

**DELTA DIABLO DETACHMENT 1155
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

**MEETING MINUTES OF 18MAR04
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL
BRENTWOOD CALIFORNIA**

Attendance was taken by sign-up. There were 35 attendees.

COM Dale Cook opened the meeting at 1900 Hours. SAA Nielsen conducted the opening ceremonies. Detachment Officers present were: SVC Doug Mercado, JVC Len Bregman, PM Ian Oxford, SAA Bob Nielsen, JA Larry Stiles, CHP Leslie Harrold, and ADJ Booth Myers.

CHP Leslie Harrold gave the Invocation.

Nine prospective members were introduced to the Detachment. In the sequence below they gave their names and a brief description of their backgrounds in the Corps:

- James Washburn of Oakley, CA - Joined the Marine Corps Reserve in 1963 and served through 1969 in an Air Delivery unit in San Jose
- Manuel Vilchez of Brentwood, CA - Served as a Navy Corpsman in the 1st Marine Division from 1951 to 1954
- Michael Cline of Brentwood, CA - Joined the Corps in 1968 and served in an A-4 Squadron
- Robert (Andy) Anderson of Discovery Bay - Joined the Corps in 1955 and served through 1980 in Aviation Ordnance. Served in Vietnam in 1970 and 1971.
- Leo Garcia of Antioch - Joined the Corps in 1961 and served in Vietnam in 1965 and 1966
- Michael Scott of Oakley, CA - Joined the Corps in 1982 and served through 1986 as an Aviation Technician
- Mark Darnell of Oakley, CA - Joined the Corps in 1993 and served through 1997 in the 3rd Marines in the 1st Marine Division
- James Grice of Brentwood CA - Joined the Marines in 1968 and served through 1971 in Motor Transport
- Donald Hester of Oakley, CA - Joined the Corps in 1991 and served in the 4th Landing Support Bn as a Radio Operator through 1998

Following their introduction to the Detachment, and approval by the Detachment Members, all nine of the applicants were formally sworn in by COM Cook. There was a brief recess to welcome the new members to the Detachment.

Minutes of the February 19, 2004 Outpost meeting were read by ADJ Myers. Two corrections were made and a motion to accept the February 19 Minutes was made, seconded, and unanimously approved by all present.

Detachment Member Ian Oxford of Pittsburg, CA was nominated for the post of Detachment Paymaster (PM). Following a brief discussion, a motion to approve his appointment to office was made, seconded, and approved by all present. PM Oxford then reported that the Detachment currently had \$1233 in funds.

COM Cook discussed the upcoming dinner on April 1 to celebrate the signing of Delta Diablo Detachment Charter Document and the Installation of Officers. Member's wives and adult guests are invited. A charge of \$25 per couple and a start time of 1900 hours (7:00 p.m.) were announced. Beer, wine and soft drinks will be served.

There was a discussion regarding the acquisition of M-1 rifles for the Detachment's Color Guard. An application was submitted by COM Cook for nine rifles. Also discussed was the possible purchase of a large ceremonial flag at cost of \$685. COM Cook encouraged all members to recruit new members for the Detachment. We need approximately 20 volunteers to support a Detachment Color Guard.

COM Cook discussed the need for revenue to support Detachment activities. We received \$1000 from Detachment 942, our "parent" Detachment.

QM Stiles discussed the availability of uniform items for the Detachment. Covers with the 942 Detachment label can be redone for \$12. White uniform shirts are available for \$17. Members were directed to QM Stiles for purchases of all uniform items.

COM Cook discussed the Detachment Bylaws and made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded, and approved by all present.

John Oliverio discussed plans for the American Legion's upcoming expansion of the Veterans Memorial Hall by 2200 square feet including the addition of a beverage bar to the facilities.

The group expressed their gratitude to Don and Frank for preparing the evening's outstanding corned beef dinner.

CHP Harrold read the Closing Invocation and the meeting adjourned at 2019 hours (8:19 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted



Booth R. Myers, Adjutant