

ARKANSAS SMART HOGS NEWSLETTER
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Our November Veterans Day SMART Muster began on the 8th of November at the Riverside RV Park in North Little Rock, Arkansas. The weather was cold and wintry. Thankfully, the Coast Guard was letting us use their building to have meals, meetings and games in. Our schedule was full of many activities and meals. The first night our hosts provided a meal for us. Coffee and juice were provided at each breakfast.

Friday was a RED SHIRT day, to honor our military. We also had a meeting with Bob Major, NLR Parks and Tourism. This was a planning meeting for the South-Central Regional Muster in 2020. We will need a lot of volunteers and participation to make this a successful regional muster. Later, we had a potluck dinner and discussed the upcoming 2020 Regional here.

Today, Saturday the 10th of November is the Marine Corp birthday, SEMPER FI! Today is a free day to do whatever we chose. The River Market Jump On/Jump Off market trolley offered free rides for everyone. For those interested there was happy hour at five and dinner was on our own.

Veterans Day!! On the 11th of November one hundred (100) years ago today, the Germans signed the Armistice, World War One was over. The 11th day of the 11th month at 11 am Paris time, thus Veterans Day, originally called Armistice Day was started. We went to the Veteran's Day Ceremonies at the State Capitol. Later, we went to the VFW Post 9095 Hall for a late lunch of BBQ.

Thanks to everyone for their donations to send stuff to our troops in Kuwait. We sent peanut butter crackers, breakfast bars, Bobby pins, flushable wipes, Kleenex, razors, Slim Jim's, Hot sauce, Skippy peanut butter, Nutella, Oreos, Bubble gum, Popcorn, hair wraps, rubber bands, Halloween candy and several games. It took two boxes and was sent out by the 2nd of November. This will allow it to get to them in time for the Christmas holiday. A lot of these items were requested because of the difficulty in obtaining these items over there. This was this units first deployment and first time away from home. This lets them know we appreciate what they are doing for us.

December 12, 2018 Christmas luncheon will be at Red Lobster on the 12th of December at 11:00 in North Little Rock. Please remember to bring coffee and two dozen cookies. Coffee is for the Veterans and cookies are for the soldiers and airman that must stay here for the holiday season.

Please keep our members who are having surgeries and suffering from illness in your prayers!

Respectfully submitted

Lisa Duckworth

Upcoming Muster Schedule 2018-2019

2018

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2019

January 18, 2019 Luncheon will be at American Pie, NLR, hosted by Bob and Lisa Duckworth. Date will be 11:00 am on the 18th of January. It is reserved under SMARTS and Lisa Duckworth. They will have us in a room toward the back.

February 13, 2019 luncheon will be at Roma Italian Restaurant, 2126 N. 1st St, Jacksonville, AR at 11:00. They can do a bulk type luncheon where they do spaghetti, salad and bread for a set price or you can order off the menu.

March – to be determined

April - Hollis Kinder will possibly be hosting this month.

May 2019 – Bob and Lisa to host. We are working with Cloud Nine to find a date in May of 2019 to hold a mini muster. More information to come.

June and July, we need host/hostesses

August 2019 – Mary Engel may be hosting this as a game day at her church.

September 2019 – from September 23-28 National Muster in Urbanna, Virginia. For more details go to smartrving.org and click on National Muster.

October 2019 – Need host/hostess

November 2019 – Veterans Day – need host/hostess

December 2019 – Christmas

Please consider hosting one of these months. We do not have an official Muster Master so we need to all work together.

Thank you all.