

# LETTERS FROM OUR TROOPS

Hunzinger is honored to be apart of such a giving and supportive community!

The help we have received to make the Hunzinger Troop Care Shipment Program possible from several local community organizations, industry partners, and customers has been extraordinary and we cannot thank everyone enough for making this program so successful!

Hunzinger Construction Company,

I have been serving in the Navy for over 20 years now and have seen many changes in the support that we receive while deployed. Your efforts do not go unnoticed throughout the ship, especially within our squadron. The performance of these young women and men keep our leadership motivated in knowing that we continue to excel in achieving success daily. prior to this deployment, I attended a seminar which enlightened me with information that I never considered before. There is less than 3% of Americans that serve their country, whether it is civil or military service. So it begs the question what the other 97% have to offer our great nation. It is Great Americans like you that put the smiles on the faces of our service members by extending your appreciation of what we do on a daily basis. I personally want to thank you all for extending your support and gratitude to the hard work of young Americans wearing the uniform. When you gather around the table this holiday season, please keep us in your prayers while we continue to preserve our countrys greatest keepsake, Freedom.

Warmest Wishes, AMCS(AW) B.S. Fyre Rensselaer, Indiana

First off, just wanted to say we got the 13 care packages in the mail over the weekend. Wow. I'm at a loss for words on them. We were just in port, so when I got back on the ship and saw the lot of them, it was absolutely fantastic. We have about nine different shops in the squadron (Airframes, Powerplants, Ordinance, Paraloft, Supply, Corrosion, Maintenance Admin, and QA), so I made sure each shop got at least one. The bigger ones got two just because there are more people. I've already gotten tons of requests for who they can thank.

- LTJG Derek Fennig

### Hello,

My name is Fabian Rojas, I am part of the team that you guys sent the care packages to. On behalf of my team we appreciate every part of the packages. That meant a lot to us, we put everything to good use. That was a very kind gesture that was not required of you guys, so thank you for that. We are happy to know that we are all a team and we do this for our families and people like you company that's what keeps on going. You guys have a great day and once again we a sincerely thankful for that very kind detail.

- Fabian Rojas

My name is 1LT Nicholas Rinaldi, I am the platoon leader of the platoon you so graciously sent a care package to recently. Along with SFC Nicholas Hamilton, our platoon sergeant, we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for organizing such a kind gesture. Long missions like this can take their toll on a soldier's moral and external perspective, no matter the rank or position; the mission, cares of home, missed holidays and family members can begin to make a few months seem like eternity. With the aid of organizations, business and groups like yours, the job of mitigating those effects on our personnel and the mission are made significantly easier. With your effort and contribution to the welfare of these soldiers, most of whom you've never met, you have made a lasting impact on them, their lives and their families.

Please accept this letter as a sign of the utmost gratitude and respect from us, our platoon, the Battery and our families. Please extend those same compliments to all the individuals of your organization, Your contribution to the welfare of our soldiers will not be forgotten, Thank you again,

- Nicholas Rinaldi 1LT, Platoon Leader
- Nicholas Hamilton, SFC Platoon Sergeant

I just want to say thank you so much for the packages and letters! Believe me, it means more than you could ever know to get things like this while your over here. The fact that you and your family are so actively involved in sending packages and letters to us over here says a lot about yourselves. It makes us remember why we are here every day, so thanks again! I would have loved to hand write a letter back to you, but with the way military mail works out here, you may have gotten it by.. Christmas time.So I figure e-mail will go right to you anyways and since you took the time to sit down and write me a letter, I will lay down my gun and sit down and write you one too. Its the least I can do for all the things you have sent me and my brothers out here!

Please tell everyone involved that i am so very appreciative for their generosity, thoughts and prayers! It means the world to me and all the Marines in my unit.

- LCPL EVAN JAQUES

I am writing to let you know that I received your wonderful package in the mail! And what a surprise. I was thrilled to receive your very generous items... many which I am enjoying right now.

Please also tell the Boy Scouts thank you for their hard work in helping put together these care packages for the troops and airmen over here with me. It is such a much appreciated gesture... one we enjoy more than they know. Especially at this time of the year when we are away from our families and loves ones.

Thank you again! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you!!

- DEBORAH SEVERSON

Thank you very much for all of the packages sent to myself and my unit. It was very much appreciated! It feels very good and keeps us motivated knowing people back home are so supportive, so I can't thank you enough for all of the packages sent!

- SPC MICHELLE FROST

I wanted to email and tell you thank you for the care package. I shared the package with my teammates who I am deployed here with. We are all enjoying the goodies!

Please thank everyone who helped put the care packages together, shipped them, donated items and support our troops. What you are doing is AWESOME! Thank you very much.

- CRAIG A. MORTVEDT

I am writing to give a big "thank you" from Afghanistan! Several of the military members here received care packages from the joint efforts that you put together to help wish us a Merry Christmas. The kind words and deeds from you do not go unnoticed by those of us overseas. It was a great day opening the packages and seeing the photograph of all who patriciated. That photo is proudly hanging in our operations area. Please pass on to everyone a big thank you from all of us. Have a blessed and Merry Christmas and thanks so much for supporting our troops over the years!

## - LT COL TILTRUM

My name is SPC Koenig. I am an active duty soldier in Afghanistan and have been receiving giant care packages from your company and its fellow donors for the majority of my 10 month deployment to Southern Afghanistan. The care package provide much needed goods and what I consider to be luxury items, which are hard to come by here. I speak for the rest of my Platoon when I tell you how much more bearable you have made this deployment for us. I sincerely appreciate all the effort you put into these packages. In the last one, I received several handmade scarves and hats, which go a long way keeping us warm on the cold winter nights, and in summer I received a 5 gallon cooler. At the time it held Koolaid and ice, now that is it cold it holds either coffee or hot cocoa.

Thanks again,

- SPC KOENIG