

Marine Corps League – Lawrence DesJardines Detachment # 1260

Meeting Minutes

Monday January 14, 2013

Meeting called to Order @ 1830 By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call: All were present.

Commandant Ron Kirstatter
Sr. Vice Bobbie Elmore
Jr. Vice Roger Paulin
Judge Advocate Carl Wilcox
Adjutant Alex Hart
Paymaster Bob Adams
Sgt-At-Arms Acting Chuck Bushnell
Chaplain Bob Breton

Members Present – 18

Associate Members Present – 5

Visitors/ Guests

Dept. & S.E. Division Chaplain Ernie Elmore
Dist. 6 Vice Commandant Tom Newton
Bill Johnson of Tifton

Applications for Membership: Stanley Thomas (not present)

Minutes from November 2012 were approved as written no minutes from December banquet dinner in place of meeting.

Paymaster Report:

Checking account – Beginning Balance: \$4,263.49, Credits: \$1,937.17, Debits: \$1,524.22, Ending Balance as of 01/16/13: \$4,769.44

Savings Account – Beginning Balance: \$4,868.09, Credits: \$1.03, Debits: \$0.00, Ending Balance: \$4,869.12

Chaplains Report Marines and Families that are Ill

Marine Eugene Coutu
Marine Richard Chaffin
Associate Marilyn Retza is at home Michelle
Associate Denzil Harrell

Associate Cam Paulin had surgery on her wrist and is recovering well. Cast has been removed, now needs recuperative time.

Praise Report

Marine Bill Hammack is slowly recovering from his treatments.

Fallen Marine Program

GySgt Harold J. Farr, Passed on 23 Dec. 2012, District Chaplain Elmore delivered a certificate and letter of condolence to the family.

CW02 Willburn (Will) Ivy, Passed on 28 Dec. 2012; delivered a certificate and letter of condolence to the family.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: All goals reached! Thanks for a great year. Dictionary Project announced. Cover bags for sale for those who want them - \$3 each. Detachment purchased color bag for travel.

Sr. Vice Report: No report

Jr. Vice Report: 8 new pending applications.

Judge Advocate Report: No report

Standing Committee Reports:

River walk Committee: Tom Newton Jan 24 KADB Luncheon January 24th 12-1330 RSVP to Tom Newton if attending. Next cleanup in April.

Patriotism: Dave Aldrich 151 Flags put out now 2 months away from 3rd anniversary.

Youth Programs: Young Marines pics of visit to VA Hospital. One Eagle Scout awarded.

Cookbook: Some cookbooks need to be paid for. We were given permission to sell at S.E Division Conference and add has been placed in the Emblem.

Veterans Coalition: Veterans Day parade being planned. Leesburg establishing a veterans memorial one being discussed/planned for LCpl Sutton.

Other: PTSD talk to be given at the VFW on Philema Rd. January 24th at 1830.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Election of Officers conducted by Tom Newton, new officers are:

Commandant - Ron Kirstatter
Sr. Vice - Ernie Elmore

Jr. Vice – Roger Paulin
Judge Advocate - Carl Wilcox

Appointed

Adjutant - Melba Harrell
Paymaster - Bob Adams
Sgt-At-Arms - Jim Rodgers
Chaplain - Robert (Bob) Breton

Oath of office was given to all by Tom Newton, with exception of Jim Rodgers

Motion was made by Ken Berggren to provide luncheon for 62 students during Habitat for Humanity construction. Motion seconded by Bob Breton. Approved.

Good of the League:

District 6 Professional Development Training February 2nd 1000 to 1200 Woodsman Lodge, Tifton

Need volunteers to help setup/teardown of meeting room each month

John Sorenson will be our guest next week presenting “The New Providence Island Raid” the first Marine Corps amphibious landing.

Department bylaw changes need to be submitted to the Department Judge Advocate by 15 February.

Next Department Staff meeting Feb. 23rd Hilton Garden Inn Atlanta South – McDonough \$77 call 678-827-7200 for reservations.

Southeast Division Conference Mar. 7-9 Wyndham Atlanta Galleria registration online at <http://www.mcleague1196.org/sedivconf.html>

Announcements:

Feb. 1st – 3rd Purple Heart Hunt
Feb. 6th 0615 Retires Breakfast MCLB Albany
Feb. 19th Detachment Meeting 1830
Feb. 23rd 9/11 Heroes Run 1300 Leesburg
Mar. 20th Travel & Recreation show MCLB Albany

Meeting Adjourned @ 2003

Minutes

*Of
February 19th, 2013*

Called to Order@ 18:30

By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call:

***Commandant Kirstatter
Sr. Vice Elmore
Jr. Vice Paulin
Judge Advocate Wilcox***

***Adjutant Harrell
Paymaster Adams
Sgt At arms Rodgers
Chaplain Brenton***

All Were Present

Members present 21

Associate members present 6

Guest 3

***Visitors/Guest: John Sorenson Guest speaker /Montfort Point Marine Henry Jackson
Jerry Smith***

Mr. Sorenson gave a slide show and talked about the history of the Marines 1st amphibious landing.

Applications for Membership: Associate Bob Brooks. Motion to accept membership made by Nick Nicholson 2nd By Robert Breton

A break was call @ 19:05

Meeting was called back to order @ 19:12

Minutes have been posted to the website, No corrections were noted.

Minutes were approved as written.

Paymaster Report: Checking account had a beginning Balance of \$4,676.44 Credits of \$ 441.20 Debits of \$633.47 Ending Balance of \$4,484.17 . One outstanding check for \$98.00 Ending Balance of \$4,582.17 . Savings Account Beginning Balance of \$4,869.12. Earned a dividend of \$1.03. Ending Balance of \$4,870.15

***Chaplains Report: Marines and Families that are ill,
Marine Eugene Coutu***

Marine Richard Chaffin

Associate Marilyn Retza is at home and doing well

Deana Nicholson is having surgery on 2-20-13

Praise Report: Marine Bill Hammack is slowly recovering from his treatments.

Fallen Marine Program: C.H. "Hap" Oliver, WWII Vet Passed on Friday 1 Feb. 2013

Chaplain Ernie Elmore and Chaplain Bob Breton delivered a certificate for his service and a letter of condolence to the family. He was survived by a brother and his "Baby" Sister.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: Staff Meeting Sat. in McDonough

Div. Conference next Month

Sr. Vice Report: No Report

Jr. Vice Report: Drew Glaizer will be transferring to our Detachment

Kevin McCutcheon will be transferring his membership to N.C.

Eight new prospects for membership.

Judge Advocate's Report: ?

Standing Committee Report

River Walk Committee: Tom Newton, River Walk Cleanup April 18th, please park on Power Dam Road and walk to the Boat Ramp.

Patriotism: Dave Aldrich, 161 Flags have been replaced.

Veterans Coalition: Carl Wilcox, Amphitheater has been reserved for Nov. 9th. The ROTC will be marching at the River Walk. Hopefully the WWII Memorial will be ready.

The field of Flags now has 122 crosses for each Vet that has died in service since WWI.

There will be a meeting March 14, at American Legion Post 30 benefits for Vets.

There will be a Dedication to the Fallen Marine Sutton on Feb. 23rd at 16:30 at Veterans Park in Leesburg.

Cook Books: Bobbie Elmore, A new sign was made looks very good. Tables to sell cookbooks will be setup at the 9/11 Run on Saturday the 23 Feb in front of Lee County Court House.

Pistol Range will be open 2nd Tuesday of every month 12:00 Noon till 14:00.

Rifle Range 10:00 to Noon.

Correspondence: National Headquarters: By Law Change, Delinquent membership reinstatement fee dropped - only pay \$18 per year to catch up.

Raffle Tickets for Wounded Warrior's Project are \$10.00 each, drawing will be At National Convention.

Old Business: Swearing in of Jim Rodgers as Sgt At Arms.

***Meritorious Service Awards were given to Bobby Sanders and Richard Chaffin
New Business: Tom Newton motion the League donate \$1,000.00 to the WWII Memorial Ernie
Elmore 2nd and the motion. Then was discussion about e-mailing all members about this, so
motion by Bobby Sanders to table the vote until all members could vote on it. Commandant
Kirstatter brought before the League the possibility of making Silas Barnes a full member.
Motion was made by Jim Rodgers and 2nd by Nick Nicholson motion passed unanimous.***

***Yard Sale: We talked about where to have the yard sale, maybe Post 30? April 27th and May
4th were discussed as the dates open but no date has been set as of yet.***

***Good of the League: 2012 Bylaws have been posted to the National website-lettering on the
cover has been addressed along with other important changes. Look for change 18.***

Toss all old member applications, new ones are coming

All member applications must have members DD214 attached and sent to National.

Retires Breakfast every 1st Wednesday Morning at the Base.

***Bobby Sanders brought up the subject of mailings that ask for donations, how much goes to
the organization and how much to administration cost. Check to see what processing center
they come from. Look for only sanctioned organizations. The newsletter will try to publish a
list of the sanctioned organizations.***

Announcements: Department Staff meeting in McDonough Saturday Feb. 23 @ 09:00

67 remains of missing soldiers have been found one being that of a WWI Vet.

2013 Southeast Division Conference in Atlanta March 8th-9th.

Adjourned: 20:40

Minutes
Of
Tuesday, March 19, 2013

Called to order @ 1830 **By:** Jr. Vice Rodger Paulin

Roll Call: Jr. Vice. Paulin Judge Advocate Wilcox Adjutant Harrell

Sgt At Arms Rodgers Chaplain Breton were all present.

Commandant Kirstatter Sr. Vice Elmore and Paymaster Adams were all excused for various reasons.

Members present: 17

Associate Members present: 4

Visitors/Guests: There were no Visitors or Guests

Applications for Membership: Kathy Bushnell

Minutes have been posted to the website no corrections were noted.

Minutes have been approved as written.

Paymasters Report: Checking Account: Beginning Ledger Balance: \$4,484.17 Total Credits \$833.18 Total Debits \$410.96 Ending Balance \$4,906.39 one outstanding check for \$330.96 Adjusted MCL Ledger Balance \$5,237.35. Savings Account: Beginning Ledger Balance \$4,870.15 Credits of \$0.93. Ending MCL Ledger Balance \$4,871.08. Motion to accept by Bob Breton and 2nd by Gerald Wessels.

Chaplains Report: Marines and Families that are Ill,

Marine Ernie Elmore had a stroke Monday 18th, he is home now and doing well.

Marine Eugene Coutu

Marine Richard Chaffin- upcoming surgery.

Marine Jim Reilly had been in Phoebe and was released.

Marine Tom Voth and his Wife Orva have traveled to Minnesota to be with his Daughter who is quite ill. Please pray for their daughters' quick recovery and their safe return.

Also remember Marine Rob McCarty who will be having knee replacement surgery in the very near future.

Praise Report

Marine Bill Hammack is still slowly recovering from his treatments.

Fallen Marine Program

Marine Master Sergeant Joseph Lyle Applegate passed into eternity on 27th Feb 2013. A Letter of Condolence and Certificate in Recognition of Service was presented to the Family on 7th March 2013 at his interment here at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Marine Master Gunnery Sergeant Andrew Gubitti passed on Monday 11th March 2013. A letter of Condolence and a Certificate in Recognition of Service was presented to the Family at the viewing on 13 Mar 2013 by Marine Rodger Paulin and the Fazekas'.

Marine Clyde Ed Wright passed on to his reward on Wednesday 13th March 2013. He was a Vietnam era Marine. The Family is in Blakely Ga. A Letter and Certificate was forwarded to the Family.

Major Max B. Eaton, Ret. Passed to his reward 16th March 2013. A letter of Condolence and Certificate will be presented to his spouse, Bettye Sue on Friday 22nd at 10AM.

Officers Reports:

Judge Advocate's Report was the only report, Judge Advocate Wilcox reported that there had been recommendations for changes in the Dept. bylaws. 6 approved and 1 rejected by the bylaw committee, more information will be brought up in next meeting.

Standing Committee Reports:

Veterans Coalition: March 30th 11:00, Easter Egg Hunt for children 10 years of age and under. March 29 they need volunteers to fix eggs.

The WWII fund is now at \$7200.

Tryouts for Baseball will be May 8th 2013.

Young Marines & Jr. ROTC: sent an e-mail to ask them how the MCL could support them. Will have more of a report later.

Old Business: \$1000.00 to WWII Memorial Fund. The Detachment has been canvassed with and e-mail, over 20 members responded approval of the expenditure of funds. This motion was tabled at the Feb. meeting pending the results of member perspiration, now Bob Cerney moved to take from table this motion Tim McClelland 2nd and the motion was passed unanimously.

A proposed Dictionary has been selected by the Detachment Board of Trustees. A discussion of who gets them, how many and maybe wait until next year to distribute was moved to the April meeting.

New Business: The yard sale will be at Post 30 on April 27th, 2013. Volunteers are needed to work this project. Step up and help out!

Good of the League: We will be getting a template for the Girl Scout Gold award from Dept. Boy Scout coordinator Mike Foran. We need Volunteers to present awards to Girls Scouts.

MCL Luncheon for Habitat College Students and Staff on 28th March 2013 @13:30 we expect to serve 75 to 80 counting students, staff, and MCL personnel.

The location is at 2905 Rosebrier Ave. Albany, Ga.

Set up time will be at 11:00 on site. Please if you plan to attend wear your MCL Red Baseball Cap.

Directions: Go east on HWY 82, past Walmart , turn right @ Royal onto Anita 2nd stop sign turn left 2905 Rosebrier on left.

Announcements: Albany Tech will be hosting a Memorial Day program and would like representation from the Detachment.

Meeting was Adjourned @19:15

**MINUTES
OF
April 16, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call:

<u>X</u> Commandant	Kirstatter	<u>X</u> Adjutant	Harrell
<u>X</u> Sr Vice	Elmore	<u>X</u> Paymaster	Adams
<u>X</u> Jr Vice	Paulin	<u>X</u> Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
<u>X</u> Judge Advocate	Wilcox	<u>X</u> Chaplain	Breton

Members present: 29

Associate Members present: 4

Visitors/Guests: Gene Pender & wife Michelle (awarded honorary membership for son Ronald)

Applications for Membership _____

Minutes have been posted to the website. Any corrections? _____ None _____

Approved as written yes

Paymasters Report:

Checking beginning bal \$4,906.39, total debits \$368.13, outstanding checks \$206.99, ending bal \$5,086.46. Savings beginning bal \$4,871.08, total credits \$1.03 and ending bal \$4,872.11.

Chaplains Report: (Fallen Marines) Marines and Families that are Ill: Marine Eugene Coutu; Marine Tom Voth and his wife Orva are still in Minnesota with their daughter who is still quite ill. Please pray for their daughter's quick recovery and their safe return. Also remember Marine Rob McCarty who will be having knee replacement surgery and Marine Bill Reilly who has been experiencing problems.

Praise Report: Marine Bill Hammack is still slowly recovering from his treatments. Marine Bobby Sanders has had his surgery and is recovering well. Fallen Marine Program: Marine Master Sergeant Robert S. Griffin, 98, passed to his reward on 22 March 2013. Marine Master Gunnery Sergeant Louis Jay Stack, 91, passed into eternity on 22 March 2013. Marine Corporal Charles Rush died on 26 March. Marine Sergeant Roger D. Gravitt passed to his reward on 28 March 2013. Marine Mike Royals of Ashburn passed on 2 April. A Letter of Condolence and a Certificate of Appreciation for Service was either presented or mailed to the family of the deceased. Please pray for all these families.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: No report

Sr. Vice's Report: No report

Jr. Vice's Report: Bob Jarrett wants to join -recommended

Judge Advocate's Report Seven recommended changes in Department by-laws were submitted, six will be voted on at department convention and one was rejected by the bylaws committee.

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: April 18 & 20 Riverwalk Cleanup @ 08:00 Cox Landing, good place to park.

Patriotism: 1) Record 174 flags distributed over 2 years. 2) At Parrott Patriot Burial Plot. Flags at ½ staff April 15 to 20 at sunset for Boston bombing victims.

Veteran's Coalition: Nursing home in Dublin now taking applications. Memorial in Leesburg looking for flag for Sutton memorial. May 6 will be 1st meeting to see how many flags we can set

up in new location at the mall for Field of Flags in Sept. Set up is Sept 10 and tear down is Sun, Sept 15.

Other: Jr. ROTC May 10 Leesburg presentation and Westover now has new 1st SGT.

Other: We no longer have representation on the Board of Directors for the Young Marines.

Other: Girl Scouts high award presentation is May 5th from 3-5pm.

Other: Habitat cookout cost \$260. Stayed busy. Cooked 80 hamburgers, 72 hotdogs, all consumed. Total of 48 Habitat staff and 28 Marines.

Correspondence: Second Annual Top Shot @ Browndale sponsored by MCL Det.#1373

Old Business: NONE

New Business: NONE

Good of the League: Yard sale June 1st @ Post 30 8-12 Sat. We will have the Boy Scouts hut to store items in. Month of May someone will be there each Saturday 9-12 to collect items. No clothes or shoes. Day before sale we will be pricing. After yard sale, picnic at Ken Bergen- potluck- drink & meat will be provided.

Announcements: Department purchased coins to award Eagle Scouts.

Adjourned: 19:20

**MINUTES
OF
Tuesday, May 21, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call:

<u>X</u> Commandant	Kirstatter	<u>X</u> Adjutant	Harrell
<u>X</u> Sr Vice	Elmore	<u>X</u> Paymaster	Adams
<u>X</u> Jr Vice	Paulin	<u>X</u> Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
<u>X</u> Judge Advocate	Wilcox	<u>X</u> Chaplain	Breton

Members present: 25

Associate Members present: 3

Visitors/Guests: We had one guest Marley Averty

Applications for Membership Robert Jarrett

Minutes have been posted to the website. Any corrections? No corrections. ..Approved as posted.

Paymasters Report: Checking account Balance 4/16/13 \$4,879.47 Total credits \$371.21 Total Debts \$317.36 Ending Balance 5/16/13 \$4,933.32 One outstanding Check for \$97.41 Ending Balance \$5,030.73. Savings Account Beginning Balance 4/16/13 \$4,872.11 Credits of \$1.00 Ending Balance \$4,873.11

Chaplains Report: (Fallen Marines) Marines and Families that are Ill

Marine Eugene Coutu

Marine Tom Voth and his wife Orva are still in Minnesota with their Daughter who is still quite ill. Please pray for their daughters' quick recovery and their safe return.

Marine Rob McCarty who will be having knee replacement surgery and

Marine Jim Reilly who has been experiencing problems.

Need also to remember our National Vice Commandant John Kovalcik

Continue to remember Marine Chuck Bushnell's mother, Mrs. Dera Tucker, in Texas. Chuck and his wife have temporarily had to relocate to take care of her.

Praise Report

Talked to Marine Bill Hammack, he is still in slow recovery from his treatments. He recently received new medicine which he says seems to be working better.

Marine Benjamin Franklin McKinney suffered a heart attack and was in Pheobe, I visited and took him a get well card.

Fallen Marine Program

Marine Charles John (C.J.) Schmits passed on 23 April 2013

Marine GySgt Charles K. Devereaux passed on 5 May 2013 A Letter of Condolence and a Certificate of Appreciation for Service was presented to the Sons of the Marine.

Also prepared a letter of condolence for Sr. Vice Elmore for Pvt. Russell B. Smith.

Marine Sgt William L. Grimsley passed on 15 May 2013.

A Letter of Condolence and a Certificate of Appreciation for Service was either presented or mailed to the families of the deceased. Please pray for these families.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: Dept. Convention this week-end. Please try to attend if you can.

Col Mills retirement May 20th also Master Sgt Beard retires 31st.

Sr. Vice's Report: We are now awarding Good Citizenship Awards to the Girls Scouts that have earned their Gold Award

Jr. Vice's Report: _____

Judge Advocate's Report: Good News Devil Dog Detachment now chartered # 360

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: _____

Patriotism: Dave Aldrich says there are now 181 Flags issued to date.

Veteran's Coalition: Working on the field of flags,-Deerfield Windsor providing band.

Other: Two JROTC Grads were honored at Westover with Citizenship Award and Honor Grad. Kirby Woods will be CO of ROTC in Lee County next year.

Other: Yard sale at post 30 on June 1st. 2013 9am to 12pm.

Other: Picnic at Ken? Will be after the yard sale.

Correspondence: Mrs. Cherry Stewart, made a donation of \$100.00 on behalf of the late Billy Stewart's anniversary USMC 1954-1974 Born 11 Oct. 1934 Death 28 April 2012.

MCL received an Invitation to Albany Technical College to observe Memorial Day Thursday 30, 2013 10am Kirkland Conference Center.

Old Business: Flag sent to Ellaville, Ga. American Legion Post 191 @ no cost, by the Membership of MCL Detachment #1260 Albany Georgia.

New Business: May 26th 10:15am Col Don Davis will speak at First Baptist Church Leesburg.

Good of the League:

Announcements: Registration is in for delegates at the National Convention August 4-9 Grand Rapids MI.

No 4th July Celebration on the Base.

Breakfast at Post 30 May 27th Flag Raising at 6:45.

Breakfast @ the Base June 5th 6:15

Adjourned: 19:30

**MINUTES
OF
Tuesday May 18, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call:

<u>X</u> Commandant	Kirstatter	<u>X</u> Adjutant	Harrell
<u>X</u> Sr Vice	Elmore	<u> </u> Paymaster	Adams
<u>X</u> Jr Vice	Paulin	<u>X</u> Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
<u>X</u> Judge Advocate	Wilcox	<u>X</u> Chaplain	Breton

All were present with the exception of Paymaster Adams , his absence is excused.

Members present: 24

Associate Members present: 4

Visitors/Guests: 11

Ceremony Honoring the Young Marines; An Honorable Discharge was given to Msgt Leggett Williams and Certificate of Appreciation to Young Marine Volunteer Miss Karen Hartman.

Applications for Membership: We had one application for membership Larry Olson , He was voted on and passed unamously.

Swearing in of new members: Joe Najjar, Richard Roe, Bob Brooks, Bob Jarrett and Larry Olson.

Minutes have been posted to the website. Any corrections? No

Approved as written Yes

Paymasters Report: Checking: Beginning Balance \$4933.32 Credits \$982.24 Debits \$1,329.58 Outstanding \$108.00 Ending Balance \$4693.98 Savings Beginning Balance \$4873.11 Credits \$1.03 Ending Balance \$4874.14. Motion to accept: ? 2nd Ernie Elmore

Chaplains Report: (Fallen Marines) Marines and Families that are Ill: Marine Eugene (Gene) Coutu

Marine Tom Voth and his Wife are still in Minnesota with their Daughter who is still ill. Please pray for their daughters' quick recovery and the Voth's safe return.

Marine Rob McCarty and Jim Reilly still require our prayers.

Remember our National Vice Commandant John Kovalcik and also Marine Chuck Bushnell's mother, Mrs. Dera Tucker, in Texas.

Praise Report: Marine Billy Hammack, recently received new medicine which he said seemed to be working better. Haven't been able to contact him lately.

Fallen Marine Program: Marine GySgt Joe Albea Passed on 5 June 2013, A Letter of Condolence and a Certificate of Appreciation for Service was presented to the family. Please pray for this family.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: Dept. Convention: 10 detachments not in attendance, all but bylaw #3 allowing election of officers not present passed in general assembly, next staff meeting in Kennesaw on July 20th and organizational meeting on June 29th in Griffin. 2014 Dept. Convention May 2-4 in LaGrange. New Department officers Commandant Joe Barbee, Sr Vice Ron Kirstatter,

Jr Vice Jim Daughtry, Judge Advocate Randy Barnes, Paymaster LuAnn Miller. Approved \$1000 to Detachment in OK for relief efforts & \$500 to each Young Marine units. Recruiter of the Year award was not presented at the meeting but is being prepared. Personal note- Commandant Kirstatter would like to thank everyone for making him look good as he was awarded the MOY for the Department.

Sr. Vice's Report: Just trying to catch up on getting ribbons to those who did not have theirs yet.

Jr. Vice's Report: Trying to get 2 couples from the Marine Base to fill out applications.

Judge Advocate's Report: No Report

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: No Report

Patriotism: 186 Flags out to date 1 flag pole to put in.

Veteran's Coalition: Was able to present the donation of \$1000 for the WWII Memorial.

Other: Cookbooks, We are still selling cookbooks @ \$12.00 each.

Other: The Yard Sale was a success we made \$538. 02

Other: Shooting Teams: Not much going on, need to check with the Base to see if we still can use their facility and ammo.

Correspondence: National Headquarters Spring Fundraiser \$5 each or 5 for \$20, 5 \$100 prizes drawn at National Convention in Grand Rapids in August.

National Independence Day Parade, Washington, DC 4 July 2013 room on the float the contact person is Jeff Corvert.

Marine Corps Veterans Cruise 16-23 November 2013

Registration of National Delegates form is in

Certificate of Appreciation for sponsoring 2013 Employee Recognition Program

Phone call from Mary DesJardines about being stationed in Grand Rapids for 3 years in the mid '60s

Old Business: None

New Business: We may have to move from our meeting place at the River Point Club house, but Bob Brooks stepped up and said he may have a place for us to meet. The manager has been so nice to us we may want to think about something to show our gratitude to him. Purchase of plaque was moved, seconded and approved.

Good of the League:

Announcements:

Adjourned: At 19:30

**MINUTES
OF
July 16, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Kirstatter

Roll Call:

X Commandant	Kirstatter	X Adjutant	Harrell
X Sr Vice	Elmore	X Paymaster	Adams
X Jr Vice	Paulin	X Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
___ Judge Advocate	Wilcox	X Chaplain	Breton

Members present: 22 Associate Members present: 3 Visitors/Guests: 1

Applications for Membership

Minutes have been posted to the website. Any corrections? No

Approved as written: Yes

Paymasters Report: Checking Account: Beginning Balance \$5,615.98 Credits \$274.72 Debits \$1,086.73 Ending Balance \$4,803.97 Outstanding Checks \$488.84 Adjusted Balance \$5,292.81 Savings: Beginning Balance \$4874.14 Credit \$1.00 Ending Balance \$4875.14 Motion to accept: Made by Ron Kirstatter 2nd By Tom Newton

Chaplains Report: Marines and Families that are Ill:

Marine Eugene (Gene) Coutu

Marine Tom Voth and his wife are currently coming back to Albany to take care of business here but will be planning to return to Minnesota with their Daughter who is still quite ill. Again, Please pray for their daughter's quick recovery and the Voth's safe return.

Marine Rob McCarty and Marine Jim Reilly still require our prayers. Both responded to my email that they are doing well.

Need also to continue to remember our National Vice Commandant John Kovalcik and also Marine Chuck Bushnell's mother, Mrs. Dera Tucker, in Texas.

Carl Wilcox not doing well today, Chris Newton recovering from surgery.

Praise Report

Last time I talked to Marine Billy Hammack, he recently received new medicine which he said seemed to be working better, I haven't been able to contact him lately.

(Fallen Marines) Marine MGySgt Gerald Peters passed on 19 June 2013, A Letter of Condolence and a Certificate of Appreciation for Service was presented by mail to the family.

Interment at this time was not available. Please pray for this family.

Marine CWO4 John Eli Baughman passed on 15 July 2013. Marine Bob Adams will be attending the viewing tomorrow evening and will present the Letter of Condolence and Letter of Appreciation. Anyone else is welcome to attend with him at Kimbrell-Stern. All to begin at 1800.

Commandant's Report: We held a staff meeting on Wednesday 10 July 2013. The board of trustees approved the purchase of a recorder for our detachment meetings and staff meetings. This will help our Adjutant with our meetings minutes and hopefully eliminate some of the delays during our meetings when something needs to be written down. In order for this to be effective when we make a motion or have the floor we need to identify ourselves. I might know who is speaking but the recorder won't.

Our Detachment has 78 voting members. I have 6 members on our delegate sheet and each delegate can cast 15 votes so I will be able to fully represent our Detachment at the National Convention. Department staff meeting is July 20th. I will be presenting a request that the Department pay for billboard advertising to boost our south I 75 recruiting. We will find out who our new District Vice Commandant will be.

I was the chair for 2 Chapter 9 hearings on July 13th. Thanks for keeping focus on what the mission of the MCL is and getting along with each other.

Sr. Vice's Report: I was council for 2 Chapter 9 hearing- we need to keep great notes! We don't know if we won yet. Dictionary Project- samples are in and we need to pick a school or class to give Dictionary's to. I am going to Mitchel County because I have someone to talk to down there, and Daughtry and Lee Counties are already covered.

In the Semper Fi magazine this month on pg. 60 a stepping stone/ wall plaque for sale –we don't walk on our flag! I called headquarters and called this to their attention.

Jr. Vice's Report: Have talked to several at the Marine Base Mr. Willie Qualls is here.

Judge Advocate's Report: No Report

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: No Report

Patriotism: 186 Flags replaced 3 on the new flag poles. We have request for 6 more Flag Poles.

Veteran's Coalition: No Report

Young Marines: Kelly Fisk Young Marines: We do have two Checks to be presented to them.

Other: Bobby Elmore – we still have cookbooks for sale! \$12.00 each

Correspondence: Betty Eaton Sent a Thank You card for Max

Old Business: We approved a plaque for the manager here at River Point to show our appreciation for his support of the MCL and providing a place for us to meet each month. We do have several places offered just in case we will no longer be able to meet here.

Nick Nickleson: There has been \$15,000.00 taken in for the WWII memorial – Dedication will be Nov.11, 2013

New Business: We would like to pay for WWII Vets Life Memberships, we only have two at present time, John Belk and Bill Hamby. Ernie Elmore made Motion 2nd. Nick Nickleson, Motion Carries to pay for Life Memberships.

Good of the League: Need to try to raise money again at Sam's so we will be asking for volunteers

Denzil Harrell: Bible Sticks for troops go to biblesticks.com or 800-800-2555 if you wish to buy one or more they are \$25.00 each.

Announcements: Joe Najjar brought copies of video that was played at Albany Technical College, which has 3 of our members in it. If you would like copies please let Ron Kirstatter know.

Adjourned: 17:30

**MINUTES
OF
August 20, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Ron Kirstatter

Roll Call:

X Commandant	Kirstatter	X Adjutant	Harrell
X Sr Vice	Elmore	X Paymaster	Adams
X Jr Vice	Paulin	X Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
___ Judge Advocate	Wilcox	X Chaplain	Breton

Members present: 21

Associate Members present: 2

Visitors/Guests: We had one guest at the meeting, National Vice Commandant for the Southeast Division Michael Clark.

Applications for Membership: Last Month Willie Qualls submitted his application for membership, he was sworn in as a member this month.

Minutes have been posted to the website. Any corrections? No Approved as written Yes

Paymasters Report: Savings Account: Beginning Balance \$4,875.14 Total Credits \$1.04 Ending Balance \$4,876.18

Checking Account: Beginning Balance\$4803.97 Credits \$1,300.78 Debits \$2,009.73 Ending Balance\$4,095.02 one outstanding Check \$16.00 Adjusted Balance \$4,111.02

Chaplains Report: Marines and Families that are Ill:

Kelly Fisk brother is in ICU in Atlanta

Marine Joe Caldeira had surgery.

Marine Tom Voth and his Wife are still in Minnesota with their Daughter who is quite ill. Please pray for their daughters' quick recovery as the Voth's have had to find a home near the Hospital that takes care of the Daughter.

Marine Rob McCarty and Marine Jim Reilly still require our prayers. Both responded to my email that they are doing well.

Marine Chuck Bushnell's mother, Mrs., Dera Tucker, in Texas who has since passed. Remember his wife who is in California with her father who is quite ill. Remember Ken Berggren at his home continuing to recover from surgery. Continue to remember our National Sr. Vice Commandant John Kovalcik.

(Fallen Marines)

This has been a fantastic month, no Marines to report as fallen within our jurisdiction.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: Report from National, membership dues going to National will increase, life members' dues will increase 51 to 60 is \$300.00, will change to 51 to 64 so now you will have to be 65 to get break and it will go from \$150.00 to \$200.00. Ritual Change was rejected.

Uniform change was not made. National Convention August 2014 will be in Charleston WV. We are being encouraged to bring National Convention back to the South East. Young Marines Check was given to them before they left on their camping trip. We now have a new Dist. 5 Vice Commandant Levi McKenna.

Sr. Vice's Report: No Report

Jr. Vice's Report: 6 new potential new members. One may be life member.

Judge Advocate's Report: No Report

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: No report

Patriotism: 191 Flags have been replaced

Veteran's Coalition: Dave Aldrich: Field of Flags coming into place we walked the area and the 1,000 flags will be down to 345 flags and 146 crosses. Volunteers are needed 6th of September @ 9:00 AM to help set up the field.

Other: Boys Scouts, 5 Certificates were awarded, 2 in Tifton and 3 in Albany.

Other: Cook Books are still for sale.

Correspondence: The annual POW/MIA breakfast will be held at the Town and Country Ballroom aboard MCLB Albany on September 13, 2013. Activities begin at 7 a.m. with buffet breakfast. Tickets are available for purchase at the MCCS Main Office, Bldg. 3600, and the snack bar at Bldg. 3500, Town and Country Bar and Grill and the Marine Corps Exchange. Tickets are \$8 and \$6 for E-5 and below. The deadline to purchase a ticket is close of business on Sep. 10. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Toys for Tots pre-Kickoff BBQ

Time/Date Aug. 29, 2013

Details:

The Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program will begin a pre-kickoff event of its 2013 toy collection campaign during the MCCS Barbeque cook off on Aug 29 at Boyett Park.

Marines from the Detachment 2 Inspector-Instructor staff will be accepting unwrapped toy donations on behalf of the Toys for Tots Program. The collection point will be located next to Mr. Bob Varner's grill and there will be a truck to collect all toys.

This is a great way to help us start this year's collection program for the community, so ask everyone you know to come out to support the Toys for Tots Program and sample some great food at the same time! The regional coordinator for the 2013 Toys for Tots Program is GySgt Ernest Thompson. He can be reached by calling 229-639-5475.

The 7th Annual Friends of GNGA Championship

Sat. Sept 28th

Cherokee Run Golf Course, Conyers

8:30 am first tee time

\$60.00

RSVP WITH HANDICAP BY Sept. 20th to Tom McDermott tommcdermott@bellsouth.net

**OUR 7th ANNUAL TOYS FOR TOTS GOLF TOURNAMENT HELPING OUR MARINES
DELIVER THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS!**

Monday, Nov.18th

Berkeley Hills Country Club

10:00 am first tee time

RSVP with Team and Handicaps (later!)

Old Business: No old Business

New Business:

Good of the League: Awards were given to 3 MCL members and the Detachment.

National Recruiter award to Ernie Elmore

National Recruiter Award to Roger Paulin

Meritorious Service as Department Recruiter of the Year to Roger Paulin

Marine of the Year to Ron Kirstatter

Ribbon for the Delegate Attendance at 2013 National Convention

Announcements: Need someone to fill in as Adjutant for Sept. and Oct. meetings

Adjourned: 19:30

Marine Corps League – Lawrence DesJardines Detachment # 1260

Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2013

I. Call to order

Commandant Kirstatter called the regular Detachment meeting to order at 1830 on September 17, 2013 at the Riverpointe Golf Club in Albany, Georgia.

II. Roll call

Acting Adjutant Alex Hart conducted a roll call of officers. The following officers were present: Commandant Kirstatter; Sr. Vice Elmore; Jr. Vice Paulin; Judge Advocate Wilcox; Paymaster Adams; Acting Sgt at Arms Richard Chaffin; and Chaplain Breton. Absent were: Adjutant Melba Harrell and Sgt at Arms Rodgers. There were a total of 27 members and 2 associate members in attendance.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were posted to the Detachment webpage; accordingly, said minutes were not read at this meeting. The minutes were approved without corrections.

IV. **Applications for Membership.** Applications were received from Sheila Kirstatter (Associate) and Randolph Scott (Member). The two candidates for membership were not present. After the members were polled, both candidates' applications were unanimously approved.

IV. **Visitors/Guests.** Vice Commandant of District 6, Levi McKenna; and Michelle Baker (Rex's wife).

V. **Correspondence received.** The Detachment received word that Korean War Veterans who desire to return to Korea for a re-visit should be aware this year may be the last year the South Korean government will be funding those trips.

Paymaster's Report Report delivered by Paymaster Adams. The ending balance for the savings account as of September 16, 2013 was \$4,877.22. The ending balance for the checking account as of September 16, 2013 was \$4,185.26. Paymaster's Report approved pending audit.

VI. **Chaplain's Report** Report given by Chaplain Breton. Marine Tom Voth and his wife Orva's daughter passed away so they are moving to Minnesota to be near Orva's other daughter. Marines Rob McCarty and Jim Reilly are doing well. Marine Chuck Bushnell's wife has been in California with her father, who is quite ill (she may be home now). Marine Ken Berggren is at home recovering from surgery, as is Marine

Joe Caldeira. Continue to keep National Vice Commandant John Kovalcik and Department Commandant Joe Barbee in your prayers as those Marines are recovering from surgery.

VII. Report of the Officers

- a) Commandant: Commandant Kirstatter thanked all who participated in Field of Flags and attended the Patriot's Day ceremony. He also thanked Marine Dan Gillan, who despite his recent surgery, represented the Marine Corps League with distinction on Patriot's Day and on 9/11 at Georgia State Firefighters Association Memorial. Commandant Kirstatter said he attended the POW/MIA breakfast on September 13th, and presented a brief at the Transition Readiness Seminar along with Judge Advocate Wilcox.
- b) Sr. Vice: Sr. Vice E. Elmore said his is working on the dictionary project and has recently spoken with the Dougherty County School Board about the project.
- c) Jr. Vice: Jr. Vice Paulin announced that Miles Martin (retired Marine recon) wants to join the Detachment.
- d) Judge Advocate: No report.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports

- a) River Walk Committee: Acting Sgt at Arms Chaffin announced that the next River Cleanup date is set for October 19th. Usual Thursday cleanup will be scheduled for those that can't make it on Saturday.
- b) Finance Committee: No report.

IX. Special Committee Reports

- a) Fallen Marines. SgtMaj Jimmy L. Payne of Leesburg passed away on 30 August 2013; Marine Larry E. Yeager of Newton also passed away on 30 August 2013.
- b) Flag Committee: Marine Aldrich reported that 191 flags have been issued since the program began; flags should be flown at half-staff through sundown on Friday, September 20th in memory of the victims of the recent Washington Navy Yard shootings; thanks to the following Marines who helped with the set up/take down for the Field of Flags: Aldrich, R. Paulin, T. McClelland, Chaffin, and B. Breton.
- c) Fundraising Committee: Commandant Kirstatter and Marine B. Elmore announced that that Belk's department store is allowing charitable organizations to sell \$5 tickets to a ticket-only sale event on November 9th. The Detachment

will get to keep all the proceeds from the ticket sales. There is also the chance, if Detachment members volunteer on the day of the sale to work in the store, the Detachment will get a share of the tickets sold by the store on the date of the sale. Members were each given 5 tickets a piece to sell. This is a good way to raise money for the Detachment.

f) Young Marines/JROTC Sponsorship: No report.

g) Veteran's Coalition Committee: JA Wilcox said the Field of Flags set up and the ceremony went really well. Thanks to the five Marines who participated.

h) Shooting Team Committee: No report.

- X. Old/Unfinished Business** Marine Nicholson said all the needed funds (and then some) have been raised for the WWII Memorial. Thanks to Bill Hamby for putting them over the top. Stone is being cut now and will be dedicated onsite in Memorial Park on November 11th at 1100. The next project will be a Korean War Memorial; any unused funds will go to that effort.

XIII. New Business Commandant Kirstatter presented an associate member pin to Bob Brooks.

XIV Good of the League Commandant Kirstatter announced the new Columbus Detachment # 1402 will hold their elections and installation of officers on October 12 at 1100. Members are encouraged to attend to show our support for the District & Department. Also, the DAV Mobile Disability Van will be at the VFW @ 315 Philema Road on 26 September from 1000-1700. The MCLB Retiree Breakfast will be 2 October @ 0615. Tickets for the 238th Marine Corps Birthday Ball will go on sale 23 September to 1 November @ Town and Country Restaurant lobby from 1100-1300 Mon. through Fri. The Ball will take place on 8 November at the ASU HPER Gymnasium. Ticket price for Civilians and Retirees is \$50. 23 September is the last day to register for the "Golfing for Green" Ball fundraiser. The tournament is 27 September @ Grand Island. The last two civilian employees will be returning home from Afghanistan on 20 September @ 1650 at the Albany Airport.

District 6 Vice Commandant McKenna said Marines should pay their dues directly to their detachments (and not to National); 5 October is the District Meeting in Macon; Detachment # 1373 is planning a trip to Parris Island soon; MODD Pound # 322 in Macon will be selling Boston butts for \$25/per and will be delivered on 16 November; 100% of the proceeds will go to Children's Hospital in Macon.

XV Announcements The Board of Trustees will meet in October to appoint a nominations committee chair for the upcoming officer elections. Also, Sr. Vice E. Elmore will Chair the awards committee, so get your awards nominations ready.

Marine B. Elmore announced that Marine Gillan has been hired as the CEO of the Albany YMCA.

Acting Sgt at Arms Chaffin said this year's Marine Corps Birthday Ball will feature an open, cash bar (no tickets like last year).

Commandant Kirstatter said the new Riverpointe owners take possession on 1 October. Still no word on whether the Detachment will be allowed to continue meeting at this venue.

XI. Adjourned After the colors were retired by acting Sgt at Arms Chaffin, Commandant Kirstatter announced the meeting was adjourned at 1930.

Minutes submitted by: Adjutant Hart.

Minutes approved by: Commandant Kirstatter

Marine Corps League – Lawrence DesJardines Detachment # 1260

Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2013

I. Call to order

Commandant Kirstatter called the regular Detachment meeting to order at 1830 on October 15, 2013 at the Riverpointe Golf Club in Albany, Georgia.

II. Roll call

Acting Adjutant Alex Hart conducted a roll call of officers. The following officers were present: Commandant Kirstatter; Sr. Vice Elmore; Jr. Vice Paulin; Judge Advocate Wilcox; Paymaster Adams; Acting Sgt at Arms Richard Chaffin; and Chaplain Breton. Absent were: Adjutant Melba Harrell and Sgt at Arms Rodgers. There were a total of 22 members and 2 associate members in attendance.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were posted to the Detachment webpage; accordingly, said minutes were not read at this meeting. The minutes were approved without corrections.

IV. Applications for Membership.

None; however, Marine Ira Thompson was sworn in as a new member.

V. Visitors/Guests.

None.

VI. Correspondence received.

An e-mail was received from Marilyn Retza. Also Mary DesJardines called with thanks for continuing to send her the monthly Detachment newsletter. The National Fall Headquarters Project Midwinter Raffle to be drawn on February 15, 2014. Tickets are \$5 each.

VII. Paymaster's Report

Report delivered by Paymaster Adams. The ending balance for the savings account as of October 16, 2013 was \$4,878.22. The ending balance for the checking account as of October 16, 2013 was \$4,544.64. Paymaster's Report approved pending audit.

VIII. Chaplain's Report

Report given by Chaplain Breton. Please continue to keep Marine Tom Voth and his wife, Orva, in your prayers. Marine Jim Reilly is recovering but is still on

oxygen. No word from Marines Ken Berggron or Rob McCarty. Marine Joe Caldiera is recovery from bypass and valve implant surgery, but still has shortness of breath. Marine Bobby Elmore is home recovering from knee surgery. Continue to keep National Vice Commandant John Kovalcik and Department Commandant Joe Barbee in your prayers as those Marines recover from surgery.

IX. Report of the Officers

- a) Commandant: Commandant Kirstatter announced the following: 1) our Detachment is in the top 5 in the Department of Georgia for delinquent members; please check in with the delinquent Marines you know about renewing their memberships; 2) he attended the officers installation ceremony for the Columbus Detachment; that Detachment mentioned a Veteran's parade on Saturday, November 2, 2013 in Manchester, Georgia; 3) please let Ron know if your e-mail address has changed; 4) 2 new Detachments will soon be chartered in the Department of Georgia.
- b) Sr. Vice: Sr. Vice E. Elmore said his is working on the dictionary project and has recently spoken with the Worth County School Board about the project.
- c) Jr. Vice: Jr. Vice Paulin announced that Marine Randolph Scott is still pending the membership oath.
- d) Judge Advocate: No report.

X. Standing Committee Reports

- a) River Walk Committee: Acting Sgt at Arms Chaffin announced that the next River Cleanup date is set for October 19th (no Thursday cleanup is scheduled for the golfers). Meet at 0830 at Cox Landing. Donuts and coffee will be available.
- b) Finance Committee: No report.

XI. Special Committee Reports

- a) Fallen Marines. Marine Corporals James W. Barnhill and Timothy R. Collins and PFC David L. Reed passed away. Certificates of Appreciation were mailed to their families.
- b) Flag Committee: Marine Aldrich reported that 195 flags have been issued since the program began; goal is to reach 200 by next meeting; program \$750 in the black.
- c) Fundraising Committee: No report.
- d) Detachment Scrapbook: No report.
- e) Young Marines/JROTC Sponsorship: No report.

f) Veteran's Coalition Committee: Judge Advocate Wilcox said there will be flu shot clinic on October 19th from 1000-1300 at American Legion Post 30; also Marine Nicholson announced there will be a Salute to Veterans on November 9th at 0830 at Veteran's Park; then on November 11th Post 30 will host breakfast with a guest speaker. Colors at 0630 followed by the WWII Monument dedication at Veteran's Park at 1100.

g) Shooting Team: No report.

XII. Old/Unfinished Business

The Nominations Committee will be chaired by Paymaster Adams.

XIII. New Business

An Awards Banquet Committee Chair is needed as well as others to serve on the committee; if you are interested, please contact Commandant Kirstatter. So far, Riverpointe's new management is okay with letting the Detachment continue to use its facilities for monthly meetings. Please show our financial support by purchasing food and beverages before meetings. By unanimous vote of the members, the Detachment will continue to sponsor a hole at \$150 for the Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament.

XIV. Good of the League

Commandant Kirstatter announced the following: 1) the Department Staff Meeting will be October 26th @ 0930 in Gainesville, GA with training and a Growl to follow; 2) Pound 360 will hold a Growl on November 2nd @ 1000; 3) the MCLB Retiree Breakfast will be November 6th at 0615; 4) November 9th is the Belk's Non-Profit Invitation Only sales event; 5) the Toys for Tots Golf Tournament is November 18th. Sr. Vice Elmore said he needs award nominations ASAP; he also said our members are fortunate to belong to a well-led, cohesive Detachment. Marine Newton said Judy Bowles of Keep Albany-Dougherty Beautiful continues to sing the Detachment's praises for its steadfast commitment to cleaning up the Riverwalk; she is inviting a member of the Detachment who lives in Dougherty County to serve on her organization's board of directors.

XV. Announcements

None.

XVI. Adjourned

After the colors were retired by acting Sgt at Arms Chaffin, Commandant Kirstatter announced the meeting was adjourned at 1725.

Minutes submitted by: Adjutant Hart.

Minutes approved by: Commandant Kirstatter

**MINUTES
OF
November 19, 2013**

Called to order @ 18:30 By: Commandant Ron Kirstatter

Roll Call:

X Commandant	Kirstatter	X Adjutant	Harrell
X Sr Vice	Elmore	X Paymaster	Adams
X Jr Vice	Paulin	X Sgt At Arms	Rodgers
X Judge Advocate	Wilcox	X Chaplain	Breton

Members present: 32

Associate Members present: 7

Visitors/Guests: We had one guest.

Applications for Membership: Miles Martin – Will Davis – Sheila Kirstatter all were sworn in as members of the MCL.

Minutes have been posted to the website. No corrections noted

Approved as written.

Paymasters Report: Checking Account Beginning Balance - \$4,684.64 - Credits \$700.20 – Debits \$1,243.00 - Ending Balance \$4,141.84 – Outstanding Checks \$610.56 – Adjusted Balance \$4,752.40. Savings Account Beginning Balance - \$4,878.22 - Credits \$1.04 – Ending Balance \$4,879.26.

Chaplains Report: (Fallen Marines) Marines and Families that are Ill: Marine Joe Caldiera, had surgery for a bypass and valve implant, is doing rehab and still has shortness of breath but coming along. Continue praying for Marine Bobby Elmore and continued recovery, and the Wife of Marine James R. (JR) Edwards, she is in the process of recovering from a serious illness. Marine Randolph Scott had a hernia operation.

Chaplains help desk: The new detachment 1402 in Columbus needed some help in getting a Certificate of Appreciation and Letter of Condolence for James Lett. The time did not give us the privilege sending it by mail, so I hand delivered it to Jedd Depope's residence. The memorial went well. Mr. DePope's wife has been in the hospital and requires our prayers.

Fallen Marines Program: This month the Lord has taken home GySgt James L. Jankowski, USMC Retired; passed on 17 Oct. L.Cpl. Luther C. Terrell, Jr.; passed on 17 Oct.

Officers Reports:

Commandant's Report: Award Ceremony will be Dec. 17, the guest speaker will be MGySgt. Dorrough, and cost will be \$25.00 per person. Veterans Day breakfast had a good showing, and the veterans WWII memorial unveiling was a huge success there were at least 30 WWII Vets that attended.

Sr. Vice's Report: Mr. Elmore received a letter of approbation from the daughter of a Marine who passed on and the family needed some help getting a uniform to bury him in, she sent a check for \$150.00 to the detachment. When making arrangements to pay the detachment dues for the WWII vets Mr. Henry Jackson was overlooked, Ernie Elmore made a motion for the detachment to pay

Henry Jackson's dues the motion was seconded by Tim McClelland. We will have a park ranger come to speak sometime after the first of the year, Jan. or Feb. about Andersonville.

Jr. Vice's Report: Talking to about 4 or 5 perspective members.

Judge Advocate's Report: No Report

Standing Committee Reports:

River Walk Committee: We will have a Riverwalk cleanup 3rd Sat. in Feb.

Patriotism: Dave says we now have replaced or put up 202 new flags.

Veteran's Coalition: Nick says they will be having a Christmas Party Dec. 6th at 7:00 at American Legion Post 30.

Young Marines: Doing community service work they are the 2nd. Largest young marines unit in Ga.

We still have cook books to sell.

Correspondence: Thank you card from Kristal at Roosters to all Marines that go there for Breakfast on wed. Mornings. 100 percent membership streamer to hang on flag from National, also Membership Citation. GA was one of the few states that grew last year, our Detachment is number 3 now in the state, and we now have 113 members.

Dept. Convention will be May 2-4 in LaGrange, Ga.

Mid-Winter Meeting Feb. 13-14-15 in Falls Church, Va.

Old Business: None

New Business: Ernie Elmore made a motion to donate to the Korean War Memorial, the motion was tabled until more information on costs and donations needed are determined.

Good of the League:

Announcements: Let Ron Kirstatter know if you will be attending the Award Banquet.

Adjourned: At 19:30