

## Anaheim 13<sup>th</sup> Marine Expeditionary Unit Adoption Committee Newsletter May 2020

One of our families enjoying Easter during this time of sheltering in place. These adorable brothers didn't seem to mind - coloring eggs with Mom and Easter "baskets" filled with all kinds of yummy treats and fun things to do. Staying in didn't stop them having an Easter Egg Hunt either. Hmmm, I wonder what that trail of eggs led to.











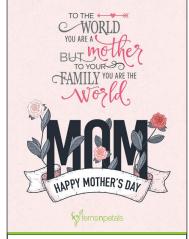
Your tax deductible donation (as allowed by law) for any of our events can be mailed to us: **Anaheim 13th MEU Adoption Committee**, 154 Jerrilee Lane, Anaheim, CA 92807. Donations can also be dropped off at City Hall, 7th Floor or to arrange for a pickup, please call 714-637-5575. If you prefer, you can send a check made payable to the Committee.

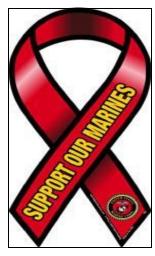
# UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Committee Meetings**

City Hall - 7th Floor 10:00am

May 20, 2020
June 17, 2020
July 15, 2020
August 19, 2020
September 16, 2020
October 21, 2020
November 18, 2020
No Meeting in December







Because of COVID-19 virus it was with deep regret that the 7th Annual Anaheim Semper 5K/10K had to be postponed. The Committee appreciates your patience as we wait for the City and County to announce when events can start being re-scheduled. Rather than cancel the event, which is our largest source of income used to support our Marines and their families, we are hoping to secure a new date in September/October. Please rest assured that as soon as a decision is made, it will be announced on the websites, the FB pages and in our newsletter.



Armed Forces Day is the day to honor all who currently serve and all who have served, both active and former, in the Reserves, National Guard or on active duty. In his February 27, 1950, proclamation announcing the establishment of the holiday, President Truman wrote: "I invite the Governors of the States, Territories, and possessions to issue proclamations calling for the celebration of that day in such manner as to honor the Armed Forces of the United States and the millions of veterans who have returned to civilian pursuits."





### **Stay Connected**

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### Write

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

"4ny Marine"

"Any Marine" c/o CMDR Spivey 13th MEU P.O. Box 555636 Camp Pendleton, CA 92055

### 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: Anaheim13thMEU@gmail.com

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Anaheim Hills

Vietnam Veterans of America -Chapter 756 Thank you to the Camp Pendleton USO for helping make Easter special for all the kids on base during the shelter-at-home mandate. Mom and Dad couldn't take the kids to the Easter Bunny, so the USO took the Easter Bunny to the kids !!!!













There are many ways that our 13th MEU families count down the days of deployment. They start the countdown on the day their loved one departs and continue it every day until that happy day that they will be saying "Welcome Home". Deployment is so long as the days turn to weeks and the weeks to months.

These brothers are making deployment chains. When their daddy is deployed, they will tear one link off every morning and it allows them to see the chain shorten as their daddy's deployment comes to an end. When finished, there will be 290 links on the chain but their mommy is a smart cookie and knows that things can change and deployments sadly can be extended so she saved a "bunch of links just in case". The sacrifices that our families make for all of us is amazing and something we really can only imagine.

