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FROM: Commander, VFW Post 2485

TO: Commander, VFW District VII

SUBJECT: Post Commander's Quarterly Report

Post 2485 continues to support all National and local programs, the local community, and to provide a high level of service to our membership. Highlights of the past quarter:

- Current membership is 1627, of whom 1532 are Life Members. This is 100.99% of last years' end total, with renewals of 88.64% of annual and re-instated members. We have 49 Gold Legacy Life members.
- Children's Operations and Boy Scout Troop 485 constitute our two signature programs, with both very active this quarter. These programs provide services not available through other organizations.
- Maintenance responsibility for the Clark Veterans Cemetery has been successfully transitioned to the American Battle Monuments Commission. We will continue to coordinate and perform Veteran Burials and hold our annual Veterans Day Observance at CVC,
- Community Service activities by Post members continue to increase with new programs being added as needs are identified. This quarter we have contributed significantly to the various relief efforts associated with Typhoon Yolanda, and initiated a major new project. Our Children's Education reporting program, continues to grow and tracks educational assistance provided by our membership. Yearly contributions have been made to the Wounded Warrior Project and National Home for Children.
- We hosted the yearly Veterans Day Ceremony at Clark Veterans Cemetery and the annual Post Picnic, and hosted the Department of Pacific C of A. Our semi-annual Membership Night dinner, attended by the NJVCIC, and participation in the Colin Kelly Memorial Service at Clark were other noteworthy events.

Priorities for the remainder of the year include enhancing member services and improving communication with our widely dispersed membership.

Respectfully,

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