

Marine Corps League



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Greetings To All.

The minutes of the Donald Cook Detachment 11/17/2016 meeting are attached. Snail Mail versions, a total of 12, will be in the mail as soon as I can print, fold, stuff them and this 'Reminder/Newsletter' in the envelopes, and get over to the Post Office.

Reminders:

- Next meeting of the Donald Cook Detachment of the Marine Corps League – Thursday, 15 December 2016, @ the VFW Post 6689, 73 Pearl Street, Essex Jct., VT. Dinner at 1800 Hours. Main course: Roast Pork (or Pork Roast, if you like to think of it that way). The meeting will follow at 1900 Hours.
- Toys For Kids 2016 campaign/Toy Barrels: Barrels were distributed as of Wednesday, 2 November 2016. They are scheduled to be picked up on Wednesday, 22 December 2016. Barrel Monitors – **PLEASE** have the barrels emptied not later than Wednesday, 21 December 2016. **No exceptions.** This is so the people picking up the barrels won't have to also contend with full toy barrel pickup.
- Toys For Kids 2016 campaign/Coin Barrels: They are out too and should be retrieved just after Christmas. Pass the word. If you feel so inclined and are able, and if you get inquiries about cash donations – checks should be mailed to:

Toys For Kids ~ PO Box 4092 ~ Burlington, VT 05406-4092

- As the season for the Toys For Kids campaign moves to a close for this year, if you have suggestions or know of other business owners who would like to support our effort for next year and in the future, make sure we know about those people and organizations so we can include them next year's planning.
- Everyone involved in the Birthday Ball this year – thank you!!

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Reminders, continued:

A message from our Past Commandant ~

Would you include a reminder in the news letter for all hands who attended the ball to have their list of bellyaches, compliments and suggestions, in writing (signatures are preferred but not necessary) for the Ball Committee for an after action critique? Thanx.

Semper Fidelis.

Jim

- Membership – something we need to work on – always. More about that at the January meeting.

And a message from our New Commandant ~

I'd like to mention that, for this next meeting, the Uniform of the Day" for all Officers and Membership - will be standard civilian clothes with just the "RED COVER," and that the menu is "Roast Pork". I checked for sure because Barbara Kauffman wanted to be sure, so she could bring some of her homemade apple sauce.

Thanks, and SEMPER FI.

Herb Drew, Jr., Commandant

- Marine John Kohler has brought to our attention the "Aubuchon Military Program." The application form is attached (email as well as snail mail). Just remember to black out sensitive information such as you Social Security Number and your Service Record Number if you offer them a copy of your DD-214 as proof of service. *I have been in touch with Lisa Gilbert who runs the program at Aubuchon and she has clarified that ALL Veterans have access to this program, not only those on active duty, in the reserves or who are retired.*

As the current Detachment Adjutant, I'd like to thank you for your patience, support, encouragement, and often – tolerance, and for what each of you contributes to this organization.

However you celebrate the holiday season, I wish you well.

Semper Fidelis.

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