

Anaheim 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit Adoption Committee Newsletter September 2020

As a result of having to cancel the Semper 5K, our largest annual fundraiser, the Committee has had to make some very painful and difficult decisions about cutting programs in support of our 13th MEU families. We are so grateful to all of those who have made donations recently as those donations are helping us to continue supporting our young military families. If you would like to help our 13th MEU families during this especially difficult time, your support would be truly appreciated. There are several ways that you can make a donation: You can mail or drop off, you can call to arrange for a pick up, you can make a donation through PayPal or you can make your donation with a credit or debit card via a Square Donation. Our 13th MEU families are grateful for your support as they are dealing with not just the pandemic but deployment as well. Please find mailing address and phone number below. Please note that donations should not be mailed or taken to City Hall as it is still closed to the public. Thank you !!!!



Who doesn't love **OLD GLORY**, America's flag?? The red stripes represent hardiness and valor while the white stripes represent purity and innocence. The blue in our flag represents vigilance, perseverance and justice. If you need a flag, look no further - we've got them!! These flags are made in the USA by Annin Flagmakers, in business since 1847. Annin made the flag that draped Abraham Lincoln's casket, the flag raised on Iwo Jima and the US flags sent to the moon. The flags are 5'x8' and one can be yours for a suggested donation of \$40. What better way to show your love for and pride in America than by flying your flag every day of the year and helping members of the military at the same time. 100% of the proceeds directly benefit our 13th MEU families. Please contact us at 714-637-5575 if you are interested in owning one of these gorgeous flags.

The Committee has shipped 6 boxes of much needed items for our 13th MEU Marines who are currently deployed. This is an ongoing effort as many items are still needed for the duration of this deployment. Please contact us at 714-637-5575 if you can donate items such as body wash, floss, toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, deodorant, soap, shampoo, razors, etc. Monetary donations are also welcome to help with shipping costs.



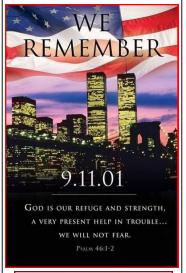
Your tax deductible donation (as allowed by law) for any of our events can be mailed to us: **Anaheim 13th MEU Adoption Committee**, 154 Jerrilee Lane, Anaheim, CA 92807. Donations can also be dropped off at City Hall, 7th Floor or to arrange for a pickup, please call 714-637-5575. If you prefer, you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

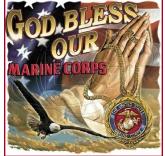
UPCOMING EVENTS

Committee Meetings

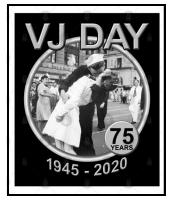
Via Conference Call Until Further Notice 10:00am

September 16, 2020 October 21, 2020 November 18, 2020 **No Meeting in December**









World War II involved combatants from most of the world's nations and was considered the deadliest war in history. Around 85 million military and civilians died as a result. **The end finally came on Sept. 2, 1945,** when Japanese officials signed the surrender documents aboard the battleship USS Missouri at Tokyo Bay, Japan.

Significant Events of World War II

Sept. 1, 1939: Germany invades Poland, marking what many regard as the start of the war, though Japan invaded China on July 7, 1937. Two days later, France and the United Kingdom declare war on Germany.

April 9 to June 22, 1940: Germany takes control of much of Western Europe, including France. July 10, 1940: Germany launches an air war, known as the Battle of Britain, against the United Kingdom.

Sept. 22, 1940: Germany, Italy and Japan sign the Tripartite Pact.

Dec. 7, 1941: Japan's naval air force attacks military bases on Oahu, Hawaii.

Dec. 8, 1941: The United States declares war against Japan.

Dec. 11, 1941: The United States declares war on Germany and Italy.

June 4 to 7, 1942: The U.S. Navy defeats the Japanese navy at the Battle of Midway.

July 9, 1942: Allied forces invade Sicily.

Sept. 8, 1943: Italy surrenders to the Allies, but German forces occupy northern Italy. **June 6, 1944**: Allied forces land on the beaches of Normandy, France, marking D-Day.

Aug. 25, 1944: Allies take control of Paris.

Dec. 16, 1944: Germans counterattack in northern France, Belgium and Luxembourg, known as the Battle of the Bulge.

Feb. 19, 1945: U.S. Marines land on the Japanese island of Iwo Jima.

March 22, 1945: The U.S. 3rd Army crosses the Rhine River in Germany.

April 1, 1945: U.S. Marines and Soldiers invade Okinawa, Japan.

April 25, 1945: The Soviet army encircles Berlin and links up with the Americans on the Elbe River.

May 8, 1945: Germany surrenders to the Allies, marking V-E Day. Aug. 6, 1945: The U.S. drops an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan.

Aug. 9, 1945: The U.S. drops an atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan.

Sept. 2, 1945: Japan formally surrenders to the Allies, marking V-J Day, although the initial announcement of surrender was made Aug. 15, 1945.



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

"Any Marine" c/o CMDR Spivey SPMAGTF 20.2 CR CE Unit 89035 Box 160 FPO AP 96610-3500

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.

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