

*Marine Corps League
Jerry Murphy Detachment 381
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Minutes of Membership Meeting held May 14, 2009*

Commandant Bill O'Mara called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

Opening Ceremonies were observed with Sgt-at-arms Dean Triebel stating the quarters were secure and all present were qualified to be there. He then posted the Colors and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Tomas Trujillo-Harvey led the assembly in prayer. Sgt.-at-arms Triebel then declared the meeting open for the transaction of official business.

Mr. Dan Gerry, son of applicant, Audrey Gerry, was introduced by Marine Zane Wells, who then presented a brief bio on the applicant. She is 94 years young, and enlisted in the Corps in NYC in 1943, as one of the first Woman Marines.

In consideration of her age and having to use a walker, the program was moved ahead and Commandant O'Mara performed the initiation ceremony, with the Chaplain offering a prayer for the new member. A recess followed to allow the old members to introduce themselves and welcome the new member and her son.

Roll Call of Officers by the Adjutant.

Commandant Bill O'Mara-Present	299-6506
Sr. Vice Commandant Paul Jackson-Present	877-6688
Jr. Vice Commandant Elias Franco-Present	857-0759
Chaplain Tomas Trujillo-Harvey-Present	275-1981
Judge Advocate Allen Osborn-Present	293-7152
Paymaster Mike Corona-Present	857-0402
Adjutant Bob Davidson-Present	217-8091
Sgt-at-arms Dean Triebel-Present	332-2834
Jr. Past Commandant John Cleveland-Present	256-4121

Minutes of the Previous Meeting were made available to the members. Sgt.-at-arms Dean Triebel passed out copies to members who failed to pick them up, on entry into the meeting room. Marine John Cleveland presented a motion to accept the minutes, subject to correction, with Marine Lee Hill seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously by the membership.

Adjutant's Report: Bob Davidson reported that the State convention will be held in Carlsbad in about a month and anyone wishing to attend, should pick up the necessary paperwork from the table in the back of the room.

Paymaster's Report: Paymaster Mike Corona presented the April report of income and expenses, with copies available to all members on the table in the rear of the room. Marine John Cleveland presented a motion to accept the paymaster's report, subject to audit, with the Chaplain seconding the motion and the membership, voting their approval.

Chaplain's Report: The Chaplain said he had received a phone call from a WWII veteran's son whose Father had been rescued from a burning tank by Marines.

Report of any Member or Members Family Sick or in Distress: None

Report of Officers

Commandant Bill O'Mara gave a report that a safe had been purchased that was big enough to hold all ten of the Detachment rifles and ammunition. Marine John Cleveland presented a motion to approve the purchase, at a cost of \$1048.00, with Marine Lee Hill seconding the motion, and the membership voting approval. (The motion to approve the purchase had already been presented and passed at the previous meeting.)

Sr. Vice Commandant: None

Jr. Vice Commandant: None

Adjutant; Bod Davidson reported that he had already given information about the upcoming State Convention. He then reported that Marines Lee Hill and Susan Spicer had recently accompanied him to the Gerry Murphy VA Hospital and distributed the Old Spice body wash gel the Detachment had purchased, to the patients in the SCIS. He said he had received a phone call expressing appreciation of all who received these large bottles.

The hospital staff also thanked those distributing the body wash and told them how badly it was needed. He reminded the members that the large grey plastic container on the table in back of the room, was for donated toilet articles for the VA Hospital.

Sgt-at-Arms: None

Jr. Past Commandant: Marine John Cleveland said he and State Commandant Leo McCann, had recently traveled to Silver City and presented the Charter to the new Detachment, #1328. He also reported that he and four others had traveled to Santa Fe National Cemetery to provide Honors for a deceased Marine., but he badly needs volunteers to add to his phone list, so he has people to call to volunteer for the detail.. Ideally, seven Marines would be a good representation at these memorials.

Web Sgt: Lee Hill said the web site is up and running and encourages people to look at it regularly, as he updates it daily. Check it out at www.mclnm.com.

Report of Standing Committees

JrUSMCROTC: A member was present from Laguna-Acoma High School to receive and take back to the school, the newly designed plaque to the school.

Public Relations: John Cleveland said he had received a phone call from the principal at the Bayard-Cobre High School about starting a JRUSMCROTC program next year in the school.

Report of Special Committees

Rifle Team: Mike Corona said he badly needs shooters for the team.

Ships Stores: Paul Jackson had no report.

Telephone Committee: Elias Franco had nothing to report

Unfinished Business: Don Hill said he went through Sea School at MCRD in 1940 and was then assigned to the Marine Detachment aboard the USS Nashville.

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Announcements: Commandant O'Mara reminded everyone that he and wife Pat, were hosting a BBQ picnic at their home this Saturday at 4:00 pm, and all

Detachment members and their families are invited.

Closing Ceremonies were observed with Paul Jackson thanking everyone for being there and to please come back for the next regular scheduled meeting on Thursday evening, July 9, at 1900 hours, (7:00 pm). There would not be a meeting in June, as the officers will be in Carlsbad for the State Convention.

Commandant O'Mara concluded the business was ended and asked the Sgt.-at-arms to close the meeting.. Sgt.-at-arms Dean Triebel conducted the balance of the closing ceremony by rendering the hand salute to the Colors, and signing the Marine's Hymn. The Chaplain offered a closing prayer and the Commandant stated the meeting was adjourned at 2035 hours.

