**MEETING MINUTES\_DATE 9-15-2016**

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

**SILVER STATE DETACHMENT**

**PRE-MEETING:** Guest Presentations, Drawing, Other

* Meal served included sandwiches, salad and watermelon
* Drawing pot was $54.00 and split with winner Dale Ryan for $27.00

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS & MEMBERS PRESENT:**

* Meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM
* Roll call: 5 Officers present, 8 members and 6 guests for a total of 19
* Guests included Martin Rodriquez USMC, Kim Rodriquez, Kiaveth Rodriquez, Betty Prior, and Nancy Lundsford.
* Guest Betty Prior shared stories of her father from New York City who fought with George Patton in the WWII Battle of the Bulge. He was an expert rifleman, carried the Browning Automatic Rifle, fought across Europe for eight months, rode on a tank through France, shot down a German plane attacking the tank, performed mop up operations and experience freeing prisoners. Betty appreciates the military and offered to make a donation to help veterans of all services.
* Martin Rodriquez shared his USMC service as a squad leader and stated that he was proud to have all of his squad return home safe. He completed two tours in Afghanistan.

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:**  (Read & Vote as necessary)

* Steve Moravec paid $32.00 to renew his membership
* Matthew Hodges new member applicant paid his $32.00 dues Matt joined the Marines in 1995 and served four years active duty and four years reserve. He spent his service time at Camp Pendleton, California.

**CEREMONY OF MEMBERSHIP INITIATION:**

* Sgt. of Arms Griz Rogers conducted the swearing in ceremony of new members, Matt Hodges and Martin Rodriquez. Detachment members congratulated them for their service and for joining the unit.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

* The July Detachment meeting minutes were approved as read.

**READING OF CORRESPONDENCE:**

* The National By-laws notice has been received changing the membership process.   
  The details will be provided at a later date as the change has to be studied before it can be implemented.
* Commandant Armstrong indicated we are current with transmittal submittals and all have been forwarded to the Department of NV which will be forwarded to National. Our roster and National information still are not matching up. Work is continuing to reconcile member status and to get the roster accurate.

**REPORT OF PAYMASTER:**

* Commandant Armstrong reported a balance of $1280 checking and $1800 savings. A total of $2130 was donated to the children trust of fallen Deputy Howell.

**REPORT OF SICKNESS OR DISTRESS:**

* Member Roy Place wife if currently undergoing testing and diagnosis.
* Member Ron Gutzman has recently received a pacemaker.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS/STANDING COMMITTEES:**

* Sr. Vice: No report
* Jr. Vice: The Jeep mutt batteries are being charged
* Judge Advocate: Presented the certificate on behalf of Don Podlas for the brick that will be placed at the National Marine Corps Museum. The certificate will be given to his wife Marie Podlas.
* Judge Advocate also reported that a temporary membership card is available to the Detachment members until an official card is received from National.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

* New Detachment member Matt Hodges has made some updates to the Website.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* Commandant Armstrong gave an update on the M1 Rifles and the plan to store the rifles with the Sheriff’s Department for dual use of the Honor guards and other events. He will need some help to transport the rifles from the High School Armory to the new location at some future date.
* Commandant gave an update on the event presenting the funds for Deputy Howell
* Commandant reported that American Legion Post 4 was given $70 for the attendance at the annual picnic in August. Twelve of our members attended the event.
* Nominations were opened for the upcoming October election of the 2017 Officers. Bill Golden has indicated he is willing to continue to serve as the Sr. Vice, Nick Lazzarino has stated he will continue as Jr. Vice, however his job duties are increasing, Commadant Armstrong indicated he will be willing to serve again but Bob Larson will not be serving as Judge Advocate, but instead will be available as Chaplin and continue to do duty as the acting Adjutant until another Volunteer can be found. This leaves the position of Judge Advocate open for nominations and nominations of any other member can be received at the beginning of the October Detachment meeting before closing and the election to be held at the same meeting.
* Bill Golden offered to bring a dessert for the October meeting. Still need help with the monthly menus and meal to be served.
* Commandant Armstrong called for member approval to invest $299 for 600 flags to be used for promotional purposes. Motion to purchase made by Griz Rogers and seconded by Steve Moravec and approved by the members.
* Out Reach event will be held at the North Walmart on Sunday Sept 18th and volunteers are needed for set up at 7 AM and tear down at 4 PM. Also need to have members to man the stations.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

* **ANOTHER OUT REACH FUND RAISER IS BEING PLANNED FOR THE SOUTH WALMART ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 22. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SET UP AND TO MAN THE PROMOTIONAL TABLES.**
* **NEVADA DAY PARADE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 29TH. MORE DETAILS AT OUR NEXT MEETING.**
* **MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION TO BE HELD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH.**
* **SALVATION ARMY TURKEY COLLECTION TO BE CONDUCTED FOR THANKSGIVING. NEED THE DATE FOR THIS EVENT.**

**MEETING CLOSE:**

* **Meeting closed at 8:30 PM**

**NEXT MEETING:**

* **THURSDAY OCTOBER 20TH, 2016**