

NOW BOARDING TO FRIENDSHIPS, FUN AND CONNECTIONS!!! Fostering Friendships at the Crossroads of the Corps

President's Travel Brief



Thankful, blessed, and joyful, are just a few of the words which usher in the month of November. Of course, November is also known for our USMC Birthday and all of the celebrations that surround it. Happy 248th Birthday, Marines!!!! Our club has been so blessed in these last few months as we have seen our membership grow and connections being made through our spouses. This time of the year we reflect on all we are grateful for while spending time with friends and family near and far. As we do this, I offer the encouragement of reaching out to just one person who might need a "friendly hello," a cup of coffee, a good laugh, or simply an ear to listen. It is the season of giving and we all have something to give, remember your smile is a great gift.

As our club enters the holiday season, we are embracing the spirit of giving with our Toys for Tots Luncheon. I cannot wait to see all of you there, my heart is bursting with joy! Thank you from the bottom of my heart for making this holiday season brighter for so many children.

Our calendar is filled in the months of November and December with some amazing holiday events. We will have a Christmas Tour at the Home of the Commandants, a holiday tour at Virginia's Executive Mansion (Home of the Virginia Governor), and "Holiday on the Hill." Please keep your eye out for these upcoming registrations.

My hope for all of our members this month is to find joy in the simple moments and to be blessed while making memories with those who surround you.

Warm blessings, Sonserae







MARK IT UP

<u>Here is your</u>

<u>Travel Itinerary!</u>

TOYS for TOTS
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November 13th

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THE QUANTICO SPOUSES' SOCIAL CLUB REQUESTS THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY

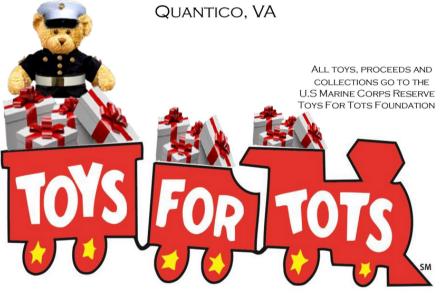
Toys for Tots Quncheon

and

Toy Collection Event

Monday, November 13, 2023 The Clubs at Quantico

> 3017 RUSSELL ROAD QUANTICO, VA



QUESTIONS: PROGRAMS@QUANTICOSSC.org

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Have you
booked your
ticket yet?
Bring a friend,
everything is
better with
friends!

November 13th REGISTER TODAY!! RSVP Deadline: NOVEMBER 5th!!





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JOIN US TO KICK OFF THE SEASON OF GIVING!

PLEASE BRING <u>NEW</u>, <u>UNWRAPPED</u> TOYS TO THIS LUNCHEON AND TOY COLLECTION EVENT!

BRING AS MANY AS YOU WOULD LIKE - NO LIMIT!

TOYS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL AGES -

INFANT - 2 YEARS OLD** 3 - 5 YEARS OLD

6-7 YEARS OLD

8 - 10 YEARS OLD 11 - 14 YEARS OLD**

** GIFTS FOR THESE TWO AGE BRACKETS ARE GREATLY NEEDED EACH YEAR.

TOY IDEAS:

SPORTING EQUIPMENT (LIKE A BASKETBALL, SOCCER BALL OR FOOTBALL),

BOARD GAMES, DOLLS, CARS AND
TRAINS, BOOKS, ART SUPPLIES, STUFFED
ANIMAL, DOLL OR A LEGO SETS,
HAIRDRYER, BLANKET, EARBUDS,
BICYCLES, BODY WASH SETS FOR BOYS
OR GIRLS, INFANT TOYS, BOOKS.

WALMART OR VISA GIFTCARDS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO PURCHASE MORE TOYS THAT MAY BE NEEDED.

MARINES FROM THE TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDATION WILL JOIN US TO COLLECT TOYS AND YOU WILL LEARN MORE ABOUT THE TOYS FOR TOTS MISSION!



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Our next connection during this holiday season...

Tour the Home of the Commandants for Christmas



Tuesday, November 28th at 10:30am

KINDLY RSVP/REGISTER THROUGH QSSC BY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST MEMBER ONLY EVENT; DRIVE YOUR OWN VEHICLE OR CARPOOL



REGISTER TODAY!



Have you booked your ticket yet?

Bring a friend, everything is better with friends!

November 28thTour the Home

Register today!





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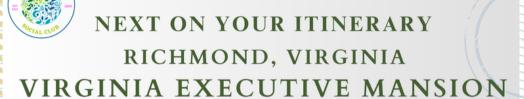






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THE HISTORIC HOME OF VIRGINIA'S GOVERNORS AND THEIR FAMILIES SINCE 1813, THE EXECUTIVE MANSION OF VIRGINIA, SPARKLES FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2023 TOUR BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 11:30 A.M.

KINDLY RSVP/REGISTER THROUGH QSSC BY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH MEMBER ONLY EVENT; DRIVE YOUR OWN VEHICLE OR WITH FRIENDS

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 25TH!

Book today!

YOUR Next Stop is Mansion Tour

December 5th 11:30 am

REGISTER TODAY!

New Member?
Returning Member?
Join with a friend!
Click here to register for
your
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BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

OSSC Bookworms Book Club

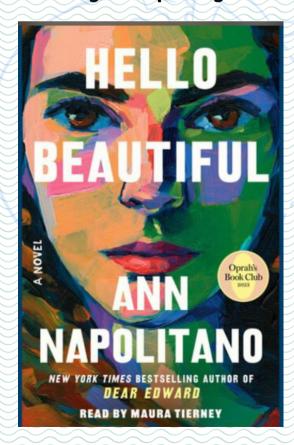
HAVEN'T BEEN TO THE BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB YET NOT A PROBLEM... MAKE THIS YOUR FIRST STOP ON THIS YEARS JOURNEY OF TRYING NEW THINGS!

Please join us for another page turning event on Wednesday, November 29th: 7:00 - 8:30pm.

To register for this QSSC Bookworm event please go to our Events Page HERE

THERE ARE LIMITED SPOTS FOR THIS EVENT, SO REGISTER EARLY!

(Address is given upon registration)



Save the Date!

YOUR
Next Stop is Book Club!

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Click here to register for
your
membership today!





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MEMBERSHIP'S MESSAGE

Friends! We are so thankful you are here! YOU are the reason for this club! So thank you for being here, for attending activities, for showing up, for meeting new friends and for being a new friend!

We've got some great things happening this month! Be sure to mark your calendars for the Toys for Tots! We can't wait to see you there!

Plan to invite friends & family members as it's going to be a great event for a great charity!



Amanda Kilfoil 11/04
Jacqueline Rideout 11/11
Sheila Novitania 11/14
Kristen Redding 11/14
Veronica Roberts 11/21
Samantha Bordiuk 11/28





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UPCOMING EVENTS:



QSSC Exclusive!!!

Governor's Mansion Holiday Tour December 5th!!

Holiday on the Hill:

A Progressive Ornament Exchange!

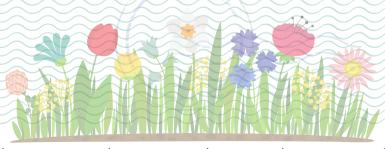
Date: December 14th!

Location: GO housing



Quantico Spouses' Garden Club

December 1st: Annual Christmas Tour of Homes



For details on all these events, look to our events page

Click here for details on OSGC).



October Activities Recap!



YOU make our community happen! Thank you to all who were able to attend an event last month!! We can't wait to see you at our next activity!



Haunted Pub & Ghost Tour



Paint & Sip event!







What's New - Historian

Dear Friends.

We are making connections and making history together!

Do you enjoy looking at pictures from your childhood or old photos of your Grandparents? Hove coming across scrapbooks and photos seeing how people gathered together to make something happen or celebrate an occasion (and see the fashion!).

Please help me create a "time capsule" of photographs of all the events you attend with QSSC. Help me document our time together. To think that some day Spouses will look back at the fun we had, just like I like to look back at all the Spouses that came before us to see what they did 'way back when' is a warm and delightful feeling!

As you attend events and take pictures, please send a few to me at: HISTORIAN@QuanticoSSC.org

Please include your name and who is in the picture. Each year, we produce a scrap book, and we submit that to the archives.

OSSC has already had some fun events and the year has barely started! We have some AH-MAZING events coming up and I would LOVE to see what you saw! Send me your pictures, friends.

Like I said, we are making history together!!

Best of Fall Y'all.

Ruthie Ruppert







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WHAT'S COOKIN'



Posole: the Martinez Way

11b pound cooked chicken breast, shredded

1 large onion diced

2 cloves minced garlic

3 poblano peppers, seeded, and chopped

1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and chopped

1.5 cups sliced mushrooms

3 (15 oz) cans white hominy rinsed and drained

4 cups low sodium chicken broth

2 cups tomatillo salsa or salsa verde - homemade or store bought

1 tsp ancho Chile powder

1 tsp chili powder

1 tsp cumin

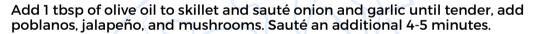
salt and pepper to taste

1/4 - 1/2 cup cilantro (to taste for what you like)

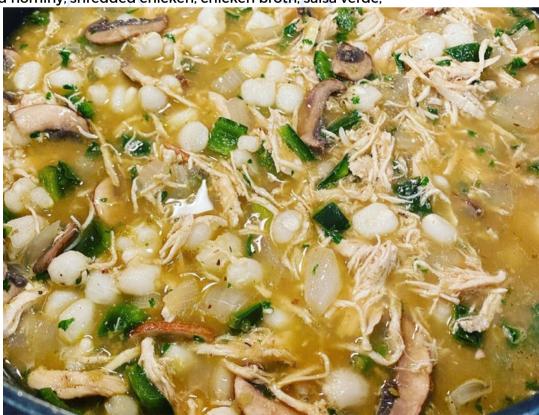
lime wedges

Cotija cheese





Add hominy, shredded chicken, chicken broth, salsa verde,





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THE HAPPENING - AROUND TOWN



Marine Corps Community Services Quantico, Serving Those Who Servi



Join Our Team!

Come See a Movie!

Calendar of Events







CALLING ALL VENDORS!

Calling all Marine Corps Base Quantico (MCBQ) crafty individuals, and home-based businesses for the opportunity to bring your arts and crafts, wares, and other sell-able goods to the MCBQ Tree Lighting and Holiday Market Event.

Sign up by November 17



Scan QR Code to register or call 703.784.5803





THU, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2023 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

TCAQ-Thanksgiving Champagne Brunch

Join us for a lavish Thanksgiving Champagne Brunch buffet. Enjoy a variety of breakfast classics and traditional Thanksgiving favorites.

Location: The Clubs at Quantico



FRI, NOVEMBER 24TH, 2023 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

TURKEY BURN CYCLE CLASS

Join in the two-hour cycle class to sweat off that holiday feast!

Location: Barber Physical Activity Center



FRI, NOVEMBER 24TH, 2023 1:00 PM - 11:00 PM

FOWL FRENZY

Come bowl with us! Turn your misses into strikes!

Location: Leatherneck Lanes











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The QSSC Apparel Store - A.K.A - GRAB SOME GEAR!

24 HRS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK!

Remembering your time here with the Quantico Spouses' Social Club is great, but you can make it last a lifetime! Make QSSC gear your favorite most comfy "Go-To" weekend wear! All profits from all orders come back to help the club. Items are fully customizable!

Grab some Gear today by clicking below to purchase:
Official QSSC Apparel Store

Looking forward to seeing everyone in their QSSC Gear! (We would love for you to send a pic of yourself in your gear, You can post them on our private FB site yourself or send the images right to our <u>Historian!</u>)



GET YOUR GEAR

BE COOL LIKE THE COOL KIDS, GRAB YOUR GEAR FOR THE NEW YEAR!

Share your wear

Take a pic of you or someone you know in your new QSSC gear and post it to one of our SM accounts! We want to see what you are creating! We would also love to see how far and wide our gear travels! Sort of like where's Waldo!



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