



Anaheim 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit Adoption Committee Newsletter January 2019



The Marines and Sailors of the 13th MEU are not home yet but the good news is that **THEY ARE COMING HOME** soon !!!! Although we don't have a date it's time to start collecting items needed to assemble the **WELCOME HOME** bags. Upon return from deployment it could be a week or more before the Marines receive their personal belongings out of storage so the Committee provides these bags stuffed full of goodies to hold them over. As you can see from last deployment, the bags put a big smile on the faces of our returning heroes. If you would like to help us say **WELCOME HOME** and **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE**, this is an easy way to do just that. Please review the attached flyer for the information on how you can help. This is a fun thing to do as a family, with a group of friends, your co-workers, your church family or your classroom !!! We'll be assembling hundreds of bags and all donations are welcome. Thank you in advance for your help !!!! We can't wait !!!



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

January 16, 2019

February 20, 2019

March 20, 2019

April 17, 2019

May 15, 2019

June 19, 2019

July 17, 2019

August 21, 2019

September 18, 2019

October 16, 2019

November 20, 2019

No Meeting in December



**6th Annual
Anaheim Semper 5K & 10K Run
May 18, 2019**

Riverdale Park, Anaheim
run along the Santa Ana River



**"Tip of the Spear" Series
2019 Finisher Medal
featuring F-35B Lightning II**

Heroes Series

**Opportunity Raffle to all 5K &
10K finishers**

Fabulous Silent Auction

See details & register at:
Semper5k.org



We are busy working on the 6th annual Anaheim Semper 5K & 10K and hope that you will all be able to join the fun !! We are not only looking for race participants but will be looking for sponsors, finish line expo vendors and donations for the silent auction as well.

Thank you to **SERVICE CHAMPION HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING** for helping a Marine with his HVAC needs. It's always such a blessing when the community reaches out and helps a Marine and his family.



We've closed the books on 2018 and it was truly a very humbling year - full of so much love, gratitude and support for our 13th MEU families! The Committee and the members of the MEU cannot thank you enough for being there for these young families, from January to December. We cannot do what we do without all of you and that support you give is truly priceless. We look forward to an even better year. Our wish for all of you is that 2019 brings love, joy, PEACE, hope, renewed faith, quality time with family and friends, good health and lots of laughter !!!!

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 96640-5600

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:
Anaheim13thMEU@gmail.com

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13th Marine Expeditionary Unit Welcome Home Bags

The Marines and Sailors of the 13th MEU will be coming home soon and you are invited to help us welcome these men and women back to the USA.

The committee is collecting all kinds of items for the Welcome Home Bags that will be placed in the barracks for their homecoming from overseas deployment. Donating items is such a great and easy way for everyone to say "WELCOME HOME and THANK YOU for your service"!!! We will be stuffing several hundred bags so any donation is needed !!

The items listed below are suggestions from the Marines and Sailors themselves. Don't hesitate to contact us if you have other items you wish to donate.

For more information on how to donate please contact:

(714) 637-5575 Donation Coordinator
(714) 765-5162 Anaheim City Manager's Office

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Snacks
Popcorn
Pretzels
Beef Jerky
Trail Mix
Chips
Cookies
Microwaveable
Cup of Noodles
Ramen Noodles
Soups
Mac N Cheese



Photo of 13th MEU Marines deployed aboard USS Boxer provided by U.S. Marine Corps