adjutant – Laura Hamilton
- Web Sergeant – Robbie Savage
- Public Relations – Tim Manchester
- Assistant Adjutant– VACANT
- Historian - Greg Ciesielski
- Chapel of Four Chaplains – Jeremy Barton

9. District Vice Commandants

(By the Adjutant – “When called, each DVC shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

A. NC West DVC’s

- West District – Ric Ledford
- Northwest District – Chuck Wright
- Midwest District – Glenn Perkins
- Northcentral District –Chuck Stotz
- Central District – John Dilday
- Southcentral – Denny Mathias

B. NC East DVC’s

- North District – John Staley (absent)
- Northeast District – Mike Black
- South District – Howard Boyd
- Southeast District – Lee Walker
- East District – Steve Tracy

10. Roll Call of Detachments

(By the Adjutant – “The senior member of each Detachment shall rise, salute the Commandant, state their Detachment position and the number of members present to ensure a quorum is met.”)

1. John V. Berg Detachment #257 (Kinston) (absent)

2. Greater Greensboro Detachment #260 (Greensboro)
3. Onslow County Detachment #262 (Jacksonville)
4. Tar Heel Detachment #733 (Raleigh)
5. Charlotte Detachment #750 (Charlotte)
6. Blue Ridge Detachment #848 (Asheville)
7. Eno River Detachment #872 (Durham) (absent)
8. PFC Charles D. Hare Detachment #914 (Monroe) (absent)
9. Smoky Mountain Detachment #973 (Franklin) (absent)
10. Shawn Knisley Detachment #983 (Fayetteville) (absent)
11. Sand Hills Area Detachment #1001 (Aberdeen)
12. Paul Ray Purgason Detachment #1005 (Shallotte)
13. Cherokee County Detachment #1011 (Murphy) (absent)
14. Stanly County Detachment #1021 (Albemarle) (absent)
15. Carolina Boarders Detachment #1036 (Calabash) (absent)
16. Cherry Point Detachment #1067 (Havelock)
17. Cape Fear Detachment #1070 (Wilmington)
18. Percy John Fulton Detachment #1075 (Winston-Salem)
19. Gen. A Hal Turnage Detachment #1096 (Salisbury)
20. Iredell County Detachment #1097 (Troutman)
21. Gen. Raymond G. Davis Detachment #1162 (Gastonia)
22. Catawba Valley Detachment #1163 (Hickory)
23. NC Foothills Detachment #1164 (Shelby) (absent)
24. Cpl. Johnny A. Williamson Detachment #1165 (Asheboro) (absent)
25. Cabarrus Detachment #1175 (Concord) (absent)
26. Sgt WE Plueddemann Detachment #1186 (Greenville) (absent)
27. Brushy Mountain Detachment #1187 (North Wilkesboro)
28. PFC. Terry C. Smith Detachment #1193 (High Point) (absent)
29. Table Rock Detachment #1197 (Morganton)
30. John E. Ferguson Detachment #1208 (Lenoir) (absent)
31. LCpl. Alan D. Lam Detachment #1209 (Burlington)
32. Cpl. Chris S. Ebert Detachment #1221 (Spindale) (absent)
33. Sgt. Doug Myers Detachment #1222 (Sylvia) (absent)
34. Sanford Detachment #1223 (Sanford) (absent)
35. PFC. Jerry L. McKinney Detachment #1232 (Wentworth)
36. Carry-On Detachment #1236 (Clayton)
37. PFC. Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 (Huntersville)
38. Richmond Leathernecks Detachment #1252 (Rockingham) (absent)
39. Air, Land, NC Detachment #1257 (Wake Forest)

40. Cpl. Suzi Sannes Detachment #1262 (Rocky Mount)
41. Outer Banks Detachment #1264 (Kitty Hawk)
42. Capt. Jeb F. Seagle Detachment #1265 (Lincolnton) (absent)
43. Mt. Mitchell Detachment #1266 (Spruce Pines)
44. Gold Leaf Detachment #1276 (Wilson)
45. Orange County Regulators Detachment #1292 (Hillsboro) (absent)
46. Walter Frank Osborne Jr. Detachment #1298 (Sparta)
47. Northwest Triad Detachment #1314 (Stokesdale) (absent)
48. Mountaineer Detachment #1320 (Watauga)
49. Hampstead Detachment #1321 (Pender) (absent)
50. Surry County Detachment #1322 (Surry)
51. Crossed Rifles Detachment #1346 (Harnett) (absent)
52. Waynesborough Detachment #1350 (Wayne)
53. High Country Detachment #1389 (Ashe)
54. Swansboro Detachment #1407 (Swansboro)
55. Oriental Dragon Detachment #1413 (Oriental)
56. Asheville Detachment #1417 (Asheville)

11. Adjutant's Report

("The minutes from the Department Convention meeting are 60 pages long. These were sent out via email to all Detachments. These are available for downloading from the Department Website. In the interest of time, I would like to request waiving the reading of the minutes and will gladly accept any corrections you may have concerning them.")

- The most current version of the minutes is posted on the website.
- The Detachment Quarterly Reports attached to the email announcements for the Quarterly meetings are the most up-to-date versions to be completed. Please do not use older versions as information may have changed from the last version sent.
- If you would like to emails from me directly, besides through your detachment commandant or adjutant, please get me your Name, Email, Detachment #, and Phone # so I can add you to my email group.
- Detachment commandants and adjutants – if you are not getting my emails please check your spam filter and make sure the addresses are in your contact list to come through. The alternative email address has changed to doncmcla@gmail.com with the primary remaining as adjutant@ncmcl.org .
- Please make sure a copy of your latest ROI is sent to the Adjutant as well as the Paymaster (who gets the original signed hardcopy).

- An Excel spreadsheet titled “2018 DoNC Officer Quick Reference DDDD” has been sent out to all detachments. Please make sure this is shared with all of your detachment members. It will be updated on occasion with a new dated version to be sent out.

Commandant Jones, asks for a motion to waive reading of the minutes

Ralph Farthing Made the motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes.

James Cox seconded the motion. Approved by members present.

12. Paymaster’s Report – Randal Rempfer

- Give financial update [Current Budget and Current Expenditures DoNC]

Paymaster Report
06/01/2018 – 09/01/2018

- **Cash brought forward 05/31/2018**
 - Checking \$ 40,090.88
 - Money Market \$ 9,186.20
 - **Total** **\$49,277.08**

- **Cash paid out for the time period**
 - Checking \$ 2,187.66
 - Money Market \$0.00
 - **Total** **\$ 2,187.66**

- **Deposits made for the time period**
 - Checking \$ 3,273.72
 - Money Market \$ 0.46
 - **Total** **\$ 3,274.18**

- **Balance as of 09/01/2018**
 - Checking \$ 41,176.94
 - Money Market \$ 9,186.66
 - **Total** **\$ 50,363.60**

		<u>Jun 1 - Sep 1, 18</u>
Income		
Other Types of Income		
2019 Calendar Raffle		270.00
Combat Wounded Veteran Sign		439.45
Gun Raffle- Ruger Rifle		1,419.27
Miscellaneous Revenue		0.00
Total Other Types of Income		2,128.72
Program Income		
Membership Dues		1,145.00
Total Program Income		1,145.00
Total Income		3,273.72
Expense		
Meetings Expenses		
Host Detachment Allowance		200.00
Total Meetings Expenses		200.00
Other Types of Expenses		
Convention - Expense		242.66
Purchase Items for Fundraisers		1,945.00
Total Other Types of Expenses		2,187.66
Total Expense		2,387.66
Net Income		886.06

Ron Ambrose made the motion to accept the financial report subject to audit. Lee Walker seconded the motion. Approved by members present.

13. Chaplain's Report – Bill Boyd & Jason Hall

- Report of any member or member's family known to be sick or in distress.
- Report of deceased MCL member within the last quarter.

Chaplain's Report - June 1, 2018 - August 31, 2018								
NAME	NUMBER	PLM	DETACHMENT	DoD	RECEIVED	FILED		
Darryl L. Mabe	188197	48480	PFC Jerry L. McKinney Det. 1232	3/20/2018	6/9/2018	6/11/2018		
L Bethel Griffith	146465	18590	PFC Jerry L. McKinney Det. 1232	4/22/2018	6/9/2018	6/11/2018		
Dave Badgely	348747		Cabarrus Det. 1175	5/22/2018	6/9/2018	6/11/2018		
Jeffrey O. Corpening	350723		Asheville Det. 1417	5/29/2018	6/9/2018	6/11/2018		
Jerry L. Snyder	207831	46853	Greater Greensboro Det. 260	6/3/2018	6/9/2018	6/11/2018		
Kenneth M. Poteat	212389		Mt. Mitchell Det. 1266	6/10/2018	6/11/2018	6/12/2018		
James L. Weisenburger	23335	1655	Sandhills Det. 1001	6/3/2018	6/11/2018	6/12/2018		
Daniel W. Richards	331406		Cherry Point Det. 1067	6/7/2018	6/11/2018	6/12/2018		
Marshall E. Hurst	209257	46868	Richmond Leathernecks Det. 1252	6/2/2018	6/11/2018	6/12/2018		
Robert C. Lawrence	336466		Asheville Det. 1417	1/16/2018	6/11/2018	6/12/2018		
Marvin E. Wyatt Jr.	191185	51081	General Raymond E. Davis Det. 1162	5/25/2018	6/15/2018	6/15/2018		
Jerry W. Jones Sr.	181018		Gold Leaf Det. 1276	6/15/2018	6/21/2018	6/22/2018		
William C. Carlson	121483		Gold Leaf Det. 1276	6/15/2018	6/21/2018	6/22/2018		
George F. Meyer	16666	6717	Onslow County Det. 262	6/11/2018	6/23/2018	6/23/2018		
George Richardson	X343977		Mt. Mitchell Det. 1266	5/18/2017	7/15/2018	7/15/2018		
Philip N. Henline	212397		Mt. Mitchell Det. 1266	7/15/2018	7/19/2018	7/19/2018		
John E. Hess	149769	47568	Sandhills Det. 1001	7/23/2018	7/27/2018	7/27/2018		
James T. Brennan	159301	36245	Charlotte Det. 750	7/19/2018	7/30/2018	7/30/2018		
George Greene	199073	45039	Tablerock Det. 1197	7/30/2018	8/10/2018	8/10/2018		
Donald E. Warfield	196855	44486	Brushy Mountain Det. 1187	7/30/2018	8/14/2018	8/14/2018		
Sergej Jakovenko Sr.	124980	18042	Carolina Borders Det. 1036	7/14/2018	8/15/2018	8/15/2018		
William S. Parks	115254		Blue Ridge Det. 848	8/1/2018	8/26/2018	8/26/2018		

- Please pause for a moment of silence for our fallen Marines.
- Bill Boyd commended Jason on a job well done.

14. **D.V.C.'s - Report of Officers** – Each DVC will be given 3 minutes to give their reports on events and happenings within their District during the quarter.

A. NC West DVC's

- West District – Ric Ledford – gave report
- Northwest District – Chuck Wright – gave report
- Midwest District – Glenn Perkins – gave report
- Northcentral District – Chuck Stotz
 - To begin this year I decided to hold an officer meeting with each detachment to discuss goals for the coming year and to identify possible areas where we can work together to improve our Detachments. We have set a minimal goal of 2 new members per detachment for this year totaling 14. I am pleased to report that the goal might be a little low for we have already achieved 29 new members since the Department Convention and this is with only 4 Detachments reporting.
 - In these officer meetings a concern was mentioned that one problem we face is current member involvement. How do we reinvigorate our current

members to attend meetings and participate in Detachment activities. I plan to work on ideas to enhance participation and would ask any of the detachments present to offer suggestions on how they fire up current membership.

- I have also visited all the Detachments in the NorthCentral District where I was able to sell all of the rifle raffle tickets assigned to me and some of the calendars. I plan to meet with each detachment one more time before December 31st in hopes to sell more calendars.
- As always the Detachments in the NorthCentral District continue to support our Marines and their families, ROTC units, the various area VA facilities and the veterans within, the homeless and varied local and regional charities with both volunteer time and funds raised by the member's efforts.
- Central District – John Dilday gave following report:

The quarter between the Department Meeting has not been as active in the Central District but it can be said that each of the five Detachments are really gearing up for the upcoming Toys For Tots Drive and are putting every thing place to make it a very successfull event. They are also putting together plans for the 2018 Marine Birthday Ball. Each Detachment is continuing to work on membership and it is a priority as the membership age average is continuing to rise. Emphasize on actively participating in community events to put the League name out is very evident at each Detachment. Participating in chamber of commerce events, fund raisers, roadside trash pickup and the Eagle Scouting Recognition continue to be the focus of each of the Detachments.

The Central Division Detachments are still some of the smallest in numbers but they all have heart and it is a pleasure to be an active part of them.

- Southcentral – Denny Mathias gave the following report:

Detachment #	Total Reg & Assoc mbrs	Total unpaid mbrs	Total % unpaid
750	Charlotte 81 9	10.0% *	
914	PFC C D Hare 16 0	0.0% *	
1021	Stanly Co 43 3	6.5% *	
1175	Cabarrus (No Report; Used last report data)	43 0	0.0%
1242	PFC B Larson 43 1	2.3% *	

- Total unpaid member percentage for this District:
- District Total 226 13 5.4 %
- How many Detachments are in your District? 5
- How many of these Detachments were represented at the last Department meeting? 3
- What percentage of your District Detachments were represented at the last Department meeting (The Department goal is 70% or better)? 60%
- What Detachments in your District have 19, or less, total members? 1
- What are you doing to assist these Detachments to gain a total membership of 20 or more members?
- The PFC Charles D Hare Detachment 914 in Monroe is maintaining. I am working with them to develop a sense of pride in the detachment that would be prevalent when prospective members attend. This includes having a

published agenda, members wearing League covers, and working with the commandant to maintain an orderly meeting.

- What Detachments in your District have 14, or less, total members? 0
- Suggestions for the 'Good of the League' as a result of your DVC activities:
- This repeats the last report but I will continue to emphasize the need for at least one elected officer attend each Department meeting and that all elected officers attend at least one Department meeting each year. I will put forth for the next election cycle that my detachments request a commitment from each elected position to the above when they accept to be nominated. I recommend that the Department requests that all detachments make those commitments. A discussion should be had at the next staff meeting whether this should be a policy to be added to the Department Bylaws.
- Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why:
- The PFC Charles D Hare Detachment in Monroe has already started their Toys for Tots program by putting out 3 boxes already. They intend to top last year's numbers. As small as their detachment is in numbers, their heart has demonstrated among the largest.
- All the detachments participate in community events and have found their niches, building on their own successes. I am proud to represent the Department when attending their meetings and am always warmly welcomed.

B. NC East DVC's

- North District – John Staley (absent)
- Northeast District – Mike Black - gave report
- South District – Howard Boyd gave the following report:
 - Detachment # Total Reg & Assoc mbrs Total unpaid mbrs Total % unpaid
 - 1005 Paul Ray Purgason 24 2 8.33%
 - 1036 Carolina Borders 34 3 8.82%
 - 1070 Cape Fear 92 7 7.61%
 - 1321 Hampstead 65 11 16.92%
 - Total unpaid member percentage for this District:
 - District Total 215 23 10.69%
 - How many Detachments are in your District? 4
 - How many of these Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? 1
 - What percentage of your District Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting (The Department goal is 70% or better)? 25%
 - What Detachments in your District have 19, or less, total members? 0
 - What Detachments in your District have 14, or less, total members? 0
 - Suggestions for the 'Good of the League' as a result of your DVC activities:
 - The detachments that are maintaining or increasing membership are very active in their communities. The exposure puts them in a favorable light to prospective members.
 - Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why:

- Cape Fear 1070. See special recognition report submitted at the Annual Meeting in June 2018.
- Southeast District – Lee Walker – gave report
- East District – Steve Tracy - gave report

15. Commandant's Report – Jeffrey Jones

- Report on activities during last quarter
 - Good morning Marines. I would like to start off by saying it has truly been my Honor to serve as your Department Commandant. I am still working on the house. We are starting to really make some progress now. I am hoping that we will be in by the first of the year. When I get in the house I can continue to make my way around the state. Since the Department Convention, I have attended 6 Detachment meetings 5 of which were 1st time visits for this year. As your Commandant I have represented the Department at 13 events and have traveled a total of 3,169 miles. One of my visits was the National Convention in Buffalo, NY. The Department was well represented. We had 37 Marines from around the state who attended.
 - Myself and Rick Thomason attended an event with Secretary Hall when they unveiled the latest Department of Military & Veterans Affairs Resource Guide. We kinda got some kidding about this issue as everybody said it was a Marine Corps Recruiting brochure.
 - Yesterday I attended the Charter signing and Officer Installation of the Tarheel Unit # 733 of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary. If you have the opportunity to start an Auxiliary Unit in your area please move forward. It is just one more opportunity to get the Marine Corps League out in the Community. They are not here to compete against you, they have their own programs and mission.
 - I was contacted last week from Bob Borka stating that we were in violation of the Marine Corps Trademark law. It seems when we designed our Marine Corps League License Plate we did not get approval from the U.S.M.C. Authorization has been achieved, as of Thursday we are now compliant with the Law.
 - I am here to serve you. If you have any problems, please use the chain of Command. Start with your Detachment Commandant, then your District Vice Commandant. If neither of them can rectify your problem please get in touch with me. We will get it resolved.
 - Marines the Department of North Carolina is in Great shape. I appreciate everything you do.
- It is election time – DO NOT wear any Marine Corps League clothes at an event.
- Detachment 733 Auxiliary is the second unit in North Carolina.

16. Report of Staff Officers

- Sr. Vice Commandant – Rick Thomason
 - The Summer months are almost behind us and the fall is rapidly approaching. Since we last met in June at the DoNC Convention, I have represented the Department of North Carolina Marine Corps League at multiple venues.
 - Attended four Detachment Meetings.
 - Attended one “Growl” of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs.
 - Sold 125 raffle tickets for the Ruger Precision 6.5 Creedmoor.
 - Continued to distribute Veteran parking signs across the state. 300 printed to date.
 - The DoNC Commandant and I attended the retirement ceremony of SgtMaj. Jonathan Clark at Camp LeJeune.
 - John Dilday, John Staley, Bill Brown and I met with Col. Meredith, Co of the WWBn East, to discuss donations and what the DoNC and its detachments could do for them.
 - The DoNC Commandant and I met with Secretary Hall at the National Guard Complex in Raleigh to unveil the new DMVA resource Guide.
 - Attended the MCL National Convention and MODD Supreme Growl in Buffalo, N.Y.
 - Since taking office in June, I have covered 4,451 miles representing the DoNC MCL. It is my intent to continue representing the DoNC at your Detachment meetings and League events. Keep me informed and have your Adjutant add me to your email distribution lists.

- Jr. Vice Commandant – Keith Shearin
 - Since being elected to the position of Jr Vice Commandant of the Department I have visited 15 detachments totaling 113 hours on the road covering 4032 miles. I also attended the 2018 National Convention in Buffalo, NY along with the other members from the Department of North Carolina. It was nice to see that our Department needed 3 and a half tables at the Banquet, and our Commandant was honored and National Marine of the Year and our Sr. Vice was recognized as the M.O.D.D. Kennel Dog of the Year.
 - The majority of the detachments that I have visited seem to be active and motivated. Most are preparing for the upcoming Marine Corps Birthday or beginning to gear up for the Toys for Tots campaigns in their area.
 - The main objective that I am trying to encourage and challenge detachments to do is what I labeled the “Plant the Seed Campaign”. I have spoken with SgtMaj Anderson of RS Raleigh who is over the recruiters covering the majority of the state and Maj. Kemp who is the OIC of the Marine for Life program and both are on board with my plan. I have also spoken with the National Jr Vice Commandant, Johnny Baker who is very interested in this program and wants to see how well it works for our Department to see if it can be expanded League wide.

- The plan is for local detachment to team with the local recruiter covering their community; this may mean teaming with other detachments since recruiters are sometimes responsible for large geographic areas. Most RSS have poolee functions on the first Saturday of each month. Have 1 or 2 members from the detachment attend the poolee meeting and just introduce the future Marines and give them a brief idea of what the Marine Corps League is and does.
- The detachment meeting prior to a poolee leaves for Boot Camp have that individual attend your meeting. This will allow them to begin to know the members of the detachment and making a connection with the detachment. When the individual leaves for Boot Camp, have 1 or 2 members adopt that Marine and keep up with his progression to becoming a Marine by writing them letters 2 or 3 times while in Boot Camp. When the individual graduates, invite them back to the detachment and let them tell you all about their experience. If they are not home when you meet, then have a few members taken them to lunch, this is the time you make them an Honorary Active Duty member of the detachment.
- The hope of this program is to connect with the younger generation of Marines separating from active duty and hopefully bring them into the league as regular members.
- The Department Calendar fundraiser is going well; I have received 41 cards that have been entered into the spreadsheet. Please get the cards to me as soon as possible so that I can have them entered, instead of being bombarded on December 31st with 950 cards to enter. Let the individuals know, the numbers will be checked on Sunday morning for the previous week and winners information will be forwarded to the Dept. Paymaster for payments mailed early in the week. The only potential delay in payments will be the very first week, due to the fact I will be out of the country until January 6th with my wife. This should only delay payments by 1 or 2 days.
- Judge Advocate – Denny Mathias
 - In addition to the required duties of the Judge Advocate as defined in the Department bylaws, I have been working on getting the department and detachments' bylaws updated. My action items include:
 - National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures – The NB and NAP were presented and approved as posted on the National website. Of the 29 proposed amendments, 13 were approved and have been incorporated in the upcoming posting of the NB and NAP. They are being edited to 1) remove the drafter's notes that described the changes in each of the sections, 2) change them as per approved amendments, 3) add the requisite pages that precede the documents, 4) add the unchanged enclosures, 5) create a hyper-linked Table of Contents to both documents, and 6) obtain proper signatures. They will be posted as 2 separate documents, not as one as in the past, hopefully, by September 15. After that initial posting, an index will be created for each document, with hyper-linked words and phrases. The index

can be used when you do not know where an issue might be located in either document. The indexed version should be posted within 45 days of the initial posting. One of the changes was that the National Board of Trustees will now be required to make BoT meeting minutes available to the members. Noting the time and place of the meeting, who attended, what was discussed, what actions were approved, and what was the vote (numbers only) of any actions approved or rejected, will be disseminated from the recording secretary to the Divisions to the Departments to the Detachments to the members.

- Department Bylaws Rewrite – The Department bylaws have been updated but not posted on the website yet. I am waiting for the National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures to be posted. I will then revise the Department bylaws to reference the newly-numbered section of the National documents and then acquire appropriate Department officers' signatures and submit the bylaws for approval by the National JA. Once approved, I will have them posted on the Department website.
- Bylaws Hard & Soft Copy – After posting of the Department Bylaws on our website, I will notify all detachments to review their bylaws for compliance and proper Department and National references. In preparation for that process, I recommend that all detachments put their hands on an editable version of their bylaws, in either MS Word or WordPerfect format.
- I will also prepare a model set of bylaws that, should a detachment elect to use instead of modifying their own, are compliant and can easily be customized for the detachment. I will include a checklist of National and Department Bylaw changes for the detachment and links to both the Secretary of State's and IRS's website to bring awareness to any differences in names and addresses with their bylaws.
- These changes will take time on each detachments' part and my part in reviewing up to 54 detachments' changes. I will be as expeditious as possible.
- The National Database has been converted to the new system and Headquarters is entering the dues payments in it. The new system has been tested in a small division. The Commandant intends to have all detachments using the new system by the end of the year. Training 10 divisions, 50 departments, and 1,038 detachments officers to use the system to perform their duties will take time before training the 64,000+ members.
- For fiscal year 2018 there have been no departmental grievance hearings. It is admirable to see that the detachments are addressing issues that arise within their own detachments. I commend our detachments' leadership. National Bylaws changes adopted as presented. Baker is working on the final format to be published on the website.
 - Board of Trustee meeting minutes will be emailed for all meetings. There are 12 meetings per year.
 - Jeffrey Jones stated the MOY medallion may be worn with any uniform type but not with a polo shirt nor with the MODD dog collar.

17. **Recess of the DoNC Membership Meeting morning session**

- Chaplin to close Bible
- Sgt-at-Arms to announce that the meeting will reconvene at 1300.

Recess for lunch at 1122 - Reconvene at 1300

18. **Reconvene the DoNC Membership Meeting afternoon session**

- Sgt-at-Arms to bring meeting to order
- Chaplain to open the Bible

19. **Class / Presentation**

- Paymaster Class 1300-1345 – Randal Rempfer
 - Powerpoint presentation was emailed to the Department which was shown during the class.
 - Notice of Death form to be put on the DoNC website as a fillable document and an auto-submit through the website.
- Chapel of Four Chaplains presentation 1345-1415 – Jeremy Barton, Mid-Atlantic Regional Director
 - Powerpoint presentation was emailed to the Department which was shown during the class.

At 1346 a 10-minute recess

20. **Report of Project Leaders**

(3-5 minutes)

- Commandant Jones asked the members if they wanted to shorten the meeting by giving the DoNC awards to the DVCs for presentation. The consensus was to do this.
- Eagle Scout Program – Charles Minton – North Carolina is #5 again. The National Committee decided to continue to only recognize the Boy Scout Eagle. The Girl Scout Gold will continue to be through the Auxiliary only.

21. **Report of Staff Officers continued....**

- Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
 - All submission of By-Laws are due by March 8, 2019.

- Aide-De-Camp – John Dilday
 - Discuss upcoming Membership meetings and host Detachments for them
 - Spring 2019 – LCpl Alan D Lam #1209, Burlington, April 5-6 at the Best Western
 - Convention 2019 – Onslow County Detachment #262, Jacksonville, June 7-9 at the Hilton Garden Center
 - Fall 2019 – Greater Greensboro Detachment #260, Greensboro
 - Spring 2020 – joint host Pfc Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 and Charlotte Detachment #750, Huntersville
 - Convention 2020 - Detachments Pfc Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 and Charlotte Detachment #750

22. **Report of Project Leaders**

(3-5 minutes)

- Toys For Tots – Larry Hill (absent)
- Marine For Life Liaison – Todd Abbott
 - This is a restart of the program. Tasked by CMC to help exiting Marines to find jobs to shrink unemployment payments. This will be a good thing as we help marines find a job; they will want to sign up.
- Young Marine Program – Ryan Siemer (absent)
- VAVS Program – Ken Parker
 - 2010 total hours have been reported by 19 Detachments.
 - We have a new Marine Corps League National VAVS Rep, Michael Miller, replacing Dutch Franz.

Commandant Jones “At this time I ask for a motion from the Floor to accept the Officer and Committee reports as given or submitted.”

Charles Minton made the motion to accept the reports as given.
Lee Walker seconded the motion. Approved by members present.

23. **Unfinished Business**

- Fund raising update. –
 - Rick Thomason
 - Weapon – he has 50 tickets left for a gun show he is attending.
 - Signs – he has the signs which were ordered and a few extra.
 - Challenge coins – there are still coins left; \$10 each.
 - Keith Shearin – calendar program is going well. There are some left to take and sell.
- Ask the Floor if there is anything. – none

24. New Business

- none

25. Good of the League

- Chuck Wright – Gunny Claus is still need of 5 uniforms. They have been able to place the order for 4 of them. Checks are made out to First Reindeer Division.
- Charles Minton – The kayak raffle winner was from Rocky Mount. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. They have raised \$4100 for cancer research.
- Bruce Goeden – He has room if anyone is going to Quantico for Modern Day Marine.
- John Dilday – red blazers – he has found a supplier for cheaper jackets than the ship store. A flyer with the pricing / ordering information was emailed out to the department.

26. Announcements

- Jeffrey Jones stated he will not be running for commandant next year.

27. Closing of the Meeting per Ritual

- Remarks by Cmdt. Jones
- Singing of the Marines Hymn
- “Good night Chesty, wherever you are!”
- Retire the Colors
- Sr. Vice Cmdt.’s last duty – Rick Thomason
- Chaplain – Prayer and close the Bible – Bill Boyd
- Meeting adjourned at 1443