

## Marine weather forecasters support mission readiness

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In the Regional Meteorology and Oceanography Center at Cherry Point, walls lined with charts and television screens display the current and upcoming weather forecast for the entire East Coast.

Every desk is filled with a Marine hard at work, monitoring the weather and writing briefs for pilots and Cherry Point and 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing senior leadership.

The office is not a quiet place. Phones ring with pilots on the line asking about the weather before take off, and the analysts constantly talk to each other to pass information back and forth.

Teamwork and communication are the most important aspects for the team of Marines at the center, who are on a constant 24-hours-a-day rotation.

“Teamwork is such a big deal here,” said Staff Sgt. Rusty Albaral, a training staff noncommissioned officer at the center and a meteorology and oceanography analyst forecaster of 19 years. “We are reliant on each other all the time. We have to make sure that we pass the right information to one another so we can do our jobs proficiently.”

Working at the center can be a fast-paced environment for the analyst forecaster Marines. The pace picked up when Hurricane Sandy made its way along the East Coast and Cherry Point leaders relied on the analysts to provide constant updates so they were more prepared in case the hurricane hit the air station.

“When Hurricane Sandy started along the East Coast, we continued to do our job, just at a much faster pace,” said Lance Cpl. Zachery A. Reifsnider, an analyst forecaster at the center and an assistant watch leader. “We were having to brief pilots and senior leaders on the weather

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## Cherry Point begins runway construction

*Project includes resurfacing, grading correction*

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Facilities maintenance personnel are currently working on a \$10.4 million project to renovate two of the air station’s runways.

Gaps began forming in the runways’ numerous construction lines. When a paver moves down a runway it lays level asphalt lines several feet across. Where two of these lanes connect, a construction line is created.

The renovators brought in a larger paver from Germany that will level lanes 38 feet across, drastically lowering the number of construction lines the improved runways will have.

Construction began April 4 on runway 32L, which has been paved and awaits finishing touches.

Construction will begin in mid-November on 5R with a projected finish date tentatively scheduled for June 8.

Aside from the new asphalt, workers are completing a grading correction to provide a smoother surface and help improve drainage of the two runways.

The renovators will use more than 75,000 tons of P-401 asphalt.

This type differs from asphalt used on public roads because it uses a sixth ingredient to help hold the mixture together better over time.

## Historical uniform pageant today



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**The Cherry Point Marine Corps Birthday Pageant will be held in the station theater today at 10 a.m. Pictured above, Marines display historical uniforms during the 2011 pageant in front of the Christian F. Schilt building. This year’s pageant celebrates 237 years of proud Marine Corps tradition.**

**The Cherry Point mess hall will serve the Marine Corps birthday meal from 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m. today. The menu will include French onion soup, deviled eggs, shrimp cocktail, grilled steak, lobster tail, baked potatoes, Italian cut green beans, corn on the cob, sautéed mushrooms and onions and birthday cake. The price of admission for Department of Defense civilian employees is \$7.50 and \$6.40 for E-4 and below. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Crooms or Gunnery Sgt. Bottiglieri at 466-4030.**

## Marines, New Bern Airport entwined through history

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Thousands of Marines pass through the New Bern Airport every year without realizing its Marine history. Before Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point was even built, Marines shaped the future of the airport

and local community. In November 1931, Marine Fighting Squadron 9-M, from MCAS Quantico, Va., flew in a three-day air meet where young military and civilian daredevils impressed crowds with aerial acrobatics in flimsy looking biplanes, according to

the Nov. 24, 1931, issue of The New Bernian newspaper. During the meet, officials planned to name the field after Furnifold M. Simmons, a career politician from the local area with 30 years of service in the United States Senate. Disaster struck Nov. 21 when 2nd Lt. Joel B. Nott, a Marine pilot, crashed and died. Later that day when the airport was to be dedicated, Simmons directed it be named in memory of Nott as well,

and the field was dedicated as Simmons-Nott Airport. The Marines returned to Simmons-Nott Airport during the military’s build up prior to World War II. Ten days before Cherry Point was commissioned in August 1941, the Navy leased the airport for its own use. Camp Mitchell, located at Simmons-Nott Airport, became the primary training facility for Marine

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## Dragons get new CO

*Goulette to lead aviation logistics efforts in Afghanistan*

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Lt. Col. Jeffrey M. Bolduc assumed command of Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 14 from Lt. Col. Ryan G. Goulette during a ceremony Nov. 2 aboard the air station.

Goulette will move on to duties with the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing aviation logistics division and is slated to deploy to Afghanistan as the commanding officer of MALS-40.

MALS-40 will provide logistical support to aviation assets conducting combat operations in support of Marines and their Afghan and coalition partners in southwestern Afghanistan.

Goulette attributed the squadron’s success to the Marines.

“It’s all about the Marines,” said Goulette. “Success is on the daily actions of the Marines of MALS-14.”

Bolduc previously served as the 2nd MAW aviation logistics department plans officer. He said he is very excited about

the opportunity to lead MALS-14. “I am honored and humbled to be the CO of the Dragons,” said Bolduc. “My plans are to continue empowering the Marines and enable them to create opportunities that will improve the readiness of MAG-14.”

Bolduc’s personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal and the Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

He deployed as the aviation supply officer with MALS-26 to Al Asad, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from January 2005 until January 2006.



**Lt. Col. Bolduc**



LANCE CPL. CORY D. POLOM

**A contractor works on drilling out holes for lights that will line runway 32L. More than 450 lights will line the 8,400 feet of runway.**

“I believe with this mixture we could get about 20 years of use out of these runways,” said Mike D. Morgan, construction manager for Cherry Point’s facilities maintenance department. “This batch is not only stronger, but in the past, the construction lines have been almost directly under the wheels of landing aircraft. With the larger machine the contractors have been using, they are able to move these lines to make the runways safer for our pilots.”

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# News Briefs

## Hurricane Sandy Passes

Hurricane Sandy stayed approximately 200 miles off the coast of North Carolina but reached out to New Bern with strong winds and rain.

The city closed Union Point Park and Lawson Creek Park, expecting flooding in those areas.

Both parks are now open and no other damage was reported

Emergency officials say the county saw 2 to 4 1/2 feet of storm surge in rivers and creeks.

There were a handful of power outages in the Havelock and Highway 55 area, but those were resolved, said Craven County Emergency Management director Stanley Kite.

Residents say despite the rain, they dodged the bullet.

## SAPR Eight Day Brief

In April 2012, the commandant of the Marine Corps convened an operational planning team to address sexual assault in the Marine Corps.

As a result, the operational planning team recommended Sexual Assault Prevention Response briefs be required for all victims who file an unrestricted report.

The SAPR eight-day brief shall only be completed for victims of sexual assault who are active duty members, or reserve component Marines in an active status, who file an unrestricted report of sexual assault.

The brief focuses on victim care and supporting the commander’s engagement at the onset.

Briefs shall be submitted no later than the eighth day after the report of sexual assault to the first general officer in the victim’s chain of command.

## '252 Departs for Savannah

More than 30 Marines with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252 at Cherry Point departed for a three week training exercise in Savannah, Ga., Nov. 1.

The squadron sent two KC-130J Hercules and a Harvest HAWK-equipped Hercules with the Marines.

The training is being conducted in preparation for upcoming deployments. While in Savannah, the team will be working with other branches of the Armed Forces.

## '211 Returns from Afg.

Marines with Marine Attack Squadron 211 and Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 13 returned to Marine Corps Air Station Yuma Nov. 1 and 3.

The Marines returned from a seven-month deployment in support of combat operations in southern Afghanistan.

On Sept. 15, while supporting ground and aerial combat operations at Camp Bastion, Afg., an attack took the lives of VMA-211’s commanding officer, Lt. Col. Christopher Raible, and MALS-13 electronics technician, Sgt. Bradley Atwell.

## Amos unveils F/A-18

Gen. James F. Amos, commandant of the Marine Corps, unveiled a restored F/A-18 Hornet in dedication to recent Medal of Honor recipients during a ceremony aboard Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif., Nov. 2.

It took nearly two months of planning for Marine Fighter Attack Training Squadron 101 to design and restore the F/A-18. VMFAT-101 specially painted the aircraft with the names of recent Medal of Honor recipients Cpl. Jason L. Dunham, Sgt. Dakota Meyer, Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael A. Monsoor, and Navy Lt. Michael P. Murphy for the ceremony.

During the dedication ceremony, each Medal of Honor recipient’s citation was read and a Missing Man Formation was flown overhead. Amos and Lt. Col. Robert B. Brodie, the commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 101, flew the Hornet during the formation.

# A message from the Commandant

As we pause to celebrate the 237th birthday of our Corps, we reflect on the rich legacy of service handed down to us, we recommit ourselves to the tasks at hand, and we look forward toward a bright future in service to our country.

Marines exist to fight and win our Nation’s battles. We are most proud of our wellearned reputation for answering the clarion call first. This was never more evident than at the epic battle of Guadalcanal 70 years ago.

Picked to lead the first allied counter-offensive of the Pacific war because they were the “most ready,” Marines landed on 7 August 1942 in the Solomon Islands. They persevered through months of unrelenting deprivation and bitter combat. By the time the veterans of the Blue Diamond, the Cactus Air Force, our legendary Marine Raiders, and initial elements of the Follow-Me Division gathered together to raise a canteen and toast the birthday of their beloved Corps some three months later, the battle was no longer an Issue. The situation was well in hand ... victory was assured.

We carry that same legacy of resolute commitment and valor today. Over the past year, Marines have stood firm in the toughest of circumstances and on numerous occasions.

We’ve taken the fight to the enemy in Helmand and to the Horn of Africa. We’ve manned the ramparts of beleaguered embassies in the Middle East and North Africa, fought alongside our allies throughout the world, while behind the scenes, afloat and ashore, other Marines did the painstaking hard work required to maintain our high levels of readiness and efficiency.

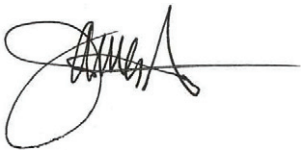
As we look toward the future, we know that our sentimental place in the hearts of our fellow Americans and critical role in the defense of our way of life are assured. America has always wanted a Marine Corps ... it’s always been that way.

Now, more than ever, America needs its Marines as we confront a dangerous and unpredictable world. Faced with difficult days ahead, we will continue to draw strength from our rich heritage and the shared values of the Marines to our left and to our right. We know who we are ... we know what we stand for. As ever we will strive to be found worthy of the legendary trust of our fellow Americans.

I salute the enduring faithfulness of those who have gone before, of those who wear our cloth today, and of the families who stand so resolutely at our sides.

Happy Birthday, Marines!

Semper Fidelis,



James F. Amos  
General, U.S. Marine Corps

## Chaplain’s Corner : Is God a Priority?

Lt. DEANN C. COLEMAN  
MCAS CHERRY POINT CHAPLAIN

November already? I can’t believe we have less than two months left before 2013 approaches. Time flies whether you are having fun or not. Life seems to slip by and we tend to look behind us and ask, “Where did the time go?”

Usually around this time, we stop to think about where the beginning of the year went, contemplate what we did during the summer or recall what we wanted to do and never seem to get around to doing. Don’t you hate that feeling? I wish every goal I ever set was always accomplished and every task I wrote on my “to do” list was completed. However, that’s just not how life goes.

If life went exactly the way we expected, we would be magicians. I’m looking for a top hat, cape and magic wand right now, but none are in sight, so I suppose I need to continue to seek God to order my steps.

For whatever reason, sometimes we over commit ourselves leaving some things undone. Some of us are even people pleasers looking to make everyone

else happy and losing ourselves in the midst. What about God? Where is He in the picture? Wouldn’t our spiritual lives be great if we made God one of the tasks on our list?

I’m being a little sarcastic because God shouldn’t be one of the tasks on our list, He should be the priority. Some attend Sunday services and then say, “check,” one good deed is done. God is so much more than a good deed. He is a wonder, marvelous and mighty. If we could only submit ourselves to Him the way we submit ourselves to our tasks and goals or commit ourselves to Him the way we do to our hobbies and pleasures, we would experience peace that surpasses all understanding.

So with less than eight weeks before 2013 arrives, as we begin to think about what we want 2013 to consist of, think about committing to making your faith a priority. Matthew 6:33 states, “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

If we seek God first, everything we want and need will be given to us. It may not look exactly the way we want it to, but God definitely has our best interest in mind. Do you trust Him to guide your footsteps and light a lamp before your feet? He is faithful! I encourage you to allow God to be more to you than a task accomplished. How about allowing God to be a necessity like the air we breathe. Seek Him, you will find Him.

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**Hometown:** Albuquerque, NM.  
**Age:** 22  
**Date Joined:** July 27, 2009

As a collateral duty inspector with Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 1, Lance Cpl. Nicholas E. Pope inspects completed maintenance on EA-6B Prowlers.

Pope said no Prowler leaves the ground until he has signed on the dotted line, an authority few in his unit wield.

“Being a young E-3 and holding such an (important) billet is a great honor,” said the Albuquerque, N.M., native.

As a CDI, Pope issues maintenance jobs and orders to Marines of various ranks. Using tact and professionalism, he informs those of equal or higher ranks of jobs that need to be completed to effectively support the VMAQ-1 mission.

Pope said the hardest part of his job is keeping his wits and sanity, knowing he is accountable for any mishap involving an aircraft he has authorized to fly.

“My job is important, but I have realized that this is much bigger than me. It’s about the completion of the mission and the safety of our fellow Marines,” he said.

Pope’s efforts have not gone unnoticed. He has been named the squadron’s Marine of the Quarter twice and will be meritoriously promoted to the rank of corporal on Dec. 2.



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# The Windsock

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# ONE TEAM, ONE FIGHT



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Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266 (Reinforced) Marines move into position to begin shipboard firefighting training on the mobile aircraft fire training device aboard Cherry Point Nov. 2.

## Marines teach shipboard firefighting to MEU bound brethren

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More than 30 Marines attached to Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266 (Reinforced) conducted shipboard firefighting training here with Cherry Point Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Marines Nov. 2.

The Marines, stationed at Marine Corps Air Station New River, earned certifications to become shipboard firefighters in preparation for an upcoming deployment with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

"Not only can we save the assets like aircraft, but we can also save lives," said Gunnery Sgt. Joseph H. Hollingsworth, a maintenance controller with VMM-266. "We have the training to actually put out the fires. We know the different equipment to use in various situations. That will help save lives."

The training was conducted at Cherry Point because ARFF has a piece of training equipment that gives trainees the most realistic shipboard fire fighting training available – the mobile aircraft fire training device.

The equipment looks like an aircraft and is a controlled burning device. The Cherry Point crew controls where and how much fire emits from different areas of the MAFTD, which keeps the training safe and gives users

a real-life feel, said Staff Sgt. Scott A. Hamilton, an ARFF training staff non-commissioned officer.

The MAFTD is an aircraft look-alike and

presents the closest similarities to a live aircraft fire that helps train and develop the skills needed to train for this worst-case scenario, said Hamilton.

In addition to advice from the Cherry Point crew, more than 10 instructors from the ARFF military occupational specialty school in Pensacola, Fla., were on hand to teach the MEU-bound Marines the proper way to exchange hoses while fighting fires and tactics for combating aircraft fires.

More than 100 Marines earned the certification.

Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266 (Reinforced) Marines spray a fire hose while fighting a controlled training fire that engulfed a mobile aircraft fire training device during shipboard firefighting training aboard Cherry Point Nov. 2. The Marines of VMM-266 will be deploying as the Air Combat Element the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.



Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266 (Reinforced) Marines fight controlled training fires that engulf the mobile aircraft fire training device during shipboard firefighting training aboard Cherry Point Nov. 2. The MAFTD simulates an aircraft fire.



# Pilots learn crash survival at ASTC

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While the safety of naval aviation is always improving, the possibility of emergency situations will never go away. That's why Marine and Navy pilots and flight crews learn to survive in a variety of emergency situations at Aviation Survival Training Center Cherry Point.

The training center teaches the Naval Aviation Survival Training Program to Marines and Sailors whose jobs require them to work in aircraft. The training is a three-day course for students going through the program the first time and two days for those taking it as a refresher course, which is required every four years.

The center conducts two survival training classes each week for pilots of every type of Navy and Marine Corps aircraft and tailors classes to students' needs, explained Chief Petty Officer Robert P. K. Craig, the division chief at the training center. For example, students in a class for

jet pilots do not use helicopter crews' survival egress air tanks, which are personal underwater breathing devices that hold a minute or so of air, but they do have parachute training.

Helicopter pilots and crews spend more time training in the underwater emergency egress trainer, also known as the dunker, a simulated helicopter body that is dunked and flipped in a pool where the students train to exit quickly and safely.

Training for first-time students starts with classes on everything from low-pressure training to recognizing the signs of hypoxia, a lack of oxygen to the brain. Students also learn field first-aid techniques, said Craig.

The underwater egress training emphasizes the importance of reference points and the hand-over-hand technique rather than kicking and trying to swim toward an exit. Chief Petty Officer Jason Vernier, the training center's leading chief petty officer, emphasized the importance of the method.

"Imagine the inside of a helicopter crashing is like the inside of a van crashing," Vernier said. "The van starts to topple and roll. If you don't have a reference point, you'll be tossed around inside of it and be unable to get out. That's why hand-over-hand is important."

While the training is intense, students like Maj. Jason

Myers know the importance of it.

"You don't know how it will all affect you until you've been through it," said the Osprey pilot.

A scenario all students must face is "Night Storm," the course's culminating exercise.

The students start in the dunker with blacked-out goggles on. Once they find their way out, they swim one lap around the pool and inflate their life vests manually.

When the students' life vests are inflated, the room is darkened and they form a ring by holding onto one another and work their way one-by-one into a life raft in the center of the pool. There, accountability is taken and the "storm" starts.

The storm is a tempest of spraying hoses, simulated helicopter down-draft and currents, all in a completely darkened room. The students in the raft activate a strobe light, signaling a notional rescue helicopter's spotlight, which leads them to a rescue basket. The students then swim to the basket against current and are hoisted out of the water one at a time to safety.

While the possibility of incidents occurring will always be there, with training such as this, pilots and aircrew can be more confident in their ability to get through it and live to fly another day.



PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. PAUL E. WYATT

A Marine pilot is hoisted out of simulated dangerous waters in the Aquatic Survival Training Center pool during emergency water landing and evacuation training Nov. 1. The Aquatic Survival Training Center instructors train Marines and Sailors involved in all areas of aviation.



Capt. Erik Kolle, an MV-22B Osprey pilot with Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266, swims in the Aquatic Survival Training Center pool during emergency water landing and evacuation training Nov. 1. The pilots are required to complete the training every four years.



Marine pilots and flight crew members practice survival swimming in the Aquatic Survival Training Center pool during emergency water landing and evacuation training Nov. 1. The training gives the aviators and crew members first-hand experience and teaches them how to survive during an emergency water landing.



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pilots until the Cherry Point infrastructure could host the necessary numbers of squadrons and troops.

The 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing was commissioned at Cherry Point in November 1942, and served as the Marine Corps' main pilot-training organization until it was moved to MCAS Ewa, Hawaii, in April 1944. The 9th Marine Aircraft Wing took over training until the end of the war.

According to the "History of Marine Corps Aviation in World War II" by Robert Sherrod, on Dec. 6, 1941, the Marine Corps had a grand total of 204 aircraft in 13 squadrons. In August, 1945, there were 103 tactical squadrons, more than 10,000 pilots, and more than 115,000 aviation personnel, many of whom trained at Cherry Point and Camp Mitchell.

The Navy returned Simmons-Nott Airport to New Bern authorities after the war, but the relationship did not end there. The airport often lends Cherry Point a helping hand.

"They've flown in and out for a long time; we still get C-130's that come up there sometimes," said retired Maj. Gen. Thomas Braaten, the current director of the airport and former commanding general of Cherry Point. "If Cherry Point is going to be closed for whatever reason, they come up and stay overnight at our place, fly over the weekend and then go back to Cherry Point when it reopens. We're an airport and we have a little affinity for the Marines. I love having them come in."

Because of its close proximity with Cherry Point, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, the New Bern Airport enjoys a large number of military fliers traveling for leave or long weekends; as well as Marines coming in for training or checking in to duty stations. When the travelers need a hand, the airport helps out.

"Yesterday we had a group that came in and was headed to Camp Lejeune for [the School of Infantry], and they were all in civilian clothes and had to change, so we just closed the blinds in our conference room and gave it to them," Braaten said. "We had about 15 guys in there, and some of them weren't picked up for a while, so they had some place to relax in the lounge while they were waiting."

Cherry Point reciprocates the good will of the airport. In 2011, the airport hosted three Honor Flights, where veterans of World War II flew at no expense to visit memorials in Washington, D.C. Weather forced the return flight to be delayed for several hours due to the slick runway in New Bern. When the rain didn't let up, airport authorities diverted the flight to Wilmington, N.C., which would add hours to the veterans' travel.

Braaten looked for a way to help the veterans, and found it in Cherry Point. He placed a phone call and Cherry Point officials approved the flight to land on their airfield, cutting off hours of travel time and discomfort for the veterans.

Cherry Point and the New Bern Airport will continue working together as one performs the mission of protecting America, and the other provides regional commercial flights, in a relationship that is mutually beneficial.

"I think it's important for the whole community to have a good relationship and I think it does," said Braaten. "It's important because we don't want to ever do anything that would upset Cherry Point's ability to carry out its mission, and if we can do something to help, we do that."

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constantly."

Reifsnider said that on a normal day they have about 3 hours to write briefs for pilots, but when Sandy posed a threat, they had only about 30 minutes to an hour to provide the reports.

In addition to covering the weather forecasts for Cherry Point, the Marines at the center help monitor the weather for other Marine Corps installations on the East Coast including New River, Beaufort, Lejeune, and Quantico.

"It's a big job to take on, but I like working here," said Reifsnider. "The responsibility that comes with this career is huge. Pilots cannot fly until they have a current weather brief from us about the route they are flying. There are a lot of people who depend on us."

Hurricane Sandy has passed Cherry Point and her forceful winds and rain are no longer a threat to the air station. For most of the Marines on the air station, this means they are no longer worried about the weather. For the analysts at the center, it changes nothing.

The team of Marines is still on a 24-hour watch, and they still provide constant weather updates.

"Whether there is a routine storm or a hurricane coming in, it doesn't change our mission, which is to provide constant surveillance of the weather at all times," said Reifsnider. "The pace might pick up from time to time, and it might slow down. Whatever happens, we will be here carrying out our mission so others can carry out theirs."



LANCE CPL. STEPHEN T. STEWART

**Sgt. Cheyne White, a Meteorology and Oceanography analyst forecaster at the Regional Meteorology and Oceanography Center at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., looks up the weather forecast for Cherry Point. The analyst forecasters at the air station are responsible for providing constant surveillance of the weather at all times.**





PHOTO BY LANCE CPL. CAMERON O. PAYNE

Michael Jay Breuer, along with his father, Eric, and his grandmother Pam Brown, accepts gifts from Marines at Marine Corps Air Station New River, Sept. 20. Michael, who was 4 years old at the time the photo was taken, is afflicted with a form of childhood cancer. The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation named a scholarship in his honor.

## Scholarship named for 5-year-old cancer survivor, honorary Marine

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As members of the local community hit the links at Cherry Point and Camp Lejeune for the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation's 14th annual golf tournament Oct. 22, few knew their charitable play would fund a scholarship named for a brave young boy.

The foundation honored 5-year-old cancer patient Michael Jay Breuer by naming one of its many scholarships in his honor. The Michael Jay Breuer Honorary Marine Warrior Scholarship, a \$5,000 scholarship, will be awarded to the child of a Marine every year.

As a result of the scholarship foundation naming the scholarship for this young man, many are now calling Michael an honorary Marine.

Marines never give up, and like a Marine, Michael has not given up.

A year ago, Michael was diagnosed with Neuroblastoma, the most commonly diagnosed cancer among children. He has been fighting it ever since, and is now in stage four, the final stage of the cancer.

"In many ways, he has been through more than most of us will face in a lifetime," said Col. Darrell L. Thacker, deputy commander of Marine Corps Installations East.

Thacker was instrumental in giving Michael a day of fun at Marine Corps Air Station New River, N.C. He said it was a great gesture on the Scholarship Foundation's part in naming one of their scholarships after Michael.

"Calling him an honorary Marine is a byproduct of the scholarship named after him," said Thacker.

Pam Brown, Michael's grandmother, said despite the challenges of Michael's condition, he is still a cheerful young boy.

"He was so excited when he was named an honorary Marine and got to spend a

whole day at New River getting a tour of the entire air station," said Brown. "The Marines have done so much for him and have shown our family a lot of support."

Michael flew in a flight simulator, visited the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training, and visited the Indoor Simulated Marksmanship Training Center where he shot simulated rounds out of a pistol.

"I am glad we could show him Marine aviation and create a happy memory," said Thacker. "It is a small thing to help a brave boy deal with a significant challenge."

Thacker said once he heard about Michael all he wanted to do was provide a fun memory for him as he continues his treatment.

"It gets hard, but knowing that there are service members willing to go out of their way to give Michael a special day is amazing," said Brown. "We are truly grateful to all of the Marines that were involved in making this happen."



Michael Jay Breuer gives a thumbs-up from the window of a CH-53E Super Stallion during his visit to Marine Corps Air Station New River, Sept. 20.





PHOTOS BY SGT. MEGAN ANGEL

Marine Corps UH-1N Hueys with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit deliver meals-ready-to-eat to Staten Island, N.Y., Nov. 4. The Navy-Marine Corps team is well-equipped to respond to national disasters when required, through the coordination of U.S. Northern Command. While the military plays an important role in disaster response, all current efforts are in support of FEMA first and foremost, who coordinate closely with state and local officials.

# Marines help Staten Island residents

## COURTESY STORY

HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS

**STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.** – Marines with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit arrived via CH-53E helicopters to Staten Island, N.Y., Nov. 4.

Working in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the New York City Parks Department and other civilian authorities, a group of 20 Marines came ashore to Staten Island to provide relief to those affected by Hurricane Sandy's damaging winds and flooding.

"It feels good to help," said Lance Cpl. Antonio M. Medina, an optics technician with Combat Logistics Battalion 26, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit. "We're trying to coordinate efforts with the local and some state agencies so we can try to help with the situation, take furniture that's rotten, get medicine, whatever it takes to relieve their problems."

The Marines are moving house to house through Staten Island, surveying damaged structures, assisting those in need of medical support and providing manpower to remove damaged household goods from residents' homes.

The 26th MEU Marines are scheduled to provide assistance as the surrounding New York communities return to normal operations and power is restored. The eastern shore of Staten Island has seen some of the worst destruction from Hurricane Sandy, homes were flooded, power lines broken and trees remain fallen on top of homes and vehicles.

"I can tell you that for as long as the mission needs us to be here or until we're told to move to somewhere else to help, we'll be here," Medina said. "The (locals) appreciate the help a lot. They shake our hands and say 'thank you.' They even have offered us food in several locations, but we're not here to take their things. We're here to help them out."

Many residents expressed gratitude to the Marines for



**Marines of 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit assist residents with clean-up efforts in Staten Island, N.Y., Nov. 4. The Marines and Sailors came ashore Nov. 4 to provide relief to those affected by Hurricane Sandy. The Navy-Marine team has the ability to land forces ashore by air and sea and is uniquely suited to assist local authorities in moving personnel and equipment.**

lending a hand. Salvatore Greco, who served in the Marine Corps during the early 90's, was excited when he saw a group of Marines helping out with the recovery.

"It's a blessing," said Greco. "The first thing I asked was, 'Where's my Marines at?'"

Greco's wife, Sebahet, exclaimed that she wants to see more Marines helping out.

"I was hoping that the Marines were here. I was happy to see them here."

Water levels rose to extreme levels on Staten Island,

flooding homes, business and cars. Flood-damaged clothing, electronics and furniture line the streets of Midland Beach and other communities on Staten Island's coast.

The Marines, operating from the USS Wasp, USS San Antonio and USS Carter Hall off the coast of New York City are part of a Navy and Marine Corps team that provides crisis response to anywhere in the world. The Navy Marine team has the ability to land forces ashore by air and sea and is uniquely suited to assist local authorities in moving personnel and equipment.





LANCE CPL. ERIK BROOKS

U.S. Marines load into a French Armed Forces EC725 Caracal helicopter prior to a helicopter raid as part of Exercise Croix du Sud in Kumac, New Caledonia, Oct. 24. After being dropped in a landing zone, the Marines secured a simulated enemy compound as part of Croix du Sud's culminating field training exercise. The Marines are with 1st Platoon, Company G, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, which is currently assigned to 4th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force.

# Multilateral field training exercise concludes

LANCE CPL. ERIK BROOKS

III MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE / MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS PACIFIC

**CAMP HANSEN, Japan** – More than 1,300 personnel from eight nations conducted a multilateral field training exercise as the final phase of Exercise Croix du Sud at Kumac, New Caledonia, Oct. 21-25.

Croix du Sud is a multilateral exercise hosted by the French Armed Forces in New Caledonia involving two U.S. Marine platoons and elements of the armed forces of Australia, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea and the Kingdom of Tonga.

The U.S. Marines who participated are with 1st Platoon, Company G, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, which is currently assigned to 4th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force.

"We conducted simulated humanitarian aid and disaster relief operations, noncombatant evacuation operations and an assault during the five days," said Sgt. Guillermo L. Fargas, the platoon sergeant for 1st Platoon. "We worked in conjunc-

tion with all the participating nations to respond to a (notional) tsunami hitting New Caledonia."

The exercise was designed to strengthen interoperability among the different militaries through the exchange of procedures and sharing of past experiences, according to French Gen. Jean-Francois Parlanti, the supreme commander of French forces in New Caledonia.

The exercise consisted of multiple training events focused on supporting a displaced populace following the notional natural disaster.

After landing in the disaster zone, French and U.S. Marines worked together to establish control bases in the area.

"When we landed, we were tasked to patrol down to a nearby soccer field and set up security," said U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Cory R. Pirtle, a rifleman with 1st Platoon.

The Marines secured the field for the French to follow up and establish a battalion headquarters. The following day, the Marines were tasked with sending a quick reaction force to calm a simulated civilian

riot at the battalion headquarters.

"We sent the Marines out with the British soldiers to be a presence and make sure the riot did not get out of hand while the Vanuatu soldiers controlled the crowd," said Fargas.

When the riot was settled, the Marines headed back to base to get ready for their next task, which was to conduct a resupply mission with the French Marines, according to Fargas.

"Our mission was to secure a landing zone in a field and wait for the French to drop humanitarian aid supplies from their planes," said Fargas. "Once they were dropped, we recovered and delivered the supplies back to base."

Disaster response teams may use this resupply technique in an HADR situation because most roads would be damaged in a natural disaster, according to Fargas.

The Marines' final mission was a helicopter assault operation on a simulated enemy compound.

"We took a squad and coordinated with the French to take out the enemy on a remote island north of our position," said 1st

Lt. Forrest L. Martin, platoon commander for 1st Platoon. "We landed on the island, linked up with the French, and maneuvered and took the enemy out together."

The training exercise was the closest simulation to a three-block war a military can get, according to Fargas. A three-block war is a scenario when, taking a platoon as an example, one squad is conducting combat operations, another is conducting humanitarian aid operations, and another is conducting peacekeeping operations all in the same area of operation.

The training scenario was beneficial to each country's participants.

"We train in these situations to be able to intervene when circumstances are so damaged that only militaries can do something with their specific abilities, especially for HADR and NEO scenarios," said Parlanti. "This exercise allowed for the militaries to return to their countries with a better understanding of these missions, making them more effective and efficient."





CPL. MICHAEL LOCKETT

Marines of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit in UH-1N Hueys assigned to Marine Light Helicopter Attack Squadron 467, and attached to the 26th MEU, conducted a damage assesment of areas in New York and New Jersey affected by Hurricane Sandy Nov. 3. The 26th MEU is able to provide generators, fuel, clean water, and helicopter lift capabilities to aid in disaster relief efforts. As an expeditionary force operating from the sea, the MEU is a Marine Air-Ground Task Force capable of conducting amphibious operations, crisis response, and limited contingency operations.



# 3rd MAW history spans globe, time

CPL. LISA TOURTELOT

MCAS MIRAMAR

## MARINE CORPS AIR STATION MIRAMAR, Calif., –

In 1942, fewer than 40 Marines and only one aircraft formed the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point. Within a year, the Corps' newest MAW deployed a bomber squadron to support World War II.

Between 1943 and 1955, 3rd MAW moved around the country to air stations in Hawaii and Miami before finding a long-time home aboard Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, Calif., in 1955.

3rd MAW supported combat operations in Korea, the Vietnam War and throughout Southeast Asia.

Following the end of operations in Vietnam, a number of squadrons were deactivated or re-designated, forming the wing as it is known today.

In the 1990s, the wing joined I Marine Expeditionary Force in Iraq and Kuwait for the Gulf War, flying more than 18,000 missions.

MCAS Miramar, Calif., became the wing's current home in 1997. From Miramar, 3rd MAW began supporting Operation Enduring Freedom in 2001.

In 2002, the largest deployment of wing personnel and equipment since the Vietnam War as 3rd MAW mobilized in Kuwait for the invasion of Iraq. During the initial invasion alone, 3rd MAW dropped more than 6 million pounds of ordnance.

### Air, land and sea

Today, the wing continues its mission of providing short-notice, combat-ready aviation support to commands world wide.

3rd MAW assets are currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and around the globe with Marine Expeditionary Units.

This year alone, 3rd MAW has aided in the seizure of millions of dollars in narcotics and weapons across Afghanistan, crippling insurgent activity.

The wing pioneered new uses for its unmanned aerial vehicles, including the K-MAX helicopter, deployed its MV-22B Ospreys to provide humanitarian aid in Haiti and defended its ground during the September attack on Camp Bastion, Afghanistan.

Whether aboard an aircraft carrier at sea or a desolate forward operating base in the desert, 3rd MAW supports I Marine Expeditionary Force with offensive air support, anti-air warfare, assault support, aerial reconnaissance, electronic warfare and control of aircraft and missiles.

The wing's multifaceted mission means they do more than fly planes. MAW assets keep ground troops safe with heavy-duty close air support, some of the most advanced electronic warfare weapons in the world and heavy lift capabilities that can move cargo and troops almost



PHOTO BY CPL. ISAAC LAMBERTH

**Cpl. Chan Lathung, a crew chief with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 362, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward), scans the surrounding area for insurgent activity during a general support flight over Helmand province, Afghanistan, July 27. The squadron flies several general support flights weekly delivering mail, food and ammunition to troops throughout the area.**

anywhere, any time.

### Every Marine a rifleman

Since its inception, 3rd MAW Marines and Sailors have distinguished themselves on battlefields around the globe.

Wing Marines today continue the heroic traditions of their predecessors, from life-saving actions supporting troops-in-contact on the ground to defending their turf on the flight line of Camp Bastion.

In 2010, Staff Sgt. Bart Davis, a crew chief, and Maj. Tres Smith, a pilot, both then with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 369, earned Distinguished Flying Crosses for endangering their own lives to deliver much-needed ammunition and supplies to ground forces fighting in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

Despite heavy enemy fire, the crew successfully delivered the supplies. After being shot, Smith continued giving orders to guide the flight crew while Davis applied first aid to his wounded pilot.

"They flew in a high-threat environment," said Maj. Gen. Richard Mills, then the commanding general of I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward). "[Davis and Smith] focused on what they had to do and took care of those Marines on the ground, despite a high volume of incoming fire."

In September, the flight line aboard Camp Bastion came under attack by insurgent forces. When Lt. Col. Chris Raible, the commanding officer of Marine Attack Squadron 211, heard the explosions, he didn't hesitate.

Raible and Sgt. Bradley Atwell, an electrical systems technician with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 13, rushed toward the sound of gunfire.

Upon arrival at the squadron, Raible, with the help of Atwell, took control of the situation and led his Marines –

mostly technicians and aviators – into ground combat against the surprise attack.

Raible's aggressive response to the attack is credited with preventing devastating losses on the flight line.

Raible and Atwell were both killed in the attack, leading their fellow Marines from the front.

Since 1942, 3rd MAW has distinguished itself on and off the battlefield, from forward operating bases in some of the most remote regions of the world, to ships at sea ready to launch at a moment's notice. The wing will move into the future, supporting America's premier force in readiness.



PHOTO BY CPL. ISAAC LAMBERTH

**Marines with Combat Logistics Battalion 5 return from familiarizing themselves with the downward thrust of a Kaman K1200, or "K-MAX," unmanned helicopter during initial testing in Helmand province, Afghanistan, May 22. Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 2 pioneered the first unmanned, mid-flight external cargo hookups, and delivered approximately 6,000 pounds of gear in their first day of testing.**



# Combat Center conducts NEO

## COURTESY STORY

MARINE CORPS AIR GROUND COMBAT CENTER, TWENTYNINE PALMS

### TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif.

— Marines with 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment coordinated with Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron 1 Oct. 19 to conduct a non-combatant evacuation operation on Lance Cpl. Torrey L. Gray Field.

The operation simulated an evacuation of approximately 200 Red Cross aid workers and civilian personnel from an embassy in a foreign country.

“This helps us build the integration between all of the elements of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force as we prepare to do a NEO anywhere around the world. We make sure we have that integration, and the relationships built that we know exactly what we are planning,” said 1st Lt. Jeremiah Peter, operations officer, MAWTS-1. “This is really preparing our ability to plan and then execute.”

The scenario utilized 18 aircraft, both rotor and fixed wing, and tested the units’ ability to work together to get evacuees away from a hostile environment and delivered to a safe haven.

“The most difficult part has been communication and timelines,” said Sgt. Michael Hoff, evacuation control center noncommissioned officer in charge, Combat Logistics Regiment 17. “When you get an actual scenario in country, you will be working with several different units, so it’s good to practice now.”

The three-phase operation started with landing several MV-22 Ospreys into the landing zone. Each Osprey dropped off its share of 3/6 Marines, who immediately rushed to set up a secure perimeter around the landing zone. The pilots then took off, creating a whirlwind of dust and grass around the area.

After securing the area, the Marines went on to set up an ECC to process the evacuees and locals. They screened dozens of people for contraband and correct

documents to confirm their identities before evacuation.

Role players acted the part of both the local civilians seeking rescue and insurgents attempting to get on the plane or engage the Marines in small arms fire.

The security forces kept sharp eyes on suspicious characters while the evacuees were thoroughly searched and processed by ECC Marines.

The evacuees played their part, creating obstacles for the Marines to overcome and becoming rowdy or aggressive.

The 3/6 Marines handled themselves against this test, managing to break through the language barriers and calming the role-players. The Marines assured everyone they were safe and recognized who needed to be evacuated.

Once everything was ready, the call went out for an extraction.

The Ospreys once again navigated through the urban terrain, which tested their ability to recognize the landing zone and land in a compressed space, Peter said.

“One of the biggest advantages of doing this up here at Twentynine Palms is this is one of the first opportunities we have had to conduct this simulated NEO in an urban environment,” Peter said. “The pilots have to deal with constrained physical space landing their aircraft in an urban environment, whereas a lot of other NEOs we have practiced in the past have been in an open operating area.”

The second-phase cycled Ospreys in and out. People were evacuated and flown to an intermediate support base.

The third and final phase was evacuating the security forces and ECC back to Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., thus ending their long evening of successful training.



PHOTOS BY SGT. RAY LEWIS

**Marines from 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, Combat Logistics Battalion 15 and Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron 1TS-1 conduct a mission rehearsal exercise for a NEO Oct. 19.**



**Lance Cpl. Matthieu Clifford, rifleman, Co. L., 3/6, searches an evacuee played by Afghan role players used for the NEO Oct. 19.**



# Marine Corps host 37th annual Marine Corps Marathon

**SGT. KUANDE L. HALL**

HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS

**ARLINGTON, Va.** – Not all participants were technically able to run. More than 140 wheelchair and handcyclists, some of whom lost limbs or suffered paralyzing injuries in various combat-related incidents, also competed in the challenge.

The Marine Corps Marathon began with two Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 22 MV-22B Ospreys flying from the Pentagon over the starting line, and the thunderous boom of a 105mm Howitzer.

Lt. Col. Rob Riggle, actor, comedian and Marine Corps reservist, served as this year's official race starter. Spc. Augustus Maiyo finished the 26.2 miles first, posting a time of 2:20:20. Maiyo, running his first marathon – ever – was impressed by his finishing time. "It's a one in a million [chance of happening]," Maiyo said. "It's exciting. I worked really hard along the way. It's a lift to finish."

More than 11,000 participants competed in their first marathon along with Maiyo. Runners aged 14 to 86 endured the rigors of the course.

Kim Phillips, a first-time runner from San Antonio, said she was well prepared to complete the task before she even began.

"This is probably the best for me because the communication before the race was phenomenal," Phillips said. "The Marines wanted everyone to finish. And knowing that the race supports the Marine Corps makes it more meaningful."

The marathon course featured two time hurdles, which runners had to complete to officially continue the course. Participants had to maintain at least a 14-minute mile pace to reach the National Mall Gauntlet at mile 17.5 by 12:20 p.m. Runners then had to reach the 14th Street Bridge and successfully "Beat the Bridge" just after mile marker 20 by 1:05 p.m., before the bridge was reopened to Washington downtown traffic. Other than the excitement of completing a marathon, there is always a competition within this race that goes unnoticed by many spectators. Annually, members of the British Royal Navy and Royal Marines travel thousands of miles to compete against the U.S. Marine Corps' All-Marine team in the Challenge Cup Competition. This year's competition was as close as ever, with the Royal Navy/Royal Marines team edging the Marines



CPL. JACOB D. OSBORNE

**Runners start their 26.2-mile trek through the streets of Washington during the 37th Marine Corps Marathon Oct. 28 at the boom of the 105mm Howitzer. The 37th MCM enjoyed its largest number of starters to date with 23,864 people, from across the world, who came to reach their 26.2-mile goal despite an impending hurricane.**

by one second. Staff Sgt. Michael Wood, a first-time runner with the All-Marine running team, was the second Marine from the team to cross the finish line, finishing in a time of 2:37:26.

"It was great with all the crowd out there," Wood said. "Wearing the jersey, everyone sees you and shouts 'Ooh-Rah' and 'Semper Fi.' You get caught up in the crowd and realize you're running 30 seconds faster than you should be. But it was a great experience."

But not all runners ran the marathon for competition. Many runners participated to honor family members killed in combat while serving their nation. Others ran in support of their favorite charity.

As he crossed the finish line, one runner explained his group was raising money

for families who don't have the money to provide medical equipment to their special needs children.

Another runner said he was running for Team Travis and Brendan, a team honoring Marine 1st Lt. Travis L. Manion, killed in 2007 during his second tour in Iraq, and Navy Lt. Brendan J. Looney, a SEAL killed in Afghanistan in 2010. The two service members were roommates at the U.S. Naval Academy and are buried next to each other in Arlington National Cemetery.

Another marathon participant ran in support of Goose Perez, a friend who is battling cancer for the fourth time.

The Fisher House based in Boston fielded a team of about 450 runners supporting their organization.

As runners crossed the finish line, some burst in tears or leaped into the air in triumph; others raised their hands in victory or yelled shouts of joy. Couples hugged and kissed as they finished the race together. Some put on a last burst of speed to cross the finish line before their legs gave out or they crumpled in pain. All were a testament to the dedication required to run 26.2 miles in keeping with the Marine Corps Marathon mission: to promote physical fitness, generate community goodwill and showcase the organizational skills of the United States Marine Corps.

Known as the People's Marathon, this is the largest marathon to not offer prize money. It is the fourth largest marathon in the nation and ninth largest in the world.





PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. CORY D. POLOM

Spartans shooting guard Reginald Bell puts up a 3-point shot as players of both teams box-out for the rebound in the 11th game of the intramural basketball season inside the Marine Dome Oct. 29. Bell scored four points in the 58-50 loss to the Expendables.

## New court, new season

*Intramural basketball continues on newly renovated courts*

LANCE CPL. CORY D. POLOM  
MCAS CHERRY POINT

The Expendables moved to 2-1, overcoming David versus Goliath odds and defeating the Spartans 58-50 in the newly-renovated Marine Dome Oct. 29.

The Expendables earned the win with only six players on their roster. The Spartans bench was 15 players deep but was unable to translate superior numbers into success on the court.

Team captain Jermond Griffin attributed The Expendables' win to chemistry created by persistence and teamwork.

"The key to victory in this sport is chemistry," said Griffin. "The longer a team works together, the more they build chemistry."

This year's intramural basketball season was played on newly finished courts, which Griffin said was a real treat.

Griffin, who finished the game with 11 points, said the new finish on the courts not only adds a bit more grip to help athletes change directions quickly, but makes the court look great.

The renovations took place because the facility needed repairs to the floors of the gymnasium and work done inside the locker rooms, said Zachary J. Leingang, the sports coordinator with Semper Fit's athletics division.

Leingang said he already considered this season successful because of the large number of participants in the basketball league – 14 teams in all.

"We are working on raising our participation," said Leingang.

The athletics department is working to maximize participation with limited funding and will continue to offer one sport per season. But Leingang said the department is looking at other options.

"If a Marine would like to do something more than what we are offering, we would look into it and attempt to accommodate their request," said Leingang. "Our mission is to get Marines out here participating."

The intramural sports program lacks the type of high-profile events it once had, a fact that Griffin attributed to lower participation.

"I think sports in general are a good alternative to other situations, like Marines in their rooms playing video games," said Griffin. "Intramural sports helps build camaraderie and could bring units closer together."

Games this season are Monday through Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. For more information about intramural sports, contact the Marine Dome at 466-2566.



Expendables captain Jermond Griffin puts up a hook shot during the final minute of an intramural basketball game against the Spartans inside the Marine Dome Oct. 29. Griffin scored 11 points to lead his team to a 58-50 victory.



Spartan's point guard Franco Whitehurst drives to the basket in the 11th game of the intramural basketball season inside the Marine Dome Oct. 29. The Expendables defeated the Spartans 58-50.



## 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 8

**Lunch** - Green chili and corn stew, Indian spiced roast chicken, long grain and wild rice, steamed broccoli, Harvard beets and chicken with rice soup **Dinner** - Lemon chicken, salisbury steak, oven brown potatoes, Spanish rice, sautéed mushrooms and onions, southern style greens, brown gravy and bean with bacon soup

#### Friday November 9

**Lunch** - Baked fish with spinach topping, chicken and cheese enchiladas, golden jewel multigrain blend, Yucatan style rice, steamed vegetable medley, herbed green beans and New England fish chowder **Dinner** - Stuffed green peppers, grilled bratwurst, steamed rice, lyonnaise potatoes, sautéed zucchini, German sauerkraut and Louisiana seafood gumbo

#### Saturday November 10

**Lunch** - Mesquite roasted pork loin, chicken provencal, red beans with rice, Italian roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, broccoli polonaise and lentil vegetable soup **Dinner** - Grilled steak, Asian barbecue turkey, baked macaroni with cheese, baked potatoes, steamed baby carrots, asparagus and Mulligatawny soup

#### Sunday November 11

**Lunch** - Honey barbeque chicken, vegetable lasagna, franconia potatoes, Italian vegetable blend, simmered pinto beans and Minnesota wild rice soup **Dinner** - Beef and corn pie, French fried shrimp, French fried fish, tater tots, turnips and bacon, vegetable stir fry, cabbage and white bean soup

#### Monday November 12

**Lunch** - Open faced steak sandwich, Cajun lightning chicken, rice pilaf, green beans nicoise and sautéed summer squash with tomato **Dinner** - Vegetarian split pea soup, spaghetti with meat sauce, barbecued spareribs, scalloped potatoes and steamed broccoli

#### Tuesday November 13

**Lunch** - Louisiana chicken and sausage gumbo, southern fried catfish fillets, turkey with vegetable primavera, roasted zucchini, potatoes au gratin, calico cabbage and hush puppies **Dinner** - Tomato noodle soup, Yankee pot roast, Casablanca vegetable stew, oven browned potatoes, steamed rice, brown gravy, corn on the cob and sweet sour greens

#### Wednesday November 14

**Lunch** - Hearty winter vegetable soup, maple mustard pork loin, chicken parmesan, whipped sweet potatoes, penne rigate noodles, marinara sauce, ratatouille, broccoli, cheese, rice and breadsticks **Dinner** - Chicken tortilla soup, Texas barbecue beef brisket, baked tuna and noodles, baked macaroni and cheese, vegetable stir fry and beans fiesta

### Native American History Month:

# American Indian Marines

Stories from the Veterans History Project

## Chester Nez



Chester Nez

During World War II, Marine recruiters came to a high school in Tuba City, Ariz., in search of Navajos to participate in a secret program.

Chester Nez was one of the young men who volunteered. He passed rigorous training and testing to become one of the Code Talkers, who used their native language

to confound Japanese who intercepted American communications.

Nez outlined in detail how 29 young recruits assembled a complex code that helped win the war. He recalls being mistaken for the enemy and having a gun held to his head by an overeager soldier.

### Warrior Profile

**War:** World War II, 1939-1945, Korean War, 1950-1953

**Branch:** Marine Corps

**Unit:** 1st Marine Division; 3rd Marine Division

**Service Location:** Guadalcanal and Bougainville (Solomon Islands); Guam (Marianas Islands); Peleliu Island (Palau); Pacific theater; Korea

**Rank:** Corporal

**Place of Birth:** Arizona

## Ed McGaa

Born during the Depression on the impoverished Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, Ed McGaa saw a lot of young men join the military in search of a better life.

He joined the Marines and served in Korea just after the truce ending the hostilities was signed.

He used the GI Bill to go to college, and a military recruiter persuaded him to re-enlist.

This time, he trained as a Marine pilot for service in Vietnam, where

he flew 110 missions, as many as five of them in a 24-hour stretch.

McGaa went on to become a published author, exploring in works of fiction and nonfiction the history and contemporary experiences of his people.

### HISTORYONLINE

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### Warrior Profile

**War:** Cold War; Vietnam War, 1961-1975

**Branch:** Marine Corps

**Rank:** Major

**Place of Birth:** South Dakota

### Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point:

# Great American Smoke-out

#### RN PAULA PENDRICK

HEALTH PROMOTIONS COORDINATOR AND TOBACCO CESSATION FACILITATOR

November is upon us, and with it comes a plethora of information about tobacco awareness and prevention. Nov. 15 marks the Great American Smokeout across the nation, and in preparation for this event, you will see counselors manning educational displays and passing out “quit kits” near the Marine Corps Exchange and Naval Health Clinic to provide information and motivation to take the next step toward quitting tobacco permanently.

The Great American Smokeout is the American Cancer Society’s nationally-recognized day to rally thousands of smokers to become smoke free for a day, and ultimately, smoke free for life. The Department of Defense supports the initiative by encouraging military personnel, family members, retirees and all smokers to walk away from tobacco for 24 hours.

Things are changing throughout the Navy and Marine Corps in line with a Secretary of the Navy initiative called “21st Century Sailor and Marine.” Tobacco prices at the Navy and Marine Corps Exchanges and Ship Stores are required to match the most competitive prices in the community, and this may result in tobacco price increases. In support of this initiative, Marine Corps Air Station Order 5353.1E, titled “Tobacco Prevention and Control Program” released July 12 states that on this year’s Great American Smokeout and the Great American Spit Out, Feb. 21, no sale of tobacco products (with the exception of cessation aids) will be available for purchase at any establishment on base.

The push to go tobacco free is not new, the submarine fleet went smoke free more than a year ago,

and most medical treatment facility compounds in the military and the civilian sector are also going completely tobacco free. Our own Naval Health Clinic went tobacco free on Jan. 1, 2010.

Were you aware that most college campuses are heading in that direction as well, and that new laws have been passed making it unlawful to smoke in multi-family homes and apartment buildings? People are realizing that tobacco use is expensive, unhealthy and can contribute to death. Why not quit tobacco on your own terms rather than have someone force it upon you?

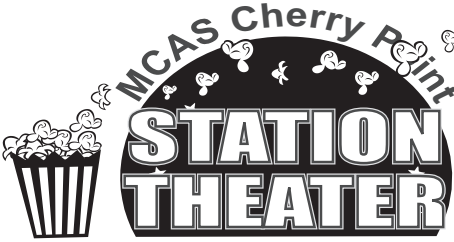
You don’t have to do it by yourself; tobacco cessation facilitators are available and can be reached at the Naval Health Clinic at 466-0277 or Semper Fit at 466-6467. You can also speak directly to your medical provider during your next appointment to request medications that aid in quitting.

Facilitators also visit units upon request to provide awareness or cessation classes to groups in individual workspaces and at times convenient to the unit. Don’t forget, spouses and beneficiaries 18 and older are eligible to receive tobacco cessation medications.

Tobacco cessation classes are provided each month as well as one-on-one counseling. The next sets of classes will be specialized in recognition of Thanksgiving.

Monthly tobacco cessation classes begin the first Wednesday and Friday of each month, usually for four sessions. Those interested in tobacco cessation can call 466-0277 for an individual appointment. For additional questions or to register, call 466-0277 or 466-6467.

More information about 21st Century Sailor and Marine is available at [www.21stcentury.navy.mil](http://www.21stcentury.navy.mil).



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#### NOW SHOWING

##### Thursday, November 8

6:00pm - Trouble with the Curve PG 13

##### Friday, November 9

5:00pm - Frankenweenie PG

7:45pm - End of Watch R

##### Saturday, November 10

3:00pm - Frankenweenie PG

5:30pm - Pitch Perfect PG 13

8:00pm - End of Watch R

##### Sunday, November 11

2:00pm - Frankenweenie PG

##### Monday, November 12

2:00pm - Resident Evil: Retribution R

##### Tuesday, November 13

6:00pm - The Wizard of Oz G



#### MOVIE SYNOPSIS



**Frankenweenie** - *Starring: Winona Ryder, Martin Landau, Martin Short.* After unexpectedly losing his beloved dog Sparky, young Victor harnesses the power of science to bring his best friend back to life -- with just a few minor adjustments. He tries to hide his home-sewn creation, but when Sparky gets out, Victor's fellow students, teachers and the entire town all learn that getting a new "leash on life" can be monstrous.

**End of Watch** - *Starring: Jake Gyllenhaal, Michael Pena, Anna Kendrick.* Young Los Angeles police officers Taylor and Zavala patrol the city's meanest streets of south central Los Angeles. The action unfolds through footage from the handheld HD cameras of the police officers, gang members, surveillance cameras, and citizens caught in the line of fire to create a portrait of the city's most dangerous corners, the cops who risk their lives there every day, and the price they and their families are forced to pay.

**Pitch Perfect** - *Starring: Anna Kendrick, Brittany Snow, Anna Camp.* Beca is that girl who'd rather listen to what's coming out of her headphones than what's coming out of you. Arriving at her new college, she finds herself not right for any clique but somehow is muscled into one that she never would have picked on her own: alongside mean girls, sweet girls and weird girls whose only thing in common is how good they sound when they sing together.

**Resident Evil: Retribution** - *Starring: Milla Jovovich, Sienna Guillory, Shawn Roberts.* The Umbrella Corporation's deadly T-virus continues to ravage the Earth, transforming the global population into legions of the flesh-eating Undead. The human race's last and only hope, Alice, awakens in the heart of Umbrella's most clandestine operations facility and unveils more of her mysterious past as she delves further into the complex.

**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. Nevertheless, Gus, who can tell a pitch just by the crack of the bat, refuses to be benched for what could be the final innings of his career.

**The Wizard of Oz** - Dorothy Gale is swept away to a magical land in a tornado and embarks on a quest to see the Wizard who can help her return home.

Movies are subject to change without notice



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# Announcements

► Indicates new announcement

## ► Veterans’ Day Luncheon

The Craven Count Veterans Council will sponsor a Veterans’ Day luncheon at the New Bern National Guard Armory Friday.  
Doors open at 10:30 a.m.; program begins at 11:30 a.m.  
The meal will be catered by Moore’s barbecue of New Bern. Music will be provided by the Southern Gentlemen Barber Shop Quartet.  
For more information contact Vickie L. Glover at [vglover@cravencountync.gov](mailto:vglover@cravencountync.gov) or call at 636-6611.

## ► Veterans’ Day parade

Carteret County Veterans Council will hold its annual Veterans Day parade at 11 a.m. Saturday, on Arendell Street in Morehead City.  
For more information, call 728-8440.

## ► Turkey Trot 5k

Cherry Point Marine Corps Community Services will host the Cherry Point Turkey Trot 5k Nov. 20.  
Registration ends Saturday; forms can be dropped off at the Devil Dog gym.  
Registration forms are available through MCCS coordinators, Devil Dog Gym, Semper Fit Center or the special events office at the Marine Dome.  
Check-in is from 11-11:30 a.m.; race begins at noon.  
For more information contact Berna Crosby at 466-2208 or email [Bernadine.crosby@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:Bernadine.crosby@usmc-mccs.org).

## 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 Saturday.  
The 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 an appearance.  
There will be a 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 Bern residents.  
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.  
Tours begin at 4 p.m. on Saturdays through Nov. 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 Sunday, from 1-5 p.m.  
Admission price for military is \$25. General admission is \$30, or \$40 for VIP area access. All proceeds will benefit the Crystal Coast Hospice House.  
Visit <http://www.crystalcoasthospicehouse.org> for more information.

## Operation Christmas Child Collections

Operation Christmas Child is requesting shoe boxes with gifts inside for their national collection week, Monday-Nov. 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.

## ► Child Safety Seat Check

The safety and standardization office with the training support department will host a child safety seat check and clinic at the child development center Nov. 15 from 8 a.m.-noon.  
The event is open to all personnel aboard the air station.  
Certified technicians will check car seats for proper installation and usage.  
There will be educational brochures available for parents and caregivers. The event is free, and no appointment necessary.  
Contact Mary Lamb at 466-4090 for more information.

## Recycling Day 5K

Participate in a healthy and fun activity 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 fitness area 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, HYL A president, at 259-7089 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](mailto: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 offered 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.

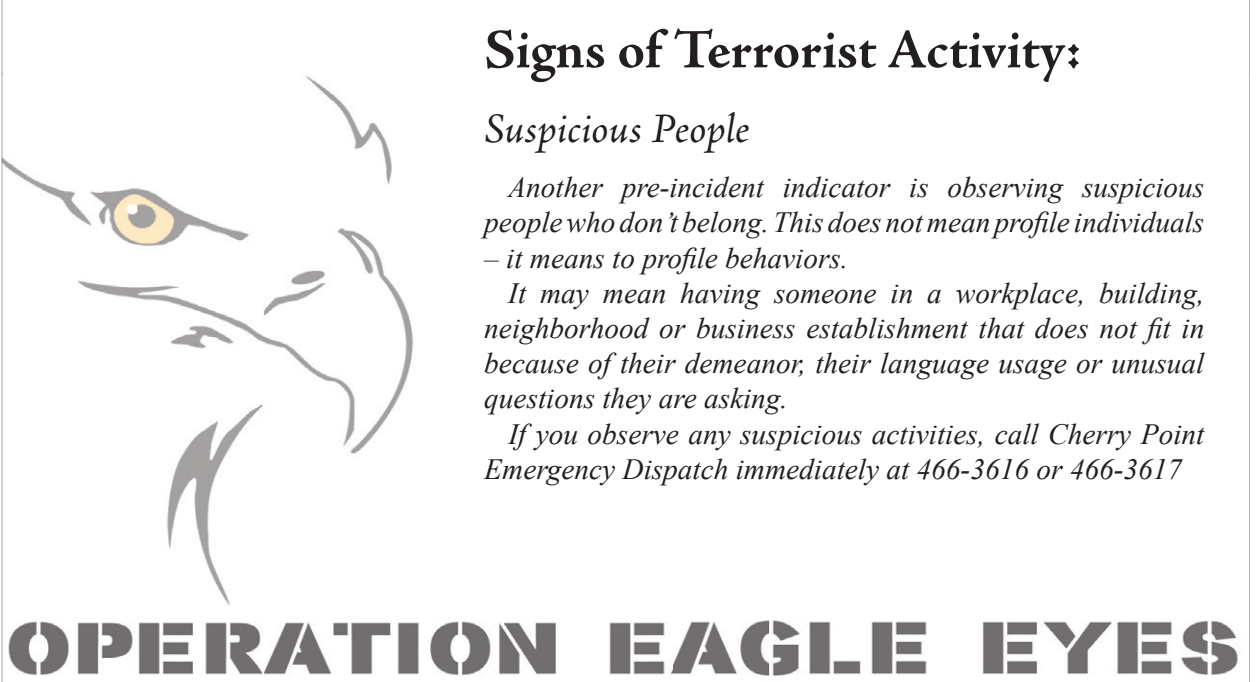
## Hotlines

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| <b>2nd MAW Command Inspector General</b><br>466-5038                                                                                                                                        | <b>Sexual Assault</b><br>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. |
| <b>Station Inspector</b><br>466-3449                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Severe Weather and Force Protection</b><br>Cherry Point personnel call 466-3093.<br>FRC East personnel call 464-8333.<br>DLA personnel call 466-4083.                                                                                                             |
| <b>Fraud, Waste and Abuse</b><br>If you know of or suspect any fraud, waste or abuse aboard MCAS Cherry Point, call 466-2016.<br>This line’s automated answering service is available 24/7. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

## Signs of Terrorist Activity:

### Suspicious People

*Another pre-incident indicator is observing suspicious people who don’t belong. This does not mean profile individuals – it means to profile behaviors.*  
*It may mean having someone in a workplace, building, neighborhood or business establishment that does not fit in because of their demeanor, their language usage or unusual questions they are asking.*  
*If you observe any suspicious activities, call Cherry Point Emergency Dispatch immediately at 466-3616 or 466-3617*



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NADINE’S FOOD MART  
SUPER EXPRESSWAY  
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TOBACCO SHOP & GIFTS (BEAUFORT AND NEW BERN)  
TOBACCO TOWN  
TOBACCO SHOP (NEWPORT AND NEW BERN)  
TWIN RIVERS (NOT THE MALL)  
WHITE SANDS CONVENIENCE STORE

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