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ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL



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COMMANDANT'S COMMENTS

Good Day MARINES,

Wow, a week of both Birthday and Veterans Day events were more pleasurable than I could have ever imagined and I will cherish these memories forever and a day.

First, Thanks to all who aided or assisted in these events, the Parade was not as well attended this year because of cooler weather but the enthusiasm was present as always. Our Troops were in the forefront with TIM PRESSLEY being chosen as GRAND MARSHAL this year, Congratulations Tim and the Toys for Tots float along with our MISS STANLY choosing to be surrounded by Marines along with her court is always an honor for our Detachment.

Marine Butler's tribute to Iwo Jima, complete with music, is always a centerpiece in any parade.



Congratulations and a big OOH RAW to all, Thanks.

The celebration of the 243 Birthday of our Corps was held at VFW POST#2908 this with a wonderful and delicious meal prepared by Leffler's Barbecue, some of the best I have ever tasted. It was a great celebration. The appropriate honors and customs were carried out by Marines Watson and Smith; and the music during the meal and dancing was excellent.

On Sunday 11 November events your Commandant participated in a Special Service honoring all veterans at the Canton Church. From there I went to the VFW's 5K run/walk supporting PTSD Awareness. It was a wonderful experience, enhanced by MISS STANLY COUNTY'S stirring rendition of our National Anthem. This young Lady made my day with not only her beauty and singing abilities but her genuine caring for Veterans and the PTSD Awareness platform. Thank you Miss Lauren Eagan and a super SEMPER FI, OOH RAW.

Tuesday Marine Pressly and I attended a Salute to all Stanly County Veterans breakfast at the Sentara Albemarle Medical Center. Thanks to Brian Freeman for providing this and your continued support.

I was Honored to represent the Marine Corps League tradition at these events. I'm grateful to say that a person does not live life by counting the number of breaths we take but measured by the moments that take our breaths away.

The next project on our agenda is Support for our Toys for Tots for this year, all indications are that this will be better than last year and any and all assistance is greatly appreciated.

While we prepare for traditional THANKSGIVING festivities with family and friends be advised that the memories we have encountered this past year and all the hard work involved is truly a blessing and as your Commandant I want to wish each and everyone a wonderful Giving Thanks Day.

Hoping and wishing all good health,
SEMPER FI.

Paul Hummel, Commandant

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
STANLY COUNTY DETACHMENT 1021
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
29 OCTOBER 2018**

ALL MEMBERS
All members who are not Life Members are reminded that annual dues of \$35.00 **WERE** due by September 1st. Please get your \$35.00 to Paymaster Batten ASAP. Notices are no longer being mailed out by National.

OPENING – Commandant Hummel called the meeting to order and appropriate customs and ritual were carried out.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS – Members in attendance 23 . DVC Mathias and prospective member Eckstein were in attendance. Senior Vice Commandant Burris, Junior Past Commandant Watson and Sergeant-at-Arms Shoe were absent.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP – Former Marine Eckstein presented his application for membership and DD 214 for consideration.

BALLOTING ON APPLICATIONS – A motion was made to accept the application for membership and was seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. Good to have you aboard Marine Eckstein.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: A motion was made to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published in the Scuttlebutt and seconded. The motion passed.

PAYMASTER’S REPORT – Paymaster Batten presented the following report.

RECEIPTS:

50/50	\$	43.00
Dues (Tucker)	\$	35.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	78.00

DISBURSMENTS:

Admin Supplies (Roush)	\$	271.36
Signs Now (name Tags)	\$	161.93
Admin Supplies (Batten)	\$	84.84
Dues to National	\$	100.00
Dues to Department	\$	25.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$	643.13

Checking Account Balance	\$	14,958.05
Cash on Hand	\$	9.77
Due from Members	\$	-
Due from Parking signs	\$	25.00
Detachment Store	\$	15.70
Outstanding Checks	\$	100.00
TOTAL	\$	14,908.52

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT @2.52% \$ 10,000.00

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Authorized	\$	-
Disbursed	\$	-
TOTAL REMAINING	\$	-

CONTINGENCY FUND \$ 7,165.40

MARINE CORPS BALL: \$ -

A motion was made to accept the Paymasters report, it was seconded, and the motion was passed.

MEMBERS/FAMILIES IN DISTRESS: - Marine Shoe’s wife’s health problems continue and Larry is home attending to her needs. Phyllis and Larry remain in our prayers.

Marine Thompson (i.e. RT) reported to his last duty station on October 23rd. His request for his body to be donated for research could not be honored because he only weighed 84 pounds. The family decided on cremation, and no service or memorial was held. A motion was made to donate \$100.00 to an appropriate charity in Marine Thompson’s name. Following a discussion the motion was amended to donate the \$100.00 to the Semper Fi Fund in RT’s name. The motion was seconded and passed.

Both Marine Burris and Marine Watson are down with bad colds, the flu or some other hateful disease. Hope you’re both better soon.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Toys for Tots – Marine Pressley reported that they had received a final donation from Toys R Us of \$1,700.00 along with a grant from Walmart and Bojangles giving them a current total of \$12,503.12. He and Marine Roush put out donation cans and toy boxes around the county, and he will be calling on all his little elves shortly. If you haven’t signed up to help inserting batteries, sorting or loading toys for delivery give Tim or Deb a call. November 3rd will be the Guardian Nomads annual Toys for Tots Ride. They will be kicking it off at Tailgators with assembly about 1000.

Marine Corps Ball - Marine Corps Ball – The Commandant reports that the Marine Corps Ball will be held at the VFW on November 10th. The Birthday Ball will be more casual this year and dress will be red shirts.

The meal will be catered with members and their guests having a choice of steak, chicken, or ribs in addition to a salad and baked potato.

Members are asked to consider their nominations for the Detachment Marine of the Year. Contact the Commandant with your meal selection and nomination.

Parking Signs - No activity reported

Scholarship: – – The Commandant announced that he has nominated Marines Smith, Tucker, and Wooten to finalize the procedures for the coming year’s scholarship program. The award procedures will be simplified, and all members will have an opportunity to vote on them in January.

Golf Tournament: – No activity reported.

Building - No reports, painting is an ongoing issue.

NEW BUSINESS - The Commandant reports that the VFW Auxiliary will be holding a run, in support of veterans with PTSD. They are requesting sponsors to help with the costs. A motion was made to donate \$100.00 to the VFW Auxiliary to sponsor this effort. The motion was seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS - None

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE - The Veteran's Day Parade in Oakboro on November 10th will form up starting at 1000 with an 1100 start.

On November the 13th there will be a Breakfast at the Hospital to recognize the service of all veterans. All are welcome, and it will start about 0800.

DVC Mathias reviewed the Department's Calendar funding efforts. The Department's fund raising 2019 Calendars are still available from Adjutant Bryan. The price of the calendar is \$30.00 and only 1,000 will be sold. Also, if you wish to register the number on the calendar with the DoNC JVC you may be eligible for payouts ranging from \$35.00 to \$100.00 each day of the year.

The Detachment needs to nominate a Marine for Life representative and report the selection to the Department. This is in keeping with the Marine Corps and Marine Corps League effort to support Marines both on active duty and following their service. If you would be interested in guiding younger Marines during these transitional periods let the Commandant know.

Addendum from the Adjutant: These minutes are being prepared following the Birthday Ball. The Parade was great although we have had warmer weather previously. Oakboro always supports Veterans and we are fortunate to have such a community.

The Ball was a departure from the more traditional celebrations, but we had a good turnout and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

On a more personal note, I hope I didn't embarrass myself, but I had no idea you would recognize me as your Marine of the Year.



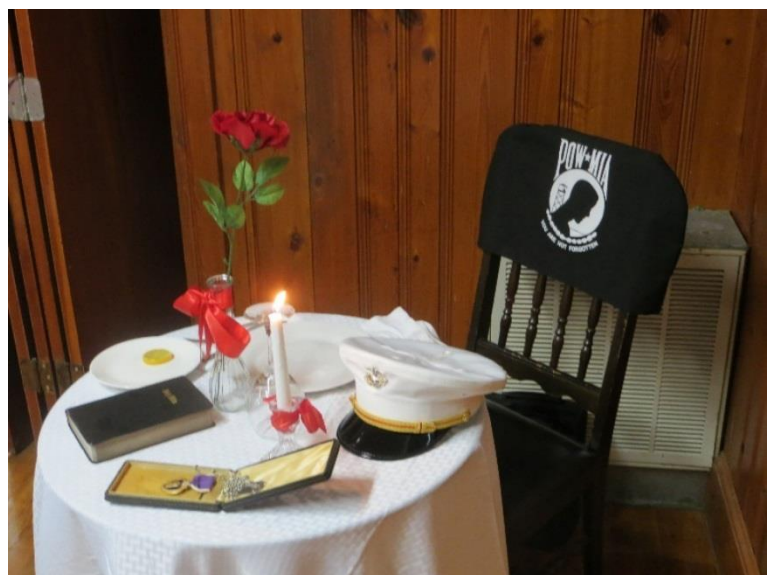
I try to do a good job, but your recognition was unexpected, and it blew me out of the water. I very humbly thank you for your recognition of my efforts.

(ed. Note: Gary, You can't imagine the contortions we went through to surprise you.)

CLOSING - The appropriate customs and form were carried out and the meeting was closed until November 26, 2018.

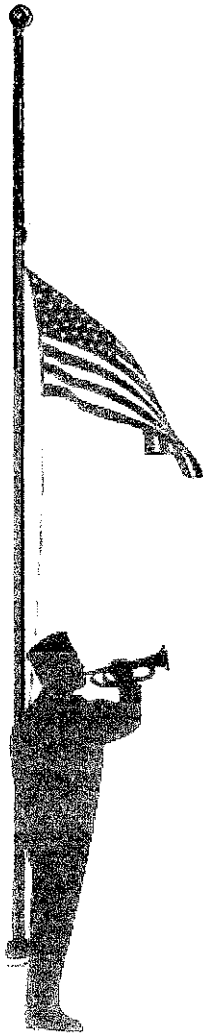
Addresses and Phone Numbers; Members are reminded to notify the Adjutant if your address, email, or phone number changes. Address changes need to be reported to National to keep the record straight and ensure you continue to receive the Semper Fi and

WE REMEMBER





WELL DONE
MARINE
REST IN PEACE



Command Sgt. Major (Ret.)
Rickey J. Thompson
Stanly County Detachment 1021 MCL
Member 328917
Date of Death 23 October 2018

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1 November, 1944.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Smith:

I regret to inform you of the report just received that your son, Corporal John M. Smith, United States Marine Corps, sustained a gunshot wound of the left knee in action against the enemy in the Palau Islands. The report further states that he was admitted to the hospital on 5 October, 1944 for medical treatment.

Because of the great volume of communications now required for essential military operations, the report received was necessarily brief and did not disclose the extent of his injuries. Past experience indicates that details are seldom forwarded if progress is favorable. It is hoped that your son will communicate with you at his earliest opportunity informing you of his welfare.

Your anxiety is realized and any additional information received will be promptly furnished you. It is not necessary that you address inquiries to this Headquarters except to report a change of address. The handling of additional correspondence may tend to delay rather than expedite the forwarding of information.

Sincerely yours,

D. ROUTH,
Major, U. S. Marine Corps.