

Anaheim 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit Adoption Committee Newsletter October 2018



With the 13th MEU being deployed this holiday season, the Christmas party will be held off base and much earlier than usual. The party is scheduled for December 9 and will be large this year as we will be supporting all the units of the 13th MEU. Please refer to the attached flyer. Because collecting toys for that many that early will be challenging we'll need to start collecting toys in November which means we've already started our Thanksgiving meal drive. We'll have more families to support at Thanksgiving this year as well and in an effort to make donations go further we have decided to collect monetary donations which will be used to purchase commissary gift cards. Providing commissary gift cards is the best way to stretch our dollars as far as possible. Please refer to the attached flyer for all the information on how you can help provide Thanksgiving meals for our families. There really is no better time to show your support and gratitude than the holidays.



Thank you to all who came out to our 10th annual Car Wash on September 27 and to Jerry's ARCO for hosting the event. The turn out was great, and so many people took time to write Thank You cards which will be sent to the ship in time for Thanksgiving. We even had a City worker deliver a tub of toys for the Christmas toy drive - we're on our way !!!

A big **THANK YOU** to **Anaheim Police** and **Anaheim Fire & Rescue** - We had a K-9 officer and his handler, members from the SWAT team, fire trucks driving by honking out their support and even helicopter flyovers at the carwash!!







Your tax deductible donation for any of our events can be mailed to us: **Anaheim 13th MEU Adoption Committee**, 154 Jerrilee Lane, Anaheim, CA 92807. Donations can also be dropped off at City Hall, 7th Floor or to arrange for a pickup, please call 714-637-5575. If you prefer, you can send a check payable to the Committee with a notation on the memo line as to how you would like your donation used.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Committee Meetings

City Hall - 7th Floor 10:00am

October 17, 2018 November 21, 2018 No Meeting in December

Upcoming Events

October/November -

Thanksgiving Gift Card Drive

November/December -

Christmas Toy & Gift Card Drive



You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.

Happy Columbus Day





Thank you to the LOS ANGELES ANGELS OF ANAHEIM for donating 100 tickets to our 13th MEU families to attend their game against the Athletics on September 30. Thank you also to the VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, CHAPTER 756 for donating the funds for breakfast burritos, fresh fruit, coffee and orange juice at a tailgate party before the game. Lastly, thank you to Denise Barnes for donating seats in the City's suite for one special family who won the opportunity drawing to be upgraded to sitting in the suite while enjoying the game. Bonus for all ... the Angels won 5-4!!!







The Committee had the honor of helping host the End of Summer Beach Bash for our 13th MEU families on September 16 at Del Mar Beach on Camp Pendleton. The families enjoyed a afternoon of fun including bounce houses, a delicious catered buffet lunch, ice cream cones, friends and family, volleyball, sun, sand and gifts for the kids. The families had a good time making 8x11 banners which were attached to large painters tarps which will be sent to the ships for their loved ones to enjoy. The messages were so sweet and full of love and support - most included pictures and the finished products were truly works of art. Please enjoy the pictures from the event on the following pages. We are so grateful for the opportunity to support our families and for those who make it possible to do so !!!



HAPPY HALLOWEEN !!!!



We are busy planning the 6th Annual Semper 5K&10K which will be held on May 18, 2019 at Riverdale Park. We will be announcing the opening of registration soon. In the meantime, please SAVE THE DATE as we're sure you'll want to join us for another great event that the whole family can enjoy. We'll be looking for runners, vendors, sponsors and volunteers!



Stay Connected

Adoption Committee Website: anaheim13thMEU.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/13thMEU

Get Involved

Write

If you would like to send a letter or card of support to a member of the 13th MEU during deployment, please send it to:

CMDR Charlie Owens 13th MEU CE Unit 89056 Box (007) FPO AP 96610-5600

Donate

The Anaheim 13th MEU Adoption Committee is a volunteer based, citizen-run 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. We rely solely on corporate and individual donations in our support of the Marines, Sailors and families of the 13th MEU.

Donate through PayPal - Address: Anaheim I 3th MEU@gmail.com

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Thanksgiving Dinner Donations



The Anaheim 13th MEU Adoption Committee is sponsoring a Thanksgiving dinner for the Marines and Sailors and their families.

Please donate today! \$25.00

If you would like to help support a family this Thanksgiving, we will be collecting monetary donations and making the purchases from the base commissary this year which will make your donation go even further !!!

Approximate cost per family is \$25.00, but as always, any amount is welcome!

Deadline for donations is November 14th.

Drop off at City Hall 7th Floor or mail to the address below.

Any questions or for pick up please call 714 637 5575.

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