



SINGLE MARINE PROGRAM HAMPTON ROADS

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From: Single Marine Program (SMP) Hampton Roads
To: SMP Council Members and SMP Leaders

Subj: SMP COUNCIL MINUTES, 09 November 2017

The SMP council meeting was held on 09 November 2017 at the MCCA Camp Allen MAC Center. The meeting was called to order by the SMP Vice President at 1130.

Roll Call of Attendees

Sgt Gregg Alvarez	NAVSOM	LCpl Edgar Terrones	MCSCG
Cpl Clifford Gillespie	Bravo Company	Sgt Emanuel Silvarios	MCSCG
Cpl Connor Cross	MARFORCOM	LCpl Bre'Aunna Sneed	H&S
Cpl Ronald Flowers	VMM-774	Sgt Corey Siebert	CNATTU
Jon Durham	Semper Fit Health Promotions		

SMP Coordinator/Vice President

- Discussed upcoming volunteer opportunities for November and December. Reiterated the SMP will primarily be focusing on volunteer opportunities during the holiday season.
 - Adopt A Service Member numbers needed by COB on Wednesday, **15 November**
 - Toys For Tots (Ongoing)
 - Patriot Guard Christmas Party is on **5 December**. From 1800-2100 enjoy the festivities and the all you can eat buffet Free for up to 90 Marines. Location will be sent out next week.
 - Snowball Express. Come out and support children of the fallen as they are escorted through Norfolk International Airport. We are looking to exceed our numbers from last year. Departure date is **9 December** (Time TBD). The return flight is **13 December** (Time TBD)
 - SMP FaceTime in Yorktown on **13 December**. SMP Coordinator and Cpl Gillespie will set up outside of the barracks (unless a better location is determined) passing out free drinks to Marines. They will have flyers/calendars and pass along relevant information about the program.
 - Wreath Laying at Arlington National Cemetery **16 December**. Help place Veteran Remembrance Wreaths at the Cemetery.
 - Yorktown **19 December**- A group of Marines would like to go door to door singing Christmas Carols. LCpl Sneed is taking the lead and will be organizing. We would like to make this a Fund Raising opportunity if possible. Mr. Goodrich will look into it and get with LCpl Sneed with his findings.

Cpl Ronald Flowers

- Toys For Tots Warehouse has changed this year.
 - Toys For Tots Warehouse
1255 Fordham Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

Cpl Cross

- Stressed the importance of our SMP Council actually showing up to these volunteer opportunities and events. This shows the Marines that you have buy in with the program and are not merely acting as a conduit and passing along information. He shared because he takes the time to attend the majority of these events, he no longer has issues getting his Marines to sign up when something becomes available.
- Encouraged a change in participation at our meetings. Each meeting the same Marines speak up and contribute to the planning and sharing of ideas. This is your opportunity to make changes and ensure your Marines are being taken care of. As members of the SMP Council we are obligated to make sure we are taking advantage of everything the program has to offer.

John Goodrich, SMP Coordinator

- Opened the floor for January/February ideas for Trips/Events
- Council members voted they would like to move the Wintergreen Ski Trip to early February and make it an overnight trip. The toll on our bus drivers is too much and this can be remedied by making it an overnight stay. All present agreed.
- Council voted on the following events for January
 - Concert at an Indoor Venue
 - Top Golf
 - Animal Shelter Volunteer Opportunity
 - Family Fitness Night at Shelton Elementary

Jon Durham, Semper Fit Health Promotions

- Introduced himself and briefly described the Health Promotions programming. He provides many different trainings and classes (Alcohol Abuse, STD and unwanted Pregnancy, Tobacco Cessation) as well as sit downs and one on ones for advisement. He also provided information on HITT classes for LEVEL I and II. The Semper Fit staff are more than willing to drive to local area commands and provide support. He passed out his information and encouraged everyone to pass word to their Marines and reach out to him.

Quality of Life Issue

- None

Meeting ended approximately 1215. The next meeting is set for 14 December 2017, 1130 at the MCCS Camp Allen MAC Center.

Respectfully submitted

John Goodrich