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Master Sgt. Joseph Kelly, left, holds the unit organizational colors while Lt. Col. Wilfred Rivera attaches campaign streamers during Combat Logistics Battalion 15's 27th birthday ceremony aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014. Kelly is the acting Sergeant Major for CLB-15. Rivera is the Commanding Officer of CLB-15. CLB-15 is the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit's logistics combat element and is scheduled to deploy next spring. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Emmanuel Ramos/Released)

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Thank you for 44 years of honorable service to our Corps & nation. Enjoy your retirement. Ooh-rah, sir!



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1st Supply Supports WTI

Story and photos by:
Lance Cpl. Garrett White



YUMA, ARIZ.



Marines with 1st Supply Battalion, Combat Logistics Regiment 15, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, provided logistical support for the Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, in Yuma, Arizona, from Aug. 28, 2014 - Oct. 18, 2014.

WTI is a seven-week-long, bi-annual training course designed to hone and develop pilot, weapon system operator, ground combat, and combat support service personnel skills in battlefield integration and expertise.

First Lieutenant Sean Dudley, Logistics Element Officer-In-Charge, explained that his Marines provide food, water, and other logistical services to the various forward operating bases where the WTI course Marines are operating. Without these daily supply runs, the course wouldn't be sustainable.

On a daily basis, the Marines are responsible for maintaining accountability and proper distribution for hundreds of tons of rations and ensuring the proper amount of food is being taken to the correct places throughout the training course. Additionally, they provide motor transportation mechanics to recover and fix any unserviceable vehicles.

"The Marines work diligently, making sure those in the field are properly supplied in order to ensure the success of the course," said Dudley.

"If we weren't here doing the fuel and chow, vehicles wouldn't be moving and Marines wouldn't be eating," added Dudley. "It would be an unsustainable exercise."

Gunnery Sgt. John Schlaud, Logistics Element Senior Enlisted Advisor, explained that in addition to maintaining a high operational tempo, many junior Marines were required to perform duties outside their usual job description.

"There were a lot of junior and senior enlisted Marines out here, with not a whole lot in between," said Schlaud. "Despite this, everyone worked well above and beyond expectations; nothing but professionalism."

Thanks to the hard work of the Marines from 1st Supply Bn., the success of the graduate-level WTI course is in hand. Ultimately, this puts 1st MLG's mission of providing support in I MEF's overall mission into practice, assisting I MEF in remaining the Marine Corps' globally responsive, expeditionary and fully scalable Marine Air Ground Task Force.



Marines with 1st Supply Battalion, Combat Logistics Regiment 15, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, provide logistical support for the Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course in Yuma, Ariz., Oct. 15, 2014. For more than a month, 1st Supply Bn. provided food, water, and other logistical services to the various forward operating bases where the WTI course Marines were operating.

FLEET WEEK

Photo by:
Cpl. Ricardo Hurtado



**MARINES, SAILORS
TAKE OVER SAN FRAN**



Maj. Gen. Vincent A. Coglianesse, the commanding general of 1st Marine Logistics Group, talks to Marines about the water filtration system at the San Francisco Fleet Week 2014 Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Village in Marina Green, San Francisco, Oct. 11. The role of U.S. military forces during any humanitarian assistance event is to rapidly respond with support to help mitigate human suffering and prevent further loss of life or property damage. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Caitlin Bevel)

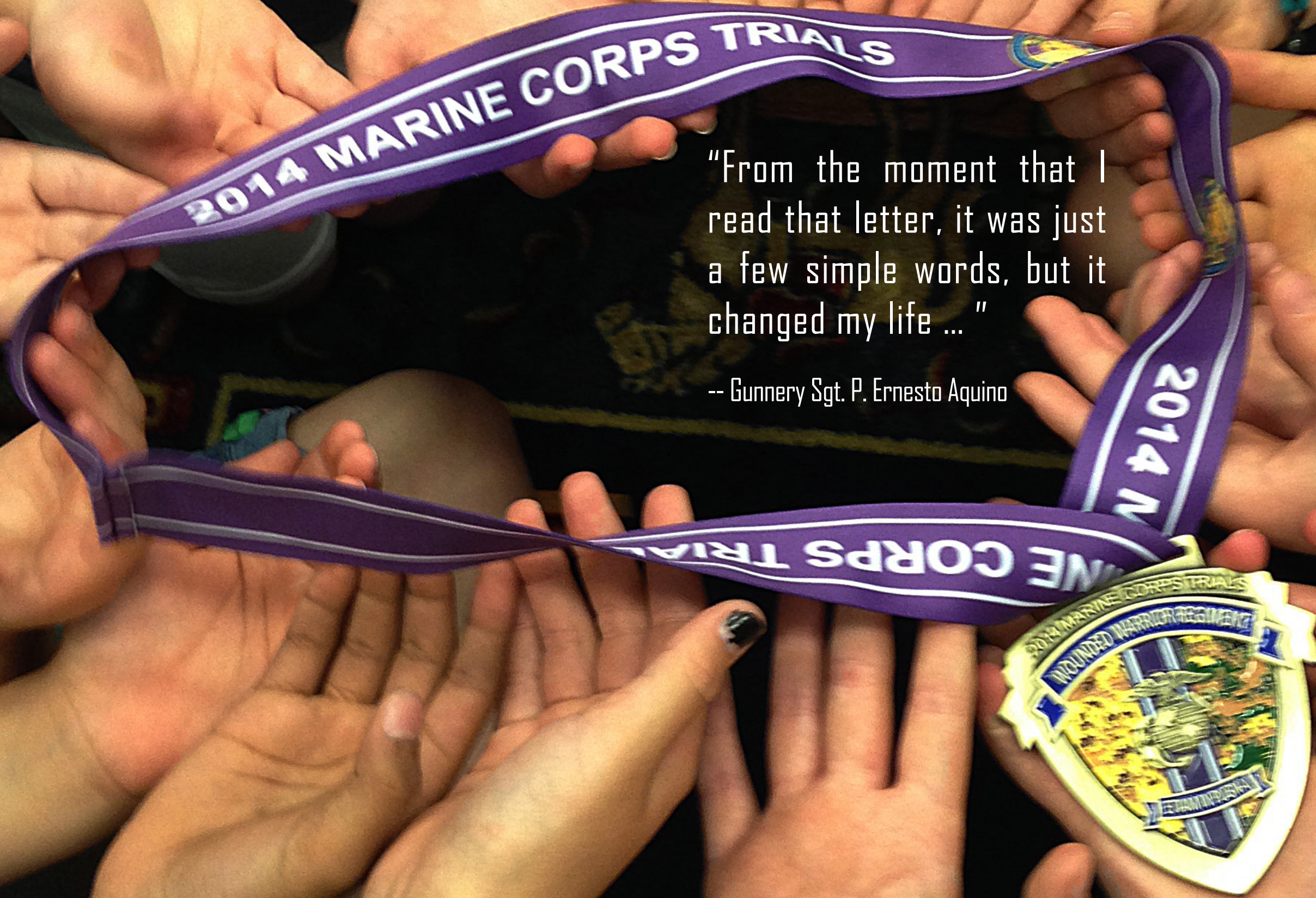
U.S. Marines and sailors man the ship during the Commissioning Ceremony for USS America during San Francisco Fleet Week 2014 on Oct. 11, 2014. San Francisco has hosted fleet week for more than 30 years, and has invited Marines and sailors to showcase a variety of capabilities in response to emerging disasters. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Leah Agler/Released)



Marines and Sailors Man the Rails aboard the USS America (LHA-6) in route to San Francisco Fleet Week on Oct. 6, 2014. San Francisco Fleet Week hosted Marines and Sailors that showcased the capabilities of humanitarian assistance disaster relief that the military offers in case of emergencies. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Radion Zabolotniy/Released)

A Wounded Warrior's Gift to Homan Elementary

Story and photos by: Cpl. Jessica Quezada



"From the moment that I read that letter, it was just a few simple words, but it changed my life ... "

-- Gunnery Sgt. P. Ernesto Aquino

The Wounded Warriors of the All-Marine Team competing in the 2014 Warrior Games all have unique stories, but one Marine decided to share his experience a little bit more with the staff and students of Homan Elementary.

Gunnery Sgt. P. Ernesto Aquino from Hawthorne, Calif., with 1st Marine Logistics Group, is one of the many athletes to compete in the games from Sep. 28 to Oct. 4 at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. Earlier this year, Aquino competed in The 2014 Marine Corps Trials where he received four medals.

During the trials, librarian Renee Swetlik sent “thank you” letters written by Homan Elementary students to Operation Gratitude. These letters were placed in care packages for the Wounded Warriors and sent more than enough support to our Marines.

“These men and women are such an inspiration. We just wanted to say thank you, to encourage him and to show him what an inspiration he is to all of us here,” said Renee Swetlik, Homan Elementary Librarian and Media Specialist. “He could have easily given up so many times and he never did. We kept telling him we’re sending him our lucky wishes ... I had no idea just how big of an impact we could be ... Its been such a learning lesson for myself and the kids... when I think that the story can’t get any bigger, better or more exciting, it does.”

On March 8, Swetlik received her first email from Aquino stating how much he truly appreciated the care package and that the “hero” letter was certainly the icing on the cake.

“From the moment that I read that letter, it was just a few simple words, but it changed my life ... It was quite a bit to take in,” said Aquino. “It boosted my ego and gave me encouragement and as a matter of fact, I got the letter and put it at the top of my bunk bed, so I could see it every night until the trials were over.”

From then on, Homan students cheered on Aquino, wished him the best of luck for every competition and helped him bring home a bronze medal for air rifle shooting, two silver medals in swimming and one gold medal for the 50-meter backstroke swim.

“The school did so much for me, this teacher did so much for me, I’m just going to go ahead and do something for them,” said Aquino. “So I took my gold medal and wrote them a letter.”

Staff and students were awestruck when they



Gunnery Sgt. P. Ernesto Aquino gives his gold medal he won at the 2014 Warrior Games swim competition to Stetson Bardfield, a young boy who connected with wounded Marines during his stay at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

received the letter with the special gift inside, Aquino’s gold medal. And the young boy who wrote Aquino, received his own silver medal as well.

“When I open opened the letter and it (Aquino’s gold medal) fell out, I was shaking, I couldn’t believe he would share something that special with us,” said Swetlik.

“All the kids took turns holding it. After everybody had a chance to hold it ... we took it to be framed because we wanted it to have a place of honor in the library ... so the kids could see it and remember how important it is to be kind and how important it is to not give up. It now sits in a very special place

in the library with red, white and blue ribbons, we’re so proud of it.”

Homan Students were photographed holding the gold medal and Aquino’s story quickly spread across the community.

“To see that great photograph of them holding my gold medal, my gift to them, I can’t even begin to tell you the emotions I started feeling because of this,” said Aquino.

After receiving the gold medal, Swetlik requested Aquino’s address to send the community newspaper clippings of his story, so he could have to cherish. A large box came in filled rim to rim with letters from every single student of Homan Elementary for Aquino, saying thank you for everything. Even the kindergartners who could barely write, tried their best to send their appreciation.

“I didn’t think anything of it, until I got the package in the mail and it just surprised me. I couldn’t believe every single student from Homan Elementary took the time to write me ... It has been an overwhelming experience,” said Aquino. “I’m going to try my best and there’s a lot of people behind me, not just friends and family, but now an entire community and city that I didn’t even know.”

The week of the 2014 Warrior Games gave Aquino another chance to take home the gold. On Sep. 30, after a long day of swim competitions against the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Special Operations Command, Aquino won two gold medals and one

silver medal.

“Compared to last year, I did incredibly well,” said Aquino. “Renee emailed me the night before the competition and said, ‘you have 550 elementary school students cheering you on.’ I could feel in my bones that the Homan students and staff were behind me.”

The support from Homan staff and students has been a huge encouragement for Aquino’s journey through the trials and Warrior Games. During the family reception for the 2014 Warrior Games, Aquino met a

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young boy who he believed deserved the same gift he gave Homan Elementary.

“Stetson Bardfield was born with some joint dysfunctions in his legs and arms, and had to get his legs amputated at the age of four ...his story touched my heart as a father ... at the reception, we ended up talking for at least two hours,” said Aquino. “Yesterday I ended up meeting the family at the Olympic Training Center and presented Stetson with my gold medal ...my very first gold medal I’ve won in the games.”

Gunnery Sgt. P. Ernesto Aquino

no is just one of the many Wounded Warriors who strive to leave a lasting impact, whether it’s for fellow service members and veterans, or the nation that supports them.

“It goes to show that the American public these days are very supportive ... I’m just doing my job, but to them, we’re doing more ... we’re protecting the nation,” said Aquino.

On Aquino’s final day of competition, he won a gold and silver medal for air rifle shooting, surpassing his performance in the previous trials just six months ago. For the next trials and Warrior Games, Aquino remains confident in taking home more gold medals and hopes to reach out to anyone he can share his experience, success and winnings with.

“It goes back to when I was a child. I grew up in Central America and you learn that whatever you have you share it with everybody ... you never see your-

self above anybody else. Helping out has been in my blood since the beginning,” said Aquino. “To me there’s nothing greater than to give something back ... hopefully the young man can carry this forward and I’m pretty sure that Homan Elementary will do the same thing ... our generation continues to give back, not just to the community but to the whole world.”

To learn more about Gunnery Sgt. Aquino’s story and the 2014 Warrior Games, please contact WWR_PAO@USMC.MIL and visit www.facebook.com/wwr.usmc

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CLB-15

Photos by: Sgt. Emmanuel Ramos

Lt. Col. Wilfred Rivera speaks to his Marines about the legacy of Combat Logistics Battalion 15 during the unit's 27th birthday ceremony aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014. Rivera is the commanding officer of CLB-15. CLB-15 is the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit's logistics combat element and is scheduled to deploy next spring.



(Above) Marine Lt. Col. Wilfred Rivera, right, hands a piece of cake to his Marines during Combat Logistics Battalion 15's 27th birthday ceremony aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014.

(Left) Lt. Col. Wilfred Rivera cuts a cake during Combat Logistics Battalion 15's 27th birthday ceremony aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014.

#MyFit1stMLG

Photos by Sgt. Sarah Fiocco

Try these exercises to help improve your Combat Fitness Test score and check out the 1st Marine Logistics Group Facebook page for our Muscle Monday weekly workout video!



Tire bombs: Lift the tire off the ground, making sure to engage your core. Once the tire is at about chin level, throw it firmly toward the ground. Be careful, as this will cause the tire to bounce around. Repeat this exercise for three sets of 20 repetitions.



Hammer swings: Bring the hammer over your right shoulder and swing it toward a large tire. Once the hammer makes impact, repeat the movement for three sets of 15 on each side.



Battle ropes: Alternate whipping each rope up and down for 30 seconds in a squatting position. Repeat this exercise three times.

Story and photos by: Sgt. Emmanuel Ramos

15th MEU

Composite Ceremony

Col. Vance L. Cryer addresses his Marines about the importance of Marine Expeditionary Units during the composite ceremony for the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014. Cryer is the commanding officer of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

The 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit joined together as a Marine Air-Ground Task Force, Oct. 19, 2014 during a ceremony aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The 15th MEU command element composited with 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines, Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 161 (Reinforced), and Combat Logistics Battalion 15 for their upcoming deployment next spring.

The ceremony featured remarks by Col. Vance L. Cryer, the commanding officer of the 15th MEU, about the importance and power of teamwork during their upcoming deployment.

“That integration is what it’s all about. It’s not about the individual capabilities, it’s about the integration that is required for success,” Cryer said.

Now composited, the 15th MEU provides

a forward deployed, flexible sea-based Marine Air-Ground Task Force capable of conducting amphibious operations, crisis response and limited contingency operations, to include enabling the introduction of follow-on forces, and designed special operations, in order to support the theater requirements of geographic combatant commanders. The 15th MEU most recently deployed aboard the ships of Amphibious Squadron Three from September 2012 to May 2013.

Following the ceremony, Marines, sailors and their families enjoyed static displays of aircraft that will be used on the deployment, including an MV-22B Osprey, a CH-53E Super Stallion, AH-1Z Viper, and UH-1Y Venom. The static display also included weapons and vehicles employed by the MEU.

Cpl. Jonathan Lira, right, shows his son an M777A2 Lightweight Howitzer used by Marines after the composite ceremony for the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 10, 2014. Lira, 26, from El Paso, Texas, is an administrative specialist with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit.



AROUND THE MEF



Sgt. John Petersen, a Crew Chief with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron (HMLA) 369 "Gunfighters," watches the surroundings as pilots guide a UH-1Y Huey into the air during a familiarization flight aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 16. Training of this nature allows pilots and crew members who are still in training, or those who haven't flown recently, a chance to gain valuable time flying the aircraft. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Christopher Johns/Released)

(Top right) Marines with Battalion Landing Team, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, prepare to breach a door during a helicopter-raid exercise aboard Camp Pendleton, Calif., Oct. 16, 2014. BLT 3/1 is scheduled to deploy as the 15th MEU's ground combat element next spring. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Emmanuel Ramos/Released)



A role player narrates the experience of a Marine preparing to speak at the memorial of a fallen friend during a tribute concert titled "Honor Our Fallen" at the Marines Memorial Theater in San Francisco, Oct. 9, during San Francisco Fleet Week 2014. The concert, played by the 1st Marine Division Band, recognized the sacrifice of the service members who volunteered to defend their country and gave the ultimate sacrifice. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Caitlin Bevel)



(Middle left) Justin Kuhel, 26, a Marine Corps veteran from Columbus, Ohio, completes his march across America from Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune to Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton Oct. 10, 2014. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. John Baker/Released)

(Middle right) Maj. Gen. Vincent A. Coglianesse, the commanding general of 1st Marine Logistics Group, talks to Marines about the water filtration system at the San Francisco Fleet Week 2014 Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Village in Marina Green, San Francisco, Oct. 11. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Caitlin Bevel/Released)

(Bottom left) Marines and sailors tear down an old chain-link fence while volunteering at Rob Hill Campground in Presidio Park during San Francisco Fleet Week 2014 on Oct. 9, 2014. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Leah Agler/Released)

VOICES OF THE GROUP

Voices of the Group is a monthly interview that features 1st MLG Marines and sailors



With Master Cpl. Monica Rios

Story and photos by: Sgt. Laura Gauna

Cpl. Monica Rios, a food service specialist with Headquarters Regiment, 1st Marine Logistics Group, of Austin, keeps motivation so high she has won every meritorious board she has been on and is currently going on a sergeants board with less than three years of being in the Marine Corps.

Q: Why did you join the Marine Corps?

A: I joined because I wanted to challenge myself and I knew joining the Marines would make me a step ahead of my peers. Even 30 years from now I will be a step ahead.

Q: How has the Marine Corps impacted your life?

A: I am the person I am today because of the Marine Corps. I definitely learned a lot. I gained a lot and it's changed and molded me into the person I am today.

Q: What is the biggest thing the Marine Corps has brought to your life?

A: The biggest thing it has brought to my life is independence and strength. Here you learn to take care of yourself and others. You also have to be strong to be in the Marine Corps, not only physically but spiritually, mentally and emotionally. It has really given me strength in all those aspects, more than I could have imagined.

Q: You have only been in for a little over two years, how has your career progressed so far?

A: I was second in my class in my school and a few months into the fleet I was put on a meritorious board, won it and then put on a corporal meritorious board won it and in a few months will be put on a meritorious sergeant's board. I try telling my Marines it's not always fun and it's not all glamorous. You are only as strong as your weakest link. So if you can make it through those difficult times and keep your motivation it will really set you apart. How you see me on a good day is how I'm going to act on a bad day. I think I've been so successful

because I keep that positive frame of mind in any situation and I don't let the bad interfere with my train of thought or my work ethic.

Q: Do you have any advice for Marines just starting out?

A: In my opinion, you just have to stay motivated. If people see that you are motivated and you are dedicated and you love what you're doing no one has to look over your shoulder or micro manage you because they know you are actually enjoying yourself and you aren't going to take shortcuts or take the easy way out. Always have a smile on your face and if you're told to do something you don't want to just suck it up and do what needs to be done.

Q: What helps you to keep your motivation?

A: I can want to fall out of a run or just drop everything, but what really motivates me is my senior drill instructor, Sgt. Smith. She told me a lot of stuff that stuck with me but the one thing that really stuck is that all the recruits are her legacy. I respect that woman with all that I am. She molded me to the Marine that I am, so when I do feel like quitting I think about her. I think how I am mirroring her image. For me, that is my motivation. Everything I do, if it's not for me, it's for her.

Q: What are your goals in the Marine Corps?

A: My goals are not to stay in for 20 years but 30 years. I want to be a sergeant major. That would be my ultimate goal. I really want to be the sergeant major of 4th Recruit Training Battalion over at Parris Island. If you were to tell me right now that if I were to stay on the path that

I'm on that I would become the sergeant major of 4th Bn., I would sign a contract for 28 more years. Right now my goal is to be a drill instructor. That's my short term goal.

Q: Do you feel that by keeping the attitude that you have will help your future in the Marine Corps?

A: If you are good at your job and a good Marine then the Marine Corps will reward you. It will reward you with more knowledge, more experience, more of a taste of the whole Marine Corps.

Q: What makes you stand out from your peers?

A: I've had Marines come up to me with their problems and I advise them to approach it with this type of angle and they say they have, so I'll tell them try this angle and again they say they've already tried it. So I ask them that if I'm doing the exact same thing and its working for me then what's the difference between you and me? They tell me time and again it's the motivation. Anybody can work hard but it takes that extra push to be recognized. You need to stand out. You need to make yourself stand above and apart from your peers. And that's how I live.

Q: What is the hardest thing about being a female in the Marine Corps?

A: I think the hardest thing is that because you have to strive to be like your male counterparts you can get so caught up in being a workaholic and dedicated that sometimes you can lose yourself because you are trying so hard to exceed all others. I think it's important to remember who you are. Don't lose sight of yourself. You forget to stop and focus on yourself.

New SSGts get insight from senior enlisted leaders

Story by: Staff Sgt. Lynn Kinney
Photos by: Lance Cpl. Lauren Falk

Newly selected and promoted staff sergeants attended a three-day seminar hosted by 1st Marine Logistics Group sergeant major, Sgt. Maj. Richard D. Thresher, Oct. 8-10, 2014. The Staff Sergeant Indoc was designed to reinforce the importance of staff noncommissioned officer responsibilities and discussed some of the new challenges the Marines could face.

"Prior to conducting these with Sgt. Maj. Thresher, I had only attended Sergeant's Course years ago," said Staff Sgt. G. L. Woods, the Tactical Readiness Training Chief for the 1st MLG. "I believe this is a great precursor to any and all [Professional Military Education courses], especially since this class caters more to what's going on now in the Corps, and we can change our criteria on the spot, as new information comes available."

Marines considered a variety of subjects that can affect not only their careers, but the careers of the Marines under their charge. Updates on careers road maps, professional military education and financial planning were among the

subjects covered. Guided discussions with leadership panels included talks on ethics and leadership philosophies.

"The course has allowed me to stay on track with my Corps Values. All too often, we can get wrapped around, or lose focus on the overall mission," said Woods. "I gain a wealth of knowledge, make new contacts, get a chance to see how others think, operate, and problem solve."

SSgt. Jordan S. Massey of Wichita Falls, Texas, has noticed the prestige that comes from wearing the rank of staff sergeant since being promoted Oct. 1. As a welder with Maintenance Platoon, Support Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, he was already serving as a section leader as a sergeant, but he is now training to take on the additional duties of a maintenance chief and some of the additional administrative functions of the job.

"One of the biggest things I learned from the course was the realization that as a staff sergeant we are now senior enlisted advisors to young officers and the expectations of SNCOs," said Massey.

Massey feels that the younger Marines are looking to their SNCOs to set them up for success.

"I find myself being more vocal about my concerns for my Marines and making sure I am setting, not just any example, but the right example," said Massey who tries to balance an authoritative leadership style with compassion.

Woods had similar concerns when he returned to the operating forces after three years on recruiting duty.

"As a newly promoted staff sergeant, my biggest challenge was staying current with the knowledge of my [military occupational specialty]," said Woods, who was mindful of the pressure to live up to the higher standard he felt had to be almost legendary.

"This training is important because what we stand for is important," he said. "We are who we are because we are always seeking self-improvement. We don't wait on anyone to tell us we are slipping; we are always raising the bar on ourselves to stay 10 steps ahead of the pack."

Sgt. Maj. Richard D. Thrasher addresses Marines attending the Staff Sergeant Indoc, Oct. 8, 2014. The meeting of these leaders was designed to reinforce the importance of staff noncommissioned officer responsibilities while covering some of the new challenges the Marines could face.



AROUND THE GROUP

Every Thursday \$1 Bowling Special:

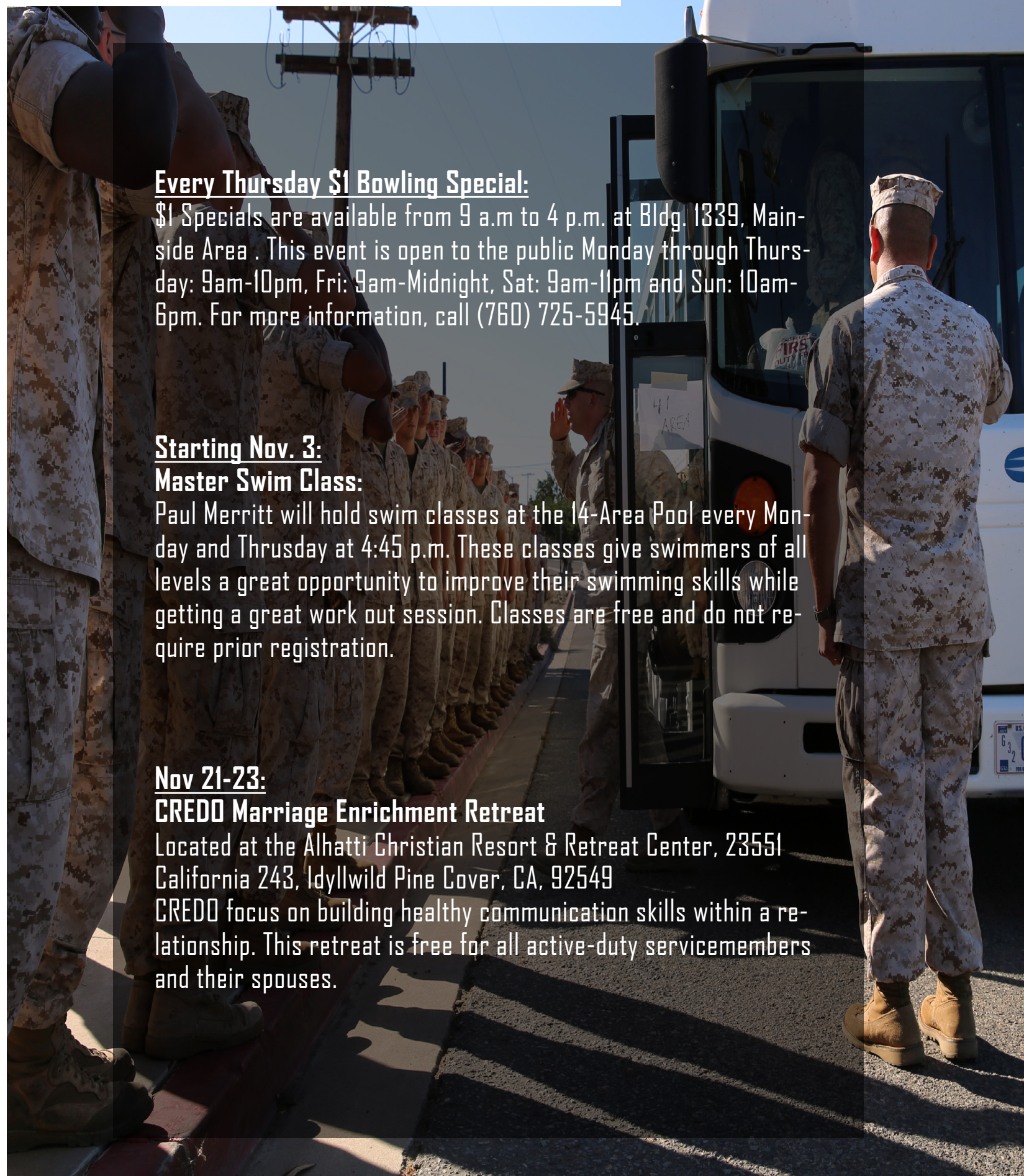
\$1 Specials are available from 9 a.m to 4 p.m. at Bldg. 1339, Main-side Area . This event is open to the public Monday through Thursday: 9am-10pm, Fri: 9am-Midnight, Sat: 9am-11pm and Sun: 10am-6pm. For more information, call (760) 725-5945.

Starting Nov. 3: Master Swim Class:

Paul Merritt will hold swim classes at the 14-Area Pool every Monday and Thursday at 4:45 p.m. These classes give swimmers of all levels a great opportunity to improve their swimming skills while getting a great work out session. Classes are free and do not require prior registration.

Nov 21-23: CREDO Marriage Enrichment Retreat

Located at the Alhatti Christian Resort & Retreat Center, 23551 California 243, Idyllwild Pine Cover, CA, 92549
CREDO focus on building healthy communication skills within a relationship. This retreat is free for all active-duty servicemembers and their spouses.





PARTING SHOT

By Cpl. Rodion Zabolotniy

Marines with Alpha Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, clear rooms in a building during a training evolution using squad tactics aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton on 22 Oct., 2014. The training evolution simulates a combat scenario, using simulation rounds, where communication and unit cohesion are essential.