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'Warpaint' joins with Spartans

SGT. JASON STADEL
2ND BCT, 3RD INF. DIV.

FOB KALSU — Multi-National Division — Center's Operation Marne Thunderbolt gained additional firepower with the arrival of a cavalry unit from western Iraq.

'Warpaint' Troopers from 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division,

"We are and have always been a part of 3ID and we are looking forward to being part of the Marne team again."

— Lt. Col. Clifford Wheeler
5-7th Cav. commander

from Fort Stewart, Ga., left operational control of the II Marine Expeditionary Force, part of Multi-National Force-West. On Jan. 5 they began the transition to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Inf. Div. at FOB Kalsu,

one of five brigades that make up MND-C.

In a year's work in Anbar province, 5-7th Cav. Regt. conducted operations in Fallujah and Ramadi. Lt. Col. Clifford Wheeler, squadron commander, said the biggest changes witnessed were improvements in the Iraqi Security Forces and progress in reconstruction projects.

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Pfc. Monica K. Smith

Chief Warrant Officer Ron Durham (center), Chinook pilot with Company B, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Aviation Regiment, unveils the newly named dining facility Jan. 24 at the 3rd CAB flight line dining facility.

Flight line dining facility named

PFC. MONICA K. SMITH
3RD CAB, 3RD INF. DIV.

CAMP STRIKER — The Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division flight line dining facility was named Jan. 24 at a ceremony.

Chief Warrant Officer Ron Durham, a Chinook pilot in Company B, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Aviation Regiment, submitted the winning entry, "The Whirlwind Diner," in a contest initiated by 3rd CAB Command Ser-

geant Major Richard Stidley.

Durham was awarded a four-day pass to Qatar for his creative suggestion.

"We have a brigade of helicopters and, especially with the Chinooks, all we produce is wind" Durham said.

The winning entry, "The Whirlwind Diner", was chosen from more than 100 submissions.

Some other contest submissions included CAB-eteria, Top Flight Café, The Lone Star DFAC and Wingers.

Today in Marne history ...

January 26, 1945

Second Lt. Audie Murphy, commander of Company B, 15th Infantry, 3rd Infantry Division, was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions on this date near Holtzwihr, France. His company was attacked by six tanks and waves of infantry. He ordered his men to withdraw to prepared positions in a woods, while he remained at his command post and continued to give fire directions to the artillery by telephone. Behind him, to his right, one U.S. tank destroyer received a direct hit and began to burn.

Murphy continued to direct artillery fire which killed large numbers of the advancing enemy infantry. With the enemy tanks abreast of his position, he climbed on the burning tank destroyer, which was in danger of blowing up at any moment, and employed its .50 caliber machine gun

against the enemy. He was alone and exposed to German fire from three sides, but his deadly fire killed dozens of Germans and caused their infantry attack to waver. The enemy tanks, losing infantry support, began to fall back. For an hour, the Germans tried every available weapon to eliminate Murphy, but he continued to hold his position and wiped out a squad which was trying to creep up unnoticed on his right flank. Germans reached as close as 10 yards, only to be mowed down by his fire. He received a leg wound, but ignored it and continued the single-handed fight until his ammunition was exhausted. He then made his way to his company, refused medical attention, and organized the company in a counterattack which forced the Germans to withdraw.

Murphy's directing of artillery



fire wiped out many of the enemy; he killed or wounded about 50. His indomitable courage and his refusal to give an inch of ground saved his company from possible encirclement and destruction, and enabled it to hold the woods, which had been the enemy's objective.

Learn to balance your three-legged stool

CHAP. (CAPT.) ANTHONY RANDALL
3RD SQDRN., 1ST CAV. REGT. CHAPLAIN

One way to assess ourselves during a long deployment is to balance our three-legged stool of spiritual, physical, and mental fitness.

Are you spiritually fit in your faith in God to comfort, deliver, bless, and guide you in 2008 through daily prayer, study, and fellowship?

Are you mentally fit and growing intellectually studying topics such as leadership, your job, promotion boards, marriage, relationships, parenting, and finances?

Are you physically fit and have a

regular workout routine that releases stress, raises self-confidence, and enables you as a warrior to endure the rigors of combat?

Recently I spoke with a Soldier who was conflicted with typical deployment issues we all face, such as work, family and finances. He felt overwhelmed and wanted to rely on his faith but only saw "weak" people simply using "religion as a crutch." I asked him, "What is the purpose of a crutch?"

We agreed it replaces or aids a wounded, inoperable leg. It helps us for a period of time to walk, but it cannot help us run, and is not permanent. When our spiritual leg is broken we re-

sort to a superficial form of religion or faith as a crutch to get us through tough times then throw it away when we think we can walk on our own two feet.

We are created as physical, intellectual, and spiritual creatures and if we are out of balance then we need a "crutch" because we cannot figure out why life seems to break our legs. However, balancing our three-legged stool means we no longer need superficiality, or "crutches," such as bad religion, drugs and alcohol, pornography, anger and violence, gambling or overeating.

May you balance your three-legged stool in 2008 for a Warrior Spirit, Warrior Mind, and Warrior Body!

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WARPAINT: 5-7th Cav. joins Spartan BCT

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"You go in security-minded," Wheeler said. "You can't start (reconstruction) until security is established."

When the squadron arrived in January 2007, the Troopers took the lead on combat missions with ISF support. Over the course of a year that trend changed.

"We saw such remarkable progress that in most cases, the ISF were taking the lead in security with our Soldiers augmenting them," Wheeler said.

In Fallujah, a local factory was awarded a \$4.2 million grant to begin operating. The factory is expected to generate employment opportunities for Iraqis in Anbar.

"The local populace showed that they have a vested interest in their future, and they have taken the lead with respect to local security, government functions and improving the quality of life for their citizens," Wheeler said.

Now, in their last three months in Iraq, 5-7th Cav. Regt. is taking on a new mission in a different area.

"We have been operating outside the 3ID umbrella for about a year now," Wheeler said. "We are and have always been a part of 3ID and we are looking forward to being part of the Marine team again and getting into the fight in the Spartan (area of operations)."

Motivation is high as the Soldiers move from the west to an area south of Baghdad.

"A term I have heard floating around among the troops is 'finish strong', and we view this as a great opportunity to do that," Wheeler said.

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First IPR for...

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Black History Month

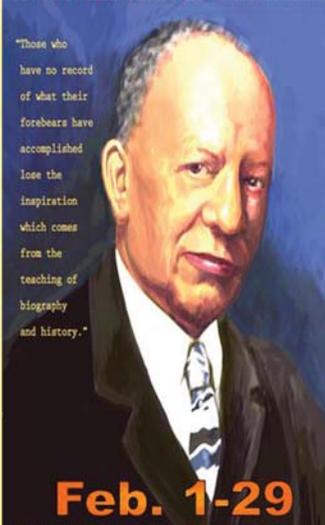
WHO: MND-C Equal Opportunity Office

WHAT: BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHERE: MND-C DFAC

WHEN: Feb. 28, 3 – 4 p.m.

WHY: To solicit support for the upcoming Observance. The MND-C Equal Opportunity Office is looking for VOLUNTEERS who would like to help in building this program. We need people who like to share their talents, Ushers, set up personnel, and much more...



"Those who have no record of what their forebears have accomplished lose the inspiration which comes from the teaching of biography and history."

Feb. 1-29

Carter G. Woodson and the Origins of Multiculturalism

FIRST IPR: Jan. 26

Time: 10:30 a.m.

MND-C CHAPEL

"Honor Chapel"

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SUBVERSION

NOT ALL OF OUR ENEMIES ARE OUTSIDE THE FOB.
BE AWARE OF LOCAL NATIONALS ON BASE!

REPORT POSSIBLE ACTS OF TERRORISM

- Picture-taking
- Video-recording
- Note-taking
- Pace-counting
- Asking questions

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- Facilities where Soldiers congregate
- Equipment and Weapons
- Secured or Sensitive areas

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Safety Thought of the Day

Immersion/Trench Foot Prevention

- Keep boots dry as possible
- Rotate boots daily if possible
- Thoroughly clean and dry your feet
- Put on clean, dry socks daily
- Don't wear socks when lying down to sleep
- Leader involvement is critical to prevention of
- Immersion/trench foot injuries
- Leaders must be trained on the prevention, recognition and prompt treatment of cold weather injuries



File photo

Trenchfoot

Headline Highlights

Snail-mail – literally; stowaway kitten on plane

'Too cold to walk' for Winnipeg car thieves

TORONTO (Reuters) — A group of teenage car thieves took a joy ride to a court-ordered counseling program aimed to keep them away from stealing cars, Winnipeg police said on Tuesday.

The four suspects, aged 16 and 17, were attending the counseling program in the Canadian prairie city as part of a court order relating to previous auto thefts, said Detective Sergeant Kevin Kavitch of the city's stolen-autos unit.

A local newspaper suggested the teens had stolen the car because it was "too cold to walk" to their court ordered training program, although Kavitch described it as a crime of opportunity. Winnipeg daytime temperatures dipped to -40 degrees Celsius (-40 Fahrenheit) last week, with wind chill.

Kavitch said three of the four suspects are level four offenders, the highest designation for chronic auto thieves in the city. More than a dozen cars are stolen every day in Winnipeg, and the city has introduced a program where high-risk offenders are called as often as every three hours to ensure they are not out stealing cars.

"This is the perfect example of where you get a lot of resources going to certain people," said Kavitch. "And some people still make dumb decisions."

Mail officially slow as snails

WARSAW (Reuters) — It's official. Postal delivery is as slow as snails, at least in Poland.

An IT worker, after receiving a letter

Jan. 3 that was sent Dec. 20 as priority mail, calculated that a snail would have made it even faster to his home than the letter.

Daily Gazeta Wyborcza said Michal Szybalski calculated that it took 294 hours for the letter to arrive at his home. He also said the distance between his home and the sender was 11.1 kilometers. Given the distance and the time, the speed of the letter was 0.03775 kilometers per hour. Szybalski calculated that a garden snail travels at around 0.048 kilometers per hour.

Party child turns party pro

MELBOURNE (Reuters) — An Australian teenager who hosted a wild party that caused a near-riot after 500 guests saw his Internet invitation has decided to turn professional and will host a national party tour, he said on Thursday.

Corey Delaney, 16, became notorious at home and abroad after throwing a party while his parents were on holidays. He posted a MySpace notice and revelers caused A\$20,000 (\$17,500) in damages before the party was broken up by police and the dog squad.

Delaney said he had taken on an Australian celebrity agent, Max Markson, and had given up plans to be a carpenter to host and DJ parties in Sydney and Brisbane over the next two months, with another in Melbourne on his 17th birthday on March 21.

"Working on a building site was pretty hard. Now I've got a manager, life's good," Delaney told Australian television.

Parties in Adelaide and Perth, in southern and western Australia, were also planned, he said, although life had become a "bit crazy" since he became infamous. Delaney was arrested after the party.

Markson, agent for many Australian celebrities, said the teen could make up to A\$100,000 from his tour and could become rich, although Markson would pocket 20 percent of his earnings.

"He did a great party in the wrong place. We're going to put on a great party in the right place," Markson told Australian Associated Press.

Kitten stows away in suitcase

MIAMI (Reuters) — A kitten survived a plane trip halfway across the United States after accidentally ending up in a suitcase, a newspaper reported on Tuesday.

Seth Levy's suitcase, in which 10-month-old tabby Gracie Mae stowed away, was mistakenly picked up by the wrong person after a two-and-a-half-hour plane trip from Fort Lauderdale in Florida to Dallas-Fort Worth airport in Texas.

But the man who took the suitcase called the kitten's Florida home and spoke to Levy's wife, Kelly, of Palm Beach Gardens, and agreed to hold the cat until her husband could pick it up, the Sun-Sentinel newspaper said.

"Hi, you're not going to believe this, but I am calling from Fort Worth, Texas. And I accidentally picked up your husband's luggage, and when I opened the luggage a cat jumped out," Levy recalled the man saying on the phone.

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from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

Solution to yesterday's puzzle:

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1	7	9	2	3	6	8	5	4
2	9	7	4	6	1	5	8	3
3	1	5	8	9	7	4	2	6
6	4	8	5	2	3	7	9	1

ARABIC PHRASE OF THE DAY

Where is the trigger man? *wen il-lee fed-jer il-kun-boo-leh?*