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Lance Cpl. Thor White, an assistant gunner with Battalion Landing Team, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, III Marine Expeditionary Force, provides security during a bilateral amphibious landing exercise as a part of the Korean Incremental Training Program 2009. KITP 2009 is an annual bilateral training exercise conducted by both R.O.K. and U.S. forces. **SEE STORY PGS. 6-7.** Photo by Cpl. Ryan Wicks

## MEF, Base order explains Liberty Risk

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*Editor's note: The following is part of a continuing series of articles highlighting the Marine Corps Bases Japan and III Marine Expeditionary Force order 1050.7, the Liberty Campaign Order, signed by III MEF and MCBJ Commanding General Lt. Gen. Richard C. Zilmer Sept. 29.*

CAMP FOSTER — The liberty risk program outlined in the Marine Corps Bases Japan and III Marine Expeditionary Force Liberty Campaign Order 1050.7, is designed to provide a means of curtailing the liberty of individuals who exhibit the potential to conduct themselves in a manner that could

seriously impair U.S. relations with Japan.

Though the Judge Advocates General Manual states it is illegal to deprive a service member of liberty as punishment, except as specifically authorized under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the manual does allow commanders to curtail or revoke liberty in a foreign country when it is deemed essential to protect host nation relations, the order states.

Reasons for placing a Marine or sailor on the Liberty Risk Program may include a history of unauthorized absence, a documented history of alcohol or drug abuse, an adjudged punitive discharge, violation of a Japanese law or laws or some other act of misconduct indicating the in-

dividual may pose a threat to U.S. and Japanese relations, according to Sgt. Maj. Daniel Fierle, the III MEF sergeant major.

According to the order, the initial period of liberty risk will not exceed 30 days, but can be extended in 30-day increments at the commander's discretion.

Service members may submit a written request for reconsideration to their commander within five working days of the initial or extended assignment to the liberty risk program.

While there are three classes of liberty risk of varying degrees of restriction, purchasing or consuming alcohol is restricted under all three on or off base.

**SEE RISK PG 5**

## Smash Mouth learns to shoot, rappell

Lance Cpl. Michael A. Bianco

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CAMP HANSEN — Smash Mouth wanted to do something different from their normal routine before hitting the stage for the first time during their recent Okinawa tour.

The rock band spent the days prior to their Okinawan debut at the 20th annual White Beach Festival firing an M-249 Squad Automatic Weapon and rappelling with Marines and sailors here Nov. 7.

Marines and sailors from Special Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force greeted Smash Mouth at the training area to prepare for the day's events.

The rockers were excited to get started and after introducing themselves, made their way to the M-249 SAW, taking full advantage of the opportunity to fire the weapon.

Locked and loaded, the group fired 1000 blank rounds in a various number of positions including the prone and from the hip.

"It was unbelievable, I really felt like Rambo," said Mitch Marine, the drummer for the band. "I never had that much fun shooting something before."

The adrenaline charged group then headed to the rappell tower for the day's main event. Instructors briefed the group on safety protocols and prepared them for the rappell.

Once harnessed up and ready to go, the group made their way up the 60-foot tower, where they would soon rappell to the ground.

**SEE SMASH PG 5**



Eddie Caipo, the production manager and sound technician of alternative rock band Smash Mouth, descends from Camp Hansen's 60-foot rappell tower Nov. 7. The band spent the afternoon learning how to rappell and how to fire an M-249 Squad Automatic Weapon. Photo by Lance Cpl. Michael A. Bianco

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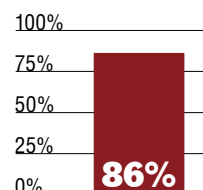
New training course prepares Marines to use MRAP vehicles in combat zones

**PG. 5**

### MARINE CORPS FORCES JAPAN

#### COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN '08

- The goal is 100 percent unit member contact
- As of Wednesday, 12,908 unit members were contacted, approximately 86 percent of the total personnel goal



# Boots bound for deployment to 'sand box'

## Okinawa Marine speaks on first deployment to Afghanistan

Lance Cpl. Monty Burton

Most young lance corporals live their lives day by day, just waiting to see what tomorrow may bring. Most take orders as directed while waiting for the weekend. Being a young lance corporal stationed in Okinawa, Japan, I was the exact same way until I received a knock at my barracks room door on the morning of Friday, Oct. 24.

It was my day off and, as I opened the door, the noncommissioned officer on barracks duty told me I had a phone call. I thought it might be a call from one of my friends. But as I picked up the phone, I heard my master sergeant tell me something I will never forget.

"Pack your trash, you're going to war."

I didn't know what to feel. I didn't know if I was happy, sad or angry.

I knew how dangerous it was in Afghanistan and there was a chance of me not making it back home alive. I knew my job would most likely take me outside the safety of the compound and directly in the line of danger. I knew I might see things that most Americans can only

read about in the newspaper or see on television. But I had to regain my composure quickly because I was going to be on a plane to Hawaii four days later to link-up with my new unit for the deployment.

A lot of Marines have been to combat and have felt the joy, excitement and nervousness of deploying, but I knew that in less than two weeks I would be in a combat zone, so I didn't have time for feelings. I had no choice but to be ready.

It was hard telling my family and friends that I would be going to war, so I just told them not to look at it as a deployment but more like a seven-month camping trip in the mountains.

As I touched down in Hawaii on Tuesday, Oct. 28, I was more anxious than I had ever been in my life. I was very confused, but I was lucky enough to be deploying with a great master sergeant and second lieutenant, so I knew I was in good hands.

While at Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, I was in a mad rush to ensure my gear was ready and I had everything I needed to get me through the next seven months.

We were scheduled to leave Hawaii exactly one week and

five days after I found out I was deploying.

The day we departed on our 30-hour trek around the world I was calmer than I had ever been, but my training and determination overcame my fear.

Now, I am at Kandahar Air Base in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. I have survived my first rocket attack and have finally become accustomed to the dry, barren, dusty terrain. I can finally look into the mountains and see their true beauty. But more important than the terrain and surviving insurgent attacks,

I can finally see the true price for a Marine deploying to a combat operation:

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Burton is a combat correspondent with Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Afghanistan



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### FACT CHECK

#### WEARING OF SERVICE COVERS

**Q:** Am I allowed to wear my service cover slanted on my head?

**A:** No. According to Marine Corps Order PI020.34G chapter 3, paragraph 5.1A, Dress and service caps will be worn centered and straight with the tip of the visor in line with the eyebrows, and leather chinstrap and visors will be kept polished. Although, the garrison cap may be worn slightly tilted to the right or centered squarely, with the top unbroken, and with the base of the sweatband about one inch above the eyebrows.

# Kinser Pageant celebrates Marine Corps history



Reserve Officers Training Corps students from Kubasaki High School model historical Marine Corps attire Nov. 14 during a uniform pageant and cake cutting ceremony hosted by Combat Logistics Regiment 37, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, on Camp Kinser as part of the U.S. Marine Corps' 233rd birthday celebration. **ABOVE LEFT** | Ben Hall and Thomas Castaneda present arms during the posting of colors. Hall and Castaneda represent Marines who fought at Tripoli and wore similar uniforms until 1805. **BELOW LEFT** | (From left) Tyler Jackson, Devante Pierce, Columbus Wilson and Kristal Merrit represent Marines from the Spanish American War and World Wars I and II. **RIGHT** | Zarinah Demars (left) and Drake Kosmoski represent Confederate and Union Marines of the Civil War period.

Photos by Lance Cpl. Antwain J. Graham

## SOFA personnel should plan ahead when expecting long term visitors

Lance Cpl. Joseph A. Cabrera

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CAMP HANSEN — Status of Forces Agreement personnel expecting to host on-base visitors should plan ahead to ensure their family or friends are granted access.

According to Marine Corps Bases Japan Order 5512.3A, visitors from the United States expecting to stay on base for an extended period of time must apply for a long term visitor's pass from the Provost Marshal's Officer Base Pass Office, which is valid for up to 90 days. If an extension is required, another pass may be issued.

For residents of countries other than the United States to obtain access they must be an immediate family member of the SOFA sponsor or sponsor's spouse or in possession of an I-551 U.S. Naturalization Card and have a current tourist visa stamp from the Government of Japan, according to MCBJO 5512.3A.

U.S. Forces Japan regulations define an immediate family member as a parent, grandparent, sibling, sibling's spouse or sibling's child under 21 years old.

To receive a long term visitor's pass, the visitor's sponsor must present their guest's identification card, passport and return plane ticket or e-ticket itinerary to the PMO Base Pass Office, who then issues the pass.

The Kadena Air Base Pass Office, in coordination with the PMO Pass Office, may issue

passes for combined access to Kadena Air Base and Marine Corps Base controlled facilities, in accordance MCBJO 5512.3A.

With a long term visitor's pass, visitors are allowed access to the exchanges and commissaries, but they can't make purchases. Guests are also authorized access to housing areas and recreational facilities. Passes to installations on Okinawa do not allow access to restricted areas.

The order also states, that all visitors must be escorted by an authorized SOFA ID card holder. The ID card holder must remain with the visitor at all times to ensure they are acting according to the established regulations.

Visitors who are not planning on staying with their family member or sponsor in on-base housing are eligible for lodging at the West Pac Inn at their own expense.

Visitors are not allowed to reside at bachelor quarters.

Visitors of SOFA personnel are also not permitted to operate motor vehicles on any Marine Corps installation per MCBJO 5512.3A.

Only SOFA personnel, active duty personnel and retirees are eligible for care at U.S. Naval Hospital Okinawa facilities, according to Brian Davis, spokesman of USNH Okinawa on Camp Lester.

If a visitor requires medical or dental care, they will be referred to local Japanese medical facilities. However, in an emergency situation, patients may be admitted to USNH Okinawa facilities, until

their condition is stabilized and they can be safely transported to a Japanese hospital, Davis added.

Davis advises travelers and visitors to confirm their current medical insurance covers U.S. Naval medical emergency services prior to arriving, and to purchase travelers' insurance, which may be used to fund treatment at a Japanese hospital.

Travelers are also advised to bring an adequate amount of critical prescription medication to last them for their entire trip.

Visitors of SOFA personnel should also be aware that violations of local laws or ordinances make them subject to the Japanese legal process. If a visitor is involved in legal issues off-base, they may be detained pending investigation or payment of fines or both, which could take several weeks according to Capt. Timothy A. Martin, the PMO military police operations officer.

While on base, PMO has the authority to enforce the removal of or deny access to any person who is a threat to order, security and discipline of any installation on Okinawa.

Personnel should contact the pass office at 645-7519 as soon as possible after learning a friend or family member intends to visit or if they have a question about access for local residents.

Although Kadena Air Base has similar rules pertaining to visitors and their conduct, specific regulations may vary. Personnel with questions about Kadena policies can call the Kadena Pass and Registration Office at 634-3437.

## BRIEFS


**RANGE HIGH SCORES**

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Combat Logistics Battalion 4 336

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Master Sgt. S.J. Beebe  
3rd Intelligence Battalion 377

**EXTERNAL MEMORY DEVICES BANNED**

Headquarters Marine Corps Network Operations and Security Command has suspended the use of removable flash media on the Marine Corps Enterprise Network, which includes NMCI classified and unclassified networks.

Flash memory prohibited are USB thumb drives, memory sticks and camera flash memory cards.

Government purchased external hard drives are still authorized. Users may also transport files via burnable compact discs and by posting on unit share point portal websites.

**HOLIDAY MAILING DATES**

Following are the suggested deadline dates for sending letters and packages from military post offices on Okinawa to U.S. addresses to arrive before Christmas:

- Space Available, Nov. 24
- Parcel Airlift, Nov. 29
- Priority, Dec. 4
- First Class, Dec. 4
- Express, Dec. 11

Following are the suggested deadline dates for sending letters and packages from U.S. addresses to military post offices on Okinawa to arrive before Christmas:

- Space Available, Nov. 28
- Parcel Airlift, Dec. 4
- Priority, Dec. 11
- First Class, Dec. 11
- Express, Dec. 18

For more information, contact your camp's post office.

**OKINAWA YOUTH FOOTBALL TRYOUTS**

The Okinawa Youth Football League is slated to hold sign-up's Nov. 22, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The league is looking for players ages 7 through 16 and volunteer cheerleading coaches. For more information, email [okinawayouthfootball-league@yahoo.com](mailto:okinawayouthfootball-league@yahoo.com) or call 080-3023-9245.

**CREDO WORKSHOPS**

The Chaplain's Religious Enrichment Development Operation is scheduled to host a suicide awareness and prevention workshop Dec. 11, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For information, call 645-3041.

**EXPRESSWAY TRAFFIC DELAYS**

Due to expressway bridge repairs, traffic delays can be expected between the Kin (exit 8) and Ginoza (exit 9) exits through Dec. 26.

**TO SUBMIT A BRIEF**, send an e-mail to [okinawamarine.mcbb.fct@usmc.mil](mailto:okinawamarine.mcbb.fct@usmc.mil), or fax your request to 645-3803. The deadline for submitting a brief is noon every Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit all submitted material.



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Burg



Dean

## III MEF command master chief Busam retires, Burg passes 3rd MLG to Dean

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CAMP KINSER — Navy Master Chief Martin A. Busam handed over the reigns of III Marine Expeditionary Force command master chief to Navy Master Chief Kevin T. Burg during a change-of-charge ceremony at the White Beach Naval Facility Nov. 13.

Busam, who is retiring, was presented the Legion of Merit Medal for exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements while serving at III MEF.

"I always wondered what I would say when it was my turn. I think what it all boils down to is giving thanks and really, truly taking an opportunity to publicly say thanks to some people who mean a lot and are very special to me," Busam said. "It's been short but it has been a lot of fun."

Following the ceremony, Burg thanked everyone for attending and offered a few words.

"Today is about Master Chief Busam," Burg said, before turning to Lt. Gen. Richard C. Zilmer, the III MEF commanding general and saying, "Sir, I am ready to go to work."

Burg enlisted in the Navy in 1982 and went through basic training at Recruit Training Command, San Diego, Calif.

His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with two gold stars, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with four gold stars and the Surface Navy Association Heritage Award.

Burg comes to III MEF after relinquishing his position as command master chief of 3rd Marine Logistics Group to Navy Master Chief Reginald C. Dean during a change-of-charge ceremony at Camp Kinser Nov. 12.

"I am proud to step up to the next higher job," Dean said. "It will be different working with a general versus working at the battalion level."

Dean enlisted in the Navy in 1984 and went through basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with one gold star, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with four gold stars, and the Combat Action Ribbon.

## Toys for Tots campaign begins

**Lance Cpl. Antwain J. Graham**

OKINAWA MARINE STAFF

CAMP FOSTER — The 2008 Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots campaign kickoff ceremony was held at the Post Exchange here Nov. 8.

The Marine Corps recently began their annual charity event to collect toys for disadvantaged children on Okinawa.

The campaign's goal this year is to collect 10,000 new, non-violent and wholesome toys for both boys and girls of all ages by Dec. 24. More than 300 toys were collected during the first weekend.

"For 60 years, Marines have been leading the way in looking after needy children at Christmas time through the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program," said Staff Sgt. Felipe D. Sanchez, Toys for Tots coordinator with III Marine Expeditionary Force, G-1 Reserve Liaison Office. "Toys for Tots provides a tangible sign of hope to economically disadvantaged children at Christmas. This worthy cause brings smiles to children who would otherwise not be able to experience the joy of Christmas."

Many service members and locals who came to the PX supported the event by donating toys brought from home or purchased there.

"It's gives you a feeling of nobility when you

help someone at a disadvantage, especially when it's a child who would otherwise not be able to experience the joy of Christmas because he or she didn't receive a gift," said Pfc. Edgar Berumen, a motor transport operator with Motor Transport Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 4.

The event also gave Marines, sailors and local national volunteers the opportunity to unite for a common cause.

"The fundraiser helps establish good public relations between Status of Forces Agreement members and the local nationals through the distribution of toys to needy children in our local and Okinawan community," Sanchez said.

Toys will be distributed at hospitals, schools and orphanages in the local community to the physically and mentally handicapped and under privileged children.

Donation collection boxes are located at Army and Air Force Exchange Services locations throughout Torii Station, Kadena Air Base, Camps Foster, Lester, Hansen, Kinser and Courtney. More collection points will be set up throughout each base for the convenience of all SOFA members.

For more information about the campaign or to find a local donation collection point, please contact Toys for Tots coordinators at 645-8073 or 645-8066.

# CLB-4 Marines take MRAP licensing course

Lance Cpl. Tyler J. Hlavac  
OKINAWA MARINE STAFF

CAMP HANSEN — Thirteen Iraq-bound Marines from Combat Logistics Battalion 4, Combat Logistics Regiment 3, 3rd Marine Logistics Group got behind the wheel of the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle during a new pre-deployment training course here Nov. 3-7.

The MRAP vehicle licensing course is new on Okinawa and designed to familiarize Marines with the technical and driving aspects of the more than 30,000 pound four and six wheel personnel carriers used in Iraq and Afghanistan.

MLG's six MRAP vehicles are part of 19 total on Okinawa for training.

Of the 19 on Okinawa, 14 are category 1, six passenger vehicles, four are category 2, 10 passenger vehicles and one is a category 3 improvised explosive device-clearing vehicle.

The MRAP vehicle is a heavily armored personnel carrier used by the Army and Marine Corps primarily for explosive ordnance destruction and other route

clearance work.

MRAP vehicles are currently deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan and the Marines of CLB-4 can expect to operate the vehicle if deployed there, said Sgt. Daniel Fisher, the primary instructor for the MRAP vehicle licensing course.

The Marines began the course with two days of classroom instruction and a hands-on review of the vehicle. This serves to familiarize the Marines with the vehicle's components before climbing on board.

"During the classroom time, we explain the details of the MRAP, how to drive it and allow the Marines to ask any questions they might have," said Fisher. "We also allow them to examine the vehicle as they may physically see something on the vehicle they might have questions about."

After classroom instruction, the Marines hit the road in their MRAP vehicles. With the guidance of an instructor inside every vehicle, the Marines begin their road-time driving quota of 75 miles of daytime driving and 30 miles of night driving on paved roads. Additionally, the Marines put in 15

miles of driving time on the rougher roads of the Central Training Area.

Fisher said the driving time prepares the Marines for most obstacles they will encounter while driving the MRAP vehicle in the harsh terrain of Iraq or Afghanistan.

"During the driving time the Marines encountered a lot of steep hills, sharp turns and off-road terrain," he said. "They really got a chance to test their own driving abilities and get a feel for the MRAP which, due to its size and weight, handles quite differently from the standard humvee they are used to driving."

Pfc. Damien Kratz, a motor transportation operator with CLB-4, said he enjoyed taking the course as he wanted to gain another vehicle license and was curious about the MRAP vehicle.

"This course is really good and you definitely get in a lot of road time with the MRAP," he said. "The MRAP differs from a humvee in that your view is more limited and it is harder to handle, but makes up for it with a lot of new features such as the Global Positioning System and an electric powered



Students drive the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle for the road-time driving quota during the MRAP vehicle licensing course. Students were required to drive 75 miles of daytime driving and 30 miles of night driving Photo by Lance Cpl. Tyler J. Hlavac

gun turret. I feel comfortable driving the vehicle."

Units seeking to enroll their Marines in the MRAP vehicle licensing course should contact 3rd MLG's logistics section for more information. Marines ap-

plying for the course must have a stateside driver's license, an up-armored humvee license and must have completed the driver's improvement course and have at least six months stationed on Okinawa.

## RISK FROM PG 1

"If they are on the liberty risk program, that means they have done something that curtails their regular liberty. So why open up alcohol to create more problems," asked Sgt. Maj. Cevet Adams, the MCB Camp Butler sergeant major.

Fierle said alcohol is a contributing factor in the majority of incidents that occur.

"Alcohol limits your ability to make good decisions," he said.

The liberty risk classes are A, B and C. Under class "A" liberty restriction, a Marine is allowed off-base liberty until 10 p.m. only when accompanied by a noncommissioned officer or petty officer. The Marine must check out with the duty NCO or staff duty NCO prior to commencing liberty.

A Marine under class "A" restriction will turn in their liberty card and be issued a red liberty card with the words "Liberty Risk A/2200 Secured/Escort Required."

The same restrictions apply under class "B" with the exception that the Marines off-base liberty expires at 8 p.m. Under this restriction class the Marine's issued red card will read "Liberty Risk A/2000 Secured/Escort Required."

Service members on the Liberty Risk Program may be required to wear the appropriate service uniform while on or off base during liberty periods.

Fierle said one reason for this stipulation of the order is Marines and sailors are less likely to make poor decisions while in their service uniforms.

Adams added it is also a good way to identify individuals with liberty restrictions.

"You can't blend into the crowd like everybody else," Adams said. "You stand out and you're probably not going to do anything stupid."

A Marine under class "C" restriction is prohibited from leaving base for any reason. Under this restriction the service member's liberty card is revoked.

Marines who continue to exhibit irresponsible behavior while assigned to the program will likely be subject to more disciplinary action at the commander's discretion.

However, the quickest way for a service member to get off the program is to demonstrate genuine positive behavior, Fierle said.

A commander will usually consult the Marine's chain of command for positive changes in behavior before restoring regular liberty.

"The commanders are going to talk to the NCOs and SNCOs who work directly with the Marine to see if the Marine is ready," said Fierle. "That Marine has to prove he has the maturity of a red card holder."

The MCBJ/III MEF Order 1050.7, the Liberty Campaign Order, can be accessed on-line at the MCB Camp Butler adjutant SharePoint homepage at the following CAC-protected site: <https://wss.mcbbutler.usmc.mil/G1/Adjutant/default.aspx>. Under the directives links, click MCBJ/III MEF orders and locate MCBJ/III MEF Order 1050.7.

## SMASH FROM PG 1

The members looked nervous as they were hooked on to the rope and began to make their way to the ground.

Some band members seized the opportunity to jump from both sides – the helicopter "hell hole" and the wall. Others said once was enough for them.

"I can't lie, I was scared, but now it's one of those things I can say I did," said Eddie Caipo, the production manager and sound technician for Smash Mouth. "I'll never do it again."

With the high popularity of the band and celebrity status, it is important for people like them to get involved to help give support and morale to the Marines and sailors, said Staff Sgt. Timothy P. Wolkow, the senior Helicopter Rope Suspension Techniques instructor for SOTG.

"Rock stars have a lot of sway with the U.S. populace," Wolkow said. "They take part in what we do to have a better understanding of it all."

The band agrees and said they were hoping to get an insider's look on the Marine Corps.

"This was a mind opening experience," Cervantes said. "If I could go back to when I was 18 to 20 I would definitely give this some serious thought."



An amphibious assault vehicle operated by U.S. Marines from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, transitions from sea to land Nov. 6, during the 2009 Korean Incremental Training Program. Photos By Cpl. Ryan Wicks

# US, Korean forces rush beach

**Cpl Ryan Wicks**  
31ST MEU PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HWANJINRI BEACH, POHANG, South Korea — A roar of explosions cut through the morning coastal haze of South Korea's eastern shoreline signaling the beginning of an amphibious assault.

U.S. and Republic of Korea Marines and sailors conducted an amphibious beach landing Nov. 6 during, Korean Incremental Training Program 2009.

The annual bi-lateral exercise was conducted to improve interoperability and combat readiness among the two militaries while building on the long-standing alliance between the two nations.

In a combined effort, U.S. Marine and Navy commanders from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit and Essex Expeditionary Strike Group along with R.O.K. commanders from 1st R.O.K Marine Division and Navy Amphibious Squadron 53, worked together to plan and execute the landing.

"The focus of the Essex ESG is on improv-

ing the capability of a combined R.O.K.-U.S. force," said Capt. Donald A. Schmieley, commander of Amphibious Squadron 11. "This exercise provides us with the perfect environment to expand both R.O.K. and U.S. proficiency in a variety of areas."

The exercise began at approximately 10 a.m. with simulated airstrikes along the shoreline. Paratroopers descended over coastal mountains to join the fight.

Soon afterward, a swarm of R.O.K. and U.S. military aircraft approached the beach through the coastal mist while deploying flares to simulate fire support.

Amphibious assault vehicles from both forces pushed forward through a thick smoke-screen designed to mask their approach.

Once the AAVs reached the shore, Marines poured out and immediately began to storm the beach.

Some Marines began setting up communications and mortars while others rushed to find a position to provide security and fire support.

Soon after the U.S. Marines hit the shore,

another platoon of R.O.K. Marines joined the fight via Landing Craft Air Cushioned vehicles. As soon as their boots hit the sand, they assaulted through the beach toward their objective deeper inland.

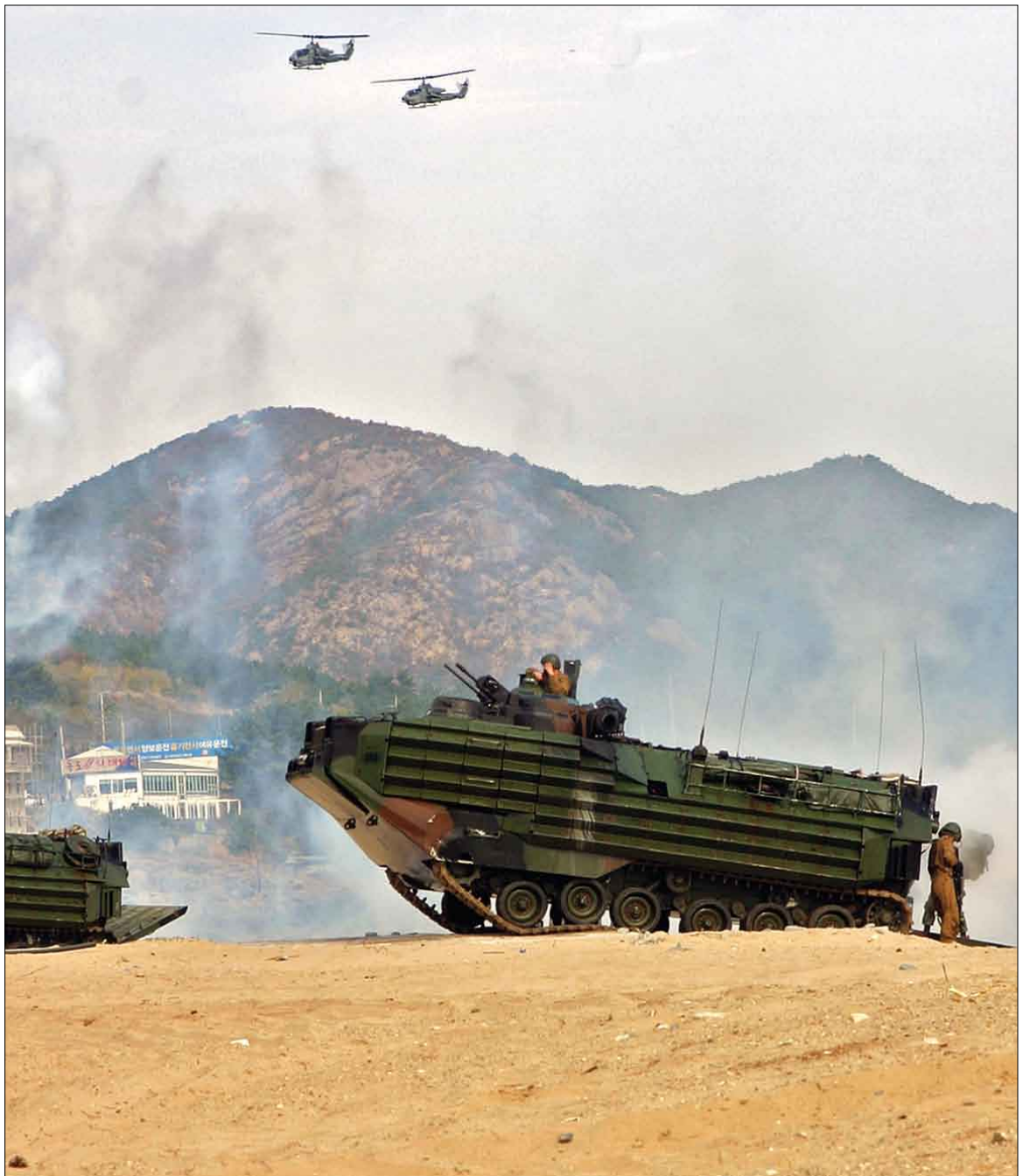
Assets for the mission from R.O.K. and U.S. forces equated to more than 25 ships, 60 Amphibious Assault Vehicles, four LCAC's, and more than 30 fixed and rotary-wing aircraft as well as AV-8B Harrier jets.

"Although the bi-lateral training is an extremely important part of the exercise, one of our primary goals is to build cohesion, camaraderie and esprit de corps amongst our forces," said Col. Paul Damren, commanding officer of the 31st MEU. "These are the capabilities that will carry the day when times are toughest."

"It's important to have our forces working together because it prepares us for real world situations in which we could be fighting alongside one another," said 1st Lt. Junsik Sim, a comptroller with R.O.K Marine Corps' 1st Marine Division.



emental Training Program, in Pohang, Republic of



U.S. Marines assault Hwajinri beach from the land air and sea with amphibious assault vehicles and helicopters during an amphibious landing for Korean Incremental Training Program 2009, in Pohang, Republic of Korea, Nov. 6.



Marines and Republic of Korea Marines assault Hwajinri Beach and set up communications Nov. 6, during Korean Incremental Training Program in Pohang, Republic of Korea.

# Corps lives on in Armed Forces Retirement Home

Lance Cpl. Aaron D. Hostutler

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Whether they served during Guadalcanal or are currently serving today, Marines everywhere share a special bond.

"Once a Marine, always a Marine."

A retirement home in Washington D.C. keeps that saying alive with retirees who have lived long past their service, but continue to cherish the camaraderie that keeps them Marines.

The Armed Forces Retirement Home is a retirement home dedicated to 'providing our nation's heroes with a continuum of life care services in a community setting,' according to the home's website.

At a recent cake cutting ceremony in honor of the Marine Corps Birthday Nov. 10, service members gathered and executed the Corps' birthday traditions with Gen. Paul X. Kelly, the 28th commandant of the Marine Corps, as the guest speaker.

While service members from all of the armed forces reside at the home and attend the ceremony, it was the Marines who showed a true sense of pride, said Sheila R. Abarr, the public affairs and marketing specialist with the retirement home.

"You could see the Semper Fidelis in the expression on their faces," she said. "The Marines here have a great sense of pride which gives them a very unique bond."

One of the Marine veterans present at the ceremony was retired Gunnery Sgt. Ralph Barry who enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1940.

"I am 87 years young and still a Marine," Barry said. "I am a firm believer in once a Marine always a Marine."

The residents at the home can tell if a newcomer is a former Marine as soon as they walk through the door, Barry said.

Of the more than 1200 residents living at the AFRH, only about 40 of them are retired Marines.

"Marines here are still recognized for their Marine Corps pride," Barry said. "When a new arrival walks through the door, people say 'That is a Marine.'"

The retirement home provides its residents with accommodations such as a golf course, bowling alley, softball field and movie theater.

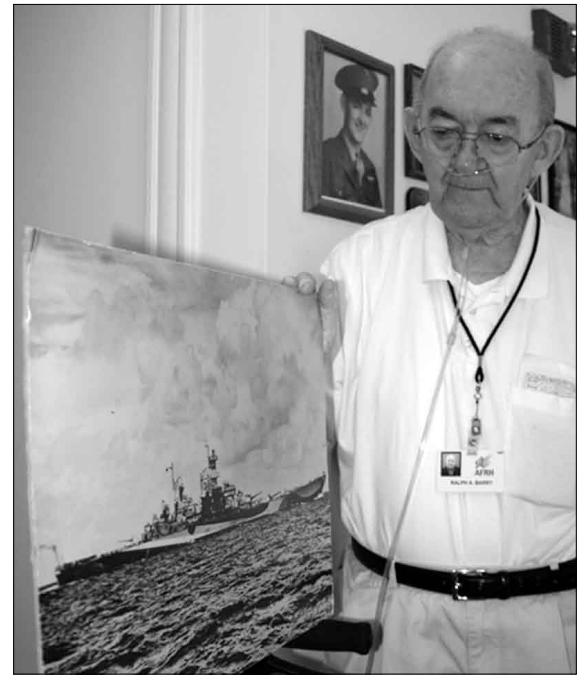
"We try to make living here very comfortable," said Abarr. "Anything we don't provide them with here, we provide them with transportation to get outside."

Despite the many accommodations provided, one of the things many of the residents enjoy is simply the company of fellow retired service members, according to Barry who has lived in the home for three years.

"I enjoy living here," said Barry. "We like to go out and have dinner or take trips together, but sometimes it's nice to sit back with a cup of coffee and share stories with those who also served."

One of the stories Barry shares with his friends is his recollection of Japan's official surrender on September 2, 1945. Barry served aboard the USS Missouri.

"It was an overcast morning and the entire crew was decked out in whites," he said. "It was a site to see. We had 103



**Ralph Barry, an 87 year-old retired gunnery sergeant, looks over a photo of the USS Missouri at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, D.C.** Photo courtesy of Sheila R. Abarr

admirals and generals lined up on deck to witness the signing of the peace treaty that ended the war."

Despite his illustrious career, Barry said he feels honored to speak with Marines currently serving.

"If I could say something to all Marines right now it would be thank you and stay in until you retire. Keep the spirit and pride of the Marine Corps alive. There is truly no better feeling than that of being a Marine," Barry said.

## Single Marine Program helps service members get involved

Lance Cpl. Jeffrey Cordero

OKINAWA MARINE STAFF

It's not only about fun in the sun for members of the Single Marine Program.

Members of the program participate in numerous community service activities throughout the year to promote good relations between Marines and the local and military communities.

Once a month, for example, members of the program go to the Ai No Mura nursery and help the staff with cleaning chores while often interacting with the patients as well.

Marines throughout Okinawa have been volunteering at the nursery since 2003.

At that time, the program was looking for a local community organization to support with volunteer service. The nursery expressed a desire for assistance and members of the program accepted. Members of the SMP viewed it as an opportunity to strengthen ties with the Okinawan community.

"It was originally done by Futenma's SMP but has become



**Single Marine Program volunteers take pictures with participants at the Family Day Readiness Expo, Nov. 15.** Photo courtesy of the Single Marine Program

an all-camps activity," said Sergio Morales, a recreation specialist with the Single Marine Program on Camp Foster.

Morales believes helping the community is important and reflects greatly on the Marines and sailors stationed on Okinawa.

"Every little thing service members do is important to let the local community know the military community is a good neighbor," Morales said. "It is

also an opportunity to show good will and help out."

In addition to volunteering in the Okinawan community, members of the program also assist with teaching at Kinser Elementary school, and lend a helping hand to the staff of the Marine thrift shops on several camps.

The greatest reward of volunteering in the community is the response from those helped, said Lance Cpl. Gammaliel Arredon-

do, a disperser with Service Co., Combat Logistics Regiment 37, 3rd Marine Logistics Group.

"It makes you feel good to do stuff for the community," he said. "Other than being thanked, just seeing the smiles on their faces makes it worthwhile."

Participating in community service events also provides SMP members with an opportunity to explore Okinawa.

"It's a good chance to come out and see different parts of the island," said Pfc. Robert Barnett, a combat engineer with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group. "Volunteering is something that helps keep you active because it's an opportunity to go out."

The SMP conducts volunteer and recreational events open to all Marines and sailors stationed on Okinawa. The SMP is currently slated to attend the Kariyushi performing arts exhibition at the Okinawa prefectural theater in December and is hosting a trip to Thailand in January. For more information about the upcoming events, contact the Single Marine Program office at 645-3681.

# KC-130R escorted to final flight

**Lance Cpl. Tyler J. Hlavac**  
OKINAWA MARINE STAFF

Aircraft lot number 160622 had a good run during its 30-year Marine Corps lifespan, but nothing, not even the KC-130R, lasts forever.

Nick Dicandia experienced the beginning and the end of the craft while serving as an aircrew member aboard the final flight of the same KC-130R he served on during its maiden flight 30 years ago.

Dicandia, a contract field team supervisor working for the Lockheed Martin aeronautics company, is currently assigned to Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 152, aboard Marine Corps Air Station Futenma.

His job is to help pilots transition from the KC-130R aircraft to the newer KC-130J, which replaced the KC-130Rs in VMGR 152's aircraft inventory.

But for Dicandia, aircraft 160622 is special.

Dicandia first 'met' the aircraft when he was a gunnery sergeant, working as a flight engineer for the MCAS Cherry Point-based VGMR-252. At the time, VMGR-252 was looking to update their squadron of 17-year old KC-130F aircraft with the new KC-130R. The squadron sent a flight crew to Marietta, Ga., to take a course on how to operate the KC-130Rs. Dicandia, along with a fellow group of "senior, heavy hitter

Marines," was chosen from the squadron based on his level of expertise and skill. The crew was trained as instructors and flew the aircraft from Lockheed Martin's production factory in Marietta to Cherry Point, N.C. in 1978.

The KC-130R aircraft was 'mind blowing' at the time, Dicandia said.

"To us it was like a starship. The KC-130F had not been modified since 1960, so comparing it with the KC-130R was like comparing night and day," he said. "Some of the features were just amazing; including the external wing tanks; its improved propulsion system and its ability to haul far more weight. It gave us so much pride seeing the Marine Corps finally get their hands on the latest technology instead of always being out of the loop."

Dicandia was later reassigned and parted ways with the KC-130R he had grown to love.

After retiring in 1996, Dicandia was immediately hired by Lockheed Martin. He initially worked at the company's factory in Marietta. Dicandia worked there until July 2001 and then was assigned to MCAS Cherry Point, N.C., for the company's KC-130J transition program.

It was there he reunited with the KC-130R.

Dicandia trained Marine flight crews on how to operate the Corps'



**In this photo from 1978, then Master Gunnery Sgt. Nick Dicandia works the flight control of the KC-130R 160622.** Photo courtesy of Nick Dicandia

new KC-130J aircraft, just as he had been trained 23 years earlier on how to operate the KC-130R.

While there, Dicandia waved farewell to aircraft 160622 when it was deployed to Okinawa to join the VGMR 152 inventory.

After training numerous flight crews at Cherry Point from 2003 to 2005, and later in MCAS Miramar from 2005 to 2007, Dicandia reunited with the aircraft again in 2007 when he was reassigned by Lockheed to VGMR 152 MCAS Futenma.

Seeing the aircraft again after four years was nostalgic, Dicandia said.

"It brought back a lot of memories for me," he said. "I spent hundreds of thousands of flight hours inside that aircraft and after a while, it starts to become part of you."

But it was nearing the end, and it was time to let go.

VGMR 152 is replacing its aging fleet of KC-130R aircraft with the new KC-130J, and aircraft 160622 went on its final flight Nov. 15 to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, where it will be stored at the 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group.

The end was bittersweet for Dicandia, who unhesitatingly accepted the offer from pilots of VGMR-152 to serve as an aircrew member on the final flight.

Dicandia said the aircraft is capable of serving the Corps a few more years and he is sad to see it go.

"I'm really glad I get to be a part of the aircraft's final flight," said Dicandia. "The aircraft still has some life left in it and I hope a private company spends the money to buy the aircraft from Davis-Monthan's storage; that someone can find some use in it."

Dicandia said that in many ways the life cycle of people and aircraft are the same.

"After awhile all the old war-horses get put out to pasture," Dicandia said, pausing to reflect on his memories of the aircraft. "Just like I eventually reached my end of service for the Corps, so did this aircraft. But then again people, like aircraft, eventually move on."



**Nick Dicandia stands in front of KC-130R 160622 before boarding the plane on its final flight Nov. 14. Dicandia was part of the plane's flight crew during its first and final flight.** Photo by Staff Sgt. Leo A. Salinas

# Staff sergeant helps other Marines to recover

**Fred W. Baker III**

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**W**hen Staff Sgt. Daniel Kachmar extends his right hand to greet combat wounded Marines, there is an instant rapport.

A combat veteran himself, having fought in Iraq and Afghanistan, Kachmar, 24, can trade stories of blood and war; of buddies lost and battles fought.

But, Kachmar's three-finger grip speaks louder than his words ever could. It says he understands the pain, the process and the path to healing.

Those who haven't been seriously wounded "can't relate to getting flown away from your buddies, bleeding and in pain, mad at yourself because you want to go back regardless of the injury," Kachmar said.

Kachmar is now part of the "Tiger Team" that helps those evacuated to U.S. military hospitals work their way through the recovery process. He also is one of the many Marines who have opted to stay on active-duty since the start of Operation Iraqi Freedom despite injuries that could have released them from their obligation to the Corps.

## ***Becoming a Marine***

Before joining the Marines, Kachmar was a self-described "bad kid" who spent more time on the streets than in school. He spent some time in the juvenile penal system and realized his life was heading in the wrong direction.

"I was on a road of destruction as a teenager and didn't like what the future held," he said.

Looking around at the older guys still hanging out on the streets and getting into trouble, Kachmar decided it was time for a change.

His dad was a former sailor, so, because of the historic rivalry, the Army was not an option, Kachmar said. His father consented to the Marine Corps because it was a department of the Navy.

Kachmar was 17 at the time, and had just finished his junior year in high school when he went to see a Marine Corps recruiter.

It was an easy day for the recruiter.

"I don't want to talk about joining the Marine Corps, I just want to do it," Kachmar recalled telling the recruiter, and soon signed on the dotted line to serve as an infantryman.

Unfortunately, his impending service, which was to begin after graduation, didn't keep Kachmar from getting into more trouble. In his senior year, he was expelled. His academics were in line, but officials wouldn't let him finish the year.

So Kachmar headed to boot camp early. When he returned from Marine basic training, school officials granted his diploma.

"They said, 'Good job for doing something with yourself,'" Kachmar said.

## ***Getting Into the Fight***

On June 24, 2002, Kachmar checked into the 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, based out of Camp Lejeune, N.C., and left in September for Afghanistan. There he worked at the embassy providing security.

He later saw combat during a 2004 deployment in Afghanistan, and he returned to the United States by Christmas of that year itch-



**Staff Sgt. Daniel Kachmar and his daughter, Annabella, rub the pregnant belly of his wife, Jessica. Kachmar married his wife while still recovering from a bomb blast in Iraq in 2005. DoD photo by Fred W. Baker III**

ing to fight in Iraq.

"That's what you join the Marine Corps to do - to fight. We had plenty of a fight in Afghanistan, but I wanted to see the other theater. I wanted to do my part in both countries," Kachmar said.

So, he transferred to a sister battalion and left for Iraq in March 2005.

His battalion was based in Fallujah, Iraq, and Company A was about 15 miles north in a small town. There they were looking for improvised explosives, patrolling, conducting raids and providing security.

Kachmar recalled that period as one of "good times" because he said being a squad leader watching over 13 other Marines, was "the best job in the Marine Corps."

"You're always kind of anxious over there. You're sleeping and mortars are dropping. There's always something," he said.

Coming up on the end of his four-year enlistment, Kachmar intended to re-enlist in Iraq and cash in on his tax-free status. His re-enlistment packet was in and approved. All he had to do was wait until Oct. 1, 2005.

On Aug. 25, 2005, Kachmar's squad was sent out to look for an improvised explosive device planted somewhere along the road. They were to find it, mark it off and wait for the ordnance guys to blow it up.

"The IED found me instead," Kachmar said.

## ***A Long, Painful Journey***

Two stacked 155 mm artillery shells were buried along the side of the road that particular day. As Kachmar walked by, it was remotely detonated.

"I don't remember the blast. I came to standing there in a cloud of dirt ... and I'm like 'What just happened?'" Kachmar said. "I'm looking around, and I'm inside this cloud of dirt, and I can't see anybody, and then everything starts to come together.

"I tried to run away and as I took my first step, because my leg was broken, I just fell to the ground real hard. It felt like I got shot. I was like, 'Oh my God, what is going on?'" he said.

Shrapnel had ripped through Kachmar's body. His hand was ripped apart and blood was

pumping out of it. His left leg was shattered.

It was the leg injury that concerned him the most.

"Doc, am I going to lose my leg? Doc, doc, am I going to lose my leg?" Kachmar recalled asking the doctor again and again.

Even though he tried, the medic on the scene was not able to pull off a convincing "no."

"I was like, 'Oh no, I'm losing my leg. They're going to be calling me stumpy,'" Kachmar said.

His team loaded Kachmar into a humvee and sped off to Camp Fallujah, about 20 miles away. Doctors were waiting to take him into surgery, and Kachmar knew he was going home but he did not want to leave Iraq without saying goodbye to his squad.

"I was mad," Kachmar said. "Where are my Marines at?" he recalled yelling as nurses and doctors tried to calm him. "This is my squad and I'm not going to see them again. They're still in Iraq and I'm going home ... I want to talk to them."

Kachmar said he was afraid the doctors would take him into surgery and dismiss the squad members back to their duties, and he wouldn't get to see them before he was flown out of the country.

"When you're over there with guys and you go through [stuff] with them, it's a pretty tight bond," he said.

After he said goodbye to a few of his friends, and told his buddy to take care of his squad, the doctor and chaplain came to tell him it was time for surgery.

But Kachmar still had one more request.

"I said 'Before you put me under I need to call my dad,'" he said.

So, a little more than 25 minutes after being blown up on the streets of Iraq, Kachmar called his dad a world away with news that could have been much worse, and for the first time started crying.

"It's just hard to tell someone that you're hurt. It could have been worse," he said.

Then he was being wheeled into the same room where he had been just weeks earlier. It is the last thing he remembers there.

*Part two of this story will appear in next week's Okinawa Marine.*

# IN THEATERS NOV 21 – 27

Movie schedule is subject to change without notice. Call in advance to confirm show times. For a complete listing, visit <http://www.aafes.com>.

## FOSTER 645-3465

**TODAY** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 6 p.m.; Pride and Glory (R), 9 p.m.

**SATURDAY** Igor (PG), 12 and 3 p.m.; The Women (PG13) 6 p.m.; Pride and Glory (R), 9 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Igor (PG), 1 p.m.; Quantum of Solace (PG13), 4 and 7 p.m.

**MONDAY** Pride and Glory (R), 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Pride and Glory (R), 7 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY** Burn After Reading (R), 6 p.m.; My Best Friend's Girl (R), 9 p.m.

**THURSDAY** Bolt (PG), 1 p.m.; Quantum of Solace (PG13), 4 and 7 p.m.

## KADENA 634-1869

**TODAY** My Best Friend's Girl (R), 6 p.m.; Burn After Reading (R), 9 p.m.

**SATURDAY** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 12 and 3 p.m.; My Best Friend's Girl (R), 6 p.m.; Burn After Reading (R), 9 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 3 and 6 p.m.; Burn After Reading (R), 9 p.m.

**MONDAY** Miracle at St. Anna (R), 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 7 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY** My Best Friend's Girl (R), 7 p.m.

**THURSDAY** High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G), 1 p.m.; Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 4 p.m.; Bolt (PG), 7 p.m.

## FUTENMA 636-3890

**TODAY** Righteous Kills (R), 6:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY** Quantum of Solace (PG13), 4 and 7 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Tyler Perry's The Family That Prey's (PG13), 4 p.m.; The Women (PG13), 7 p.m.

**MONDAY** High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G), 6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Closed

**WEDNESDAY** Closed

**THURSDAY** Closed

## COURTNEY 622-9616

**TODAY** Quantum of Solace (PG13), 6 and 9:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY** Star Wars: The Clone Wars (PG), 2 p.m.; Tyler Perry's The Family That Prey's (PG13), 7 p.m.

**SUNDAY** High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G), 7 p.m.

**MONDAY** The Women (PG13), 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Closed

**WEDNESDAY** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG), 7 p.m.

**THURSDAY** Closed

## HANSEN 623-4564

**TODAY** Burn After Reading (R), 6 and 9 p.m.

**SATURDAY** High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G), 6 p.m.; My Best Friend's Girl (R), 9 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Miracle at St. Anna (R), 2 p.m.; Burn After Reading (R), 5:30 p.m.

**MONDAY** Quantum of Solace (PG13) 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Quantum of Solace (PG13), 7 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY** Miracle at St. Anna (R), 7 p.m.

**THURSDAY** The Long Shots (PG13), 2 p.m.; My Best Friend's Girl (R), 5 and 8 p.m.

## SCHWAB 625-2333

**FRIDAY** Traitor (PG), 7 p.m.

**SATURDAY** Tyler Perry's The Family That Prey's (PG13), 5 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Righteous Kills (R), 5 p.m.

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For schedules and start times, call:

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**MCAS FUTENMA** 636-2113

**CAMP HANSEN** 623-5011

**KADENA AIR BASE** 632-8781



For more information or to sign up, contact the Single Marine Program Office at 645-3681.

All bus pick-up points will be at Semper Fit gyms or the Foster Fieldhouse.

## SINGLE MARINE PROGRAM EVENTS

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Volunteer at Kinser Elementary School by reading to students and participating in class activities every Friday from 8:45 to 11 a.m.
- The Marine Thrift Shop on Camp Foster requests two volunteers on a weekly basis from Camps Kinser, Foster, Courtney, Hansen and Schwab and MCAS Futenma.
- Volunteering dates at the Ai No Mura Nursing Home occur on the fourth Friday of each month. Call 636-3092 for more information.
- To sign up as a volunteer contact your SMP representative or call the SMP office at 645-3681 by Wednesday of each week.

### DEC. 5 | 2ND ANNUAL DUCK AND COVER GOLF TOURNAMENT

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### JAN. 16-20 | THAILAND TRIP

- Once-in-a-lifetime four-day temple and shopping tour in Bangkok, Thailand. The registration deadline is Nov. 28, call the SMP office for more information or to register.

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### CAMP FOSTER | 645-7486/7487

- **Catholic:** Mon., Wed., Fri., 11:45 a.m.; Sat., 5 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m.
- **Christian Science:** Sun., 11 a.m., Bldg. 442
- **Eastern Orthodox:** Sun., 9:30 a.m.
- **Gospel:** Sun., 11:30 a.m.
- **Jewish:** Fri., Traditional, 6 p.m.; Informal: Fri., 6:30 p.m.
- **Muslim:** Fri., Prayer, 12:45 p.m.
- **Protestant:** Sun., 8:30 a.m.
- **Seventh Day Adventist:** Sat., 10 a.m.
- **Hindu:** Sat., 3:30 p.m.

### CAMP LESTER | 643-7248

- **Catholic:** Sun., 8 a.m., Lester Chapel
- **Protestant:** Sun., 9 a.m., Hospital Chapel Sun., 10 a.m., Lester Chapel

### CAMP COURTNEY | 622-9350

- **Catholic:** Sun., 8 and 11:15 a.m.; Mon.-Fri., 11:45 a.m.
- **Protestant:** Sun., 9:30 a.m.

### CAMP HANSEN | 622-9350

- **Catholic:** Sun., 10 a.m., E. Chapel
- **Latter Day Saints:** Sun., 1 p.m., W. Chapel
- **Protestant:** Sun., 11 a.m., W. Chapel

### MCAS FUTENMA | 636-3058

- **Catholic:** Sun., noon
- **Contemporary:** Fri., 7 p.m.; Sun., 9 a.m.
- **High school senior service:** Sat. 6 p.m.

### KADENA AIR BASE | 634-1288

- **Buddhist:** Sat., 10 a.m., Bldg. 856
- **Catholic:** Sun., 8:30 a.m., Mass, Chapel 1; Sun., 11:30 a.m., Reconciliation, Chapel 1; Sun., 12:30 p.m., Mass, Chapel 1; Sun., 5 p.m., Mass, Chapel 1; Sun., 10:30 a.m., CCD, Amelia Earhart School; Daily Mass, Mon.-Thurs., noon, Chapel 2
- **Protestant:** Sun., 10:30 a.m., Contemp., Chapel 1; Sun., 8:30 a.m., Inspirational, Chapel 2; Sun., 10:30 a.m., Traditional, Chapel 2; Sun., 10:30 a.m., Gospel, Chapel 3; Sunday School, 8:45 a.m., Bldg. 856
- **Wiccan/Pagan:** Fri., 7 p.m., Chapel 1; Sat., 6 p.m., Bldg. 856

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- **Catholic:** Sun., 5:30 p.m.
- **Protestant:** Sun., 11:30 a.m.

### CAMP SHIELDS | 632-4192

- **Protestant:** Sun., 6 p.m.

### CAMP McTUREOUS | 622-7537

- **Anglican/Episcopal:** Sun., 6:30 p.m.
- **Gospel:** Sun., 12:30 p.m.
- **Lutheran:** Sun., 9:30 a.m.

### CAMP KINSER | 637-1148

- **Catholic:** Sun., 11 a.m.
- **Gospel:** Sun., 8 a.m.
- **Protestant:** Sun., 9:30 a.m.

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**Tony Brown, a wide receiver with Dem Boyz, returns the kickoff during the finals at the Marine Corps Community Services Open Flag Football Tournament Saturday.** Photo by Lance Cpl. Kentavist P. Brackin

# Dem Boyz still going strong

## Undefeated team takes 10th straight flag football tournament

**Lance Cpl. Joseph A. Cabrera**

OKINAWA MARINE STAFF

CAMP HANSEN – Dem Boyz remain undefeated after winning their 10th straight Marine Corps Community Services Open Flag Football Tournament Saturday.

Anthony Williams, the tournament's most valuable player, scored seven touchdowns during the elimination rounds and two in the championship for Dem Boyz as they routed HTO 25-7 to take their 10th straight open flag football tournament.

Dem Boyz displayed a swarming defense over HTO's offense in the championship game with five interceptions.

Dem Boyz safety Terry Lindsey intercepted a 20-yard pass, setting up running back Ricky Galvan's scamper through HTO's defense for the first touchdown.

HTO answered back with a touchdown by receiver Gregory Craig, keeping the game close through the first half at 6-7.

Dem Boyz opened up the third quarter with a touchdown by wide receiver Quintin White, regaining the lead 13-7.

Dem Boyz linebacker Timothy Grant intercepted a pass on the second play of HTO's possession for a 10-yard return. Dem Boyz failed to score on their drive. But Anthony Polk quickly grabbed another interception and ran it in for a touchdown, making the score 19-7.

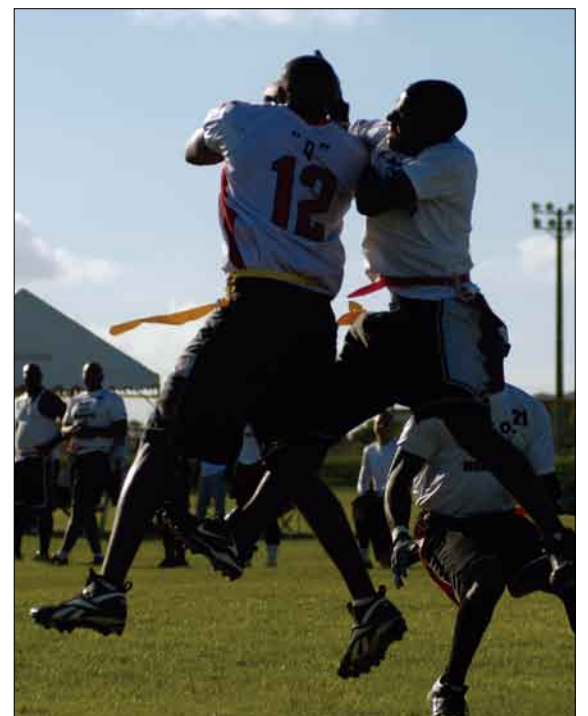
Dem Boyz looked like an interception machine and took possession of the ball again when corner back Anthony Williams, intercepted the ball and ran it back ten yards.

On the following play, Bryant dodged HTO's defensive line and completed a pass to White for the final touchdown ending the game at 25-7.

"I think there was an outstanding effort from everyone on the team. My quarterback was on point all day," White said.

The team looks forward to the competition they will face in the upcoming Turkey Bowl Nov. 28-30, calling out teams from all military branches and Okinawan teams alike.

"We want all services to come out. We want everyone on Okinawa to put a team together to play Dem Boyz," Galvan said.



**Dem Boyz' Quentin White intercepts a ball during the championship game of the Marine Corps Community Services Open Flag Football Tournament Saturday.** Photo by Lance Cpl. Joseph A. Cabrera



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