



Marine Corps League  
Smoky Mountain Detachment #973

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## Meeting Minutes

DATE: 6 January 2009

1. Opening Ceremony: Commenced at 1830
2. Roll Call of Officers: 2 excused, 4 present, 3 absent
3. Applications of Membership/Oath for New Members : None
4. Past Meeting Minutes : Read with Marine Whittaker making motion to accept as read, Marine Hancock seconded the motion and it passed unanimously
5. Mail/Correspondence : Letter read from girl selling puppies at Wal-Mart while collecting donations for Toys for Tots
6. Paymaster's Report : Read by Paymaster Marine Potter, copy for review by all, Marine Whittaker made motion to accept as read, Marine Roberts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously
7. Members/family sick and/or distressed : Cheri Basey, wife of Marine Basey had knee operation, doing better with PT, Marine Howell in hospital with kidney stone
8. Report of Officers : None
9. Committee Reports
  - Color Guard : Reported Color Guard has no upcoming events
  - Veteran's Memorial : Marine Lanson reported on having a difficult time locating a surveillance system company for monitoring Memorial park
  - Awards/Recognition : None
  - Membership/Recruitment : Recruitment still a battle everyone needs to work on
10. Old Business

Commandant Hunt announced the holiday dinner was a huge success and will plan on the same format for 2009 holiday dinner for the Detachment. Location will be determined at the November 2009 meeting.
11. New Business

Commandant Hunt notified the Detachment members present that the sign up sheet for elections will be available at the February meeting. If anyone is interested in running for an elected or appointed office, please sign up on the sheet.

Commandant Hunt asked for a motion of \$200 to cover cost for him to attend the DoNC Quarterly meeting in Salisbury. The \$200 will cover cost of lodging the night before the meeting and mileage. Marine Moore made the motion and it was seconded by Marine Roberts. The motion passed unanimously

Commandant Hunt informed the Detachment that he had been in conversation with Bob Litten in reference to a military ball being held locally and what was the Detachment's thinking on this event. It was tabled until the February meeting to give the member's time to think about the possibility of participating in such an event.

Commandant Hunt announced that the first raffle for 2009 will start early April and the Detachment will need to make a decision at the February or March meeting as to what to raffle.

Marine Fendrick mentioned a possible trip to Camp Lejeune for CAPEX 2009 in the Fall. Members were asked to think about this trip and it will be discussed further at the February meeting. Marine Fendrick accepted the role as event planner if the Detachment decided to attend the event.
12. Good of the League (anything of general concern that requires no voting)

Commandant Hunt asked the members present if a trip to Parris Island would be something to plan for. He asked the members to think about a March or April time frame for a 3 day trip to Parris Island, and further discussion would take place at the February meeting.

Next general meeting announced –February 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1830
13. Closing Ceremony

Meeting adjourned at 1905