

## Department of Florida, District 10



**From:** Vice Commandant Charles H. "Newt" Schneider

**To:** Commandant George LaMont

**Re:** District 10

**Subj:** Quarterly Report, December 2017, January, February 2018

Dear Sir,

Please note the following activities for this last Quarter

- December – Most Detachments in District 10 were dark during the month of December and a couple was dark into and thru January, therefore no Detachment visits were conducted.
  - A Joint Wreath laying ceremony was conducted at the City of Pompano Beach Cemetery with the DAV, American Legion and Wreaths of America on December 16<sup>th</sup> 2017
  - A joint annual Christmas Party was held at the American Legion Post 142 with the American Legion, The DAV and MCL Intracoastal Detachment 1058 on December 17<sup>th</sup> and all Toys for Tot's toys received were donated to local children of the Broward Children's Center of disabled and disadvantaged children prior to the Christmas Party.
- January - Feb. 2018
  - The following Detachments were visited
    - 1/18/2018 - Broward Law Enforcement Detachment 549 (Please see the attached detailed sheet) – Please note no formal meeting was held because of no quorum.
    - 1/27/2018 – Bruce Carter Detachment No. 052 – This detachment recently relocated its meeting place down to the Homestead area from South Central Miami (Coral Gables). This was done as a result of the Homestead Marines requesting to form a detachment which was denied. As a result of the relocation and assumption of many new Marines the last election held by the detachment saw the installation of a new Commandant, Sr. and Jr. Vice Commandants and Judge Advocate. Detachment continues to run with the old existing Adjutant and Paymaster. It should be noted that the Detachment did not file a timely ROI thus current information regarding Detachment is inaccurate – I continue to request an up-dated ROI form so I can forward it to the DOF Adjutant for corrections to the District Web Page and associated information regarding the detachment. (Please see the attached detailed report).
    - 2/12/2018 – A.A. Vandergrift Detachment No. 068
      - The meeting was attended by DOF representatives Cary Haerlin, DOF Judge Advocate and myself, the DOF District 10 DVC
        - Detachment held their annual elections and elected a full slate of Officers including Commandant, Sr. and Jr. Vice Commandants, Judge Advocate and Sgt. at Arms.

- Officers were immediately installed by the DOF Judge Advocate save that of the Jr. Vice Commandant who was absent and excused due to illness.
- The following items were further discussed and noted;
  - Detachment will hold monthly Staff / Trustee meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month
  - Judge advocate inquired about up-dating Detachment By-Laws
  - Concerns expressed about membership recruitment – I indicated I was working on a joint membership recruitment drive at the annual Ft. Lauderdale Air Sea show and detachment members expressed interest in participating and I further indicated that this would not happen until next year due to the amount of things going on now. I further indicated I would help them one on one with any drive events they wished to hold.
  - Detachment membership authorized expenditures for Pamphlets and Business cards etc. for membership drives
  - I reminded Detachment about annualized dues and need to develop accounting method for tracking and for invoicing members and the timely sending of invoices to avoid member's late payments.
  - Total of 9 members were in attendance – some illness was noted.
  - Commandant Yeend advised his membership that he would be in attendance at the upcoming Spring Conference and Leadership course. I expanded the matter by soliciting interest in a locally held membership course which would be held something over the summer. Interest in a local Leadership course was expressed, now 3 of our six detachments are interested and will participate on some level.

My overall impression is that the Detachment is now working towards fulfillment of their duties as a functioning MCL organization. They are getting members involved and moving forward, obviously only time will tell. The DOF Judge Advocate firmly outlined to the Commandant elect and his Officers the need for all of the Officers to be directly involved in all detachment activities. I will continue to closely monitor the detachment and offer any assistance they feel they may need.

- 2/15/2018 – Intracoastal Detachment 1058 (Please see the attached detailed report).

Respectfully Submitted

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