

## **2021 January Meeting Update**

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**To all members of the Department of Pennsylvania:**

The Department Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, 15 December 2020 via ZOOM. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the current public health situation relative to COVID19 and the prospects of holding our upcoming January meetings as planned.

Following a fair amount of discussion, the Board voted to change the January Department meeting from in-person at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center in New Cumberland, PA, to an online meeting at the Department HQ at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA. At this time, we anticipate that the Board will meet via ZOOM on 15 January 2021 and the Department will hold the January meeting on Saturday 16 January 2021 using Facebook Live.

The January meetings will be very similar to what was done for the "virtual" Convention in October, the main difference will be that we likely need to adapt to restrictions on the number of attendees present in-person at HQ. The current restriction of 10 persons, maximum, for gatherings is due to expire on 4 January 2021; however, we do not know what restrictions will be in place on 15-16 January and will need to make some adjustments to our meeting plans just prior to the meeting. There will undoubtedly be some restrictions on the number of people present at Department Headquarters so please plan on attending via Facebook. Expect additional information to be distributed in early January.

The cancellation of any meeting is no small thing, and the Department Officers do not take this decision lightly. It is in the best interest of the safety of our members and the Board is confident that it is the right call.

A couple of things to note about closing out the year and some remaining items of business.

Officer and Staff Reports are still due to the Adjutant by 1 January. The reports will be compiled and posted to the web site about a week prior to the January meetings.

Jr. Vice Henry is still looking for 2021 Calendar cards and payments. Members or Detachments still holding cards and/or money please return both to the Jr. Vice using the Department PO Box as soon as practicable. Payments are due 31 December and cards by 15 March 2021. A fair number of Calendars are still available; contact the Jr. Vice for these also. Please contact any Department Officer with any questions or items of unfinished business.

Stay safe; take care of your families; take care of each other; and stay true to who you are.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes!

***Once a Marine, always a Marine. It is who we are. Semper Fidelis.***