



NEW ENGLAND DIVISION MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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To: National Commandant Dennis Tobin
From: NVC David Porter New England Division
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Commandant Dennis Tobin,

It has been an honor and a privilege to work by your side Sir. Times have been challenging, but the outcomes were positive over all. Each incident was a learning curve to strive to be better. I will be entering my second term, and will be looking forward to working with the next leadership group. Good luck to all in advancing to the next chair.

The New England Division was able to hold a division meeting at the Department of Mass Convention in Hyannis, Cape Cod. The Convention over all was very successful. Guest Speaker was Lt. Gen. George Flynn (Ret. USMC). It was an honor to hear him pass on some great wisdom. The following weekend after that, Department of Connecticut held their convention, which was a success. Their motivating guest speaker was Maj. Gen. Clifford L Stanley (Ret. USMC). Between the two conventions in June, New England Division had a turnover of five out of six Department Commandants. The New England Division staff looks forward working with the new leadership. We will always try to continue to strive to have the best communication network going. Between the in person meetings, the Departments and Detachments have continued to use zoom to stay in contact to work on solving problems and staying motivated.

The New England Division has some old goals we are still striving for. The main goal in dealing with the IRS is to have 100% compliance within the Division and we have not met that yet. As of right now it appears we are at 80% +/- one. The New England Division has about eight detachments late, and six detachments revoked. Also not every detachment has the same year to end closing date. So we have two secondary goals to work on:

One is to have the detachments turn in their charters in that are revoked and cannot comply, and

Two is to try to get the majority who are willing to change their year to end date to June.

We can report every detachment in the New England Division has status of 0955, 501-C4, and with a deductible of one.

There are numerous ways to improve, but first we need to remember to use the chain of command. Many problems can be solved very easily at the Detachment level if not at the Department. We are always looking for new ways to motivate Marines, so please share your thoughts. Our membership is down compared to past years, but I have faith the New England Division will bounce back and grow stronger in membership again.

Semper Fi

David Porter
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