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Marine rushes to local teen's aid after car accident

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A 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing Marine was chatting with his wife and preparing for bed around 10 p.m., Oct. 23, when he heard the sound of squealing tires not far from his home in rural Newport, N.C., just east of the air station.

"It was an extremely loud screeching sound, followed by a few bangs and crashes," said Cpl. Joshua Murphy, an airframe mechanic with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252. "We stopped in mid sentence and just kind of stared at each other."

"My wife and I both knew it was an accident."

Murphy immediately told his wife to dial 911 and jumped in his car to drive toward the accident scene.

According to police reports, a vehicle ran off the right side of a sharp curve on Lake Road. The car struck a street sign before impacting a tree and overturning onto its passenger side. No other cars were involved.

Murphy arrived at the scene less than a

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CPL. TYLER J. BOLKEN

Cpl. Joshua Murphy, an airframe mechanic with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252, stands in front of one of the squadron's KC-130J Hercules on the Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point flight line Oct. 29. Murphy recently rushed to the aid of a 19-year-old woman who was in a car accident near his home in Newport, N.C.



CPL. SCOTT L. TOMASZYCKI

Lance Cpl. John M. Leech, left, Lance Cpl. Austin C. Bloomer, middle, Provost Marshal's Office special reaction team members, and Sgt. Andrew J. Pavel, right, special reaction team leader, move swiftly down a hallway while clearing a building during a training exercise aboard the air station Oct. 23. The exercise pitted Cherry Point emergency responders against a lone gunman and a potential improvised explosive device threat.

Emergency responders ready for anything

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Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point conducted a training exercise Oct. 23 to test the station's response to what many officials refer to as a worst-case scenario, an active shooter aboard the air station with a maliciously-planted dirty bomb.

A lone gunman armed with a rifle stood in a room full of bleeding victims. As soon as the call for help went out, Cherry Point personnel manned the Emergency Operations Center and dispatched emergency responders.

Officer Michael S. Kelly and Sgt. Thomas J. Conway, civilian law enforcement officers with the Provost Marshal's Office, readied themselves outside the room where the gunman waited. They stepped swiftly through the door, exchanged fire and took down the gunman.

As law enforcement personnel dealt with the active shooter, emergency medical technicians cared for the wounded, and explosive ordnance disposal Marines worked with the fire department's hazardous materials handling team to defuse a suspected dirty bomb.

"We constantly train for situations like this, and to have different entities there with the fire department, EOD and headquarters. It brings it more into focus as to what we would have to do if a real life situation were to happen," said Conway. "It gives us basically first-hand experience in the communications end of it and the coordination part of responding to a situation like this."

After the confrontation with the gunman, the officers continued clearing the building to ensure there were no other threats; PMO's special reaction team was dispatched to assist.

Once the building was cleared, the first responders started evacuating the wounded so medical technicians could care for them quickly once they arrived on scene.

"We have a wide range of skills, knowledge and abilities that we have to stay current on, and performing an exercise like that is a good way to stay on top of any changes," said Nicholas Salter, assistant chief of emergency medical services for the Cherry Point fire department.

The department locked down their buildings and took a head count of all department personnel as soon as they heard a shooter was active. When the building was confirmed as clear, they dispatched all of the necessary services to assist with the situation.

Once on the scene, the fire department's paramedics arranged for victim transport to medical facilities outside the air station to receive emergency care.

In another part of the scenario, a call came in reporting a suspicious vehicle. The fire department deployed its hazardous material handling team to determine if there were dangerous chemicals involved. One victim was put through the decontamination process and treated for exposure.

EOD Marines stepped in to neutralize any threat posed by an improvised explosive device. They used two remote-controlled robots to assess the situation. The hazardous material handling team placed sensors on the robots to determine just what dangerous chemicals were present and in what quantity. Using a computer program and the data found by the sensors, the team determined the radius and enforced a

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EOD Marine receives Spirit of Freedom Award

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Staff Sgt. Bernard Coyne knew what would happen if he made one wrong move, but he couldn't show his concern to those around him. It was essential he stay calm and diffuse the improvised explosive device buried in front of him. It was the first of 10 he and his teammate would disarm that day.

Coyne, an explosive ordnance disposal technician with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, was awarded the Spirit of Freedom Award for his actions in Afghanistan at the 2012 United Service Organization Salute to Freedom Gala Saturday in Raleigh, N.C. The Gala recognized six service members with ties to North Carolina.

Audricia D. McKinney, spokesperson for the USO of North Carolina, said the USO recognized Coyne because he represents the core values of the USO of North Carolina.

"Staff Sgt. Coyne received the Spirit of Freedom Award because of his dedication to service and his country," McKinney said. "He repeatedly placed the safety of his fellow Marines first and foremost. Staff Sgt. Coyne has the maturity, judgment, skills and leadership above his peers."

Coyne, a Bronze Star medal recipient, and teammate Staff Sgt. Jacob C. Hostetler diffused 10 IEDs within a 50-meter area

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JESS ISAIAH LEVIN

Staff Sgt. Bernard J. Coyne accepts the Spirit of Freedom award at the United Service Organization Salute to Freedom Gala in Raleigh Oct. 27. Coyne received the award for his actions while deployed to Afghanistan where he and his teammate diffused 10 improvised explosive devices within a 50-meter area. The USO recognized six service members with ties to North Carolina at the event.

MACG-28 welcomes King, bids Nilsson farewell

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MCAS CHERRY POINT

Sgt. Maj. Timothy King assumed the post of Marine Air Control Group 28's senior enlisted advisor from Sgt. Maj. Lisa Nilsson during a relief and appointment ceremony at Cherry Point Oct. 25.

King comes to the unit from Marine Aircraft Group 14. He now leads more than 2,400 Marines within MACG-28.

"I'm ready to take on the challenge," said King. "I look forward to leading these Marines and learning from them as well."

Nilsson will move on to duties as the sergeant major of 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) in the upcoming deployment to Afghanistan.

"I am ready to go overseas with 2nd MAW (FWD)," said Nilsson. "My primary goal is to come back with every Marine and Sailor that we go over there with."

During Nilsson's closing remarks, she expressed her deepest gratitude toward the Marines with MACG-28, thanking them for all the hard work they did under her leadership.

"I couldn't have asked for a better group of Marines," said Nilsson

addressing the Marines. "You have taught me more than I have taught you, and you have made me a well-rounded Marine. Thank you."

Nilsson said to King that she has full confidence in the Marines he will lead. She said, "I know these Marines will take care of you as they have taken care of me, and that they will do the best they can."

Col. Peter J. DeVine, the commanding officer of MACG-28, spoke highly of Nilsson and said he is sad to see her leave but looks forward to working with King.

"She (Nilsson) jumped right in when she first arrived and did everything she could to accomplish the mission," said DeVine. "It's hard to say goodbye, but we are fortunate to have Sgt. Maj. King taking over, having three years of experience with MAG-14."



Sgt. Maj. King

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News Briefs

'366 returns from Calif.

More than 100 Marines with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 366 returned to Cherry Point Oct. 24 from a three-week pre-deployment exercise at National Training Center Fort Irwin, Calif.

The squadron supported Company A, 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, U.S. Marine Corps Special Operations Command, using CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters for troop transport and cargo lifts during Exercise Raven Deployment For Training 13.1.

The Marines operated out of Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., for the duration of the exercise.

Sgt. Maj. Anthony P. Banks, HMH-366 sergeant major, said his Marines were outstanding during the training and he could not be happier with their performance.

Marines return from Alaska

More than 150 Marines based at Cherry Point returned to the air station Oct. 23, from the dry, cold climate of the last frontier after completing a two-week training exercise.

The detachment of Marines from Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadrons 1 and 4 left the air station Sept. 27 to participate in Red Flag-Alaska 13-1 at Ben Eielson Air Force Base in Fairbanks. Red Flag-Alaska is a series of field training exercises with U.S. and coalition forces providing joint offensive and counter-air interdiction, close-air support and large force employment training in a simulated combat environment.

The exercise readies new pilots for circumstances they may encounter in a combat environment.

The detachment conducted six sorties a day during the exercise.

MAW returns from WTI

Select 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing elements returned to Cherry Point from Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course at Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., Tuesday and will continue through Sunday.

Returning units include 2nd Low Altitude Air Defense Battalion, Marine Air Control Group 28, Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadrons 1 and 4 and other small detachments.

WTI is a fully integrated course of instruction for highly experienced and fully qualified officers from all aviation communities.

Officers from ground combat, combat support, and combat service support also attend the course to ensure appropriate air-ground interface.

Corps revamps transition

The Marine Corps revamped the Transition Assistance Management Program into the Transition Readiness Seminar. The seminar, launched in March, addresses the limitations of the outdated TAMP program.

Transition Readiness Seminar allows Marines to select a pathway that tailors information and resources to their specific civilian career and educational needs. The pathways are the Department of Labor's Employment Workshop, College/University, Career Technical, and Entrepreneurship.

Cherry Point Marine and Family Services went one step further by creating the Personal & Professional Skills Workshop, which provides participants who do not choose the employment pathway with information and skills to find employment while they are attending a college, university, technical school or starting their own business.

Contact the Career Assistance and Resource Office today at 466-4201 for scheduling information.

Chaplain's Corner :

I Wasn't Aware

CMDR. CARL P. KOCH

MCAS CHERRY POINT COMMAND CHAPLAIN

The presidential election is at hand. Marine Corps balls are big business at local tailor shops. Halloween candy is almost gone – except for the licorice junk. I'm not a big fan of licorice. October has come and gone. And, in many ways, I just wasn't aware.

It's not that I wasn't aware of October. I wasn't aware, except for those times when I was specifically reminded, that October was Domestic Violence Awareness Month. You see, October was also Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

It was hard to find an NFL team not sporting pink shoes, gloves, towels, and a host of other awareness reminders. But, what happened to domestic violence awareness?

Did you see any of your favorite team's players wearing a purple ribbon? Did any of them have on purple shoes? OK, maybe the Vikings and Ravens, but I'm not talking about normal uniform items. Why was so much attention placed on breast cancer awareness and so little on domestic violence?

Just because I'm a chaplain doesn't mean I'm not concerned with women's health. I'd have a "Save the ta-tas" bumper sticker on my car if I put bumper stickers on my car. "Stop Domestic Violence" just doesn't have the same draw, at least not in the marketing world. At least not in the world of contemporary culture.

In contemporary culture, advertisements for Viagra are as common as ads for breath mints. Nothing is off limits – nothing is off limits. So, talking about breast cancer isn't a whispered subject anymore. And that's a great thing. But, what about domestic violence?

Why is domestic violence awareness still flying under the radar? My sister-in-law is a breast cancer survivor. We've almost attached heroic status to

her and other survivors. But what about survivors of domestic violence? No T-shirts with smart slogans. No 5K runs at the end of which we have cheering crowds for those who have survived. At least none that I'm aware of.

And my lack of awareness is, I believe, fairly common. Breast cancer awareness is everywhere. Domestic violence awareness seems about as hidden as those who are its victims, and that's not good. The victims of domestic violence need support just as the victims of breast cancer do.

In many ways, perpetrators of domestic violence can be more insidious than breast cancer. No woman ever invited breast cancer into her life as a trusted friend, confidant, spouse or lover. Perpetrators of domestic violence actively betray each one of those confidences. And they often manipulate their victims to see no way out.

Victims of domestic violence do not need to remain victims. They can be survivors. And in the Marine Corps and Navy, victims are provided with confidential means by which they can explore their options and discover how they can be survivors.

If you are a victim and your abuser has told you, "If you tell anyone, my career is over and you will lose everything," your abuser is lying. "Chaplains are automatically on the side of the Marine or Sailor" is another lie. Your chaplains provide you, the victim, with complete confidentiality and totally privileged communication, and nothing will get back to your abuser's command without your permission.

So, you can talk with any one of the chaplains from the wing or station about your situation and your options, confidentially. We also have incredible resources through the authority of our commanding officers and through our Marine Corps Community Services counseling services to help you break the chain of domestic violence.

However, those who can help wouldn't be made aware of your personal situation because of a purple ribbon on an NFL football helmet. A bumper sticker won't connect those who can intervene with those who need intervention. Those who can help need to be far more aware than we are. A special month won't do it. But you can.

Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point:

Pharmacy Renovations to improve efficiency

Laurie Varner

Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point

Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point is participating in a major Navy pharmacy initiative to automate the dispensing of prescription medications.

The clinic is one of three military treatment facilities in Navy medicine selected for this pilot project.

The other two facilities are Naval Medical Centers San Diego and Portsmouth.

The automated dispensing system standardizes process flow and expedites the delivery of prescriptions to

patients.

The pharmacy is expected to double its daily prescription dispensing volume from 800 to 1,600 prescriptions per day while decreasing overall patient wait times.

The new system also improves the quality of care by reducing the opportunity for human error. Although robotics will not replace people, approximately half of all prescriptions will be filled by automation. However, all prescriptions will be checked by a pharmacist before delivery to a patient.

This process facilitates more pharmacist-to-patient interaction and allows for increased customer service and patient education. Highly utilized tablet or pill medications will be the primary drugs dispensed through this system. Less common medications, liquids, lotions and other medications not dispensed in pill form remain dispensed by hand.

Navy officials anticipate the new robotics will be able to fill 90 percent of prescriptions in 30 minutes or less, compared to the current standard of 90 percent

of prescriptions filled within an hour. Upon completion, the project is expected to improve overall inventory management, staff utilization and customer satisfaction.

In preparation for arrival of the new system, the pharmacy has changed business operations to train staff and enhance patient care during project implementation.

Construction began Oct. 29 and is expected to last six to nine months. The command requests that clinic patrons follow posted signs to ensure their safety.

Erratum:

On page A2 of the Oct. 25 issue, byline credit for the article "Energy efficiency powers up national budget, shields environment" was given to Sherry Kaminski. The article was written by Bob Ruffin, the air station energy manager.

Sgt. Jason A. Rothgeb

Job Title: Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear defense specialist

Unit: Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron 2

Hometown: Marion, Ohio

Age: 23

Date Joined: April 7, 2008

Sgt. Jason Rothgeb dedicates his life to teaching Marines about how to protect themselves in a chemically unsafe environment and in unarmed combat.

Rothgeb is a chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear defense specialist with Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron 2 at Cherry Point. His job requires him to conduct annual training for Marines to bolster their confidence in their M50 field protective gas masks and mission-oriented protective posture suits.

Rothgeb's love for teaching also inspired him to become a Marine Corps Martial Arts Program black belt instructor.

"Being able to train Marines in martial arts is fun and rewarding," said Rothgeb. "I love seeing the Marines' faces when I test them and they finally reach that next belt after all the hard work they put forward."

Rothgeb said he loves teaching Marines and showing them how to protect themselves in a close combat situation.

"It feels great knowing that what I teach could someday save Marines' lives," Rothgeb said.



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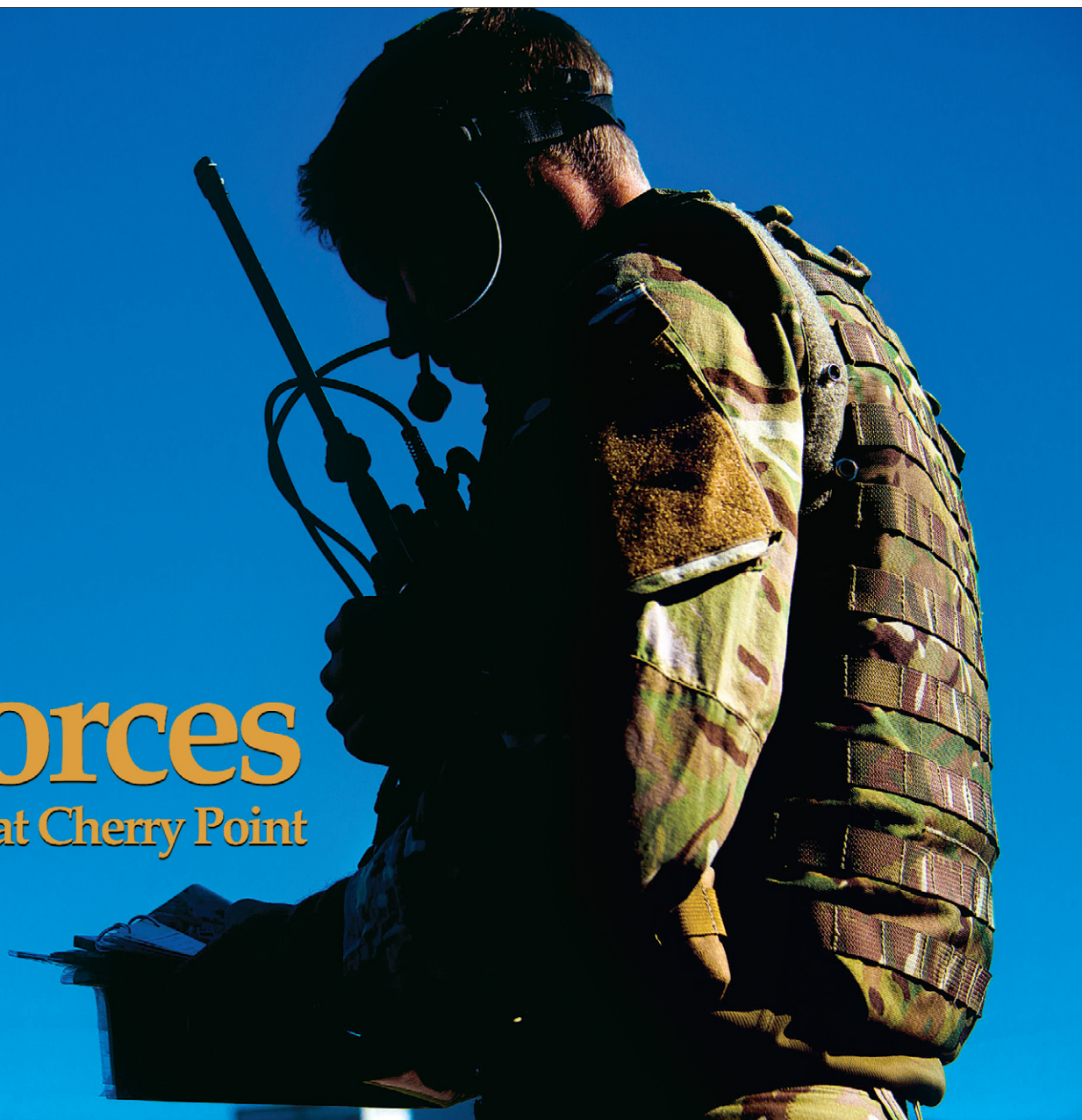
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REMEMBER TO RECYCLE



British forces

hone close-air capabilities at Cherry Point



PHOTOS BY CPL. BRIAN ADAM JONES

Flight Lt. Samuel Mitchell, a joint terminal attack controller in training with the British forces, communicates over the radio to Marines with a Harvest HAWK-equipped KC-130J Hercules from Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252 at Cherry Point, Oct. 23. Joint terminal attack controllers are warfighters in a forward position on the ground who direct combat aircraft engaged in close-air support.

Harvest HAWK Marines train with team of British forces

CPL. BRIAN ADAM JONES

MCAS CHERRY POINT

If the area just south of the air station flight line had been a village in Helmand province, Afghanistan, radio communication would have been critical. And if that had been a man with a real rocket-propelled grenade launcher approaching his position, perhaps there would have been a bit more stress in the voice of British Flight Lt. Samuel Mitchell.

What was real was the Harvest HAWK-equipped KC-130J Hercules circling in the sky above Cherry Point. And that was real stress in the voice of Sgt. Maj. Sub Thomas, one of the British team's senior enlisted members, as he coached Mitchell and other British forces along while they communicated via radio with the Marines above them.

A team of British forces from the United Kingdom's 1st Armoured Division came to Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., Oct. 15 through Friday to train to effectively coordinate air strikes with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252's Harvest HAWK team. The forces were training to become joint terminal attack controllers, ground warfighters in a forward position who direct combat aircraft engaged in close-air support.

The Harvest HAWK, or Hercules Airborne Weapons Kit, is an upgrade on the KC-130J Hercules tanker. With a complement of Hellfire and Griffin missiles, the Harvest HAWK-equipped KC-130J Hercules is a lethal asset in the sky above southwestern Afghanistan. The new Harvest HAWK capability on the KC-130J adds a deadly component to one of the Marine Corps' most storied aviation platforms. For decades, Marine Corps C-130s have been instrumental in aerial warfare, running the gamut from aerial refueling to troop and cargo transport to battlefield illumination.

In Helmand province, Marine Corps Harvest HAWK teams regularly provide close air support to U.S. and Coalition ground forces and can stay in the sky for far longer than attack jets or helicopters in support of counterinsurgency operations in the region.

"The mindset of the U.S. Marine Corps is very much focused on supporting the guys on the ground," said



Flight Lt. Samuel Mitchell, left, a joint terminal attack controller in training with the British Forces, speaks with Sgt. Maj. Sub Thomas, one of the British team's senior enlisted, as they debrief a training exercise aboard the air station, Oct. 23. A team of British forces came to the air station to train to coordinate air strikes with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252's Harvest HAWK team for an upcoming deployment to Afghanistan.

Thomas.

Thomas was deployed to Helmand province in 2011 and said he had at least 10 strikes against mid-to-high level Taliban targets through the Harvest HAWK team there.

"During the first deployment we were able to establish pretty good relations with the Brits on the ground, who really adapted to the way Harvest HAWK was employed," said Capt. Trenton Pelletier, a KC-130J pilot on VMGR-252's Harvest HAWK team. "It became their weapon of choice, so they wanted to get their guys familiarized with it for their next deployment."

Pelletier and the other Marines involved said that the Harvest HAWK team partnered with the British forces to develop out-of-the-box training scenarios. Both groups are slated to deploy to Afghanistan in early 2013 and hope their two weeks together at Cherry Point will pay dividends when lives are on the line.

"I think this will only make us more robust when we go forward," said Capt. Mark Montgomery, a flight induction team officer-in-charge with VMGR-252. "No matter what accent you hear, we operate on the Joint Terminal Attack Controller doctrine, so the more practice you have, the better you get."

With combat operations in Afghanistan set to cease in 2014, the Marines and their British partners slated to go forward next year said they know they will be responsible for finishing the job.

"The Harvest HAWK system is very good, but the guys who are flying it, they get where we're coming from, and they know what we need," said Flight Lt. Skip Avery, one of the British service members involved in the training. "The key thing is that we'll be the guys closing the door in Afghanistan. We know that there are going to be U.S. Marines helping us get our first boots off the ground."



Sgt. Maj. Sub Thomas presses the button on his radio to speak with the team of a Harvest HAWK-equipped KC-130J Hercules at Cherry Point, Oct. 23. Thomas is a senior enlisted member of a team of British forces that came to Cherry Point to train to coordinate air strikes with the Harvest HAWK. With a complement of Hellfire and Griffin missiles, the Harvest HAWK-equipped KC-130J Hercules is a common sight in the sky above southwestern Afghanistan.

Q & A ■ Sgt. Maj. Robinson back on the block

LANCE CPL. GLEN E. SANTY
MCAS CHERRY POINT

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION CHERRY POINT, N.C. (Oct. 24, 2012) – Sgt. Maj. Christopher G. Robinson arrived aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point Oct. 18 to serve as the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing sergeant major. Robinson came from Marine Corps Base Hawaii, where he was the sergeant major of Marine Aircraft Group 24.

Q: What are your guiding principles as a leader?

A: Guiding principles start with people, knowing your people and communicating with them: left, right, up and down within the chain of command. People need mutual respect, trust, honesty and sincerity; especially when engaging with Marines from a leader's stand point. Lastly, I would say decision making. Being firm, fair and consistent. Before a decision is made, taking a step back and looking at all sides of what the repercussions are is important.

Q: What are your top three priorities for 2nd MAW?

A: We're doing well in my top three areas, but I know we can do better. First, what I want is more emphasis on readiness – more specifically, individual readiness, as opposed to unit readiness. I think we get (unit readiness). The MAW does very well managing our operations tempo, deployments and overall successes, but the readiness of that individual Marine, Sailor, and most importantly, their family – that's where it starts. My second is core values, (getting back to the basics). It's nothing I've made up, but it should be ingrained in us and a part of our decision making not just on duty, but specifically (off-duty). Marines need to always do the right thing. My third priority is adhering to and maintaining standard – those being, the Marine Corps' standards required of us in and out of uniform. We will focus on and do better in these three areas.

Q: What attributes do you look for in your Marines?

A: I can tell a solid Marine by three things. First, initiative: not being told to go do something but taking initiative to do it, and if the Marine doesn't know how to do it, taking the initiative to ask.

The second thing is professionalism, which goes a long way – this includes how Marines interact, their influence on their peer group and how they act with juniors and seniors alike. When I see a Marine or Sailor out in town, I don't want to see him or her looking like a "soup sandwich." I observe the way they carry themselves. I want to see constant professionalism.

The last one is simply hard work! Go the extra 10 yards

to get the job done. Stay a little bit later that night to make sure the job, the Marines and the mission are taken care of. That goes a long way. These three things: initiative, professionalism and hard work. I don't care what you're doing as a profession, these three things are a proven recipe for success.

Q: What does being back at the 2nd MAW mean to you?

A: First, obviously I was slated for this job, but there were many other Marine sergeants major who could certainly do this job and are just as capable as I am. I'm just fortunate and honored to have been extended this opportunity here at Cherry Point, a place that I've always held near and dear in my heart. It's a place that I have fond memories of growing up in the Marine Corps.

My decision to reenlist and stay in the Marine Corps, to start a career, was made right here. There were a lot of positive influences that were at play. So now, I have an opportunity to have a positive and lasting impact on the future of the MAW, all the Marines and Sailors and their families here.

I'm very pleased about a chance to make a difference. Not necessarily to "leave my mark," but to leave something behind. That's something you figure out when you get more senior. It's not about what you did, but what you left behind that matters. That's what this means to me, and I certainly feel the good Lord put me here for a reason.

Q: Who were some of your influences?

A: Gunnery Sgt. White, [who retired as a] sergeant major, worked at the 2nd MAW's inspector's office. He was the staff noncommissioned-officer-in-charge. He and [retired] Master Gunnery Sgt. Arnold Breckenridge. These two Marines were true mentors to me. Neither one of them were my staff NCOIC, they were senior staff NCO's who cared and also who I and everyone else looked up to because of what they brought to the table. They were genuine, honest and sincere.

They saw potential, and they were strong leaders. When I made poor decisions or was headed in the wrong direction they put me back on the right path. They both even influenced the reenlistment decision I made at my four-year mark. At three and a half years, I was ready to get my DD214 and go back to Florida to become a state trooper. I was a young Cpl. Robinson at the time, and I was told "Hey, Robinson, you can go far in this Marine Corps. All you have got to do is want it."

Just that encouragement, that mentoring and that nurturing – it was almost like having chow – it was nourishment for that growth and development, and I got it. But

I've carried that until today. I have a chance now, and in a much larger capacity, to do that same thing.

Q: What would you consider the highlight or most memorable moment of your career?

A: I have a lot of memorable moments, but the highlight of my career, or most treasured time frame, was my opportunity to take a squadron forward to Afghanistan as a sergeant major. I deployed as the sergeant major of Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 363, the lucky Red Lions, a CH-53D squadron out of Marine Aircraft Group 24 in Hawaii. I flew with the Marines – I knew what they did every day – I knew what they did in the garage – I knew how grueling the execution of the flight schedule was. I knew the inherent dangers of flying in that environment. I knew it and lived it, and it was a highlight of my career.

I learned a lot about myself and the Marines and Sailors and respected them even more for what they did. Every single day that we were out there, no matter if situations were good or adverse. I was in complete awe seeing how they stepped up to the plate no matter what the circumstance.

We had many close calls out there, but what made the deployment most memorable was that between the commander and I, we made a promise to bring everyone home to their families safely, and we did that.

Q: What is the biggest leadership challenge you face, and what do you see as the key(s) to overcoming that challenge?

A: The biggest leadership challenge here is misconduct, most of which occurs off duty. I would say 90 percent of them involve alcohol in some way and many lead to injury and death. That is going to be the biggest challenge for me and the commanding general because they are distracters. They impact unit readiness in so many ways, and in some cases, end careers.

The majority of this doesn't involve the conduct of a Marine during normal working hours. It happens after hours. I strongly believe the way that we need to curtail bad behavior is influencing the same target audience where the majority of it happens, the gunnery sergeants, the staff sergeants, the sergeants and the corporals from an enlisted leadership standpoint. Yeah, you see a lot of misconduct in the younger troops, the lance corporals and below, but who is leading them?

The real challenge will be to try to figure out a way to reach them. They're the future of the Marine Corps. They are the future senior enlisted leaders in the Marine Corps.

Q: What gets you out of bed in the morning?

A: Well, the Lord gets me up, but with the realization of that, I have another opportunity to make a positive difference involving every individual Marine or Sailor, or even their families here at 2nd MAW. But when you're getting old like me, my motivation comes not from looking up.

It's true it's lonely at the top, but I look down on the troops for my strength and my source of motivation. It's a young man's game; they're what keep me going. Having a chance to make a difference, or to have an impact every single day is why I wake up in the morning and come to work. I'm honored and privileged to have been given the opportunity to do serve them.

Q: What keeps you up at night?

A: Bad phone calls – a few of them in my career that I would certainly not want to remember – a potential poor decision that a Marine or Sailor could, or may, make that will result in their loss.

I've been unfortunate to have had that 2 a.m. notification that we lost a Marine. I've experienced this nine times. Having to notify a parent, husband, wife, etcetera, of the loss of their loved one is always very difficult. It's not good stuff, but nonetheless my responsibility.



Gourmet showdown boils down to one

Chef of the Year winner selected

LANCE CPL. PAUL E. WYATT

MCAS CHERRY POINT

Cpl. Juliana Moreno, a food service specialist with Marine Wing Support Squadron 274, won the Chef of the Year award Oct. 25 at the Cherry Point mess hall.

With her main course of Bandeja Paisa, a traditional Colombian dish consisting of generous portions of meats, beans, and rice, Moreno beat out both of her competitors.

The Chef of the Year competition was a showdown among the winners of this year's Chef of the Quarter competitions, said Master Sgt. Leonard Crooms, the food services officer with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron. One Chef of the Quarter was unable to compete due to a personal conflict.

The competition was close. Lance Cpl. Jessica Ames, a food service specialist with H&HS, made an angel-hair Alfredo with poached prawns. Pfc. Wesley Overholtzer, a food service specialist with MWSS-274, made pan-seared Cajun shrimp.

1st Lt. Rene Barber, a judge of the competition, said the final decision was tough to make. "They did a great job – all of them," said the MWSS-

274 logistics officer. It was hard to choose one."

All three competitors will receive Meritorious Masts; Moreno will receive a 72-hour liberty pass, a certificate of commendation, a trophy and a chance to attend the Culinary Institute of America in New York, according to Gunnery Sgt. Anthony Bottiglieri, the assistant food service liaison for H&HS.

The Culinary Institute of America is considered one of the best culinary schools in the world, said Crooms.

As the winner was announced, emotions were high. The look of joy on Moreno's face as she stood behind a display of her Colombian heritage showed how much the award meant to her.

"It was a hard competition," said Moreno, a Tampa, Fla., native. "Ames and Overholtzer are great cooks. But with all the hard work and the camaraderie, winning was a dream coming true."

Although she has won Chef of the Year, Moreno is not yet done. She said she wants to keep learning and is excited for her chance to attend the Culinary Institute of America.



PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. PAUL E. WYATT

Cpl. Juliana Moreno, a food service specialist with Marine Wing Support Squadron 274, packs rice into a mold in preparation for the Chef of the Year competition Oct. 25 at the air station mess hall.

(Right) Cpl. Juliana Moreno, a food service specialist with Marine Wing Support Squadron 274, serves a platter of her Bandeja Paisa to judges at the Chef of the Year competition Oct. 25 at the air station mess hall.



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quarter mile from his home and saw a totaled minivan. It was pitch black outside, and he could only see what was in front of his headlights.

“You couldn’t even tell where the front end was,” said Murphy, adding that at this point, he was very concerned.

Scrambling across glass and rubble around the wreck, the Marine first checked the back of the vehicle to see if there were any children inside. There were not. But when he crawled inside, he saw the driver, a 19-year-old woman, hanging upside down, trapped between the driver seat and the steering wheel.

Murphy got out from the back of the vehicle and rushed to the driver’s side where the woman’s hand was on top of the van outside of the window. He reached for her wrist to check her pulse but her hand slipped away. He then reached through the shattered windshield to check her neck for a pulse.

“She kind of started moving and moaning,” he said. “I knew she was alive.”

Murphy began clearing the debris around the driver and checking her for injuries. He noticed blood dripping from her hair and immediately applied pressure to where he thought the wound was. As she hung upside down, she faded in and out of consciousness.

“I just kept talking to her and talking to her, trying to keep her awake,” he said. Murphy ensured the woman stayed still while doing his best to keep her head elevated as well. He stayed with the driver until paramedics arrived about 15 minutes later.

She was airlifted to Vident Memorial Hospital in Greenville, N.C., where she was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Going out to the accident was never a question, said Murphy. “I couldn’t just sit there. Somebody had to see if she was OK.”

Murphy’s supervisor, Gunnery Sgt. Robert Cross, said, “His situational awareness, personally and professionally, is above and beyond. It sets a standard for Marines and (citizens of) eastern North Carolina.”

Murphy said the guys at work are calling him a hero, but he humbly reminds them he did the same thing any of them would.

“That’s who we’re supposed to be as Marines,” he said. “We’re there to help and to protect.”

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quarantine zone to protect people from possible chemical contamination.

EOD then executed procedures to disarm the IED threat. Master Sgt. William R. Walker, the staff noncommissioned officer in charge of Cherry Point’s EOD team, said the real benefit from the training was testing communications and the ability for the responding agencies to work together.

“For us, it’s good to see how we may interact with the fire department and PMO and HAZMAT folks, relay information from the guys on the ground to the [emergency operations center], and identify things we may need to improve on or things that may go really well,” said Walker.

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in one day while Taliban insurgents moved into position for an attack. Without his teammate, Coyne said he doesn’t think he would have been able to do what he did.

“We were wiped out after clearing 10 IEDs,” said the Woonsocket, R.I., native. “If it had been just me, I may have gotten so tired I would have made a mistake.”

In fact, Coyne said he doesn’t feel like he has done anything different than any other EOD tech does every day. He said he is glad for the publicity this will garner, but not for him.

“I don’t care too much for being personally recognized,” Coyne said. “It’s good to see the EOD community get recognized.”

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Michael Gaydeski, the H&HS EOD officer in charge, said he spent time working in small quarters with Coyne on the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit in 2010. He said that Coyne is worthy of the recognition he received.

“Staff Sgt. Coyne is an outstanding Marine,” Gaydeski said. “There’s no task he can’t accomplish. He looks out for Marines.”

Coyne said his respect for the USO goes back to his days in a war zone.

“I really appreciate everything the USO does,” he said. “When you get off a hard patrol and haven’t changed your socks in two weeks, and then you get a package from the USO with fresh socks, it’s a game changer.”

Marines, civilians remember Cuban Missile Crisis



PHOTOS BY CPL. SCOTT L. TOMASZYCKI

(Above) Retired Col. H. Wayne Whitten, a former Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron 2 pilot and author of "Countdown to 13 Days and Beyond," a book about the Cuban Missile Crisis, points out locations on a map at the Institute of Aviation Technology in Havelock, during an event commemorating the 50-year anniversary of the crisis. Four pilots from VMCJ-2 were part of the team that flew over Cuba to gather vital intelligence on Soviet missile sites. For their accomplishments before, during, and after the crisis, the squadron was awarded the first Navy Unit Citation awarded outside a time of war.

(Left) Retired Col. Don Davis shares his experiences with Capt. Ben Henry, an electronic counter measures officer and historical officer with Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 2, during a 50th anniversary event commemorating the Cuban Missile Crisis at the Institute of Aviation Technology in Havelock, Oct. 24. Davis served with Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron 2 during the crisis. The squadron was later redesignated as VMAQ-2.



Down & Dirty

Warrior Owls rule the woods in unit race



PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. PAUL E. WYATT

Cpl. Jonathan Hernandez, an aircraft maintenance administration specialist with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 14, runs toward the final leg of the all-terrain unit competition Friday on the air station.

LANCE CPL. PAUL E. WYATT

MCAS CHERRY POINT

The “Warrior Owls,” of the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training, posted the fastest time among the teams comprised of more than 150 Marines, Sailors, and Coast Guardsmen who competed in a 7.5-mile all-terrain unit competition through the trails of Cherry Point Friday.

Sixteen 10-person teams tackled obstacles including mud pits, fallen trees, and rugged trails from Hancock Lodge to the Shady Grove picnic area.

The race consisted of five legs, each with an added challenge. At each leg, the teams picked up items that they had to carry with them to the finish line.

The competition was a cumulative relay race, meaning that two more team members joined those already in the race at the completion of each leg. The start-



ing runners ran the full 7.5-miles, while those who started at the fifth leg only had to run the final two miles of the course.

For one team, an extra challenge presented itself.

Lance Cpl. Yoseph Yemin, a member of the “Motor Boats” from a Marine Air Control Squadron 2 detachment at New River, suffered a sprained ankle near the beginning of the final leg. Though he made his best effort to continue, Yemin’s injury prevented him from completing the race on willpower alone.

Determined to finish as a team, Yemin’s teammates carried him through the last two miles of the muddy trail and were greeted by cheering spectators at the finish line.

“It was fun,” said Sgt. Dylan Curl, another competitor with the Motor Boats. “There was a lot of trekking through the woods and a lot of endurance was required.”



The Fort Macon Coast Guardsmen “Snipes” lock arms and charge across the finish line at an all-terrain unit competition Friday aboard the air station.

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ECU vs Navy



PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. GLEN E. SANTY

Marines from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point watch the halftime show at Saturday's East Carolina University versus the United States Naval Academy football game. For many of the Marines and Sailors, the Pirates versus Midshipmen game was their first college football experience.

Marines, Sailors brave cold for hot game

LANCE CPL. GLEN E. SANTY
MCAS CHERRY POINT

Marines and Sailors from Cherry Point got front-row seats to see the U.S. Naval Academy sink the East Carolina University Pirates, 56-28, thanks to the Single Marine Program and the Havelock Military Affairs Committee.

Despite the cold, wet weather blown in by Hurricane Sandy on its northward trek, free tickets and game-day camaraderie kept the service members' spirits high.

"It was a lot of fun," said Lance Cpl. Daniel Goodwin. "It was a good opportunity for me and a lot of other Marines to interact with each other (outside of work) for a change."

Goodwin, an air traffic controller with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, didn't go to the game with a must-win team in mind.

"I was rooting for a good game," said Goodwin. "I was rooting for Navy for obvious reasons, but we live in eastern North Carolina. I mostly wanted to see some good plays on either end."

Jen Krivohlavy, a Single Marine Program coordinator, said it is extremely important for these events to happen because it provides Marines and Sailors with the "complete trip." The trip included round-trip transportation and free food.

For Krivohlavy and many of the Marines and Sailors who attended, this was the first live college football action they had experienced.

"This was one of those times to come out and have fun; safe fun, which is what it's all about," said Goodwin.



Marines from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point cheer during the East Carolina University versus United States Naval Academy football game Saturday. Navy sank the Pirates 56-28.



Marines from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point watch the United States Naval Academy's 56-28 drubbing of the East Carolina University Pirates Saturday. The trip was sponsored by the Cherry Point Single Marine Program and the Havelock Military Affairs Committee and was free to the Marines and Sailors who participated.



Marines from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point share a moment with the United States Naval Academy mascot during the East Carolina University versus Navy football game Saturday. Despite the cold and rain blown in by Hurricane Sandy, the Marines and Sailors stayed to watch Navy beat ECU 56-28.

CHERRY POINT MESS HALL

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday-Friday

Breakfast 6-8 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m.,
Dinner 4-6 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday/ Holiday Hours

Breakfast/Lunch 8:30-11 a.m.,
Dinner 3-5 p.m.

FAST FOOD LINE

Monday-Friday

Breakfast 6-8 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.,
Dinner 4-6 p.m.

Breakfast Menu

Assorted fresh fruit, assorted hot and cold cereals, fried eggs and omelets to order, scrambled eggs and hard cooked eggs, grill special, pancakes, French toast or waffles, breakfast potatoes, breakfast meats, creamed beef or sausage gravy, assorted muffins, breads and breakfast pastries.

Specialty Bar Menu & Blendz

Tuesday and Thursday Lunch (Blendz) - Banana-strawberry yogurt, banana-blackberry yogurt, banana-peach yogurt, banana-pineapple yogurt, banana-mango yogurt, banana-blueberry yogurt, Asian chicken chopped salad, Asian beef chopped salad, Savannah fried chicken salad, Southwest chicken strip salad, chef salad bowl, buffalo chicken salad, turkey club salad, beef fajita salad, BLT club salad, Southwest flank steak salad, chicken caesar salad, Chinese chicken salad, antipasto salad.

Monday - Pasta primavera, lasagna, chicken rotini casserole, baked ziti with four cheeses, meatballs, baked Italian sausage, boiled rigatoni, boiled spaghetti, simmered ziti, simmered linguine, simmered fettucini, simmered penne rigate, simmered rotini, Italian meat sauce, alfredo sauce, caesar salad, toasted garlic bread and breadsticks.

Wednesday - Chicken enchiladas, taco beef filling, burritos, Mexican rice, refried beans with cheese, Mexican corn, shredded lettuce, diced tomatoes, chopped onions, sliced jalapeno peppers, taco shells, flour tortillas, taco sauce, salsa, sour cream.

Friday - Wings of fire, honeyed barbecue wings, teriyaki wings, French fried chicken wings, French fried garlic fries, corn on the cob, baked beans, carrot sticks, celery sticks, blue cheese dressing, ranch dressing.

Weekly Menu

Thursday November 1

Lunch - Chicken and dumplings, pasta toscano, steamed rice, steamed vegetable medley, harvard beets, cream of spinach soup

Dinner - Mediterranean herb roasted chicken, herbed roast pork loin, mashed potatoes, dirty rice, glazed carrots, steamed broccoli, brown gravy, American bounty vegetable soup

Friday November 2

Lunch - Roast turkey, French fried shrimp, French fried fish, dirty mashed potatoes, green beans, calico cabbage, hush puppies, tartar sauce, cocktail sauce, New England clam chowder **Dinner** - Tater-tot casserole, baked tomato pork chops, savory baked beans, peas and mushrooms, manhattan clam chowder

Saturday November 3

Lunch - Baked ziti with four cheeses, arroz con pollo (chicken), club spinach, corn o'brien, toasted garlic bread, smoked ham and cabbage soup **Dinner** - Three bean chili, apple glazed corned beef, shrimp curry, cilantro rice, parsley buttered potatoes, vegetable stir fry, savory summer squash

Sunday November 4

Lunch - Baked fish with butter crumb topping, herbed baked chicken, potatoes au gratin, confetti rice, herbed roasted carrots, balsamic roasted vegetables, tomato soup **Dinner** - Baked fish with butter crumb topping, herbed baked chicken, potatoes au gratin, confetti rice, herbed roasted carrots, balsamic roasted vegetables, tomato soup

Monday November 5

Lunch - Pepper steak, turkey monterey roasts, rosemary red potatoes, steamed rice, wax beans creole, stewed chick peas and zucchini, Southwestern corn chowder **Dinner** - Veal parmesan, Tex-Mex chicken and rice, penne rigate noodles, scalloped cream corn, broccoli and red peppers, Spanish chorizo and potato soup

Tuesday November 6

Lunch - Linguini with clam sauce, bayou chicken, rissole potatoes, mashed cauliflower, sauteed green beans and mushrooms, beef with vegetables and barley soup **Dinner** - Country fried steaks, baked turkey with noodles, mashed potatoes, creamed ground beef, peas, squash and carrot medley, bean with bacon soup

Wednesday November 7

Lunch - Chicken piccata, bayou jerk pork loin, chipotle roasted sweet potatoes, islander's rice, steamed spinach with garlic, lyonnaise carrots, mango and black bean salsa, cream of mushroom soup **Dinner** - Hungarian goulash, creole shrimp, brussels sprout parmesan, corn, chicken tortilla soup

Native American History Month:

American Indian Marines

Stories from the Veterans History Project

Dan Akee



Dan Akee

Born on the Navajo Reservation in Arizona, Dan Akee was sent to a boarding school in nearby Tuba City at age 6.

In 1942, he heard the Armed Forces were recruiting Navajos, but he couldn't pass the physical. Two years later, he volunteered again, passed, and became a member of the Code Talker team attached to the 4th Marine Division. He saw action on four Pacific islands, and by the

last, Iwo Jima, he was starting to show the psychological effects of prolonged exposure to combat. After returning home, he had persistent problems with nightmares and took to drinking.

When a doctor told him he had a liver disease that would be fatal, Akee stopped drinking and turned to religion, becoming a minister in the Assembly of God church.

Warrior Profile

War: World War II, 1939-1945

Branch: Marine Corps

Unit: 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division

Service Location: Iwo Jima; Saipan and Tinian (Northern Malaysia Islands); Marshall Islands; Pacific Theater

Rank: Sergeant Major

Place of Birth: Navajo Reservation in Arizona

Steven L. Bobb, Sr.

Steven Bobb enlisted in the Marine Corps knowing that he could not be drafted under old treaties that forbade his tribe to bear arms.

He worked as an ammunition technician in Vietnam, arriving in 1970. Bobb also pulled some guard duty and occasionally went out on patrol.

Although he was rarely in direct danger (his first patrol at night being his worst experience under fire), what he saw in Vietnam affected

him deeply. In particular, he recalls an accident in which a young soldier, one month into his tour, picked up a live rocket, which went off but did not kill him immediately.

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<http://www.loc.gov/vets>

Warrior Profile

War: Vietnam War, 1961-1975

Branch: Marine Corps

Unit: Force Logistics Command, 3rd Marine Division

Service Location: Quantico, Va.; Camp Lejeune, N.C.; Da Nang, Vietnam

Rank: Corporal

Place of Birth: Oregon

CNATT sergeant lauded as Service Person of the Quarter



LANCE CPL. STEPHEN T. STEWART

Diane Warrender, a staff member with the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce, presents Sgt. Michael Brawn with an American flag during a ceremony Oct. 26 in Atlantic Beach, N.C., to recognize Brawn as the committee's Service Person of the Quarter. Brawn is an ordnance instructor at the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point.

LANCE CPL. STEPHEN T. STEWART

MCAS CHERRY POINT

At any given time, Sgt. Michael Brawn is responsible for teaching more than 30 Navy and Marine students the ins and outs of aviation ordnance maintenance.

Despite his busy schedule, the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training instructor found time to volunteer more than 320 hours of his free time to the local community.

Brawn received the Service Person of the Quarter Award from the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee Oct. 26 in Atlantic Beach, N.C.

He has dedicated his time to helping coach a local youth soccer league, participating in the Morehead City Elementary Mentoring Program, helping set up dances at assisted living homes, and volunteering with the Special Olympics.

"I love volunteering and giving back to the community," said Brawn. "The community does so much for us, so I think as Marines we should all give back to

the community by volunteering and showing support for them in any way we can."

Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey V. Dagenhart, the sergeant major of CNATT, presented Brawn with the award, thanking him for all his hard work.

"Sgt. Brawn is an outstanding Marine and outstanding (noncommissioned officer)," said Dagenhart. "He works hard every day and always does his best both on and off duty."

Brawn also volunteers free time with the Single Marine Program. His favorite part about volunteering is when it involves the local youth.

Brawn said he has learned a lot from volunteering, like the importance of showing the community appreciation for all the work they do for the military.

"Having a strong involvement with the local community is important," said Brawn. "Cherry Point and the local community are one community to me, and I want to have a strong influence on my community. I am going to continue volunteering my free time because only good can come from it, and it's the right thing to do."

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Thursday, November 1

6:00pm - Lawless R

Friday, November 2

5:00pm - Possession PG 13

7:45pm - House at the End of the Street R

Saturday, November 3

2:00pm - Finding Nemo G

4:30pm - Possession PG 13

6:45pm - Lawless R

9:45pm - House at the End of the Street R

Sunday, November 4

2:00pm - Trouble with the Curve PG 13

Tuesday, November 6

6:00pm - Peter Pan G

MOVIE SYNOPSIS

Lawless - Starring: Shia LaBeouf, Tom Hardy, Jessica Chastain. The true story of the infamous Bondurant Brothers: bootlegging siblings who made a run for the American Dream in Prohibition-era Virginia.

Possession - Starring: Jeffrey Dean Morgan, Kyra Sedgwick, Madison Davenport. Clyde and Stephanie Brenek see little cause for alarm when their youngest daughter Em becomes oddly obsessed with an antique wooden box she purchased at a yard sale. But as Em's behavior becomes increasingly erratic, the couple fears the presence of a malevolent force in their midst, only to discover that the box was built to contain a dibbuk, a dislocated spirit that inhabits and ultimately devours its human host.

Finding Nemo - (Animation) - Starring the voices of: Albert Brooks, Ellen DeGeneres, Alexander Gould. Life along the Great Barrier Reef is full of dangers when you are a tiny clown fish. And for Marlin, a single parent determined to protect his only son Nemo, there are constant fears and anxieties.

House at the End of the Street - Starring: Jennifer Lawrence, Max Thieriot, Elisabeth Shue. Seeking a fresh start, newly divorced Sarah and her daughter Elissa find the house of their dreams in a small, upscale, rural town. But when startling and unexplainable events begin to happen, Sarah and Elissa learn the town is in the shadows of a chilling secret.

Trouble with the Curve - Starring: Clint Eastwood, Amy Adams, Justin Timberlake. Gus Lobel has been one of the best scouts in baseball for decades, but, despite his efforts to hide it, age is starting to catch up with him.

Peter Pan - (Animation) - This timeless classic tells the familiar and beloved story of the Darling children's magical trip to Neverland with Peter Pan.

Movies are subject to change without notice

Announcements

► *Indicates new announcement*

► Pink Fashion Walk 2012

The Upper Room in downtown Wilmington will host the 3rd annual Pink Fashion Walk and charity event Friday at 6:30 p.m.

Proceeds will go to the treatment of breast cancer patients.

Email pinkfashionwalk@yahoo.com or visit the following locations for tickets: Camille's Closet, Stylist Hair Studio, Tickled Pink or Lula Balou.

► Rock'n The Ribbon Cars vs. Cancer 2

The 2nd annual Rock'n the Ribbon Cars vs. Cancer will be open to all cars, bikes, trucks and anything with wheels at the USS North Carolina battleship in Wilmington Nov. 10.

Event will last from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. and will provide food, live music and vendors.

The event is free and open to the public. Ari Lehman will headline the Rock'n the Ribbon concert. The original Jason from the Friday the 13th movies will also make appearances. Meet and greet with the celebrities from 3-4 p.m.

Tickets are available at the gate or at any Domino's pizza location.

Tours of Cedar Grove Cemetery

The Craven Chapter of Questers International and the New Bern Historical Society will provide tours of Cedar Grove Cemetery through Nov. 24.

Tours offer glimpses into the lives of more than two centuries of New Bernians.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the New Bern Historical Society Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. or at the gate prior to the tour. All tours begin at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Nov. 10, 17 and 24.

For more information call 635-1374.

► Craft-on-the-Crystal Coast Beer Festival

More than 100 breweries, many from North Carolina, will be represented at the Crystal Coast Hospice House inaugural Craft-on-the-Crystal Coast Beer Festival Nov. 11, from 1-5 p.m.

Price for military is \$25, general admission is \$30, \$40 for VIP area. All proceeds will benefit the Crystal Coast Hospice House.

Visit <http://www.crystalcoasthospicehouse.org> for more information.

► Operation Christmas Child Collections

Make an impact in a child's life with a simple

shoe box gift during the national collection week for Operation Christmas Child, Nov. 12-19.

Fill a shoe box with school supplies, toys, necessity items and a note of encouragement for a child overseas suffering due to disaster, disease, war, terrorism, famine or poverty.

Collection sites are located around the Pamlico County area. Visit <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/occ> to find drop off locations.

► Tweenie Night at the Library

Marine Corps Community Services is inviting all "tweens" to attend Tweenie Night at the air station library Nov. 14 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The library will be unveiling new games in a newly-renovated game room.

Space is limited. Visit the library or call 466-3552 to make a reservation.

► WRNS Guitar Pull

Marine Corps Community Services and WRNS radio will host Guitar Pull at the Two Rivers Theater and Events Center Nov. 14.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the concert starts at 7:30.

The concert will feature: Little Big Town, Dustin Lynch, Clay Walker and Kelleigh Bannen.

For more information, call 466-2197.

Breast Cancer Benefit Dinner for Lisa

The American Cancer Society will host a breast cancer benefit for Lisa at La Rosa Italian Restaurant in Havelock Nov. 15. In late September, Lisa, a full-time graduate student, wife, and mother, was diagnosed with a rare form of breast cancer. This dinner will help raise funds for her medical care.

For \$10 you will receive a dinner of spaghetti, bread, salad, and a soft drink.

► Recycling Day 5K

Participate in a healthy and fun activity while celebrating "Mother Earth" during the Recycling Day 5K run aboard the air station Nov. 16.

Register by Nov. 15 at the environmental affairs department, Bldg. 4223.

Check-in is at 11 a.m. The race begins at 11:30 a.m. at the PFT course on the corner of Slocum and Roosevelt Blvd. Free T-shirts will be given to the first 75 participants who check-in on race day.

For more information, call environmental affairs at 466-3631, or visit <http://bit.ly/PgD8cc>.

► Havelock Youth Lacrosse Registration

The 2013 lacrosse season is right around the corner. Registration begins this month to help get the word out to all returning and new players.

Register at Cups-n-Cones in Havelock Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Jan. 5 and Jan. 17 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Contact Casi Walton, HYLEA president, at 259-7089 or email at iluvmoo99@aol.com or iluvmoo99@gmail.com for more information.

► Fairfield Harbour Arts and Crafts Bazaar

Fairfield Harbour will host the Arts and Crafts Bazaar at the New Bern Community Center and Firehouse Nov. 17 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

The event showcases the work of Fairfield Harbour artists and crafters, and will display a wide assortment of handmade gifts for the upcoming holiday season.

Crafts will include jewelry, pottery, holiday decorations, artwork, homemade soaps, hand creams and other accessories.

Marine and Family Programs

Marine, Family Programs Office Numbers

Now in Building 298

- Library – 466-3552.
- Retired Activities – 466-5548.

Now in Building 286

- Exceptional Family Member Program – 466-3305.
- Child Development Resource and Referral – 466-5490.

Now in Building 87

- Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program – 466-5490.
- Substance Abuse Counseling – 466-7568.
- New Parent Support Program – 466-3651.
- Family Advocacy Program – 466-3264.
- Military Family Life Consultant – 876-8016.
- Families Overcoming Under Stress Representative – 466-7137.

Now in Building 4335

- Lifelong Learning – 466-3305.
- The Family Member Employment Program, Transition Assistance Management Program, Relocation Assistance Program and accredited financial counselors can be reached at 466-4201.

Budget for Baby

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society offers Budget for Baby classes.

To register, call 466-2031.

Breastfeeding Class

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society offers free breastfeeding classes to expectant mothers.

The purpose of the class is to help prepare the mother to be ready and confident to breastfeed once the baby arrives.

To register, call 466-2031.

Veterans' Assistance

A representative from the Veterans Affairs Office visits Cherry Point each Thursday in building 4335. Call 466-4201 for assistance.

Marine Corps Family Team Building

Educational resources and services to foster personal growth and enhance the readiness of Marine Corps families. Located in Building 87. For more information, email family.readiness@usmc.mil.

Monthly and Weekly Events

Al-Anon Family Group Meeting

Al-Anon family group meetings are held Tuesdays at 8 p.m. for family members and friends of individuals with possible alcohol problems. Meetings are held at Havelock First Baptist Church.

For more information, call 447-8063.

Table Talk Bible Study

The Cherry Point Chaplain hosts a weekly bible study at Miller's Landing Thursdays at 6 p.m.

For more information, call the Chaplain's office at 466-4000.

Courage to Change

Cherry Point and Havelock Courage to Change support group is for friends and families of people who suffer from alcoholism. Meetings are held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havelock, Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

For information, call 241-6155.

Marine Corps League Meetings

Cherry Point's detachment of the

Marine Corps League meets the third Tuesday of each month at Miller's Landing at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 515-1175.

Dart Tournament

Weekly dart tournaments at the Road House restaurant and recreation facility are held Saturdays at 8 p.m. For more information, call 241-6155 or 466-3044.

Disabled Veterans

Chapter 26 of the Disabled American Veterans meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Senior Center in Havelock at 7 p.m. For information, contact Ancil Jones at 622-5245.

Domestic Violence Support

Support groups for victims of domestic violence are provided by the Carteret County Domestic Violence Program.

The group meetings are held Wednesdays at 6 p.m. For more information, call 728-3788.

Basic Budgeting

Learn basic financial management skills in room 159 of the Training and Education building. The classes for 2012 will be held Nov. 6 and Dec. 6 at 9 a.m. For more information, call 466-4201.

Zumba

Zumba exercise classes are held every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Marine Dome aboard the air station at 5 p.m.

For more information, call 466-1147.

Education Fairs

The Cherry Point Education office hosts monthly career and education fairs, at the Jerry Marvel Training and Education building, room 171b. The next fairs are Oct. 19, and Nov. 30. For more information call, Dana Bayliss, at 466-2046.

Hotlines

2nd MAW Command Inspector General
466-5038

Station Inspector
466-3449

Fraud, Waste and Abuse

If you know of or suspect any fraud, waste or abuse aboard MCAS Cherry Point, call 466-2016.

This line's automated answering service is available 24/7.

Sexual Assault

This procedure is not meant to replace calling 911 if you are in immediate danger. Immediately call 665-4713, which is monitored 24/7.

The person answering the call will help you decide the next steps to take. You may remain anonymous.

Severe Weather and Force Protection

Cherry Point personnel call 466-3093.

FRC East personnel call 464-8333.

DLA personnel call 466-4083.

This month in Marine Corps History

November 2, 1962 Lt. Col. John H. Glenn, the first American to orbit the earth and the world's only septuagenarian astronaut, became the first Marine pilot awarded the Cunningham Trophy.

November 5, 1949 First enlisted pilots to fly the "Shooting Star" began training at Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, Calif.

November 16, 1942 Marine Night Fighter Squadron 531 was commissioned at Cherry Point as the first night fighter squadron.

November 24, 1942 The 1st Marine Aircraft Wing established the South Pacific Combat Air Transport Command. The SCAT operations started in response to developments in Guadalcanal, with the initial deployment of Marine Aircraft Group 25.

November 25, 1958 The Marine Corps grade structure was revised to make room for additional ranks E-8 and E-9.

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Off Limits

MCAS CHERRY POINT AREA

- 98 CENT ONLY STORE
- (BIG DADDY) WESLEY'S GROCERY
- COASTAL SMOKE SHOP
- EXPRESSIONS
- FRIDAY'S NIGHT CLUB (AKA CLUB INSOMNIA, CLUB CLASSICS, INFINITY LOUNGE)
- H&D EXPRESS AKA CITGO
- NADINE'S FOOD MART
- SUPER EXPRESSWAY
- TOBACCO OUTLET (HAVELOCK AND NEW BERN)
- TOBACCO SHOP & GIFTS (BEAUFORT AND NEW BERN)
- TOBACCO TOWN
- TOBACCO SHOP (NEWPORT AND NEW BERN)
- TWIN RIVERS (NOT THE MALL)
- WHITE SANDS CONVENIENCE STORE

MCB CAMP LEJEUNE AREA

- BELL AUTO SALVAGE II
- DASH-IN
- DISCOUNT TOBACCO
- D'S DRIVE THRU
- D'S QUICK MART
- EXPRESS WAY
- KINGS DRIVE THRU
- LAIRDS AUTO & TRUCK CENTER
- MOE'S MART
- NEW YORK TOBACCO CENTER
- ONE STOP SHOP
- SMART BUY
- SMITTY'S R&R
- TOBACCO FOR LESS
- TOBACCO HOUSE CIGARETTE CENTER
- TOBACCO LEAF
- VETERANS AFFAIRS SERVICES