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## KNIGHTS' LAST RIDE



### CH-46 helicopters return from their final East Coast deployment

Photo by Cpl. Aaron J. Rock

A CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter from the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit's Aviation Combat Element, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 264 (Reinforced), prepares to land on the flight deck of USS San Antonio.

**AARON J. ROCK**  
Marine Expeditionary Unit

you have been a Marine since the start of the Vietnam War, you have seen changes in the Corps. New technology, gear, weapons and tactics have been assimilated and then replaced. But since 1964, one thing hasn't changed.

The CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter has served as the pri-

mary medium-lift helicopter for the Marine Corps since its introduction to the fleet, and despite over 40 years of improvements and upgrades, its distinctive shape would be familiar to anyone from multiple generations of service members. It has been around so long that it has become the standard of measurement by which aircraft on flight decks are arranged.

The CH-46, or phrog, as it is called affectionately by many,

is now approaching something many long-serving veterans eventually see, retirement.

"We are the last active duty, East Coast phrog squadron. We've reached a milestone," said Lt. Col. Mike D. Snyder, a phrog pilot since 1993 and commanding officer of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit's Aviation Combat Element, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-264 (Reinforced).

The Sea Knight, a fixture on the flight deck of every

Marine Air Ground Task force deployed aboard naval vessels since the 1970s, will soon be replaced by the MV-22 Osprey as the primary medium-lift aircraft for the Corps.

Just because this would prove to be its last float, however, didn't mean the aircraft came up with any kind of short timer's disease.

A month into the MEU's deployment, Central Command sent the MEU's CH-53E Super Stallion heavy-lift

helicopters to Iraq, leaving the Sea Knights as the primary support aircraft for the next six months, a job they performed well, according to Snyder.

"The (CH-46s) stepped up and fulfilled all the requirements without the (CH-53s) here," he said.

What's especially impressive is the fact that the aircraft fulfilling those missions are, in many cases, often twice as old as the pilots flying them and crews keeping them in the air.

HMM-264's youngest aircraft hit the fleet in September of 1970. It's oldest in October of 1966. Between just those two aircraft, disregarding all others in the squadron, they have over 20,660 hours flown.

Colonel Mark J. Desens, commanding officer of the 26th MEU and a CH-46 pilot since 1987, said the Marine Corps definitely got something right with the Sea Knight by

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Photo by Cpl. Alan Addison

Marines from Multi National Force-West's Quick Reaction Force wait to exit a CH-53E helicopter during a quick reaction exercise at Camp Ripper, Iraq. Marines from Company B, 1st Tank Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 8 assume responsibilities of the QRF March 12.

CAMP RIPPER, IRAQ

## Tankers become force to recon with

**CPL. ALAN ADDISON**  
Regimental Combat Team 8

"First to fight" is a phrase that often comes to mind when referring to the Marine Corps. Not only is being the first to engage the enemy very important, but reacting quickly to a call for help is imperative.

Marines from Company B, 1st Tank Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 8, conducted quick reaction training, March 11, in preparation to take on responsibilities as Multi National Force-West's Quick Reaction Force. Although this job calls for these Marines to operate outside of their military occupational specialty, the

training they have completed has helped prepare them for their upcoming task.

"They have really adapted to the mission; it's different from anything they've done throughout their current deployment, but they're doing a good job," said 1st Lt. James Smith, current QRF platoon commander, Company D, 3rd Amphibious Assault Battalion. "We've been teaching them to transition out of their normal tank mindset into a more infantry-based thinking."

The last training exercise the QRF Marines participated in was a drill which provided them the opportunity to practice their reaction time from start to finish. As the exercise started, combat-equipped

Marines loaded themselves onto a CH-53E helicopter. They unloaded in a target area and transitioned into ground movements. During ground movements, Marines cleared the area and located a safe landing zone for the helicopter. Once Marines completed ground movements, the helicopter was guided back to their position. The QRF Marines boarded the helicopter and returned to their starting point.

"Training like this is very important," said 1st Lt. Aaron Nord, the incoming platoon commander for the QRF, and first platoon commander for Company B,

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INSIDE THE GLOBE



AL ASAD AIR BASE, IRAQ

## Mortarmen return to true calling

**CPL. ERIC C. SCHWARTZ**  
Regimental Combat Team 8

As each 81mm high explosive mortar round slammed into the desert sands of Shadow Range aboard Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, the Marines of Company F, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 8 honed their skills.

Company F has been nomadic during their deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. For the past three months they have lived out of their light armored vehicles combing the desert along the Syrian border, but now based aboard Al Asad they are able to focus their efforts on traditional warfare training.

"I'm an infantryman with mortars, but all of them have been doing grunt

work out here," said Lance Cpl. Gabriel Aguilar, ammo man with Company F's mortar team. "Now they're going to work and doing their true job."

Although the company is almost finished with their deployment, they looked forward to going outside the wire one last time to train with the weapons they know best.

"We haven't been able to shoot mortars since we've been in the field," said Lance Cpl. Philip Coleman, a turret gunner with Company F. "It feels great that we get to do this."

The Marines are proud of the mission they've completed during their deployment, but are motivated to do what they do best: blow things up.

"It's like being a quarterback and never throwing the ball," Aguilar relates. "Now mortars gets to play."



Photo by Cpl. Eric C. Schwartz

Mortarmen with Company F, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance, Regimental Combat Team 8, plot fire direction information on M16 plotting boards, during a mortar exercise here.

The Marines enjoy sending rounds after rounds down range, but just like it takes a litter to raise a runt, it takes a whole team to make sure each mortar runs fear down the enemies' spines.

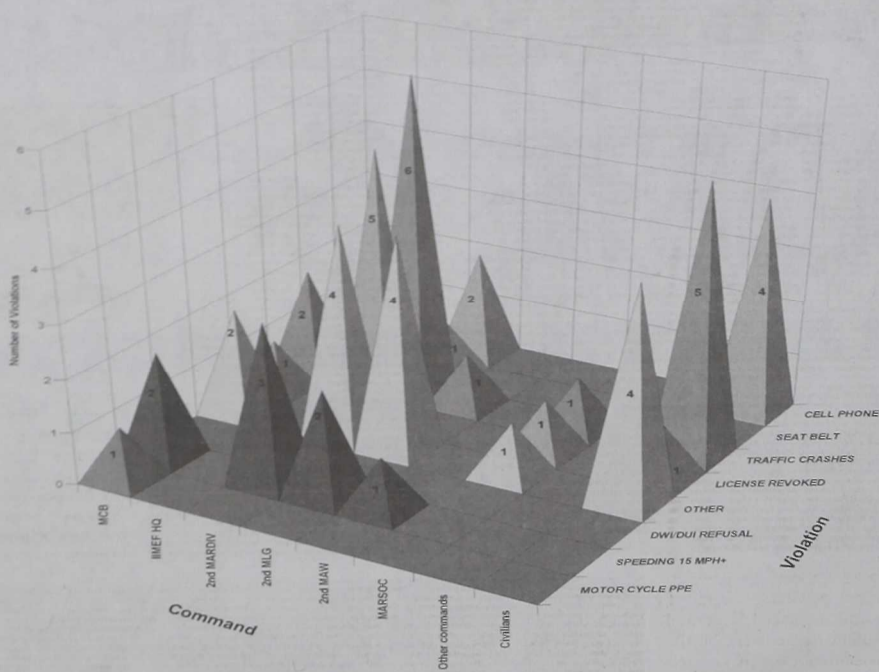
The forward observers contacted

the fire direction center Marines, mapping out the distance of the target. The FDC mortarmen then used the tried and true method of the M16 plotting

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## Traffic violations aboard Camp Lejeune



This graph represents traffic violations and Driving While Intoxicated / Driving Under the Influence refusals for Camp Lejeune during the week of March 9 through 13. Traffic violations are defined as: driving while license revoked, speeding in excess of 15 mph or over, traffic crashes, seatbelt, cellular telephone and motorcycle personal protective equipment violations.

Source: Command Inspector General's Office for Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune

# Semper Safe

BY MARINE CORPS SAFETY DIVISION

## Don't be a victim, prevent impaired driving

Motorists are facing an epidemic of death on our roadways, and tragically many of the fatalities and serious injuries could have been prevented. It is estimated over 40 percent of all fatalities occurring on our nation's roads are caused by alcohol-impaired drivers.

Over 17,000 people are killed annually with tens of thousands of serious and disabling injuries occurring. As of Oct. 1, 2008 to date, the Marine Corps alone has already lost 14 personnel in motor vehicle accidents. In Fiscal Year 2008 a total of 68 Marines were killed in private motor vehicle collisions, six of those in government motor vehicle collisions.

The fact is too many lives are lost each year to a tragedy that can be avoided. This trend is unacceptable and must be corrected.

See the following information to assist you:

If you are drinking, do not drive. If you plan to drink, designate a non-drinking driver.

Support the strengthening and vigorous enforcement of impaired-driving laws.

Young drivers are at particular risk to be involved in alcohol-related crashes. Remember, if you're under 21; strictly follow the zero tolerance alcohol policy as required by Marine Corps Order and state laws.

Your best defense against a drunk driver is wearing your safety belt, ensure it's always used.

Volunteer to be a designated driver and don't hesitate to encourage others to volunteer.

Never condone excessive alcohol consumption. Intoxicated behavior is deadly.

Don't ever let your friends drive drunk. Take their keys, have them spend the night, have them ride home with someone else, call a cab, or do whatever else is necessary - but don't let them drive.

If you are impaired, call a taxi, use mass transit, or get a sober friend or family member to drive you.

If your plans change, as we know they often do, take advantage of the Jacksonville Transit System or your unit's Arrive Alive Program.

When driving, avoid use of medications that may impair your judgment and awareness.

If you are going to drink, know and use the low-risk consumption guidelines known as "The Domino Strategy 0-1-2." See the following Web site for more information; <http://dominostrategy.org/012.html>.

Remember - Friends don't let friends drive impaired. Take their keys and never let a friend leave your sight if you think they are about to drive while impaired.

Commanders and leaders: Ensure your personnel are educated on the dangers of impaired driving and the use of the designated driver and "Arrive Alive" programs as necessary to prevent mishaps. For more information, contact your unit safety officer or your base safety representative.

### MAN ON THE STREET

What would you cut back on due to the current economic situation?



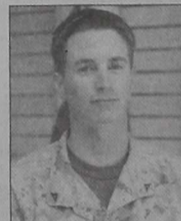
**Pfc. Jordan Clendenor**  
Ammunition technician  
2nd Marine Division  
Johnson City, Tenn.

"Probably cigarette I'm already trying to quit."



**Staff Sgt. Brandon Anlong**  
Afghan National Security Forces partner  
2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade  
Monterey Bay, Calif.

"I'm not cutting back anything."



**Lance Cpl. William Skidmore**  
Mortarman  
2nd Marine Division  
Columbia, S.C.

"I would have to say going out to eat so much and cut out pleasure spending."



**Amy Lopez**  
Clinique employee  
Marine Corps Exchange  
Dayton, Ohio

"Going out to eat restaurants."



**Cpl. Arinze Anene**  
In between billets  
2nd Marine Division  
Queens, N.Y.

"I really would not cut back on too much, because I've been frugal with my money, but if I was I would be supplementing to take a more natural approach."

## News Watch

**Crime Stoppers Barbecue fundraiser**  
The barbecue fundraiser will take place March 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Jacksonville Mall parking lot, Western Blvd. The cost is \$6 per plate. For tickets or more information, contact 347-4007. Delivery to any one location available with the purchase of 10 or more dinners.

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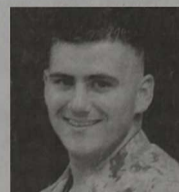
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SSAU, BAHAMAS

# Nassau school children get inked: NCIS provides fingerprint ID kits

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Every parent's nightmare is the loss of a child. With international statistics on abduction rising at an alarming rate, a simple act of having a kit personally identifying information such as fingerprints and DNA on the child, could make a big difference in ensuring the loved one's safe return.

The U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service special agents at the day at Woodcock Primary School providing that opportunity to more than 200 children between nine and 11-years-old, March 10.

Though hesitant at first, the children soon grew relaxed as Florida-based Special Agents 1 Crews, Marc Avalos, Chris Guthinger and Mitzi Deal encouraged them to talk about sports, family — anything of interest to the child — they fingerprinted the children and explained why it is important for their families to have the information.

"It's very important," said Staff Sgt. A.C. Mink, an 11-year-old student at Woodcock Primary. "If we are ever lost or they cannot find us, someone finds us, they can use our fingerprints."

Though child abduction is rare in Nassau, said Fanola Wilkinson, Senior Mistress for Woodcock Primary, she was excited the service was being provided to the families, and was thankful to Catherine Stuart-Gibson, of the U.S. Embassy, Nassau, for helping to arrange the event.

"It's very nice for (NCIS) to provide the personal ID," said Wilkinson.

She said, with the kits being provided at no cost, many families who would otherwise be unable to afford to have identification provided, would now have the service available to them.

Once they completed the ID process and cleaned the ink from their hands, much to the dismay of several, who seemed thrilled with the prospect of sharing it with their peers, the students were treated to a presentation at the major case response team van, by Special Agent Rick Fitzpatrick.

The opportunity to examine the evidence collection articles in the van, with Fitzpatrick's description and explanation, was a big hit with the students. Crowding closely to the agent, they asked dozens of questions and "really seemed to like the fin-



Photo by Staff Sgt. A.C. Mink  
Special Agent Milti O'Neal, Naval Criminal Investigative Service, explains the importance of fingerprints to Victoria, an 8-year-old Woodcock Primary School student, for her identification kit, March 10.

gerprint kit with its glow-in-the-dark powder." Several of the students asked if he and the other agents were on the television show, NCIS, and seemed slightly disappointed when he laughingly said no.

Though a day of fun for the children, Fitzpatrick emphasized how crucial the kits could be for identification.

"Unfortunately, in the world we live in, you never know what will happen," said Fitzpatrick. "If anything were to happen in the future, the kits created today could be referenced."

The NCIS agents, all from the NCIS South East Field Office, Jacksonville, Fla., are here as part of Exercise Tradewinds 2009, providing training such as evidence identification and collection, for Caribbean Nation Defence Forces. These skills meet the overall goal of increasing maritime security, allowing for more effective law enforcement practices on and off the water, and allow for the best case scenario for prosecution.



Photo by Staff Sgt. A.C. Mink  
Special Agent Marc Avalos, Naval Criminal Investigative Service, explains the fingerprinting process to Woodcock Primary School students, March 10.

The nations participating in Exercise Tradewinds 2009 include Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Nicaragua, St. Kitts-Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines,

Suriname, Trinidad-Tobago, the U.K. and the U.S.

Tradewinds '09 includes personnel from the Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Army, Navy, Air Force, National Guard, JIATF-S, Naval Criminal Investigative Service and

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Photo by Cpl. M. M. Bravo. Corpsmen and Marines with Shock Trauma platoon, Health Service and Support Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 4, search and simulated patient weapons and during a mass casualty training exercise, March 2, at Camp Baharia, Iraq. The importance of the exercise was to familiarize the corpsmen and Marines with the procedures dealing with a mass casualty emergency.

CAMP BAHARIA, IRAQ

# CLB-5's Shock Trauma platoon passes on the litter to CLB-4

CPL. M. M. BRAVO  
2nd Marine Logistics Group

"Plan for the worst and hope for the best" is a good attitude to have when a mass casualty emergency might occur at any moment.

Shock Trauma platoon, Health Service and Support Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 5, carried that attitude throughout their seven-month deployment to Iraq. Even though they had very few trauma patients, they were always prepared for their arrival.

As the STP of CLB-5 prepares to leave Iraq, they passed on the knowledge they gained to their replacing unit, CLB-4, as they supervised a mass casualty training exercise, March 2.

The exercise was conducted as part of the turn over between the battalions and it allowed CLB-4 to become familiar with the procedures essential in responding to mass casualty circumstances.

"The best we can do at an STP is stabilize (patients), get them breathing, and get them out to better care," said Navy Lt. Carmen M. Brosinski, an enroute care nurse with the STP of CLB-4, who flies with patients in a helicopter to their next stage of medical care.

Navy Lt. Thomas J. Dowdle, training officer, STP, CLB-5, set up the mass casualty drills, and based the scenarios on real-life emergencies he had experienced in the past, most of them revolving around improvised explosive device injuries.

"I focused on the trends I've seen such as head injuries, abdominal injuries, and amputations," he said.

Before the patients were allowed in the building, a Marine security team searched them for weapons, explosives and anything else that might jeopardize the safety of the STP and its personnel.

Pfc. Leon A. Combs, a security Marine with CLB-4,

learned some important lessons about his role as security during the exercise.

"Don't be hasty with the searches, but be fast," he said. "Make sure the patients don't have anything on them and they're mindful of who is trying to get in (the building)."

Once the simulated patients were cleared to be taken inside, they were assessed for injuries, sorted by life expectancy, stabilized and prepared for flights to higher levels of care. While assessing and sorting the patients, Dowdle had to decide whom he could and could not save. He said in doing that, he had to remember one thing — do the greatest good for the greatest amount of people.

"The toughest part of my job, is knowing someone is expectant (going to die within 10-15 minutes if no care is given) and being overwhelmed with other patients."

Each team that worked on a patient, who could be stabilized, consisted of two corpsmen and one nurse.

"At each position CLB-5 would shadow CLB-4," Dowdle said. "They critiqued them and gave pointers on how to do things better. I think CLB-4 did a good job."

Brosinski said this was the first time CLB-4 had worked together in a medical atmosphere, since everyone had come from different duty stations around the world.

"I think we did really well for our first time," Brosinski said. "They're good now, motivated, they learned the gear [and] practiced. They've been all over it since day one."

In the mass chaos, it's important to determine who functions in what position and how they will be interacting with everyone else throughout the emergency.

"Communication is the key," Dowdle said. "We didn't have to tell our guys what to do."

"(Very soon CLB-4) will have their routine down as far as what to do when a patient comes in. It'll come together quickly for them because they know they don't have an option."

CLB-4 knows practicing once is not enough to become efficient at handling mass casualty emergencies.

"Without training, I would have no idea how everything flows with the docs," Combs

said. "It shows us all our weaknesses and what we need to work on."

Dowdle said the exercise was good preparation for their mission to care for wounded troops in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and in any other environment in the world.

"It's greatly beneficial and it's almost as good as actual patient care when you participate with simulated patients," he said.

The STP plans to continue with their training to increase their response time to mass casualties and improve the fluidity of their team. In case they are needed, CLB-4 will be trained and ready to save lives.

For more information about the ongoing mission in Iraq's Anbar province, visit [www.iimefpublic.usmc.mil/iimeffwd](http://www.iimefpublic.usmc.mil/iimeffwd).

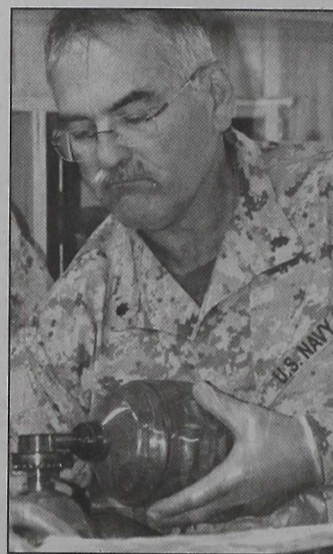
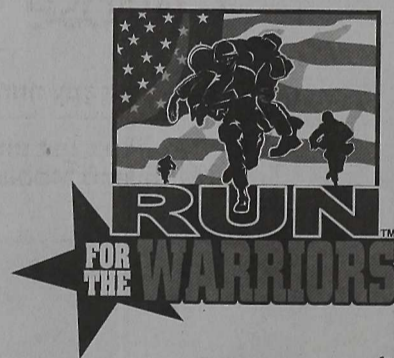


Photo by Cpl. M. M. Bravo. Cmdr. Paul Barfknecht, emergency nurse, Shock Trauma platoon, Health Service and Support Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 5, simulating a patient during a mass casualty training exercise.



Photo by Cpl. M. M. Bravo. Pfc. Leon A. Combs, security Marine with Shock Trauma platoon, Health Service and Support Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 4, searches a simulated patient for weapons during a mass casualty training exercise, March 2, at Camp Baharia, Iraq.

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HABBIYAH TOURIST VILLAGE, IRAQ

# Effort to revive tourism continues in Iraq

By Cpt. M. W. Brinn  
and  
Sgt. Maj. W. M. Brinn

Brinn and Brinn are with the Marine Wing Support Squadron 373 sergeant major, 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward), shaken hands with the colleagues of Hamed Abud Tarad, the director of Habbiyah Tourist Village in Al Anbar province, Iraq, outside a hotel recently. Tarad hopes to restore the village, which was once a honeymooner's getaway, to its original state of luxury for the people to have a place to visit after years of war.

"This is my fourth tour, and things have really changed for the better," Brig. Gen. Ayala said. "Stability has gotten better, security has gotten better ... incidents of violence are a lot less ... I think the fact we're talking about investments and tourists and essential services, is a good sign of progress."

The visit went well and it ended with the traditional cup of Iraqi tea.

"We thank you for everything," Tarad said. "This is not the first and last we see you. Please come here again."



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Gen. Juan G. Ayala, commanding general for Marine Logistics Group (Forward), recently met with Hamed Abud Tarad, the director of Habbiyah Tourist Village and manager of the village, to discuss how they can continue the search to restore the village. They were asking me for assistance in getting investors down to the tourist and internet service," Gen. Ayala said.

Gen. Ayala explained there is a limit to the amount of funding and agreement in place where we have to work through the government to assist the people. The assistance that we're offering is very specific use of the money that's allocated to us by law has to be used to provide essential services to the people," Gen. Ayala said. "Wastewater, (electricity) and other types of things will impact the quality of life for the people."

Gen. Ayala added that because the current Iraqi government is so new, it's important to help them, but also important to encourage them to help themselves.

"We do too much they become dependent and we don't want that," Brig. Gen. Ayala said. "We're trying to encourage (their leaders) to be able to provide services for the people, because at the end of the day, it's not important if we do it. It's important that Iraqis do it."

Brig. Gen. Ayala said the visits were cordial and professional. He hopes to be able to assist Tarad and meet the needs of the requests made by the new director.

My hope is that we (can) complete some projects that only help the people in the area," Brig. Gen. Ayala said. "The big picture is we're trying to get investors in this area ... (that will in turn) get jobs going."

Although tourism is a word rarely heard associated with a recent warzone," Brig. Gen. Ayala said.

The re-opening of a tourist village at this point in time symbolizes stability.

It's a symbol that the country is getting back to the way it was being stable enough," Brig. Gen. Ayala explained. "You see that they have a mix of the Sunni triangle, a perception. They've got people who are willing to get into the teeth of the old Sunni triangle, which was one of the worst places two and a half years ago. Things have changed and they've changed the better."

Brig. Gen. Ayala said even though the area here is still dangerous, life has recently improved for civilians.

"The quality of life has improved to the point where they can think of vacations and they can think of getting away," he said.

In a stressful environment, it's important for people to have a form of relaxation and recreation, especially in an area that's been at war for so long. The people in this area are able to think about relaxing and vast improvement.

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# Marines, Bahamians respond to HAZMAT

By Lance Cpl. Randy Little  
Exercise Tradewinds 2009  
Public Affairs Detachment

Marines from Environmental Services Division Detachment from Delta, Red Bank, provided hazardous materials response training to Royal Bahamas Defence Force, Bahamas Department of Environmental Health and the Royal Bahamas Police Fire Department at the fire academy, March 8 and 9, during Exercise Tradewinds 2009.

The day's training at the academy, concentrated on radiological awareness lectures and procedures. Students received "first hand" use radiation survey equipment said Master Sgt. Thomas Auletta, hazardous materials training instructor with 6th Maintenance Battalion, 4th Logistics Group.

In addition to the practical application exercise, the Marines taught the Bahamians how to

don proper protective equipment when responding to a radiological incident. The training continued with hands-on surveying of a simulated hazardous area.

Simulating a radiation response scenario, the students searched for a radio-active source in a building.

"We had the students dress out, brought them here with survey equipment and had them track down where the radiation was," explained Auletta.

Auletta said, the overall purpose of the training was to teach the students an appropriate response in maritime interdiction of illicit movements of drugs or even any type of chemicals that could be used by terrorists.

"Once they get to the situation where they might have an illicit movement of some type of traffic (involving) chemicals, we can train them to respond to the actual scene and mitigate those hazards they may find out on the seas or here in their

country," said Auletta. "We are teaching them the proper procedures to respond safely to any type of chemical incident."

Royal Bahamas Police Force Fire Services Department Inspector Ernest Hanna said he considers the training very useful.

"We have been talking lately about forming a hazardous materials team, and now that we are getting some of the information I think our superiors have been more sensitized about the importance of a hazardous materials unit," said Hanna.

He said they have had instances where incidents occurred in which, because of a lack of knowledge and equipment such as monitoring devices, rescuers lost lives.

In support of the overall exercise objective of increasing maritime security and improving command and control among partner nations, Auletta said this year's training was tailored upon input collected from students during previous years' exercises; deaths in confined spaces were a concern.

"From this training, we have the guys we would need to start this team, I cannot state enough, the importance of such a training exercise for us and our country," said Hanna.

Participating nations in this year's Exercise Tradewinds 2009 include: Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Nicaragua, St. Kitts-Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad-Tobago, the U.K. and the U.S.

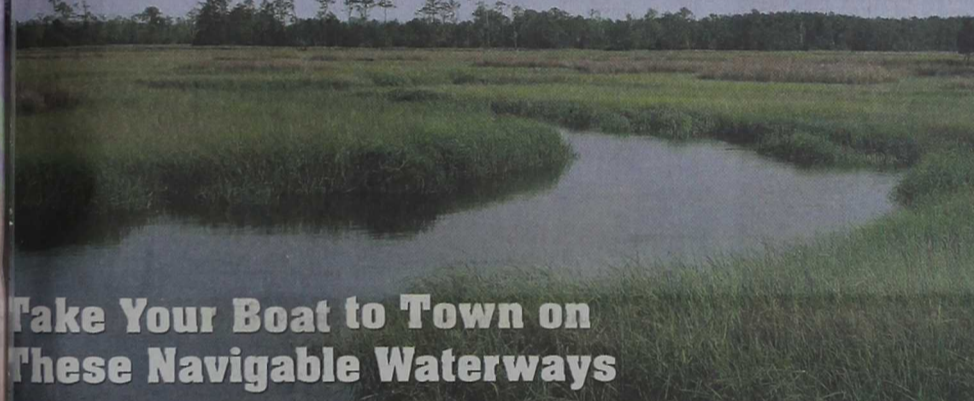
Tradewinds '09 includes personnel from the Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Army, Navy, Air Force, National Guard, JIATF-S, Naval Criminal Investigative Service and Drug Enforcement Administration. Additionally, partner nations' maritime security forces, Royal Marine Commandos and the personnel from the Caribbean Regional Security System will participate.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Randy Little. Master Sgt. Thomas Auletta, hazardous materials training instructor, instructs Zaida Rolle, of the Royal Bahamas Defence Force, on how to conduct a sweep for radiological materials during a hazardous material training exercise, March 8 and 9.

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KOREAN VILLAGE, IRAQ

# Coalition forces help victims of war

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ntal Combat Team 8

On Lt. Cmdr. Kobena Arthur arrived in Iraq for the first time in September 2008, he was determined to make an impact in the reaches of the Western Desert.

Arthur, chaplain for 2nd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 8, focuses efforts on aiding more than 100 Rutbah-area widows through a weekly food distribution program.

Each week, nearly a half-ton of rice and other staples of food have been delivered to the city and redistributed to the local widows by the Iraqi Police and city council. Since Chaplain Arthur's arrival in Iraq, the village parcel contains enough rice to feed a family of four to eat for several weeks.

The program is unique in that it is simply because we have an imam who has bought into the program, Arthur said. "Once it has the imam's support, it took

Imam Mahmoud Ahmed Nudin, the imam of Rutbah, has worked closely with Arthur over the past six months. Many of the men helped by Arthur's program were widowed during the Iraq coalition invasion of Iraq during the insurgency. The war has ravaged the city in recent years. Some of their husbands were shot at checkpoints, others were killed while planting landmines or used explosive devices during bombing attacks. A child died of natural causes, and another died.

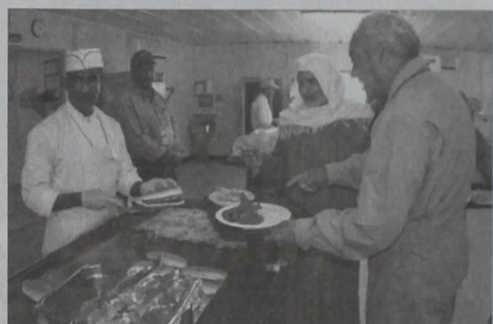
Rutbah, about 20 miles east of Camp Lejeune, is a city of approximately 20,000, and the largest town in the area of responsibility.

According to both the Bible and the Holy Koran, Christianity and Islam each stipulate that the community should take care of their most vulnerable members, such as widows and orphans.

According to the Koran, "If you help the crying widows, God will bless you.



Capl. Paul L. Greenberg, Reserve Marines from 2nd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 8 provide security and oversight as Iraqi city councilmen distribute food aid to widows and their children in Rutbah, Iraq, Feb. 18. (Below) Assisted by Khamis Ahmed Ali-Mussbeeh, an Arabic interpreter with 2nd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, Iraqi imam Mahmoud Ahmed Nudin Obid, a religious leader in Western Anbar province, browses the serving line at the Camp Korean Village dining facility following a base religious service.



(Left) Navy chaplain Lt. Cmdr. Kobena Arthur unloads a box of food at the city council building in Rutbah, Iraq.

We must take care of them ... this is our religion. We love everybody. Our God orders us to open our hearts toward others. There is no difference between Christians, Jews and Muslims. Our goal is to live and work in peace."

During November, Obid became the first Muslim religious leader to visit Camp Korean Village since Marines first occupied the base in 2004. Obid is a member of the local city council, but generally meets with the chaplain as a religious peer.

The two occasionally discuss doctrine, but more often outline and coordinate coalition assistance to the local widows, and determine how they can work together to improve the quality of life for the people of Rutbah.

Coalition troops won favor with the local Iraqis by not overlooking religious issues or ignoring the fact that Islam is woven into almost every facet of everyday life here, Obid said through an interpreter. He added that time and additional aid

from the U.S. will help the widows overcome their resentment for their losses.

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These are widows who are not eligible for support by any other existing "survivor benefit" programs. The NMCRS assistance is basically all that keeps them from slipping into a life of poverty.

Volunteers remain the society's life blood, and it currently has more than 3,600 volunteers delivering services to clients around the world. Although partnered with the Department of the Navy, the society is a private, non profit organization whose programs and services are totally funded by charitable donations.

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Here are some highlights from the program from 2008:

- \$10 million in contributions from active duty fund drive; \$2.6 million from the Secretary of the Navy direct mail campaign to retired sailors and Marines.

- 77,754 financial assistance cases in 2008 (up from 45,690 in 2007).

- \$44.2 million in financial assistance (up from \$43.6 million in 2007).

- Quick Assist Loan Program designed to combat the predatory lending industry. In 2006, the NMCRS provided \$1.3 million to clients victimized by payday lenders. In 2008, that figure was reduced to about \$340,000 - mostly to retirees.

- QAL program expanded across the society in January 2008, resulting in 23,836 QALs totaling \$6.9 million, representing 37.6 percent of the casework for the year.

- Visiting Nurses made 43,742 patient contacts, including over 8,000 contacts in support of more than 560 combat-injured service members and their families.

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1st Tank Battalion. "Rehearsals make you fluent and confident in the missions you're asked to carry out. It also ensures Marines understand what they're doing," said Nord. "We realize the importance of the mission and we're ready to take over." Getting a good grasp on training is important considering the QRF will be expected to respond to units located all throughout Multi National Force - West.

The new QRF platoon sergeant, Gunnery Sgt. Jason Villasana says his Marines are well-trained and have adjusted very well to the changes in their job description. "I'm pleased with their progress. We received this assignment unexpectedly, but the Marines have worked hard and rolled with the punches that

have been thrown at them. They know they are ground pounders now, not just tankers."

The March 11 training is the last exercise the Marines conducted before taking over the next day. "The training went very well today," said Smith. "These Marines have done a great job doing a job they are not very familiar with."

Being quick to react in a time of need is essential for Marines who are deployed in a combat environment. Although QRF Marines are meant to be the first to fight, they must use that ethos when it comes to their reaction time. These Marines must work and train hard to make sure that in a time of need they are the first to respond and lend assistance to those who need it most.

## FINAL FROM 1A

continuing to maintain and upgrade the aircraft despite the fact it was supposedly going to be replaced in the 90's.

"They told me in flight school that I would probably only be flying the (CH-46) for three years before the Osprey would replace it, and now here I am as the MEU commander, my (CH-53s) are taken away, and the (CH-46), old and tired, carries the MEU," he said.

Both Desens and Snyder both said that while the Osprey will replace the CH-46 in the fleet, it can't replace the phrog in everything it does.

"The CH-46 is a proven technology. It is one of the most reliable aircraft in the inventory. It is stable and provides the perfect platform for things like fastroping, which will be problematical with the Osprey. Also, it is metal. Which means if it gets shot full of holes it is an easy fix, while the MV-22 will not be so easy," Desens said.

Snyder agreed. "Even though we are re-

placing the aircraft, it is still fully capable of performing the mission," he said. "(The Osprey) is not a replacement for the mission; it is a replacement for the aircraft."

The pinnacle moment for the aircraft during the float came as USS Iwo Jima passed under the Peace Bridge, spanning the Suez Canal, carrying Sea Knights for the last time. It was a poignant moment for some, while for others it just represents progress.

Snyder said it was a little bittersweet to know it would be the last time.

"It's kind of sad. (The CH-46s) have been around so long and they've been such a stable workhorse it's hard to see them go after flying them for almost 16 years," he said.

Desens said that while he can understand why some will miss it, "It would be a little like bemoaning a horse and buggy. Marines tend to be nostalgic, but in actuality we are innovators."

It really wasn't sad, the phrog has served well. She

has earned and deserved sunset. I thought "How cool is it to see East Coast phrogs under the bridge?"

At the same time, he acknowledged how the CH-46 is in the lore of the Corps.

"How many were in the back of these (CH-46s)?" "Vietnam in the 70s, the 80s, all of the (Navy) Desert Storm, Iraq, Afghanistan. There are a lot of Marines that have been in them still around."

He and Snyder were quick to point out though the CH-46 will be going on MEU duty it's not going away for awhile.

"It will still be seven or eight more still receiving its commissions," said Snyder.

Desens put it succinctly: "The last (CH-46) may have been born yet commissioned."

## MORTARMEN FROM 1A

map to apply the FO information.

"We convert what a forward observer sees on the battlefield into deflection and elevation information," said Cpl. Garland Yarborough, an FDC Marine with Company F.

The FDC Marines would yell out to the mortar teams what the elevation and left and right lateral limits needed to be on the mortar tubes, along with how many mortars would be fired for each mission.

With skilled perfection, mortar rounds would fire from the tubes, sending an almost deafening shockwave to anyone within earshot. The forward observers would then observe the impact and inform the FDC's on any necessary corrections. "Mortars can shoot out of defile,"

Yarborough said. "We don't have to see and we don't have to see the target if we have the forward observers."

This indirect fire makes sure the mortar can't stay hidden behind a ridge if at least one forward observer is able to see them.

"If I can't see the target, the mortar teams can't shoot it," said Cpl. Nash, the Company F forward observer.

The team effort of the forward observers, fire direction center Marines and mortar teams enabled the unit to complete their mission on Shadow Range. The long deployment of patrolling, setting screen lines and monitoring the border, Company F mortarmen were able to take a break and show the world that they could also rain down some steel.

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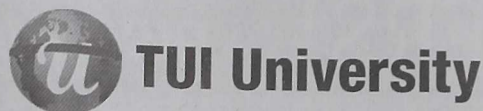
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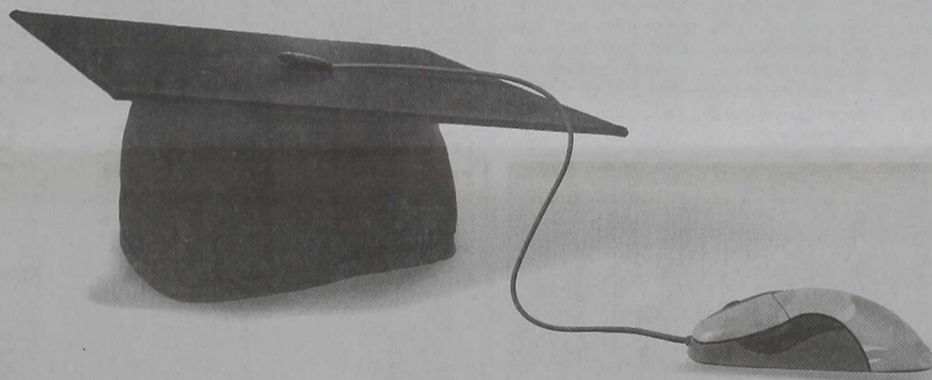
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## Camp Johnson wins, 75-62

### 'Big Three' lead the way over Headquarters Support Battalion



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Camp Johnson's Joshua Woods, No. 15 in yellow, and Mark Fannin, No. 32, battle underneath the basket with the Headquarters Support Battalion offense for a loose ball.



Photo by Jamie Cameron

Headquarters Support Battalion's Armando Rodriguez looks for a way around Camp Johnson's Arthur Harris on his way to the basket in a 75-62 loss, Monday. Camp Johnson's team has secured a berth in the Camp Lejeune intramural basketball playoffs, scheduled to start next week.

**JAMIE CAMERON**  
Assistant managing editor

As base teams jockey for playoff positions during the final week of the regular intramural basketball season, Camp Johnson had little to prove Monday when it took on Headquarters Support Battalion.

That didn't stop the veteran Camp Johnson side from posting a decisive, 75-62 victory, improving its record to 11-3 and securing at least the No. 3 seed going in to next week's tournament action.

"At this point, there's not much left for us to work on, as far as jelling as a team goes," said coach Ronald Jones. "We're playing well and looking forward to the playoffs."

In spite of its losing record (4-8) and a huge size disadvantage going into the game, HqSpt Bn. did not back down an inch against Camp Johnson. Reginald Wilson and Kenneth Butler kept HqSpt Bn. close with a barrage of 3-pointers, but they could do little or nothing to stop the inside domination of Camp Johnson's "big three;" Arthur Harris, McCarthy Daphney and Mark Fannin.

After racing out to a 14-8 lead in the first five minutes of the game, Jones opted to sit his big men and go with a smaller lineup against the scrappy HqSpt Bn. side.

Camp Johnson maintained a comfortable lead for much of the first half, but HqSpt Bn. started to creep closer with five minutes to play.

Armando Rodriguez led the charge for HqSpt Bn., scoring easy buckets from inside the paint. The rest of the team rallied with an intensified defense that led to several turnovers around mid-court. By halftime, Camp Johnson was left clinging to a 36-33 lead.

The teams played evenly through the first five minutes of the second half, but as the game wore on, Jones' earlier strategy to save his front court players for the home stretch proved to be a winner. In addition to a steady diet of inside baskets, Camp Johnson got a boost from Michael Vega, a talented small forward with excellent ball-handling skills and a deft outside shot.

With five minutes remaining in the game, Camp Johnson's lead had ballooned to 67-54.

True to their team's feisty nature throughout the contest, HqSpt Bn.'s players never quit. Lamar Pulliami may have been the smallest player on the floor, but he drove to the basket amid Camp Johnson's shot-blockers without fear, and came away with several, highlight reel layups to keep the game respectable.

"They couldn't match up with us in terms of height, but they did what they had to do," said an appreciative Jones of his HqSpt Bn. opponents. "They shot the ball very well and forced us to try different zone defenses to account for that."

"We didn't maintain a consistent level of intensity, but overall, I'm pretty pleased," he continued. "We seem to be ready for the playoffs."

# Spring shad run underway on Neuse



## Lejeune Outdoors

With Jamie Cameron

The question is ... are you going to be watching college basketball this weekend, or are you going to be taking advantage of the improving angling situation?

Reports gathered by Richard Ehrenkauer, a.k.a. Dr. Bogus, indicate the spring shad run on the Neuse and Roanoke rivers is getting stronger by the day.

The Roanoke's renowned shad and striped bass fisheries may be a little far afield for the average Camp Lejeune angler, but access to the Neuse River is less than an hour's drive from the main gate, and well worth the trip when the fishing is good.

Shad come in two varieties: hickory and American. Generally speaking, hickory shad are far more numerous than their larger, American cousins. Catching either of them on light tackle is a lot of fun, and when you consider a good day on the river might mean 50-100 fish landed, the opportunity can be hard to beat.

It is proven that shad

do not forage during the spawning run, but it doesn't stop the fish from striking small lures and flies out of aggression or curiosity.

Shad fishing can be done successfully from the river bank, but a boat will greatly improve your ability to move around and find where the bite is best. Springtime on the Neuse is like a festival of sorts — people in all types of craft, from aluminum canoes to cabin cruisers, casting for shad.

If you want to bring home some fish to eat, you'd better hope to hook an American shad, which, because of their greater size (3- to 8-pounds) are easier to deal with when it comes to filleting. Shad are notoriously bony. Some traditions call for scaling and steaking the fish and then deep-frying it to oblivion so that the tiny bones are rendered edible. Others prefer to smoke their shad, but that still leaves those pesky bones to deal with before you can take a bite.

After experimenting with a couple of hickory shad

prepared with different cooking techniques last spring, I think I'll be letting all of my fish go this year.

For pier fishermen who have been patiently waiting for their favorite angling structures to open for the season, the time is now upon us. The Bogus Inlet Fishing Pier in Emerald Isle opened March 14, and the Seaview Pier on North Topsail is open as well. The Surf City Pier is scheduled to open March 27, followed by the Oceanana Pier, which will allow fishermen to start

wetting their lines April 1. Early spring anglers can expect to catch a mixed bag of sea mullet, pufferfish, speckled trout, red drum, dogfish and skates.

New regulations every inshore fishermen should be aware of is the change in size limit for flounder. Flounder must now measure 15 inches (reduced from 15-1/2 inches) if caught in the ocean or sounds from the Virginia state line to Browns Inlet at Camp Lejeune.

That said, I think I'll be watching basketball.

Have you been on an outdoor adventure lately? Share your photos, send them to [jamie.cameron@militarynews.com](mailto:jamie.cameron@militarynews.com)



Photo by Jamie Cameron

Hickory shad are a traditional favorite for early spring anglers in North Carolina. Both the Neuse and Roanoke rivers support spawning runs of shad.

# TIDE TABLES FOR NEW RIVER INLET

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	THURSDAY	
High tide	2:38 a.m.	3:03 p.m.
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	FRIDAY	
High tide	3:43 a.m.	4:09 p.m.
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	SATURDAY	
High tide	4:41 a.m.	5:04 p.m.
Low tide	11:13 a.m.	11:01 p.m.
	SUNDAY	
High tide	5:30 a.m.	5:51 p.m.
Low tide	11:54 a.m.	11:52 p.m.
	MONDAY	
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Low tide		12:31 p.m.
	TUESDAY	
High tide	6:52 a.m.	7:11 p.m.
Low tide	12:38 a.m.	1:04 p.m.
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High tide	7:29 a.m.	7:49 p.m.
Low tide	1:21 a.m.	1:37 p.m.

# Marine Corps bestows love of shooting, competition

LANCE CPL. MEGHAN J. CANLAS  
2nd Marine Logistics Group

Every Marine is a rifleman. Not every Marine has a love for shooting.

Alexandra L. Wetzel, comptroller clerk, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, found that love the first time she picked up her M-16 A2 service rifle in boot camp.

Wetzel had never fired a weapon before her first encounter on the rifle range at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S.C. "I had never seen or held a rifle in person," she said. "The closest thing I had ever held to a weapon was a kitchen knife. I had never even fired a paintball gun."

Wetzel said although she was nervous the first time she shouldered her rifle, she soon felt a natural comfort with the weapon.

"I was shaking because I'd never shot before and was sure I was going to shoot someone," she said.

Fortunately for the other Marines on the firing line, Wetzel was able to put aside her nervousness and qualify as an expert rifleman.

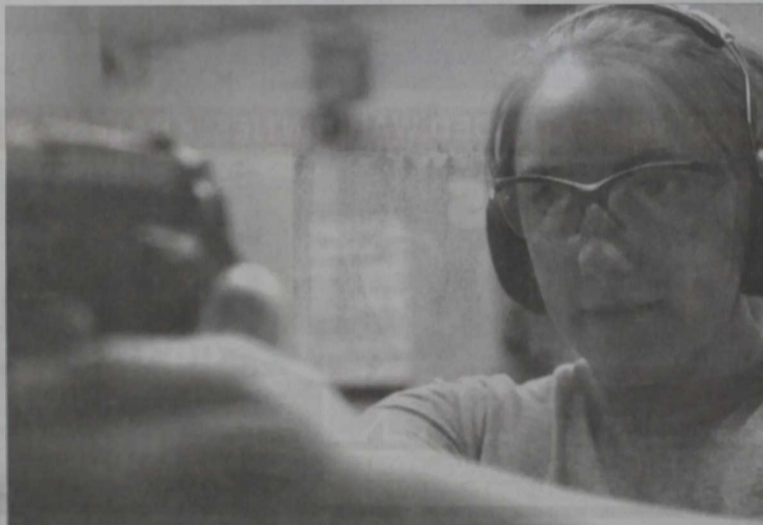


Photo by Lance Cpl. Meghan J. Canlas

Alexandra L. Wetzel, comptroller clerk, 2nd Marine Logistics Group shoots a M9 Beretta semi-automatic pistol for the first time, while practicing for the Competition-In-Arms-Program 2009 Division Matches.

"It's fun, it's hard and not many people can do it," she said. "It's what the Marine Corps is all about. I think it's something everyone should know how to do."

Wetzel not only discovered her love for shooting in the Marine Corps, but also a unique sense of camaraderie and trust.

She will apply those qualities when she competes in her first shooting competition, the individual and team qualification for the Competition-In-Arms-Program 2009 Division Match, March 16 through April 3.

The competition includes rifle and handgun

events.

"You have to be able to trust your (weapon)," she explained. "You have to trust that your (weapon) won't fail. You have to trust people around you that they won't fail. It's putting trust in other things and not just in yourself. It's being part of a team."

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**Fishing trip**  
Registration is now open for the 2009 Military Appreciation Day, Morehead City Event, which includes deep sea fishing at no cost to active duty military, National Guardsmen and reserves. Boats will depart May 30 from Morehead City, and there will be plenty of family activities for those left on shore to wait for the anglers' return. When the fishing fleet gets back to the dock, there will be a Southern style cook-out and live music for everyone. To register go online to [www.MilitaryAppreciationDay.org](http://www.MilitaryAppreciationDay.org).

**9-ball pool tournament**  
The 9-Ball 350 Pool Tournament starts Friday for active-duty single Marines and Geo bachelors aboard Camp Lejeune. Preliminary tournaments start March 20 at Courthouse Bay, French Creek, Central Area, Camp Geiger and Camp Johnson recreation centers. The Final Championship Showcase is scheduled for March 21 at French Creek Recreation Center. Registration is \$5 and is limited to the first 30 entries at each recreation center. For more information, call 451-1942.

**Climbing wall clinic**  
Marine Corps Community Services Semper Paratus has scheduled a rock climbing wall clinic, Saturday, at Courthouse Bay Fitness Center. The course will cover safety guidelines, climbing techniques and a brief description of belay. For more information, call 451-7002.

**Run for the Warriors**  
Registration is open for the 2009 Run for the Warriors 10K, 5K and 1-mile Fun Run aboard Camp Lejeune, May 16. To register online go to [www.hopeforthewarriors.org](http://www.hopeforthewarriors.org). For more information, call 546-1120.

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# Marathon office readies for new ideas, challenges

**JOJO MAKURDI**  
Marine Corps Base Quantico

Organizing an event which draws upward of 20,000 runners, such as a marathon, is a lot harder than it appears, especially when you are organizing the race takes a lot of time and effort. The Marine Corps Marathon office gears up for the year of planning events for the marathon. The race director Rick Ober, race director Rick Ober, a recent Running USA Champion recipient, said what sets the marathon apart from the other marathons, and some of the challenges his office faces in organizing a problem-free race. Nealis' experience, he said, is more than his fair share of unexpected events. The Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks that rocked the nation, the laying-to-rest of the rights icon Rosa Parks at the U.S. Capitol Building, to the name Katrina disaster brought many residents

of New Orleans to the D.C. area in 2005 are just a few incidents that have affected the marathon's route.

"It's never routine, there's always something," said Nealis. "The challenges are there, but I think that it sums up what makes us different from any other race; that Marines understand mission-type orders ... that even down at the (private first class) level, as a Marine, if something happens ... he's going to make a decision."

Nealis also said the "People's Marathon" is different for its specific organization as an event to promote health and fitness among people, as opposed to a profit-driven cause like other races. The MCM broke ground by allowing runners to use iPods and mp3 players to run — a decision which led to USA Track & Field to overrule its decision barring runners from using headsets.

Unfortunately, the MCM is not unique in the periodic attempts some athletes have made to cheat along the

26.2-mile run in the hopes of shorter times.

One notable cheating scandal involved a charity organization called "Jean's Marines," which had first participated with the race in 2001, and became official the following year. In 2005, Jean Marmoreo, the charity's founder, encouraged some of its runners to take short cuts en route to the finish line; forcing the Marine Corps to expel the charity and disqualify many of its runners.

"It was more important for us to show that cheating was not going to be tolerated," Nealis said of the decision.

"It's not about the medal, it's about the accomplishment, and you've got to run 26.2 miles to do it."

With the backing of the Marine Corps, the MCM's biggest challenge is providing a safe and secure environment for everyone involved in the race.

"People realize in the organization that we are probably the most forefront in putting on safe races," Nealis said, adding that the MCM also has to work with the municipal government of D.C. and northern Virginia, while others work entirely with one city's officials, making the MCM more of a challenge to coordinate.

"Since 9/11 the security measures that we have to put on is probably only second to New York, and maybe Boston (marathons)," Nealis said. "But I still believe that we have to go through a lot more measures of making sure the race is safe and secure because we are at war, and with the Marine Corps' name on it, it's been a target in the past."

Nealis believes there's still room for more additions to the MCM's responsibilities.

"The five-year plan would be to increase our professionalism and take over the management of some of the other running events

that are done at Lejeune or Pendleton and so on, and that we bring our expertise as an event company to organizations ... that (don't) do running events year-round," Nealis said of future goals.

"It's not so much about where ... the revenue (goes), it's the emphasis on getting that good story for the Marine Corps, promote the Marine Corps in a good light, promote the best running event and fitness for people, and working with the communities."

For more information on the MCM, go to [www.marineathletics.com](http://www.marineathletics.com).

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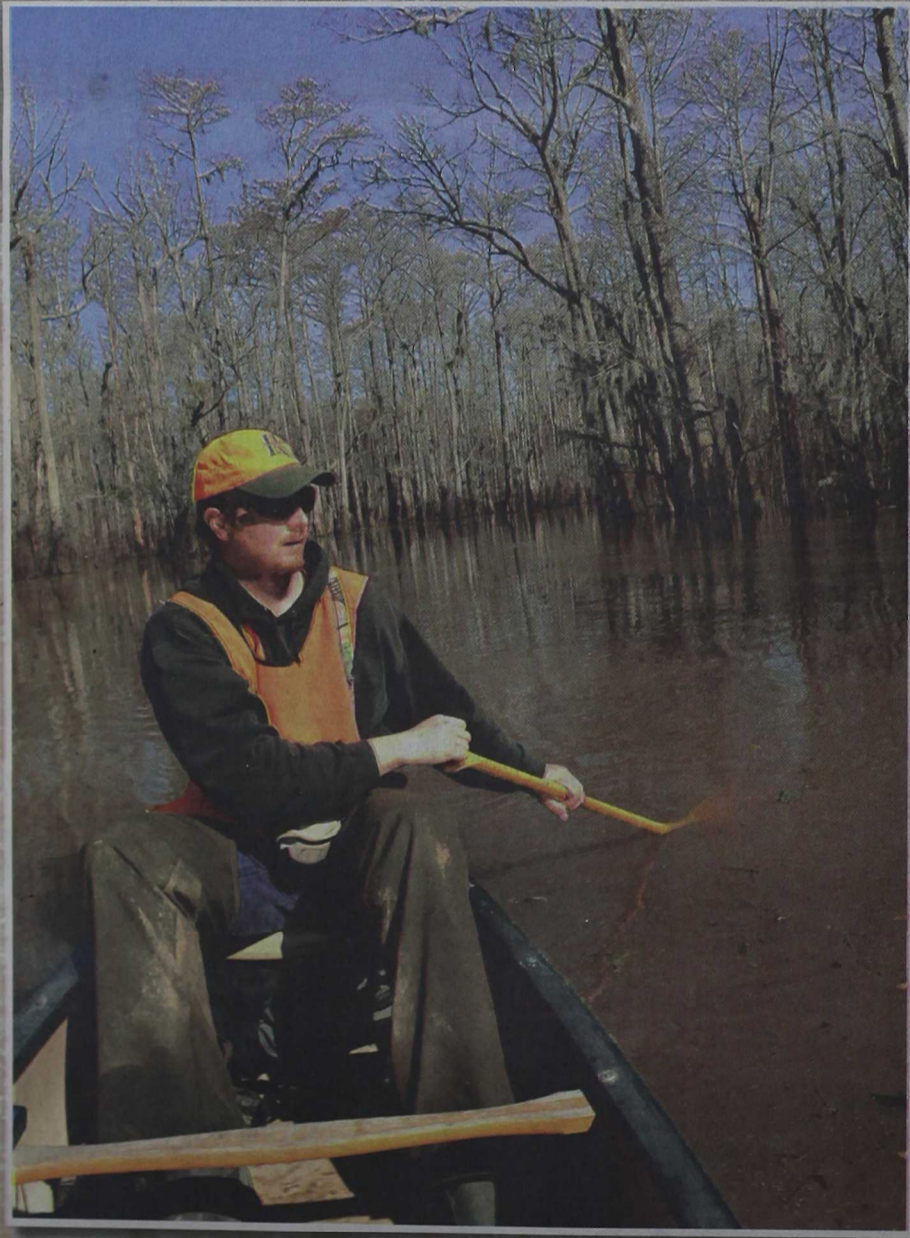
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 When water levels are high in wild pig country, stalking along creeks and rivers can be an effective tactic, especially around midday, when most of the animals will be bedded down in thick cover. Due to their nomadic nature, wild pigs are difficult to pattern, therefore requiring hunters to get out of their tree stands and cover lots of ground.



# HOGS

## FERAL PIGS OFFER OFF-SEASON HUNT



Above, Brian Degan scans the banks of South Carolina's Pee Dee River for likely spots to hunt for wild pigs. Right, freshly rooted earth is evidence of the recent presence of wild pigs — time to hunt.

Photos by Jamie Cameron

**JAMIE CAMERON**  
 Assistant managing editor

There is a plague rooting its way across the Southeast. In 2007, the population of feral pigs in the United States was estimated at 4 million animals, spread over 40 states. With a mature sow's ability to give birth to as many as 19 piglets, twice a year, that figure has only gotten larger in 2009.

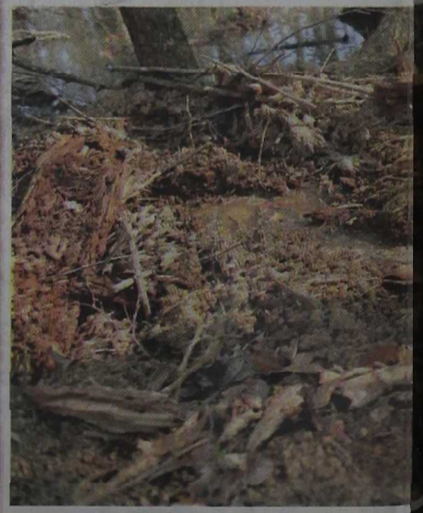
Hunters in Eastern North Carolina don't have to travel far to get in on some great, off-season action, and do their part as an indispensable management tool for state wildlife agencies scrambling to stem the tide of swine.

One of those states is South Carolina, which opens several of its wildlife management areas to hog hunters each spring for the purpose of population control.

In a three-hour drive from Camp Lejeune's front gate, sportsmen with a sense of adventure can stalk the swine-filled swamps of Woodbury, Samworth, Santee Delta and Marsh Furniture WMAs.

Since wild pigs are not considered game animals, out-of-state hunters need only purchase a temporary small game permit (a three-day license costs \$40) and pay a special Wildlife Management Area usage fee of \$76. Considering many sportsmen willingly fork over \$600-\$800 for a three-day guided package to hunt the same animals on adjacent private lands, the do-it-yourselfer can save a lot of money and come home with a cooler filled with tasty wild pork.

But it's not that easy.



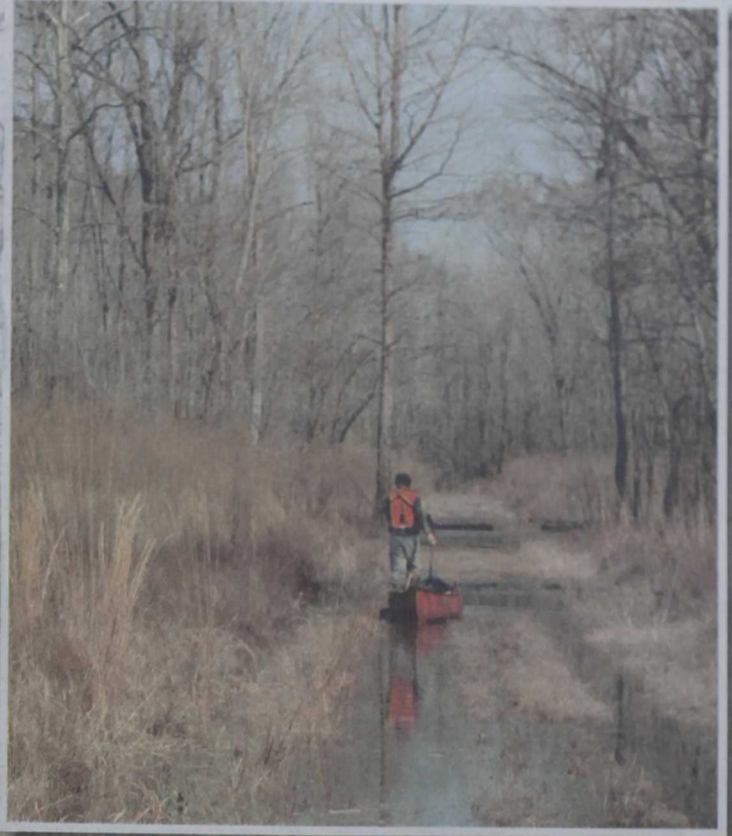


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After heavy rains caused flooding in the Pee Dee River Basin, a canoe became indispensable for getting around.

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Photo by Brian Degan  
Jamie Cameron kneels behind a wild pig which fell to a shot from his 7mm magnum rifle. The 80-pound boar came out of a group of seven or eight hogs he jumped from their beds in a thick stand of cane grass.



# Lady Devilpups Fall to Northside

By Bryce C.K. Muhlberg  
Camp Lejeune Corps Base

They have been playing (softball) for several years and I love the game and want to get better," said Briana N. Carter, the Lady Devilpups pitcher for the Lejeune High School's girl's softball team. "Even though I have a bad game, I still want to keep pitching." Carter's ideal of perseverance in the face of adversity was shared by the rest of her team when the Lady Devilpups played a 15-6 loss to Northside High School Monarchs, in a non-conference game at Camp Lejeune.

During the first inning, the Lady Pups put up four runs, a great start against the Northside Monarchs, who seemed nervous and who walked several batters. Along with the poor pitching, outfielder A. Masur, made solid contact and brought two runs home.

Not much had changed by the start of the third inning, from the Monarchs' momentum of a superior pitcher. The Lady Devilpups were bombarded by strikeouts and excellent pitching on the part of the Northside defense. Through the bottom of the third, Carter was throwing with no avail. At the close of

the inning, the Monarchs had staked themselves to an 11-4 lead.

Angel Pedroza, scored a spot at first base with a short hit to the infield to lead off the bottom of the fourth inning. She went on to steal second base to get into scoring position.

The crowd cheered as Anna Coots also got to first on a bunt, sending Pedroza to third. In a decisive play, Coots stole second on a third pitch strikeout of teammate Devon Aaskall, but the rally fizzled with the Monarchs still up 11-4.

"They can win — I just know it," said coach Jackie Wagner, who her players affectionately call 'Wags.' "I think when they really start getting into playing the game, they will do better."

"They need to improve on the following areas; errors, communicating, batting, pitching, fielding and playing the game — that's about it though," said Wagner. "It's up to the girls really."

In the top of the sixth, with the score 13-5, Coots advanced to second base after the Lejeune batter made a skipping hit to third. With Coots on second, Aaskall slammed the ball through the middle of the infield, over the pitcher, and into the outfield. Coots made her way across home plate on the hit. The score was raised by a run for



Lejeune High School starting pitcher, Briana Carter, deals to a Northside High School batter during a non-conference matchup, March 11. The Lady Devilpups lost the game, 15-6.

Photo by Cpl. Bryce C.K. Muhlberg

the Lady Devilpups, but in the bottom of the inning, the Monarchs gained back two more runs, to make it 15-6.

Neither team scored in the seventh, but the Lady Devilpups were philosophical about the loss.

The teams high fived and gave the obligatory good game, but the camaraderie shared amongst the two teams was obvious when they rounded up for an aftergame prayer.

It was a good start for the Lady Devilpups. Their coach, Wagner, was optimistic.

"We'll win some games later this year, and I am happy about our pitching right now. They need to be more optimistic; that is what wins games — optimism," said Wagner. "Leave skills behind and optimism will pull you through. I'm proud of them; they only gave up four runs in the last three innings and, to me, that helps in softball, especially compared to the 13 runs we gave up in the first three innings. This was good practice and we are definitely going to dominate later."

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Photos by Lance Cpl. Brian Lewis  
These are photos from the 2009 Sportbike Speed and Directional Challenge hosted by Marine Corps Installations East, March 2 through 6. The training evolution was aimed at assisting newer motorcycle riders with the skills and tips to be safe on the road.



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## TAKING CONTROL

Sportbike riders use airfield to learn techniques safely

LANCE CPL. BRIAN LEWIS  
11 Marine Expeditionary Force

A small runway here was recently filled with the sounds of sportbikes.

Marines and sailors met March 2 through 6 for the Sportbike Speed and Directional Challenge hosted by Marine Corps Installations East. The event focused on safety measures for riding a sportbike; as motorcycle accidents involving Marines and sailors are increasing.

"We lost 25 Marines to motorcycle accidents in fiscal year 2008," said Col. James D. Grace, safety director with Headquarters Marine Corps. "It was the first time for the number of motorcycle accident deaths to exceed car accident deaths."

The training started with briefings from instructors with the California Superbike School. They gave basic riding tips and set the plan for the day's training.

"The track is a safe place for the riders to practice," said Dylan Code, project manager and rider coach with the school. "There are no distractions, so they can focus on basic riding skills. The coaches give them feedback and tell them how to improve."

The riders practiced techniques, such as braking and cornering. As they circled the track over and over, coaches pulled them off if they noticed something incorrect or dangerous.

"I'm a fairly new rider and I'm not too good at turning, so this is a good opportunity to practice," said Lance Cpl. Jeremy Blebins, a motor transport operator with Marine Wing Support

Squadron 274. "It's always good to be able to get extra practice."

Staff noncommissioned officers and officers agree there is benefit to the course, especially for young Marines and sailors who are beginning to ride.

"No one really teaches new bike owners how to ride safely," said Staff Sgt. Frank Kovach, company gunnery sergeant with Personnel and Administration School at Camp Johnson. "They either pick it up or they injure themselves. This is a good way to get new riders into practicing safe habits to protect themselves."

Following the training, the commands will report back about whether they feel the program was beneficial to the riders. Their reports will determine how often the track day is held, how to make it more beneficial and even whether the training will continue.

### ALERT

## CRIME WATCH

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Friday, March 12, a vehicle was seen traveling in excess of 80 mph and driving recklessly. It was a newer model, silver sports car, possibly a Nissan 370Z or a Mazda RX-8. The vehicle was traveling down Marine's road around 9:20 p.m. heading toward Courthouse Bay. The vehicle has N.C. plates and is wanted in regards to an accident. If you or someone you know has any information on this event, or you were in the area and can describe the vehicle, please call the Accident Investigation Division at 451-1666. Or e-mail Traffic Chief at Mark.vesely@usmc.mil. Any information regarding this incident will help.

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## 2/2 Marines scout out enemies

LANCE CPL. BRIAN M. WOODRUFF  
2nd Marine Division

When Marines see from their vantage point on the ground, they often turn to the skies. But Marines with 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, didn't call on the U.S. Air Force during a recent training course.

The Marines conducted unmanned aerial vehicle training, March 11, hoping to extend their vision on the battlefield farther than ever before.

The five-day course consisted of classroom time and practical application in the field, spent launching and operating the RQ-11A Raven. During the course, Marines learned how to assemble and operate the system.

Weighing in at a little more than four pounds, the Raven is a great tool for any Marine to have, especially for those without satellite imaging capabilities.

Boasting side and front cameras with night-vision capabilities and a global positioning system, the craft is as quiet as it is light.

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Photo by Lance Cpl. Brian M. Woodruff  
Lance Cpl. Aaron M. Hastings, an assaultman with 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, learns the finer points of piloting the RQ-11A Raven, an unmanned aerial vehicle, March 11. During the UAV course, Marines learned to assemble and fly the vehicle, and to create and perform reconnaissance missions.

## 2nd MLG supports 10th Marines training

LANCE CPL. MEGHAN J. CANLAS  
2nd Marine Logistics Group

Seventy-two Marines from 2nd Maintenance Battalion and 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, helped to support 10th Marine Regiment during the exercise Rolling Thunder 02-09, March 5 through April 6.

Rolling Thunder is a biannual, month-long exercise in which 10th Marines conducts sustainment training on the M777A2 lightweight howitzer and fielding of the M237 120mm mortar.

Tenth Marines enlisted the help of 2nd MLG to provide bulk fuel storage, fuel distribution, field laundry, field showers, horizontal engineering and to provide maintenance for motor transportation, Marine heavy equipment, ordnance and communication electronics.

"This is the first time I know of that Maintenance Battalion has supported Rolling Thunder as a command element," said Lt. Kieran J. Kobell, executive officer, Rolling Thunder Maintenance Detachment.

With Maintenance Battalion supporting 10th Marines as a detachment, they are able to bring with them an increase in capabilities, said Capt. Troy A. Kaczmarek, commanding officer, Rolling Thunder Maintenance Detachment.

"We have a substantial maintenance detachment that will benefit 10th Marines and provide maintenance support for 10th Marines' vehicles," said Kaczmarek.

Providing such maintenance wasn't an easy process. After 10th Marines submitted the request for MLG's support, Maintenance Detachment had to develop a list of personnel and equipment sufficient enough to support 10th Marines, while competing with existing sourcing requirements.

"We received unbelievable support from 2nd Maint. Bn., Combat Logistics Regiment 25 and 2nd MLG," Kaczmarek said. "These Marines are motivating, outstanding Marines that came together to work hard."

"They did what Marines do best," Kobell said. "Taking

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Photo by Lance Cpl. Meghan J. Canlas  
Vincent P. Evans, motor transportation mechanic, 10th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division and Lance Cpl. P. Piotrowski, motor transportation mechanic, 2nd Maintenance Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group work together on repairing a logistic vehicle system, March 10.

# America's battalion trains at its best, prepares for war

**LANCE CPL. MELISSA A. LATTY**  
2nd Marine Logistics Group

A squad of Marines is traveling through the streets of Afghanistan, keeping on the alert for potential hazards along the way. Without warning, their vehicle is struck by an improvised explosive device, leaving them with one casualty and a severely damaged vehicle.

The Marines radio their command post and notify them of the incident. They depend upon the command post as well as a medical evacuation as well as a vehicle recovery.

To make sure the Marines at the command post will be as well-trained as their comrades on patrol, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division held a command post exercise, March 11 through 13.

The Marines learned how to properly relay information from the company up to the

battalion during the exercise. The purpose of this procedure is to aid Marines that need assistance during missions conducted outside of the wire.

"In the event of an IED attack or indirect fire, the squad may have to call for a casualty medical evacuation or support from a quick reaction force," said Staff Sgt. Michael Garrett, the battalion's assistant operations chief. "It's the Marines at the command post who have to make sure they get that assistance."

The Marines were given different scenarios and had to work together as a team to pass information along, being careful not to leave out any vital information.

"It's like one big video game and a good learning opportunity for everyone," said Garrett.

This exercise helped train both junior and senior Marines.

"Some of the new Marines who have never seen a command post are getting straight forward, hands-on experience," said Cpl. James Hurtt, an intelligence analyst with the battalion. "It also tests the way each squad works as a combat operations center and how they react to enemy actions."

The Marines from 2nd Bn., 8th Marines will continue to train for upcoming deployments to better prepare themselves.

"We derive our training from the units that are returning from deployments," said Garrett. "We work hard to get everyone on the same level, because the fact of the matter is, a squad is only as strong as their weakest link. We have to develop a trust with the ones we work closest to, and we must be able to work together to respond to any situation that may come our way."



Photo by Lance Cpl. Melissa A. Latty. Sgt. Kevin Miller, a fire direction coordinator from 5th Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, works as the brigade headquarters group fire chief at a command post exercise, March 12. The purpose of the exercise was to teach the Marines to properly relay information from the company up to the battalion level in situations conducted outside of the wire.

## Twister, Marine Corps style

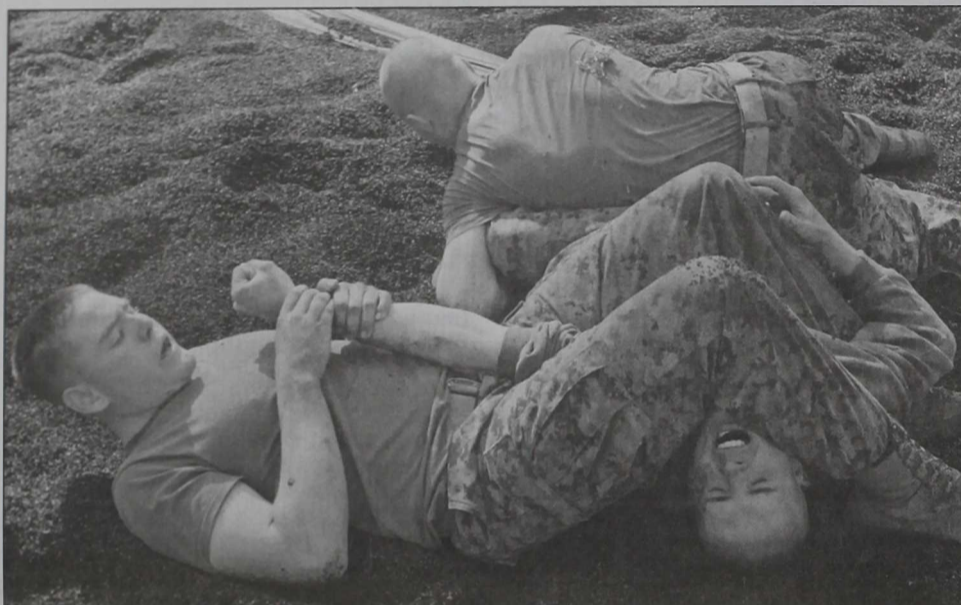


Photo by Cpl. Casey Jones. Lance Cpl. Michael D. Andrejczuk (right), Pfc. Trenton Turza (left), and Pfc. Matthew A. Tonstad, all infantrymen with Company L, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, apply skills learned in the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program, Feb. 26.

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what little we have and taking the mission and not only accomplishing the mission, but knocking it out of the park."

Some of our equipment was the last on the lot because MLG has been filling the (2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade) but they still managed to support us across the board," he said.

Although the Marines have been working hard, Kaczmarski said they know the importance of their support.

"Our ultimate mission is to support the war effort," said Kaczmarski. "There is no other mission more important than supporting the Marine, whether in garrison or in combat."

## AroundBase

### Jacksonville Man-to-Man prostate cancer support group meeting

The Man-to-Man Prostate Cancer, Information and Support Group is scheduled to meet in the Onslow Memorial Hospital, Saturday, from 8 until 9:30 a.m. There will be a complimentary breakfast for all attendees. Man-to-Man is designed to provide an opportunity for men who have questions about prostate cancer, newly-diagnosed prostate cancer patients or those currently undergoing treatment to openly with each other and with health care professionals. For more information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-282-4911 or Robert Kimbrough at 347-6289.

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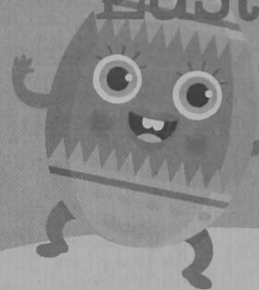
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f you're doing a flyover type of reconnaissance, you have the advantage of that because at 400 or 500 you can't even hear it," Lance Cpl. Steven J. Taff, noncommissioned officer for Company G, during the classroom portion. Marines learn the technique of how to operate the system. "They're cramming a in five days so it gets dry, I think it's a great course all," said Taff. After the classroom portion, Marines take to the skies, practicing how to launch the and keep it in the air. It's a lot more fun because

you get to actually use (the system) for what it's meant to do," said Cpl. Tanner S. Redwine, a rifleman with the battalion. Marines were able to use the system during the exercise to recon the surrounding area. They used a computer program connected to a global positioning system to track targets and complete mission objectives. They soon spotted a group of Marines patrolling along a road and were able to pinpoint their exact location. Thomas P. Etchey, one of the contractors who runs the course, says the system gives the Marines a big advantage.

"They can go from in the box, to in the sky in 10 minutes," Etchey said. "Why would you risk a Marine's life? Equipment, we can replace, but not lives." Another advantage of the system is it spares Marines the hours of set-up time usually required for complicated equipment. "It might take a Marine two days to recon an area and it will take this system 10 minutes," Etchey said. The "warlords" of 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines, hope adding this extra tool to their belt can help them to keep every leatherneck in their battalion a bit safer.

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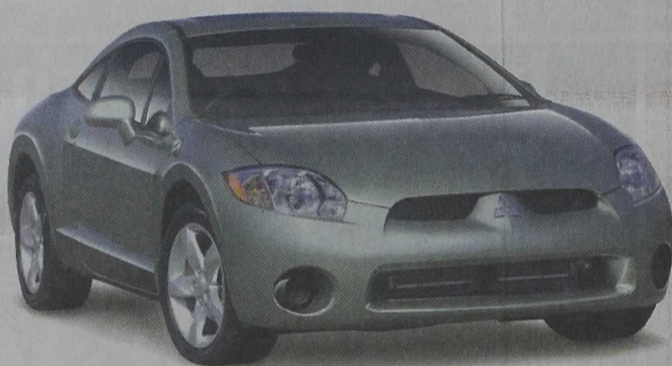
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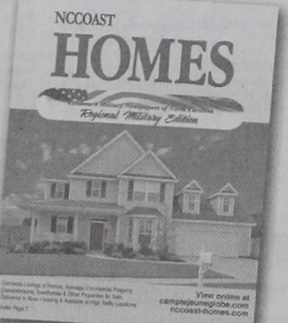
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## SPRING TRAINING

### Make a splash! Semper Fit offers kayaking excursions

**HEATHER M. OWENS**  
Carolina Living editor

"Row, row, row your boat, gently down a stream," are the words from a simple children's song, yet they might be good advice. There is something relaxing about being out in a small craft, rowing across the glassy water.

Marine Corps Community Services' Semper Fit is offering authorized patrons the opportunity to relax and find fitness by rowing down streams, rivers and other bodies of water.

But, in this case, the small craft will be a kayak.

"A lot of people don't know there is so much water in the area (suitable for paddling)," said Marybeth Lemaire, an outdoor recreation specialist with Semper Fit. "It's relaxing and it's a different kind of workout than you get at the gym."

Lemaire leads a variety of outdoor recreational opportunities, but right now, she is gearing up for spring and summer kayaking tours.

At present time, this weekend's kayaking excursion through Northeast Creek at Brewster Recreation Area is full, but Lemaire is planning a plethora of future trips for service members, retirees and their families to enjoy.

"I've got 11 single kayaks and two tandem kayaks," said Lemaire.

She has a trailer and will travel to other sites for trips. Lemaire will be carting those vessels around the area this

season to provide a variety of kayaking experiences.

Kayaking opportunities will be available at Camp Johnson on the New River, Brewster Recreation Area on Northeast Creek and Onslow Beach on the Intracoastal Waterway.

For the most part, family members take advantage of the kayaking programs. Teenagers seem to especially enjoy the tours on the Intracoastal Waterway, as they spend more time out at Onslow Beach during the summer, said Lemaire.

But Marines and sailors do participate as well.

As Lemaire said, kayaking is a different kind of workout than running or weight lifting. It helps build balance skills, like riding a bike. There's always the possibility of falling into the drink.

"It happens a lot with the young guys, because they are a little cocky. They think their balance is good, but it isn't always," said Lemaire.

Wounded Warriors, with medical releases, have taken Lemaire's kayaking trips and found them helpful for regaining both mental and physical balance.

The kayak trips are free, and Lemaire said they are especially helpful for people new to kayaking. Once they get the hang of it, patrons may want to rent kayaks for one of the two base marinas, at Courthouse Bay and Mainside, and go out on their own.

SEE KAYAK 7D ▶

### Get a leg up at Courthouse Bay Fitness Center climbing wall

**HEATHER M. OWENS**  
Carolina Living editor

By no stretch of the imagination would anyone ever call a Marine a "couch potato."

Marine Corps Community Services' Semper Fit offers plenty of opportunities to get service members and other authorized patrons active and off the couch this spring and summer.

Dennis Yeddo, facilities manager at Courthouse Bay Fitness Center, wants the authorized patrons to know his fitness center has an indoor climbing wall available to them.

"Anytime we're open, the wall is open for patron usage," he said. (As with all base fitness centers, the CHB Fitness Center's hours of operation are posted under the "Health, Fitness and Sports" tab of the MCCS Web site at [www.mccslejeune.com](http://www.mccslejeune.com).)

The climbing wall was built during 2005, when a fitness center was added to the gymnasium part of the facility. It was extremely popular when it was built.

Interest waned some as the base population changed

over and many new Marines and sailors did not know it existed. Due to greater publicity efforts, people are starting to find the wall again.

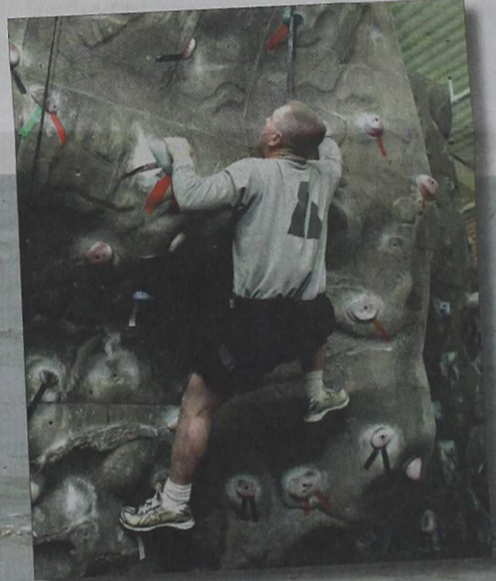
This weekend, Yeddo is offering a climbing clinic to get patrons trained up on the ins and outs of the facilities' climbing wall.

Two sessions are scheduled for Saturday; the first is set for 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. and the second from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Each class will accommodate up to 10 people. Reservations may be made by calling Yeddo directly at 450-7454, the CHB Fitness Center mainline at 450-7447 or stopping by the center prior to close of business Friday.

The center offers 10 auto belays so single climbers may get their workout in without having to find a belay partner.

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Photos by Renee J. Harding

Marine Corps Community Services' Semper Fit offers plenty of opportunities for service members, retirees, base civilians and their families to stay fit, both indoors and out. Outdoor recreation is planning a series of kayaking excursions on waterways around Camp Lejeune and aboard Camp Johnson. Courthouse Bay Fitness Center boasts an indoor climbing wall to help get you into climbing shape.



# MovieReview



From the front row with Reinhold Moldenhauer Huneycutt

## Steve Martin returns as silly Frenchman; Slumdog comes to Jacksonville

Playing at the Camp Lejeune Theater

### "PINK PANTHER 2" (PG)

"Pink Panther 2" is the sequel to the 2006 comedy "Pink Panther," based on the popular comedy series.

In this film, Inspector Jacques Clouseau must team up with detectives from other countries to find a daring cat burglar, "the Tornado," who has returned after a decade of inactivity.

When legendary treasures from around the world are stolen, including the priceless Pink Panther Diamond, Chief Inspector Dreyfus is forced to assign Inspector Clouseau to a team of international detectives and experts charged with catching the thief and retrieving the stolen artifacts.

Steve Martin ("Cheaper by the Dozen 2," "Bringing Down the House," "Shopgirl") reprises his role as the pompous and delusional Clouseau, the most ridiculous police detective ever to appear on the screen.

Clouseau has a problem which causes further complica-

tions with keeping his professional and personal life apart; he is in love with his assistant, Nicole, played by Emily Mortimer ("Lars and the Real Girl," "Redbelt").

John Cleese ("The Day the Earth Stood Still") co-stars as the always-frustrated Chief Inspector Charles Dreyfus, boss of Clouseau.

Jean Reno ("The Da Vinci Code") again plays Gendarme Gilbert Ponton.

Two of the international detectives are Andy Garcia ("Ocean's Thirteen") as Inspector Vincenzo Brancaloneo, who also has a thing for Nicole; and Alfred Molina ("Nothing Like the Holidays") as Chief Inspector Randall Pepperidge.

Lili Tomlin ("The Ant Bully") appears as Yvette Berenger; and Jeremy Irons ("Appaloosa") is Avellaneda.

Director Harald Zwart ("Agent Cody Banks") places much emphasis on Clouseau's new found love, and how he is now worried with leading such a dangerous life that he would be willing to risk his heart for his job.

Martin also helped with the original script writing. The movie was filmed in Paris and Boston.

"The Pink Panther 2" is a rather lame and silly excuse to keep the once extremely funny "Pink Panther" character alive; yet Peter Sellers cannot be imitated.

Playing at the Jacksonville Theater

### "SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE" (R)

"Slumdog Millionaire" is this year's crowd pleaser. A most beloved and captivating film, it has received numerous top awards worldwide.

Set in contemporary India, this rags-to-riches tale centers on India's version of Who Wants to Be a Millionaire, and shows how an illiterate kid becomes an unlikely contestant on the show. The street-smart orphan can, with great determination, win the top prize.

In colorful flashbacks, Jamal Malik, the 18-year-old former slum kid, played by Dev Patel, tells his harrowing story of survival in the streets of Mumbai.

Each chapter of his story reveals his vicious encounters with gangs, homelessness, torture, murders, and his search for another street urchin, his childhood soul mate.

Jamal's street experiences help him on the way in getting closer to the answers to the show's questions.

Freida Pinto plays Latika, the girl Jamal befriended in his youth, and is now an ardent fan of the show. Jamal has been searching for her on his long journey to the television show that will transform his life.

Bollywood megastar, Anil Kapoor co-stars as the host of the popular television show; Madhur Mittal plays the Salim, Jamal's older brother; and Irfan Khan portrays the police inspector.

Director Danny Boyle ("Trainspotting," "28 Days Later") has created a fantasy like adventure; an endearing

hero and a poignant love story and filled it with talented unknown Indian actors and kids from the slums.

Brilliantly adapted to the screen by Simon Beaufoy, the story is based on the debut novel, "Q and A," by Vikas Swarup.

"Slumdog Millionaire," winner of Best Picture of the Year, is a must see. This smashing and sentimental entertainment is one in a million. The powerful and realistic film is at times heartbreaking and exhilarating and draws you into the journey through the slums of Mumbai. It is an unforgettable experience.

Note: Don't rush out after seeing this movie and miss the outstanding Bollywood dance number in the closing credits.

### "WATCHMAN" (R)

"Watchman" is a film based on the acclaimed graphic novel by Alan Moore, about a band of dysfunctional superheroes.

This complex, multi-layered mystery adventure is set in an alternate 1985 America, where costumed superheroes are part of the fabric of everyday society.

The film follows a group of former vigilantes as tensions heighten between the U.S. and the Soviet Union; and the Doomsday Clock moves closer to midnight.

After a law is passed to thwart the efforts of a group of crime-fighters, one of them is mysteriously murdered.

This superhero's murderer casts his old associates into the investigation of a global conspiracy against their kind.

Their mission is to watch over humanity—but who is watching the Watchmen?

The dark adventure musters up some fantastic cinematography and special effects.

"Watchmen" is a sure hit for the legions of a comic book fans, but too much to digest for the layman.

Editor's note: Ms. Huneycutt is the Public Affairs Assistant at the Base Public Affairs Office.

## "Brothers at War" Film chronicles three siblings' wartime experiences in Iraq

REINHOLD M. HUNEYCUTT  
Marine Corps Base

"Brothers at War" is a documentary of the war in Iraq told through the eyes of a civilian photographer.

The film is also an intimate portrayal of an American family during difficult times.

The story centers on the Rademacher family, which two sons deployed to the war zone.

One, Isaac, a West Point graduate, is an efficient and inspiring military officer; the other, Joe, who graduated at the top of his class in Ranger and sniper schools, is a young man who has been changed by his experiences.

The two brothers kept telling those who stayed behind they could never understand or know what it is like in Iraq.

To understand the experience, sacrifice and motivations of his two brothers serving in Iraq, Jake Rademacher, an award-winning filmmaker, sets out to tell his brothers' story.

Jake is the older brother, who always wanted to attend West Point but didn't make it, yet never gave up his dream to see the war first hand.

He and his camera crew find a way to be embedded with his brother's unit which allows him to see first hand what the brothers have gone through.

While on his two embedded journeys, Jake goes on a secret reconnaissance mission on the Syrian border, which hides out with a sniper unit in the Sunni Triangle, and part in the interaction between seasoned American soldiers and the inexperienced Iraqi troops they are training. Also is involved first-hand in a harrowing firefight.

Interwoven with the deployed brothers and their unit, Jake brings the focus on life back home and how the conditions and dangerous work are a part of the lives of the parents, wives, siblings and friends and how they manage to cope.

The film shows the strong bond and service of American men and women on the front lines and the profound effects it has on their families and themselves.

"Brothers at War" is an emotional, poignant and realistic documentary of a deployed unit and gives an insight into the lives of ordinary fighting men and their families.



Courtesy of the film "Brothers at War" will play in town called through March 26, said official Carmike Cinema headquarters.

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**Jacksonville High School spaghetti dinner**  
Saturday, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
The Jacksonville High School Cardinal Jazz Band Club has scheduled its annual spaghetti dinner for Saturday. The dinner will cost \$7 per plate and includes spaghetti, salad, bread and dessert. The Cardinal Jazz Band will perform at 5:30 and 7 p.m. Proceeds from the fundraiser will be used to buy new music, instruments and repair old instruments. For more information, call 346-4011.

**Summer programs fair**  
Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
The Onslow Partnership for Children has planned a Summer Programs Fair to take place at the Jacksonville Commons Recreation Center. The goal of the fair is to provide families a one-stop-shop for planning their children's summer activities. For more information, call 938-0336. The OCP may be found on the Internet at [www.onslowkids.org](http://www.onslowkids.org).

**Exceptional Family Member Program event**  
March 26, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
The Exceptional Family Member Program has scheduled a "meet and greet" for adults with special needs and parents of special needs children. Free childcare will be available; however, advance reservations must be made by calling 451-2672. For more information about this event, call 451-0176.

**Midway Motor Madness**  
March 28, noon - 2 p.m.  
The Midway Park Community Center and Chapel have scheduled the Midway Motor Madness Car Show to take place at the chapel parking lot. Billed as a family-friendly car show, the event is scheduled to include inflatables, lawn games and a disc

**Live art auction**  
March 27, 6 p.m.  
The New River Officers' Spouses Club has planned a live art auction, to include fine art, sports and musical memorabilia and more, at the New River Officers' Club at 710 Flournoy Rd. A preview period is set to take place from 6 to 7 p.m. with the auction kicking off at 7 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, coffee and cake will be available. Additionally, squadron and unit banners are to be auctioned off. The event is a fundraiser and proceeds will benefit the OSC scholarship and charitable distribution program. Tickets are \$5 per person and may be purchased by calling 219-7729.

**Foster parenting meeting**  
April 2, 6 p.m.  
Onslow County Department of Social Services has scheduled an informational meeting for individuals interested in learning more about foster and foster-to-adopt programs in the county for April 2. The meeting is set to take place at the Department of Social Services Training Center, 445 Hargett St. in the New River Shopping Center. For more information, call Linda Taylor, foster home recruiter at 989-1036.

**Calling all craffers**  
Ongoing through March  
The Hidden Talents Craft Store is seeking applications for crafter participants in its 2009 Camp Lejeune Spring Craffery. The craffery is scheduled for April 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and April 5, from noon to 4 p.m. at Marston Pavilion. For more information, call 451-2658.

# Pets of the Week

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This kitty is a white and tan domestic shorthair mix. She is about 1-year-old and is in need of a new friend to take her home.  
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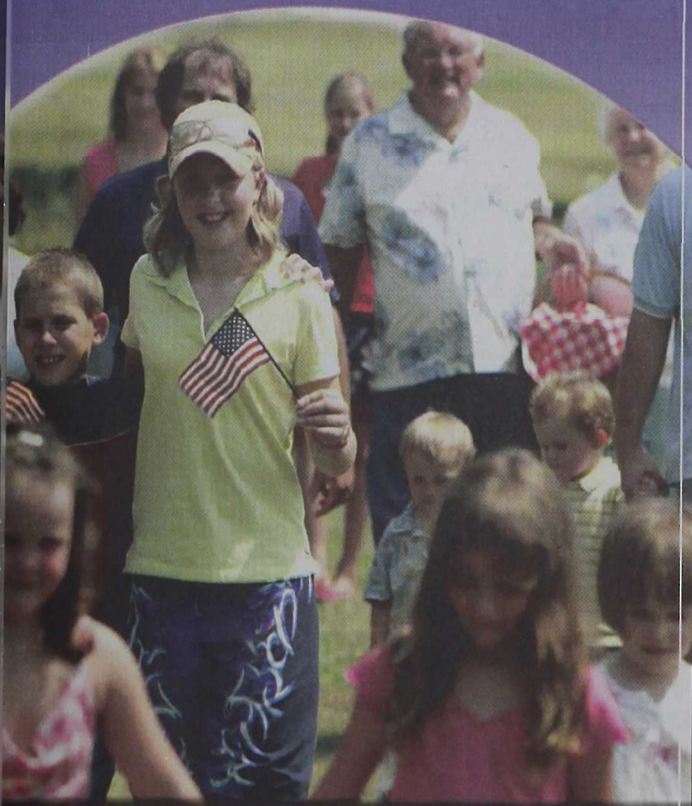
This friendly guy is a black and cream border collie and German shepherd mix. He is about 1-1/2 years old. Adopt him today.  
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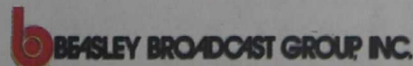
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# Hope for the Warriors continues to serve those who serve

By HER M. OWENS  
Living editor

Every day, Hope for the Warriors and volunteers are faced with the needs of those affected by the Global War on Terrorism. "I'll go several days when things get sad," said Robin Kelleher, the organization's president. The nonprofit organization tasks with helping service members and families who have been affected by or death in the line of duty. Though the situations may sometimes cause staff and volunteers to feel stress, the needs of military families remain crystal clear. Kelleher recently had an opportunity to speak at a well-spring of pride for the military community. With Tina Atherall, Hope for the Warriors executive vice president, she led an advance screening of Home Office's patriotic production "Take-charge" in New York City.

"As a Marine wife, I am yet again overwhelmed by my respect for the Marine Corps and its honor and tradition," she said.

The film, which debuted on HBO Feb. 21 and has regular air dates on the channel throughout March, details the true life story of Lt. Col. Michael Strobl as he accompanies the body of 19-year-old Lance Cpl. Chance Phelps to a Wyoming burial.

Though Kevin Bacon, who played the role of Strobl in the movie, and other Hollywood actors attended the screening, Kelleher said the real very important persons of the evening were those affected by the journey of one American hero's body to its final resting place.

"The people everyone wanted to see there were the family and the people who were personally involved," she said.

Kelleher said the movie could not have come at a better time.

"The premier and airing of this movie is good timing, because we need to remember that there are still service members being killed and wounded in the Global War on Terrorism. And we need to remember that, despite what's happening on a daily basis in our own country, the wounds of this war are long lasting," she said.

One way Hope for the Warriors continues to tell the stories of families affected by the wars in Iraq and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan is through its Ambassadors of Hope.

Currently, four Gold Star parents, mothers and fathers of U.S. service members killed in action, participate in speaking engagements to raise awareness with the American public.

"The parents have a great deal of pride in what their children have done. They are

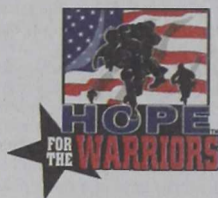
filled with pride and not anger," she said.

Mack, Chance's mother, now traveling the country talking about her son and the HBO movie which carries his name, is one of Hope for the Warriors Ambassadors of Hope. The others are Anne Adkins, mother of Spec. Matthew T. Bolar who was killed in Iraq during 2007; Ron Winchester, father of 1st Lt. Ron Winchester who was killed in Iraq during 2004; and Paula Zwillinger, mother of Lance Cpl. Robert T. Mininger who was killed in Iraq during 2005.

"Because of the full cycle of care we offer, the Ambassadors of Hope can speak on behalf of the families who paid the ultimate price in this war and speak on behalf of our family support programs," said Kelleher.

Hope for the Warriors family support programs are growing. It has recently expanded its spouses support initiative into a program which also supports wounded warriors' extended family.

"Our goal really is to include the entire family in our circle of support," said Kelleher.



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## O' Danny Boy!



Photo by Capt. Heath Ruppert  
Marine Corps Installations East Commanding General Maj. Gen. Carl B. Jensen (right) and Chief of Staff Col. Jack Fitzgerald (left) pose with the first place trophy the "Fifth Element" received for having the 'best' karaoke singers during the "Luck of the Irish!" St. Patrick's Day party held at the Officers' Club, Saturday. The party, attended by 237 "Irishmen," was sponsored by II Marine Expeditionary Force.

# TAPS healing comes to Lejeune

**CPL. KATIE MATHISON**  
Marine Corps Base

In 1994, a program began to connect those who have lost loved ones during military service. These connections are not limited by branch of service, geographical location or even circumstance of death. The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, is there to help combat the struggles of the family members through mutual support.

TAPS is a national organization, which provides emotional support and resources to help survivors heal. TAPS reaches out to survivors in every manner possible. The Web site offers a variety of resources to help survivors handle grief. There are links to local survivor groups for those who are seeking personal contact with individuals in similar situations, and online support groups for those who either can't attend meetings or who feel more comfortable reaching out online.

The TAPS program will be offering its services to the families of the fallen at the Officers' Club Saturday and Sunday. They will offer advice and counseling on different ways for families to cope with the loss of a loved one.

The seminar begins Friday, with a reception for

families to meet and get to know one another. day, adults will be separated into groups depending on their relationship to the deceased service member. Children will attend an age specific camp, where they learn coping skills, establish and identify support systems and lets them know they are not the only ones who have lost a loved one in military service.

The outfit also offers help sorting through the maze of questions that come up, such as what benefits survivors are eligible for and how to apply for them. The Web site contains links to the Department of Defense Survivors' Guide and links to information on survivor benefits, casualty affairs and more.

The program has assisted more than 25,000 family members, casualty officers and carers according to the TAPS Web site. TAPS' services are free of charge to surviving family members.

The seminar is open to all family members who have lost a service member from any military branch. It also focuses on distributing information on resources available to family members, and more importantly, provides personal contact with other family members.

For more information or to register, visit the website at [www.taps.org](http://www.taps.org) or call 1-800-959-TAPS.



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the base's only outdoor recreation list, Lemaire plans more wilderness trips than just kayaking. For those who want a much more adventurous ride, Lemaire is planning a whitewater excursion to Oak Hill, W.V. Set for place Aug. 21 through 23, the \$270 person trip will include transportation, lodging and two days of rafting. For recreation takes groups out to fish Gulf Stream on a Morehead City fish boat. Just \$90 pays for transportation, about 10 hours on the water and opportunity to catch red snapper, mahi-mahi, albacore and more. Plus, the fish catch are yours to keep. For fishing trips are scheduled this year; the first Saturday, May 30, July 18 and 10. To be included in Saturday's trip, patrons pre-register by close of business Friday. Lemaire also plans outdoor recreation opportunities specifically-designed for base members. She recently received her archery

certification and is putting together a pilot archery program. "We're going to test it out with (a trial at) the youth pavilions," she said. April 14 through 16, which falls during Camp Lejeune Dependent School's spring break, Lemaire is planning a day camp which will include archery, kayaking, fishing and camping skills lessons. Approximately 40 children between the ages of 6 to 14, will have the opportunity to attend the camp, which will run daily from 8 a.m. through 3 p.m. Semper Fit offers plenty of opportunities to get outside and recreate. "It brings you away from your normal working days," said Lemaire. "It's something different to look at, especially if you're not used to wilderness."

**Editor's note:** For more information regarding base outdoor recreation opportunities, visit the MCCS Web page at [www.mccslejeune.com/Outdoor/index.html](http://www.mccslejeune.com/Outdoor/index.html). To sign up for events, call 451-1440.

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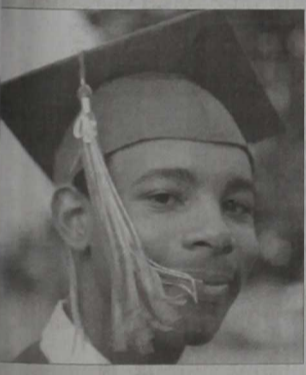
belay for each other after completing a belay instruction and initiation period, consisting of 10 supervised belays. Belay classes are organized as needed, and those interested may express their interest by stopping by the facility or calling Yeddo. Different people use the wall for different reasons, said Yeddo. The wall offers 33 colorized routes to provide a unique climbing experience for each level of climber. "Many people don't have any idea what a colorized route is when they come in here, they just free climb," said Yeddo. A few patrons come from parts of the county where outdoor climbing is popular. These people come from all parts of the base to train on the wall and stay in good climbing shape. Then there are service members who seek out the wall to improve their military skills. Some reconnaissance Marines stationed near the Court House Bay facility are among this population of wall users. "I have some recon guys come in and say, 'We are certified belayers. This is what we do,'" said Yeddo. Some service members bring their children in on the weekends to climb the wall. Children ages 10 to 17 are permitted to climb the wall with supervision by a legal guardian. Yeddo has received calls from other military fitness centers that would also like to add a climbing wall. However, he said he has not heard of many military fitness centers around the world that do actually have one. "There are quite a few nice features to this wall," said Yeddo. The wall is built, now they must come.

**Civilian Marines learning to lead**



Photo by Cpl. Joseph D. Day  
Melina Alberti, a recent civilian career leadership development graduate, receives a certificate from Col. Richard P. Flatau Jr., commanding officer of Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune during the CCLD luncheon, Tuesday. The program was established during 1997 to help civilian Marines advance their education through command leadership classes and mentorship. "I admire all you a great deal for what you do for us and the Marine Corps," Flatau said.

**Staff NCO Wives Club offers scholarships**



The Camp Lejeune Staff Noncommissioned Officer Wives Club is accepting college scholarship applications through April 15. Applications are available at the Camp Lejeune thrift store and at all Onslow County high school guidance counselor offices. All applications must be postmarked on or before April 15. Last year, \$50,000 of scholarship money was distributed, and multiple scholarships will be awarded again this year. Eligible applicants include family members of active duty or retired military living in Onslow County. For more information, call the thrift store at 451-5591. Please leave a message if no one answers.

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**Jewish Chapel to hold Passover Seder**

The Camp Lejeune Jewish Chapel has scheduled a Passover Seder for April 8 at 7:45 p.m. It will be held at the Jewish Chapel Social Hall in Bldg. 67. The seder is free for military personnel, retirees and their families. A \$36 donation is requested from all other attendees. Donations may be mailed to: Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Base Chaplains Department, PSC Box 20004, Camp Lejeune, NC 28542-0004



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