

# 8th Marines officer snags Gazette writing prize/1B

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PFC Justin B. Potter, Force Reconnaissance Co., awaits his first static line jump with the unit since his arrival from school in Ft. Benning, Ga. 4B

LCpl Shawn D. Johnson, mechanic, Bravo Company, 2d Tank Battalion, performs an inspection on an M1A1 Abrams tank during CAX 3-4. 8A



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### Division names best

LCpl Melissa R. Watts  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

After months of perseverance, several boards and fierce competition, two Marines were deemed the Marine and Non-commissioned Officer of the Year for 2d Marine Division.

Cpl William P. Anderson III earned the right to be called the NCO of the Year and LCpl Robert T. Pereira the Marine of the Year.

The candidates were judged after viewing their Service Record Book for noteworthy achievements, physical fitness test scores, and rifle qualification scores. The board consisted of 10 division sergeants major and was extremely competitive according to SgtMaj Tim J. Sauer, Battalion Sergeant Major, 2d Tank Battalion, 2d Marine Division.

"All of the sergeants major look for something different in the Marines who come before us. The Marines compete against the best of every company, regiment and battalion, so naturally we look at them with very stringent eyes," said Sauer.

Their scores were divided into three parts: bearing, knowledge and appearance. Each of which required a great amount of preparation.

"Corporal Anderson studied night and day preparing for the NCO of the Year board and won. He is an outstanding corporal of Marines who knows that to be successful in the Marine Corps all you need is heart, guidance, and of course to make the right call every time," said SgtMaj Bruce J. Poland, Battalion Sergeant Major, 2d Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2d

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### 24th MEU storms UNC-Wilmington

Capt R. T. Player  
24th MEU Public Affairs Officer

The 24th MEU's predeployment has come to its culminating event, the Certification Exercise (CERTX). During CERTX, Special Operations Training Group (SOTG) evaluators focus on the MEU's Rapid Response Planning Process (R2P2) and its timely response to such missions as: Embassy Reinforcement, Tactical Recovery of Aircraft Personnel, Noncombatant Evacuation, Humanitarian Assistance and Amphibious Landings. This is the final evaluated exercise required of the MEU in order to earn the Special Operations Capable (SOC) designation prior to deployment.

WILMINGTON, N.C. - While most Department of Defense personnel acknowledged Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday with time away from the office, the Marines and Sailors of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit conducted a Noncombatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington (UNCW) as part of their Certification Exercise (CERTX).

In the fictional country of Balkania, the evacuation of American citizens and other

designated personnel from an increasingly uncertain environment was required of the 24th MEU, and the MEU responded accordingly.

Six CH-46 helicopters landed in a field adjacent to the UNCW baseball diamond, the ramp lowered and Marines immediately ran from the aircraft, dropped to one knee, and formed a perimeter around the aircraft. During a quick head count, "role player" evacuees, mock reporters and Wilmington's WWAY NEWS 3 and WECT NEWS 6 rushed the NEO security element.

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Sgt Kevin Dufosse

Cpl Domingo Soto, automatic rifleman, BLT 2/6, from Miami, shows "role player" evacuees the proper way to wear an LPV.

### Midwinter's' day dream

Arratti, right, chases Jessica Steffne, both of Camp Lejeune with a snowball Tuesday morning behind Stone Street Elementary School on base. Last holiday weekend turned into almost a week due to an unexpected winter storm that resulted in the closing of Camp Lejeune and local schools Tuesday. About two inches of snow fell. It is the first time since February at any measurable amount of snowfall has accumulated here.

### Quick Shots

#### Labor and delivery opens

Onslow Memorial Hospital's Labor and Delivery Unit opened and resumed operations at noon Jan. 14. Hospital staff greatly appreciates the support they received from the community, especially the support from Onslow Memorial Hospital. With their assistance, the hospital successfully completed a board review of the labor and delivery processes and conducted a staff training.

#### Road Closures

Following road closures and will be in effect Saturday for the D'Pain 50K On Road Cycle. Drivers are asked to use extreme caution when in and around the race route during event time. Road closures are as follows:

Service Rd and Holcomb Blvd circle, 8:45 - 9:15 a.m.  
b Blvd right lane, 9 - 10:30

Ferry Rd right lane 9:15 - 11

Ferry Rd right lane, 9:15 - 11:30

Ferry Rd to Main Service Rd, 11:50 a.m.

Service Rd closed from Main Service Rd to traffic circle, 9:30 a.m. For more details call Mike Marion, Coordinator, at 451-1799.



CWO-2 Tracey Fedor

Roadways, driveways and walkways become one after the mudslides in Venezuela.

### 2d FSSG demonstrates readiness in close call

Cpl Brannen D. Parrish  
Stone Bay Public Affairs Detachment

The disaster relief mission by Marines and Sailors from Camp Lejeune and Roosevelt Roads Naval Base, was cancelled late Jan. 13. Almost 100 Marines from Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force Venezuela were enroute aboard USS Tortuga when the word came that they would not make their trip in South America.

The majority of the Marine element, about 300 Marines, was scheduled to leave Jan. 13, aboard USS Nashville. The Marines never made it to the ship to depart.

Marines from 8th Engineer Support Battalion

and other II Marine Expeditionary Force elements were to assist with a joint road clearing project with Navy SeaBees and Venezuelan engineers.

The 40-kilometer stretch of road connects the city of Caracas to Maiquetia. Clearing the road would open a highway for supplies to reach the capital city. Caracas was covered by mudslides in December.

The decision to cancel the deployment was made after a statement from Venezuela's president, Hugo Chavez, who declined the assistance of any additional U.S. military troops in his flood-ravaged nation.

Though the operation was cancelled, lead-

See VENEZUELA/4A

### Unexpected promotion aboard Whidbey Island

22d MEU Marines' promotion becomes 'great honor'

Petty Officer 3rd Class Monica Padluck  
22d MEU (SOC) correspondent

When LtGen Peter Pace, Commander U.S. Marine Forces Atlantic, Europe South, arrived Dec. 16th to address 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) troops aboard USS Whidbey Island, he had no idea he would be promoting one of them.

After a quick tour of the ship's facilities

and a brief meeting with Marine officers in the wardroom, Gen Pace hurried to speak to the waiting troops assembled in the well deck.



He started by thanking all the Marines for the sacrifice each had made to be on this six-month deployment during the holidays. He also commended Navy CDR Brian E. Barrington, USS Whidbey Island Commanding Officer, for the teamwork

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### The Millennial Interviews

What is in store for II MEF Augmentation Command Element for new year, beyond?

This interview, with BGen John W. Bergman, Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force Augmentation Command Element, is the third in a series with the commanding generals of Camp Lejeune and II Marine Expeditionary Force. The five articles will cover each general's guidance into the new millennium, from past influences to the outlook for the first few months of the new year.

General, what is priority number one for your plan of operations?

Maintaining our focus on training to support II MEF.

What have you learned in your 30 years as a Marine Reservist to help guide the II MACE into the 21st century?

People are our most important asset and time is our most important commodity. Treat people fairly and continually challenge them. Do not waste time.

Did growing up in Savage, Minn., affect the choices which

brought you here? Yes. Savage is a small town with a high regard for service to community and country. I believe in that philosophy. As the century begins, all of us at II MACE will work toward better serving our community, country and Corps.

Will II MACE's standing operating procedures change?

No.

What is the biggest problem facing the Marine Corps in the next year?

Ensuring Congress and the American people understand the capabilities and limitations of the Marine Corps, given the current size of the Total Force.

How do you see the operational tempo of your command and the Corps changing in the next year?

I believe Op tempo will remain about the same in the near future.

What challenges are associated

See GEN/3A



BGen Bergman

Congratulations SSgt Richard Irizarry, 2d Bn, 8th Marines, CMC Career Planner of the Year Award runner-up



# Chapman: a Commandant who stood tall



Gen Chapman

Last Friday the Marine Corps laid to rest at Arlington one of its finest commandants, **Gen Leonard F. Chapman Jr.** We who are privileged to wear the Marine uniform owe a lasting debt to him for his leadership during one of the most difficult periods of the modern era.

Gen Chapman became commandant on Jan. 1, 1968, a time when our country was heavily involved in an unpopular war in Vietnam and was grappling with a host of problems that deeply affected society. Drug abuse, racial tensions and a large conscripted force challenged the fabric of both our civilian and military societies.

To confront these challenges, Chapman balanced the traditional military needs for discipline and obedience to orders against the realities of a changing society and its effect on military culture.

He held the line on Marine Corps standards while

extending the boundaries of freedom of expression within our ranks.

In so doing, he led our Corps from the abyss of Vietnam toward the all-volunteer force, and his dignified leadership inspired many, like myself, who made up the young officer corps in the '70s, to follow his lead and remain on active duty.

The decisions he made were not easy and were frequently at odds with prevailing social trends, but Marines knew them to be essential to the preservation of our Corps.

His policies with regard to race relations and drug use are good examples of his vision.

Chapman reinforced the long-standing policy that discrimination would not be tolerated; he did so by issuing a clear message of intent to all Marines. Pointing out the link between equal opportunity and combat effectiveness, he instructed leaders to eradicate every trace of discrimination, intentional or otherwise.

In 1969 he created the Equal Opportunity Branch at Headquarters Marine Corps, which established the basic framework on which the Corps built race relations programs in the '70s. That branch continues to address these issues today.

As for drug use: While many thought Marine leaders should look the other way, Chapman responded with a policy of zero tolerance.

"The Marine Corps cannot tolerate drug use within its ranks," he wrote. "Those who experiment with drugs will be punished. Those who are addicted will be separated... Both types of users introduce unnecessary operational risk, as well as an unwholesome environment."

Junior leaders saw and respected the general's adherence to standards in a sea of change. They admired the fact that he stood tall on principle when it would have been more expedient to cave in to popular opinion. His "We don't promise you a rose garden" recruiting theme rang true to Marines who valued service above self.

We also saw in this man a living example of the character and attributes that reflect what Americans think and feel about the word "Marine." Soft-spoken but by no means gentle, Chapman let his actions do his talking. He proved his physical courage time and again on the many battlefields on which he served; he also consistently demonstrated moral courage in the decisions he made as commandant. Chapman loved being a Marine, and he loved those

who served under him.

His sense of duty was so strong that he would never allow his personal feelings to interfere with what was important or necessary for his country and the Marine Corps. He was a patriot and a leader at a time when such values weren't fully understood or appreciated by many segments of our society.

The primary reason the Marine Corps flourishes today can be traced to the standards passed on to my generation of Marines consistently did the right thing.

Today, our Corps' success in meetings its goals is evidence that young Americans remain those ideals. We see, time and again, that they are necessary, and that they continue to come.

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## Guest Commentary Gen James L. Jones

## Web, Cable TV 'quick reaction force'

Help us out. Ye olde *GLOBE* has been a mainstay for passing the word in and around Camp Lejeune for more than half a century — but it's not the only way to get pooped-up.

Some hard-working Marines, mostly fairly junior NCOs, have been working like banshees to make the web ([www.lejeune.usmc.mil](http://www.lejeune.usmc.mil)) and Lejeune Cable (channels 10, 77 and 78) your "quick reaction force." A simple phone call to command webmaster, **Sgt Micheal Rogers** (451-7422) gets your unit's information posted immediately to the website (49,500 hits and counting since Oct. 1).

And buzzing Cpls **Matthew Bates**, **Sharon Kalyn**, **Michael Montgomery** or **Brandon Rizzo** at 451-5624 sets you up with mention on "Camp Lejeune Today" or perhaps a feature interview on the MCCS production, "Camp Lejeune After Hours."

Or maybe what's needed is an information slide on Lejeune Cable's electronic bulletin board, available 24 hours a day.

As much as we like our trusty *GLOBE* (hopefully for more than wrapping mullets and keeping heel-and-edge dressing off the carpet) it has its limitations — especially in terms of timeliness. That is, it only comes to you once a week. And that's not a bad thing, especially if it opens up more media and more different kinds of media in passing the word.

Monday, for example, Jacksonville's *Daily News* treated area readers to retired Marine **MSgt John Althouse's** front page photograph of the 24th Marine

Expeditionary Unit in action. Beats waiting a week to see your favorite warriors in print, eh?

Better yet, support those aforementioned NCOs — the electronic combat correspondents of the 21st Century — by "subscribing" (it's free!) to Lejeune Cable and Camp Lejeune's homepage.

Help us make these new tools that viable "quick reaction force," would you?

**SAVED ROUNDS.** Jacksonville Police Chief **Ken Bumgarner** called it "the Richardsons' week." He was referring to **Sgt Melissa J. Richardson** being named Servicemember of the Month (see Jan. 14 *GLOBE*), followed by husband

**John Richardson's** lifesaving award from a May emergency call. John, a Jacksonville patrolman and former Navy corpsman, met his bride when the pair was stationed on Okinawa.

2d Battalion, 2d Marines' **Capt Douglas J. MacIntyre** is featured in the current *Marine Corps Gazette* with his article, "Assault Section: Shock Troops or Neglected Capability."

The sign on Main Service Road near the entrance to French Creek says it all:

"I'd rather have you come back late than not at all. **R. C. Dickerson**, Commanding General"

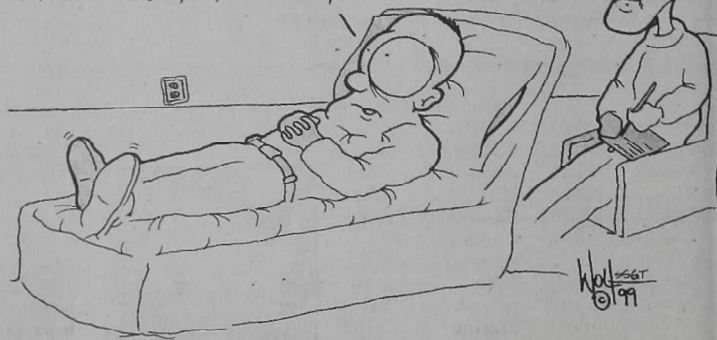
## Public Affairs Notes LtCol Keith Oliver

## Sempertoons by SSgt Wolf

"AND THEN CAME THE KICKER DOC....."

LIKE A MOVIE IN SLOW MOTION.....  
MASTERGUNS PULLED A CAT HAIR OFF  
MY ALPHAS DURING THE INSPECTION.....

IT WAS LIKE...NO...IT WAS...THE KISS OF DEATH!"



## Letter from Sarah has meaning today

My dear children,  
Read my story in Genesis. I am captive of my own beliefs, possibly betrayed by my surest convictions. Such are the ways of youth. You see, for the best that my faith told me, I drove one child into the wilderness and may have too well shielded another. Your world bears this burden.

I admit that the Scriptural account tells what took place. It excludes the full range of emotions that followed obedience to the Word. The Word is a divine story with many readings. Readers come together when they agree to take in a tale. From this comes communities, out of which grows faiths and beliefs. Upon these, arise many dynasties and destinies. Too often, these become hostile camps. Why?

My piety distanced the love of my life from my sheltering arms. Did I ever

ponder what it meant to my husband **Abraham** to hear my words, much less to obey them? He loved both boys, **Isaac** and **Ishmael**. I could only love one.

For that inability, or decision, those destinies and dynasties have chosen sides. Much has been the pain, often has been the violence these many centuries. Now, you stand at the dawn of a new thousand years. What will that mean?

How high are the boundaries and how harsh the borders between the children of our children?

Oh yes, I had a clear and sharp sense of duty to God and history! Sometimes this can be and will be justified! But may any one generation be so sure, so leisurely contented, as those of many later generations who shall read the tale having been spared the anguish of having to live through trying times of spiritual upheaval? Was it, could it have been God's desire to

thrill a family feud that would traverse eons? Does blame for the ugliness of our pasts, both as people of God, lie at Heaven's Gate? Such a God does not merit our worship!

Radical sureties leave little compassion, which I, as a mother should have had, as should any parent.

And so I write my descendants as a new age dawns. Beware how certain you are in matters of religion, but never lose touch with The One Who Is. I do not belittle the One. Instead, I decry my own piety! It is we who receive our revelations; but our hearing can be less than perfect. Do not confuse what we hear for What is Told and By Whom.

Soon a new epoch begins. Who knows which communities of my precious children will be returned to one another's arms? Who knows what battles and scars of ancient days will be reconciled and healed as you mature in faith?

What doors will the heart and coming

history unlock? Never forget, you who would read and study Scripture that you review the records on conflict. Well, struggle is the price of choice. But where has this must history repeat? What once trod the roads of hate, suspicion and bigotry? Why is it so easy to choose to exclude? My children, the next hundred years, you will face these questions.

Your Mother, Sarah

## Chaplain's Corner Navy LT Steven M. Leapman

## Devastated Venezuelan coast stands like ni

**MAIQUETIA, Venezuela** — From a U.S. Army Blackhawk helicopter tracing Venezuela's northern coast, you can imagine how this beautiful South American country must have looked just six weeks ago. From the blue-green waters of the Caribbean Sea, mountains of deep forest green rise sharply to the clouds. Plush resort towns with modern high-rises, pools and beach clubs dot the coast where the wealthy of Caracas get away from it all. However, there are also the tiny



This area east of an airfield in Venezuela was greatly

dwelling that are crammed up the hillsides on many tiers. From above, you look for the streets and wonder how people get to their homes. Then you see the winding stairways up the hills and the narrow alleyways and realize that streets aren't needed where there are no cars.

Through coastal towns from Catia La Mar to Anare, you see what at first appears to be a wide, unpaved thoroughfare. Then you realize that the "road" widens as it rises up the mountain. It is cluttered with rocks of varying sizes, from rubble to boulders. Parts of cars and houses poke up through the dirt and mud. In several places, streams of varying width flow through the flattened and clear paths to the sea.

In the sea itself, thousands of tree trunks float like so many toothpicks. The deep forest green of the mountainside is

scarred brown in so many places from the dozens of individual slides. "Mudslide" is a misleading term; it doesn't take into account the devastation of the boulders and trees crashing through the homes of the rich and poor alike — gravity doesn't discriminate.

"This beach was very famous," says a Venezuelan Army captain stationed at Camuri Grande. He looks sad to think that the rest of his tour in this town won't be the same. "The beaches were white sand. The water was blue and clear." The coastal waters are now dyed brown with mud, and the sand and the beach clubs lie beneath the mud, rocks and driftwood.

Bearing the brunt in these resort towns are not only the playgrounds of the rich, but the tourist industry that supports the local population. Also in this town, the walls of Simon Bolivar University stand like ruins. A four-wheel drive vehicle drags a Fiat sedan out of the swollen river that now covers the coastal road.

In Anare, children carefully try to cross the rushing stream where a bridge no longer connects the coast road through this working-class town. Just to the west of the fallen bridge, townspeople use the blocked coast road as a dump. Looking nearly

straight up from this mountain of water and dirt still trickles down the wall of earth onto the road.

Water service is out in the area is in Camuri Grande, and many of the residents of the area are

## Guest Commentary Capt James M. Rich

first saturated the mountain devastated this proud nation. Jan. 13.

Although much of the Venezuelan littorals will need a great deal of several years to return to normal, an emergency phase is over. Flooding and landslides have displaced 30,000 or more and several remain displaced from their homes. Immediate danger has passed.

Americans were here early in 1979 to help the Venezuelan re-engage through the greatest catastrophe in the country has experienced in a century. Many other nations have acted as well.

For our part, units from the Operations Command and the 1st Marine Division, including the 1st Marine Division, are working to help the Venezuelan people. The U.S. Marine Corps is proud to be part of this effort.

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"...for the strength of the Pack is the Wolf,  
and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack."

Rudyard Kipling, as cited in the  
32nd Commandant's Guidance



## LWTC trains in 'plug, play' environment

**Sgt Micheal D. Rogers**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

While the Corps looks to the new century, Camp Lejeune is on the cutting edge of technology for staff training facilities with the Littoral Warfare Training Complex (LWTC).

More than 29,000 square feet of training space occupying 23 separate rooms gives the complex the flexibility to train units of any size. Although its primarily used for large-scale exercises for command and staff training, the design makes its capabilities almost unlimited.

"The capabilities of the LWTC basically consist of three basic pillars: normal training, real world exercises and combat development," said **Peter D. Morneau, Sr.**, Technical Engineer, LWTC.

Normal training is the exercises that happen aboard Lejeune or even adjacent bases such as Fort Bragg.

Real world operations can also be supported at the complex by extending their local networks, classified and unclassified, to mobile command centers in foreign countries.

Combat development is also fully supported at the LWTC with recent ventures concerning the CMC Warfighting lab and Urban Warrior, both playing a major role

with the state-of-the-art facilities within the complex.

One of the major benefits of using the LWTC is that it is completed furnished with C4I equipment. Communication wires, computer ports and grounding equipment are already installed. Movable floor boxes also allow for maximum flexibility in staff configurations and access to Local Area Networks.

"We like to think of this place as a 'Plug & Play facility'," said Morneau. "You don't need to drag tents out to the field, you don't have 'wire dawgs' running slash wire everywhere, almost everything you need we've already installed into one central location complete with air conditioning."

In addition to the staff trainer, the complex also has a briefing facility with a seating capacity for 200.

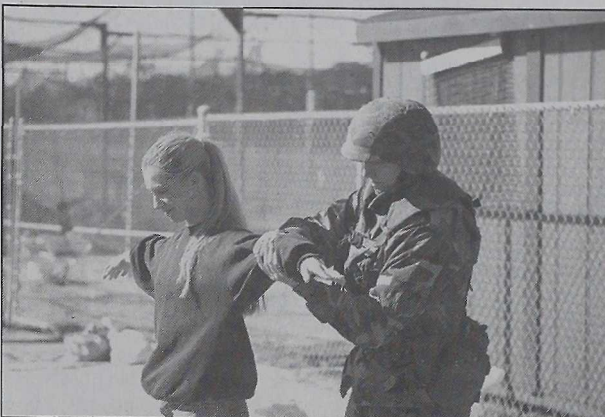
Video teleconferencing also is available throughout the LWTC and can support briefs unclassified or classified up to the SECRET level.

Since the grand opening more than three years ago, the LWTC is constantly undergoing changes to better support the needs of Camp Lejeune and beyond.

For more information concerning the LWTC or to make reservations to use or visit the facilities, call 451-9986/9987.



A group of "role player" evacuees are escorted to a helicopter under the protection of Marines from Fox Co., BLT 2/6.



LCpl Lynn Burkhardt, military police officer, MSSG-24, searches a female "role player" evacuee for weapons and illegal paraphernalia upon entry into the evacuee compound.

EO security element, (Fox Co., BLT 2/6, moved to an assembly area, evacuation procedures established security for the simultaneously, MSSG-24 constructed the NEO stations.

Players were instructed to be uncooperative, abusive to the Marines. The unfavorable behavior players tests a Marine's bearing and remind of the MEU to maintain discipline when confronted by evacuees eager to leave the



Cpl Scott Harwood

Marines from BLT 2/6 carry cranials (protective headgear) and Life Preserver Vests (LPVs) to the "role player" to ensure their safety during their flight to USS WASP.

from 1A

vision. Learning he was chosen as the Quarter, Anderson, Assault Vehicle with 2d AA Battalion, to participate in the Arms Exercise (CAX) in Palms, Calif. [Anderson] knew in his heart, of duty was at CAX with lines," said Poland. a Greensboro, N.C. used up the opportunity before the Merit Board at division for he could go to CAX company. ing Corporal Anderson as an NCO of the Year was in

the best interest of the Division.

His performance and potential exudes this division's motto of "Follow Me!" said 1stSgt **Danny Smith**, Alpha Company First Sergeant, 2d AA Bn.

The Marines will be awarded a Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal from the Commanding General of 2d Marine Division, coupons from Marine Corps Community Services, a series of professional military books and

plaques representing their achievement.

"Anderson possesses the 'warrior spirit' and ethos that commanders desire in their Marines.

He vigorously applies himself toward continued self-improvement," commented Smith. "He's a top-notch performer, a shining example for others to follow. My company and I consider him the personification of the leadership traits."



Pereira

Pereira, a scout with Headquarters and Support Battalion, will be promoted meritoriously to corporal March 2, also marking the end of his first two years in the Corps. After dominating his company and battalion boards, Pereira said he was confident he would win the division board.

"I think because I'm older, the younger Marines look up to me and the Staff

NCOs give me more responsibility. Their trust has allowed me the freedom

to get things done on my own and I think that was a large contributor to my nomination for the initial company board," said Pereira, a 25-year-old Fall River, Mass., native.

Sauer agreed with Pereira, and said the lance corporal's level of maturity and poise before the board was the main reason for considering him for Marine of the Year.

"Pereira has been through college

and is an average of five years older than our other lance corporals, he has the life experience behind him the others do not. I think the pressures of college translated into military professionalism and poise," said Sauer, a Battle Creek, Mich., native.

"I have always wanted to be a Marine. I didn't go into the officer program because I like to work my way from the ground up. In the short time I've been in I have tried to gain as much knowledge as I can to become proficient in my job," said Pereira.

"As Marines we have to take care of each other; and, without the knowledge to get our jobs done right, we jeopardize the safety of one another. That's my motivation."

from 1A

ur recent change of command? ing to know all the Marines in II MACE and II I have overcome this by continually spending sitting the sections. the unit, the challenge is getting better with logy, while maintaining our ability to be ful in its absence.

nd do you expect of the MACE? e fully deployable at all times.

there certain personnel with special goals? However, it is expected that every Marine will o increase individual readiness through PME training.

se tell us about being the first Commanding of VMGR-452.

It was a one-of-a-kind opportunity. We literally built the buildings, 'spec'd' and purchased the aircraft and recruited an entire squadron from the ground up. Within two and a half years from start up, VMGR-452 successfully deployed to Desert Storm.

**Why did you decide to become a naval aviator?**

Flying, no matter what kind, has always been an extremely positive experience for me. I will continue to fly as long as my health permits. I look forward to flying the MV-22.

**What is the best part of being a link between the Reserve and Active Duty components of the Corps?**

One of the keys to successful Total Force integration is for everyone to realize that the process will be continuous two-way education. Each of us must be a link in bridging gaps, which may arise from time to time.

Trust and consistent communication are essential elements of a quality link.

**Where were you at midnight, New Year's Eve?**

Flying a trip for my civilian employer.

**What message do you have for your personnel for the first few weeks of the millennium?**

Stay alert. Be responsible. Help out those who are in need. Don't expect any major changes just because it is a new millennium.



Courtesy photo

John W. Bergman, left, Commanding General, II MACE poses with Jim former Marine Raider, at last year's II MACE Marine Corps Birthday Ball.

from 1A

ward the ship between Sailors and Marines. he general re-enforced the importance of the Amphibious Ready Group's (ARG) presence in erranean and spoke of upcoming changes for

es, he said, that not only involved pay raises ment benefits, but new and better equipment. ghlight of Pace's speech came unexpectedly invited the audience to ask questions. At first, e no questions and the general joked that he aving until someone asked a question.

young Marine standing at attention in the raised his arm and stated, "Sir, it would be a or if you would promote me to lance corporal ted States Marine Corps." The Marine was

**PFC Jesse Tovar** of Amphibious Assault Vehicle platoon, Battalion Landing Team 3/6.

The general put the Marine in the position of at ease while he conferred with his staff, then called for the Marines' first sergeant, 1stSgt **Leroy Williams**, from Columbia, S.C.

"Before we do something really exotic, I need to know whether or not this Marine deserves to be promoted today; not tomorrow, not next week," said Pace. "And, that we're not going to jump him over Marines who deserve

it more than he does."

*"I went to the assembly with every intention of asking to be promoted."*

**LCpl Jesse Tovar**  
Amphibious Assault Vehicle platoon  
Battalion Landing Team 3/6

them in his hand!"

Tovar was pulled out of formation and led to the

After Williams responded that he felt Tovar was deserving of the promotion, Pace looked at his staff and asked if anyone might have some lance corporal chevrons with them.

Tovar, a native of Fresno, Calif., immediately stuck his hand out and produced a pair of chevrons, to which the general laughed and replied, "Go, figure; he just happens to have

podium in front of the assembled troops. Barrington held the microphone while Pace pinned the chevrons on Tovar's collar. With the chevrons in place, the general announced, "Marines and Sailors, I would like to introduce Lance Corporal Tovar." After the roar of the audience died down, Pace told the Marines, "Just in case you're wondering, we only get to do that ONCE today!"

When asked about his unusual request, Tovar replied, "I went to the assembly with every intention of asking to be promoted. I was so nervous I almost couldn't find the words, but really wanted to be a lance corporal and I knew the general had the power to give me this advancement. I had nothing to lose; the worst he could do is say no."



Sgt Arthur Stone

MajGen (ret) Ray L. Smith, accepted the C.A. "Mack" McKinney Award during a ceremony in Jacksonville, Jan. 14.

## Marines recognized for years of dedicated service

**Sgt Arthur Stone**

Camp Lejeune correspondent

**MajGen (ret) Ray L. Smith**, the former Commanding General of Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., and **SgtMaj (ret) Mike Rooney**, were the honored recipients of the prestigious C.A. "Mack" McKinney Award, Jan. 8 at a local establishment in Jacksonville.

The award is given annually in recognition of a Marine officer and staff noncommissioned officer for their professional service and dedication.

The Down East Chapter of the Noncommissioned Officers Association presented the award during an evening ceremony at the private club known for its exquisite display of Marine Corps relics and paraphernalia.

The 10th Marine Regimental Sergeant Major, **SgtMaj Paul W. Siverson**, who is the chairman for the local chapter of the NCOA, spoke briefly during the opening ceremony.

Former Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, President and CEO of the NCOA, **SgtMaj (ret) Dave Sommers**, of San Antonio, Texas; **MajGen Ronald G. Richard**, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune; and **MajGen Robert R. Blackman Jr.**, Commanding General, 2d Marine Division, attended the ceremony.

Smith thanked the NCOA for considering him for the award even though he had never been a Marine

NCO. He spoke about his start in the Marine Corps and how he received a handwritten letter from his brother, now a retired sergeant major from the U.S. Army. The letter had informed Smith that he would never make the rank of corporal, and that he would get out as a lance corporal after being used up by the Marine Corps.

Shortly after receiving the letter, Smith was ordered to Officer Candidate School because his superiors felt the Marine Corps needed good officers. Upon being commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps, Smith drove to his brother's house, called him onto the front porch and made his brother salute him. Smith reflected humorously, that in a way, his brother was half-correct in his prediction. He never attained the rank

of corporal. He received his commission as a second lieutenant after reaching the rank of lance corporal.

Rooney, who received the second award, was brief in his remarks, thanking the association for their decision to present him such a prestigious award.

The award, founded on the idea of **John Reed** of the local chapter of the NCOA, is named for SgtMaj C.A. "Mack" McKinney, who retired from the Marine Corps in 1971 and became the first lobbyist for the NCOA in Washington. McKinney united more than 30 military and veteran organizations into a lobbying party to be an advocate for military matters in our nation's capitol. In his legacy, the award is presented for professionalism, dedication and service.



# Valentine's Day chocolates might ruin your smile

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Americans will spend an estimated \$1.1 million this Valentine's Day, buying more than 36-million heart-shaped boxes of chocolate candy.

Eating all this chocolate may not be as bad for your teeth as suspected, reports the Academy of General Dentistry, an organization of general dentists dedicated to continuing dental education.

Chocolate contains tannins - a compound that helps prevent cavity-causing bacteria from sticking to the teeth and gums. When mixed with sugar, tannins can reduce the plaque bacteria that cause dental and gum disease. Studies have shown that eating chocolate has suppressed cavity development.

"Just because chocolate contains sugar doesn't mean it is cariogenic or cavity-causing," says **Charles Perle**, DMD, FAGD, spokesperson of the Academy of General Dentistry. "Chocolate tends to be less cariogenic than previously believed because of a low resting pH level, which means the acid level in the mouth is low."

While chocolate may help reduce cavities, it is still filled with empty calories, and people still need to brush their teeth after eating

foods high in sugar. "It is always best to limit the intake of high sugar food and to brush immediately after eating to remove any remaining particles," says Perle.

## Kissing and Cavities

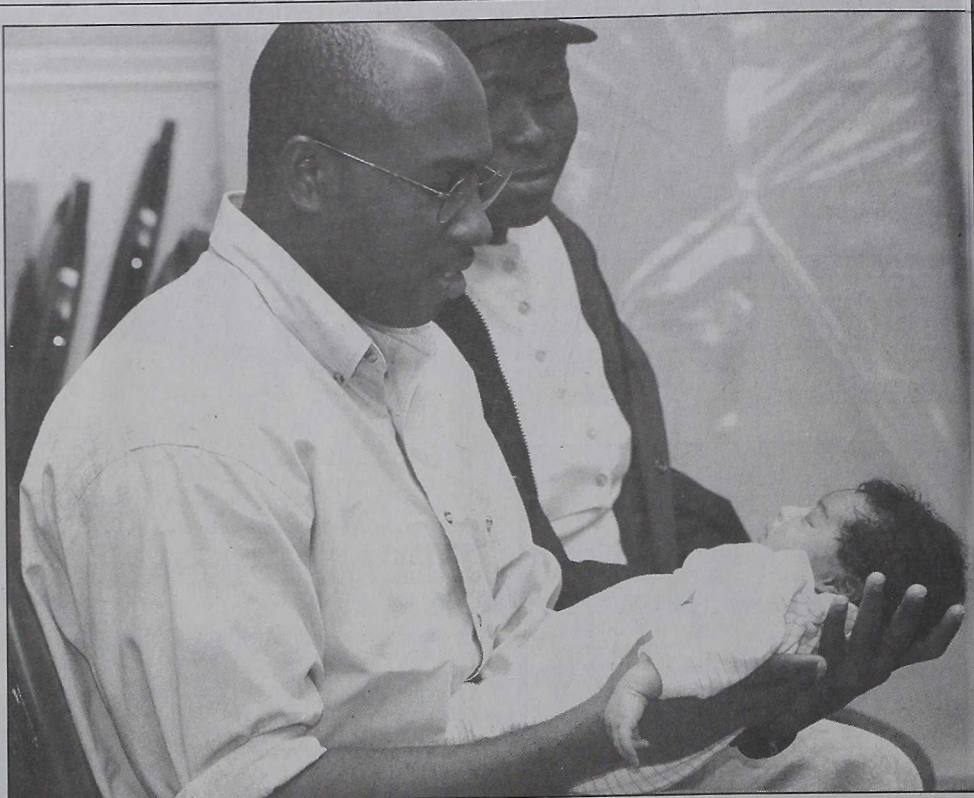
Kissing has been linked to prevention of tooth decay, because it stimulates saliva, which helps reduce the incidence of cavities. "Kissing is nature's cleansing process," explains **Heidi K. Hausauer**, DDS, FAGD, spokesperson for the Academy of General Dentistry. "Saliva washes out the mouth and helps remove the cavity-causing food particles that accumulate after meals."

During moments of increased saliva stimulation, a person can produce up to a teaspoon of saliva per minute, and throughout the day, produce up to four cups of saliva.

No one to kiss? Chew sugar free gum - it can produce three times the regular amount of saliva.

## Cavity-free Couples

Couples often possess similar dental habits. A person with clear dental neglect is 32 times more likely to have a partner with clear neglect. Likewise, a person without neglect is 5.4 times more likely to have a comparable partner. People may select spouses with some parallel dental behavior or develop the same dental characteristics over time.



Cpl Edward S.

## A gift for the New Year

**SN Frantz Louihis** holds his first-born son **Boaz**, who was also the first child born at the Camp Lejeune Naval Hospital Navy parent this year. Louihis, a corpsman with 1st Bn., 6th Marine Regiment, and his wife, **Delourdes**, are from Boca Raton, Fla. Boaz was born at 4:59 a.m., Jan. 3.

## RICH from 2A

Cano, Honduras responded quickly in the emergency phase, moving nearly 4,000 civilians to the safety of the Simon Bolivar International Airport. To date, the battalion

has flown more than 400 hours and delivered hundreds of thousands of pounds of supplies in support of the humanitarian assistance mission.



Capt James M. Rich

Numerous Venezuelan communities were devastated by the mudslides leaving many homeless and without access to food and water.

## Environmental Management Dept to host meeting regarding RMP

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In accordance with regulations established by the Environmental Protection Agency, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune's Environmental Management Department will hold a public meeting, Jan. 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Onslow County Library on Doris Ave. in order to discuss the base's Risk Management Program. The RMP, established in 1990 by the EPA, involves the implementation of emergency response measures taken by subject facilities to minimize the risk of accidental chemical releases. The EPA requires that all facilities subject to this rule hold a public meeting to discuss their RMP. Topics discussed at this meeting will include:

- Chlorine storage, handling and use at the Holcomb Boulevard water treatment plant (WTP) (Bldg. HP-670)

- Chlorine storage, handling and use at the Hadnot Point WTP (Bldg. HP-20)

- Chlorine storage, handling and use at the Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) New River WTP (Bldg. AS-110)

- Chlorine storage and handling at the open storage area (Lot 201)

Camp Lejeune's accidental release prevention and emergency response policies are to maintain safe conditions for base personnel and the inhabitants of the surrounding communities. This policy is given the highest priority and is to be enforced through strict compliance with applicable regulations, physical safeguards, training and deployment of adequate resources.

For more information, call **Dennis Abell** at 451-9386.

Close behind them, the 219th Quartermaster Detachment, Puerto Rico National Guard, arrived and began purifying water with Reverse-Osmosis Water Purification Units (ROWPUs).

As of Jan. 13, the ROWPU units had purified nearly 500,000 gallons of water.

In total, 250 American servicemembers have participated in the humanitarian assistance mission. JTF Fundamental Response, commanded by **Air Force Col William E. Osborne** of Special Operations Command South, continues to perform these and other types of HA and Disaster Response missions.

The more than 100 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and one Marine of JTF-FR in Venezuela today know that our efforts are appreciated. Venezuelans are by and large a proud and somewhat reserved people; however, they show their appreciation in many ways.

The mayor of Caracas and his wife have "adopted" the Americans here, and have provided us with local food and beverages each day. Dinners and receptions for the servicemembers who spent their Christmas and New Year here were provided by our host nation.

Despite our justifiable pride in our work and the thanks of a grateful nation, the end of U.S. participation in "Rescate (Rescue) 2000" must ultimately come to an end.

The Venezuelan people must continue recoveries that will certainly last years. They wish to do it themselves. That is a spirit that Americans can certainly admire.

*Capt Rich is the Joint Task Force Fundamental Response Public Affairs Officer.*

## VENEZUELA from 1A



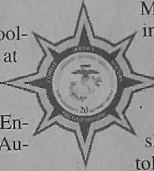
The valley was an obvious victim of the recent mudslide.

ers say it proves the readiness of 2d Force Service Support Group.

"Mentally preparing and pooling your people and resources at a moment's notice shows they are ready," said **Maj Daniel P. O'Hara**, executive officer, 8th Engineer Support Bn., a native of Auburn, N.Y.

There is some disappointment among Marines, who had hoped to see in the helpful real-world operation in Venezuela.

"I think there is more disappointment (that they aren't going) said. "You train and train and train to skills for a real operation, and then told aren't going that's disappointing."



## Necktie Party

**Teri Coleman** and **Don Wittich** act out a scene from "Killing Mr. Withers," a Hitchcock-style dinner theater presentation being produced by the Officers' Wives Club. Written by **David Landau**, the piece centers on the early demise of Withers (Wittich) at the hands of Natasha, played by Coleman, and Boris. The dinner theater is scheduled for Jan. 29 at the Officers' Club. Social hour is scheduled for 6-7 p.m. with the theater beginning at 7. Reservations, at \$17.50 per person, can be made by calling Coleman at 347-2216. Seats are limited, so please call today.



Cpl Edward S.

## Civilian Personnel

### Kay Thigpen

HRO Labor Relations Specialist

Pay issue questions and answers:

Q: May an employee who becomes ill while on leave request that sick leave be substituted for annual leave?

A: Yes. Subject to 5 CFR 630.401 (b) through (e), an agency may grant sick leave during a period of annual leave for any of the purposes described in 5 CFR 630.401 (a). Reference: 5 CFR 630.405 (a).

Q: May an employee have sick leave retroactively substituted for annual leave when the employee requested that he be charged annual leave instead of sick leave?

A: No. Once annual leave is granted, an employee may not thereafter have such leave charged to sick leave and have the amount of annual leave previously charged recredited to the employee's annual leave account. The Comptroller General (CG) has held that when an employee has accepted compensation for a period of absence from duty upon the basis of his approved application for an-

nual leave, with a consequent charge against accrued annual leave, the employee must be regarded as having made his election. The CG further states, in this circumstance, the obligation of the United States having been discharged, such right and obligation are not subject to change unless a law or regulation having the force and effect of law provides for such a charge. (Cite: B-191327, Nov. 8, 1978, B-181087 June 21, 1974 and 54 Comp. Gen. 1086 (1975))

Q: Does the 104-hour limitation under the Family

Friendly Leave Act apply when employees invoke their entitlements under the Family and Medical Leave Act?

A: Yes. Employees who invoke their entitlement to work weeks of unpaid leave under the FMLA are subject to the 104-hour limitation in 5 CFR 630.401 (c). Therefore, as long as employees maintain a record of at least 80 hours of sick leave, they may use 104 hours of sick leave (during any leave year) for a family member who is incapacitated.

Do not forget to visit the HRO website at [www.lejeune.usmc.mil/hroeast](http://www.lejeune.usmc.mil/hroeast) for Human Resources related information.

To fellow employees, supervisors and managers of Marine Corps Base and Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune as

well as Marine Corps Air Station New River, wish farewell to the civilian employees listed below as they retire, transfer or resign from employment at Camp Lejeune or New River.

**Retiring:**  
**James Chiles**, MCB

**William Bell**, MCB  
**Alvin Riggs**, MCB  
**John Washington**, MCAS  
**Resigning:**  
**Steven Hoyt**, MCB

A hearty welcome is extended to the civilian employees listed below

as they begin work at Camp Lejeune or New River.

**MCB:**  
**Keith Barnes**  
**James Cutler**  
**Brown Freeman**  
**Russell Lambert**

**Ryan Lawton**  
**Donna Mixner**  
**Willie Moore**  
**Julia Perez**  
**Daniel Reagen**  
**Michael Terrell**  
**Gale Torres**

**Wendy Whetsell**  
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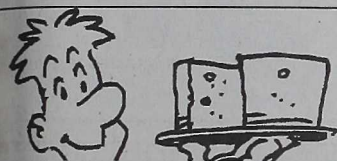
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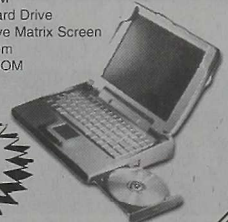


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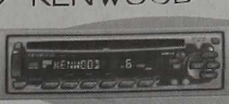


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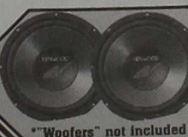
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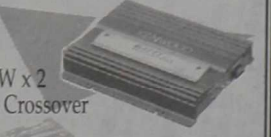
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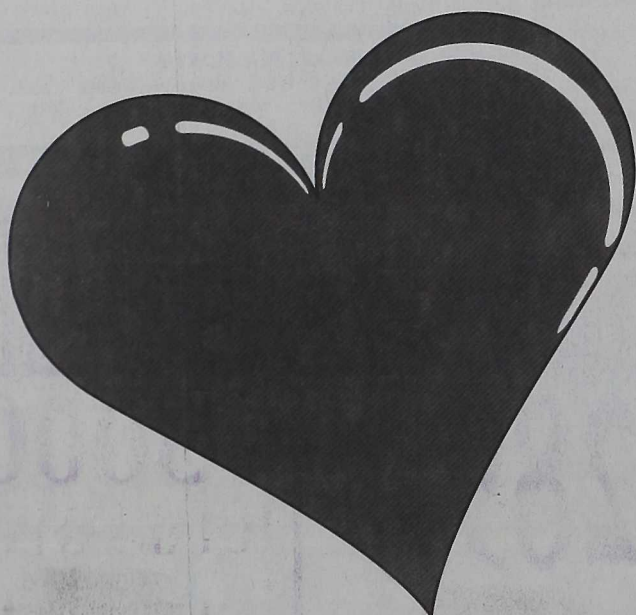
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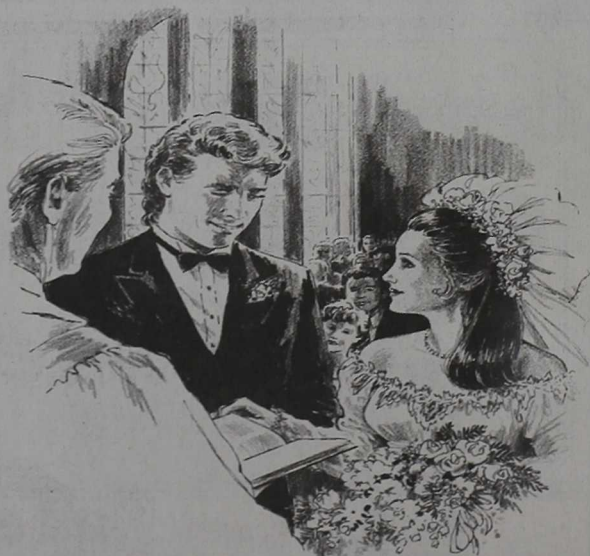
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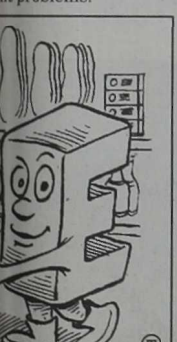
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## Twentynine Palms, Calif.

# MAGTF-6 Commander sets goals for CAX

LCpl Thomas M. Corcoran  
CAX Public Affairs Detachment

**CAMP WILSON** — 35,000 Marines drive, fly and hump their way across the arid desert terrain of Twentynine Palms, Calif., destroying targets with anything from M16A2 service rifles to 500 pound bombs. Meanwhile, Col Robert B. Neller, Marine Air/Ground Task Force-6 commander, is taking each and every Marine's safety and training into consideration.

For Marines in various units who have been training for months to prepare for Combined Arms Exercise 3-4, their time has come to fight as a MAGTF in one of the most ideal situations offered by a military training center.

"These units have known for months they were coming out here for CAX," said Neller. "We started working with them in August, having meetings and discussions with the commanders and their staff about what was going to happen at CAX and certain areas that we wanted them to work on."

Neller said many Marines consider CAX the single best training opportunity that they have. Marines under Neller's command that have recently returned from Kosovo told him, of all their preparation and training for deployment, CAX was the number one thing that stuck out in their minds.

"This is a unique opportunity, and everybody here is hopefully striving to take the maximum benefit out of this opportunity," he said.

Neller's two main objectives of CAX 3-4 are, upon return to Camp Lejeune, to have Marines with a higher training readiness and to return safely every Marine and Sailor that participated.

Neller explained safety is a paramount concern to him. He said in order to achieve this they have to prepare, maintain gear and that every Marine down to the last private must be alert and focus to what is going on every day.

"I think you learn something new every day out here ... particularly here because everything here is real," said Neller, explaining that every decision is critical when training with live fire.

Although Marines are being assigned to various new operations in today's world, the mission of CAX remains the same as it always has, said Neller.

"The best trained Marine to take on all the new roles, and different types of missions around the world, is a Marine who is trained to fight and win at the highest end of the spectrum," said Neller.

He explained that Marines are not trained to do peace or humanitarian operations, they are trained to fight, and a Marine trained to fight can succeed at any level.

*"CAX allows us to do those things we would do in wartime. It gives us a chance to redevelop our warfighting skills."*

Col Robert B. Neller  
MAGTF-6 Commander

of Twentynine Palms at varying degrees is available for live fire and maneuvers. The desert terrain of Twentynine Palms give Marines that are stationed at Camp Lejeune a unique opportunity in an area unlike any other they are familiar with.

"Lejeune has certain things they can do, amphibious

operations, and close terrain," said Neller.

That can even come close to this place. The living conditions and environment aspect that gives an advantage to training. The living conditions are expedition self-sufficient, using field utilities and lacking in modern conveniences.

Another aspect of the training area is its climate and geography, which units do not often see.

"It's not like desert where you have soft ground, it's rocky, it's hard, it's a very hot environment. It's very hot in the summer and winter and prone to extremes of wind around," Neller said, explaining additional training.

Overall, CAX provides commanders the opportunity to command their units the way they would in a real situation. This is an opportunity that is not often because of terrain and budget constraints.

"CAX allows us to do those things we would do in wartime ... to redevelop our warfighting skills."

"We're out here, we're focused, we're not by normal day-to-day stuff that goes on. We're able to talk about warfighting and to do those things that the Marine Corps has to do."

## EEAP lends MAGTF-6 hand in preparation of exercise

Enhanced Equipment Allowance Pool gets CAX Marines gear they need to kick off desert training

Sgt Houston F. White Jr.  
CAX Public Affairs Detachment

**CAMP WILSON** — The units comprising the Marine Air-Ground Task Force 6 recently converged on the Marine Corps Air-Ground Combat Center. They conducted a variety of live-fire training during Combined Arms Exercise 3-4.

The Enhanced Equipment Allowance Pool helped ease the burden of East Coast Marines participating in the evolution transporting equipment and supplies across country.

The supply arm of the Exercise Support Division, MCAGCC, provided valuable support to the various MAGTF-6 organizations by issuing mission-essential gear Jan. 6.

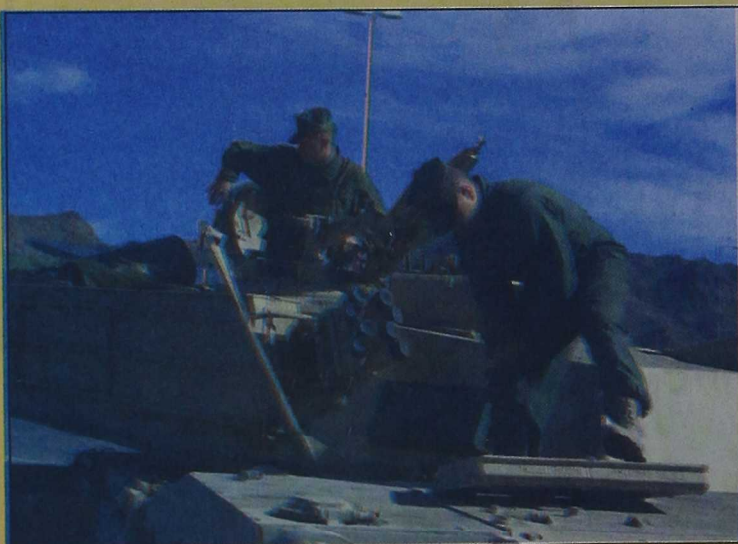
Before the draw was conducted however, considerations had to be made by the CAX command element to ensure each unit received an amount of gear proportionate to their size and mission.

"Every unit here was involved with the planning," said San Diego native, Maj Franklin J. Rosa, S-4 Officer, MAGTF-6.

"We found out what the requirements were for each unit, how much gear was available from the EEAP and then we tried to give each a fair share of the equipment."

"The EEAP is the primary source of equipment for the CAX force," said Rosa.

Each element participating in CAX 3-4, including the ground combat, air combat, and



Sgt Houston F. White Jr.

Worthington, Iowa native Cpl Joseph J. Trenkamp, right, and LCpl Shawn D. Johnson of Eveleth, Minn., both mechanics with Bravo Company, 2d Tank Battalion, perform an inspection on an M1A1 Abrams tank Jan. 12, during the MAGTF-6 EEAP draw.

combat service support elements, requisitioned a broad spectrum of equipment from the EEAP during the five-day drawing period.

"The EEAP draw covers just about everything from radio equipment to vehicles. Engineer gear, humvees, tanks, as well as other supplies, such as cots and gear for messhall, are provided here," said Rosa.

In a large, fenced-in area of the EEAP compound where vehicles awaited pick-up, MAGTF-6 Marines could be seen diligently

surveying and loading up the gear they would be using during the exercise.

According to Toledo, Ohio, native, Sgt Paul Mendoza, Ramp Chief, Bravo Company, 2d Tank Bn., his mechanics were required to perform limited technical inspections (LTIs) on the EEAP tanks before assuming responsibility of the enormous ordinance vehicles.

Tank teams as well as others, including amphibious assault and light-armored vehicle crews, were able to take their new wheels for "test drives" on nearby off-road trails, to check their performance and dependability.

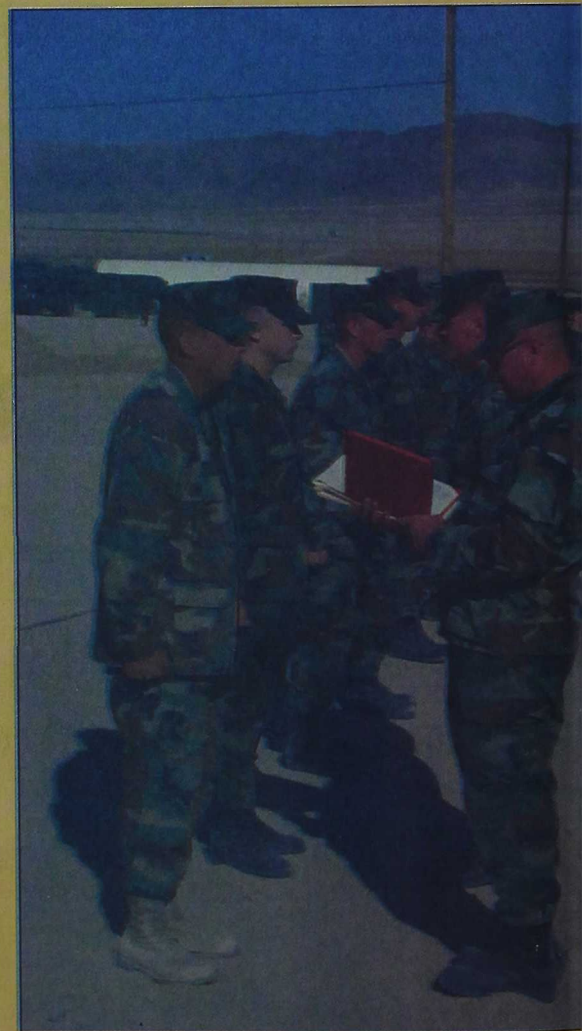
Although the first day of the evolution was a little more difficult because of the increased manpower required to offload vehicles from military trains, with assistance from the EEAP, the CAX detachment was able to save both time and money in the long run.

"We have saved at least four days of work because of help from the EEAP," said Mendoza. "It would probably have taken us at least two weeks to get all of our gear otherwise."

"Drawing our equipment from the EEAP has really helped reduce our cost to deploy," added Rosa.

"Instead of sending all of our gear out here on tractor trailers or by train, we just draw most of it here and it saves a lot on transportation."

## Ooorah Devildogs



Sgt Houston F. White Jr.

Jacksonville, N.C., native 1stLt Gregory T. Alznauer, Commanding Headquarters Company, 6th Marines and GySgt Samuel R. ... Roanoke, Va., presents awards to a total of 16 Marines and Sailors at a ceremony held at Camp Wilson, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Jan. 11. The ceremony was recognized for their noteworthy performance during the unit's Readiness Evaluation Program Dec. 3-7.

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Many of the vehicles located at the Enhanced Equipment Allowance Pool in Twentynine Palms, Calif., were distributed to MAGTF-6 units for use during CAX 3-4, '00.



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# NEWS & FEATURES

Dec. 14, 1999, marked the ceremonial end to a transition that's been 20 years in the making—the turnover of the Panama Canal.

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## Recon hits the silk

### Preps for first Osprey jump



GySgt David W. Keniston of Wolfeboro, N.H. comes in for a landing aboard Camp Lejeune during a HALO jump with his parent unit 2d Force Reconnaissance Company Jan. 13.

Sgt Arthur Stone

See JUMP/4B



Cpl Timothy A. Pope

Maj Michael S. Dickey, Rifle Company  
Commander, Marine Forces Unitas  
prepares the color guard for the passing  
of the colors during the change of  
command Jan. 14.

## Unitas stands down at change of command

Sgt Victoria G. Gross  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Marine forces Unitas conducted a change  
of command Jan. 14 symbolizing the transition  
from Unitas XL (40)-99 to Unitas XLI  
(41)-00.

Maj William S. Budd, native of Daytona  
Beach, Fla., relinquished command of Ma  
rine Forces Unitas to Maj Michael T. Cuccio,  
native of Mahopac, N.Y.

“This is the beginning of the turnover  
from one year to the next,” said GySgt Tommy  
L. Gay, Operations Chief, Marine Forces  
Unitas. “We will now start sending Marines  
from Unitas XL-99 back to their parent com  
mands.” The large part of Unitas XL-99 is  
comprised of Fox Company, 2d Battalion, 8th  
Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division.

Unitas is a four-month deployment to  
South America and every other year to Af  
rica which makes it a five-month deployment,  
according to Gay. “Unitas XL-99 ended Dec.  
14 after the five-month deployment to South  
America and Africa. This year the deploy  
ment will go to South America only.”

The majority of the countries visited ev  
ery year are the same, according to Gay. The  
real difference from year to year depends  
upon the type of ship the Marines will be on.  
“Last year we were embarked aboard USS  
Carter Hall, Landing Ship Dock – 50. This  
year the Marines will be aboard USS La  
Moure County which is a Land Ship Tank; a  
smaller ship.” The size difference will result  
in a reduction from 350 Marines in '99 to 290  
Marines deploying in 2000.

See UNITAS/6B

## Marine Regiment's command pens winning essay

by  
Lejeune-based officer has won the Marine Corps  
Kosovo essay contest and its \$500 first prize.

Timothy E. Winand, Operations Officer of 3d Bat  
Marines, was CO of Weapons Company during  
Marine Expeditionary Unit's peacekeeping mis  
sion last year.

“On Using Marines in the Interim Force  
years in the magazine's January issue and offers

a firsthand account of our Corps' “strategic corpo  
rals” in action.

Winand wrote that “the training currently provided  
to Marines ... gives them the requisite foundation to  
perform as interim police forces in future environments  
such as (Kosovo).”

“We simply relied upon those things that guide us  
through to success in countless other evolutions,” he  
said, naming “our warrior spirit and aggressive nature,  
our sense of purpose and desire to never be outdone,  
and our sense of mission accomplishment.”

## Sgt Maj McMichael addresses Montford Point Marine Assn

Stone  
ine correspondent

ies Auxiliary of the Montford Point Marine Association, Chapter  
its 13th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Black and White  
Ball 2000 Jan. 15 at Goettge Memorial Field House here.

rd Point was the training camp near Camp Lejeune during World  
was used as a boot camp for more than 20,000 black Marines prior  
gregation of the Marine Corps. The camp was later renamed  
bert H. Johnson after the first black sergeant major to serve there.  
civil civic organization committed to community service was founded  
preserve the legacy of the Montford Point pioneers. The Montford



Sgt Arthur Stone

Sgt Maj Alford L. McMichael,  
Sergeant Major of the Marine  
Corps speaks at the annual Dr.  
Martin Luther King Jr. Black  
and White Scholarship Ball.

See SGTMAJ/6B

## Legal eagle soars at 2d FSSG

2ndLt Daniel J. McSweeney  
Community Relations Officer

It is because of the hard work and commitment of the  
Servicemembers in 2d FSSG that this unit is able to ac  
complish its vital mission.

In a series of regular articles, The Globe will high  
light the contributions of these Marines and Sailors  
throughout 2d FSSG.

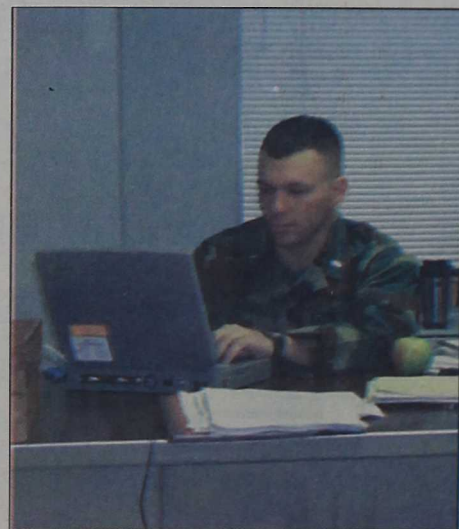
The 2d Force Service Support Group is a key element of  
II MEF. It is a major command at Camp Lejeune composed  
of almost 8,000 Marines. The group provides the major  
sources of heavy combat service support for the 2d  
Marine Division, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, and the  
command element of II MEF. The support provided by 2d  
FSSG is essential for successful combat operations and  
includes the combat service support functions of supply,  
maintenance, transportation, engineer, landing support,  
health services and other special services.

An important aspect of this mission is provided by the  
Group's Legal Services Support Section, which provides  
legal advice to commanders and tries criminal cases on  
base. The officer in charge of LSSS is LtCol Robert  
Sokoloski. LSSS is responsible for prosecuting and  
defending special and general courts martial and  
administrative separation boards, non-judicial punishment  
counseling, as well as review of courts martial and  
operational legal support to II MEF and base forces.

As part of our ongoing focus on 2d FSSG and the  
Marines who make it work, this week we'll take a look at  
LSSS through the eyes of 1stLt. Raymond Adams, the  
Section's newest trial counsel.

Adams, 26, is from Deerfield, Mass. He is a 1995 Magna  
Cum Laude graduate of Brandeis University and a 1998  
graduate of Vermont Law School.

“I joined the Marines to fulfill my profound desire to  
serve our country,” he says. “The Marine Corps was



2ndLt Dan McSweeney

1stLt Raymond Adams works on a case in his office  
at 2d FSSG's Legal Service Support Section.

especially appealing to me because of the esprit de corps,  
history, and tradition that runs through our ranks.”

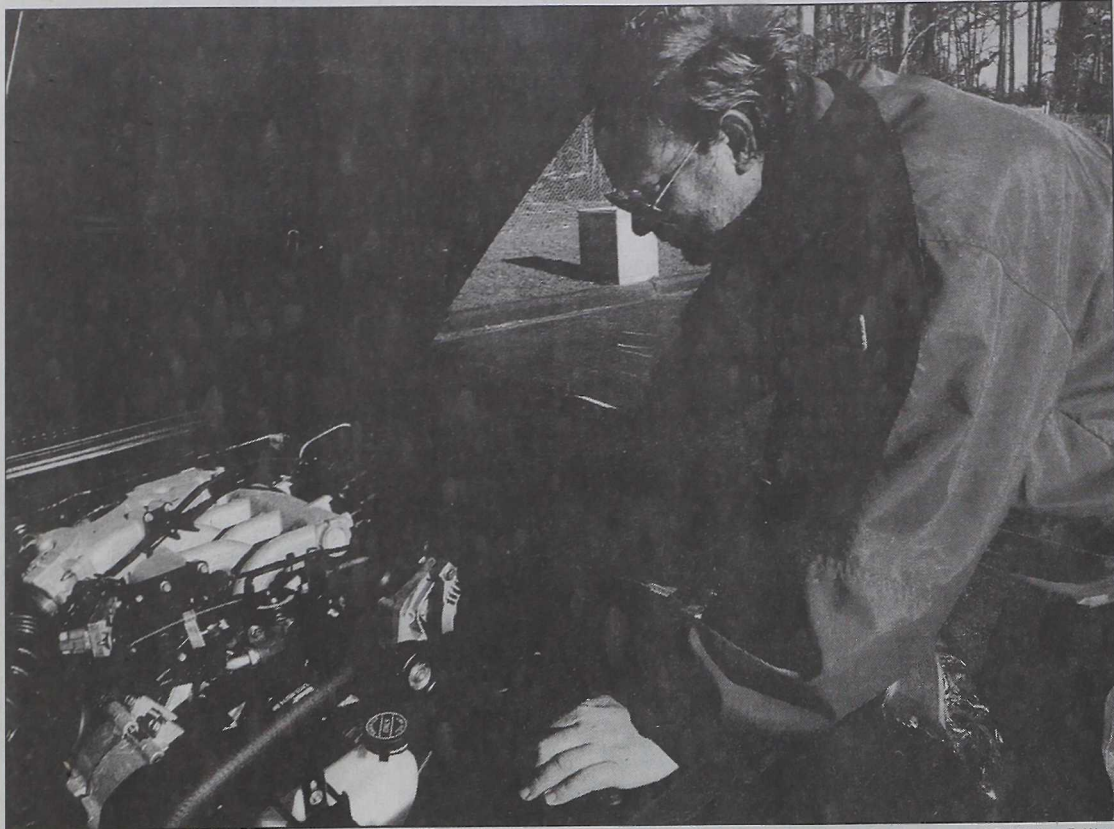
Adams' family has been supportive of his decision to  
serve in the Corps. The oldest of five children, his father  
is a jeweler and sculptor. His mother works at the local high  
school, providing individual assistance to students with  
learning disabilities.

“My grandfather was with the U.S. Army 18th Airborne

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# Beware of salvaged, flood-damaged vehicles



John R. Albert, DOD contractor, conducts an inspection on his new vehicle to check for odd patches of rust and corrosion.

LCpl Melissa R. Watts  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

A long trip down the highway in a newly purchased used vehicle can prove fatal if past bodywork, which the driver may not even be aware of, was not done to the satisfaction of the Federal Government.

With the soaring number of car dealerships in Jacksonville and surrounding areas, consumers may be required to research the history of the business and the vehicle they are interested in to avoid leaving with a previously wrecked or flooded car. According to North Carolina law, car dealerships are required to provide customers with the complete recorded history of any vehicle for sale. However, dealers can not be held accountable for minor bodywork not reported by past owners.

Wondering if a recent purchase has been in a serious motor vehicle accident or

submerged under the recent or past hurricane floodwaters is a very valid concern and questions should be answered upon request according to Jerry Linsky, consultant for General Motors, referring to North Carolina state law.

"The most important piece of advice I can offer when purchasing a new car is to buy from a reputable dealer. The best way to research this is to check their Customer Satisfaction index, published every month in select journals or at the car dealership," said Linsky.

"First, make certain you are not paying more than the vehicle is worth; which can be taken care of on the internet. Next, ask the salesperson about the history of the vehicle, if they give you a blank look or tell you they don't know, walk away," Linsky urged.

A few state laws protecting consumers are as follows:

Branding of Titles: State law (NC Gen Stat 20-71.3) requires that certificates of title and

registration cards be branded; that is, these documents must advise consumers whether the vehicle they purchased is a flood vehicle, non-USA vehicle, reconstructed vehicle, salvage vehicle, or salvage rebuilt vehicle.

Required Dealer Disclosures: North Carolina law (N.C. Gen Stat. 20-71.4) requires dealers to tell you, in writing, certain aspects of the vehicle's history, for vehicles that are five model years old or newer. A dealer who knows, or should know, of certain aspects of a vehicle's history, yet fails to make the required disclosures is guilty of a crime. The dealer must disclose whether the vehicle is a flood vehicle, a non-USA vehicle, a reconstructed vehicle, a salvage vehicle, or a salvage rebuilt vehicle. The legal definitions of those terms (NC Gen Stat 20-04.1) are provided below.

Flood Vehicles: The Eastern North Carolina region has experienced greater than normal rain this year. As a result, areas may have been

flooded, and dealership cars may have been damaged. Prior to sale, the dealer must tell the consumer that the vehicle is a flood vehicle. A flood vehicle is one that has been submerged or partially submerged in water to the extent that damage to the body, engine, transmission, or differential has occurred.

Non-U.S. Vehicles: The dealer must disclose that a vehicle was manufactured outside the United States and was not intended for sale in the U.S.

Reconstructed Vehicle: The dealer must disclose that a vehicle has been reconstructed; that is, materially altered from its original construction due to removal, or addition of new or used essential parts.

Salvage Vehicle: The dealer must disclose that the vehicle has been damaged by collision or other occurrence to the extent that the cost of repairing and rendering the vehicle safe for use on the highway would exceed 75 percent of its total fair market value. A salvage rebuilt vehicle is a salvage vehicle which has been rebuilt for title and registration.

According to J.W. Morton, a Jacksonville body repair shop manager, new Carolina regulations limit their ability to swap parts and repair vehicles with a high percentage of damage due to serial numbers regulated by the DMV to detect stolen vehicles and parts.

"If the vehicle is damaged to exceed 25 percent of its retail value it is required the next owner of that vehicle be advised. However, it doesn't always happen that way. If the damage exceeds 75 percent of damage, it is against federal and state law for us to repair it," said Morton.

Other damage Disclosures: The dealer must disclose that the vehicle has been involved in a collision or other occurrences which caused damage to the extent that the cost of repairing the vehicle exceeds 25 percent of its retail value.

Researching Vehicle History: If you are considering purchasing a vehicle, request that the department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) research the vehicle's history. So, send a written request to the following address: 1100 Newbern Road, Room 100, Raleigh, NC 27605. Include your license plate number and other identifying data, as a check to ensure that the correct vehicle is researched. There is a mandatory fee of \$10.00 for each check payable to the "NC DMV". If you have already purchased the vehicle and are in a superior position to negotiate a better deal with the dealer, you may want to consider this option.

Be a Wary Consumer: Dealers are required to make the above disclosures on vehicles older than five model years. Not all damage required to be reported to the DMV is reported.

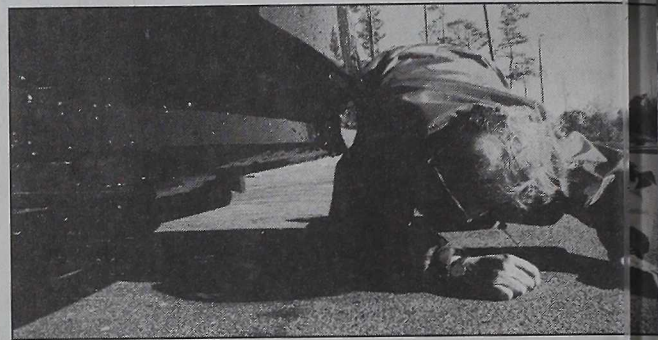
Dishonest repairmen may incur a cost to repair, thereby avoiding disclosure rules.

Dealers may attempt to whitewash a vehicle by sending vehicles across state lines. Coats of paint may make a car look like it does nothing to repair internal damage by flood. Be extremely cautious if you are buying a late model vehicle in a previous flood. A vehicle sold well below market price may be a flood vehicle.

State disclosure rules help to solve all the problems.

Report Violations: If you are aware of a disclosure violation, report this information to the North Carolina Attorney General's Office (Consumer Protection Division), Department of Justice, P.O. Box 629, NC 27602 or to the Consolidated Legal Assistant.

In short, check up on the dealer and research the history of the vehicle. When hidden damage is discovered, extra effort benefits the consumer.



John R. Albert, DOD contractor, checks his newly purchased vehicle for signs of flood damage from recent flood hurricane waters that swept through North Carolina.

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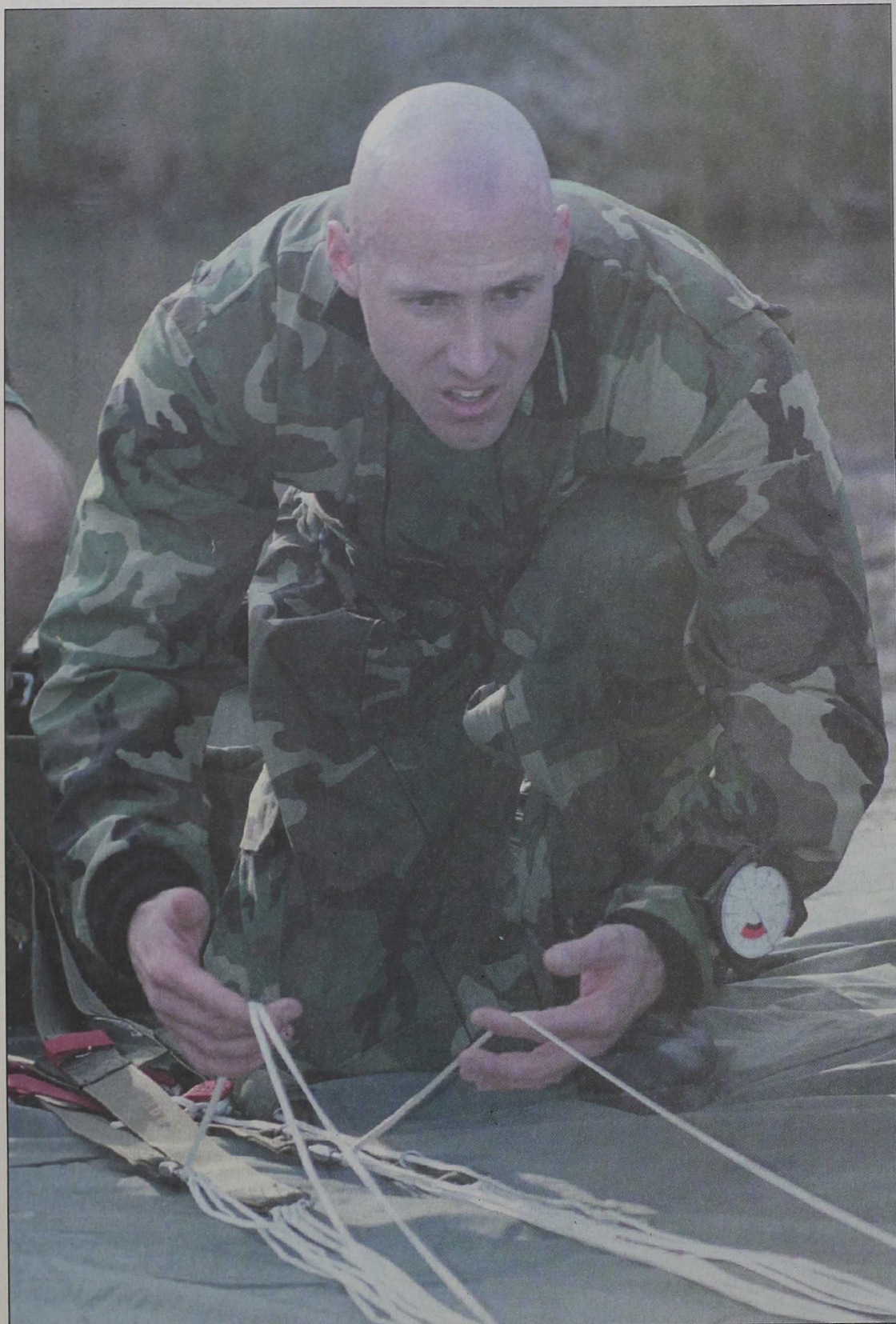
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GySgt Ed J. Walsh, 2d Force Reconnaissance Company checks the chute of Sgt Luis M. Herrera, also of 2d Force Recon Company, on Jan. 13 at TLZ Plover. It was Herrera's first jump with the unit since his arrival at Benning, Ga.

## Time to free fall

### Recon Marines take to air, check static lines and await jumpmasters signal to plunge.

Story and photos by Sgt Arthur Stone  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

The ground spun swiftly below as a UH-1N Huey helicopter from Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 269 (HMLA) lifted off from Tactical Landing Zone Plover here. Five Marines from 2d Reconnaissance Company, 2d Reconnaissance Battalion, sat in the open hatches of the rapidly climbing aircraft and checked their static lines. Their jumpmaster double-checked their connections as the Huey reached the pre-determined altitude and speed. He gave the signal to jump.

This was the first jump for Anaheim, Calif., native, **Sgt Luis M. Herrera's** since he completed jump school at Fort Benning, Ga. His nervousness, which preceded the aircraft's take-off, ended when he was shot into the 35-knot winds and disappeared in a billowing cloud of olive-drab silk a few feet below.

The pilot circled the craft above the drop zone as the jumpmaster and the crew chief of the Huey counted the open chutes and watched the Recon Marines descend to the ground below.

Equipped with MC-1C parachutes for the static line jump, the Marines had less control over their descent than with the rectangular MC-5 free-fall parachutes used during their high altitude low open jumps.

The winds are the gods that govern descent. Some hit the drop zone not.

Sgt Kyle W. Hood, a Huntsville, Ala., native, and an 11-year veteran Recon Marine, was one of the unfortunate ones. He landed in one of the stately pine trees of North Carolina's famous.

Hood hung there near the top in plain view of his comrades. They moved to assist him as he slipped his harness nearly 40 feet off the ground. He scrambled down the tree trunk and landed safely.

Herrera fared better. "It felt great," Herrera said. "That's the best jump I ever had... Smooth." What drives these Marines to jump? "It's a perfectly good aircraft?"

For some it is the rush of the adrenaline. For others, it is the camaraderie of part of something bigger than themselves.

The answer is simple to some. **Potter** of Fairfax, Va., who recently transferred to the Recon unit and made his first jump with the Recon Marines during the training that day.

"I wouldn't want to be anywhere else," said Potter. "Nobody could tell me to go anywhere else. You can find better friends than your buddies in Recon. I've got roommates with my best friend, and they're from the same hometown. I'll be here more to learn, but I don't see myself making it a career."

Several of the Recon Marines are placing their training jump to brush up on their skills earlier this week to Patuxent River, where they jumped from the M-22 for the first time in Marine Corps. Their mission was to test the Recon Marines' abilities in a tactical environment and its readiness for such missions. They are here, though, to test the Recon Marines' chutes and equipment, has prepared to meet their mission.

GySgt David W. Keniston, 2d Force Recon Company, a native of Wolfeboro, N.H., rigs his chute after jumping into TLZ Plover.



Above, **GySgt Mark Clark**, 2d Force Recon Company, briefs his Marines about the wind speed and conditions they will face in a few minutes when they jump into the drop zone. Left, **Sgt Kyle W. Hood**, a Huntsville, Texas, native, climbs carefully from the top of a pine tree at TLZ Plover after missing the drop zone during a static line jump. Hood was about 40 feet up the tree and safely made his way to the ground. **Sgt Luis M. Herrera**, right, an Anaheim, Calif., native, makes his first static line jump from a UH-1N Huey Jan. 13, on Camp Lejeune.





# anama: One Marine's impressions

much scratching of pens and some scratching of heads accompanied the recent U.S. turnover of the Panama Canal to the country bearing its name.

Some have scratched because the turnover marks the end of U.S. control in Panama.

The U.S. had controlled the canal since 1914, when its engineers completed the canal at a cost of \$378 million. In 1979, Presidents Jimmy Carter and Noriega signed the document that returned the canal to Panama on October 1, 1979. Arguably, it is an example of U.S. national ingenuity and pride, and what the French started—an engineering and scientific feat in modern history.

Some have scratched because some politicians, and pundits see it as a U.S. national defense. They fret about a Hong Kong-based company operating in the Canal Zone. It has links with the U.S. government and they fear the Chinese take over.

Others think that's garden style lunacy. The policy of the Carter administration weren't so naive.

Others remain the canal's protectorate. And from a geographic point, who's closer to the canal? Marines at Camp Lejeune, Chinese paratroopers in Peking? Though for some of the 5,000 Marines at Camp Lejeune, this former Marine combat correspondent, who served in Panama from 1988 and 1990, the turnover leads to more scratching of heads.

Others shot of the property for sale immortalized in a recent magazine as the first and last glimpse of the Republic of Panama in 1990. Force Base is the last economic development jewel in the former Canal Zone crown.

Others, in one 19-hour thrust, about 700 Marines along side of U.S. forces defeated Panamanian Defense Forces and chased President Noriega into the Vatican embassy. He quickly surrendered.

Others attributed his fall to the music from speakers outside the embassy. Today, a much more quiet scene hangs there near the prison.

Others, secret Noriega was a drug-influenced man.

Others, neighboring Columbia used Panama as a drug corridor.

Others, and super highway was built. The country's economy is good.

Others, among the more liberal of finance-and-economy.

Others, Noriega became too corrupt. Or he double-crossed U.S. handlers.

Others, an administration invented Operation Just Cause to oust Noriega and of corruption. The invasion that followed was justified when Noriega was harassed repeatedly and two civilians were killed.

Others, the Panama Canal was a matter of national security.

Others, a decade later and with historical retrospect, was the invasion a necessary one.

Others, in December 1989, I was the duty NCO at the public affairs office at Camp Lejeune. I had just been killed in the invasion.

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Marine combat correspondent who covered the operation, defined the typical Marine in Panama as: "He's 18 to 22-years-old, serving his first enlistment. He trains all over the world, because he may have to fight a war there."

I followed Rowe and Sgt Chuck Jenks to Panama on the Marine Corps' customary travel plan. I left Lejeune for cold weather training at Ft. McCoy, Wis.

Upon arrival I had orders to Panama. But there was a week's delay upon return to Lejeune. So, I took up an invite with 1st Bn., 6th Marines to attend Amphibious Warfare School, Naval Base Little Creek, Va.

The day after I returned from Little Creek, I was on a plane out of Charleston, S.C., heading for Howard Air Force Base, the Republic of Panama.

Upon arrival, lush tropical beauty, resplendent blue sky and oppressive humidity greeted me. The ice in my blood from Ft. McCoy evaporated instantly. During my circuitous route to Panama, Marines engaged in clean up operations throughout the republic.

In the March 1990 issue of the *Globe*, Jenks reported that Marines pushed west and north "in a reconnaissance in force through Veraguas Province and Azuero Peninsula, moving across the mountains to Rio Hato, a former PDF headquarters base."

Billed as Operations "Laredo" and "Texas Rangers", Marines of D Co., 2nd LAI Bn. captured a Noriega loyalist within meters of the Costa Rican border, reported Capt Keith Oliver in the May 10 issue of *THE GLOBE*. Oliver was the public affairs officer for Marine Forces Panama at the time.

Today he is director of Consolidated Public Affairs office here, and a Lieutenant Colonel.

As a correspondent at Lejeune I covered mostly 6th Marines and 2nd Force Recon.

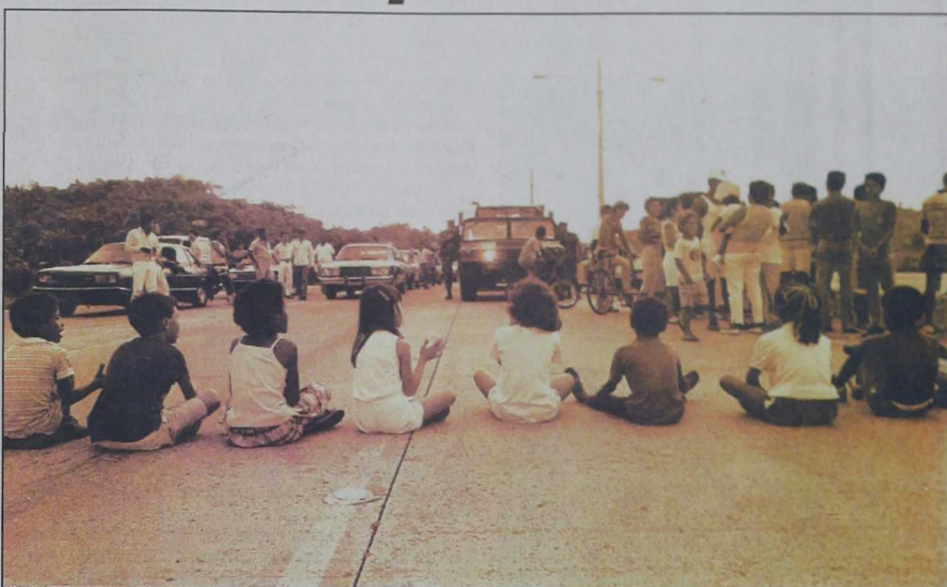
The afternoon I landed in Panama, I located Lima Co., 3rd Bn., 6th Marines. They were at Rio Hato, some 70 miles west of the Canal Zone. Next morning I hopped a flight to Rio Hato. I had not yet met Oliver, my boss in Panama. I didn't have time for such formalities. I had to catch up with my unit. They had a story to tell.

At Rio Hato I was surprised to find a more arid environment than that of the Canal Zone. More scrub brush than jungle. However above Rio Hato was thick, verdant mountain jungle.

Local rumor said Noriega loyalists were operating a guerrilla base from there—a mere seven miles away. They would slip in and out of town under the cover of darkness—initially under the watchful eyes of U.S. Army detachments. Now Marines from 3rd Bn., 6th Marines, kept the vigil around the clock.

The rumor seemed plausible. Until December Rio Hato had been a seaside PDF base. For Manuel Noriega it was a seaside resort. He had a remarkable beach house within a grenade's throw from base. It's most memorable features was the roof-top deck that was large enough for dances, and a grand mahogany dining table.

Within the fenced-in military compound where Lima Company was bil-



USMC photo

Children cheered the arrival of American Leathernecks from 6th Marines in towns and villages throughout Panama.

leted, so was a Special Forces team. I was in no hurry to return to Naval Station Panama to sit behind a desk until a story found me.

For the better part of the next two weeks I patrolled with fire teams and squads. One night, on a recon patrol, we set up along a path running through dense bush. Within minutes we heard noise and footsteps. Under the rules of engagement we did not make contact. Our night vision goggles revealed figures in the dense bush. Whether they were farmers or Noriega's guerrillas was undetermined. We could not identify any weapons. Subsequent patrols were inconclusive.

Things for me were cozy at Rio Hato with my friends from 3/6. Any time I could be away from garrison was a good time. My primary MOS was artillery in my first enlistment, and I had spent a year TAD to grunts in the late 1970s. I was in my element—and every Lima Company Marine from the commanding officer down knew it.

Each day local kids would show up with fresh fish and fruit and eagerly trade us for MREs. It left us scratching our heads. We didn't complain. One of our corpsmen frequently grilled up mahi mahi.

One morning I met a retired oil refinery worker outside the gate. With me were two other Marines. It was May 1990 and the mission of MarFor Panama had turned to "nation building" under Operation Promote Liberty. But there was still real threat, so we traveled armed and never alone.

Our first stop was right outside the compound. Maurice Leon explained to us that the vacant buildings lined neatly in rows with military precision were actually school classrooms.

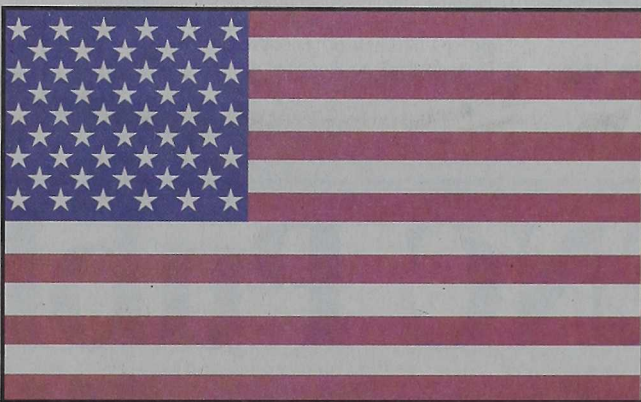
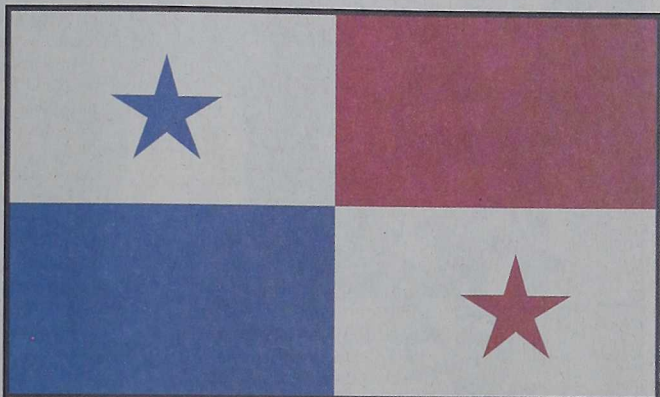
A mural with a caricature of Noriega was painted on one of the classroom walls. Leon translated the white-washed slogan across Noriega's face. In polite English, but not the actual translation, he said "Noriega is a pig." But Leon added that among the bad things Noriega did, there were good deeds done as well.

Noriega saw to it that every child got a formal education and school uniforms. He then pointed me toward some ramshackled buildings across the field. They looked unmistakably tourist-tacky—a disused micro Disney backlot set.

The construction started about the same time when presidents Torrijos and Carter signed the treaty.

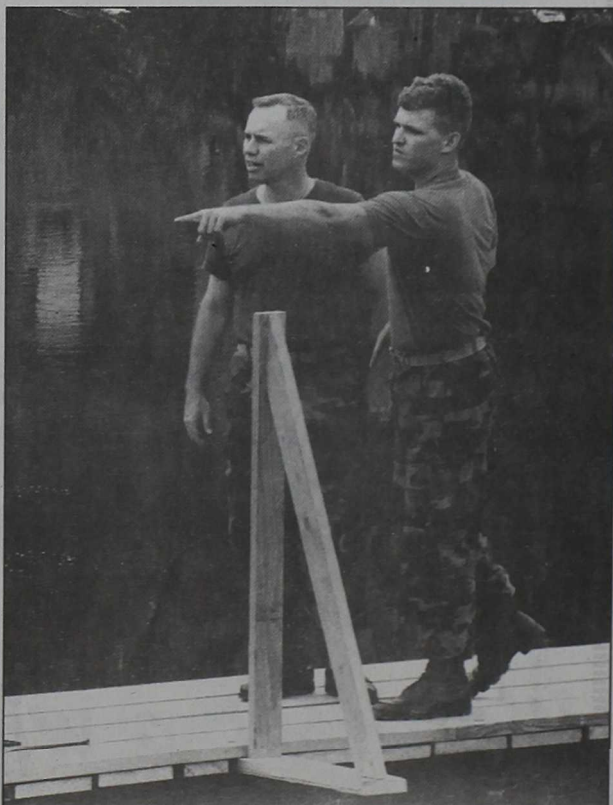
This remnant amusement park was the dream of a rich, eccentric American. At one time Rio Hato had been a resort community for American workers in the Canal Zone. It's where they came to get away. Many, like Anna Shaulk and her husband retired near the park. They were originally from Texas, but fell in love with Panama and moved to Rio Hato from the Canal Zone.

This is part one of a two part series to continue in *THE GLOBE's* Jan. 28 edition. Former Marine Fred Charles owns a marketing firm in New Bern and is the chairman of the Small Business Committee of the Jacksonville/Onslow Chamber of Commerce. His column, "Marines Mean Business," regularly appears in *THE GLOBE's* "Carolina Living" section.



USMC photo

Red Vehicles were a mainstay of the Marines' Community Relations program during "Operation Promote Liberty."



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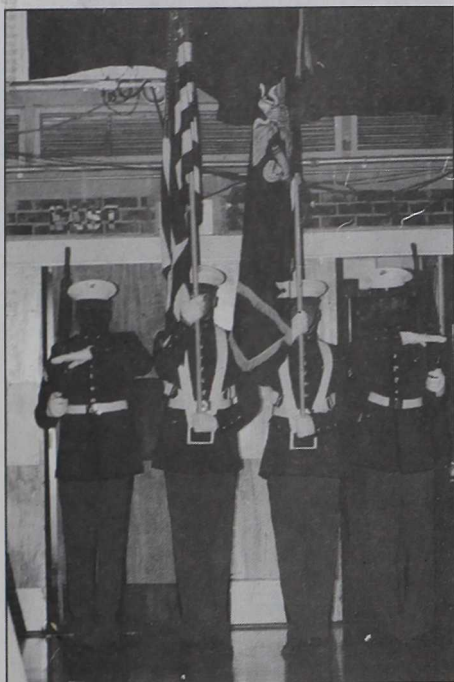
Lejeune-based combat engineer, Sgt Jan Miller, points out construction progress to Marines Forces Panama Chaplain, LCDR Bill Wiemer. Miller spearheaded several community projects in the weeks following "Operation Just Cause."



**SGTMAJ from 1B**

Point Marine Association now has 25 chapters in the United States and Japan. Members traveled from as far away as Washington State to attend the scholarship ball. Many of the surviving Montford Point Marines were also in attendance.

**MajGen Ronald G. Richard**, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; **MajGen Robert R.**



Sgt Arthur Stone

A colors ceremony was the first featured event of the evening at the **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Black and White** scholarship ball Jan. 15. The color guard was from the School of Infantry, at Camp Geiger.

**FSSG from 1B**

learning disabilities.

"My grandfather was with the U.S. Army 18th Airborne Corps in Europe through World War II. He went on to serve in the American occupying forces," he says.

"But I'm my family's first Marine and definitely proud of it."

Camp Lejeune is Adams' first duty station. He recently completed training at the Naval Justice School in Newport, R.I.

"I've liked Camp Lejeune so far," says Adams. "It's a self-contained city in many ways. I also like living in Sneads Ferry, which is quiet enough to allow me to wind down after work. Being stationed at Camp Lejeune allows me to discover a new culture and climate, while remaining relatively close to home."

What about his position as trial counsel?

"It feels good to finally be a contributing member of the operating forces," he says. "I spent all of last year training,

**Blackman Jr.**, Commanding General, 2d Marine Division; and **BrigGen Robert M. Flanagan**, Deputy Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force, were all in attendance at the ball. The Black and White Scholarship Ball 2000 capped off a century of advancement and change in the African-American community both in the Marine Corps and America as a whole. A \$25 plate dinner was held to benefit the scholarship foundation. After the dinner, the international recording group **The Manhattan** entertained the attendees with a concert.

**Johnny Barnes**, Chief of Staff for N.C. Congresswoman **Eva Clayton**, was the guest speaker for the ball. He addressed the audience on the legacy of Dr. King.

"In order to benefit from those with wisdom, we must follow the guidance that they give," Barnes admonished the ceremony attendees. "We celebrate so we will always remember. We celebrate so we will never forget. Remembering and never forgetting is part of our search for answers. God gave us Dr. King so we would know the answers and took him away in 1968, so we would know the questions. We must search for and find the prescription for peace both in our lives and the lives of our young people."

The Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, **SgtMaj Alford L. McMichael** also addressed the ball as the keynote speaker for the evening. McMichael, the first black Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, addressed the scholarship ball attendees about the theme of the scholarship ball, *History Comes Full Circle in 2000*.

Reflecting on changes in the Marine Corps from King's time until now, McMichael attributed much of the Corps progress to leaders like **SgtMaj Gilbert "Hashmark" Johnson**, which served the Marine Corps well despite the adversities they faced.

"We have built this foundation on a solid rock. It has withstood the winds of prejudice and segregation," McMichael said. "We built it with good leaders in our community...men who stood alone, because they knew they were right. We came full circle because what was right in 2000 BC is right in 2000 AD."

For more information on the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Program, write to MPMALA-Scholarships, PO Box 928, Jacksonville, N.C., 28540. The scholarship program benefits young people in the community based on need and academic accomplishment, regardless of race.

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LSSS thereby contributes not only to 2d FSSG's mission, but to the missions of II MEF and Camp Lejeune.

Adams is content with his position. He is even more content with the fact that he's serving as a Marine.

"No other military service offers the same opportunities for personal and professional development as the Marine Corps. It's tremendous," he says.

Then it's back to work for Adams. A full day of proceedings await him.

**CHECK from 1B**

February sponsored by the USO, according to Hardiman.

Any of the unused money is going to be used to buy gifts for the children of the Marines and Sailors who are currently deployed away from 2d Marine Division.

"Taking care of Marines never gets old,"

**William M. Blais**, special services officer, Battalion, 2d Marine Division.

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**UNITAS from 1B**

"It will also mean less equipment will deploy this year. We won't have a Light Armored Reconnaissance detachment for example. And less vehicles will accompany the deployment," said Gay.

An additional reduction of personnel and equipment is due to the departure of the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle detachment (Dragon Drone), which deployed for the first and only time with Unitas XL-99.

Despite the various differences between this Unitas and the last one the mission of the deployment remains the same, according to Cuccio, who came to Unitas from 2d Marine Division. "The deployment is pretty much the same this year. There are three main phases," he said.

With Fox Company and the rest of Unitas XL returning to their parent commands, Unitas XLI will shortly begin training for the upcoming deployment. "One goal is to ensure that the unit holds up to the standards set by the previous Unitas deployments,"

said Cuccio.

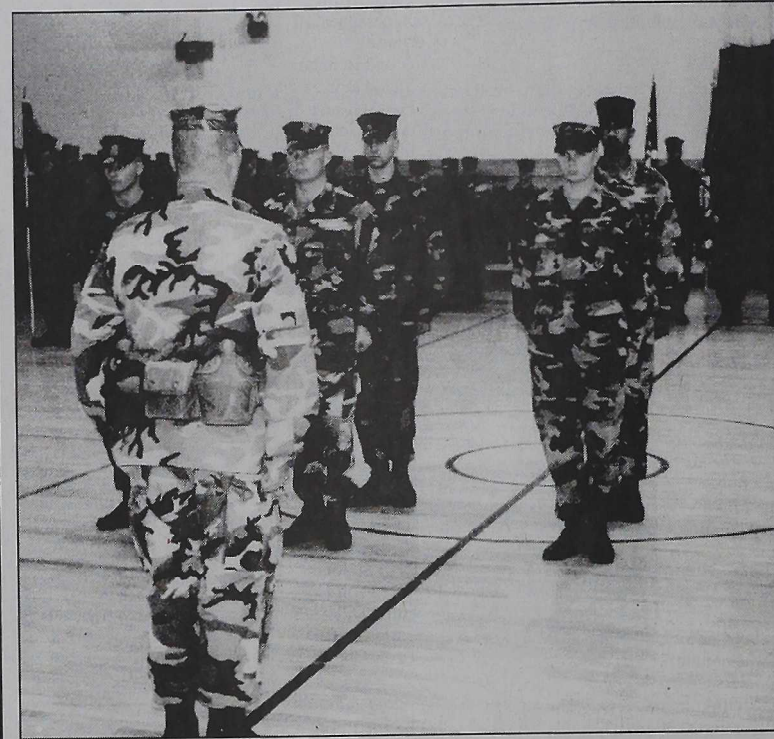
"The other goal is to conduct realistic training to effectively prepare Unitas for the deployment to America and for any real world contingencies we could be committed."

Although many of the Unitas Marines look forward to returning to their parent commands, looking back with bittersweet feelings.

"I'm proud that the unit performed beyond expectations," said Budd. "As far as commanding officer—it's hard to see where the commanding officer dreams of (being in charge of a rotational force) come to an end."

Budd will return to 2d Marine Division in the beginning of February where he will await his next duty station.

The work-up exercises begin in February with the first field training operation leading into the Exercise and the G-7 Evaluation.



**Maj Michael S. Dickey**, Rifle Company Commander, Marine Forces Unitas, positions the unit during the change of command ceremony Jan. 14.

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# 26th MEU Marines train to fight flames

Perkins  
 correspondent

Heat blasts from the towering 30 feet from the waiting Marines. Thick smoke and the strong smell of diesel fuel curls through the air. The wind shifts and Marines meet heavy orange hoses. Advancing methodically continue a flash of white smoke signals wet and tired Marines relax, their task completed.

Marines from MEU Service Support

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Unit, are receiving firefighting training in preparation for their deployment in mid-July. This training, conducted by Navy instructors of the Fleet Training Center, Norfolk, Va., provides the basics of understanding and fighting shipboard fires. Because of the nature of their work around aircraft and ammunition, these Marines are required to take this course.

"On a flight deck or in the hangar bay there isn't much room to react

*"If something like that were to get out of hand on ship it would be scary, but at least having this training gives us the skills we need to survive."*

LCpl Jake T. Lindberg  
 airframe mechanic  
 HMM-264 Rein.

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The New Ulm, Minn., native said that becoming familiar with caution symbols and markings for emergency equipment and flammable materials, helps to make him more aware of his surroundings. He added that the course has made him more confident.

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to a fire and when it happens people tend to scatter," said Petty Officer First Class Christopher Ross, an instructor for the course. "We want to train these Marines to assist the Navy damage control team on the ship."

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The highlight of the one-day course is practical application of operating the fire hoses. With the 40 students split into 10-man teams, they donned their protective flash hoods and gloves and prepared to face the beast. This animal is the unpredictable element of an actual fire. The instructors created a swirling, howling column of flame over 60 feet high by filling a concrete lined pool with 200 gallons of diesel fuel, and then igniting it with a match. At one point the updraft was so

strong that a mini tornado of fire formed. The teams began to work the fire with water provided by two pump trucks from the Camp Lejeune Fire Department.

It took about 10 minutes for the Marines to put out the fire and the drill was repeated. The exercise will be reinforced with additional training with the Navy once the 26th MEU goes aboard ship.

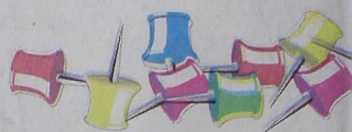
"If something like that were to get out of hand on ship it would be scary, but at least having this training gives us the skills we need to survive," said Lindberg.

Marines from the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, MEU Service Support Group and Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 264 go through the basic fire-fighting school at Camp Lejeune in preparation for the upcoming deployment in July.





# Bulletin Board



To submit your units' events (changes of command, volunteers, openings/closings, training sessions, family days, etc.) contact your Unit Information Officer.



## II MEF

The next mandatory meeting for each section's embark rep will be today at 1:30 p.m. in the MFG conference room.

The Group Aid Station provides medical support to more than 800 Marines and Sailors in the Marine Headquarters Group. They also provide support to 8th Comm Bn, the Marine Expeditionary Units and 2d Radio Battalion when their doctors are gone. Sickcall hours are from 8-11 a.m., check-in/out time is from 1-3 p.m. and wart clinic is on Tuesdays from 9:30-11 a.m.

## Sand Dune Restoration Project

The Environmental Management Department will sponsor a sand dune restoration project at Onslow Beach Saturday using Christmas trees. Members of the Fish and Wildlife Division and area Scouts will help move and position the trees around existing dunes and places where sand accumulation is desired.

The dunes provide a unique habitat for certain plants and animals as well as needed protection from strong wind and wave action.

Personnel who live in Base Housing can participate by ensuring that all tinsel is removed from the trees when they put them out for pick-up. Questions regarding this project should be directed to either **Dave Rice** or **Eric Davis** at 451-2148.

## Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for girl scout leaders or assistant leaders. Volunteer today and help make a difference. For more information, call **Amy R. Roberts** at 353-3798.

Volunteers are needed to help with women and children of domestic violence. For more information, call 346-1611.

## CREDO

Have you ever considered a weekend getaway? What if it was free? CREDO, at Camp Lejeune offers three types of retreats which are sponsored by the Marine Corps. We offer the Personal Growth Retreat (72 Hours), Marriage Enrichment Retreat (48 Hours), and the Spiritual Growth Retreat (eight Hours). These programs are available to active duty, reserves, dependents with appropriate ID cards and DoD civilian employees. Participants must be 18 years or older. For more information or to sign up for a retreat, please call us at 451-2900/2967.



## MCB

A Pre-Separation Brief will be held each week from 7:15 a.m.-4 p.m. See your unit Transition Counselor or Career Planner for designated command dates. For more information, call 451-3212 ext. 123.

The Camp Lejeune Exceptional Family Member Program and MCCS invite you to join with them to improve the quality of life for individuals with special needs Jan. 31 at the Key Volunteer Center, from 6-8 p.m. For more information, call 451-3212/3219 ext. 109.



## 2d FSSG

The Key Volunteer Recognition Dinner will be held at the Staff NCO Club Feb. 23 at 6 p.m. For more information call your unit's Key Volunteer Coordinator.



## 2d MarDiv

A party for the families of Marines and Sailors deployed on MEUs and UDPs will be held Feb. 5. Call your Unit Key Volunteer Coordinator for more information.

The CG's Cup five on five tournament kicks off Feb. 25. Call 451-8719 for additional information.

## Family CP

Armed Services YMCA presents CPR and first aid training for the family Jan. 29. Participants should be 13 and older with youth under 18 accompanied by a participating parent or legal guardian. A course fee will be accepted. Register and pay in advance. For more information, call 451-9510.

## Camp Johnson

### Camp Johnson Black History Month Events:

**Opening Ceremony** - (Feb. 1) The opening ceremony commemorating the start of Black History Month will be held at the Camp Johnson Chapel at 5 p.m.; with reception following at the Camp Johnson Recreation Center. **Sgt Maj Nat James**, USMC (ret) and representative

from the Montford Point Assoc. will be the keynote speaker.

**Poem/Essay Contest and Art Day** - (Feb 11th) Students will submit either an essay or poem and will be judged on their originality and creativity. Prizes will be awarded to students with the best poem or essay. A slide show will also be presented showing the significant role Montford Point has played in the Marine Corps. **Col Leslie Stein**, Commanding

Officer, MCCSSS will be the keynote speaker.

**Luncheon** - (Feb 16th) A luncheon celebrating the Black History Month will offer foods ranging from collards to chicken and catfish. The gathering will be held at the Camp Johnson Recreation Center bwn 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. All Marines and their families are welcome. Price to be determined.

**Movies** - Camp Johnson will feature three movies highlighting contributions made by African American

servicemembers in three different time periods. The movies are: *Glory*, Feb. 10; *Montford Point Marines*, Feb. 17; *Tuskegee Airman*, Feb. 24.

**Closing Ceremony** - (Feb 29th) The closing ceremony for Black History Month will be held at the Camp Johnson Cow Hall at 11:30 a.m. Menu and price to be determined.

## Upcoming Events

455-3411



If you are the spouse of a servicemember, the USO Spouse Support Group is for you, whether your spouse is deployed or not and regardless of rank. Visit the USO, Station No. 22 on the self-guided tour of Jacksonville. Stop in to pick up your brochure and enjoy a tour of the oldest USO in the world. A Snack bar is available.



## Seatbelt Awareness campaign

A campaign plan has recently been rendered to encourage the use of seatbelts. After a period of sensitizing, it will enforce the use of seatbelts and provide for substantial penalty for those found driving/riding without seatbelts (such as loss of liberty). The fact is that the Military Police on base are on the lookout for patrons not wearing their seatbelt and will start issuing warnings to patrons who are in violation. This program will also be enforced among all commands at Camp Lejeune. It is imperative that each Marine, Sailor and family member wear their seatbelt, not only on base, but off as well. Be safe and think about safety first.



## For Your Information

### Support Groups

**Marine Corps Family Team Building/L.I.N.K.S. (Life-style, Insights, Networking, Knowledge, and Skills)** "links" spouses with real-life tips, positive attitudes, Marine Corps culture, benefits associated with the ID Card, and available resources that they can use to help themselves become more self-sufficient members of the Marine Corps Family whether their Marine/Sailor is in for three years or 30. Sessions offered monthly. Make new friends and enjoy being part of the Marine Corps Family at Camp Lejeune. For more information, call the L.I.N.K.S. office at 451-1299.

**Transition Support Services (TSS)** presents welcome aboard/newcomer's orientation brief every Tuesday from 8 a.m.-noon at the Camp Lejeune Base Theater. Representatives from the following agencies participate: Human Services, Transportation Management Office, Provost Marshal Office, Family Housing, Naval hospital, Financial Management, Base Education, Legal Assistance and MCCS. This brief is mandatory and in accordance with MCO 1320.11E. Spouses are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 451-3212 ext. 135.

### Self-Improvement

**Internet for Beginners** will be taught at the base library Wednesday from 5-6 p.m. in the conference room. Learn to browse the internet with easy to use tips and techniques. For more information, call **Glenn Pappas** at 451-5724.

**Armed Services YMCA and Vision Services Plan** have teamed together to provide eye

exams and if needed glasses, at no cost to the families of the children in need. If your health insurance doesn't cover the cost of eye exams and glasses for your child; your school nurse has informed you of your child possibly having vision problems; your child is under 18, a student, a U. S. citizen or registered alien; and your family size/income levels are within the program scope, your child will be taken care of. For more information, call 451-9569.

**"Triumph Over Tobacco" Support Group** continues for those who have successfully quit tobacco use, those currently trying to quit and for those who are "thinking" about quitting. Meetings fall on the last Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at Building 65 classroom. For more information, contact **Kim Hugelback** at the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, Health Promotion Program at 451-3712.

**Well Baby Clinic** sponsored by the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Visiting Nurses will be held the first Tuesday of each month at the Tarawa Terrace Community Center from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and the second Tuesday of each month at the Midway Park Family Service Center from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Get your child weighed and measured. Learn more about your child's nutritional needs, growth and development, medication, immunization requirements and childhood diseases. Meet and talk with other mothers. Get free items at the clothing exchange (we accept donations of children's clothing). For more information, call 451-5644/5584.

**Budget for Baby Class** will be held the first and second Monday of each month from 12:15-3 p.m. at Camp Lejeune and the second

Tuesday of each month from 9-11:30 a.m. at New River. This class is offered by the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. You will learn budgeting techniques and the impact a baby has on a family's finances. A free layette is available to all Marine/Naval families who attend the class. For more information, call 451-5346/5584 or 450-6642/44.

**A Family Care Plan** assures you that all will be taken care of if you suddenly deploy. If you have a family member with special needs, if you are a single parent or dual military parents this plan is for you. MCO 1740.13A states that a Family Care Plan is to be on file with your command if you are in this category. Stop by the Transition Support Services at building 14, Main Service road and pick up the information needed to develop your very own Family Care Plan. For more information, call 451-3212/3219 ext. 109.

**Transition Support Services**, formerly known as the Family Service Center (FSC), Camp Lejeune workshops held in Bldg. 14 will be held as follows: Thursday - Skills Assessment Workshop is held from 9 a.m.-noon; Thursday - Resume Writing Workshop is held from 1-4 p.m. and Jan. 31 - Interview I & II Workshop is held from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

**Tap Classes** are held each week from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at Bldg. 8 across from Area 2 Gym Bldg. 201, Camp Lejeune. For more information or to register call 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

**Welcome to Okinawa Brief** will be held Wednesday from 9 a.m.-noon at the Transi-

tion Support Services, Bldg. 14. For more information or to register call 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

**Unit Sponsorship Coordinator Training** will be held today from 9:30-11:30 a.m. this is a one and a half hour workshop offered by Transition Support Services (TSS). If you have been assigned as a Unit Sponsor Coordinator and have not completed your training, this class is for you. For more information, call 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

### Upcoming Events

**American Girls Mother-Daughter Tea Party** will be held March 18 from 1-3 p.m. in the SNCO Club. This event is open to girls in grades 2nd to 6th and their mothers. Limited to 100 Mother-Daughter teams. Parents of girls in this age bracket who are interested in being a part of the committee are asked to contact **Jean Sybrant**, base library at 451-5724.

**PME Seminar** tour of the Civil War site, Fort Fisher will be held Jan. 25 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Preregistration is required at the base library circulation desk or by calling 451-5724. Fee is \$2.

### Volunteers

**Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society** has terrific training opportunities to enhance your professional skills. Individuals are needed to help in reception, administration, casework, layettes, bookkeeping, public relations and loan management. Childcare and car mileage are reimbursed. This is a great opportunity to work with a fun filled team and oriented environment. For more information, contact

**Rhonda Hancock** at 451-5312 ext. 109. **Onslow MENTORS** Friends are looking for adult volunteers in a mentoring program set up to provide one relationship with a young person. The youth are between ages 7 and 17. For more information call 455-5312.

**Transition Support Services** are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in learning new skills or enhancing your skills, volunteering may be for you. Volunteering is also an excellent way to gain experience in a new field that may lead to career opportunities. We are currently looking for volunteers in numerous areas such as: working with computers, public speaking duties, working with seniors and children. **Armed Services YMCA** is looking for weekly Family-TIME events - up coming "Healthy Kids Day" Feb. 29 at 10 a.m. Open House from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Course fee is \$30 for parents and \$15 for per person. For more information call 9569 if you wish to help.

### Youth

**Chicken Soup for Little Souls** is a new illustrated storybook for children. The base library at Camp Lejeune will be celebrating the importance of literacy by hosting a storytelling and activities session on the second Saturday of each month. For more information, call 451-5724.



**Jake McKeon**, pictured with his family, holds his 1st place essay from the 1999 Young Readers' Essay Contest, category 4th-6th grade. McKeon also holds his awarded \$500 Savings Bond.







## How playing at the base theater near you!

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Friday	PG-13	7 p.m.
R		9:45 p.m.
Saturday	G	2 p.m.
PG-13		7 p.m.
R		9:45 p.m.
Sunday	G	2 p.m.
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Sunday	R	3 p.m.
R		6 p.m.
Monday	R	7 p.m.
Wednesday	PG-13	7 p.m.

No shows Tuesday or Thursday! No admission fee

### New River

## Modeling & Etiquette Lessons

The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor beginning Modeling & Etiquette lessons for children ages 6-14. The lessons will be held Saturday-Feb. 12 at Morton Elementary School. Times of the lessons are from 9-10:15 a.m. (ages 6-9) and 10:30-11:45 a.m. (ages 10-14). Cost is \$20 per participant. Preregistration is required at the Onslow Pines Park Administrative Office until 5 p.m. today. Class size is limited. For more information, call 347-5332.

## Cape Fear Model Railroad Club

The Cape Fear Model Railroad Club in conjunction with the Wilmington Railroad Museum is pleased to announce its 4th Annual Model Railroad Show and sale. Selected by the Southeast Tourism Society as one of the top 20 events for January and February, this event will be held Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the American Legion Post 10 Hall located at 702 Pine Grove Drive in Wilmington, N.C. The show will feature model railroad dealers. There will also be free modeling clinics on both days, a white elephant sale, door prizes and raffles. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Children under 5 are free. All proceeds will benefit the Wilmington Railroad Museum's large HO scale and Lionel layouts that are maintained by the Cape Fear Model Railroad Club. For more information, call Ben Jackson at 270-2696.

## Staff NCO Wives' Club

The Staff NCO Wives' Club, Camp Lejeune is planning to publish a cookbook to commemorate their 50th birthday in April. We are looking for your favorite recipes. You can contact Mary Pratt at 353-4824 or Vickie Debrito at 353-0661 or you can call the Thrift Shop at: 451-5591. You can also e-mail your recipes to: pratt@gibraltar.net or jdebrito@gibraltar.net or you can fax them to: 353-0951. Help the Staff NCO Wives' Club make this the best cookbook ever.

The Thrift Shop on Camp Lejeune is always looking for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Tracy Sherrell at 451-5591 or 355-9248.

## Annual Travel Expo

The Information, Tickets and Tours Office (ITT) and All Points Travel Camp Lejeune present the annual Travel Expo Feb. 26 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Goettge Memorial Field House. Register to win a Bahamas vacation for two, round trip airfare for two, a gift certificate for Japan Travel and much more. There will be more than 75 vendors on site to provide you with valuable travel information. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 451-3535.

## Adult Soccer League

The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department is accepting teams to compete in the upcoming Adult 30 & Over, 7 on 7 Soccer League. Deadline to enter teams is Thursday. For more information, call 347-5332.

## OWC Dinner Show

A tribute to Alfred Hitchcock sponsored by the Officers' Wives' Club base group will be held Jan. 29 at the Paradise Point Officers' Club. Social Hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and the show at 7 p.m. Fee is \$17.50 per person. This event is open to all O'Club members and their invited guests. For more information, contact Sharon Grim at 347-2216.

## Renowned Guitarist to Perform

The New York guitarist David Burgess will perform some of Spain and Latin America's finest solo guitar music Sunday at 8 p.m. at St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Jacksonville. The program kicks off the 16th Annual Chamber Music Series, which is sponsored by Coastal Carolina Community College. Ticket prices at the door are \$5 general admission, \$4 for senior citizens and \$3 for children (12 and under). To purchase tickets in advance, call 938-6295 or 938-6326. For more information about the music series, contact Dr. Michael Daugherty at 938-6315.

## AAUW Meeting

The American Association of University Women, Jacksonville Regional Branch will meet Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Swansboro United Methodist Church. For more information, call 577-6480 or 326-6734.

## Camp Lejeune Combat Cable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Navy/Marine Corps News 6:45 a.m. Music Videos 9:30 a.m. No More Memorials 10 a.m. Power Team 11:30 a.m. Camp Lejeune Today Noon Camp Lejeune After Hours 12:15 p.m. The Choice 1 p.m. Music Videos 2:30 p.m. Murder Under the Sun 3 p.m. Camp Lejeune Today 5 p.m. Clouds of Death 5:30 p.m.	Navy/Marine Corps News 6:45 a.m. Music Videos 9:30 a.m. No More Memorials 10 a.m. Power Team 11:30 a.m. Camp Lejeune Today Noon Camp Lejeune After Hours 12:15 p.m. The Choice 1 p.m. Music Videos 2:30 p.m. Murder Under the Sun 3 p.m. Camp Lejeune Today 5 p.m. Clouds of Death 5:30 p.m.	Lejeune After Hours 6:45 a.m. Music Videos 9:30 a.m. No More Memorials 10 a.m. Mangé Lejeune 11:30 a.m. Camp Lejeune Today Noon Navy/Marine Corps News 12:15 p.m. The Choice 1 p.m. Music Videos 2:30 p.m. Clouds of Death 3 p.m. Camp Lejeune Today 5 p.m. Murder Under the Sun 5:30 p.m.	Navy/Marine Corps News 6:45 a.m. Music Videos 9:30 a.m. No More Memorials 10 a.m. Power Team 11:30 a.m. Camp Lejeune Today Noon Camp Lejeune After Hours 12:15 p.m. The Choice 1 p.m. Music Videos 2:30 p.m. Murder Under the Sun 3 p.m. Camp Lejeune Today 5 p.m. Clouds of Death 5:30 p.m.

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'98 Ford Windstar.....\$17,450	'90 GMC 1500 SLE Pickup.....\$9,450
'98 Mercury Sable.....\$13,350	'97 Chevy Cavalier LS.....\$9,900
'98 Mercury Tracer.....\$9,995	'96 Mazda Pickup B2300 SE....\$7,995
'98 Ford Mustang.....\$13,995	'99 Lincoln Town Car...Signature....\$28,900
'98 Mercury Mountaineer.....\$22,900	'96 Mercury Cougar XR7.....\$10,900
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'97 Mercury Tracer.....\$7,900	'99 Ford Taurus LX...8000 miles....\$15,450
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# Chapel Schedule



## ROMAN CATHOLIC

<b>Sunday Masses</b>	
Brig	8 a.m.
Courthouse Bay Chapel	9 a.m.
MCAS New River Chapel: (Transportation provided from Chapel)	8:45 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier Chapel	8:30 and 11:30 a.m.

<b>Weekday Masses (Monday-Friday)</b>	
Naval Hospital Chapel (Thursday only)	10:30 a.m.
MCAS New River Chapel	11:45 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier Chapel	11:45 a.m.

<b>Saturday Masses</b>	
St. Francis Xavier Chapel	5 p.m.

<b>Holy Day Masses</b> (Except Christmas/ New Years)	11:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
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<b>Confessions</b> Saturday at St. Francis Chapel or contact unit chaplain	4 p.m.
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## EASTERN ORTHODOX

Camp Johnson Chapel, Divine Liturgy	10:30 a.m.
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## LATTER DAY SAINTS

Scripture study Tuesdays	7 p.m.
<b>Sunday services</b>	
Call <b>Chaplain Vance</b>	451-3210
Call <b>Bishop Maloney</b>	743-2569

## PROTESTANT

<b>Sunday Worship/Religious Education</b>	
Base Chapel, Holy Communion	7:30 a.m.
Base Chapel, Contemporary Service	9 a.m.
(Sunday School Protestant Chapel Annex)	9 a.m.
Base Chapel, Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Camp Geiger Chapel: Holy Communion (Episcopal/Lutheran Liturgy)	8 a.m.
Brig	9 a.m.
Camp Geiger Chapel: Praise and Worship	9:30 a.m.
Camp Johnson Chapel	9 a.m.
Courthouse Bay Chapel	9 a.m.
French Creek Chapel, Holy Communion	9 a.m.
Midway Park Chapel	11 a.m.
Naval Hospital Chapel	9 a.m.
Tarawa Terrace Chapel	10:30 a.m.
(Sunday School, Religious Ed. Building.)	9:15 a.m.
New River Chapel	11 a.m.

## ISLAM (MUSLIM JUMAH)

Base Chapel Annex Building 16	(Friday)	11:45 a.m.
Brig Chapel		1 p.m.
French Creek Chapel		1 p.m.

## JEWISH

Sabbath Eve Service Building 67	(Fridays)	7:30 p.m.
Religious School	(Sundays)	10 a.m.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

If interested call <b>Everett Sharp</b>	(252) 636-8744
Tarawa Terrace Chapel	1st and 3rd Mondays 7 p.m.

## Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Quiz

(Submit your completed quiz to 1st Sgt P. Fetherson, Brig at 451-7461. A Cultural Diversity Certificate will be granted to those receiving a score of 100 percent).

- Before he changed his name, what was Martin Luther King, Jr., known as?
- How many books did Martin Luther King Jr., write?
- Who was the youngest man to receive the Nobel Peace Prize at age 35?
- What are the names of Martin Luther King Jr.'s children?
- In what year was the historic March on Washington?
- In what year was the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday signed into law?
- Martin Luther King Jr., was the first African American to address what Journalist Organization?
- Dr. King studied what Indian leader's nonviolent principles?
- What is the name of the late director of the FBI who called Dr. King the most notorious liar in the United States?
- What African American woman successfully led the fight for a national holiday in honor of her late husband?
- Who founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference?
- What college was founded after Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated?
- What are the names of the books Martin Luther King Jr. wrote?
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**Cpl Brandon L. Rizzo**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

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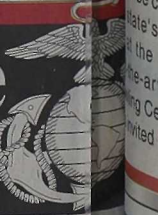
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# Sports

It is all in the family for the Lejeune basketball team.  
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## LEJEUNE MARINE SEEKS OLYMPIC DREAM LCpl Cliff Richard 2nd in U.S. Championships

Mike Boaz  
GLOBE contributor

The boxing ring is a world all unto its own.

White canvas bordered by a box of three ropes drawn tightly across four posts set in a dead square. There is an overhead light, separating the ring itself from the crowd that sits around the canvas with a pale halo of light in a dark arena. When you are standing in one of the corners, staring across the white canvas floor at an opponent with which you are about to exchange blows to the head and body, the outside world goes away. It's primal and alien to some. But, to Marine LCpl Cliff Richard, it's home.

"I can tell the difference when I step out of the ring after a fight," said Richard, a Lejeune-based boxer who just qualified for the U.S. Olympic Trials by finishing second in the U.S.

Boxing Championships held at Colorado Springs, Co. "It's like you are stepping back into another world."

"You lose that adrenaline rush that you've been riding. You step back down and all of a sudden you are back in that other world, back into a normal world. In the ring, though, it's just a different place. I love being in there. It's my world."

It's also a world that might take Richard to the ultimate goal of every amateur boxer — the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

Richard earned his place in the Trials with his runner-up finish at the U.S. Championships in the 147-pound weight class to LeChauce Shepherd, a former national champion currently ranked no. 1 in the nation.

"He was strong and very experienced," said Richard. "I was ahead on points after the first round, but then he got me to sort of fight his fight. He was just able to get me to

his style and it worked. I want him again real soon."

Richard won three tough fights leading up to the finale. He won decisions in each match, including a tiebreaker in the semifinals that neither Richard nor his coach, the experienced Roosevelt Sanders, felt should have been that close.

"I knew I'd beat that guy pretty good and it had to go to a tiebreaker," said Richard, who has experienced several disappointing decisions in his career. "It's the toughest thing about amateur fighting — the judging."

Like what happened to Richard in the Armed Forces Boxing Championships held at Lejeune in December. He lost a decision to U.S. Army Sgt James Webb that surprised pretty much everyone in the gym. However, in the long run, that might have helped Richard.

"I knew I had won that fight," said Richard, who was born in San Diego, but was raised in Church Point, La. "He was nationally ranked, but I knew I beat him. That gave me confidence."

"The two guys I beat in the quarters and semis at the Nationals were ranked, too. I always felt like I could fight with those ranked fighters. Now I know I can."

Richard's coach at Lejeune also believes his fighter belongs in the Olympic camp. And he should know. Sanders is one of the nation's most prestigious boxing teachers, having coached the 1984 and



LCpl Cliff Richard lands a solid right to the chin of his opponent in the semi-final round of the U.S. Boxing Championships in Colorado Springs, Colo.



LCpl Cliff Richard, in blue, is wrapped up by LeChauce Shepherd in the final bout of the U.S. Boxing Championships last weekend.

US Boxing Organization

## Guardians go international

22d MEU (SOC) rugby team competes over holidays

Capt Mark Osweil  
22d MEU Public Affairs Officer

NAPLES, Italy—While USS Bataan was ashore for the holidays here, members of the 22d MEU (SOC) Guardians of Freedom Rugby Football Club (RFC) had the opportunity to stretch their legs and get in some international competition.

Last month, the team took on Team Napoli RFC at Carney Park just outside of Naples.

Although, the Marine/Navy squad was out-matched in skill, they played with full force. Fundamental errors caused them to lose the game.

"Our first game was a learning period for myself and especially for the team," said Petty Officer 3rd Class Jason Platt, corpsman with Battalion Landing Team (BLT) 3/6 and "Eight man" for the Guardians. "Most of us had never even seen, let alone played in one, prior to the team's second match."

The Marines lost their second match to the Italians 19-25, but gained some valuable experience. Platt scored two of the team's tries, as 1stLt Robb Sucher, Executive Officer for India Co, BLT 3/6 and fly-half for the Guardians added the third.

Cpl Chris Rathbun, an Avenger assistant gunner with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-261 (Reinforced) and fullback for the team, converted the first two tries successfully which accounted for four of the Marines' 19 points.

On Jan. 2, after the holidays, the team took on the seasoned NATO Lions at their pitch in Lago Patria. With numerous experienced British, Italian and American players on their side, the Lions were heavily favored, but the Guardians of Freedom used their speed and tenacity

to give them a fight that they weren't expecting.

"The game was fast, aggressive, free-flowing and fun to be a part of," said WO Bradley Redford and NATO Lions Rugby Football Club captain. "It's always a pleasure to play against visiting sides who give up their free time whilst ashore."

The Lions scored twice, but failed to convert the following kicks.

Rathbun then missed a three-point penalty kick that would've put the Guardians of Freedom on the board. Platt finally put the Guardians on the board with his third career try.

Capt Bob McCarthy, MEU assistant operations officer and the team's coach, scored the MEU's second try.

Rathbun converted this conversion attempt, and put the Guardians up by two. The Lions then scored another try and split the uprights for the two-point conversion, closing out the half with a 17-12 Lions' lead.

"The best part of the game for me was when one of the Lions shook my hand after my try, and

said "Nice job," said Platt, a native of Phoenix, Ariz. "That's when I knew that although we were knocking each other around on the field, there was a sense of camaraderie between the players."

The Lions scored two more tries, and the MEU team fell behind by 12.

Cpl Justin Petty, a squad leader for Battalion Landing Team 3/6 and second row player for the Guardians, fought for the Marines third and ultimately final try for the Marine/Navy squad. Throughout the match, the Guardians of Freedom's "Never say die attitude" was noted by several Lions' players as the Guardians tried to close the gap.

"Every time the Lions scored, the lads came back more determined and stuck it to the opposition even harder than before," said McCarthy.

The Marines tried to even the score several times, but were consistently foiled by a strong Lions' defense.

See RUGBY/3D



The 22d MEU (SOC) Guardians of Freedom Rugby Football Club square off against the Team Napoli RFC at Carney Park just outside of Naples.

Capt Mark Osweil



Capt Douglas Luccio grabs the ball for the 22d MEU (SOC) Guardians of Freedom Rugby Football Club during a game against Team Napoli RFC at Carney Park just outside of Naples.

Capt Mark Osweil



# SPORTS

## SHORTS

### Intramural Sports

There is still time to participate in Camp Lejeune's Intramural Sports Program 2000. If you are interested call 451-2061 at the Goettge Memorial Field House. The organizational meeting schedule for intramural sports is: Men's and Women's Volleyball, 10 a.m., Jan. 31, Field House; Over 30 Basketball League, 10 a.m., Feb. 14, Field House; Match Play Golf League, noon, April 3, Paradise Point Golf Course; Soccer, 10 a.m., May 1, Field House; Basketball, 10 a.m., June 12, Field House; Recreational Adult Women's Softball, noon, June 19, Field House; Men's & Women's Summer Softball League, 10 a.m., July 10, Field House; Flag Football, 1 p.m., July 10, Field House; 8-Man Tackle Football, 10 a.m., July 10, Field House; Skeet, noon, July 21, McIntyre Skeet Range; Bowling, Noon, Sept. 6, Bonnyman Bowling Center; Basketball, 10 a.m., Sept. 11, Field House.

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Camp Lejeune women's soccer team is currently looking for players for a possible fall season. No experience necessary. Must be active duty military either stationed aboard Camp Johnson, Camp Geiger or Camp Lejeune. This team will be sponsored by MCCS and will play other base teams and recreational teams. For more information call 577-7072.

### SOCCER

The Camp Lejeune Varsity Sports Office is looking for varsity soccer players for a men's team. The teams will contend with other bases as well as various universities. The league is sponsored by MCCS. For more information on the men's soccer team, contact SSgt Edward Herrera at 451-2950.

### GROUP EXERCISE

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### LACROSSE

The Camp Lejeune Lacrosse team will practice on Wednesdays at 1700 at W.P.T. Hill Field. This league plays in tournaments along the East Coast, against collegiate clubs and other military stations. For more information, contact Maj Jeff Miller at 451-1450 or 326-3640.

## Lejeune High's McKay sisters make team real 'family affair'

### Three family members fill roster for Devilpups basketball team

Mike Boaz  
GLOBE Contributor

When Lejeune High School girls basketball coach Debbie Bryant looks down her bench and yells, "McKay, get in there," it can get fairly crowded at the scorer's table.

She has three McKays to choose from. All of them sisters, step-laddered from freshman to junior, and all key players in the Devilpups' rotation.

"I've had twins before, but I've never had three of them on the same team," said Bryant before practice started Monday. "It makes it interesting."

In fact, that's a good word — "interesting" — to describe the McKay family and their relationship, which includes a major dose of athletics.

Lindsay, Kourtney and Angela McKay are sisters in every way. They support each other, argue with each other, love each other, compete with each other, wear each other's clothes and, in this case, spend a lot of time playing sports together.

"We've just always been a pretty athletic family," said their mother, Lori, who with her husband, 1st Sgt James McKay of the 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit, are their daughters' biggest supporters and cheerleaders. "Their father played football in Houston, and he's a big sports fan. He loves having them on these teams."

But not any more than these girls like playing — especially, playing together.

"It's really been great, having all three of us in high school together this season," said eldest sister, Lindsay, a 5-foot-6 forward who is coming off ACL knee surgery from an injury suffered in summer camp. "We talked about this happening and it's been great. We played on the volleyball team and now basketball. It's been fun."

The three girls might be sisters under the skin, but they are very different personalities.

Lindsay is reserved and confident, yet very focused on what she wants out of the future.

She serves as one of the team's

captains and is someone to whom the rest of the team can come for advice.

"I think that's my main role right now," said Lindsay. "People feel like they can talk to me, and I try to listen to what they have to say."

The middle sister, Kourtney, is having the best statistical season of the three, averaging 5.6 points and 5.5 rebounds as a 5-7 forward. She is by far the more outgoing and talkative of the trio. Like her other siblings, she is also an excellent student.

She used to sit and cheer for her older sister until she decided it looked like too much fun out on the court.

"I just wanted to play, too," said Kourtney. "We actually pretty much started off together because we were all playing rec ball at the same time. We've really been looking forward to this season and it's been so great having us all on the teams at the same time."

The youngest of the sisters, Angela, might be proof positive that love for athletics grows through genetics, because she is undoubtedly the family jock.

Already strong and mature as a freshman, there is no doubt about how much she loves athletics and everything that goes with it.

"Yes, she's our jock," said her mother. "She's kind of the son we didn't have. We have these three right in a row and decided

that a fourth wasn't going to be necessary."

In fact, while her two older sisters are both interested in pursuing careers in physical therapy, a desire picked up while Lindsay went through grueling rehabilitation program on her knee, Angela has a far different plan.

"I want to be a coach," said Angela.

"What kind of a coach?" prompted her mom, with a sly smile.

"I want to coach football. That's my sport," said Angela.

A die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan, Angela has already played football.

She competed against the boys in a full-contact rec league aboard Lejeune



The McKay sisters, from left, Kourtney, Lindsay and Angela, are all members of the Lejeune girls' basketball team this season. All three see a lot of action for the Devilpups and coach Debbie Bryant.

une and more than just held her own.

"Yeah, that and a lot more," laughed her mom. "They had two or three other players on her all the time. If she had her way, and her father had his, well, she'd be playing football right here at Lejeune. But, we decided against that."

Her sisters just laughed, but also showed their younger sister some respect.

"I don't like to play against her because she scares me," laughed Kourtney. "She's really great at fouls."

This give-and-take between the sisters is another part of their being

teammates.

"We can pretty much say anything we want to each other and we try to be supportive and show some respect when we do it," said Kourtney. "We just feel like we can say anything and

we always try to be supportive in the process."

"They've always been very close," said Lori. "This is just another way to show it. They really don't compete against each other as much as they just like competing with each other. This has really been a lot of fun."

"Their dad is away right now and we are trying to tape the games and send them to him. The night they all started (against Richlands) was great. They announced them all, one at a time and everybody looked like, 'How many of them are there?'"

Down the road all three want to go to college, but maybe not the same school.

"I really don't want her to go away to college because this has been so much fun," said Kourtney, nodding at older sister Lindsay. "We know we

have a year left all together, so we are looking forward to it and making those decisions."

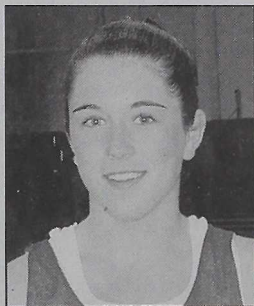
Even if the family is to move to another base, which Mom knows that her girls are right.

"I know that matter when they will be and some to because each other."

"We are going to have three girls here, and they are very special."

"We love them and we want them to stand on their own feet and be respectful to their father and mother."

Marine, so we know about and showing respect. We naturally have taken them really proud of them."



Kourtney McKay



Lindsay McKay



Angela McKay

## Quantico players help Marines win Armed Forces basketball title

### Players earned spots in Lejeune tryouts

Cpl Matt Griffin  
Quantico Sentry correspondent

QUANTICO, Va. — Everybody wants to be the best, but Kelvin Hamilton and Taurice McMillan are, and they have the gold medals to prove it.

Hamilton and McMillan, players on the Quantico Varsity basketball team, were both essential elements of the 1999 All-Marine basketball team which won the Armed Forces Basketball Championship in a round-robin tournament Nov. 15-20 at Port Hueneme in Oxnard, Calif., defeating teams from the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Hamilton, a correspondence chief at the Fitness Report Processing Center and McMillan, an air traffic controller at the Marine Corps Air Facility, were both hand-picked to try out for the squad.

Antonio Robinson, the assistant coach for the team, scouted the two in mid-October at the East Coast Regionals at Camp Lejeune.

The two were the only Quantico Marines invited to the pre-tournament camp, which included 31 Marines from around the Corps.

From Oct. 25 to Nov. 14, it was nothing but strenuous two-a-days everyday for McMillan and Hamilton at the camp in Camp Pendleton, Calif.

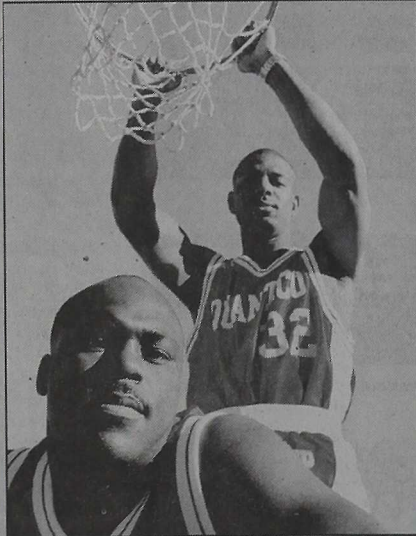
"The camp was very intense," said McMillan. "The entire goal, no matter which 12 [of us] were remaining was to win the Armed Forces Championship. We said 'we're here to win the gold.'"

McMillan had been on the team in 1996, and Hamilton in 1997, but each felt better about this team's chances.

"It felt almost as great as the first time," said Hamilton. "But I knew we had it all to win this year."

"I was happy, but it was short-lived because we had a job we came to do," said McMillan.

At the Armed Forces Championship, the Marines came away with victory, defeating the Air Force in their final game. Finishing 5-1 overall in the tournament, it was strategy



Steve Bohnstedt

that brought them to their objective.

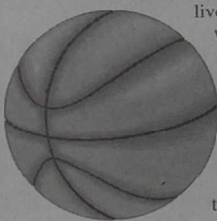
After falling behind in one game early in the tournament, the Marines began to adopt a full-court press, according to Hamilton.

Finding success with their new strategy, in later games they used a full-court, man-to-man defense, and it paid off.

"With every little momentum swing our way, it just built up to the larger object of winning the gold," said McMillan.

After coming back to Quantico, both take their accomplishment in stride.

"A lot of people overrate it. I was just happy to play ball," said Hamilton. "Our wives and sections were very supportive of us, that was the true key to our success."



## 22d MEU (SOC) Marines run Roman Marathon

Sgt Kurt M. Smay  
22d MEU Public Affairs correspondent

NAPLES, Italy — Several members of the 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) and the USS Bataan took a trip to Rome during the holiday season to participate in the Rome Millennium Jubilee, a marathon run through the streets of Rome.

"It was a great way to bring in the new millennium," said Maj Adam Tharp, assistant air officer for the 22d MEU (SOC) and Platte City, Mo., native. "Although I didn't burn up the course."

According to Tharp, the marathon started at the Vatican, wound through the streets of Rome and ended up at the Colosseum.

"It was awesome," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Christina Engh-Coakley. "We had a lot of fun running in Rome. The course went past all the major monuments and statues in Rome."

About 5,000 people ran the marathon, said Engh-Coakley, a Glenrock, Wyo., native.

She added that about 70 percent of the course was run on cobblestone streets, which was a new experience for many of the runners.

"Those cobblestones took the fight out of me," said Sgt Mike Sparkman, operations chief for the Aviation Combat Element of the 22d MEU (SOC), Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 261. "I think it was the hardest surface known to man to run on."

SSgt John Woodard, intelligence chief for the ACE echoed Sparkman's thoughts on the roads.

"The cobblestone was a real pain,"

he said. "It's not an even surface. The coolest part about the thing was that we all did it for the marathon on the gym." Engh-Coakley was running on treadmills isn't very long for a marathon. You run for four hours at a time for a marathon, and in the end, you're always a line of people on the treadmills."

While the weather in Rome was beautiful, it was hot enough to give the runners a challenge.

"It was a little hot," Woodward, a Manchester, N.H., native. "And it's a lot when it's colder, because you lose as much water and stay hydrated."

"The marathon was a great experience. We were able to celebrate the new millennium before the run was over. The best way to prepare for the run was to eat well and stay hydrated."

Rome marathon run by the 22d MEU (SOC) and USS Bataan.

Chief Petty Officer Robert Woodard

SSgt John Woodard

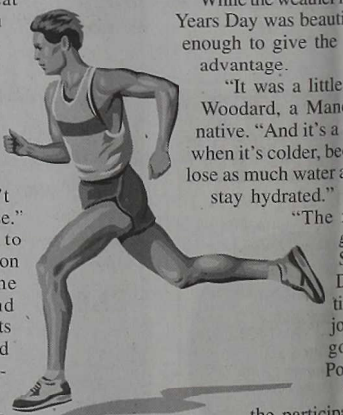
Sgt Mike Sparkman

Maj Adam Tharp

Petty Officer 2nd Class Christina Engh-Coakley

Petty Officer 2nd Class Diana Harrison

Sgt William Pratt





## 2000 Intramural Basketball Standings

### Knicks Division

qSptBn A	9-0
q,2d Mar Div	9-1
10	7-2
10	7-2
CEB	7-4
LSB	6-5
CCSSS	5-4
Maint E	5-6
Navy Docs	4-6
HqSvcBn	4-6
SOI	3-8
2/2	2-8
HqBn Trk Co	1-8
CBIRF	1-9

### Knicks Division

1. 2d Sup C	10-1
2. 2d Med B	8-2
3. 8th MT Bn	8-2
4. II MEF B	7-2
5. HqSptBn B	7-3
6. 8th Mar	6-3
7. 2d Tank	6-5
8. 2d Med A	5-5
9. 2d Sup B	4-6
10. 5/10	3-6
11. 2d Sup A	3-7
12. Navy PSD	3-7
13. 6th Mar	1-6
14. Ammo Co, S	1-8
15. 2d LAR	0-9

### NG/ from 1D

MCAS Yuma, Ariz., Richard's chance to learn under the wings of the Marine Corps. Two years away from the service, Richard said.

*"I am excited about getting a chance to represent the Marine Corps."*

LCpl Cliff Richard

biggest goal there is.

"I am proud of what I have done, but I'm just starting down that road. I have a lot of work ahead of me and I have to really dig down now. I am very excited about this opportunity."

Richard will leave for the Olympic Trials in February, where he will be competing with eight other 147-pounders for the coveted spot.

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### GUNN/ from 1D

Ron Beagle (Annapolis), guard Botchan, center Homer Hobgood (Elon), Mora, back Herb Naaken (Utah) and quarterback Marshall Newman (North Carolina) were selected All-Marine.

Newman completed 64 of 126 passes for 1,123 yards and 12 TDs. Mora caught 18 passes for 251 yards and two TDs. Picked second-team All-Marine were back Fred Beasley (Duke), tackle Dick Guy (Ohio State), back Carey "Choo Choo" Henley (Chattanooga) and guard Jim Schwartz (Xavier-Ohio).

Beagle was a first-term All-Service pick, with Botchan and Newman on the second team. Lejeune's Conrad Hitchler would be an All-America end at Missouri in 1962 and play three seasons with Calgary (CFL). Botchan would play two seasons in the new AFL. Beagle would try out with the Oakland Raiders. Henley would play for Buffalo in 1962. Naaken, tackle Vern Ellison (Oregon State), back Willis Fjerstad and Guy were NFL draft picks.

1959 OK, you have 12 players back from the 7-3-1 team and add four from Quantico, including All-America line-backer Sam Valentine (Penn State). Another banner season, right?

Wrong. Lejeune won four and lost seven under Maj Jim Quinn (Fordham), a Bronze Starholder. In truth, only one player was drafted by the pros and Beagle missed much of the season with an injury. And there was only one new Division I-caliber player. But it was an exciting season. Newman completed 114 of 223 passes for 1,436 yards and 13 TDs; Mora had 47 receptions for 529 yards.

And the team won three of its last four, the loss 22-21 to Quantico — 11-0 record and 90-0 bowl victory. Botchan, Mora, Newman, Valentine and back Mel Anderson (tried out with Ottawa-CFL) were chosen All-

Marine. Botchan was All-Service with Newman and Valentine second-team. Tennessee Titans

Sunday, the Titans travel to Jacksonville to face the Jaguars for the AFC title and a trip to the Super Bowl. Who does the Marine commandant root for?

Titans offensive coordinator Les Steckel (Kansas) fought in Vietnam and retired as a Marine Reserve colonel. He was head coach of the Minnesota Vikings in 1984.

Denard Walker (LSU), a third-year cornerback for the Titans, graduated from the Marine Military Academy in Harlingen, Texas. In the 1999 regular season, he scored a TD, was in on 47 tackles, recovered a fumble and made an interception. (Unfortunately, an assistant district attorney disclosed last week that Walker is serving a year's probation for pleading guilty to an assault charge.)

But the inside linebackers coach for the Jaguars, Steve Szabo (Annapolis), was a defensive back for Quantico.

Mora Profile

Assistant coach, head coach 1964-66, Occidental Assistant

Stanford, Colorado, UCLA, Washington Assistant

Seahawks, Patriots head coach Philadelphia/Baltimore (USFL)

1983-85

Head coach, VP, Saints 1986-96

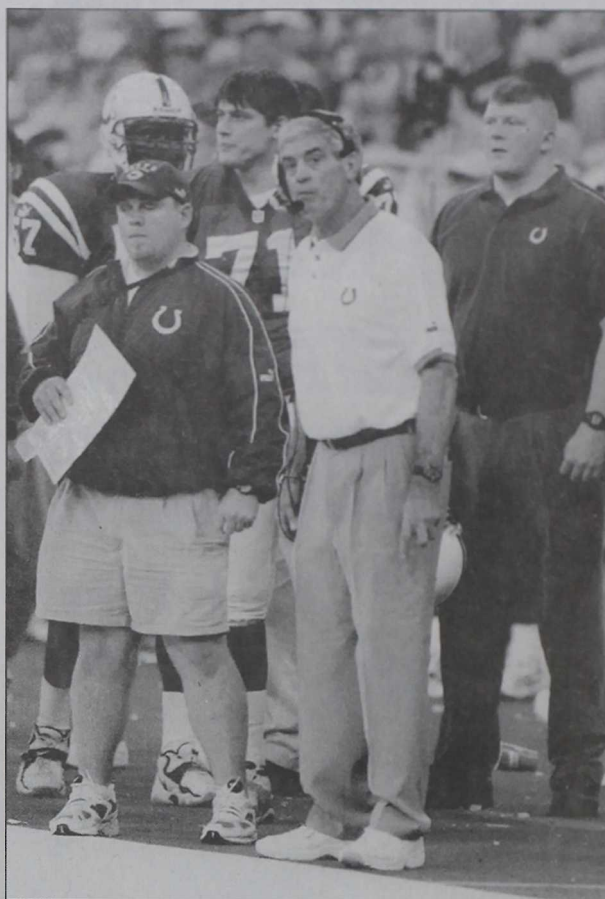
NBC-TV football analyst

1997 Head coach, Colts 1998-99

Flashback

"Jim also was a superb Marine officer," recalls MajGen Hal Glasgow USMC-ret. of Brentwood, Tenn., former superintendent of the Marine Military Academy. "He worked hard at his Marine profession when not out for football and was highly respected."

"Just as he has been an outstanding NFL coach, I suspect that, if he had remained on active duty, he would have distinguished himself and in all



The Indianapolis Colts

Indianapolis Colts, coach Jim Mora is being featured on HBO this month.

probability would have been a general officer.

"He is an outstanding family man, an exemplary professional coach and has represented the Marine Corps in a favorable manner at every opportunity," Gen. Glasgow said. (Glasgow coached Camp Lejeune to 78-23, 96-26 and 67-19 baseball records from 1958-60, including two All-Marine titles and an All-Service championship.)

concluded Redford. "After the match, we've made friends that we'll probably remember for a long time." With three games under their belt, the Marines look to take their experience on the road again as they challenge other teams around the Mediterranean.

### RUGBY/ from 1D

The Lions scored their final try, and successfully converted it to close out the NATO side with 34 points. Then, with time expiring, McCarthy successful kicked a drop kick, which gave the Guardians another three points. Although the match ended with a 34-20 win for

the Lions, both teams knew that they had played a physical and challenging match.

After the game, many Navy and Marine players linked up with their Lion counterparts to learn more about the game and pick-up a few pointers. "They (the Lions) were strong and

older, and used their years of experience to gain the upper hand, but also they helped us learn more about the game of rugby," said Platt.

"The Marine team upheld the greatest traditions of rugby, namely commitment, teamwork and leadership, but above all physical courage,"

concluded Redford. "After the match, we've made friends that we'll probably remember for a long time."

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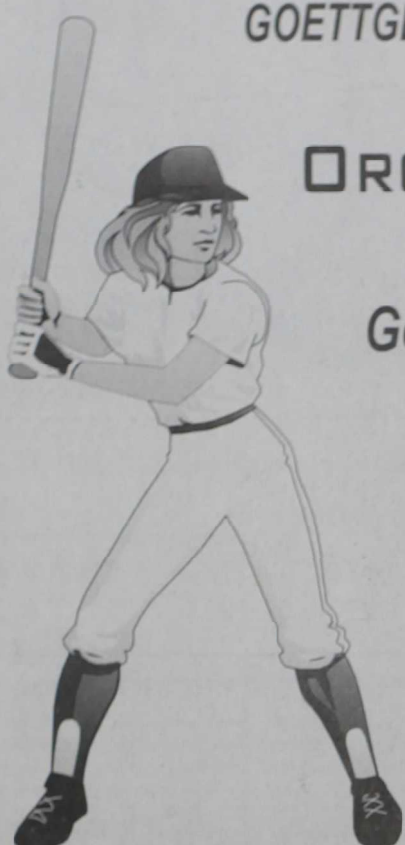


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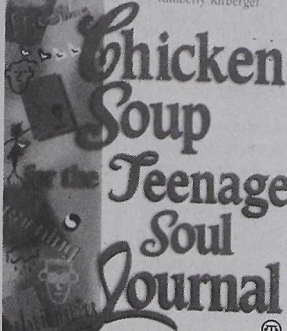
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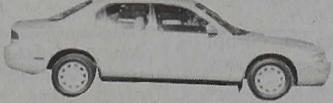
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# GLOBE TRADER



## Health Hints For Seniors

### Prescription Drugs: What You Should Know

Jane Yarrington

Mary Jane Yarrington is an expert in the field of prescription drugs and Medicare. She has been involved in issues for more than 20 years as a congressional aide and a senior policy advisor to the National Committee on Aging. She is also a member of the National Committee on Aging's Social Security and Medicare Task Force. She is the author of "Prescription Drugs: What You Should Know" and "Medicare: What You Should Know".

competing health plans. The government would use Medicare trust funds to pay for a portion of the premiums, but additional costs would be born by the beneficiary. Prescription drugs would not be included in the basic benefit package under the Breaux-Thomas proposal, but all private Medigap plans would be required to offer prescription drug coverage. Individuals with a monthly income less than \$947 and couples with a monthly income less than \$1265 would not have to pay any premium to receive coverage through Medigap.

Q. Does the Administration have a prescription drug proposal?

A. Yes, the proposal would be voluntary and permit beneficiaries to purchase coverage for half of their out-of-pocket prescription drug costs, up to \$5,000/year. When fully phased-in, the pharmaceutical benefit, which would be supplementary insurance-like Part B, would cost about \$44/month. Low-income beneficiaries with incomes less than 150 percent of poverty would be subsidized and employers providing drug coverage to retirees would be partially reimbursed. There are other proposals in Congress that would make prescription drugs more affordable, including one by Senator Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Rep. Pete Stark (D-CA) that would expand Medicare to include coverage of catastrophic drug costs.

Q. What can I do if I think that drug coverage for seniors is important?

A. Let members of Congress know that prescription drug coverage is a serious concern for you. Contact your two Senators and your House Representative to include prescription drug coverage for seniors that is universal, fair and affordable. Members of Congress can be reached by calling the Capitol operator at (202) 224-3121 and asking for them by name.

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