



# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE Anderson-Jordan Detachment 1078 General Membership Meeting

Date: February 07, 2023

Commandant Ed Stutler called the meeting to order at 1800 hours at Horn Lake High School, 3360 Church Rd, Horn Lake, MS.

#### **Roll Call of Officers:**

Commandant Ed Stutler Senior Vice Commandant Anick Wallace Junior Vice Commandant Don Woodson Judge Advocate Bill Lamar Paymaster Jim Simpson Adjutant Tom Drumm Chaplain Bob Shearin Past Commandant Tom Drumm Sgt at Arms Don Dandridge

8 officers present, 1 officer excused and 0 absent. A total of 14 members were present and a quorum was present to conduct business.

Opening ceremonies and rituals were conducted.

**Introduction and Acceptance of New Members:** Guest Thomas Tuggle gave the Detachment a speech on his background and why he is running for sheriff. He is also a Marine and joined the Detachment.

**Correspondence:** The 2024 state convention will be held by the Gen Louis H. Wilson, Jr Detachment 173, Jackson, MS.

**Adjutants Report:** The minutes of the January 3, 2023 meeting have been posted to the website.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted on the website, seconded,

and approved by majority vote.

## **Reports of Officers:**

**Commandant:** Ed Stutler reported that the Memphis VA Hospital is now the LtCol. Luke Weathers Medical Center and that face masks are still required. Also, the rooms will be converted from double rooms to single rooms. As this will take time and the hospital will go from 180 beds to 130 beds. The new blood lab will be one of the best in the state.

## **Paymasters Report:**

A report was made by Commandant Stutler that Jim Simpson is absent due to a broken ankle.

Current Balance in checking account \$6955.74.

Membership shows 48 members with 29 members in good standing.

Chaplain's Report: Marines, Members, and love ones in need of prayer:

John Kingsley Jr., George Arata and his wife, Arnold Wallace, Barbara Geisler, Earl Ward and his wife Virginia, Jim Simpson and his wife Courtney, Michael F. Shearin, Jerry Blaylock and his wife, and Chris Woxen.

## Committee Reports:

<u>Scholarship Committee</u>: The Detachment has received one application so far. A reminder will go out to the High Schools with the deadline to apply.

<u>Honor Guard Committee:</u> Simon Dean said the rifles are new and in boxes at the sheriff's office. Further discussion to be addressed on how rifles will be cleaned and how they are going to be assigned to the Honor Guard at a future date.

<u>Honor Our Troops Golf Classic Committee:</u> Anick and Tom will report whether there will be another golf tournament after they have a meeting in the near future. Will update after we have a scheduled meeting.

<u>Fund Raising Committee:</u> Tom and Don will keep checking weather reports and if we have a Saturday above 40 degrees in the morning and a high of 50 or more degrees we will try and arrange a fundraiser. Will probably call on a Wednesday or Thursday to man it.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Detachment needs to update membership roster for e-mail addresses, correct phone numbers, mail addresses, and get members to bring their dues up to date. This is still in progress.

Also, discussion on how to find out when members are sick or in need with better follow up.

Tom Drumm brought up about a breakfast meeting once a month and after a discussion Tom and Don Woodson and Frank Jones will try and set this up.

#### **New Business:**

**MOTION:** Bill Lamar made a motion to pay for a quarter page ad by the Detachment for the Southeast Division Conference (\$75) and also to pay for the Detachment Delegate Registration (\$40). The motion was discussed, seconded, and passed by a majority vote.

Bill also informed us that he will be moving back to Gulf Shores but will continue to help the Detachment maintain the website.

**MOTION:** Anick Wallace made a motion to buy water and gator aid for the Horn Lake High School JRROTC upcoming event, it was discussed, seconded, and passed by a majority vote.

#### **NOMINATION FOR 2023 ELECTED OFFICERS:**

Judge Advocate Bill Lamar conducted the nomination of officers for 2023. The following were nominated for the applicable position:

Commandant: Anick Wallace Sr. Vice Commandant: Tom Drumm

Jr. Vice Commandant: Don Woodson

Judge Advocate: Ed Stutler

Nominations were closed and proceeded with elections.

#### **ELECTION OF THE 2023 OFFICERS:**

Bob Shearin cast the single vote by acclamation for the above officers.

The following appointed officers agreed to remain in their appointed positions or accepted the applicable position:

Paymaster: Jim Simpson Sgt at Arms: Don Dandridge

Adjutant: Alexa Taylor Chaplain: Robert Shearin

Web Sergeant: Bill Lamar.

The new Detachment Officers will be installed at the next meeting.

**Closing:** Closing ceremonies and rituals were conducted.

The next Detachment meeting will be March 7, 2023 at 1800 hours.

The meeting was adjourned at 1900 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

## Tom Drumm

Adjutant