

Marine Corps League
Commiskey-Wheat Detachment #1073
August 4th, 2016 Minutes

1800 - Social Time

1830 - Call to order by Commandant Maples. SAA Hoerner posted the colors and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and singing the Marines Hymn. Chaplain Sellers opened the Bible and did the invocation. SAA declared the meeting open to conduct official business.

Commandant Maples introduced a new member, Tom Jones, who lives in Columbia.

Chaplain gave the sick report. Bob Simms bed-ridden at home. Danny Simmons is out of the hospital and in good spirits. Betty Drake at home and can't get around well

Commandant spoke about NAS Meridian, plus the Flag pole dedication at the Claiborne. They donated \$200.00 to the League.

Hattiesburg Gun Show - we took in \$755.00 for 30 and 31 July 2016. Thanks to Roy Royals, who was in charge of this event.

Marine Zimmermann spoke about selling tickets at the VFW in Hattiesburg and also the American Legion in Hattiesburg. Bill Perkins will speak with the VFW and Robert Hall will speak to the American Legion about selling tickets to their members.

Walter Cook brought up visiting the elderly at Brookdale 1 and Brookdale 2.

Dave Fuller contacted USM for help with a newsletter for the Detachment.

Jackson Gun Show this coming weekend, Aug. 5th - 7th. Times and dates covered for volunteers to show up. Booth 924 at the Trademark Coliseum.

Golf Tournament still needs sponsors and donations with 9 weeks to go.

Marine Corps Birthday Ball will be at St. Thomas Catholic Church. There will be no souvenir glasses this year. Robert Hall has glasses left over from last year for those who need one.

I&I Staff have invited us to their Birthday Ball this year, to be held in Gulfport on November 19th, a Saturday at the IP Casino.

David Hill is looking for volunteers to help clean up outside area of the League HQ. Bring your mowers and weed-eaters. Dates will be Aug. 13th and Aug. 27th, both on Saturday, starting at 0800 hours.

Christmas Toys - Dollar General Store will be our collection point. Ask your Church about being a distribution point. Also, Marines needed to pick up the toys from the

Dollar General Stores.

The League donated \$250.00 to the Veterans Picnic in Columbia. A motion was made, seconded, and passed. Picnic to be held Nov. 12th.

Construction behind the League HQ is for a Retirement community. Darian Pierce, the landlord, said he will take care of the League. Not to worry.

MCL contribution letter was mentioned, we are a 501(C), all donations are tax-deductible.

Our Guest, Michael Ovelle, introduced himself and asked the League if we could help with some financial aid. His mother-in-law is battling cancer. Also, Michael has asked to become a member. Jeff Broome made a motion to donate \$500.00. Seconded by Frank Milling. Motion passed

A motion to raise the price of the MC Ball to \$35.00 was made by Robert Hall and seconded by Jeff Broome. Motion passed.

Guest speaker may be Benny Hornsby, former Navy Chaplain or possibly the SgtMaj of Marine Corps.

Road Block date to come.

Detachment Polo Shirts - Walter Cook has someone who can make them for us at @ \$9.00 ea.

Richard Wills made the motion to forego the last months minutes. Seconded by unknown member. Motion passed.

Friday the 19th of Aug., our Honor Guard is needed. Volunteers are W.C. Maples, Robert Hall.

Next meeting will be Sept. 1st. as scheduled.

SAA Hoerner retired the colors.

The Chaplain closed the Bible and the 50/50 drawing took place. Frank Milling was the winner.

Chaplain read the names of the Marines who have past on.

SAA declared the meeting closed.

Semper Fi
Mark Retcho, Adjutant