



## NEWSLETTER— JULY 2009

Welcome to newsletter #2! Since we didn't have one for June, we'll call this issue July's newsletter! We had some fun things happening this past month including a gathering of Thankers at Lana's house in Williamsport, PA on June . We conducted some business, had a lot of fun and took a LOT of pictures. The picture that you see at the bottom of this page is from our gathering day. Thank you to everyone who attended and especially those who drove a long distance to be there! Rebecca and Phoebe also provided all the material that we needed for an afternoon of card-making. It was a wonderful gathering, and as always, Lana went all out to be our hostess and make us all feel welcome.

And that brings me to our next item:

**Our super-recruiter, Susie, has just signed up two large groups of Marines so if you would like another person to write to, or you know someone who would like to sign up with us, now is a great time!  
Let's not keep these heroes waiting!**

### A NEW WAY TO SAY THANK YOU TO OUR TROOPS

This picture of us holding up a "thank you" sign will be posted on our website. If anyone would like to take their own picture, with their kids, just you alone, family or neighbors, holding up a sign that says "thank you" we'll put it on our web site! We think it would be a really nice way to show our troops how we feel and show them some happy smiling faces at the same time! So get the cameras out and send your pictures to us at: [TellThemThanks@yahoo.com](mailto:TellThemThanks@yahoo.com)

THANK YOU!



## **CHRISTMAS PROJECT 2009**

It's never too early to start talking about Christmas, especially when we have so much packing and shipping to do! We are anticipating that we'll have a group of 50 Service Members to send stockings to this year for our Christmas Project. That number will be confirmed later. However, we do know that the date for packing the stockings will be **NOVEMBER 7th**. The packing will take place at Lana's house in Williamsport, PA. (THANK YOU AGAIN LANA!) Anyone within throwing distance is welcome and encouraged to join us. It's sure to be a fun day and we can certainly use the extra hands to help with the packing!

These are the items we will need to fill the 50 Christmas stockings. If you can provide any of these, please let us know which ones and in what amount, and please send the items as soon as possible to Tell Them Thanks, P.O. Box 222, Williamsport, PA 17703 (or email us to make arrangements otherwise). We'd like to know what we can expect to provide for our Heroes as early as possible.

Also, if anyone would like to help with the shipping costs, please let us know!

### **WHAT WE NEED:**

Toothbrushes

Toothpaste

Lip balm

Tuna packets

Shampoo and conditioner

(Not hotel samples, please. We need the personal size from 99-cent-type bins)

Individually wrapped hard candy

We already have commitments for slim jims, granola bars, popcorn, hot chocolate, chocolate-covered spoons, candy canes, cookie packs, floss, pocket-size kleenex, mouthwash, q-tips, gum, tic tacs, personal size wipes, a dice game, bite-size candy bars, and balsam sachets. We also already have the stockings.

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS COMMITTED TO  
SOME OF THESE ITEMS ALREADY!**

### **REMINDER**

Please remember to update once a month by posting on our forum or emailing us. This is the only way we have of knowing if you are writing to your Service Member. At this point there are MANY people who have not updated in several months. Please take a moment to contact us or post on the forum to let us know that you've been writing. Thank you!

Please use our update areas of the forum for mailing updates only.

They are checked for that purpose but not for questions of any kind. Thanks a bunch.

### **HOW TO REACH US:**

TellThemThanks@yahoo.com

Our web site: [www.TellThemThanks.com](http://www.TellThemThanks.com)

We have a press release available if anyone would like to submit one to their local newspaper or radio station.

Remember that anyone can recruit for new Tell Them Thanks members so spread the word!

**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR MEMBERS AND  
STAFF... WE WOULDN'T BE HERE WITHOUT YOU!**