



# MOSS CREEK MARINES ADOPTED UNITS



**ADOPTED UNIT NO. 67  
2nd BATTALION, 7th MARINES  
600 MARINES**



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**Subject:** FW: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Roger Garreau

**Sent:** Thursday, December 27, 2012 4:10 PM

**To:** Alan Calderon; Bill Mott; Bob Alpaugh (H); Bob Harding; Bob Johnson; Bob Morris; Brett Lance; Chuck McKenna; Chuck Najaka; Dick Berger; Dick Eyet; Don Ogden; Fred Will; George Barnes; George Smith; Hank Parker; Jim Risko; Joan Petrucci; Joe Borger; Joe Redgate; Julius Nicolai; Ken Bills; 'Lois Waldron'; Lois Wilson; Marshall Wright; Paul Wood; Pete Adams; Rich Ulrich; Richard Smith; Ron Welpott; Stan Potter; Terry Putnam; Tom White; Tony Petrucci; Wayne Buchholz; Wayne Jones

**Subject:** FW: Shipments

Fellow members, I'm forwarding the latest email from the 2/7. We're relieved to final hear that they received all the goodies we sent them. I sure are efforts helped them through Christmas. Here's wishing all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year. Semper Fi, Roger

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**From:** Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)

**Sent:** Sunday, December 23, 2012 10:37 PM

**To:** Roger Garreau

**Cc:** Samuels SgtMaj Scott A (RCT-7 Regimental Sergeant Major); Griffin 1stSgt Joseph R (2/7 HS 1stSgt); Griffith 1stSgt Christopher L (2/7 Fox Co); Parker 1stSgt Jason (2/7 Golf Co); Monroe 1stSgt Brian P (2/7 Echo Co)

**Subject:** RE: Shipments

Roger,

The final holiday shipments are being made now. Almost every box has made it to its final destination. Thank you and your team for the generosity and support. The pillows have been a huge hit. Merry Christmas to you and yours.

Semper Fidelis,

SgtMaj Michael P. Woods

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Roger Garreau

**Sent:** Monday, December 24, 2012 01:33

**To:** Samuels SgtMaj Scott A (RCT-7 Regimental Sergeant Major); Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)

**Subject:** Shipments

Gentlemen,

Over late November and early December we shipped over 150 packages to your units with everything from pillows to baby wipes. Our concern is whether you received the packages since we have not received any comments from you or some of your 1st Sergeants. Please let us know your status. We think of all our "adopted" Marines often and we hope you have a Merry Christmas under trying circumstances.

Semper Fi, Roger Garreau, CO, Moss Creek Marines

-----Original Message-----

From: Roger Garreau

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2012 7:48 PM

To: Bob Johnson; Don Ogden; Hank Parker; Joe Borger; Alan Calderon; Jim Risko; Terry Putnam

Cc: Bill Mott; Bob Alpaugh (W); George Barnes; Pete Adams; Stan Potter

Subject: FW: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Fellow shoppers,

Here's the list of need items identified by the 2/7 (all 600 of them!). It took several attempts to get a more specific list but I think this one fits the bill. Please contact me if I can help in any way.

S/F, Roger

-----Original Message-----

From: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)

Sent: Saturday, October 20, 2012 2:10 AM

To: Roger Garreau

Subject: FW: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Sir,

Below is feedback from one of my 1stSgt's in one of our most austere areas. I tell you that as the cold and wet season approaches...MILITARY COLORED SOCKS are what the lads NEED that is not on the below list. Thanks again. We are in full swing. Know that 2/7 is taking it to the enemy every day. You and your organizations generosity is a force multiplier that truly makes a difference. Thank you for your service Sir...

-----Original Message-----

From: Griffith 1stSgt Christopher L (2/7 Fox Co)

Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2012 08:47

To: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)

Subject: RE: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Good Morning SgtMaj,

Below is a list of items that the Marines and Sailors of Company F have expressed a need for in care packages.

R/S

1stSgt Griffith

Baby Wipes

Hand Sanitizer

Tooth Paste

Tooth Brush

Shaving Cream

Razors (the Marines say no disposable razors because they are terrible with cold water)

Lotion

Deodorant

Body wash( It works best in the make shift shower we have)

Foot Powder (I know your mom will love this one)

Lysol Spray (Living in tight quarters with minimal ventilation is going to breed germs. Lysol works great on sleeping bags and other items)

Lysol Cleaning wipes

Febreeze (everything stinks after awhile. It is good to freshen the air).

Tuna (pouches are best because can openers are hard to find)

Soup (the cup o' noodles; you just add hot water and eat)

Crackers

Peanut Butter

Fruit (dried or canned with pull top)

Trail mix

Protein bars

Protein

Cookies(Marines love cookies)

Chewing Gum(Helps fight bad breath)

Toaster (we get bagels and bread sent to us sometimes and it would be awesome to actually toast them)

Laundry Detergent

Close pins(we can secure our wet clothes to the line for drying)

Writing material

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From: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)

Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2012 07:07

To: Griffith 1stSgt Christopher L (2/7 Fox Co); Parker 1stSgt Jason (2/7 Golf Co)

Subject: FW: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Tell me what to have this group send. What does your need list look like. What about wants? Send me your input please and I will try to get more things sent your way....

-----Original Message-----

From: Roger Garreau  
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2012 00:23  
To: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)  
Subject: RE: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Michael,

Thanks for your prompt reply and the unit information. When it comes to shopping, we've bought so many different items for the different units that we would like you to list your greatest needs. Needless to say, shopping for 600 Marines is not cheap so we don't want to waste our limited resources on items that are not high on your "need-list". Please try to prioritize your list.

Semper Fi, Roger

-----Original Message-----

From: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)  
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2012 12:37 AM  
To: Roger Garreau  
Subject: RE: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Sir,

First, thank you for your support. We are very busy and I apologize for keeping my response short.

\*We will be here until April of next year.

\*We are an infantry Bn stationed out of 29 Palms CA. You can visit the 2/7 website to learn more.

\*Your list of items normally shipped to include the pillows is spot on!

We thank you and The Moss Creek Marines for your service to the nation (past and present). I will be in touch.

Semper Fidelis,  
SgtMaj Michael P. Woods

-----Original Message-----

From: Roger Garreau  
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2012 22:14  
To: Woods SgtMaj Michael P (2/7 BN SgtMaj)  
Cc: Olson CIV Beth; Barbara Fariior; Bill Mott; Bob Alpaugh (W); George Barnes; Pete Adams; Stan Potter  
Subject: 2nd Bat/7th Marines Point of Contact

Sgt. Maj. Michael Woods,

My name is Roger Garreau and I am the 2012 Commanding Officer of the Moss Creek Marines. We are a diverse group of 37 veteran Marines, Navy/Marine Corpsmen, and Marine spouses spanning multiple generations. We also have one active duty Marine, Col. R. W. Jones, who is stationed at MCRD Parris Island. Our primary function is to "adopt" active deployed units and send them whatever we can to show our support and to assist in improving morale. As you may know, we have already committed to donate 600 pillows to your unit and they will be directly shipped to you at your address of 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, Unit 41540 FPO AP 96427-1540. You can learn more about us by visiting our web-site, [www.moss creekmarines.com](http://www.moss creekmarines.com). Beth Olson, your FRO, has give me your name as a Point of Contact (POC) for Unit 41540 now that you are deployed in Afghanistan. Incidentally, you are the 67th unit we have supported!

So far, the previous units, consisting of over 28,000 Marines, have received hundreds of "need" packages containing items they have requested. This has varied by unit and included items from X-Box 360 Entertainment Systems to Play Station video games, to baby wipes, to pogeey bait, to beef jerky and other food stuffs, to hygiene products and various other items. We are delighted to offer our support to your unit. When appropriate after you have settled in, we ask that you provide us with the following information:

- \* When your unit is expected to leave Afghanistan.
- \* A little bit about your unit
- \* Most importantly, what your Marines require from us. We will do our best to meet their needs.

Incidentally, our group consists of Marines from World War II to The Gulf War and the War on Terror. We had a member, deceased, who saw both flags go up while in a fox hole on Iwo Jima. We have Korean War veterans, Viet Nam War veterans and veterans of other actions and eras. I am a Korean veteran myself having serviced from '51 to '55.

On behalf of all of us in the Moss Creek Marines, thank you for all that you do to maintain our freedom. We, especially, know that freedom is not free! God Bless America and God Bless the Marine Corps.

As soon as we get your requirements, we will go shopping!

Semper Fi,

Roger Garreau, CO, Moss Creek Marines