Commandant's Comments February 2007

Marines,

Once again congratulations to all who were a part of getting our new detachment up and running. As exciting as it is to be official, we must remember that now we do have an obligation to actually make a difference.

Lately I have been attempting to get ideas on where we wish to head as a detachment. I have visited other detachment websites, taken feedback from our members and even attended meetings of other detachments. The answer is... involvement and commitment. We all need to be involved, even if in a minor way.

I understand that many of us have a full calendar already. You need not drop what you are doing and give all of your time to the League. However, we do all need to set aside a bit of time to assist in the detachment goals. If you are not able to attend meetings on a regular basis, that is okay. Ask one of the detachment officers where you may

be of assistance. There are things that can be done from home by phone, on your computer, etc. At the next detachment meeting, we will be introducing committees to address and work on tasks as they arise. Please think where you are able to help. Some of the things we will be working on over the next year will be. but are not limited to, 5th Marine Division Reunion (Here in Raleigh). Memorial Day Observances. Veteran's Day Observances, Toys For Tots, Marine Corps Birthday Celebration and Observance, and Detachment Fundraisers. These will not be possible without involvement. and they will be on us before we know. We must start planning now.

So, don't wait until the next meeting to think where to be active, start now.

> Jerry Dangler Commandant