Dear Chaplain White,

LtCol William F. Mullen gave me your name as a person to send care packages to. His brother Cosmo is my brother-in-law.

My friends and I are getting together to send things to you and the Marines in your company to show our appreciation and support. We are a group of life-long friends; most of us are married with kids. I personally am just married and just found out that we have a baby on the way. We are all blessed and have so much to be thankful for.

Periodically, we all get together to drink beer and bullshit. Around the time of 911, we would talk politics, toast the USA and the ideals of individual freedom and liberty. We started referring to our get-togethers as “Sons of Liberty” meetings. This sounds a lot more serious than it really is. Mostly we just laugh, talk about what’s going on in our lives and how the Eagles and the Phillies are doing. We usually end up drinking more Miller Light than planned and stay out too late to make it to work on time the next morning.

Lately the talk at our get-togethers is about how we are going to collectively celebrate our 40th birthdays. We know we have a lot to be thankful for. We’re thankful for the sacrifices that you and your fellow Marines have made for our country over its long history and especially today in Iraq. Each of us will send a package a month. We would like to do more if there is a need. If there is anything that you would like us to send or any Marine(s) in particular that you would like us to send letters or things to, please let us know. We would appreciate the opportunity to help in any way. You can contact me via email at Thomas.galia@villanova.edu or at the address above. I will pass on any requests to the “Sons of Liberty” and we will make sure whatever it is will be taken care of.

Thank you,

Mark Brady  Andrew Boyle  Ted Boyle
Andy Coyne  Tom Galia  Chris Goggin
Tom Marturano  Mike Saulino  Chris Skahan
Bill Sullivan  Joe Sullivan