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Subject: Mid Winter Southern Division Report

1. This report will consist of information from the Departments of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.
2. All three Departments will be represented at the Mid -Winter Conference in Norfolk, VA.
3. Since COVID erupted 2 years ago, Departments of the Marine Corps League in the Southern Division, the departments are in course of recovery. Many detachment meetings and quarterly department meetings have been delayed due to the pandemic. This has delayed and pushed back the routine of operating in the division. With the loyalty of outstanding leadership in the departments, we have not shut down.
4. All Southern Division Departments are rebounding in activities such as Toys for Tots, Honor details, Funeral details and community activities. The outbreak has not shut the division completely down. At the current time, meetings are being scheduled and conducted. Department and detachment conventions are being planned. For some, this is the first year to have conventions and banquets in three years. Of course it will also be time for officer elections.
5. I communicate with department Commandants regularly. They remain active in their departments. I continue to stress recruiting, communication, fund raising, community events (Toys for Tots, Honor details, funeral details, Homeless veterans, Veterans Administration organizations, Marine for Life and teaming with other Veterans organizations).

Semper Fi

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