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Presidio celebrates life, work of Martin Luther King Jr.

Marcus Fichtl
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PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif. — Service members celebrated the life and deeds of Martin Luther King Jr. during a celebration of the civil rights leader at Cook Hall, Jan. 14.

Entirely led by students from the Defense Language Institute, the presentation utilized song, mock protests and recitations of King's most famous words including the "I have a Dream" speech that he gave in front of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, Aug. 28, 1963.

King became the voice of the civil rights movement when he was asked to lead the Montgomery bus boycott of 1955. In 1957 he was elected as the leader of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference where his nonviolent protests shook the racist foundation of the Jim Crow South, ignited new legislation and moved the needle toward equality for all races. He was assassinated in 1968 at the age of 39.

Today, King is recognized with a federal holiday in his name every third Monday of January. As a national day of service, Americans are asked to volunteer in memory of King.

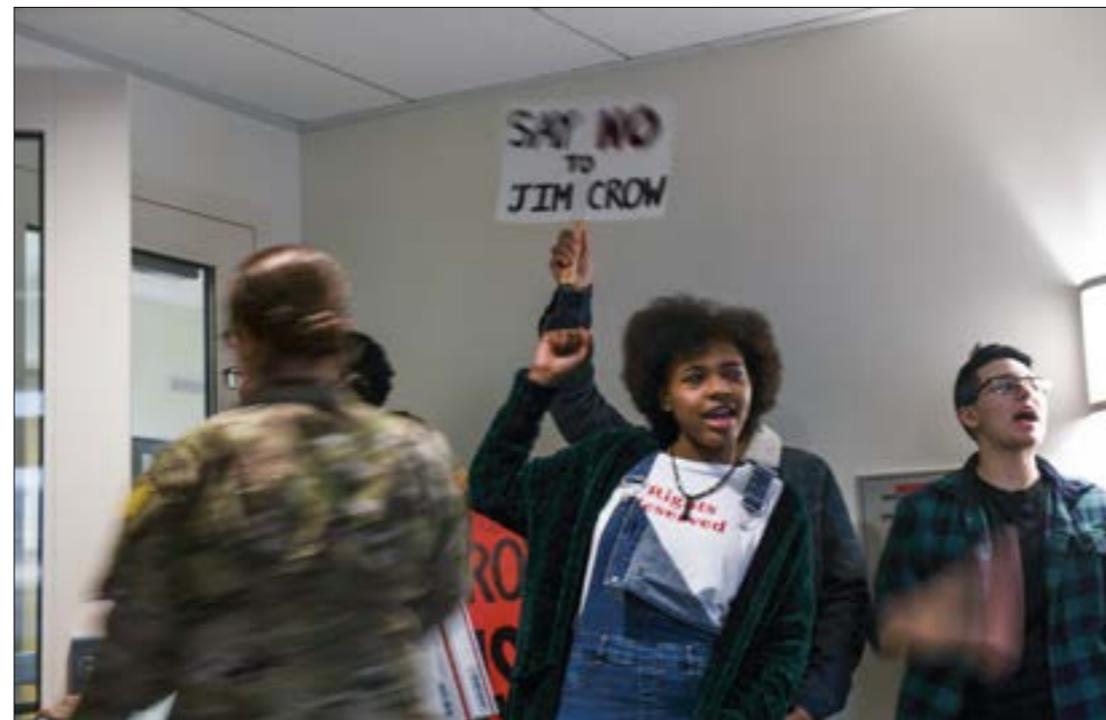


Service members and civilians listen to the words of Martin Luther King Jr. during an observance for the civil rights leader.



Photos by Marcus Fichtl

A pair of service members sing "Lift Every Voice," also known as the Black National Anthem, by James Weldon Johnson, to kick off the Martin Luther King Jr. observance.



Service members stage mock protests inside Cook Hall as people enter the auditorium to hear about Martin Luther King Jr.

Battle of the Bulge: 75 years later

U.S. Army

Early on the misty winter morning of Dec. 16, 1944, more than 200,000 German troops and nearly 1,000 tanks launched Adolf Hitler's last bid to reverse the ebb in his fortunes that had begun when Allied troops landed in France on D-Day. Seeking to drive to the coast of the English Channel and split the Allied armies as they had done in May 1940, the Germans struck in the Ardennes Forest, a 75-mile stretch of the front characterized by dense woods and few roads, held by four inexperienced and battle-worn American divisions stationed there for rest and seasoning.

After a day of hard fighting, the Germans broke through the American front, surrounding most of an infantry division, seizing key crossroads, and advancing their spearheads toward the Meuse River, creating the projection that gave the battle its name.

Stories spread of the massacre of Soldiers and civilians at Malmedy and Stavelot, of paratroopers dropping behind the lines, and of English-speaking German soldiers, disguised as Americans, capturing critical bridges, cutting communications lines, and spreading rumors. For those who had lived through 1940, the picture was all too familiar. Belgian townspeople put away their Allied flags and brought out their swastikas. Police in Paris enforced an all-night curfew. British veterans waited nervously to see how the Americans would react to a full-scale German offensive, and British generals quietly acted to safeguard the Meuse River's crossings. Even American civilians, who had thought final victory



American infantrymen and Sherman tanks advance to the front during the Battle of the Bulge.

was near were sobered by the Nazi onslaught.

But this was not 1940. The supreme Allied commander, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower rushed reinforcements to hold the shoulders of the German penetration. Within days, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton Jr. had turned his Third U.S. Army to the north and was counterattacking against the German flank. But the story of the Battle of the Bulge is above all the story of American Soldiers. Often isolated and unaware of the overall picture, they did their part to slow the Nazi advance, whether by delaying armored spearheads with obstinate defenses of vital crossroads, moving or burning critical gasoline stocks to keep them from

the fuel-hungry German tanks, or coming up with questions on arcane Americana to stump possible Nazi infiltrators.

At the critical road junctions of St. Vith and Bastogne, American tankers and paratroopers fought off repeated attacks, and when the acting commander of the 101st Airborne Division in Bastogne was summoned by his German adversary to surrender, he simply responded, "Nuts!"

Within days, Patton's Third Army had relieved Bastogne, and to the north, the 2nd U.S. Armored

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As the weather cleared during the Battle of the Bulge, American forces made use of their air superiority to drive back German forces.



U.S. soldiers move along snowed-over roads as they counter Germany's last major offensive on the Western front.

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Division stopped enemy tanks short of the Meuse River on Christmas. Through January, American troops, often wading through deep snow drifts, attacked the sides of the shrinking bulge until they had restored the front and set the stage for the final drive to victory.

Never again would Hitler be able to launch an offensive in the west on such a scale. An admiring British Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill stated, "This is undoubtedly the greatest American battle of the war and will, I believe, be regarded as an ever-famous American victory." Indeed, in terms of participation and losses, the Battle of the Bulge is arguably the greatest battle in American military history.



A trio of U.S. Soldiers take up a fighting position in the Ardennes Forest.

Presidio welcomes new garrison senior enlisted leader

Zack Frank
Presidio of Monterey

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif. – The Presidio of Monterey welcomed Command Sgt. Maj. Robert N. Londers as the garrison’s new senior enlisted advisor during a change of responsibility ceremony at the Weckerling Center, Jan. 10. He replaces Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall who is retiring after 28 years of service.

“I want to say thank you to all of my former teammates, friends that I’ve served with and my mentors. I wouldn’t be here today if it wasn’t for them,” said Londers. “Now it’s time to reinvest their energies into this installation and this community.”

Londers joins the Presidio after serving as the senior enlisted advisor of the 102nd Signal Battalion in Landstuhl, Germany. Prior to his latest stint in Germany, his career has spanned the globe with assignments in the United States, Korea and Kuwait.

Garrison Commander Col. Greg Ford, Marshall and Londers took part in the traditional passing of the unit colors – a symbolic transfer of responsibility between the two senior enlisted leaders.

“Today as always in our business is a bittersweet day,” said Ford during the ceremony. “It is bitter because



Photo by Zack Frank

Incoming Command Sgt. Maj. Robert N. Londers speaks during a change of responsibility ceremony at the Presidio of Monterey, Jan. 10.

we see the departure of a phenomenal command sergeant major who has made a positive impact in everything he’s done, but it is sweet because you welcome another equally phenomenal command sergeant major who is excited and ready to continue those efforts.”

Marshall steps into retirement after 28 years on active duty and 16 years at the highest enlisted rank of sergeant major, including his final three years at the Presidio of Monterey.

“The last 40 months have been very rewarding,” said Marshall.

“Everybody from the garrison team will forever have a special place in my heart.”

The Presidio’s new command sergeant major expressed his thanks for the warm reception he has received.

“You have given me the keys to the castle and I truly appreciate it,” Londers said. “I’m humbled and blessed to have this opportunity to serve.”



Photo by Joseph Kumzak

Outgoing Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall hands the unit colors to Garrison Commander Col. Greg Ford, during a change of responsibility ceremony at the Presidio of Monterey, Jan. 10.

Goodbye CSM Marshall



Marcus Fichtl
Presidio of Monterey

Four years ago Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall was anxiously waiting for one last set of orders to the 82nd Airborne Division. It would be a fitting end to his career as a Soldier and a paratrooper; but as he scrolled through the list of command sergeant major selections he didn't see his name next to the division, its brigades or even battalions. Finally at the very bottom of the list he saw his name next to U.S. Army Garrison Presidio of Monterey. Like the signal soldier he was, Marshall immediately grabbed his phone and searched: where is the Presidio of Monterey?

Marshall enlisted right out of high school hoping to see the world, shipping to basic training just a week after graduation. He expected the Army to be a short adventure, but little did Marshall know those few days of what a Soldier would call civilian life would be his last for 28 years.

After graduating basic and his advanced individual training, Marshall had a problem. He was back in El Paso, because the Army decided to station him at Fort Bliss. He needed another way out and that's

when he volunteered a second time – this time for airborne school at Fort Benning, Georgia.

His career then kicked into gear when he arrived at Fort Bragg, North Carolina with shiny airborne wings on his chest.

Rising through the enlisted ranks, Marshall became a jumpmaster, the expert paratrooper in charge of the safety of his fellow paratroopers, and that's when he knew he had found his calling – when his troops trusted their lives to his leadership.

“Out of all the jumpmasters, Soldiers came to me to make their final safety checks,” Marshall said.

Marshall was part of the initial invasion of Iraq and reached the highest enlisted rank of sergeant major in just 16 years. He even found time for a family along the way. But now his last stop would be the Presidio of Monterey, a unit far, far away from the Army's center of gravity at Fort Bragg. Marshall wasn't sure if the past twenty years of leading from the foxhole would resonate with the 400 civilians and the less than handful of Soldiers under his charge.

But his leadership instincts kicked in. He didn't need his jump boots to lead. Quickly, he worked to move the Soldier's Attic; he began revitalizing the post's mayoral program; and he made a point to attend every Better Opportunities for Single Service Members meeting.

“The Presidio became my greatest assignment,” Marshall said.

Thanks to Marshall, new military families had the help they needed to ease into the “rugged lifestyle” and the BOSS program was named the Army's best the past two years.

Marshall's advice and secret to success: “Every mission I was given, I gave it 110 percent. Every opportunity I had to volunteer, I volunteered.”





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Yankee Samurai: legacy honored

Photo by Zack Frank

Yankee Samurai

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Presidio of Monterey

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif. – An exhibit highlighting the history and legacy of Japanese language translators during World War II was unveiled by Command Historian Cameron Binkley and Defense Language Institute Commandant Col. Gary Hausman at the Presidio of Monterey's Aiso Library, Jan. 28.

Featured in the exhibit is the samurai-style sword of Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida, a Japanese American U.S. Army Counter Intelligence Corps agent who served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Sakakida was fluent in Japanese and his translation skills likely kept him alive despite the mental and physical torture he endured during the war.

“Sakakida was an American spy, planted in the Philippines right before Pearl Harbor,” said Brian Shiroyama, President of the Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans, who presented the sword to the DLI on behalf of the Sakakida family.

In 1941, the Philippines were a protectorate of the United States. The spread of the Empire of Japan led American forces to deploy bilingual soldiers as covert intelligence gatherers. Sakakida's mission was to pose as a merchant marine who jumped ship and then blend into Philippine society. Following the outbreak of war and subsequent Japanese invasion, Sakakida rejoined U.S. Army forces during the American retreat.

“After Pearl Harbor, American forces took Japanese prisoners, so Richard was used to interrogate prisoners, but soon the situation changed,” said Shiroyama.

On May 6, 1942, Sakakida accompanied General Jonathan Wainwright, Allied commander in the Philippines, to the surrender negotiations as his interpreter following America's loss at the Battle of the Philippines. According to Shiroyama, at the



Photo by Natela Cutter

Brian Shiroyama, President of the Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans, donates Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida's sword to DLI Commandant Col. Dino Pick, December 2012.

negotiations a Japanese soldier recognized Sakakida as the man who interrogated him earlier in the war. The Japanese military then took Sakakida into custody. He would be one of only two Japanese American soldiers taken as a prisoner of war during World War II.

In December 1944, after years of torture and being forced to translate documents for the Japanese, Sakakida escaped and hid in the jungle until finally reestablishing contact with American soldiers in September 1945, two weeks after the end of the war.

During his life, Sakakida conveyed his concerns about reestablishing contact with the U.S. forces, “I was afraid that when I reach the Allied line, I'm gonna get shot, because I look like the enemy.”

After returning to the U.S. Army he was promoted to master sergeant and interpreted at the war trials of Japanese officers in the Philippines. In 1947 he was commissioned as an officer before splitting off with the newly formed US Air Force where he eventually rose to the rank of lieutenant

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Photos by Zack Frank

Brian Shiroyama, President of the Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans, speaks about Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida at the Aiso Library, Jan 28, 2020.

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colonel before retiring in 1975 after 34 years of military service.

He spent much of his air force career in Japan. As a token of respect for his record of service, Sakakida received the ceremonial sword that now rests on permanent display at DLI.

“The spirit of ‘Duty, Honor and Country’ (he) lived by is best exemplified by something which all samurai carried and treasured – the sword,” said Shiroyama.

The text of the exhibit label reads, “The sword of Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida embodies this tradition and represents the many Japanese American military

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linguists who served across the Pacific Theater in World War II. They risked death by combat, after capture by Japanese forces – who often saw them as traitors, or by friendly fire due to mistaken identity.’

“DLI is very proud to be able to display this honorable sword,” said DLI Hausman during the unveiling.

Accompanying Sakakida’s sword are intercepted documents and confiscated items including a Japanese rifle, bayonet and helmet. These items represent the work translators would have performed as part of their regular duties and the tangible results their efforts could produce.

The Military Intelligence Service Language School, later renamed the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, was founded as a Japanese language school for military linguists during World War II. Japanese American translators who served during the war were later given the moniker ‘Yankee Samurai’, and many of them were Nisei, or second-generation Americans whose parents were born in Japan. After the war, DLI quickly expanded to offer dozens of languages. But even before the establishment of the school linguists have always proven essential to the Army’s mission.

“The Sakakida family felt that this sword could serve as yet another symbol of proud legacy of the MIS and that the DLI would be the best place.” said Shiroyama. “Thank you very much for such a wonderful job that you’ve done in displaying this.”



The display of Lt. Col. Richard Sakakida’s sword and an autobiography of his life will become a permanent addition to the Aiso Library.

FROM THE HISTORIAN

Buffalo Soldiers patrol Yosemite



Courtesy of Yosemite National Park

Companies C and D, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, assigned to the Presidio of Monterey under the command of Maj. John Bigelow, Jr., seen foremost, as deployed upon the "Fallen Monarch" in Mariposa Grove near Wawona, Yosemite National Park, summer 1904.

Cameron Binkley
Command Historian

In May 1904, Troopers of the 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry, departed Ord Barracks in Monterey, California, for five months of field duty. During their absence local carpenters completed building

the new post while the Army, upon second thought, renamed it the Presidio of Monterey.

The 9th Cavalry was a segregated or "colored" unit, one of several formed after the Civil War to allow African Americans to serve in the Army. Colored units were generally under the command of white officers

with a scattering of African American officers, such as Charles Young. African American soldiers were also called "Buffalo Soldiers," a term conferred upon them by Plains Indians. Encountering segregated Army units during the Indian Wars, native people apparently associated the soldiers' dark and typically curly hair with the matted fur on a bison's head. Soldiers considered the name a token of high respect. Indeed, the Army incorporated the buffalo into the crest of the 10th Cavalry, another colored unit, and reggae singer Bob Marley globally popularized the term in the 1980s.

Covering 20 miles per day, the 9th Cavalry troopers rode north to Gilroy and then east through Los Banos. They were enroute to patrol Yosemite, Sequoia, and General Grant (later Kings Canyon) National Parks. Before there was a National Park Service, the Army was responsible for thwarting unauthorized activities in the great western parks, including illegal grazing, poaching, and logging.

During their summer stay, the cavalymen also improved the parks – they carved out new trails and roads, stocked fish in lakes and streams, and even built an arboretum in Wawona. The previous summer troopers of the 9th Cavalry's 3d Squadron, deployed from the Presidio of San Francisco, had done similar work. In late 1904, after arriving back at the Presidio, the 9th was ordered to change stations. Frequent redeployment was the norm for the Buffalo Soldiers, who never returned to Monterey.



9th Cavalry Regiment distinctive unit insignia

News Briefs: Army

Nominee for Army undersecretary vows to boost quality of life across force



WASHINGTON — The Army secretary along with senior Army officials joined industry leaders last week to get a closer look at cutting-edge capabilities for future vertical lift ahead of the fiscal year 2030 goal to replace the UH-60 Black Hawk.

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New vertical lift capabilities take flight during demo



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Army updates Law of Land Warfare doctrine to increase guidance, clarity



FORT MEADE, Md. — To help Soldiers to better understand the complex rules of war, the Army has released Field Manual 6-27, the Commander's Handbook on the Law of Land Warfare.

The handbook provides crucial guidance to Soldiers and Marines on the Law of Armed Conflict, or LOAC. It also helps U.S. troops comply with international and host nation laws. Some of the LOAC rules include refraining from harming enemies who surrender and collecting and caring for the wounded of both friendly and enemy forces.

"These are the rules and principles which guide our actions in the conduct of hostilities," said retired Col. Michael Meier, special assistant to the Army judge advocate general for law of war matters.

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News Briefs **Air Force**

Nellis AFB and RAAF team up to support Australia wildfire relief



NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. —Australians have been battling devastating wildfires since September 2019. More than 13 million acres have burned across the country as firefighters and emergency responders continue to battle the blazes.

Members of the Royal Australian Air Force and Nellis Air Force Base teamed up to load more than 50 bundles of fire suppressant and other critical firefighting equipment onto three RAAF C-17 Globemaster III aircraft for delivery to the Australian Emergency authorities and Rural Fire Service.

The Chief of the Royal Australian Air Force, Air Marshal Mel Hupfeld, was thankful for the support of the United States Air Force and United States stakeholders assisting with this movement of supplies.

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AFMC standardizes onboarding, civilian acculturation



WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — New civilian employees can expect to get on the job faster as a result of a new, standardized Air Force Materiel Command Civilian Acculturation Program.

The program, officially launched in May 2019, encompasses the time from which an individual receives a firm offer of employment through the end of the new employee's two-year probationary period. It standardizes and streamlines the onboarding process across AFMC, with impacts ranging from increased job satisfaction to improved new employee retention and more.

"Civilian Airmen make up more than two-thirds of our AFMC workforce and support the warfighter in all aspects of our mission," said Col. Charles Parada, AFMC Manpower, Personnel and Services deputy director.

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SEAC discusses authentic leadership during California National Guard banquet



SAN DIEGO — For many of the gathered Soldiers and Airmen of the California National Guard, the position of senior enlisted advisor to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff was one they were not familiar with. They could be forgiven SEAC Ramón "CZ" Colón-López, only the fourth individual to hold the position, took to the podium Jan. 18 in San Diego to answer questions, educate the group on the SEAC position and detail priorities of the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

The initial meet and greet was just a warm-up for the day. After speaking with the assembled troops, Colón-López visited with Airmen and Soldiers during break-out sessions.

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News Briefs: **Navy**

Recruit Training Command Grads Eligible for Nine College Credits



GREAT LAKES, Ill. — Curriculum changes at Recruit Training Command (RTC) will provide boot camp graduates with more college credits and potentially save the Navy millions in tuition costs.

Following a review of Navy Basic Military Training curriculum, the American Council on Education (ACE) has recommended nine college credits be awarded upon graduation from the Navy's only boot camp. The increase from two credits equals a potential tuition savings of \$213.8 million annually when calculated using RTC's annual throughput and the national average of \$594 per credit hour across all collegiate sectors.

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Navy Names Future Aircraft Carrier Doris Miller During MLK, Jr. Day Ceremony



WASHINGTON — Acting Secretary of the Navy Thomas B. Modly named a future aircraft carrier USS Doris Miller (CVN 81) during a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony honoring African Americans of the Greatest Generation in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Jan. 20.

The backdrop for the day's ceremony paid homage to the beginning and ending of America's role in World War II and the scene where Doris Miller's heroic actions cemented him into books of American history.

"It's an honor to join you today on the birthday celebration of one of our nation's, and the world's, greatest spiritual, intellectual and moral leaders," said Modly. "Seventy-five years ago our nation bound together to secure victory against an existential threat, but also to secure opportunities for broader liberty and justice for the entire world.

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Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group Departs for Deployment



SAN DIEGO — The Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group (TRCSG) departed San Diego for a scheduled Indo-Pacific deployment, Jan. 17.

More than 6,000 Sailors assigned to TRCSG ships and units will provide maritime security, maintain freedom of the seas in accordance with international law and customs, and operate with international partners and allies to promote regional stability and prosperity.

"The U.S. Navy carrier strike group serves as the centerpiece of deterrence, providing our national command authority with flexible deterrent options and a visible forward presence," said Rear Adm. Stu Baker, commander, Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 9.

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News Briefs: **Marines**

2ND AA BN BECOMES FIRST UNIT TO NEGOTIATE LEJEUNE'S NEW LEADERSHIP REACTION COURSE



CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — U.S. Marines with 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, took on a challenge as the first unit to navigate the newly-opened Leadership Reaction Course on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, Jan. 7, 2020.

More than 60 Marines with 2nd AA Bn maneuvered through four different obstacles, some leading the path to victory and other to defeat.

“Marines gain a lot from this training and most importantly they gain the ability to think in a time constrained, stressful situation. There are frictions that are thrown at them, having to think under pressure, giving them the ability to problem solve on the move,” said Staff Sgt. Donald McBee Jr., 2nd AA Bn.

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MARINES CELEBRATE ‘FIGHTING SPIRIT’ AT ULTIMATUM II



ARLINGTON, Texas — Marines with the 8th Marine Corps District engaged with competitors and spectators at Ultimum II, an esports competition featuring the game “Super Smash Bros. Ultimate,” at Esports Stadium Arlington from December 27-29.

The event represented the Marine Corps’ first activation at North America’s largest dedicated esports facility which covers 100,000 square feet and has the capacity to host 2,500 spectators. Open to all skill levels, Ultimum II offered qualifier tournaments for collegiate and ISD students from the Dallas and Fort Worth areas as well as an amateur circuit.

The links between the gaming community and service in the Marine Corps have become increasingly apparent, according to Capt. Michael Maggitti.

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LIGHTNING STRIKES MIRAMAR: 3RD MAW WELCOMES CORPS’ FIRST F-35C



MARINE CORPS AIR STATION MIRAMAR, Calif. — Marine Corps and aviation history was made as 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing welcomed its first F-35C Lightning II fighter jet to Marine Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFA) 314 and MCAS Miramar on Jan. 21.

Lt. Col. Cedar Hinton, commanding officer of VMFA-314, flew the aircraft from Naval Air Station Lemoore, California to MCAS Miramar.

“It should be no surprise that VMFA-314 is once again leading the way into the next generation of fighter attack aircraft,” said Hinton.

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Calendar of upcoming events



Feb. 3:

Intramural Basketball season starts: Call for schedule

Location: @Price Fitness Center

Contact: 831-242-5550

Feb. 11:

School Liaison Services Home School Co-op:

Home School Families, the School Liaison Services welcomes your school-age children to the Home School Co-Op. There will be different fun and educational activities available for home schoolers.

Cost: Free

Time and location: 9-11:30 a.m. @ Porter Youth Center

Contact: 831-242-6904

Feb. 12:

Couples Connection: Navigating the challenges of long-term commitment takes effort. Strengthen and deepen your love with a fun, ingenious program of eight life-changing conversations on essential topics such as money, sex, and trust.

Cost: Free

Time and location: 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ACS

Contact: 831-242-7660

Feb. 19:

Positive Discipline: What does discipline mean to you? What is punishment? How about logical consequences for our children? We have so many opinions about this topic and how to best raise our children; let's explore some ideas that will work for your family, as well as understanding how your child's temperament effects some of your decisions.

Cost: Free

Time and location: 6-7:30 p.m. @ACS

Contact: 831-242-7653

FEB. 22:

The 5 Love Languages of Children:

Following the work of Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell, we will discuss how to discover and speak your child's "love language" in order to build a solid foundation for your child to trust you and flourish as they grow!

Cost: Free

Time and location: 10-11:00 a.m. @ACS

Contact: 831-242-7653



Make your own burrito: Make your own burrito with BOSS at the Hobson Recreation Center. Free book, The 5 Love Languages, with participation.

Cost: Free

Time and location: 6-8 p.m. @ Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447

Regular Events

Mondays:

Breastfeeding Support, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays:

Yoga, 5:30-6:30 p.m. @ACS

Wednesdays:

Play Group, 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Infant) & 10:00-11:00 a.m. (toddler) @ ACS

Fridays:

Open Mic Night, 8-11 p.m. @Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447

Saturdays:

Yoga, 9-10 a.m. @Price Fitness Center

Contact: 831-242-5550

Every First Wednesday of the month:

Couples Connection 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ACS

Contact: 831-242-7660

Every First Saturday of the month:

Billiard Tournament, 6-8 p.m. @Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447

Bring Your Own Game Nights, free ice cream sundaes, 8:00 @ Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447

2nd Tuesday of each Month

PYC PPA Meeting, 5:15 p.m. @ Porter Youth

Contact: 831-242-6904

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday:

Farmers Day, 6 - 7:30 p.m., Departs from Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday:

(BOSS) Knitting Club, 1-3 p.m. @Hobson Center

Contact: 831-242-5447



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Soldier, linguist, yogi



Presidio graduates new mediators



Presidio memorialization project

