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Continuing to serve...



Staff Sgt. Samantha M. Stryker

Forty-nine Task Force Marne Soldiers pose for a group photo with the Task Force Commander Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch and the TF Command Sergeant Major, Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse L. Andrews Jr. June 14 at Camp Victory, after reenlisting on the Army's 232nd birthday.

More than four dozen Marne Soldiers reenlist

STAFF SGT. SAMANTHA M. STRYKER
TF MARNE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

CAMP VICTORY, Iraq — Task Force Marne Soldiers opted to continue the tradition and honor of serving their country during a mass reenlistment ceremony on the Army's 232nd birthday, June 14.

3rd Inf. Div. Soldiers throughout Iraq united, including 1st Brigade Combat Team, currently serving in Ramadi, and troops from 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) to take part

in the ceremony.

Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch, the 3rd Inf. Div. commander, spoke to the crowd and expressed to the Soldiers of all ranks, and to their leaders and peers, his admiration to their continued dedication to service and duty.

"I am so proud of the great men and women with whom I serve," Lynch said.

He referred to the Soldiers dedicating more of their young lives to serve their country and help establish a free Iraq as "the finest people that our (American) society has ever pro-

duced. And no matter where in the U.S. they came from, what religion they subscribe to, or their race, they define the very best of America."

"Braving heat, fatigue and the threat of America's enemies on the field of battle you continue to Soldier just as the generations that preceded you," Lynch continued. "You are relentless and inspirational — our new greatest generation."

After Lynch's speech, the formation marched to the front and center

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Sgt. Natalie Rostek

Soldiers of the 3/3rd Inf. Div. start the five-kilometer Army Birthday Fun Run June 14 at FOB Hammer, Iraq.



3rd HBCT holds Army Birthday Fun Run

SGT. NATALIE ROSTEK

3/3RD INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS

FORWARD OPERATING BASE HAMMER, Iraq – Soldiers of the 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division participated in a five kilometer Army Birthday Fun Run June 14, at FOB Hammer.

The run began at 6 a.m. as approximately 200 participants from the 3rd HBCT, the 557th Expeditionary Red Horse Squadron, the 789th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company, and contractors from Kellogg, Brown, and Root took their places on the starting line.

Finishing in first place overall was Sgt. Maj. Willie Washington, from Townsend, Ga., NCO in charge of the 3rd HBCT Personnel Office.

“It’s just another day of (physical training),” Washington said modestly. Although he felt the run was motivating, he said he wished there could have been more participants.

Although there were prizes, the five kilometer Army Birthday Fun Run was not a race, according to retired 1st Sgt. John Ellis, Sr., from Savannah, Ga., supervisor for the Moral, Wel-

fare and Recreation Center.

“It was a great experience,” said Spc. Lemone Johnson, a Snow Mount, Ga., native, Company F, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment.

Johnson was one of the many Soldiers to receive a t-shirt from the MWR center for being one of the first to sign up for the event. He also won an AT&T calling card for being the first Soldier from 1-15 Inf. to cross the finish line.

Race winners will receive specialized five-kilometer Army Birthday Fun Run t-shirts expected to arrive to FOB Hammer in the near future.

Many Soldiers found motivation and fulfillment during the event. Others saw it as a social event.

“It was fun, tiring, but fun,” said Pfc. Kimberly Farrow, from San Antonio, Company C, 203rd Brigade Support Battalion. “Seeing everybody else keep going motivated me to keep going.”

“It was a good chance to catch up with people I don’t usually see on a daily basis,” said Capt. Mike Mattessich, a Baldwinsville, N.Y., native, Headquarters Company, Brigade Special Troops Battalion.

The important thing was that the fun run gave Soldiers something to strive for, according to 1st Sgt. Tony Williams, from New Orleans, senior NCO for Company C, 203rd BSB.

“They know the Army is getting older just like we are getting older,” he said.

The next MWR run at FOB Hammer will be July 4.



**Striker MWR Stage
June 17 at 8 p.m.**

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**You say it's
your birthday ...**

Staff Sgt. Samantha M. Stryker

Pvt. John Miller, the Task Force Marne Soldier with the shortest time in service — one year and five days — cuts the Army birthday cake with Chief Warrant Officer Ray Noble, who is the Soldier with the longest time in service.

of the parade area, where the Soldiers once again raised their right hand and swore an oath to uphold the laws and freedoms of their constitution.

Afterwards, some of the troops shared why they chose to continue to serve.

"I knew I wanted to go to Fort Lewis, but I also got a \$15,000 bonus," said Sgt. Jordan McCue, Division G3 Operations.

McCue, an Oshkosh, Wis., native, said he reenlisted to go back to Fort Lewis, Wash., because his wife is from the area.

Another Dog Face Soldier, air traffic control specialist Sgt. 1st Class Steven McWilliams, said he reenlisted because it is a family tradition and said the support of his family to make the Army a career was very important.

"I want to continue my military service," McWilliams explained. "My family has a strong history of military service. Basically, my family has served as my inspiration in wanting to serve. Having a family of my own has reinforced my reasons for wanting to reenlist. Reenlisting while in the 3rd Infantry Division also allows me to share a little history with my father who served in the division as well."

"I have a very supportive wife and two kids," he continued. "They are my strongest motivation for serving in the Army. Without their support, the decision to continue a career in the military would have not been such an easy choice to make."

Safety Thought of the Day

Engine Radiator Safety

- If the engine has been recently operated, the radiator cap should not be removed to check the coolant level. The cooling system is under pressure, and escaping steam or coolant can cause severe burns.
- Add coolant only to a cool engine. Adding coolant or water to a hot engine can crack the engine block or burst a seam in the radiator.
- Coolant types should never be mixed.
- Overfilled coolant level will result in coolant overflow when the engine heats up.
- Maintain a 60-40 mix of antifreeze to water to maintain the most efficient coolant ratio. Use potable water only—ground water can clog up the radiator.
- When adding coolant, check the radiator cap to make sure it is in good condition and that it is the right cap (verify pressure rating with that listed in the TM, normally 15 PSI).

HEADLINE HIGHLIGHTS

The wurst flavors you can imagine ...

REUTERS

BERLIN — Hoping to spice up their summer business, German butchers have introduced a new line of exotic-tasting sausages with flavors ranging from kiwi, maraschino cherry, lemon and even aloe vera.

The wide variety of new ingredients may seem like heresy to what is for many ordinary Germans the national dish. But for others the new flavors may help negate stagnant demand for the greasy Bratwurst you can find on almost any street corner.

Berlin butcher Uwe Buenger has developed a "chili-honey" Bratwurst while rival Dankert has come up with a "kiwi wurst" that also includes pineapples and maraschino cherries, Bild newspaper reported Tuesday.

For sausage connoisseurs, there is also the "Truefflebratwurst" that includes truffle, a fungus spiced with black and white pepper.

Other sausages in Berlin are made of lamb, ginger, parsley, cardamom and edible blossoms.

Man drives down Rome tourist treasure

REUTERS

ROME — A man was arrested before dawn on Wednesday as he drove his Toyota Celica down the Spanish steps, one of Rome's most popular tourist spots where visitors are usually banned from drinking and singing, let alone driving.

Photographs showed police surrounding the sports car as it neared the bottom of the sweeping 18th-century staircase, almost reaching the Piazza di Spagna.

Police told Italian media the driver was a 24-year-old man of Colombian origin who had turned left at the Trinita dei Monti church at the top of the staircase, apparently mistaking the steps for a road. He was found to be twice above the legal limit for alcohol, media reported.

Man fails school exams on 38th try

REUTERS

JAIPUR, India — A 73-year-old Indian farmer who vowed not to marry before passing his high school exams has failed to get through for the 38th time.

Shiv Charan Yadav has been taking the exams — normally given to school-children at the age of 15 — every year since 1969, without success.

He was in his 30s when he first decided to better himself through education.

This year, he failed everything except Sanskrit, scoring only 103 out of a possible 600 points.

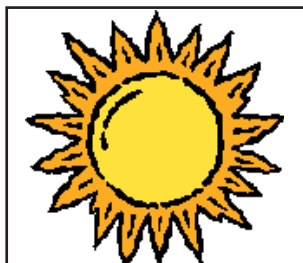
He said he found mathematics especially hard, blaming the subject for dragging down his score.

"Once I pass I want to get married to a girl who's under 30," Yadav, who lives alone in Kohari village in the western desert state of Rajasthan, told Reuters.

He is now revising for his 39th attempt.

Marne Weather Watch

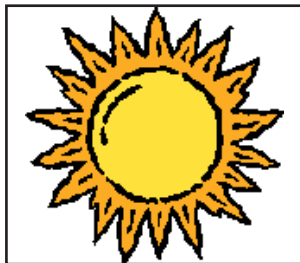
Friday, June 15



Sunny

Low: 86F/High: 113F

Saturday, June 16



Sunny

Low: 87F/High: 115F

ARABIC PHRASE OF THE DAY

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from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

Solution to Saturday's puzzle:

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