



DeKalb County Marines

Marine Corps League - Detachment #847

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DeKalb County Marines Calendar of Events

3-5	Officer's Meeting
3-19	Detachment Meeting @ Sandwich Vets
3-20 & 21	Red Cross Container Drive
4-2	Officer's Meeting
4-16	Detachment Meeting
4-25	Draw Down @ Sycamore Vets
5-7	Officers Meeting
5-21	Detachment Meeting
5-25	Memorial Day

March 2009

The Commandant's Corner

Marines,

I am glad to see winter coming to a end for this year but that signals the start of parade season. It's that time of year that we need to get our uniforms out to get them ready. One more trip to the cleaners or maybe even the tailors to make sure they we are ready to go. I am looking forward to seeing all of you that can make it participating as much as possible. It is our chance to show the community that we are proud of our service and it is also a chance to join together in camaraderie and frequently just a reason to have a darn good time with fellow marines.

SemperFi

Detachment Meeting of February 19, 2009.

Called to order by Commandant @ 1907, with 15 members present.

Roll Call of Officers

Commandant-Steve Scoughton- Present

Sr. Vice Commandant-Troy Walker-	Present
Jr. Vice Commandant-Trina Leger-	Absent
Jr. P ast Commandant-Stefan Kristen-	Excused
Judge Advocate-Andre Gactor-	Present
Paymaster-Don Anderson-	Present
Sgt at Arms-Brent Bacon-	Excused
Chaplain-Troy Walker-	Present
Adjutant-Jeff Anderson-	Present
Quartermaster-Lloyd DaMask	Present

New Members- None this month.

Awards and Recognition

None at this time

Previous Meeting Minutes – a motion by Troy Walker, seconded by Mike Borsma, to approve and accept the minutes of the previous meeting was passed.

Correspondence- A reminder that the Kingston American Legion has invited the detachment to assist with the annual corn beef and cabbage dinner at the varsity club in Kingston March 14, 2009.

The McHenry County Detachment announced the they are putting together a Washington D.C. trip June 26,27 &28 2009. limit of 50 people cost will vary depending on how many sign up. For details or reservation contact Dom Cannata @ 815-236-8377 or marine1967@dls.net

Central Division asked for each Department to raise \$1000.00 to go towards the division conference Troy Walker moved, Bill Riddle second, and passed a motion to donate \$100 to the Department of Illinois.

Paymaster Report – A motion was made by Troy Walker, second by Joe Chavez, and approved, to accept the Paymaster Report as read.

Report of Members or Members' Families Sick or in Distress – Details of this discussion will no longer be published in order to respect of the privacy of those mentioned.

Officer's Reports– The Chaplin reported that he has sent multiple cards on behalf of the detachment. He also requests that if anyone knows of marines needing to be contacted by the Chaplin to please contact him.

Standing Committees- Vac delegate reported that The letters will be going out for annual \$25 dues from all participating organizations, Don Jones moved, Troy Walker Second approval of the payment of same. Also announced was a WW I and WW II vintage era convoy will be passing thru the city of Dekalb June 20th some time after lunch. More information will be forthcoming but they would like to line the route with people that day. Participation by the marines and families will be appreciated.

Special Committees- Draw down Dinner Will be held April 25 2009 at the Sycamore veterans home Tickets are available from Keith Keutzer. He requests that all sales be completed and tickets turned into him as soon as possible but no latter then the April 16 Detachment meeting.

Unfinished Business- Troy Walker reported that the Marine Corps Ball at NIU this year resulted in a loss of \$3100.00. Debate was started about what the

detachment should do for 2009. it was suggested that we have another ball at a less costly facility and also a detachment only ball on a less formal scale. Discussion was tabled for more input and scheduled for a vote at our 3-19 meeting. All Ideas will be welcomed.

New Business- The commandant has asked for input regarding a new ceremony to replace the current Table ceremony, in order to reflect the newest generation of veterans and the middle east conflicts. He would like to put something together before this Memorial Day. All suggestions will be heard.

Good of the League-Our March Meeting will be held at the Sandwich VFW @1900. March 19, 2009.

Announcements- None at this time.

Closing Ceremony- Meeting adjourned @ 2015.

Chaplin

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This month in Marine Corps History-

March 4, 1801 the Marine corps band Plays at Presidents Jefferson's Inauguration. Beginning the nickname "The President Own"

March 9, 1847 Marines Seize Vera Cruz In the war with Mexico.

March 17, 1918 5Th Marine Regiment joins 2nd Army division on the front lines in France. Later Major General John A. Lejeune would become the first marine officer to Command an Army Division.

March 8, 1965 First Ground forces of Marines land at Da Nang Vietnam.

March 23, 2003 Marines declare AnNasiriyah free of insurgents after 6 days of operations in the heart of the Sunni triangle.

Auxiliary Notes: None at this time.

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