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19 May 2026 Minutes

Opening Ceremony-1800

Roll Call of Officers-Judge Advocate and Sgt-at Arms absent. We have a Quorum with 16 in attendance.

Applications for Membership- None

Correspondence- None

Recognition of visitors: None

Adjutant/Paymaster Report: Tumbleson Damon motioned to accept the reports as published, Michael Keyes seconded, motion passed.

Chaplain, Sick and in Distress: Sylvia Claborn to have shoulder surgery next month. Bob White a previous Commandant for NE Alabama passed away. And Bob Harrell another previous Commnadnat for NE Alabama and Navy Corpsman (Vietnam) also passed away.

Officers Reports:

Jr. Vice Cmdt- Did attempt to make a number of phone calls from contacts at gun shows. Connected to only one. Will keep trying.

Sr Vice Cmdt-No Report.

Judge Advocate- No Report

Committee Reports:

Toys for Tots: Still needs a new coordinator

Quartermaster: New shirts are in and for sale they are a number of shirts and hat in the rear of the room just make any donation.

Shooting team: May's rifle scores were the best we've ever had. Lots of room for improvement with the pistols. June 27th is the next shoot day.

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USMC Ball: The American Legion is allowing us the use of their building for the ball this year. Ray is taking lead on the committee with Sylvia Claborn, Alex Applebee and Theresa Keyes also on the committee.

Decorations, and a caterer are still to be found. Mike Claborn is going to seek a speaker.

Golf tournament will be in October. Ray Gettler, Mike Claborn and Damon Tumbleson are the committee so far. And Charles Wright has shown an interest also.

Ladies Auxiliary: Went to the Georgia State convention to fore the installation of the “Georgia Peaches” Auxiliary unit. They started with 20 members. At the Alabama convention the games night will have an ‘evening of enchantment’, south Pacific theme. So, bring your hula skirt and Hawaiian Shirts. The organization they will help this year has an established ‘store’ for foster parents to get needed clothes and other items for the foster children.

Unfinished Business: Road block this weekend at the intersection of Hwys 36 & 67. We will set up our banners on Friday. Memorial Day service at Roselawn on Monday. We will be in our red blazers to escort the Gold Star mothers. In case of rain, it will move to the American Legion. May 30th is the Conley detachment’s golf tournament.

New business: A member of Detachment #1 in New York created a website filled with benefits for veterans. A link to it is on our website. June 13th The Conley Detachment is having their annual kayak flock on Cypress Creek in Florence. Also, on the 13th we will take part in the gun show in Cullman.

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Good of the League: Some of us met with the Marine Poolees last Saturday for a Q&A session. June 6th the detachment picnic at the Tumbleson's. Bring your favorite side dish and a chair. Donation for the raffle room at the convention are taken care of. The CPO (combined patriotic organizations) is hoping to start a veteran's job fair to be held at the American legion. TBD. Next month's meeting we will be discussing how and for who our Detachment will be voting for in the state elections.

Closing ceremony: 1850
Joe Geisen won the 50/50

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