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Warriors
Department of Defense announced the names of three Marines who were supporting Operation Enduring Freedom and died as a result of operations in the province, Afghanistan. Capt. Eric Daniel, 34, of Lexington, and Lance Cpl. Francis White, 21, of Bryant, Ind. died June 19. Sgt. Matias J. Mendoza, 24, of Antonio, Texas, died June 20. They were assigned to the 2nd Marine Division, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Twenty-Ninth Marine Amphibious Brigade, Camp Lejeune, Calif.

Announces nomination of Female Four-Star General

Secretary of Defense M. Gates announced June 23 that he has nominated Lt. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody to the position of the 11th Chief of Staff of the Army. Dunwoody is the first woman to be nominated to the position of Chief of Staff of the Army. She is currently the commander of the 11th Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.

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Maj. Gen. Gaskin relinquishes command of 2nd Marine Division



Lance Cpl. Brian D. Jones



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Sanders Hall



Cpl. Joseph Lambach

Lance Cpl. Brian D. Jones
2nd Marine Division

"Leadership is the opportunity to lead others and good leadership is for the benefit of the followers,"—unknown.

Over 6,000 Marines, sailors, family, friends and members of the 2nd Marine Division community gathered in stands and under tents at W.P.T. Hill Memorial Field June 20, as Maj.

Gen. Walter E. Gaskin relinquished command of the 2nd Marine Division to Maj. Gen. Richard T. Tryon.

The occasion assembled the largest Marine formation and pass in review the division has held in recent years.

Tryon last served in the 2nd Marine Division as the commanding officer of 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, assuming command in 1993, and has returned

to the 2nd Marine Division following a successful tour as the commanding general at Marine Corps Recruiting Command, Quantico, Va.

"The sun does certainly shine brightly on Major General Gaskin for all the exploits and for all the spectacular missions he has performed over the course of the past two years," said Tryon after relieving Gaskin of his command. "You and this division have

set the bar incredibly high. Under your leadership the 2nd Marine Division, the "Follow Me" Division, has done things I think nobody in this country or this Corps expected. Sir, well done."

During Gaskin's service as the division commander, he oversaw the preparation of the division's more than 22,000 Marines and sailors for their roles in support of operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Horn of Africa

in support of the Global War on Terrorism and deployed alongside them.

In February 2007, Gaskin deployed as the II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) commander in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and headed the more than 35,000-member Multi-National Force West (MNF-W), which patrolled Iraq's western province of

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Behind the spear: Urban Warfare Training

Lance Cpl. Scott Schmidt
2nd Marine Division

MARINE CORPS AIR GROUND COMBAT CENTER TWENTY-NINE PALMS, Calif. — During the battalion's pre-deployment training at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif., Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, took part in and successfully completed Urban Warfare Training, May 21 through 24.

Marines with supply, communications, logistics, motor transport and other sections came together to learn the tactics, techniques and procedures needed

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Marines with Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division patrol the streets of an urban training facility May 24. Lance Cpl. Scott Schmidt



A Marine from Battalion Landing Team, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, tends to a simulated casualty resulting from a mine detonation during a training exercise, June 10 at the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Butlerville, Ind. Cpl. Aaron J. Rock

Marines leave their box, get into their 'lanes'

Cpl. Aaron J. Rock
26th MEU

MUSCATATUCK URBAN TRAINING CENTER, Butlerville, Ind. — Stalingrad, Berlin, Hue City, Baghdad, Fallujah. To most people, these are just places on a map, some of them nice places to vacation. But for students of history and war, these places evoke a far different meaning. These cities played host to some of the fiercest fighting ever seen in battle. With the birth of large cities came also a new form of combat: urban warfare.

The lessons learned in those conflicts are as valid today as the days they were

learned, and for the Marines and sailors of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, training for urban warfare is only a step away from reality.

The 26th MEU is in Indiana for its Realistic Urban Training exercise. Early in June, almost the entire MEU deployed from its base at Camp Lejeune, N.C., to locations around Indiana for urban operations training.

Much of the 26th MEU's Ground Combat Element, Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, went to the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center,

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Intramural softball team



3rd Communications Squadron intramural softball team pulled off a thrilling comeback Friday night at Camp Lejeune. Read about it on page 1B.

CMC visit



Gen. James Conway, Commandant of the United States Marine Corps visited Camp Lejeune for a little question and answer session with his Eastern Carolina Marines. Find out more on 1C.

Celebrities and fireworks



Lee Ann Womack, Grammy-winning country music star best known for her hit "I Hope You Dance," is set to headline Camp Lejeune's Fourth of July festivities. For more information about local holiday happenings, turn to page 1D.

MAN on the street

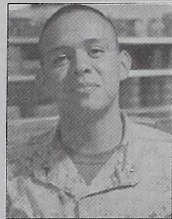
What are you doing for the 4th of July?



"I am going home to Nashville to see my family."

Pfc. John Conlee
2nd Marine Division
Nashville, Tenn.

"I am planning on going to the beach and lighting off some fireworks."



Pfc. Paul Lara
2nd Marine Division
Salt Lake, Utah



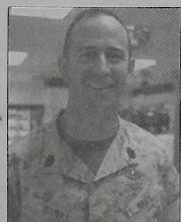
"I am going up to Pennsylvania and New Jersey to hang out with some friends."

Lance Cpl. Michael Kelly
2nd Marine Division
Havertown, Pa.

"I'm going to be preparing to go train at Mojave Viper with 2nd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment."



Seaman Apprentice Francis Yeboah
2nd Marine Division
Bronx, N.Y.



"I'll be going to a church camp and getting ready to go to Onslow Pines to watch the fireworks and barbecue."

Chief Petty Officer Jeff Banks
2nd Marine Division
Jacksonville, N.C.

Enjoy the fireworks, stay safe

Summer is here and each year Marines and sailors are subject to needless injuries while participating in outdoor and holiday activities. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that thousands of people will be treated for fireworks-related injuries this year. During the last 10 years, about a third of the injuries associated with fireworks have been caused by illegal explosives or homemade fireworks. Below are some tips to aid you in safely enjoying your 4th of July and off-duty festivities:

- Check the local laws. Make sure that fireworks are legal where you live. If they are legal, know what kinds are and what kinds aren't. Remember the law is there to keep you safe.
- Do not let small children play with fireworks or set them off. Keep fireworks locked up until ready to use. Adults should either ignite the fireworks, or supervise older children using them.
- Read the warnings, rules and safety instructions. Then, follow

them to the letter.

- Wear eye or hearing protection and keep all parts of your body out of the line of fire.
- Make sure the audience is out of range of misfired or misdirected rockets and roman candles.
- Set off the fireworks on a hard, flat surface away from anything flammable. During exceptionally dry weather check with the local Fire Department on the fire risk conditions.
- If planning a backyard barbecue, keep fireworks away at a safe distance from gas grills.
- Do not try to relight duds or misfires. Wait several minutes before walking up to a firework that did not go off. Soak them in water or spray heavily with the garden hose.
- M-80's and "Blockbusters" are not legal fireworks; they are dangerous, banned explosives.
- Fireworks are great family fun but only should be handled by sober adults ... use smart ORM!
- Purchase fireworks from reliable, licensed dealers. They carry

products that meet standards forced by the U.S. Consumer Safety Commission. Check the product against the call list at the following <http://www.cpsc.gov/>.

Use the Naval Crisis of Summer Web site to friends and loved ones for a fun summer safetycenter.navy.mil/criticaldays/default.htm.

Commanders and Leaders your responsibility to ensure personnel understand how to stay safe. It is to remain safe on 4th. Obviously off-duty in related to operating vehicles and alcohol use is a major concern and needs continuous attention to remind each and how to prevent mishaps. For more information contact your Unit Safety Officer or Safety Representative on Web site, <https://intranet.usmc.mil/C12/WorkplaceSafety%20Information%20fault.aspx>.

General cites Security, Development, Governance gains in Afghanistan

Gerry J. Gilmore
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — U.S., coalition and Afghan security forces are hunting down the Taliban and other insurgents operating in Afghanistan, while vital reconstruction and governance programs continue to spread across the country, a senior U.S. military officer said today.

Steady progress is being made in Afghanistan in the areas of security, development and governance, Army Maj. Gen. Jeffrey J. Schloesser, commander of Combined Joint Task Force 101 and 101st Airborne Division, told Pentagon reporters during a satellite-carried news conference.

"We're clearly not done, and I'm nowhere near yet able to say that we've reached irreversible momentum," said Schloesser, who arrived in Afghanistan in April and also heads counterinsurgency operations for NATO's Regional Command East. "But I do know that we're making good progress, and each and every day we're making a difference in the Afghan people's lives."

Noting a 40-percent increase in enemy attacks in his sector in the January-to-May timeframe compared to a year ago, Schloesser pointed out that attacks on U.S., coalition and Afghan security forces have gone up each year since 2002. The general also acknowledged that 40 soldiers, sailors, Marines, airmen and civilians have been killed since his command took responsibility for the region in early April.

"And again, our heart goes out ... to their selfless sacrifice," Schloesser said. Czech and Polish soldiers, he noted, were among the fallen.

The rise in attacks is attributable, in part, to increased activity against the enemy, Schloesser said. An improved Afghan army, as well as U.S. and NATO troops, he noted, are taking the fight to the enemy in places that hadn't been patrolled before.

"Clearly, the Afghan National Army is better

than it was last year, and to be truthful, we are going to places that they did not operate in last year prior," Schloesser said.

U.S., coalition and Afghan forces are "hunting down the enemy of the Afghan people and trying to root them out," the general said.

Insurgents have a choice: leave Afghanistan and make peace, or be captured or killed, Schloesser said. "So we're taking the fight to the enemy general said, "but we are working in support that we had not been before inside of Afghanistan."

The insurgents are attacking schools, killing students and teachers in the process, while also targeting county and provincial government centers as well as road-building projects, Schloesser said. In fact, he added, they're attacking "anything that improves the quality of life for the normal Afghan citizen" in an effort to separate the Afghan people from their government.

However, the insurgents' destructive effect "don't offer any kind of positive effect" for the Afghan people, Schloesser said.

Meanwhile, U.S. military officials are working with Afghan authorities and international agencies to build schools, roads and improve infrastructure across Afghanistan. Today, he said, about \$240 million in reconstruction projects are planned.

In addition, the Texas and Missouri National Guard have brought agricultural teams to Afghanistan to help out Afghan farmers, Schloesser noted. "We're seeing good results already," he said.

The symbol of security and governance for the Afghan people is their army, Schloesser said.

"I personally believe that we are right at the point where we're almost at the tipping point, where the momentum of the Afghan National Army will be able to go backwards," Schloesser said. "We're forward to seeing some increases in their capability and their numbers and capacity in the future. I've just got to say it's a real pleasure to all of us to work with such a group of professionals."

Watch your step: Snake season in full swing

Semper Safe

With the warmer months come new hazards to be aware of.... Snakes!! An unexpected encounter with a snake can be a startling but harmless event. Luckily, the majority of snakes in this area are non-venomous. However, coming across a venomous snake can be more than just a startling event; it can be a hazardous situation. Knowing what to look for and how to react can reduce your chances of getting bitten.

Bottom Line Up Front: Treat all snakes with a humble respect and heed the guidance stated within this article to ensure a safe encounter. Restated: Don't mess with them!

The four most common venomous snakes in this area are:

Copperhead – probably the most common of the poisonous snakes.

Timber Rattlesnake – not as common as the copperhead, but still prevalent.

Cottonmouth (Water Moccasin) – Usually found around bodies of water.

Pygmy Rattlesnake – present but not common and rarely seen.

These four snakes belong to the pit viper family so they have some similar characteristics.

- All these snakes have cat-like eyes and a pit between their nostril and eye.

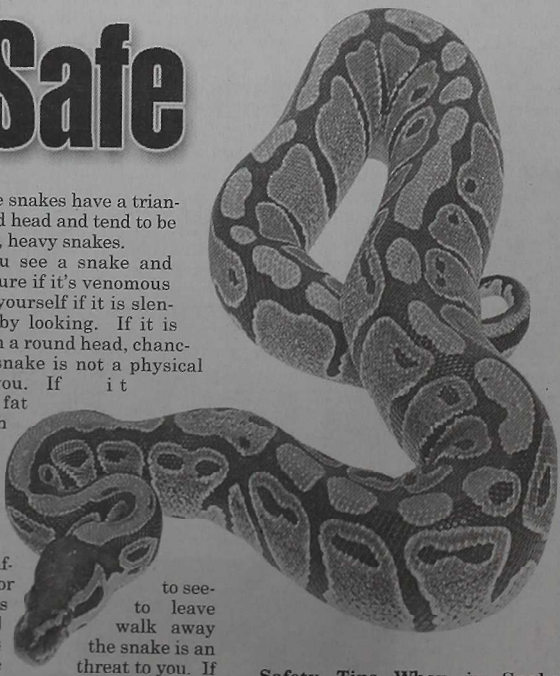
- All these snakes have a triangular-shaped head and tend to be thick bodied, heavy snakes. When you see a snake and you're not sure if it's venomous or not, ask yourself if it is slender or stubby looking. If it is slender with a round head, chances are the snake is not a physical danger to you. If it is stubby or fat looking with a triangular head, your best bet is to steer clear of it.

Your safest reaction to seeing a snake is to leave it alone and walk away from it unless the snake is an immediate threat to you. If you feel you must kill the snake, keep in mind that you don't want to get too close to the snake to avoid being bit. Use a sturdy stick or pole that is long enough to give you a safe distance from the snake. But remember, if the snake is not a threat and you can walk away from it, then that is the usually safest and wisest course of action.

Safety Tips When in Snake Country

Wear shoes and heavy pants when walking and hiking in areas where snakes are likely found. Avoid reaching into rocky cracks, under logs, or large rocks.

Even if a snake looks dead, be extra careful. A snake can inject venom up to one hour after its death.



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Stay safe in civil affairs, 3/6 Marines promote Fallujah progress

Chris Lyttle
Regimental Combat Team 1

FALLUJAH, Iraq — Battalion, 6th Marines, Regimental Combat Team 1, are continuously working with Fallujah City Council members, local tribal leaders and local citizens to carry out projects in an effort to improve the city's infrastructure.

Civil affairs leaders and the Army Corps of Engineers with the city council's representatives today to discuss about projects that provide key services throughout the city, such as improving the water distribution systems.

The city is now in the final stages of establishing a new water distribution network. 3rd Bn., 6th Marines recently approved a project to purchase need parts for a water treatment facility, which will serve the majority of Fallujah. Right now, the facility have inoperable pumps and other parts that are in need of repair. The installation of new pumps and filters at the Azerghia treatment facility is bringing the facility back to previous prewar capacity.

The initiative to solve water problems for Fallujah in the pipe network," said Chief Warrant Officer 2 Shane Duhe, Civil Affairs Team 5 team leader.

"When the pipe network works properly, the water treatment plants already established along the Euphrates River will certainly be able to support all of the city's needs."

Embedded Provincial Reconstruction Teams introduced reverse-engineering concepts to the directors that are currently being developed. Reverse engineering concepts that the Army Corps of Engineers use will spare the expense of rebuilding existing facilities, thus saving money and labor time.

Another high priority on the Fallujah City Council's list is the Telecommunications Headquarters in the city. Up to 45,000 citizens will benefit from having land line telephone service at their disposal.

"Over the past five years, many services have been degraded," Duhe said. "Phone services are important to all citizens in Fallujah because they need to be able to call emergency services and police hotlines. This has a direct impact on local security."

Civil affairs teams continue to work on projects to facilitate the reconstruction of basic needs such as water, sewage and electricity. Their mission is to assist in transition by working with the local Iraqi government to build strong infrastructure for Fallujah.



Iraqi contractors rebuild a guard house in the city of Fallujah, June 11. Civil Affairs Teams attached to 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 1 are continuously working with Fallujah City Council members, local tribal leaders and local nationals to carry out projects in an effort to improve the city's infrastructure. Sgt. Joseph Gaines

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Cpl. Casey Jones
Regimental Combat Team 1

RAMADI, Iraq — In a small, grand room, a group of Marines wait alongside a squad of Iraqis for their foot patrol to begin. Lt. Brett A. Bourne, battalion commander of 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 1, enters the room full of confidence and asks "Are we ready to go out?"

Out delay, he receives a resounding "Yes" from both groups.

The Marines and Iraqi Police, dressed in full gear, began the patrol in a dust storm towards the marketplace, or as the local Iraqis call it, the souk. Upon arriving at the brightly colored shopping area, the Marines and Iraqi Police immediately received smiles, hand shakes and greetings of "Al salaam a'alaykum's," which is a term of endearment and means "God be with you."

Two forces have made their presence known in the souk, they are here for one thing: the people. Their mission is to intermingle with the locals and hear their valued opinion of the rebuilding of their city.

grenade attacks. But since then, the locals have rebelled against the insurgency and embraced the presence of Coalition forces, in turn launching the rebuilding of the bullet-riddled city.

"The people got sick of having their wives and children blown up by people who just want to cause trouble," said Cpl. Chris Sarlo, an anti-tank assaultman with 1st Battalion, 9th Marines. "They saw that the Marines were trying to get the terrorists out of the province, so they decided to help us out with the Awakening."

Nowadays, Ramadi is much safer and the thriving souk is visited almost daily by Marines and Iraqi policemen.

In a 2006 New York Times article, when the region was in chaos, then-Governor Awad of Al-Anbar province said, "The performance of the police and national guard is very weak in all of central Iraq." In a startling contrast to those comments, the policemen have made an incredible improvement since the area was deemed secure. Now, the policemen are operating independently with Coalition forces only serving in an overwatch role to mentor and assist the budding force.

"The Iraqi Police are doing well," said Sgt. Nicholas V. Rojas, a forward observer with 1st Battalion, 9th Marines, currently on his second deployment to al-Anbar Province. "Compared to my first deployment in 2005 at Camp Hit just northwest of Ramadi, I've noticed a considerable change in how the Iraqi Police conduct themselves and with their tactics. The Iraqi Police show more of a desire to take over, for instance, if they see an improvised explosive device, they know what to do, they no longer come to us with questions. They come to us with the finished product. They're definitely doing a great job."



Petty Officer 2nd Class Giovanni Lozano, hospitalman with 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 1, patrols through the market area of Ramadi, locally known as the souk June 9. This patrol would've been out of the question nearly two years ago, when the market and Ramadi were at the forefront of the insurgency. Lance Cpl. Casey Jones

The Marines and Iraqi police receive a positive response from the locals every time they patrol through the marketplace.

"The souk is usually pretty busy, a lot of hustle and bustle," Sarlo said. "For the most part the people are really friendly, if you say hello to them they'll smile and say hello back. The area is 100 percent better than what it used to be."

The newfound trust between the Marines and the locals has allowed both sides to realize, despite their differences, we are all looking for the same thing, for Iraq to be a success story.

"Once I got here, I realized they're pretty good. I've gained a lot more respect for the Iraqi people — they're awesome," said Lance Cpl. Cody A. Collins, rifleman with 1st Battalion, 9th Marines, currently on his second deployment to Iraq.



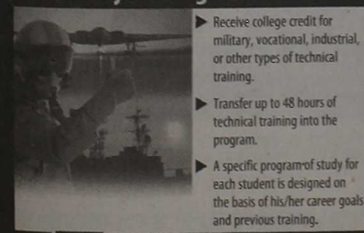
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Iraq—Inspecting the progress of a new phone and internet center, Cpl. Jasques P. Duplantis, 24, a company clerk with Headquarters and Service Company, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 5, ensures the work is correct before moving on to the next phase of building at Camp Korean Village, Iraq, June 14.

Mission: Connecting Marines with families

Story and photos
Cpl. Ryan Tomlinson
Regimental Combat Team 5

CAMP KOREAN VILLAGE, Iraq — A shorter wait for phones and internet is at hand for service members and civilian contractors here.

Marines with Headquarters and Service Company, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 5, are constructing a new internet and phone center aboard the camp to make this possible.

"We wanted to build another phone center to reduce the strain on the original," said Capt. Juan C. Rodriguez, company commander, H&S Co. "It will bring a bigger morale boost for the Marines and soldiers of this camp."

The leaders of the bat-

alion decided to construct the new internet and phone project at the beginning of June. As soon as the call was made, the Marines with Camp Commandant Platoon, H&S Co., began building to make the idea a reality.

"The idea was something that I wanted to follow through on," said Rodriguez, 41, from Sea Fort, N.Y. "The project will also open up room for the post exchange to expand and make a larger recreation room for the service members."

The new center will be located in a large trailer with more than 16 computers and 10 phones to serve the residents on the base. Once the framing and interior is finished within the trailer, the Marines will put the 2nd LAR letters into the

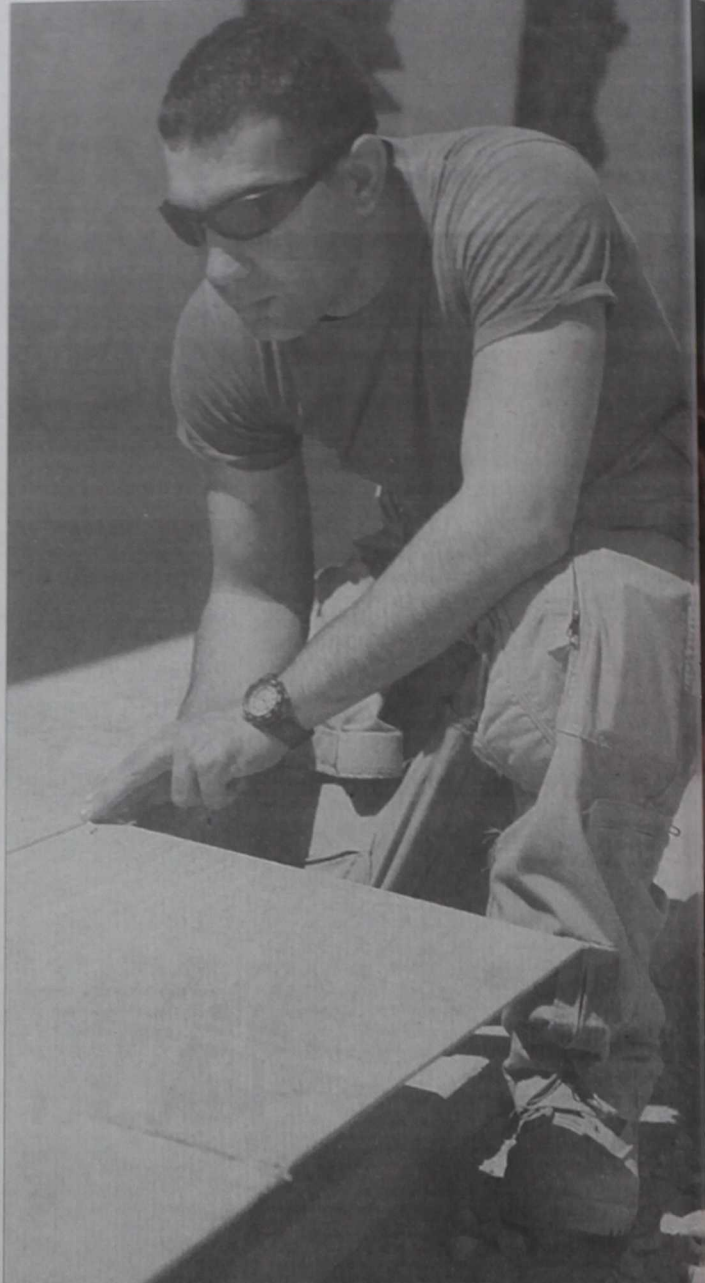
floor to establish their mark in the construction.

"The best part of this job is to know I did something in Iraq that makes a difference for the Marines," said Cpl. Jasques P. Duplantis, a company clerk with H&S Co.

The project is part of a series of operations to increase the morale and recreation of the base. So far, the Marines and other tenants have planned to build a new gymnasium, expand the PX for more items and provide a larger recreation room.

The new center is scheduled to open at the end of June.

"We're here to do something good for the camp," said Duplantis, 24, from Houma, La. "We will continue to better the lifestyle out here for these Marines."



Cpl. Mehmet S. Bayar, 24, a company clerk with Headquarters and Service Company, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Regimental Combat Team 5, marks before cutting a ply wood board with a circular saw during the building of a new internet and phone center at Camp Korean Village, Iraq.

DIVISION, from 1A

al Anbar, the largest province in Iraq.

Prior to his command in Iraq, al Anbar was a hotbed of al-Qaeda and insurgent activity for the first four years of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The province was once written off as lost when insurgent activity was at the height of its destruction, murder, and intimidation efforts in an attempt to claim the area as its Islamic state.

"Under your steady hand the 2nd Marine Division has been magnificent," said Gen. James T. Conway, the commandant of the Marine Corps, in a message read at the ceremony. "Your command of II MEF (FWD) in partnership with Iraqi security forces resulted in a tenfold reduction in violence throughout al Anbar province in 2007, while nearly tripling the size of Iraqi security forces to more than 50,000. You have made a positive and lasting impact on our nation's security and the future of Iraq."

While in command of MNF-W, Gaskin used his Marines, sailors, soldiers, airmen and resources to lead the way in helping a developing nation's people fight to have a country free of terror and foreign interference. Gaskin recognized the people of



Onlookers were entertained by the 2nd Marine Division Band during the change of command ceremony on W.P.T. Hill Field, June 20. Lance Cpl. Brian D. Jones

al Anbar had to be the center of focus and steadily pushed efforts to train and mentor the Iraqi police and military forces.

By training people indigenous to the area, Iraqi security forces greatly increased in numbers. With police placed into the cities, the Iraqi army was relieved of their control over the cities and was able to strategically relocate into other regions where they were needed.

After levels of violence had dropped so significantly, Coalition Forces were able to assist with the growth and development of al Anbar's provincial government by advising Iraqi leaders and helping to provide

basic needs to the Iraqi people.

"The outstanding performance of the 2nd Marine Division during your tenure is a direct reflection of your superb leadership," said Lt. Gen. Keith J. Stalder, the commanding general of II Marine Expeditionary Force, in a message at read at the ceremony. "You had a force that flourished in the counter-insurgency environment. A force that was not only able to partner with the Iraqi security forces to rid the province of al-Qaeda, but was able to backfill the absence of violence with growth in the areas of governance and economics that will provide stability for the region and ultimately

save the lives of Marines that will die to the Anbar province in the future."

Gaskin was able to take full advantage of the "Anbar Awakening," when provincial leaders and the citizens of Anbar joined with MNF-W to take back their province from insurgents, making a remarkable transformation to what is now one of the safest places in Iraq.

Gaskin returned home with II MEF (FWD) from Iraq in February leaving Anbar ready to be handed back over to Iraqi control.

As an impressive 6,000 Marine formation stretched across the view of those attending the ceremony, marking the significance of the moment, Gaskin reminded everyone of the price of freedom.

"Every now and then we need to remind ourselves of the price of freedom and stands in front of you," said Gaskin as he motioned to the formation of Marines and sailors behind him.

Gaskin respectfully remembered the Marines and sailors who paid the ultimate sacrifice and the 880 that were injured while serving under his command.

"I am humbled to [have been] the commanding general of 2nd Marine Division the "Follow Me" Division," said Gaskin.

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The early history of Jacksonville starts with the end of the Tuscarora wars in 1713. The pacification of hostile Native American tribes allowed for permanent settlement of the regions between New Bern and Wilmington. The headwaters of the New River became a center of production for naval stores, particularly turpentine. The downtown waterfront park is built on the site of Wantland's Ferry, with bridges being constructed on either side of the original ferry site.

In 1752, a devastating hurricane destroyed the county seat of Johnston, and Wantlands Ferry, located further up the New River at the present site of Jacksonville was chosen as the site of the new county courthouse. The area was later known as Onslow Courthouse. In 1842 the town was incorporated and renamed Jacksonville in honor of former U.S. President Andrew Jackson.

Jacksonville and Onslow County continued to rely on naval stores, lumber, and tobacco crops for industry. In 1939, Colonel George W. Gillette of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers surveyed and mapped the area from Fort Monroe, Virginia to Fort Sumter, South Carolina which included the Onslow County coastline and the New River. The map is believed to have fostered the interest of the War and Navy Departments in establishing an amphibious training base in the area. Congressman Graham Arthur Barden of New Bern lobbied Congress to appropriate funds for the purchase of approximately 100,000 acres (400 km²) along the eastern bank of the New River. The establishment in 1941 of Marine Barracks, New River, later renamed Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Base led to the relocation of 700 families. While the landowners were compensated, many of the families displaced were sharecroppers who did not own the land their houses were built on, and did not receive compensation for their structures. Some African American families were able to purchase property from Raymond Kellum and established the community of Kellumtown. Other displaced families established communities in Georgetown, Pickettown, Bell Fork, and Sandy Run. The latter communities have since been absorbed by Jacksonville. Colonel Gillette had planned to retire near the small village of Marines, ironically named after a local family whose surname was Marine, but lost his land to the acquisition as well.

Construction of Camp Lejeune caused a population explosion in the small town of about 800 inhabitants as new workers migrated to the area. Growth continued to be fueled by both young Marine families and military retirees. Today, Jacksonville's primary industry is retail sales and services. The primary migration draw continues to be the U.S. Marine Corps.

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Navy Chief Pat Stanosbeck is pictured above with local children from a school in San Clemente, Peru. San Clemente was devastated last year when the city suffered an earthquake registering as 8.0 on the Richter scale. Maj. Winston Jimenez

Special MAGTF 24 finalizes humanitarian action in Peru

Maj. Winston Jimenez
24th Marine Regiment

SAN CLEMENTE, Peru — Marines from Special Marine Air Ground Task Force 24, under the command of Marine Corps Forces South, completed a humanitarian action June 13 in an area slowly recovering from a devastating earthquake measuring 8.0 on the Richter Scale, which hit the community of San Clemente particularly hard last August.

The Marines, invited by the Peruvian government to remove debris from San Clemente, worked with the aid of the city government of San Clemente and with the Peruvian Marine Corps.

"We are here to help improve the lives of the citizens of San Clemente. We removed more than 2,500 cubic meters of debris from the city," said Lt. Col. John Klink, Special Marine Air Ground Task Force executive officer and officer in charge of the humanitarian action. "We finalized seven different projects, clearing streets of earthquake debris, and also clearing debris from dangerous turns in the Pan American highway, which made driving very hazardous."

"We also finalized three immunity relations projects. We fixed the school's playground, we cleaned the local clinic, and we provided medical exams to the citizens of San Clemente," said Klink. "The entire area of San Clemente looks devas-

tated, but it also shows the resilience of the people. The entire city feels like a construction zone, but there's still plenty to be done."

"We suffered during the earthquake," said Isabel Quince Prada, of San Clemente. "Here's where we have suffered the most."

The humanitarian aid is part of a military exercise called Partnership of the Americas 2008, which aims to improve relations with partner nations and to increase the operational preparedness of naval forces participating in the exercise, including Marine Corps forces, in the American continent.

"We were not expecting the help of individual citizens of San Clemente. However, they also came out to clear debris. Picking up rocks and basically helping us to remove debris once they saw us cleaning their city. Every day the community came out to help us," said Klink.

The humanitarian aid also includes basic medical exams given to the community of San Clemente.

"We gave health check ups to kids. We administered exams to check blood pressure, vital systems check ups, heart and lung check ups," said Navy corpsman Pat Stanosbeck. "We also orally administered Motrin for back aches and Tylenol for fevers."

"I am delighted! What happiness," said Prada. "So many kids are happy. Look at how they play and love the Marines. They don't

want them to leave."

Cpl. Anthony Eskew, 21, from New Oxford, Pa., was one of the Marines who spent their free time playing with the kids of San Clemente. "I felt wonderful helping the community," Eskew said. "But I specially liked cleaning the school and playing with the kids. The kids attacked me with joy in their faces. Playing soccer, running, playing in the playground."

The humanitarian action in San Clemente is part of a series of similar community initiatives occurring in Peru during June. During May, SPMAGTF 24 completed community relations projects in Colombia, Brazil, Guatemala, and in El Salvador.

Partnership of the Americas aims to train a multinational force in combined naval operations with the objective of elevating joint operations, as well as mutual confidence, cooperation, and friendship. One important aspect of the deployment is to support civil authorities in allied countries with humanitarian and community based projects.

The Marines of SPMAGTF 24, made up mostly of Marines from the 24th Regiment, will finalize POA 2008 on the 22nd of June.

"Look how the children are crying because the Marines are leaving. The kids are staying behind crying. We still need help," said Prada.

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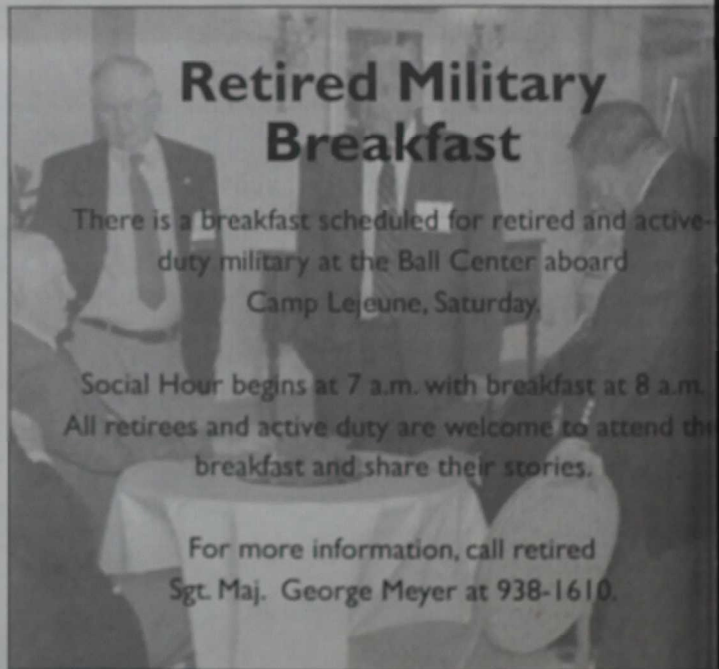
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Mrs. Conway updates community about Exceptional Family Member

Lance Cpl. Ryan Turnage
Marine Corps Base

The Exceptional Family Member Program has been a part of the Marine Corps since 1987 and is constantly being improved with the help of Gen. James T. Conway, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and his wife Annette Conway.

The EFMP is a program designed around families with challenged children, whether it is medical or educational needs. "[Marine Corps Community Services] provides family centered, culturally competent military community-based system of family support services that are comprehensive and coordinated," according to the EFMP's Web site.

Mrs. Conway held a meeting for exceptional families to discuss the upcoming changes to the program at the Marston Pavilion on base June 16.

"One of the first things to improve the program was a survey for the families," Conway said. The results of the survey showed families were upset with the hours of volunteering and lack of resources for their children in need. "We were offered \$100 million for the family programs; we found out fast that much money doesn't really go far with such a large community."

The money was used to improve facilities, hire professionals and fund the family programs, such as the Exceptional Family Member Program, according to Mrs. Conway.

"We hope some day to have 186 paid professionals for the program at one time," said Conway.

The meeting was left open for questions directed to Mrs. Conway about the

operations of the program. "Doctors have not been able to diagnose my child and as a result they will not treat her even though she has obvious physical and mental disabilities. What can be done to fix this?" asked a parent at the meeting.

Although some questions like this went unanswered, they will not be forgotten. "These problems will be addressed to Headquarters, Marine Corps in hopes of improving these types of flaws in the program," explained Mrs. Conway.

Family members left the meeting better informed and Mrs. Conway, along with the EFMP coordinators, left with new knowledge of weak points in the system.

If you have an exceptional family member and need questions answered, visit www.usmc-mccs.org/efmp.



Annette Conway, wife of the Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. James T. Conway, answered questions about the Exceptional Family Member Program during a meeting she held June 16. Lance Cpl. Ryan Turnage

MARINES, from 1A

an Indiana National Guard training facility, while other elements went to Camp Atterbury, a Guard outpost south of Indianapolis.

Upon their arrival, the troops began intensive training covering almost every aspect of warfare in an urban environment, from full-on combat inside large structures to scenarios that forced snap decisions on whether to render assistance to injured locals.

A Hollywood special-effects company made the training as real as possible for a training environment. Special-effects experts and actors combined to take Marines and sailors out of Midwestern America and into villages and cities in Afghanistan and Iraq.

"We need to be able to operate in an urban environment. All the tactics, techniques and procedures we do can be replicated here," said Col. Mark J. Desens, commanding officer of the 26th MEU. "The setup here allows us to get all the battalion's training done, as well as the other elements, so it will be prepared to go to [Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom], or quite frankly, anywhere in the world."

Desens said the staff at the training center have been extremely accommodating to the needs of the unit. When bad weather and flooding forced some of the Major Subordinate Elements from their Forward Operating Bases, many Marines needed drier places to bed down. The solution was to send them from Camp Atterbury to Muscatatuck.

"The National Guard has been terrific to us," said Desens. "When we got flooded out of our FOB, we came to the folks at



Marines from Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, move a comrade to safety during a raid on a structure at the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, June 11, in Butlerville, Ind. Cpl. Aaron J. Rock

Muscatatuck and said, 'We need to move 800 more Marines in here,' and they didn't bat an eye."

Despite the weather, training never stopped at MUTC.

Capt. Shawn A. Rickrode, anti-terrorism and force protection officer for the 26th MEU, said the training was set up in five different areas, or "lanes", that each dealt with specific areas of training.

Included were areas set up to train

Marines in entry control points, vehicle checkpoints, escalation of force, counterinsurgency operations, urban assault and forward operating base defensive operations.

While each lane had different scenarios, actors and special effects, all of them were based on squad-level movements and units.

Rickrode said all the lanes presented very challenging situations to the units

that exceed what could be done in facilities aboard their base at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

"It recreates the urban environment there is a variety of different types of buildings here," he said, explaining how Muscatatuck's ideal campus settings allowed the Marines to train a wide spectrum of different training situations.

This variety allowed the 26th MEU to focus on the training instead of what was going to get the Marines from one place to do the training.

While the squads of Marines trained through the scenarios, officers and noncommissioned officers oversaw and then critiqued the groups' performance in debriefs.

The significance of the training was lost on the young Marines executing it. Pfc. Ryan P. Williams, a rifleman with Weapons Co., BLT 2/6, said he was impressed by the training.

"It was really good training, probably the best training I've had; very realistic," he said.

Williams said it was good for everyone to get away from the 26th MEU's base at Camp Lejeune, N.C., to do the training.

"I think anytime you're aboard a ship you're in your comfort zone; it's good to get away from that," he said.

The 26th MEU is nearing the end of its predeployment training period. Following the conclusion of RUT, only one exercise stands between the MEU and its scheduled deployment in late August 2008.

The 26th MEU is scheduled to board the ships of the Iwo Jima Amphibious Strike Group in support of Global War on Terrorism.

TRAINING, from 1A

in Iraq's combat environment. UWT tested Marines' aptitude to proficiently conduct counter measures to improvised explosive device, personnel search, urban assault and movement, and vehicle check point procedures.

Everything is transported by convoy in Iraq and, "That's where we come in. A convoy needs personnel for security and in the event we are hit by an IED or take fire, those Marines have to be prepared to accurately respond," explained Pvt. Chad Reep, a logistics clerk with the company.

Rarely presented with the opportunity to move, shoot and communi-

cate, the company took the training opportunity to raise their skill set to new levels. These are necessary levels explained Sgt. Samuel Williams, the battalion's facilities chief. Williams is a veteran of Operation Al-Fajr also known as Phantom Fury, which was the second and final push through Fallujah, Iraq. During training, he worked with Marines to impart his abundant knowledge and sharpen their combat skills.

There is a widely unknown fact about H & S that, "In most cases Marines with the company get more combat experience than some [infantry men]," explained Williams. "That is why training is so important."

Marines were prepared on every level including casualty first-responder training, where Marines were exposed to amputated actors giving them an "all-too-real experience, which accurately prepared us for Iraq," said Reep.

Like infantry men, Marines with H & S Company excelled when given the opportunity to train and prepare their minds for the intense combat fatigues placed on the battalion during their future deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The company is on the front lines because, "The war is logistics intensive and H & S Company is taking the lead in Iraq," said Williams.

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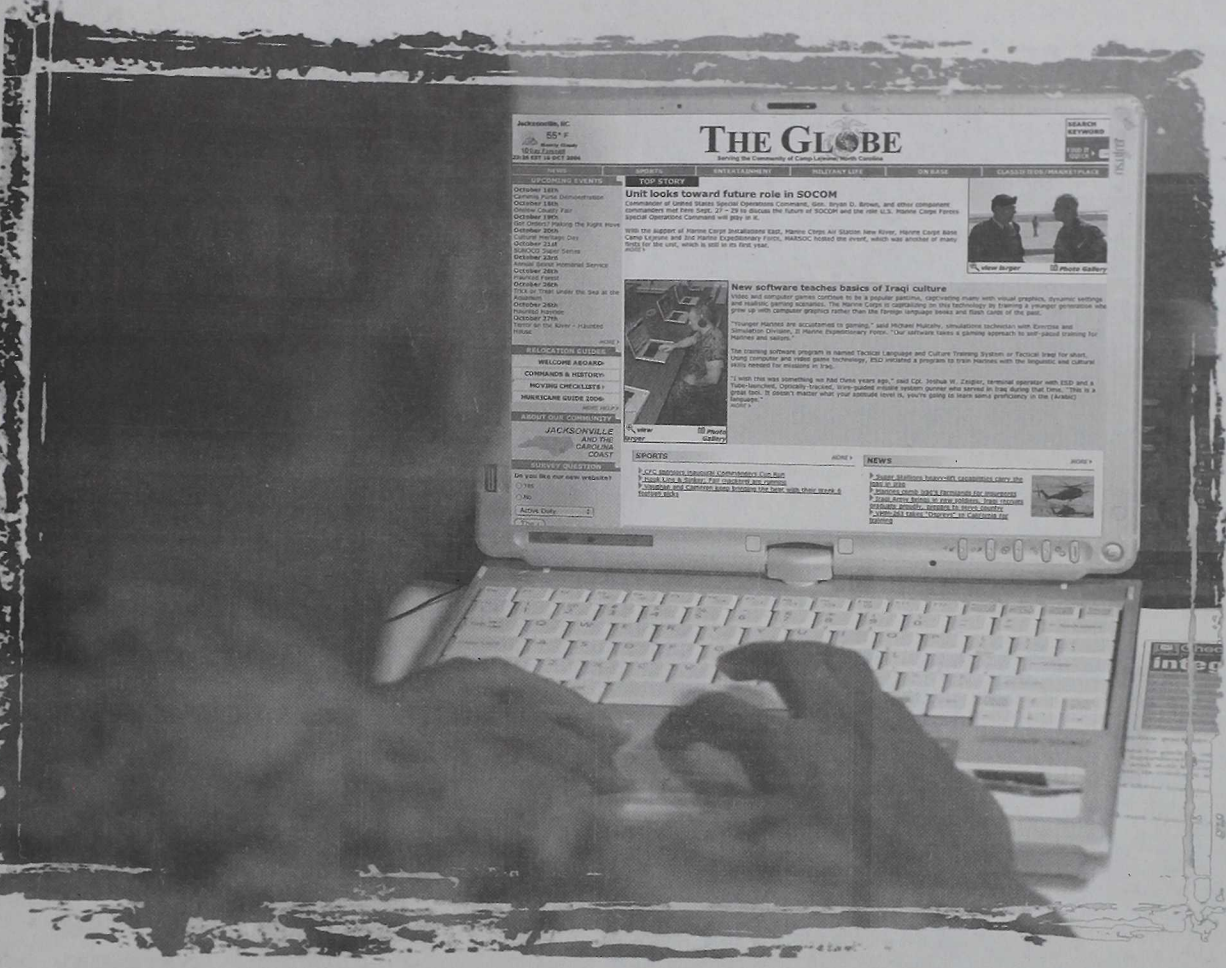
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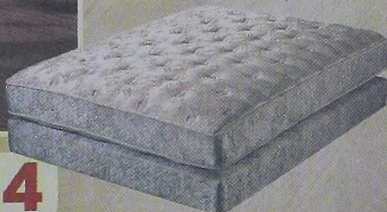
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8th Comm beats Camp Johnson, storm front

Story and photos by
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The 8th Communications Battalion intramural softball team pulled off a thrilling comeback in what proved to be the final inning Monday as ominous storm clouds gathered over Camp Lejeune. The team beat Camp Johnson 13-12 after scoring nine runs in the bottom of the third inning. The game was called after Camp Johnson's following at-bat when it exceeded the league's one hour time limit.

Camp Johnson's "Dirty Dozen" started the offensive fireworks in the top of the first, thanks to Mike Tobias, Jason Krutzel, Bobby Boyette and Jackie Evans' RBI singles. Scott Shekey, 8th Comm.'s starting pitcher, got off to a shaky start by walking three, including a bases-loaded free pass, in the opening frame.

The 8th Comm. bats didn't let their opponents get too far out in front, however, responding with four runs in the bottom of the first to make the score 5-4 in Camp Johnson's favor.

The Dirty Dozen came up in the second and came away with five more runs, thanks in large part to a couple of fielding errors on the part of the 8th Comm. defense. Tobias and Dave Harris earned RBIs for their clean base hits.

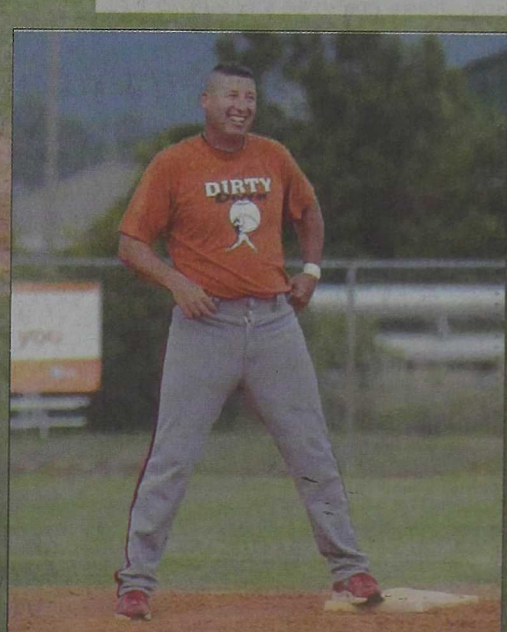
With the storm front building in the northwest, it became apparent to everyone the game may be called short. The extra incentive didn't spur the 8th Comm. batters to any runs in the second inning — in fact, Camp Johnson set them down one-two-three to maintain its 10-4 lead.

The Dirty Dozen could not generate any offense to pad its lead in the third, with 8th Comm.'s defense returning the favor and rising to the occasion — then things got interesting.

With the game clock ticking and the sky turning an eerie, inky black, the 8th Comm. players must have sensed their third-at-bat could be their last. With a runner on and no outs, Antonio Tate hit a blast over the center-field fence to make it 10-6. The next batter, Clayton Zupon, hit an improbable, back-to-back dinger in nearly the same spot and the lead was down to three with no outs. 8th Comm.'s line-up then went on a two-out tear, stringing together four singles and a run scored to make it 10-8. As the umpires kept one eye on the sky for lightning, 8th Comm. struck for five more runs before Camp Johnson could finally stop the bleeding and bring the inning to a close.

With 8th Comm. leading for the first time in the game, the onus fell on the Camp Johnson offense, which had not scored in its previous at-bats. The Dirty Dozen managed to scrape up two runs before 8th Comm. got the final out to win the game as time expired.

As the players shook hands at home plate, a well-timed bolt of lightning traced across the sky, effectively ending any hopes for more softball that evening.



In the top photo, 8th Communications Battalion starting pitcher Scott Shekey sends an offering to the plate. Above, Dave Harris of Camp Johnson has a big smile after reaching second base. At left, Camp Johnson's Jason Sherwood takes a big cut in his first at-bat.

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Kinston Indians are hosting their appreciation for military personnel by offering free admission to the game, retired service members and their families are invited every home Wednesday night. At all other home games throughout the season, military members enjoy reserved seating for \$4. For more information, call 252-391-0111 or go to their Web site at www.kinstonindians.com.

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Camp Lejeune's Varsity Women's Basketball Team try-outs are scheduled to take place every Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Camp Geib Fitness Center Gym. For more information, call Lee Williams at 377-4716.

Hope for the Warriors' Marathon team
The Hope for the Warriors' 2008 Marine Corps Marathon team support service members wounded in the War on Terrorism. The event is scheduled for Oct. 26 in Washington D.C. The team registration fee includes a bib number for the marathon, a Team Hope for the Warriors T-shirt, and race bag, online fundraising ideas and promotional materials. For more information, call 546-1050.

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Simple summertime pleasures of pond fishing



Lejeune OUTDOORS



Lejeune Outdoors
By Jamie Cameron

The National Basketball Association has a new champion, Tiger Woods is out for the rest of the year and football won't start in earnest for another couple of months. These are the dog days of summer — time to slow down, watch baseball and take joy in the simple things.

I write a lot about going to the ocean to catch fish. Most of the time, I'm trying to catch big fish; "Something that will pull some string," as my pal the charter-fishing captain would say. More often than not, chasing big fish around the Atlantic Ocean requires lots of equipment, a heavy time commitment and an exorbitant fuel investment.

Summertime is, however, an excellent season to strip down your fishing adventures to the barest essentials. How about a little bankside pond fishing for bass and bluegill?

For many of us, bluegills were the first fish we ever caught with our fathers or grandfathers. The scrappy little panfish find their way into just about any pond or lake and they always seem to be ready to oblige anglers with a reckless abandon they show towards a baited hook.

Recently, I hiked in with some friends to a small pocosin pond in the Croatan National Forest Carteret County for some bluegill and bass action on the fly. It had been awhile since I'd broken out my fly rod for warm water species and I'd forgotten how much fun it is to have a 6-inch bass "blow up" on a deer hair popper.

We probably arrived an hour or so after the best fishing at dawn, but everyone caught and released enough bluegills and bass to remind ourselves of the simple pleasure of grabbing your fishing pole and a box of flies to fit in your pocket and catching fish.

Fishing doesn't even have to be

that complicated.

When was the last time you dug a can of worms?

Camp Lejeune and the surrounding public lands have a host of small ponds suitable for fishing from shore. Some of them — especially the ones on base — are stocked with a variety of fish to make the experience even more enjoyable.

As with most things in Coastal Carolina in the summer, pond fishing is usually best in the coolest parts of the day. Sunrise and sunset were made for casting out a red and white bobber with fat earthworm on a hook a couple of feet below. If you don't want to bother with worms, just about every tackle shop in the South sell live crickets, which can

be just as good or even better than nightcrawlers.

Bait fishermen should be prepared to take a few fish home for the fryer as hungry bluegill will often take the bait so deeply into their gullets that their chances of survival upon release are slim. Don't fret over the chore of cleaning some of your catch. Dressed or as filets, bluegill rolled in cornmeal breader and quick-fried in hot oil are a special treat that is well-worth the effort.

Perhaps best of all is the simple fact that pond fishing leaves you with plenty of time to do other things. At it's best, you'll only be gone for a couple of hours.

If you decide to go, try to find a kid to go along with you. The very best pond fishing is done with children. Make sure you teach them the importance of conservation, of taking only enough fish as those you intend to eat and to always clean up the shoreline of trash before you leave. One of my biggest regrets is finding trash at the pond. Most of it is left by fishermen — a fact I simply cannot understand. If we go fishing for the peace and quiet and beauty, why do we insist upon leaving our trash on the bank? Do your part to teach the next generation to treat Mother Nature with more respect.

Mother Nature may reward you and the ones you love with memories to last a lifetime.



Kelli Huffman proudly displays a feisty farm pond bluegill before he was released unharmed. Mark Huffman

Redskins to open summer training camp July 20

News report
The Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — Washington Redskins fans will be early risers to watch new coach Jim Zorn in action at training camp.

The Redskins announced camp will open July 20 and one of the sessions open to the public will start at 8:30 a.m.

A total of nine practices will be open: One each day July 20-28.

For the sixth consecutive year, camp will be held at the team's own facility, Redskins Park. The Redskins have gone out of town for camp since 2002, when they trained in Carlisle, Pa., under coach Steve Spurrier.

Camp is also starting a week ahead of usual because of the Redskins' extra preseason game, Washington will play the Indianapolis Colts in the Hall of Fame game on Aug. 3.

Tide tables for New River Inlet National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration

	Today	
High tide	1:13 a.m.	2:03 p.m.
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	Friday	
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	Saturday	
High tide	3:07 a.m.	4:02 p.m.
Low tide	9:18 a.m.	10:32 p.m.
	Sunday	
High tide	4:09 a.m.	5:02 p.m.
Low tide	10:15 a.m.	11:37 p.m.
	Monday	
High tide	5:13 a.m.	6:01 p.m.
Low tide	11:13 a.m.	
	Tuesday	
High tide	6:15 a.m.	6:58 p.m.
Low tide	12:38 a.m.	12:12 p.m.
	Wednesday	
High tide	7:14 a.m.	7:54 p.m.
Low tide	1:35 a.m.	1:11 p.m.

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Kids' fishing derby

Saturday

The Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation Department has scheduled the 2008 Emerald Isle Youth Fishing Derby, June 28 at the Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier. The event is free and fishing gear will be provided for those children who do not have their own. For more information, call 252-354-6350.

Urinalysis coordinator's course

Monday

This Semper Fit workshop is provided to Unit Substance Abuse Program Representatives as a "train the trainer" instruction and potential Unit Substance Abuse Control Officers, Substance Abuse Control Specialists, Drug and Alcohol Program Advisors, Observers, and Administrative Assistants. The June 30 course is scheduled to run from 1-5 p.m. at the Semper Fit Health Promotion office in Bldg. 302. Course materials are provided and mandatory testing is required for certification. For more information, call 451-3648.

Youth Sports football camp

July 7-11

The Camp Lejeune Youth Sports Office is invited youngsters interested in learning the basic skills and training techniques of American football to register for this free 5-day session by July 3. The camp will take place at the Paradise Point soccer fields. A morning session for 6-10 year olds will run

from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The afternoon session, for ages 11-15, will run from 12:30- 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 451-2177.

Lejeune Mud Run

July 12

The Lejeune 8-kilometer Mud Run is scheduled for July 12 at Goettge Memorial Field House aboard Camp Lejeune. The race — a leg in the Lejeune Grand Prix Series 2008 — is open to everyone. Early registration is \$20 per runner and is open until July 10; after that, the fee is \$25 and will continue until 7:30 a.m. on race day. The course is a challenging off-road run designed to test runners at all fitness levels. Participants can expect both natural and man-made obstacles throughout the nearly five-mile course. At the check-in on race day, runners will be issued a Champion-Chip device to record their official times. Awards will be presented to the top three finishers in each division and participants will receive points towards the overall Lejeune Grand Prix Series' standings. For more information, call Mike Marion at 451-0092.

Mud Bog Racing

July 12

Jumping Run Creek Mud Bog has the only mud racing in Onslow County. Located 10 miles east of Jacksonville, the next race is scheduled for July 12 at 5 p.m. For more information, call 910-325-1511 or go online to www.promud.com.

Running Club

Ongoing

The Camp Lejeune Running Club is free to anyone who wishes to earn a little extra credit for their exercise program.

Record your training miles at any area fitness center and receive a free performance T-shirt after 500 miles. Track workouts will be held every Tuesday, from 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. at Goettge Memorial Field House. To learn more, call 451-7002 or e-mail craisno@usmc-mccs.org.

Semper Fit Challenge Passport

Ongoing

Pick up your Semper Fit Challenge Passport and win up to \$300 in Marine Corps Exchange gift cards and other prizes. Pick up your passport at any Semper Fit Fitness Center. For more information, call 451-7002.

Mixed martial arts and combat fitness classes

Ongoing

Marine Corps Community Services Semper Fit presents Lee Stuckey, a Marine and mixed martial arts professional cage fighter and Andrea Lucie as the new program instructors. Classes take place in the Area 3 boxing gym Fridays starting at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 451-0826.

Yoga and pilates classes

Ongoing

Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation Department sponsors weekly yoga and pilates classes, taught by certified instructors. The classes focus on basic yoga postures and exercises for students who wish to strengthen their foundational skills. Call 252-354-3424 for information.

Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu classes

Ongoing

Marine Corps Community Services Semper Fit Sports presents Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu instruction, scheduled for Tuesday

and Thursday nights, from 7:30- 9 p.m. Classes are provided by Club Jiu-Jitsu of Jacksonville. Sessions take place in Bldg. 1742, adjacent to the Protestant Chapel on McHugh Boulevard. For more information, call 581-0077 or visit www.clubjiujitsu.com.

Roller-hockey spring league

Ongoing

Hockey players and hockey player wannabes from Camp Lejeune are being sought to form an inline roller-hockey team to play in the Marine Corps Air Station New River spring league. Experience is not required. The season is ongoing. For more information and a practice schedule, call Brandon Kjartansson at 910-545-8070.

Base karate team

Ongoing

Camp Lejeune is starting a base karate team to compete in Amateur Athletic Union and National Karate Federation competition. All styles and karate skill levels, from white to black belt, are welcome to participate. The team will consist of a minimum of four female and six male competitors. Practices take place Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Green room at Goettge Memorial Field House, starting at 6 p.m. For more information, call Chief James Stolarczyk at 450-9127.

Go-kart racing

Ongoing

Active-duty service members and their dependents get free admission to watch the best go-kart racers in the East every weekend. Saturday races are held at the Highway 24 Raceway in Richlands, N.C. A special "Freedom Race" has been scheduled for July 12. For more information, call 919-324-5918.



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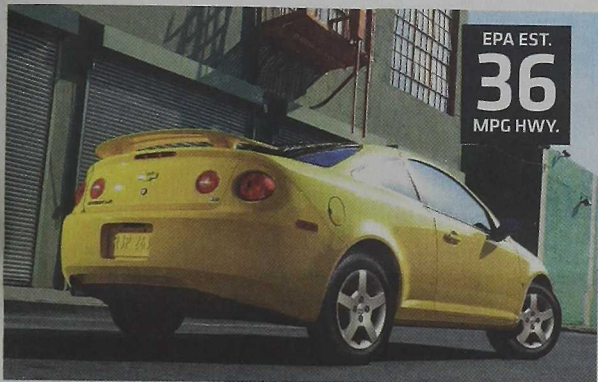
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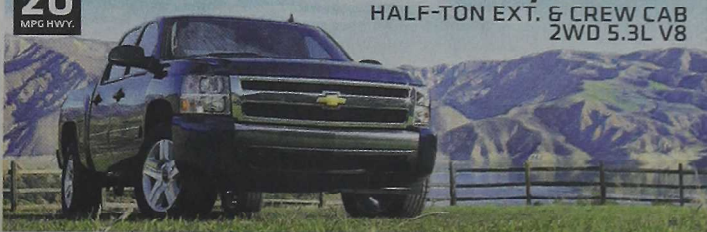
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Paddlers grow sport, help wounded warriors



Members and friends of the New River Rowing Club gathered this spring to install the low profile floating dock at Gottschalk Marina. From left to right, they are Ka Reeves, Ed Williams, Joseph Dodson, Tony Howe and Dawn Howe. Courtesy photo

Heather Owens
Carolina Living editor

Rowing one's boat gently down the stream has certainly worked to raise spirits in the fairy tales.

Ed Williams, of the New River Rowing Club, believes it can work in real life as well.

The New River Rowing Club recently implemented a plan to make rowing, a sport with infinite physical and mental benefits, more accessible for wounded warriors and others with injuries and disabilities. "Next to swimming, rowing is probably one of the best physical activities a person can do because it is no impact and it is a full-body workout — unlike kayaking or canoeing, which are primarily upper-body efforts," said Williams.

The New River Rowing Club formed about three years ago with the intention of introducing recreational rowing to the community. The club is comprised of a nice mix of military members, retirees and civilians and is currently in the process of applying for non-profit status.

The club's newest initiative is introducing rowing to wounded warriors. "We've started getting referrals from Dr. Ginger Gold from the Wounded Warrior Battalion and we started introducing rowing to those Marines," said Williams.

In order to create a rowing program for wounded warriors and other people with injuries and disabilities, the club worked with Marine Corps Community Services to obtain and install a floating dock at Gottschalk Marina. The dock is wheel chair accessible and has a special slip with dock on both sides so helpers on both sides may assist rowers in getting into the boats.

"We partnered with MCCS to acquire this floating dock to make getting into

boats easier, safer and more accessible to those with disabilities," he said.

"Now that we have this dock, we're looking forward to establishing an adaptive rowing program," said Williams, who retired last year from his position as a licensed clinical social worker at the Marine Corps Air Station New River Family Services Center and retired from the U.S. Army before that. "We would like to acquire modified boats to accommodate amputees and those with spinal cord injuries."

Williams explained that the dock is wheel chair accessible and the club is looking for sponsors to help secure the modified boats so they can help more people discover the joys of rowing.

Williams, who is one of the New River Rowing Club's certified rowing instructors, and his colleague Dawn Howe have already started teaching wounded warriors the skills of rowing. "During the winter before it got warm enough to go out on the water, the Area 2 Pool allowed us to put one of our 22-foot sculling boats on the water and that's where we taught two of the Marines tipping drills," said Williams.

Teaching new rowers how to stay in the boats or what to do when they tip over is an important part of their instruction for new rowers. "These boats are very tippy and if you don't know the process, it's easy to get intimidated and fall in," said Williams.

Williams said the Marines have mostly enjoyed the experience of learning rowing. "[They're reaction] is a whole range from 'hey, this is cool' to 'it would be hard to fish from this boat,'" said Williams.

In addition to bringing the sport to wounded warriors, club members hope to start a competitive rowing program in the area. Williams said that women especially take to rowing because the sliding seat allows them to take advantage



Herb J. Cooper, of the Wounded Warrior Battalion, paddles along the New River. Courtesy photo

of the strength in their legs to help propel their boat. All are welcome to join.

"We are looking for people to take on the thrill of rowing and eventually be involved in competitive rowing, both between Marine and Navy units and with military and civilian organizations," said Williams.

Editor's note: To get the word out, Williams said his group intends to build a Web page where people can get all the details about the club. To that end, Williams asked that anyone with the knowledge and interest to build a Web page for the group, contact him. Additionally, folks interested in rowing may also call Williams. His phone number is 324-6006.

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Celtics' win turns Boston into indisputable 'Title Town'



On Deck
By Jamie Cameron

Celtics — my hometown team.

Now, I'm going to be right up front here and tell you the truth: Before the season started with those eye-popping additions of Kevin Garnett and Ray Allen, I was something less than a casual fan of the boys in green: The last time the Celtics won a world championship, I was 14 years old. Since then, the Celtics fortunes had taken a nose-dive, while other Boston-area teams (most notably the Red Sox and the Patriots) had turned the city into America's latest version of Title Town.

Unfortunately, the Celtics (along with the Bruins) were left out of this embarrasment of riches, despite their long and glorious history that included 16 championship banners. The fact was, as recently as last season, the Celtics and their horrible 24 wins were best forgotten by all but the most diehard of fans — which I am not.

When Celtic's General Manager Danny

Ainge pulled the strings to bring Garnett and Allen on board to start the year, I was mildly interested. I was proud of the team and its ownership for at least making an attempt to be competitive, especially after tanking the latter stages of 2007 in an ill-advised scheme to land a high draft pick. Like most of the Celtics' moves over the last two decades, that plan blew up in their faces and I, along with many Bostonians, was left shaking my head, wondering why they couldn't be more like the New England Patriots' front office: logical, efficient, smart.

Garnett and Allen formed two-thirds of the Big Three. Paul Pierce, Boston's talented but frustrated shooting forward for the last 10 years was the third, but I didn't let my hopes go too high. How far could three veteran ballers, thrown together in an atmosphere of despair, really go? There wouldn't be any team chemistry. It would take at least a year just to get comfortable sorting out everyone's new roles, right? Wrong.

From the first game of the season, it was obvious these were not the same Celtics I had quit watching since I was a teenager. They were playing ball, especially defense, with a single-minded determination that hadn't been seen in the (new) Boston Gar-

den since ... well, I don't think I've ever seen anything like it. I credit Garnett with this turnaround. The Big Ticket brought the pride and the passion back to the franchise. Players were flying around the ball. I watched competent opponents wither under the constant defensive pressure. With Garnett's intensity, the Celtics became the all-for-one team that wouldn't allow a teammate to fall to the floor without two of his mates rushing in to pick him up. They played tougher than they had since the Bird, McHale, Parrish days, maybe even tougher than that. For this, I thank Garnett and his overwhelming need to play for a winner and crown his Hall of Fame career with a championship. Offensively, the Celtics became one of those teams where opposing defenses had to pick their poison. You had to put your best perimeter defender on Allen, who could rain down 3-pointers with terrifying consistency. If you did that, Pierce was often left with a lesser opponent one-on-one to slice and dice on his way to the rim, giving the ball up to Garnett for those beautiful short jumpers or taking it in himself with that old-school, herky-jerky style.

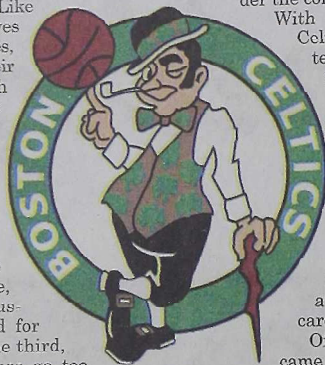
The Big Three flourished and so did the players around them. Rajon Rondo got better and better at point guard as

the season progressed and Kendrick Perkins became the big man in the everyone hoped that he would.

The team finished with an NBA win season — the biggest regular turnaround in league history. Then the play-offs rolled around and Boston securing home-court advantage out. I don't think anyone knew it would be. The Cs struggled in rounds. The Atlanta Hawks came in attitude that they would capitalize superior athleticism and not all selves to be out-hustled on the courtly worked, as the Hawks pushed the favored Celtics all the way to go. The Cleveland Cavaliers took sev to ouster as well. LeBron James is a wrecking crew that requires a total fort to beat. The Celtics hit their st Eastern Finals against Detroit. A started to fall again and the series before Boston earned its place in against the much-hated Los Angeles.

For a Boston fan, it really could be any better than that. Kobe Bryant and the Lakers as everybody's darlings. Kobe was going to prove himself as a player served to be in the same pantheon as Michael Jordan. Except he isn't.

The Celtics saved their best for last. The Lakers were completely out-classed notably in games four, five and six. The Big Three completed its storybook to one of the greatest runs in NBA history. The Celtics are back, baby.



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Smart, ask questions when considering nutritional supplements

Josh Harding, RD

nutritional supplement is a substance that is led to provide or improve overall nutritional. This is done either through supplementing intake, or providing another avenue for adequate consumption. There are many different types of supplements available on the market today. They range from the standard multivitamin to the most potent of ingredients.

When choosing a supplement, some thought and information need to go into the purchase. First, an individual will need to decide if this is the end goal? Second, what is adequate and appropriate intake of this product to meet that goal? Third, will this product actually help in achieving the goal? Lastly, is it safe and effective? For this last question, just because something is "natural" does not automatically make it safe.

Weight loss supplements: These products usually claim some way to lose weight along with diet and exercise. Many of the claims aid fat breakdown through increased body temperature, increased metabolism, or blocked absorption of a macronutrient (either carbohydrates or fat) to promote

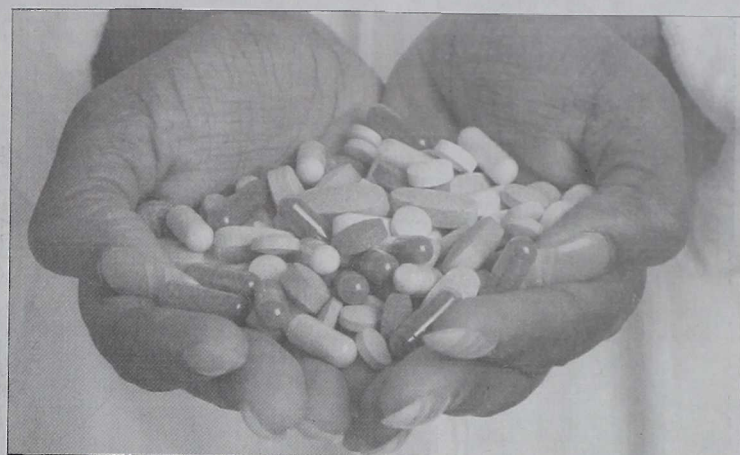
a decreased total calorie consumption/absorption. These products tend to contain large doses of caffeine or caffeine-like substances, intended to give you that "energy boost." Because of the caffeine or similar products, the risks for dehydration increase, along with an increase risk of cardiac injury and/or muscle injury. Never exceed the recommended dosage that the manufacturer provides and maintain adequate hydration; a minimum of three liters of water per day, to reduce the risk.

Strength training supplements: These products include a standard weight gaining supplement, protein supplements, growth hormones/anabolic steroids, or any product intended to give you an "edge" on your workout routine. Many of these are intended to build muscle mass with an adequate strength-training schedule. These products may also contain caffeine or caffeine-like substances. Growth hormones/anabolic steroids remain illegal and have many adverse side-effects reported. Protein powders, weight gainers and creatine powder are generally considered safe with adequate hydration. Weight gain with any of these is considered a guarantee, but not always as muscle mass. The main re-

minder here is to have an adequate hydration schedule, workout schedule and not to neglect other nutrients like carbohydrates and fats.

Health improvement supplements: These products include the multivitamin and other herbs to promote an improvement in health status. The standard multivitamin that does not contain excessive doses of any particular vitamin or mineral is considered safe. The herbal ingredients vary from safe to unsafe or conditionally unsafe. There are many herbs that have interactions with medications and the list of complications depends on the specific ingredients. An example would be that St. John's Wort reduces the effectiveness of oral contraceptives.

Supplements in the U.S. are unregulated; the risk of inadequate or lack of effective ingredients and contaminants are common. According to the Dietary Supplement Health Education Act of 1994 (signed into law in 1996), items classified as nutritional supplements remain unregulated by the Food and Drug Administration for safety and purity. The FDA will step in if problems arise. Remember ephedra? It was okay and legal until people started having significant health issues, in some cases death. There is a voluntary



The wide range of nutritional supplements requires caution and research. Courtesy photo

process for supplements and those that have chosen to do so will have the "United States Pharmacopoeia" seal on the bottle. USP guarantees the standardization and purity of the supplement manufacturing processes. Without the USP seal there are no guarantees.

Remember the warning statement of "buyers beware." The promises of instant results as well as the marketing used for supplements is appealing, but remember some of these basic common sense points:

- What are the qualifications of the person selling/manufacturing of a product?

- Have you researched this product, and discussed it with a qualified health professional?

- Is there a push to purchase this product specifically, because of a commission involved for the salesman? This one could lead you to spend more money than is necessary.

An example is buying a car. Because the salesman said it is the best car in the world, do you buy it? Typically, you would conduct your own research, determining if it will meet your needs, does it meet your price range, etc. If you buy a name brand you must be buying quality, right?

Well, unfortunately, this is not always the case with supplements.

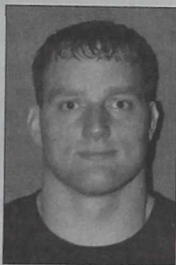
Before beginning any supplement discuss it with your doctor. Many of the supplements considered safe for the general public may not be safe for you as an individual; only you and your doctor can best determine that. The above statements are not intended as support for any supplement, or a guarantee that any are safe or effective under any condition. When the statement "results not typical" is displayed, you should immediately begin to think what a "typical" result would be.

All-Marines make presence felt in Olympic Trials

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e Wrestling

members of the All-Marine Team competed in the U.S. Olympic Team Trials wrestling in Las Vegas, June 20-22.

The winners qualified to represent the U.S. in the Olympics in Beijing, China in August. Although no Marines made the team, David Arendt Jr. and an Depatto, represented the Marines in excellent fashion. Arendt, competing at the 60kg (132-pound) category, Depatto fought and finished with a 3-2 record in his fifth-place finish. His defeats were from wrestlers who eventually finished second and third over-



Arendt



Depatto

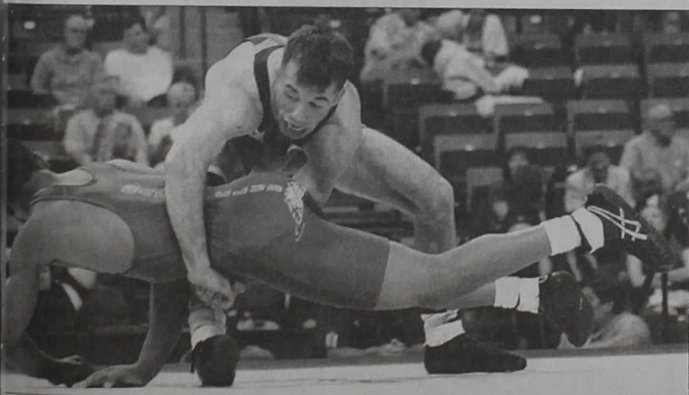
all. Depatto will be back in action in Thessalonika, Greece next month when he represents the U.S. at the University World Championships. Competing at 120kg (264-pound),

Arendt won four matches and lost only one — finishing in a strong fourth place position. The champion of the weight was former world champion, Dremiel Byers of the U.S. Army. Arendt recently defeated Byers in March at the Armed Forces Championships in New Orleans.

Both Arendt and Depatto have been invited to join the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Marquette, Mich. and will begin training there in August.

Also competing for the Marines in the Olympic Trials were: Miguel Pena (55kg), Noah Blankenship (60kg), Steven Forrest (74kg), Jeremy Pederson (84kg) and Moises Hernandez (96kg).

Donovan Depatto tries to flip his opponent during the recent Olympic Team Trials, held in Las Vegas. Depatto, who wrestles in the 132-pound weight class, finished the tournament with a 3-2 record, earning him fifth place and an invitation to remain at the Olympic Training Center in Marquette, Mich. Courtesy photo.



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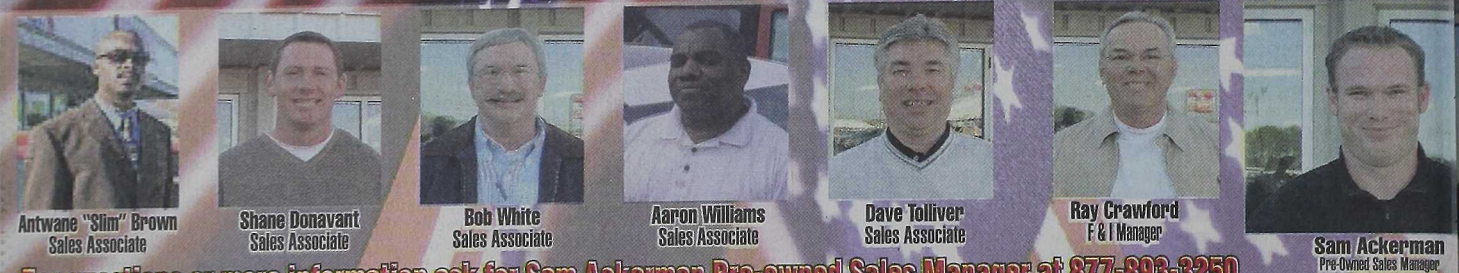
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Beach Bridge closure

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Vehicle Registration Office hours

Vehicle Registration is extending its hours. Beginning June 30, hours are 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Please check www.usmc.mil/Regs.asp to check on items for decals and fees.

Free Health meeting

Capt. Mark C. Oleson, commanding officer of Lejeune Naval Air Station, is scheduled to give a quarterly military health care information meeting July 15, 2 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. in classrooms A and B of the hospital. The meeting is a chance for military and family members to get updates, ask questions and express concerns about health care. A presentation will be given on arthritis. For more information, contact Raymond Applewhite at 4463.

Party mixer

The Naval Academy Naval Reserve Off-Base Training Corps East is hosting a party mixer for members of the company (company-preferred). The event is scheduled for July 15 at The Lodge on the Stables (Main Street) starting at 5 p.m. Come by to meet with USNA and Midshipmen from around the country. A complimentary civilian dinner will be served. Food and beverages will be served.

Continuing education seminar

The College of Continuing Education's Command Staff College and Stationary Warfare seminar programs will commence on July 19 and will continue through the week in September. Enrollment requests are received no later than July 1. The on-site or groups meet on the evening of July 19. For CSC information, contact the CCE at 451-9309 or recamplejeune@usmc.mil.

A convention

The Association has held its annual convention and business meeting for July at the Golden Gate Hotel in Las Vegas. Complete information is available at www.usa.org.

Commandant visits Carolina MAGTF

Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Hermesman
Marine Corps Base

Gen. James T. Conway, Commandant of the United States Marine Corps, visited his Eastern Carolina Marines and sailors for a question and answer session June 16.

Conway traveled here to address issues, policies, deployments and the future of the Marine Corps.

Some of the main topics of the day were the new recruiting efforts and the amazing product that the Marine recruiters have been putting out.

"Last year we said we needed 5,000 Marines and we got 7,000 Marines, and at 97 percent high school graduates," said Conway. "I say this because I want you all to know to know the youngsters coming in are every bit as good as you are; we have not reduced quality at all."

The question of new bachelor enlisted quarters was addressed. Conway said a total of 29 new barracks will be built and 21 will

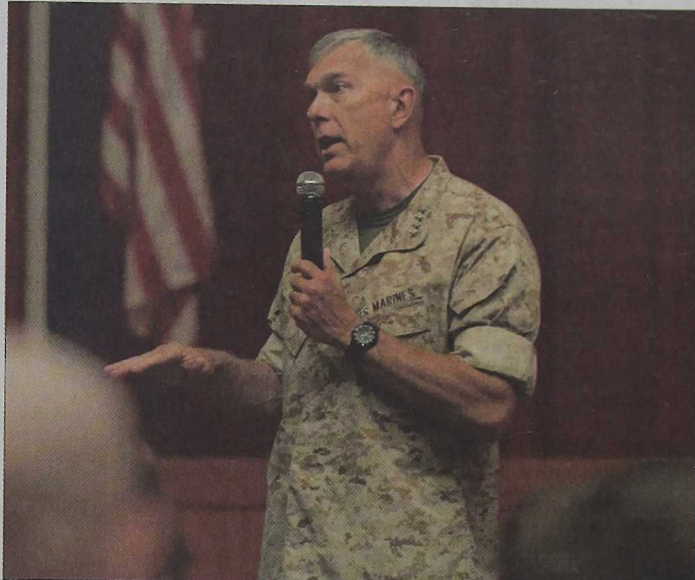
be refurbished by 2012.

Other questions brought up by Marines in the session were concerning the possibility of a fuel allowance to help the Marines in housing outside of base. The commandant unfortunately answered no, but did say the Navy was taking surveys to see what can be done for the Marines and sailors living further away from base.

Marines questioned the Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps Sgt. Maj. Carlton W. Kent about the new running suit and what the purpose and availability was for them.

"The new suit has pockets on the top and bottoms so when you run you don't have to worry about where to put your ID card," said Kent. "The top can be worn on liberty, as long as it is at least half-way zipped up. So when someone asks you where to get a jacket like it, you can send him to the recruiter."

At the end of the day, most of the Marines had the answers they wanted and hopefully a good understanding of the future.



General James T. Conway, Commandant of the Marine Corps, speaks to his troops during a town hall meeting June 16 in the Base Theatre aboard Camp Lejeune. Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Hermesman

Base Sergeant Major retires after 30 years



Sgt. Maj. Timothy A. McCurry thanks everyone in attendance for his retirement and release ceremony as sergeant major of Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Tuesday. McCurry was replaced by Sgt. Maj. William C. Rice. Lance Cpl. Ryan Turnage

McCurry passes torch to begin new phase

Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Hermesman
Marine Corps Base

To the sounds of the 2nd Marine Division Band, a respected leader's career ends, but his traditions live on.

Sgt. Maj. Timothy A. McCurry was released as the sergeant major of Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune by Sgt. Maj. William C. Rice during an Relief and Appointment Ceremony at the 2nd Marine Logistics Group Head Quarters amphitheater Tuesday.

"Twenty plus years ago I would have never thought that I would be standing here, and here I am. I feel honored and I feel privileged to be here and I look forward to working with each of you," said Rice, who was formerly sergeant major of Marine Transport Squadron One, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point.

As MCB Camp Lejeune sergeant major from June 2006 to June 2008, McCurry retired after 30 years of honorable and devoted service to his Corps and country.

"The Marine Corps is a calling, a way of life, it requires a dedication and a selflessness that is beyond most professions," said Col. Richard P. Flatau, Jr., commanding officer of Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

See **RETIRES**, 2C

Navy Hospital Corps celebrates 110th birthday

Lance Cpl. Jo Jones
2nd Marine Division

For the past 110 years, Navy corpsmen have been serving alongside Marines in the fight to defend freedom. Whether stationed in a state-side hospital or with Marines on the battlefield, corpsmen have responded quickly to the call for help.

"Navy corpsmen treat the sick, injured and care for the dying," said Master Chief Michael S. Munn, 2nd Marine Division's command master chief.

Since the Navy hospital corpsman's inception in 1898, these "docs" have saved countless numbers of lives by providing medical care to anyone who needs it. June 17 marked the 110th birthday of the Navy Hospital Corps. Today's corpsmen honored the birthday with a morning ceremony in front of Camp Lejeune's II Marine Expeditionary Force's Headquarters Building, commonly known as H-1.

The ceremony started with morning colors and included a speech by 2nd Marine Division's commanding general, Maj. Gen. W. E. Gaskin. Gaskin cut and presented the birthday cake to the youngest and oldest corpsman, celebrating years of tradition.

"We celebrate by remembering our past, celebrating the present and looking forward to the future," said Munn.

Navy corpsmen first deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, with the Marine Expeditionary Battalion during the Spanish-American War in 1898. They have fought in every U.S. Navy battle since and continue to embed with Marine units today.

"We have fought with Marines in Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima and Operation Iraqi Freedom,



The ceremonial cake celebrating 110 years of Navy corpsmen helping Marine units in combat is cut. Lance Cpl. Adam Johnson

to name a few," said Munn. "We go everywhere the Marines go."

Going everywhere the Marines go means the corpsmen are exposed to the same risks and dangers in combat. To date, the Navy corpsmen have 21 Medal of Honor recipients, 17 awarded posthumously, making them the most decorated corps in the U.S. military. However, the risk to personal safety does not deter corpsmen from doing their jobs.

"The Marine Corps is the best fighting force on the planet," said Munn. "We do our part by supporting the Marines here, keeping readiness up and keeping them healthy."

Keeping Marines physically healthy is one way the corpsmen look out for their Marines, but health does not stop with medicine.

"Corpsmen keep us healthy physically and spiritually," said Sgt. Vincent Schneider, barracks

manager for the Wounded Warrior Battalion.

Schneider was an amphibious assault vehicle commander with the 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, Company B. While on patrol during his second tour of Iraq in 2007, an improvised explosive device detonated and injured Schneider. He suffered a broken leg, a broken arm, multiple lacerations and a Traumatic Brain Injury.

"The day I got wounded, a corpsman from Explosive Ordnance Disposal was right by my side," said Schneider. He continued to describe the encounter. "He was so funny. He talked to me during the whole incident, kept pressure on my injuries, and really took care of me."

Schneider does not know the name of this corpsman, but he is determined to meet him someday.

"To this day, I am in search of him and I am not going to stop searching for him until I find him," said Schneider. "I want to thank him for helping me and saving my life that day."

Stories like Schneider's represent the strong bond that Marines and corpsmen have formed over the years.

"The relationship between Marines and Navy corpsmen is one based on courage, dependability and loyalty," continued Schneider. "You can't operate without a doc."

Petty Officer 2nd Class Morris D. Rinehart II, a corpsman with Headquarters Battalion, has recently worked with Marines in Iraq.

"I always wanted to medically support the Marines," said Rinehart.

Rinehart has been a corpsman for four years. He spent a total of 13 months in Iraq embedded

See **BIRTHDAY**, 2C

Job Fair offers Wounded Marines opportunities

Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Hermesman
Marine Corps Base

For some Marines, finding a job after leaving the Corps can be a hassle, but for the wounded warriors, it can be a whole new world of frustration.

A job fair was held at the Marston Pavilion specifically with them in mind June 17. Around 45 employers came in search of new employees with a background of discipline, honor, courage and commitment.

Many security and civilian law enforcement agencies were in attendance to look for the new men and women to carry on the job

of protecting and serving.

"We look all up and down the East Coast and military members are always good because they are already disciplined and almost never in trouble, so it makes for a good recruiting ground," said Pamela Shackleford, of the Durham Police Department.

"We always look at the wounded warriors; if the injury is not too bad and will not hinder the person from doing the job we will always consider them," said Shackleford.

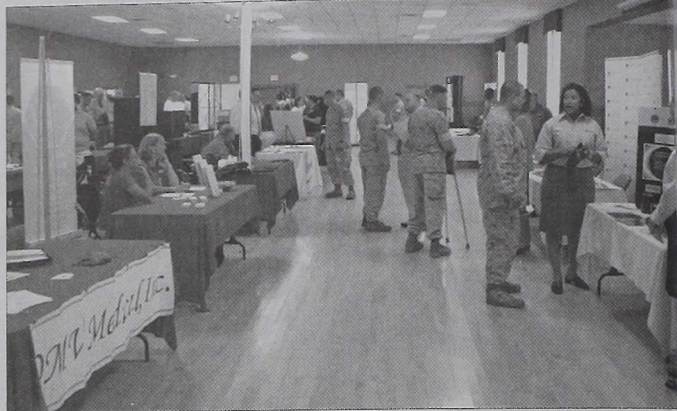
Cpl. Francisco Kelly, a wounded warrior, came to the job fair in search of employment opportunities in the security and law en-

forcement fields.

"I love doing the job [Marine Corps]; if I can get the job somewhere else after the Marine Corps I would like to pursue it," said Kelly. "As far as the number of associations that are here, it is a good number; they seem very open. They are very welcoming and are into hiring Marines and sailors, which is very good."

Kelly was injured in Iraq during a series of explosions causing a severe brain injury and 19 retinal holes in each eye.

Kelly said his injuries have not and will not hold him back from moving forward and being successful.



Wounded warriors had an opportunity to speak to potential employers at the job fair at the Marston Pavilion, June 17. Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Hermesman

Snipers hone advanced skills



A Marine with U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Special Operations Command ejects a round from his M40 A3 sniper rifle during a battle sight zero exercise during the Advanced Sniper Course held by Marine Special Operations School, June 5. The course is designed to build upon the basic skills of the students and instruct them in a variety of advanced skills, ranging from unconventional shooting positions to marksmanship from aerial positions such as helicopters. Sgt. Steven King

RETIREES, from IC

"Certainly to be a Marine for 30 years requires such dedication of one's self — in your very soul and fiber of being — that at the end of 30 years you don't just switch it off; that's not possible."

McCurry reflected back on his years of service and said the one Marine through out the years that still sticks in his head was a Pvt. Colburn, a young Marine who had a rough start under McCurry while he was a company first sergeant, but at the conclusion of his tour was promoted to Lance Corporal.

"I tell this story because this is one Marine that I can wake up in the middle of the night and remember the career he had, and that is thanks to my CO's [commanding officers]," said McCurry. "Like Col. Flatau and Col. Hodges sitting here, being able to have the trust and confidence in our COs is something that made me click, and I really appreciated it."

Those 30 years began Aug. 24, 1978 when McCurry attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, California. The career path of fire control weapons technician on the F-4 J/S Phantom aircraft led McCurry to Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 333, Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, South Carolina, where he served as a radar technician and

crew leader.

After his promotion to staff sergeant in May 1986, McCurry requested and received assignment to MCRD Parris Island for instructor duty. After becoming an instructor of water survival, he again requested and received assignment to MCRD Parris Island in 1996. As time passed he selected series gunnery sergeant with Companies G and F, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade and instructor at the Marine School in May of 1997.

Completing a successful tour as first sergeant in 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, McCurry was promoted to sergeant major and received assignment to the 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade in June of 2003. During this tour, the battalion completed a unit deployment to Okinawa, Japan, a tour as the Terrorist Battalion for the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade and a deployment to Fallujah, Iraq.

McCurry assumed his last assignment as sergeant major for the Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. in 2006.

During his Marine Corps career, McCurry's personal decorations included a Legion of Merit, Bronze Medal, the Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal, with gold and silver stars, and the Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Service members answer nation's call, choose to serve

Lance Cpl. David A. Weikle
2nd Marine Division

In the years following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, men and women from all over the United States have chosen to serve both at home and abroad. There are many different patriots joining and they are as diverse as the places they were raised.

Some service members in recent years have found joining the military to be easier now than in years past. They serve for a pre-determined time like their forebearers, but form a new category of service that mixes active and active-reserve duty. The National Call to Service program allows service members in each branch of the Armed Forces to serve a shorter active-duty time in combination with active-reserve duty.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Zachary Salada joined the Navy in January 2006, following in the footsteps of his father to become a hospital corpsman. Salada, a sailor with 1st Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, chose the NCS program so he could deploy with Marines.

"I was told the best way to serve with Marines was through NCS," said the State College, Pa., native. "There's an extensive military legacy in my family and I wanted to carry on that tradition."

NCS requires participants to serve 15 months of active duty after completing their basic training and military occupational specialty training. Service members must also serve an additional two years on active-reserve duty after completing their active-duty service. Marines and sailors are ineligible for the Montgomery G.I. Bill while in the program, but service members who extend their active duty contract time can receive the Reserve Montgomery G.I. Bill as well as other educational benefits.

"I was told I wouldn't be able to extend at first, which was disheartening," said Salada who extended while deployed from September 2007 to April 2008. "I would've been happy either way, staying in or getting out, but now at least I'll get my G.I. Bill."

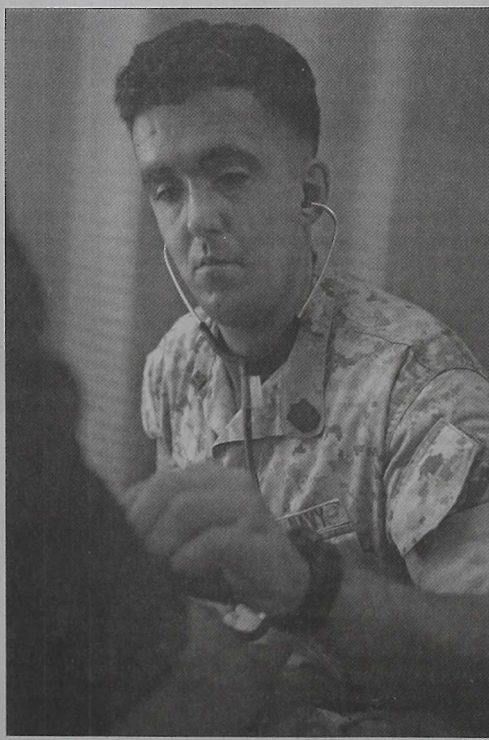
Service members in NCS are limited to specific military occupational specialties, including military police, motor vehicle operators, riflemen and hospital corpsmen. Marines and sailors report to units in the months prior to a deployment and upon returning, they are only given a few months before reporting to their reserve unit.

The program offers a list of different incentives to choose from including a \$5,000 cash bonus, repayment of student loans or other educational benefits. Some sailors choose to become part of the Navy's active-reserve rather than extend their active-duty contracts.

"Most Marines are shocked when they hear how short my time is," said Seaman Nicholas Nixon, another hospital corpsman with the battalion. "They're mostly surprised to find out that there are contracts like that."

Nixon joined the Navy after completing two years at Texas A&M University in Commerce, Texas. He felt the need to serve his country and get "real-life" job experience that will carry over to his future career as a doctor.

"I've always felt a need to help people and wanted the chance to do my part," explained Nixon, a native of Commerce, Texas. "NCS let me deploy to Iraq where I assisted in providing daily healthcare to a company of



Seaman Nicholas Nixon takes a patient's vital signs during a medical examination. A hospital corpsman with Company A, 1st Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, Nixon was one of a number of service members who joined the military with the National Call to Service program, which allows Marines and sailors to serve a mix of active duty and active-reserve duty. "Most Marines are shocked when they hear how short my time is," said Nixon. "They're mostly surprised to find out that there are contracts like that." Lance Cpl. David A. Weikle

Marines and a battalion of Iraqi police as well as the local populace."

As Nixon and Salada prepare to go their separate ways, both men will continue to serve in their own ways. Nixon will serve in the Navy reserve and continue his secondary education as Salada and the rest of 1st Bn., 8th Marines prepare for their next deployment.

"Thanks to NCS, I deployed shortly after finishing my training and really got to see the fruits of my labors," Salada explained. "I'm looking forward to deploying again and the chance to do my part to fight the war on terrorism."

More men and women across the nation may choose to serve as The Global War on Terrorism continues. Some will follow in the footsteps of Salada and Nixon and wear the uniform only for a short time. Regardless of how long they serve, men and women who answer the call to serve will stand as guardians to the freedom of Americans everywhere.

BIRTHDAY, from IC

with Military Transition Team 0110 in Ramadi and with a combat engineer battalion in Fallujah. The result was positive.

"All my guys made it home alive," said Rinehart. Corpsmen and Marines have formed a special relationship over the past 110 years, a relationship based on trust and teamwork. Since 1898 they have served side by side each one fighting to bring the other home alive.

"We are where we're at today because of teamwork," Munn.

On June 17, 1898, Navy corpsmen celebrated the 110th birthday with speeches, cake, and 110 more years of service with their brothers-in-arms.

Courts Martia

Pfc. Wesley E. Ott of 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, was convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Two counts of articles 86 (unauthorized absence) and article 92 (failure to obey and order or regulation) and article 112a (wrongful use of a controlled substance). He was sentenced to confinement for 90 days, reduction to pay grade E-1, forfeitures of \$850 per month for three months and a bad conduct discharge.

Lance Cpl. Damon M. Miller of 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, was convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice: article 86 (unauthorized absence). He was sentenced to confinement for 60 days, forfeitures of \$898 per month for a total of two months and reduction to pay grade E-1.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Mark D. Waterbury of 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, was convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice: article 134 (possession of child pornography). He was sentenced to confinement for three years, total forfeitures, reduction to pay grade E-1 and a bad-conduct discharge.

Pfc. Joseph N. Ward, of Headquarters Group, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force, was convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice: article 86 (unauthorized absence) and two counts of article 112a (use of marijuana). He was sentenced to confinement for four months, reduction to pay grade E-1 and a bad-conduct discharge.

Seaman Apprentice Ronald Merson of 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, was convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice: article 107 (false official statement) and violation of three counts of article 121 (larceny). He was sentenced to confinement for 16 months, total forfeitures, reduction to pay grade E-1, and a bad-conduct discharge.

Pvt. Stanley B. Henderson of 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, was convicted of violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice: article 112a (wrongful use of a controlled substance). He was sentenced to confinement for 90 days, forfeitures of \$850 per month for three months and a bad conduct discharge.

Marine Week: Ideal college summer vacation

Fair winds and following seas

Aaron Rooks
Marine Logistics Group

A group of college students across the East Coast began many could describe as an opening, opinion-changing, for some, even scary experience. They began learning what it takes to be U.S. Marines.

Each young Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps student arrived at Camp Lejeune June 8 to complete the Marine Week portion of Career Station Training for Midshipmen, a four-week training program that allows college sophomores to explore possible military careers.

All NROTC students, after completing their freshman year, go through CORTRAMID for the summer," said 2nd Lt. James Rooks, a communications officer with the Combat Logistics Regiment. They spend a week with Navy Reserve warfare officers, sub-marines, the Marine Corps and then return to their home institutions. This helps them narrow down what choice they want to make coming out of college as far as their career they want."

Maj. Andrew Hesterman, a Marine officer instructor at Auburn University, said this is the students' opportunity to have exposure and participation to the Marine Corps training.

They said their first day of training began with "the most physically-challenging day" they would experience — a day of Marine Corps Physical Fitness Program training, including a mile course negotiating and carrying the gas chamber.

"They get pretty worn out," Hesterman said of the first day of training. "The kicker to this training is that it's all midshipmen, not Marine Options. It's new to a lot of them, so it's pretty tough."

Officers, who are currently serving in the 2nd Platoon, said the group of midshipmen just came through their surface week in Norfolk, Va. He said this has been a shock of for them, going from the Navy to the Marine Corps' pace.

Proportionally for [the students], this training is tough," Vickers explained. "They're not used to being up at 5 a.m. everyday, eating when they're told to, going to the restroom when they're told to.



College students from across the East Coast negotiate the final obstacle of the 2nd Marine Regiment Obstacle Course here during the Marine Week portion of Career Training for Midshipmen, June 9. Midshipmen take part in the four-week training program to help narrow down what choice they want to make as far as the military career they want. Cpl. Aaron Rooks

It's a wake up call for a lot of them on the kind of discipline that's required to become a Marine officer."

The intensity of the day did not slow down the midshipmen, though, especially the Marine options. Midshipmen Cory Moyer, a student and Marine option from the Citadel, was motivated by the training and is looking forward to the rest of the week's activities.

"The training is intense, but unlike at school, it's a different intensity," Moyer said. "Here it's more respect, and they expect more out of you. It makes us work harder because we don't want to let them down knowing we will be leading these staff sergeants and gunnery sergeants."

Midshipman 3rd Class Jonathan

Shouse, a student from the University of South Carolina, is currently a Navy option, but recently submitted a package to become a Marine option. He said simply seeing the way other Marines carry themselves changed his mind about his future. The first day of Marine Week only improved his opinion of the Marine Corps.

"It's great to see people who've never done anything like this build confidence and succeed at things they never thought possible," Shouse said. "It's something to watch, seeing they're faces after they complete an obstacle."

Vickers said his platoon is doing a good job of adapting to the new work pace. He said it's important the students understand



After serving 40 years in the Marine Corps, Col. Donald Anderson told attendees he found it difficult to leave the Corps, but is excited to begin a new chapter in his life, during his retirement ceremony at the 2nd Marine Logistics Group amphitheater June 20. Anderson received a Legion of Merit during the ceremony prior to his retirement. Lt. Gen. Jack Klimp, USMC retired, attended the ceremony and retired Anderson. Lance Cpl. Randall Little

stand that this week is not what the life of a Marine is like.

"They seem to think life in the Marine Corps is hard core all the time," Vickers said. "We let them know that this is not a taste of day-to-day life in the fleet, it's a snap shot in a week that gives them a taste of what they could experience."

Besides the intensity and discipline the training focuses on, Vickers

said the most essential factor they hope to get across to the students concerns leadership. He said if they hope to become officers, they need to understand that what they do is not about themselves, but rather, it's about the Marines and sailors under their charge. As Day One went by, Vickers said he felt the students were already grasping that necessary concept.

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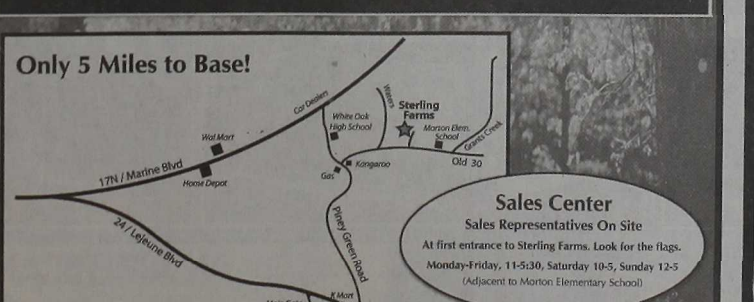
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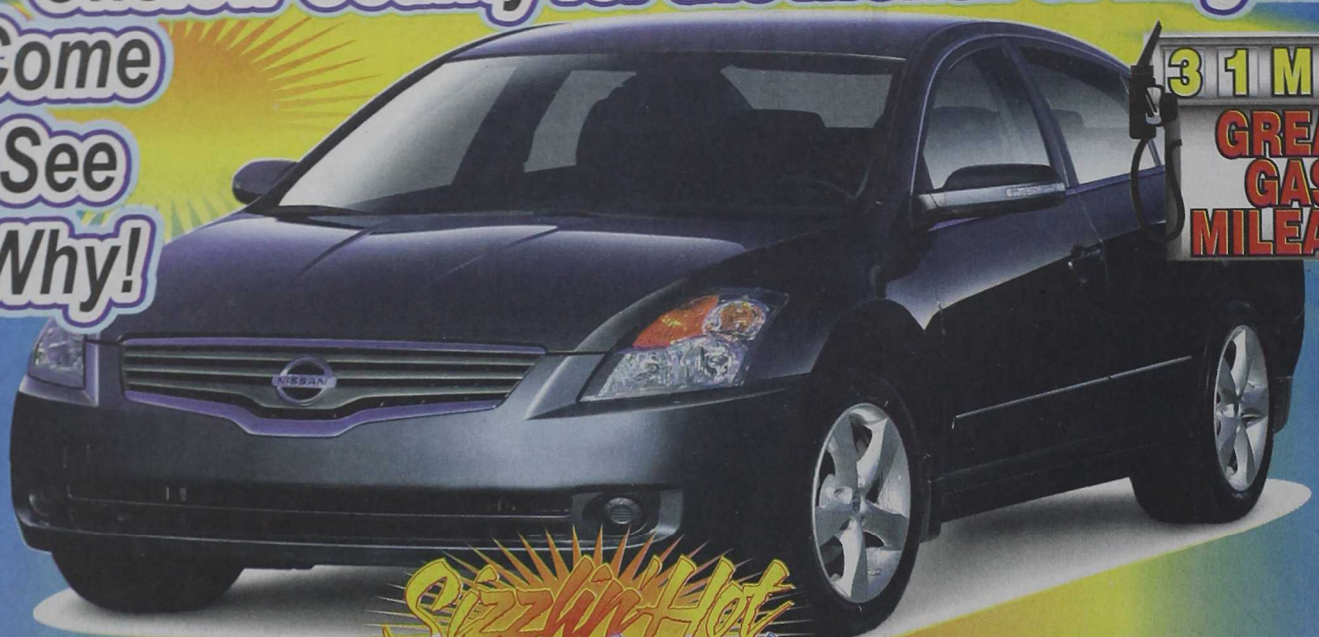
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Lejeune Happenings

Summer youth trips
The Marine Corps Community Services has planned summer trips for tweens (ages 12-18) and teens (13-18) for this summer. The Tween Express is travel each Tuesday through Aug. 12. Teen adventures are set to travel each Thursday through Aug. 14. Register by 1966, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 451-2238.

Walk-in vet clinic
Veterinary Treatment Center is offering a Saturday Walk-in Clinic Saturday from 8 a.m. through 12 p.m. Services offered include vaccinations, microchipping and heartworm testing. Sorry no sick call for animals available during walk-in clinic. Please bring all health records on pet. Regular appointments for vaccinations. Walk-in call are available by calling 450-1607. Only military ID card holders utilize the facility.

Scholarships
Col. Richard A. Christie Memorial Fund offers scholarships to Lejeune Marines leaving the Marine Corps to attend college. Applications for studying place between August 2008 and July 2009 are accepted through July. Ranking criteria emphasize on courage, integrity and obstacles overcome. For more information or to apply, visit organization's Web site at www.christiememorial.com.

Community theatre auditions
Lejeune Community Theatre has scheduled auditions for the musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" for today through tomorrow at 7 p.m. at Lejeune Community Center on 26 Park Ln. Auditions are available for 18 years old or older. Participants should be prepared to sing a short song. For more information, call 223-1223.

Pool fest
Trinity Trio presents annual Coastal Pool Fest scheduled for today at 7 p.m. at the West High School Gymnasium. Doors are scheduled to open at 6:30 p.m. Food and drinks will be available. For more information, call 389-4695.

Arawa Terrace pool
Arawa Terrace swimming pool is open through Sept. 1 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily; it is closed on Tuesdays. The pool is open to all authorized patrons presenting a military or dependent ID card. For more information, call 450-1610 or 450-024/2513.

Locker
Russell Marine and Family Services Center, 40 on Brewster Boulevard, offers free, 30-day loan of household items to new families to the Lejeune area. Loaned items include baby items, kitchen items and small appliances. They also offer welcome packages with free information. For more information, call 450-704 or 451-1055.

Star-Spangled weekend

A local guide for your Fourth of July

Heather Owens
Carolina Living editor

Whether you are looking for high-flying adventures or prefer to stick close to home for the upcoming Fourth of July weekend, Eastern North Carolina offers something for everyone.

Again this year, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Recreation Branch and Marine Corps Community Services have an exciting concert and celebration planned. As a special treat, Grammy-winning country music star Lee Ann Womack is scheduled to headline the Fourth of July concert at W.P.T. Hill Field.

"This is probably one of the biggest named acts that we've had for the Fourth of July," said Everett Vaughn, markets and brand manager for MCCC.

Womack, who is perhaps best-known for her 2001 Grammy Award-winning song "I Hope You Dance," was one of the first performers to visit service members in Kuwait and Qatar. In 2006, she entertained service men and women in Europe with a special trip to visit wounded warriors at Landstuhl Army Medical Center in Germany. It has also been reported in the media that a Womack assistant has a younger brother who was a Marine wounded in Fallujah in 2004 and was later medically discharged.

The Karg Boys, a Nashville duo comprised of brothers Richard Patrick Karg Jr. and Andrew Paul Karg, are set to commence the day's entertainment at 5 p.m. At about 6:30 p.m., country music singer-songwriter Jace Everett will take the stage. Having signed with Epic Records in 2005, Everett may be best known for co-writing Josh Turner's 2006 No. 1 single "Your Man." Womack is scheduled to take over at 7:55 p.m. The fireworks presentation is set to kick

off at 9 p.m.

MCCC officials suggest that spectators allow plenty of time to make it through the front gate. Parking will be offered at the Marine Corps Exchange parking lot with two complimentary trolleys ferrying attendees to and from the celebration location.

"It's a family event," said Vaughn. "Bring your blankets and chairs and enjoy the festivities."

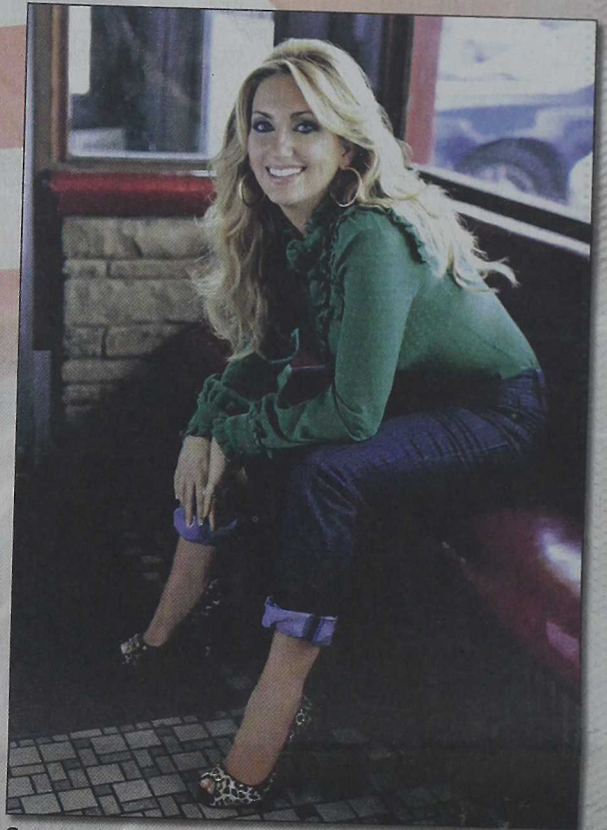
Food vendors are scheduled to be on hand to provide refreshments. Pets, coolers and alcohol will not be permitted at W.P.T. Hill Field during the celebration. In the event of rain, the fireworks-only portion of the festivities will be rescheduled for July 5.

For those who want to get off-base for the day, Onslow County Parks and Recreation will be celebrating the quarter-century mark with their annual Freedom Festival. Set to take place Independence Day at Onslow Pines Park, 1244 Onslow Pines Road just off Highway 17 near New River Harley Davidson, the event promises summer fun for folks from young to young-at-heart.

Karaoke, games, vendors and rides for children are scheduled to start at 2 p.m. Children and family games are planned to begin at 4:30 p.m. The Four Knights, a local band known for its beach music, is set to take the stage at 5:30 p.m. No Fourth of July celebration would be the same without fireworks, and the Freedom Festival's fireworks are scheduled to pop off at 9:15 p.m.

Attendees can feel good that the proceeds from the Freedom Festival's concession will go to benefit the Non-Commissioned Officer Association. For more information regarding the Onslow County celebration, call 347-5332 or visit their Web site at www.onslowcountync.gov.

For those who want to hit the road for the holiday weekend, yet



Grammy-winning country music singer Lee Ann Womack is scheduled to headline the Fourth of July concert at W.P.T. Hill Field. Courtesy photo

don't want to go too far due to the rising gasoline prices, Wilmington and North Carolina's Cape Fear Coast have many great and patriotic events planned from the river to the sea. Over the July 3-6 weekend, Wilmington is set to be named "America's World War II City." An open house, exhibit, big band dance, book signings and tours are planned. For more information on the WWII-themed events, call 910-793-6393.

Pleasure Island has scheduled its fireworks display for

July 3 and Wilmington is planning a choreographed fireworks display over the Battleship North Carolina. For more information on all of Wilmington and the Cape Fear Coast's Fourth of July activities, visit www.gocapefearcoast.com and click on the events button at the top of the home page. For details about entertainment and downtown parking, call 910-341-4602. For details about Battleship Blast fireworks, call 910-251-5797 or visit the battleship's Web site at www.battleshipnc.com.

Fireworks: The inside story behind the big bang



Zambelli Fireworks Internationale, who planned the show featured in the above photo, is again set to choreograph the Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Fourth of July display this year. Photo courtesy of Zambelli Fireworks Internationale

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Spectators ready to get their "ooh's" and "ahh's" on shouldn't be disappointed by the fireworks display planned for the Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Fourth of July celebration at W.P.T. Hill Field.

Zambelli Fireworks Internationale, one of the oldest and largest fireworks companies in America, is set to choreograph the Fourth of July display once again this year. Headquartered in New Castle, Penn., the company was founded by fireworker Antonio Zambelli when he emigrated from Italy in 1893 to start a new life in America.

The company plans and executes fireworks displays of all sizes, from small custom jobs for weddings, up to the New Year's Eve celebration in New York City's Times Square. According to information on the company's Web site, each year Zambelli Fireworks produces more than 3,500 shows. Fourth of July celebrations account for nearly half of the total, when more than one million shells are detonated.

"In the area, [the Camp Lejeune show] is one of the premiere jobs that we do," says Ana Esturilho, manager of the company's Florida office. "We have been doing it for about 10 to 12

years now, and the lead technician who does it has been with the show the whole time."

Set up for a typical Fourth of July fireworks presentation takes about two to three days, says Esturilho. The equipment is brought in, the site is scouted, there are fire department inspections and lots of checking and double-checking of equipment. The explosive shells are loaded the day of the show.

Zambelli Fireworks puts a great deal of energy and research into its operations. "Especially in this industry, it is so competitive," says Esturilho. "So that is something we research to come up with new effects and patterns to please people."

One of the most important aspects of fireworks presentations is safety, says Esturilho. People often want to get closer to the explosives than they should.

"There is a mystery about fireworks," said Esturilho. "Watch the show from afar. You're going to have a spectacle regardless. So be safe and enjoy the fireworks."

To find out more fun fireworks facts or to test your knowledge about fireworks, visit the Zambelli Fireworks Internationale home page at www.fireworkscompany.com and click on "desktop dynamite" tab on the left side of the page.

Entertainment

'Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian:' Second movie of C.S. Lewis' classic tale



Playing at the Camp Lejeune Theater

"CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN" (PG)

"Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian" is an adventure tale and the second installment in the popular and timeless C.S. Lewis fantasy series, "The Chronicles of Narnia."

From the front row

With Reinhold Milderhauer Huneycutt

The characters come to life once again as the siblings are magically transported back from England to the world of Narnia, where a thrilling new adventure and an even greater test of their faith and courage awaits them.

One year after the incredible events of "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," the Kings and Queens of Narnia find themselves back in that faraway land, only to discover that 1300 years have passed in Narnian time.

During their absence, the Golden Age of Narnia has become extinct, Narnia has been conquered by the Telmarines and is now under the control of the evil King Miraz, who rules the land without mercy.

The four children will soon meet an intriguing new character — Narnia's rightful heir to the throne.

Newcomer Ben Barnes ("Stardust") plays the young Prince Caspian, who has been forced into hiding, as his uncle Miraz plots to kill him in order to place his own newborn son on the throne.

Now he needs to reclaim his throne and restore Narnia.

The Pevensi children, who return to the magical world, are played again by Georgie Henley, Skandar Keynes, Williams Moseley and Anna Popplewell.

Together they embark on a remarkable journey and restore magic and glory to the land.

The remarkable Peter Dinklage ("Elf," "Death at a Funeral," "The Station Agent") plays the red dwarf, Trumpton, who is saved by the siblings and then helps them in their fight.

Also back in the sequel are Liam Neeson as the voice of Aslan and Tilda Swinton as the White Witch.

Sergio Castellitto ("The Last Kiss") plays King Miraz and Alicia Borrachero ("Love in the Time of Cholera") can be seen as Queen Prunaprismia.

The one who steals the show, however is the swashbuckling mouse, voiced by Eddie Izzard.

Writer and director Andrew Adamson ("Shrek," "Shrek 2"), who also delivered the 2005 hit, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," created an even bigger story with this installment and made Narnia a darker and grittier place.

There are seven books in The Chronicles



'Chronicles of Naria: Prince Caspian' stars Georgie Henley, William Moseley, Ben Barnes, Anna Popplewell and Skandar Keynes. movies.com

of Narnia series and the third book, The Voyage of the Dawn Treader, is already being filmed for release in May 2010.

"The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian" is a magnificent and exhilarating fantasy adventure epic. The movie is beautifully filmed with lavish production designs, talking animals, perfectly created creatures and hugely elaborate, but very intense fight and battle scenes.

The movie is a wonderful and wholesome experience for the entire family; however it is not suitable for the younger kids, such as anyone under 8.

Playing at the Midway Park Theater

"IRON MAN" (PG-13)

"Iron Man" is a fantasy adventure and adaptation of the lesser-known Marvel Comic series of a super hero.

Robert Downey Jr. ("Zodiac," "The Outsider," "Chaplin") stars as Tony Stark, a billionaire industrialist, a genius inventor and a consummate playboy, who leads a double life as an iron-plated crime fighter, his comic book alter ego, Iron Man.

However, this hero is very different from the other popular comic book series. Stark is a rather flawed human being who does not possess any super powers.

While performing weapons tests overseas, the wealthy inventor is kidnapped and forced to build a devastating weapon. Instead, he uses his intelligence and ingenuity to build a highly technical suit of armor.

Stark designs a protective suit that is able to turn him into an action hero in order for him to escape captivity.

Upon returning to America, and uncovering a devious plot with global implications, Stark decides to refine the armor and use this technology to fight against evil.

Promising to protect the world as the invincible Iron Man, Stark dons his powerful armor

and vows to protect and save the world.

Gwyneth Paltrow ("Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow," "Shakespeare in Love") costars as Pepper Potts, Stark's brainy and capable executive assistant. Pepper, who efficiently manages his affairs, has become an indispensable part of his life over the years. Never one to shy away from an argument, Pepper is always there to put out the fires that Stark leaves in his path.

Jeff Bridges ("Seabiscuit") plays Obadiah Stane, Stark's right hand man and a top executive at Stark Industries. Stane is a calculating genius who is willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done.

Terrence Howard ("Crash," "Pride") is Lt. Col. James Rhodes, the military's chief liaison to Stark Industries. Rhodes is also Tony Stark's most trusted ally and best friend.

Also appearing are Shaun Toub ("The Kite Runner") as Yinsen, Stark's fellow captive and Leslie Bibb ("Talledega Nights") as Christine Everhart, a fast-talking reporter.

Also spotted in a cameo appearance is Stan Lee, co-creator of Iron Man.

Director Jon Favreau ("Daredevil," "Batman Forever," "Open Season," "Swingers," "Deep Impact") successfully took on the less familiar Marvel super hero to make the leap from comics to the movies and introduces this legendary flying super hero to the comic fantasy hungry audiences.

Downey, as the unlikely hero, is a huge success, and the solid supporting ensemble cast is equally outstanding.

"Iron Man" is an intense and somewhat violent science fiction action movie with lots of great special effects eye candy. A sequel to this entertaining and successful adventure might well be in the works.

Playing at the Jacksonville Theater

"THE INCREDIBLE HULK" (PG-13)

"The Incredible Hulk" is a movie based on

the Marvel Comics story, The Incredible Hulk. The green hero with super strength and a tendency to pain is a guy nobody wants to see because that's when he gets stronger.

Edward Norton ("The Illusionist," "Kingdom of Heaven," "25th Hour") as Dr. Bruce Banner, a scientist transforms into a giant green monster.

Banner desperately seeks a cure for his unique condition, the gamma radiation that poisoned his cells and unleashed the unbridled force of rage within him.

Cut off from the life he knew as a woman he loves, he lives in obscurity in Brazil and is working on an antidote to his condition.

Liv Tyler ("The Strangers") plays Betty Ross, his one and only love who stands by him.

Bruce also struggles to avoid the obnoxious pursuit of his nemesis, Gen. Thum Ross, who happens to be also Betty's father, played by William Hurt ("Vantage Point") and the military machinery that seek to capture him in order to use his powers.

All three are affected by the secreted to the Hulk's creation.

In addition, they are confronted by a new adversary, Emil Blonsky, better known as The Abomination, portrayed by Tim Roth ("Even Money"), a beast who is even stronger than the Hulk.

Now, the scientist must make a difficult choice, to accept a peaceful life as Dr. Banner or find heroism in the creation of the Hulk — The Incredible Hulk.

Also appearing is Christina Cabot ("The Contender") as Major Kathleen "Kat" Sparrow, Blake Nelson ("The Astronaut Farmer") as Samuel Sterns, the mysterious Mr. Blonsky, Robert Downey Jr. in a cameo role as the "Man" character Tony Stark.

You can also see Lou Ferrigno, the iconic bodybuilder who became a successful actor and appeared in the 2003 "The Hulk" movie as the original Hulk, the original character of the 1970 television series.

The incarnation of the conflicted character made his big screen debut in the 2003 "The Hulk," the very dark, moody, rather disappointing film by famous director Ang Lee ("Brokeback Mountain").

This time around, director Louis Leterrier ("Transporter 2," "Unleashed") took a look at the comic book hero and the previous 1970s and 1980s television interpretations to create this all-new and explosive film, one of the most popular 'super heroes' of all time.

With the help of screenwriters Zak Penn and Edward Norton, the works of the comic book and legendary comic book writers, Stan Lee and Jack Kirby and the super technology of the green angry monster, the movie is alive and 'active' again.

"The Incredible Hulk" is an action-packed and exciting fantasy epic of huge proportions. It contains violent action scenes and frightening images not suitable for young children.

Ms. Huneycutt is the Public Affairs Officer at the Base Public Affairs Office.

Carmike Cinemas advertisement listing movies like WALL-E, WANTED, PROMOTION, GET SMART, THE LOVE GURU, THE HAPPENING, THE INCREDIBLE HULK, KUNG FU PANDA, ZOHAN, SEX AND THE CITY, THE STRANGERS, INDIANA JONES, NARNIA II, and IRON MAN with showtimes.

Theaters advertisement for Midway Park Theater and Camp Lejeune Base Theater listing movies like 'Baby Mama', 'Street Kings', 'The Strangers', 'The Chronicles of Narnia', 'What Happens in Vegas', 'Speed Racer', and 'The Strangers' with showtimes.

Military: The only true career



Operation Homefront By Jacey Eckhart

For more than a year, my senior in high school talked about joining the military. She'd met some women who served on the ship with my husband and suddenly saw herself as one of them — strong, tough and doing jobs a lot more important than making copies at the copier.

I could understand that. Those women impressed me too. I'd also read figures from the Department of Defense that said up to 50 percent of all military kids consider the military as a career for themselves. So I sat back and watched while she filled out applications and drove herself to interviews and attended functions and talked to a recruiter.

Then this month she changed her mind. Just like that.

One night while we were busy praying for her poor recruiter and his ulcer, she came in and threw herself down on our bed.

"I don't want to join the Navy," she confessed. "But I'm afraid if I don't join the military I won't be anything worthwhile. Both of you work in the military and you love them. You think they are the best people in the world. I don't want to be less than that."

My husband and I sat there in our pajamas and gaped at her. Was that what she learned being raised in our house? That the only life worth living is one in which the military figures prominently?

That surely wasn't our intention. We didn't line up our kids for inspection every morning. We didn't teach them to recognize a sergeant at 300 paces or to identify aircraft in the sky. We didn't march them to school in

combat boots. So how did she pick that kind of a message when we did teach it to her?

Filmmaker and Army Brat Don Musil told me that military kids absorb a lot of unspoken messages just like that.

While she was filming "BRATS: (Journey Home)," she identified many patterns of thought military kids carry into adulthood. For example, military kids rarely think of money as a big factor in career choice.

"Money not a big motivator for military brats," Musil said in a recent interview. "People don't go into the military to make money, so you don't teach children that's something to value. You teach kids that mission, honor and duty are the things to value."

I know that we've done that. I thought it was a good thing. But it worries me that my daughter thinks that the only good work — especially when I value the work of so many different kinds of people in our country.

"A great thing that comes out of military life is a sense of mission, a sense of honor," Musil said. "It's a great tradition to hand down to your kids. You have to help kids understand that there are a lot of honorable things out there in the world. And that they have picked things that they love."

I think of that now every time I see a baby in a onesie printed with "Thank you daddy for your freedom" or "Mom wears combat boots." I think it every time I see another military child with that "Sexually Deprived for You Freedom" bumper sticker. We military parents must be aware that this unspoken message is part of the legacy of living a military life. We want our kids to have pride in their parents, pride in their military. But we also want them to live the adult life for which they are best-suited. We have to remember that the freedom we are fighting for is really theirs.

A military spouse of more than 20 years, Eckhart is a nationally syndicated columnist with CinHouse.com.

Pets of the Week advertisement for Onslow County Animal Shelter. Includes photos of a kitten and a dog, and contact information for adoption.

Devilpup Leadership Course makes leaders out of cadets



Headquarters Support Battalion Marines served as volunteer cadre for the course. From left to right, they are Cpl. Corky Leebaert, Cpl. Gregory Giltner, Cpl. Matthew Nagel, Lance Cpl. Alan Bergman and Cpl. Nathan Hornstrom. Cpl. Patrick M. Fleischman



The Lejeune High School cadets are, from top left, Mark Gray, Matthew Holmes, Alex Thoele, Dakota Lesh. From bottom left, they are Allie Clifton, Andrea Martin, Caleb Sommers and Jose Veras. Cpl. Patrick M. Fleischman

Patrick M. Owens
Living editor

Many teenagers look forward to summer break as a time for sleeping and playing video games.

For 20 students from Lejeune High School and Cheraw and Mulberry high schools in South Carolina, their first week of summer vacation is the exact opposite.

"I felt like I needed to better myself as a person ... It's a good way to get off the streets," said Cadet Dayshon Abram, 15, from Mullins. "The challenge was pumping all hours of the day, 24/7."

Abram and his contemporaries completed the 2008 Devilpup Leadership Course, a five-day, intensive program of physical and mental challenges for Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets at the Staff Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at Camp Johnson.

Cadet Desean White, 15, from Cheraw, wants to be a Marine drill instructor one day. "Simply put, I do everything to do with the military and that will help me prepare for something I wanted to do."

Cadet Alex Thoele, 15, of LHS, said one of his favorite activities was the obstacle course. "I loved the course. It was a lot more challeng-

ing than physical training because it challenged all parts of your body at the same time," he said.

Five active-duty Marines from Company A, Headquarters Support Battalion, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune acted as cadre during the leadership course. They were Corporals Corky Leebaert, Gregory Giltner, Matthew Nagel and Nathan Hornstrom and Lance Cpl. Alan Bergman.

The Marines, who serve on the Marine Corps Base and battalion color guard, have been volunteering with the LHS JROTC program during the school year. Thus, Leebaert said that making the jump to leadership course cadre was an obvious one.

"Even though it was only one week, I believe from the beginning to the end, there was a huge change [in the cadets]. At the end of the week, they were helping each other, taking charge. They definitely learned a lot out there," said Leebaert.

At the end of the week, the cadets gathered at the LHS auditorium for a graduation and awards ceremony. White received the "Iron Mike" award for his overall scores on the physical fitness portion of the training. LHS student, Cadet Allie Clifton, 15, won the "Iron Lady" award for her accomplishments in the female physical fitness category.

Thoele, son of Lt. Col. Dan Thoele of

the II Marine Expeditionary Force and his wife Tina, distinguished himself during the week. He was recognized as the honor graduate and received the academic achievement award. He was also selected by his peers as the 2nd squad top leader and led the winning drill squad.

In the end, the cadets said they appreciated the opportunity to test their mettle. Perhaps Thoele put it best. "The instructors, when we were doing the events, they weren't our best friends. Looking back, after having completed the course, they helped us more than they hurt us. I want to thank them for everything they did," he said.

For more photographs from this story, visit The Globe Web page at www.camplejeuneglobe.com.



The Marine cadre test Cadet Dayshon Abram's mettle with a mock "motivation" session. Cpl. Patrick M. Fleischman

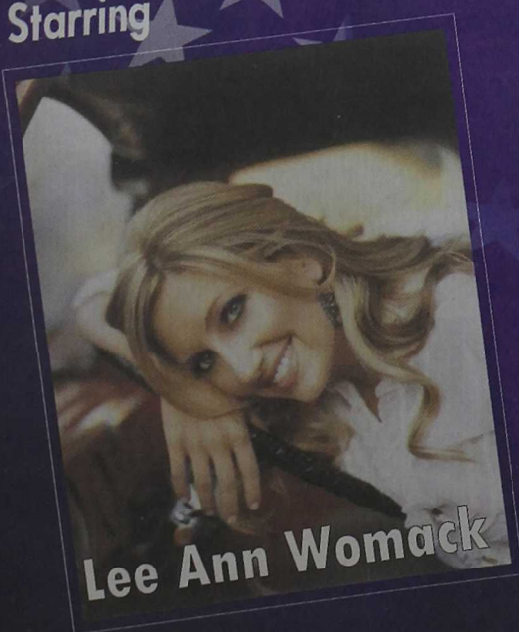
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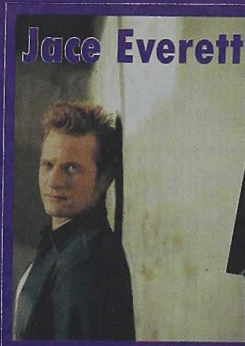
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DoD schools announce change in eligibility birth date for preschool and kindergarten

Effective school year 2009-10, the Department of Defense schools will change the eligibility birth date for all preschool and kindergarten children enrolling in DoD schools to Sept. 1. Per House Bill 1473, all North Carolina public schools will change their eligibility birth date for all preschool and kindergarten children to Aug. 31 effective School Year 2009-10.

Onslow County schools are making the change in the pre-kindergarten eligibility birth date beginning school year 2008-09 to ensure that all children served in the More at Four Program will be eligible to enter kindergarten the following year. The Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools will also make their change in the preschool eligibility date beginning SY 2008-09 to mirror Onslow County schools.

Beginning school year 2008-09, children must be 4 years old by Sept. 1 to be eligible to enroll in the Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools' preschool program. This will mean that, beginning August 2008, children will only be able to enroll in kindergarten if they are 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 of the current school year.

Effective SY 2009-10, children entering kindergarten must be 5 years old by Sept. 1. This will mean that, beginning August 2009, children will only be able to enroll in kindergarten if they are 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 of the current school year.

Three- and four-year-old children with disabilities who have a Camp Lejeune Individualized Education Plan which indicates the child should receive preschool services may enter the program any time after his or her third birthday, regardless of their birth date.

Camp Lejeune Dependent Schools announce school board elections

Press release
Camp Lejeune Dependent Schools

The Camp Lejeune School Board will hold its election Sept. 18 to fill upcoming vacancies on the Camp Lejeune Dependent Schools School Board. The term of office will be for three-year terms. Applications are currently being accepted and can be obtained from any of the seven schools or the Superintendent's Office, Bldg. 855 Stone Street. The candidate's application may be filed with the Office of the Superintendent until close of business (which is 4:30 p.m.) Sept. 4.

A candidate may be any active-duty person or their spouse residing in permanent base housing at Camp Lejeune or Marine Corps Air Station New River. Additionally, candidates must be nominated by one eligible voter.

The School Board Election will be held Sept. 18, and an election site will be available at all Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. The polls will



be open from 7:30 a.m. through 5 p.m. Parents will be able to vote at any one of the seven schools. Eligible voters are parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in CLDS at the time of the election. Each parent or guardian is entitled to one vote and must do so in person at the time of the election. Individuals who vote will be re-

quired to show proof of identification.

For more information, call school board member Jeffrey Davis at 938-1710 or Rebecca Humphrey at the Community Superintendent's Office at 451-2461, ext. 217. Information is also available at the CLDS Web site at www.am.d.mil/lejeune.

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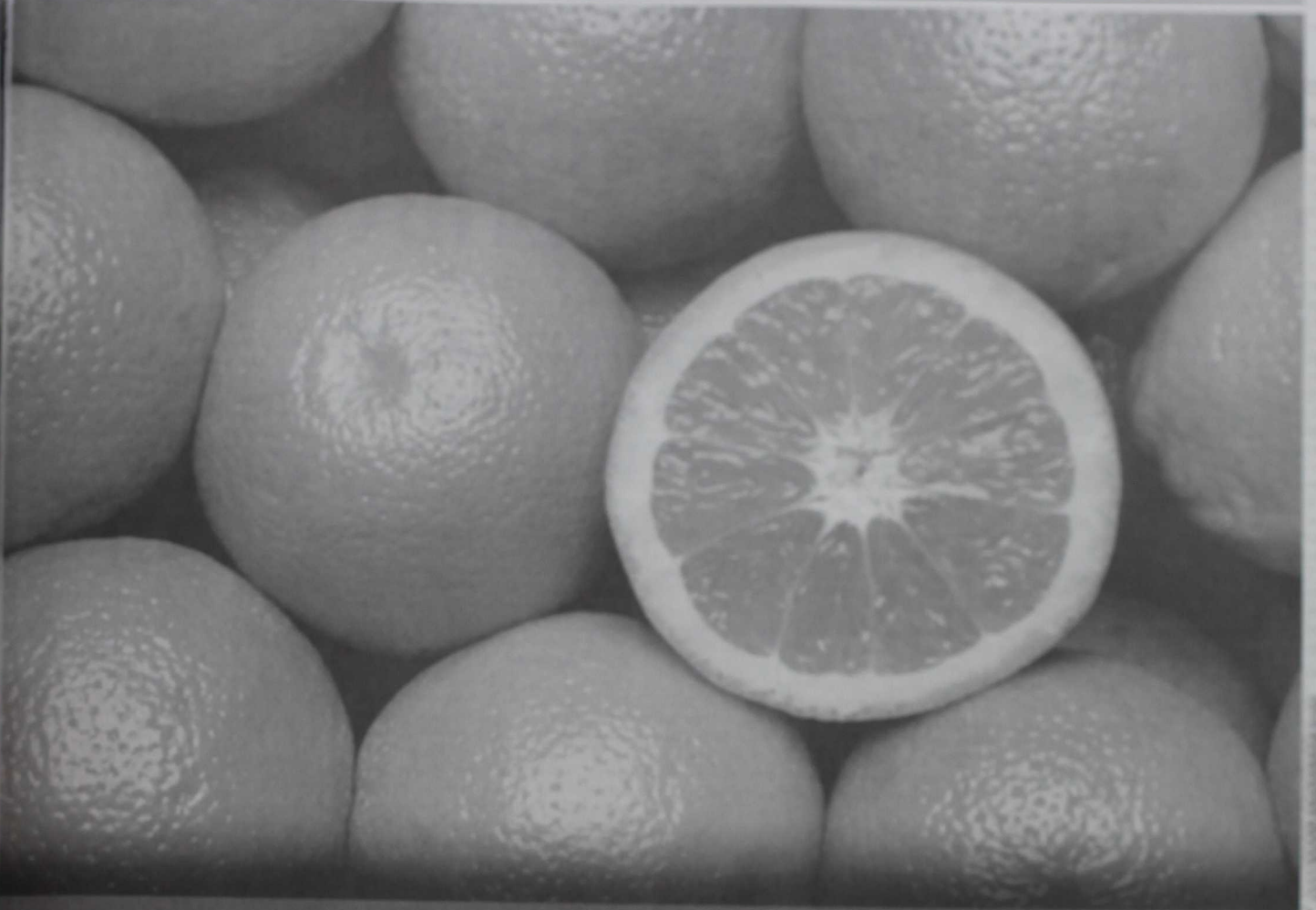
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Rails to Trails ceremony Saturday, 9:15 a.m.

The City of Jacksonville and Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune have planned a Rails to Trails ceremony and run for Saturday. The race is scheduled to start at 9:15 a.m. Participants may meet at one of two locations: the Tarawa Terrace 1 ball fields or Bell Fork Elementary School. The first 100 participants at each location will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Runners from both locations will run along the trail and meet at approximately 10 a.m. on the footbridge that spans Lejeune Boulevard, breaking through the finish line and symbolically declaring the trail to be open. For more information, call 938-5313.

Insect, gardening presentations July 12, 1 p.m.

Onslow County Public Library will host "Attracting Bees and Butterflies to your Garden" and "North Carolina Insects" with Lisa Jackson of the North Carolina Entomological Society as part of OCP's summer family reading program. Jackson will teach participants how to attract beautiful butterflies and buzzing bees to their gardens including which plants provide nectar for adult butterflies, food for caterpillars (including monarch butterflies) and nectar for bees. The presentation is scheduled to take place July 12 at 1 p.m. at the Main Library in Jacksonville. Immediately afterward, Jackson will teach participants about amazing insects that can be found in any backyard. That presentation is set to take place at 2:30 p.m. For more information, call 455-7350, ext. 231, your local branch library or visit www.onslowcountync.gov/library.

Storyteller event July 17-19, various times

Onslow County Public Library has sched-

uled a series of free public performances throughout Onslow County with locally renowned storyteller Ron Jones as part of its summer family reading program. With a background in theater and more than 25 years as a children's librarian, Jones uses storytelling to entertain, enrich and engage audiences with tales of the human condition. Performances are scheduled to be held July 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Dixon Elementary School; July 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Richlands High School; July 19 at 2 p.m. at Swansboro Middle School and at 6:30 p.m. at Jacksonville High School. For more information, call 455-7350, ext. 231 or your local branch library.

PCS Overseas workshop July 17, 9 a.m. - noon

A Permanent Change of Station Overseas workshop is scheduled to take place at the Russell Marine and Family Services Center classroom. Topics covered include financial planning, moving personal property, passports, traveling with pets, housing information, loan locker and cultural aspects. The class is open to all ID card holders. To register, call 449-9704 or 451-1055.

Rock concert July 22, 7 p.m.

Onslow County Public Library has scheduled a free concert by nationally acclaimed rock-n-roll band, The High Strung, at Northside High School in Jacksonville as part of the OCP's summer family reading program. For more information, call 455-7350, ext. 231, your local branch library or visit www.onslowcountync.gov/library.

Big Shaggin' Dinner and Dance July 18, 16 p.m.

Eddie's Entertainment presents the Big Shaggin' Dinner and Dance at Sywanyks Scarlet and Gold Traditions on 222 Henderson Dr.

The event is scheduled to include dinner of spaghetti, salad and a dessert as well as the entertainment for tickets of \$12 each. The Carousels and Recording Beach and Variety Band are set to perform. For tickets, call 382-3840.

From Banjos to Beach Music July 24, 5 - 9 p.m.

Bluegrass, beach music and big sharks mix it up to spotlight North Carolina culture from the mountains to the sea at the North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores. The Aquarium will stay open late until 9 p.m. for a "From Banjos to Beach Music" Family Night. For more information, call 866-294-3477 or visit the Aquarium Web page at www.ncaquariums.com.

The Teen Squad Through Aug. 22, 5 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Do you know what your teens are doing this summer? Marine Corps Community Services has planned a summer activity for teens ages 13 to 18 called The Teen Squad (12 year olds are also welcome to attend if they have completed the seventh grade). The Monday through Friday daytime event is set to take place from 5 a.m. through 6 p.m. Teens may sign up for all 10 weeks or just one. Meals and two camp T-shirts will be provided. Space is limited, so register early. Military and Civilian Marine dependents are welcome. Single and dual working parents will be given priority placement. For more information, visit the Resources and Referral Office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. at Bldg. 1966.

Fall registration Through Aug. 28

Southern Illinois University announc-

es that its registration for Fall 2008 classes aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune set to take place through Aug. 28. Bachelor's Science degrees are available in aviation management, electronic systems technologies, health care management. For more information, call 451-5575 or 449-6250. For general information regarding educational opportunities aboard base, visit the Marine Corps Community Services lifelong learning Web page www.mcclejeune.com/LLL/index.html.



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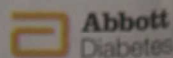
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Practical, legal considerations for hurricane season

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Preparation and planning for the next time a tropical storm begins before it rains down on our shores. This article provides you with some practical and legal considerations as we approach the hurricane season.

Landlord's insurance
 Landlord's insurance can lessen the loss of your property, as well as losses due to theft and other disasters. Carefully consider whether you need such coverage. If you already have a landlord's review it carefully to determine if it is sufficient or whether more coverage is appropriate. Coverages begin at about \$20,000 and policies are fairly inexpensive. Carefully review coverage exclusions, as damage due to flood and losses from electrical power outage may not be covered.

Atlantic Marine Corps Community Centers' insurance
 Residents who have signed a lease to live in public-private venture projects run by Atlantic Marine Corps Community Centers already have renter's insurance provided for them as indicated at the end of the lease. But, as with any insurance policy, you should review it carefully and you may wish to discuss your AMCC representative. It contains significant deductibles and special provisions concerning either the type of property or the cause of the loss. An overview of the AMCC policy, through Great American Insurance can be viewed online at the AMCC Web site (www.atlantiamcc.com/come_resident/forms.asp under "renter's insurance"). If you would like to review the entire policy you may do so at a property management office.

Claims against the government
 Relying solely on the Federal government to compensate you for your hurricane storm damage losses may not provide you with the coverage you or your family may require. It is recommended that you review your renter's insurance policies, in order to determine coverage limits and deductibles, will enable you to make an informed decision on whether your coverage is adequate. The following information provides some facts and details on claims made against the government.

The Military and Civilian Personnel Claim Act (31 USC 3701, 3702, 3721), implemented in the Navy and Marine Corps through Judge Advocate General Instruction 5890.1 authorizes, but does not require, the United States to provide compensation for losses "incident to service," including losses in base quarters. (Different statutes and regulations not the subject of this article cover losses caused by the negligence of government agents or employees.)

The United States will not pay claims when negligence of the claimant or his guests caused the loss. In most renters' policies, such matters are irrelevant. (Of course, no one will pay the claim if you intentionally destroy property.)

The United States will not compensate for losses where the possession of the items is not considered reasonable under the circumstances or where the claimant failed to take reasonable precautions to protect the property. Such matters are generally immaterial in renters' policies.

The United States will pay depreciated value according to a strict depreciation schedule, not replacement value. Thus, you may get only \$100 for the television you purchased for \$500 four years ago. You may be able to purchase a renters' policy that pays replacement value.

Making a claim against the government

Following a hurricane or tropical storm if you believe the damage to your personal property to be in excess of \$2,000 you should first submit a claim through AMCC's insurer, Great American E&S Insurance Company, by calling 800-833-3549 and providing the representative with the AMCC policy number 2512705. Once you've done so, you may submit a claim against the government for the cost of the deductible. If your loss is less than \$2,000 you should file a claim against the government at the Claims Department of the Civil Law Section, Bldg. 66 (Office of the Staff Judge Advocate). In the case of serious disaster to the area the claims department will establish satellite sites in housing areas most severely damaged in order to expedite the claims filing process. Once completed, the claims section submits all claims packages to Headquarters Marine Corps for approval. HQMC makes the fi-

nal decision on claims not the claims department at Camp Lejeune.

For damage to vehicles, claimants must first file through their insurance and then they may submit a claim against the government for the amount of the deductible.

Government claims forms and instruction packages will be available at the Claims Department of the OSJA or at one of the temporary satellite claims offices set up following the disaster.

Proving loss

You should take a good inventory of your property, consider preparing a videotape and keep receipts of the more expensive items to substantiate your claim, whether against the government or your insurer. Historically, the most common hurricane-related claim against the government has been for food spoilage resulting from power outage. In its desire to provide quick compensation for such claims, Federal claims officers have previously relaxed rules relating to the proof of food spoilage. However, given the potential for food fraud, if you intend to claim the freezer full of steak and lobster your claim will be investigated by the OSJA Quality Assurance team. So, be prepared to provide some proof of food spoilage and the amount thereof. Of course, making a fraudulent claim is a criminal offense, whether committed by service members or others.

Repairing rented premises

Landlords, not tenants, are responsible for repairing storm damage and clearing debris resulting from natural disasters [NC Gen Stat 42-43(6)]. If your rented premises is damaged, or if trees or other debris has blown into your yard, notify the landlord or the landlord's agent immediately by phone and follow up in writing. If the damage significantly lessened the value of the property; for example, if air conditioning or plumbing were damaged and not quickly repaired, you may ask the landlord to reduce or eliminate rent until the repairs are made. The modified rent should be equal to the rental value of the premises that are damaged. If the landlord agrees, get it in writing. If the landlord does not agree, you can sue him in small claims court for a court order lessening or eliminating the rent until the repairs are made. If

you have already paid the full rent, you may sue for the difference in the value of the damaged property and the value of the property without damages. A court ordered reduction in rent might be just the wake up call to inspire your landlord to make the necessary repairs.

Lease termination

North Carolina Law (NC Gen Stat 42-12) provides that if the residential rental premises is damaged so badly that it will cost more than a year's rent to fix it, the tenant may terminate the lease without penalty. However, the tenant must pay rent up to the time of the damage and must notify the landlord of intent to terminate in writing and within 10 days of the damage. Read the lease carefully. This provision of the law only applies if the lease does not contain an agreement concerning destruction of the premises.

Consumer fraud

When the winds die down, the threat of home repair con artists will increase. Here are some danger signs to look for:
 The door-to-door seller of home repair services fails to comply with state (NC Gen Stat 25A-39) and Federal law (32 CFR 429) requiring a written notice of a three-day right to cancel the contract.
 The company headquarters is out of state and/or is impossible to contact. Or maybe there is just a post office box and no physical address.
 The contract fails to completely and accurately describe the work to be done and/or the price to be paid. Be especially wary of contracts in which the price is based on an estimate that is to be completed in the future.
 The seller tells you not to worry about the exorbitant price, because the insurance company will pay for everything.

Emergency funds

If the president declares a national disaster, individuals may be eligible for loans or grants administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. FEMA provides grants to help repair damaged homes, loans to compensate for personal or business property loss and grants to people unable to afford the loans. However, FEMA money can be delayed and may compensate for only a small portion of the loss.
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