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Sgt Arthur Stone

Children walk home from school alongside a convoy of tactical vehicles from 24th MEU (SOC) on their way to Podedjevo.

R2K warriors 'thwart' enemy in Kosovo

Arthur Stone
U(SOC) Combat Correspondent

PODEJEVO, Kosovo—The Marines' Landing Team 2/6 arrived at the northern city of Podedjevo April 1, replacing the 24th Marine Expeditionary Special Operations Capable (SOC) detachment in support of NATO's Kosovo Response 2000. The exercise was intended to show the capability to deploy the Strategic Response Force and demonstrate NATO's re-

solve to defend Kosovo. Elements of BLT 2/6 moved into Podedjevo around 10 a.m. and linked up with Dutch Marines. The Dutch had set up checkpoints at major intersections around the city to provide security and traffic control, according to 1st Lt. Stephen R. Horan, platoon commander, heavy counter-mechanized platoon, from Columbus, Ga. The tanks, armored ve-

hicles and logistics convoys of the MEU followed Horan's unit into the city where the Marines set up in the camps of their NATO allies.

STAY TUNED TO CHANNEL 10 FOR VIDEO COVERAGE OF THE 24TH MEU'S ADVENTURES.

The Heavy Counter-Mechanized Platoon set up with C Squadron of the Royal Scottish Dragoons in a metal working plant in the city and commenced vehicle patrols that

night.

"We wanted to allow the Marines a chance to develop a grasp of the squadron's area of responsibility and meet some of the locals," said Horan. "We observed and provided security at their checkpoints, and conducted vehicle and foot patrols."

Children and young adults lined the routes where the Marines entered the city; waving and yelling to the passing troops

—See 24th MEU/12A

Unitas ready for mission in South America

Cpl Ryan Smith
Marine Forces Unitas Combat Correspondent

Like pieces of a puzzle, they came together as one. Marine Forces Unitas XLI (41), II Marine Expeditionary Force began collecting its pieces in January to form a contingency force capable of being a force in readiness.

With a primary mission of promoting operational ability, supporting hemispheric defense and developing closer ties with South American armed forces, Unitas Marines will be afforded the chance to perform a myriad of exercises.

Not only will Unitas perform amphibious raids, Noncombatant Evacuation Operations, and weapons cross training, but the Marines will also spear-head community relations projects, sporting events and infantry operations on land and sea with other countries.

Unitas will circumnavigate South America on *USS La Moure County* beginning in July. During its four-month deployment, the ship is slated to stop in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Panama and Puerto Rico.

In charge of assembling the puzzle is Unitas Commanding Officer, Maj Michael T. Cuccio. He is a former company commander with 1st Bn, 2d Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division.

"My goals for the deployment are to execute all assigned tasks and planned training events professionally and proficiently," said Cuccio, a Mahopac, N.Y., native. "I also want to ensure that all of the Marines complete the deployment safely and with a wealth of good experiences."

—See STAND-UP/12A

AR Marines act without hesitation

Deane D. Rogers
Marine Combat Correspondent

Marines from 2d Marine Division Recon Battalion, 2d Marine Division, acted above and beyond the call of duty and someone in great need. Sgt T. Sarduy, transport operator, 2d Marine Division, and a native, was picked up by his friend, Williamston, only when he approached an overturned truck. When we had just switched drivers traffic was getting backed up on the road, we saw an 18-wheeler laid across the middle of the road. "Seemingly we were first on the scene, we pulled the middle of the highway to the side and dialed '911' from my cell phone." friend, LCpl Jonathan O. Spates, transport operator, 2d LAR Bn, and an



LCpl Spates

Auburn, Ala., native, was assessing the situation for immediate threats when Sarduy climbed the cab of the overturned truck and assessed the situation inside.

Expecting to find a dead man inside, Sarduy recalled, "The guy was hanging by his seatbelt. It was so tight that his circulation was being cut off."

The two Marines kicked out the windshield. Sarduy immediately crawled inside the truck to relieve the pressure from the driver's seatbelt. Ensuring he didn't move until the extent of his injuries could be completely evaluated, Sarduy pushed from underneath the unconscious man while Spates checked for other dangers.

"After the guy was in the best condition we could make for him, I checked all around the vehicle for diesel leaks and other fire haz-



Cpl Sarduy

—See HERO/12A

Cannoneers fire big guns on open plains of Fayetteville

Cpl Ariel Linares
Camp Lejeune Combat Correspondent

FORT BRAGG, N.C.—Warriors from the 10th Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division, temporarily abandoned the confines of Camp Lejeune for the more spacious fields of Fort Bragg Army Post for Express Sword.

About 1,600 Marines from the regiment are taking part in the semi-annual training exercise, according to Col Henry Gobar, Commanding Officer, 10th Marines. He added that it is the only exercise in which the whole regiment gets to participate. The main mission of the regiment is field artillery fire support.

Express Sword gives the regiment an opportunity to work with close-air support, helicopter-lifts and remotely piloted vehicles. They are also working with Combat Service Support Detachment (CSSD)-42 who invaded the Army post prior to

—See SWORD/12A



Cpl Ariel Linares

Warriors from Romeo Battery, 5th Bn, 10th Marine Regiment punch the bore of the M198 155mm Howitzer they used during Express Sword at Fort Bragg Army Post. The Marines, from left to right are, LCpl Carlos Estala, of San Antonio, PFC Jewel Gist, and LCpl James R. Cabrera, a Harlingen, Texas native. Cpl Thomas T. George looks on to ensure proper cleaning.

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QUICKSHOTS

Steam plant closes

Camp Lejeune's main steam plant, bldg 1700, will be shut down for 48 hours from midnight April 21-22.

The shut down is required for annual summer maintenance of the plant and to allow the contractor to remove asbestos from the piping over the feed water pumps. Neither work can be performed with the plant in operation.

This outage will affect the whole main side area of the base including French Creek and Hospital Point. Base Housing and DoDs schools will not be affected.

3 stars for II MEF CG

MajGen Emil R. "Buck" Bedard, II MEF CG, was nominated by President Bill Clinton to the grade of lieutenant general, according to a Secretary of Defense statement. MajGen Bedard will transfer to Washington this summer to assume duties as the Corps' Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans, Policies and Operations.

Also tabbed for a third star was MajGen William L. "Spider" Nyland, 2d MAF CG. He is slated to become Deputy Chief of Staff for Program and Resources at Headquarters Marine Corps.

Memorial services to be held

Memorial services for Maj John Brow and Brooks Gruber, SSgt William Nelson and Cpl Kelly Keith will be held today at MCAS New River's chapel at 2 p.m. The four local Marines were among 19 who perished in an MV-22 Osprey training accident in Marana, Ariz., April 8.

Memorial funds have been established for the Marines' children. Donations can be made at Marine Federal Credit Unions or by mail to: VMMT-204, MAG-26; Attn: Nelson or Gruber Memorial Fund; PSC Box 21018; Jacksonville, NC 28545-1018.

Make checks payable to the Bryan Memorial Fund or Maj Gruber Memorial Fund. Brow's funds can be sent to NFCU Brow Boys Education Fund and send to USPA/IRA; c/o Mr Doug Beck; 21615 South Essex Dr., Ste. 52; Lexington, MD 20653.

Memorial services will also be held for two 2d MarDiv Marines who died in an auto accident. A service for LCpl Matthew Alan, 2d CEB, will be held at 3 p.m. today at the Catholic Chapel. The service for LCpl Antonio Lyman, 1/8, is at 9 a.m. Monday at the Base Theater.

Visit the Marine Corps Association Bookstore at the Exchange Annex!

Military, technology bond helps modernize Corps

I had a chance to make a quick stop at the Marine South 2000 Military Exposition held at Marston Pavilion April 5-6. This expo, which was sponsored by the Marine Corps League and MCB Camp Lejeune, featured some of the latest weapons, equipment and systems employed by Marines. Also on display were models, prototypes and video displays of some gear that will be fielded in the near future. Some never make the cut, but it is just fascinating to see what modern technology has been or will be implemented in the Marine Corps.

Representatives from more than 60 leading defense contractors from around the world came to the exhibit. All seemed anxious to explain and discuss their products and services. The concept of these trade shows on site is to give Marine users of equipment an opportunity to talk with manufacturers, representatives and suppliers. This should lead to improvements in manufacturing, understanding user needs, and awareness among Marines of new equipment coming their way.

All these new devices are supposed to make the Marine warrior—both in the field and in garrison—more powerful, more mobile and more of everything. This could be ground for wearing a "new and improved" logo on our uniforms. Seriously, though, the expo had a bit of everything and kept many a Marine's attention for quite some time. There was the new lightweight 155mm Howitzer that's to replace the old 198mm and connects very well with "Operational Manuever from the Sea." Another display of interest was on the latest line of LAVs that are combat tested for war to "Operations Other Than War." All these provide the proper support for the modern warrior to go out and win wars, support peacekeeping operations or provide humanitarian aid.

This is all great, but we should never forget how we get there. Its not just about new technologies and big guns; its about having the right person, in our case, the right team, do the job. In a recent interview by a Cleveland newspaper reporter, Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. James L. Jones, said that today's Marine could make a decision on an appropriate action on the spot, sometimes at "high stakes." Indeed, the future Marine will fight on a digitalized battlefield with a GPS device and unmanned vehicles, but he needs to be better trained and more politically

savvy since decisions will be up to him.

It's the people, the Marines and Sailors, who will go out there and win those battles. The Marine or Sailor is the one who will use those new weapons and communication gadgets. So, a key element is ensuring we spend as much time training warriors as contractors do improving equipment and weapons. This includes testing equipment in the field before much money is spent buying it. Part of this training can be observing what large corporations do. This recently happened at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Top executives of high-tech companies and key military leaders met there to discuss the potential role of information technology on the battlefield.

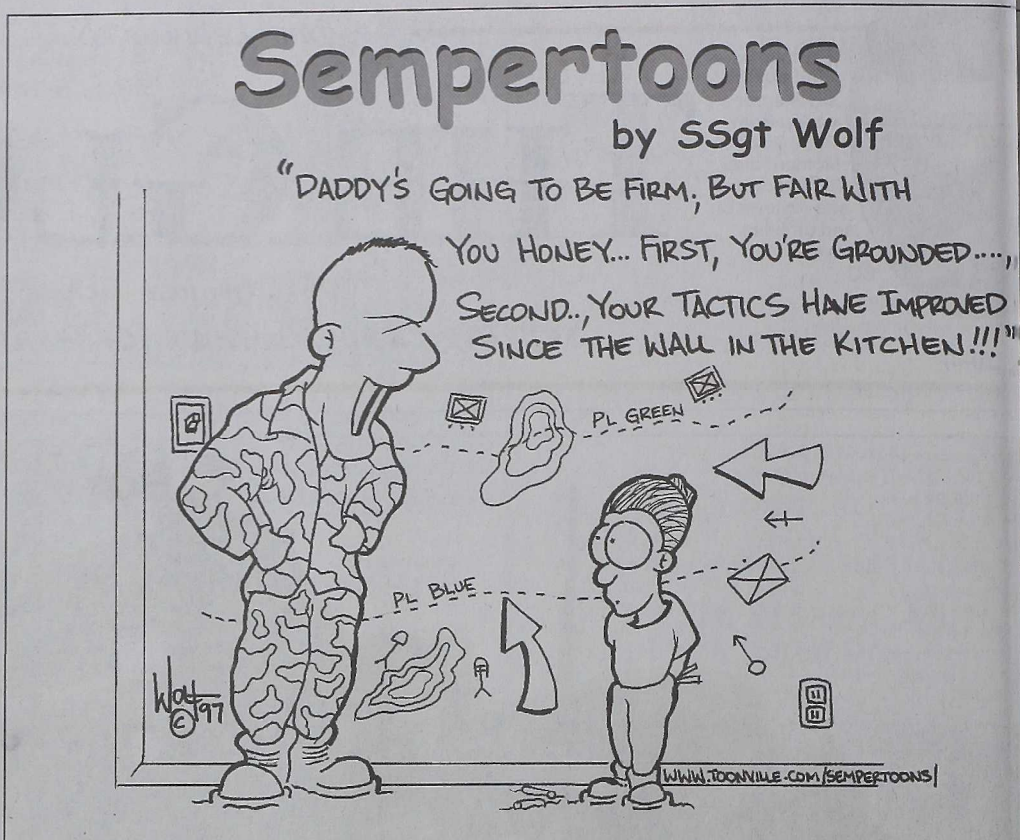
The executives were from companies with household names such as Intel Corp., Sun Microsystems Inc. and Microsoft Corp. They, along with eight Marine and Navy commanders, got a chance to watch a Marine infantry unit enact three scenarios, each involving calling for artillery fire and

air support. In the first scenario, Marines used radios; in the second they used a global positioning system device and computer network; and in a third, the infantrymen used laser range finders and digital messaging. These last two methods are in an experimental phase. These scenarios were performed to see how new technologies could be implemented in the battlefield. The chief information security officer for Microsoft, Howard Schmidt, who was one of the attendees, was impressed that a bombing run could be called from someone using a handheld device using Windows NT, according to the *San Jose Mercury News*.

This type of bond between the military and high-tech companies is important to modernize the battlefield of tomorrow. If four commanders and young troops are part of the selection process, it helps the Marine Corps as a whole. Since the young Marine and Sailor comes from the Internet generation, who better than he to have a say in equipment that he will eventually use in the battlefields of tomorrow?

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Technology@ a glance
GYSGT ARTURO
PRIOLETTA



Lejeune warriors featured in *Leatherneck*

Well, our operational tempo doesn't seem to be slowing down at all. If anything, it's picking up, now that summertime's just around the corner. This, of course, is reflected in the amount of media coverage Camp Lejeune-based Marines and units have been receiving.

Leatherneck, of course, leads the way. GySgt Todd Parisi's account of his visit with a group of New England former Marines was selected as the magazine's Letter of the Month for April. Parisi's description of his feelings upon addressing the group—combat veterans of almost every engagement since WWII—crystallized the pride that Marines should feel about the Corps' history and heritage. It hit home for me. As a new second lieutenant, I recently found myself

having to discuss the Corps to a group of Vietnam-era Marines aboard base for a reunion. I was completely humbled yet emboldened by this experience. In spite of the age difference between us, I felt I was among old friends.

"Doctors Without Borders." The same issue of *Leatherneck* features an article on the 22d MEU (SOC)'s Medical and Dental Civilian Assistance Programs, held in January. Navy doctors with the MEU helped citizens in Jordan with a variety of medical needs during the programs, reports SSgt Brandon Haught, 22d MEU (SOC) Combat Correspondent. Pictured with the article is Lt Dain Wahl.

Better late.... The 24th MEU's Special

Operations Capable Exercise, which last January aboard base, was featured in *Leatherneck*. SSgt Chris Cox, 24th MEU Combat Correspondent filed the report, which was bolstered by photos of Lt Jennings, Josh Hill, Jason and Christopher Moot.

More evidence of the significant role Lejeune plays in Marine history is found in the feature article on Sywan and Gold Traditions, the unofficial Marine Boasting impressive shots of Sgt Major's collection of memorabilia, the article is a strong case for heading over to the drink and a look at the walls.

Leatherneck is available at the Corps Association Bookstore and the Annex; subscriptions are available at 800-336-0291.

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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

Celebrating Eastern Orthodox Holy Week

Next week the majority of the Christian world will be commemorating the events associated with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The following week April 24-30 Eastern Orthodox Christians will also relive these very same events. I would like to take a moment to share with you some of the significant customs associated with this celebration.

Worship in the Eastern Orthodox Christian tradition is one based on experience. We "experience" the passion and resurrection of Jesus Christ in a most personal way through participation in the mystery of His sacrifice and resurrection "for us and for our salvation." Nowhere is the significance of this "experience" more evident than in the Orthodox Services of Holy Week and Pascha (Easter). During this special time, the church's worship helps us to transcend time and space and enter the eternal present. The events and services of this week are the most meaningful and spiritually moving of the year.

The first three days of Holy Week have their own particular theme and are characterized by the service of the Bridegroom Matins (Sunday-Tuesday evenings). The theme of Monday is that of the sterile fig tree which yields no fruit and is condemned. Tuesday, the accent is on the vigilance of the wise virgins in the parable of Jesus who, unlike their foolish sisters, were ready when the Lord came to them. Wednesday, the focus is on the fallen woman who anointed Jesus Christ in anticipation of His death. Her repentance and love is the theme of

the Hymn of Cassia, which is chanted.

The final Lenten Liturgy of the presanctified gifts takes place on the morning of Holy Wednesday. That evening the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Unction (Healing Oil) is administered to the faithful for "the healing of soul and body".

Holy Thursday calls to remembrance the Last Supper Jesus ate with His disciples. The services on this day recall the humility of Jesus manifested in the washing of the disciples' feet, the betrayal by Judas Iscariot, the Last Supper and institution of the Holy Eucharist, and Jesus Christ's vigil in the Garden of Gethsemane prior to His arrest.

The Matins of Holy Friday, commonly celebrated on the evening of Holy Thursday, is a climactic point of the entire task set before us during Holy Week. At this beautiful service, narratives from the four Gospels, compiled into twelve separate readings, relate the events of Jesus' Holy Passion, from His final discourse with His disciples to Him being laid in a new tomb by the noble Joseph of Arimathea and the pious Nicodemus.

At 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Good Friday, following the "Hours of Darkness", the Vesper Service is commemorated. At this time a long Gospel passage of the Crucifixion is read. Toward the end of the service a cloth icon or shroud depicting Jesus' sacred body, called the Epitaphios or Plashanitsa, is carried in procession from the altar and placed in a flowered bier in the center of the church that represents Christ's tomb. At this time beautiful hymns, common only to

this day, are sung. It is truly a solemn day of fasting and prayer.

On Friday evening, the Lamentation consisting of psalms, hymns and readings, the entombment of Christ. At this service the is taken in a candlelight procession around

The "Blessed Sabbath", or Holy Saturday of strict fasting, but also a day of hope and joy. Vesper Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, celebrating the resurrection. It includes readings from the Old Testament, the vestments in bright robes and special Hymns. On Pascha, Easter Sunday, the life-giving resurrection of Jesus Christ is celebrated. At midnight in church the faithful receive the Resurrection of the priest and leave the church in a procession. In front of its closed doors the resurrection is announced and the joyous hymn of "Christ is triumphantly chanted. Following the Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy various foods, which the faithful have abstained from during Holy Week, are blessed and shared.

On the afternoon of Easter Sunday the "Agape" Vespers is celebrated. The Good News, proclaiming the Good News of the resurrection is read in many languages and we embrace and share Jesus Christ's gift of new life.

The week following Pascha is known as "Bright Week" during which all the doors remain open to signify the empty tomb and the week is one of rejoicing, feasting and joy.

LCDR Nelko is the Marine Corps Combat Support Schools chaplain.

Chaplain's Corner
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Million Mom March to address gun safety concerns

Mothers across America will march on their big day for gun legislation

Mothers across America dress their children, serve them breakfast and remind them of the safety rules of the day, before sending them out into their community. We read Consumer Reports for the safest products to purchase, we prepare meals to insure proper growth and development and spend countless hours attempting to explain the complexities of the society we dwell in.

History has proven that Mothers had the ability when united to change the

circumstances around them. Mothers united in the eighteenth century to overthrow King George's guards to feed their children.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving have systematically changed drinking and driving laws nationwide.

Tipper Gore, a concerned mother, prompted legislation for labeling of music our impressionable youth are exposed to.

Guest Commentary
PATRICIA MATSON
PHILLIPS

The empowering of mothers and concerned women have the ability to influence the governing bodies of this country.

Million Mom March is a grass roots movement that is taking this country by storm.

Men and women alike share the concern of firearms in the hands of children and unlicensed gun owners.

Mothers across America will be

Marching on Washington on May 14, Mother's Day, for gun control legislation. The proposed legislation is not an assault on any American's right to bare arms — it is an assault on irresponsible gun ownership and acquisition.

Precious time is being wasted as influential groups and legislatures bicker back and forth over the most important issue of our children's safety and future. It is time for women to use their influence to change the current legislation regarding the lack of current gun control.

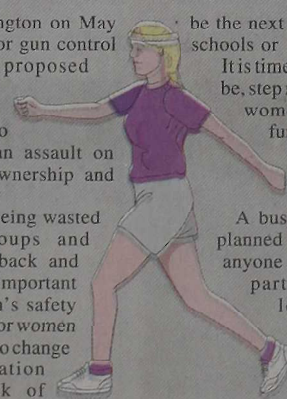
Children are dying in our schools, in their homes and in the streets of America. Children's lives are being altered by their exposure to gun violence either by the actual events these children have witnessed or by the fear that they may

be the next to face gunfire in schools or their neighborhoods. It is time for mothers, mothers, step mothers, grandmothers, women concerned with the future of children on Washington to change the future of children in the country.

A bus trip to Washington planned to take all mothers (and anyone else) who want part of this legislative change. The trip will be a march and back

the same day. All interested parties may call ITT at 451-3535 for reservation information.

Patricia Matson Phillips is a Marine spouse stationed at Camp Lejeune.



Courthouse Bay: before the Marines were there

Yrannen Parrish
by Combat Correspondent

Courthouse Bay's name dates back to the 1700s. When ships from England and the North Carolina coastline search settlements they were often attacked. Eventually, a small inlet was located on the New River and a bay where ships safely moored up was discovered. As the inlet increased, the numerous logs kept by the "burdened ships' companies. A log owned by John Williams, a settler, was a potential storage sight for the documents. Williams agreed to allow his log cabin as the county's first courthouse. The log cabin, located on Jarrott's Point, became the courthouse in Onslow County. The log cabin gained its name from the log cabin donated to the county by John Williams.

During the Civil War a Union gunboat, the Ellis, traveled up the New River to the downtown Jacksonville. The Ellis disrupted the Confederate post office in Jacksonville, halt cotton exports, and destroy

salt-producing facilities in the town. During a raid in 1862 the vessel ran aground in the New River Inlet.

From the banks of Courthouse Bay, Confederate troops fired upon the ship with rifles, but were unsuccessful in inflicting any significant damage.

The crew fended off the attack with superior firepower, but were forced to abandon the ship when an artillery battery from Wilmington, N.C., let loose with cannon fire from Sneads Ferry, N.C., on the opposite side of the river.

The crew escaped aboard rowboats to another Union vessel, but the Ellis was destroyed.

In the late 19th century a community was founded along the bay by a fisherman named Oscar Marine. For nearly a half century the village survived on the fishing industry along the New River until the early 1940s, when the Marine Corps began purchasing the land. According to records held by the Public Works office at Camp Lejeune, Marine's descendants owned parts of the land.

Records show the Marine Corps purchased less than a half acre of land from Ollie Marine

in 1941 for \$3,400. The lot is now the building co-inhabited by the Riverine Training Center and the Coast Guard Port Security Unit Training Detachment. Another 46 acres of land, which included the site of the old courthouse at Jarrott's Point, was purchased from John R. Marine for \$1,850 in 1942.

The Marine Corps moved the Barrage Balloon School to Courthouse Bay in 1942. The school was authorized a staff of five officers and 43 enlisted men.

In 1943 it was determined that anti-aircraft guns offered a greater defense against aircraft.

The Commandant of the Marine Corps, Lt Gen Thomas Holcomb, asked the Army to take full operational responsibility of barrage balloons. The Army assumed the barrage balloon mission June 26, 1943. As a result, 1,200 enlisted Marines and 60 officers who were once assigned to barrage balloon duties were freed for other assignments.

The Barrage Balloon School had a short-lived existence in Marine Corps history, but today the numbers on the buildings at Courthouse Bay are prefixed with the letter "BB" as a reminder to the area's first unit.

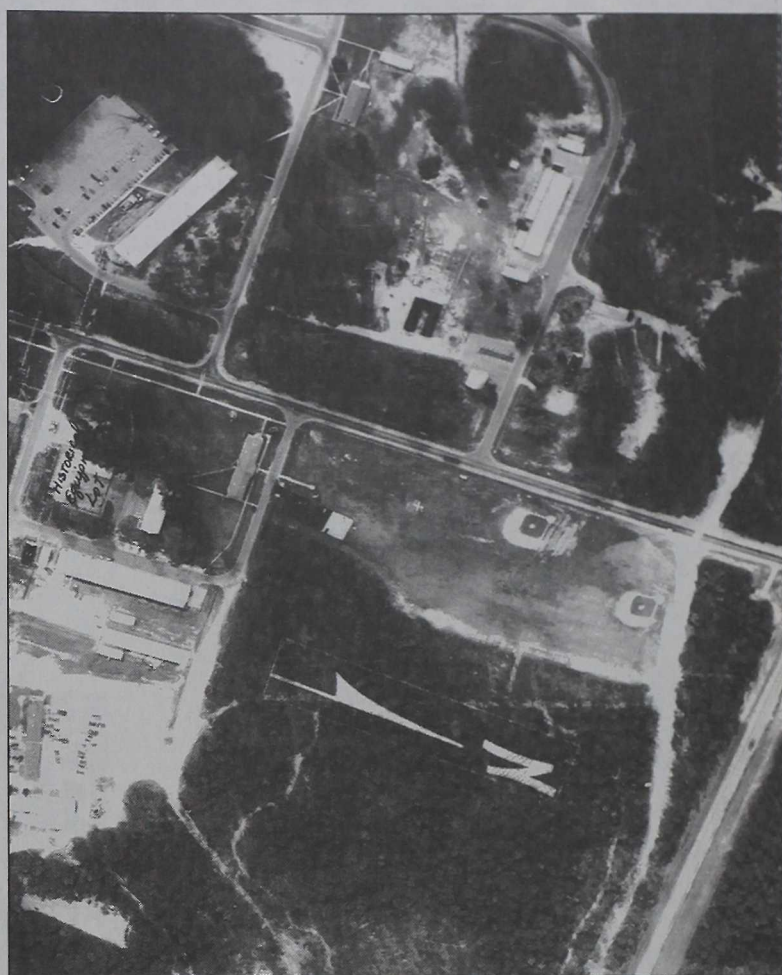
Because it was far away from the main area at Hadnot Point, Courthouse Bay was designed to be self-supportive. The area was outfitted with a dining facility, recreational facilities and officers' quarters. Many of the buildings constructed in the 1940s still remain.

In 1950 the Engineer School Battalion moved to Courthouse Bay. That year the school graduated 121 students in seven different courses. The school changed its name to Marine Corps Engineer School in 1958. Today, the school offers 17 separate courses.

Two modular type barracks were completed in 1977, and women Marines were billeted at Courthouse Bay for the first time. 2d Amphibian Tractor Battalion moved to Courthouse Bay in 1950. In 1977 the battalion was designated 2d Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2d Marine Division.

One of the largest mechanized battalions in the Marine Corps with approximately 1,200 Marines and Sailors, and 233 Amphibious Assault Vehicles, the battalion's history dates back to World War II and the battle of Tarawa.

The Riverine Training Center, Special



Courtesy Photo

An aerial photograph of Courthouse Bay, taken in May 1983, omits many of the barracks facilities that have since been built.



Courtesy Photo

quonset hut once served as the Land Mine Warfare classroom for the Marine Engineer School at Courthouse Bay. The engineer school uses a newer building

Operations Training Group, stood up at Courthouse Bay Jan. 6, 1997.

The center trains Marine Expeditionary Units to conduct amphibious boat raids, and provides several courses in riverine navigation and over-the-horizon navigation.

In addition to training Marine units, RTC sends Riverine Training Teams to other nations, usually in South America, to teach foreign militaries about integrated riverine

and land tactics.

The Coast Guard's Port Security Unit Training Detachment moved from Camp Perry, Ohio, to Courthouse Bay in November 1998. The detachment provides port security instruction to active and reserve Coast Guardsmen from around the country.

Courthouse Bay has changed over time, but still resembles the area it was more than 50 years ago.

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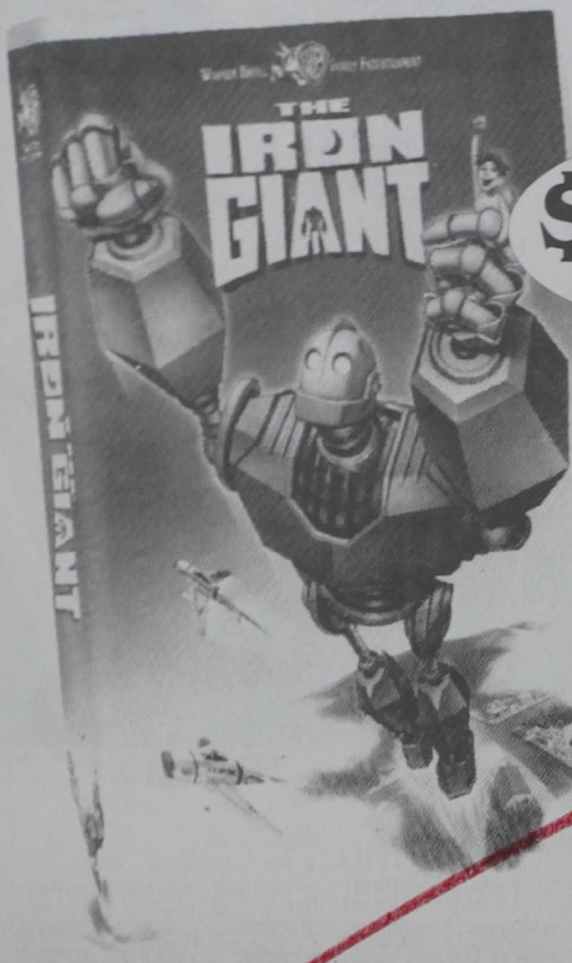
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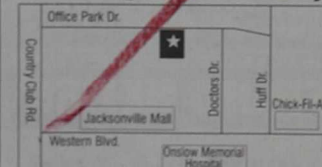
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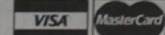
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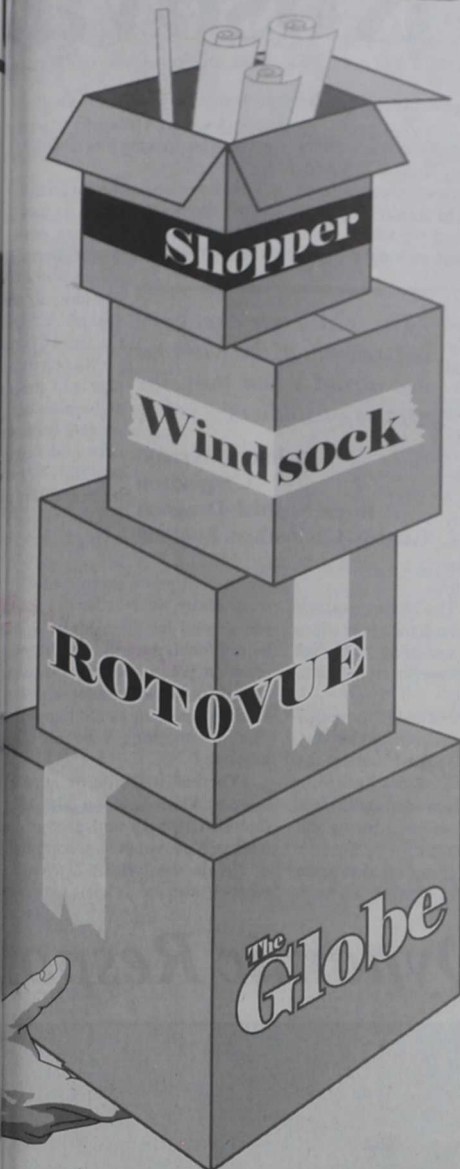
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24th MEU mingles with Kosova

Sgt Arthur Stone
24th MEU (SOC) Combat Correspondent

ORALLAN, Kosovo — The Marines of Weapons Co, Battalion Landing Team 2/6, wiped off the camouflage paint, parked their

tactical vehicles, and moved into the mountain villages surrounding the city of Podujevo in northern Kosovo April 2 to learn a little more about the people they came here to protect.

In a joint training exercise with the United

Kingdom's (UK) Royal Scottish Dragoons, the Weapons Co Marines spread out in small patrols across the area, moving through the villages on foot to meet the ethnic Albanian families of Kosovo face to face. They were met by small children of all ages who smiled,

waved and urged the newcomers to play games with them.

"You have to tell the children you are only patrolling," said **Lt Johnny Hanlon**, C Squadron, Royal Scottish Dragoon Guards from Cheltenham, England. "The children are very nervous since the war and are afraid when they see groups of soldiers moving about in the village."

The Marines, all machine gunners, walked through the streets of the little mountain village of Orallan, with Hanlon, several of his dragoons, and a Kosovar interpreter, as they greeted the adults and played ball with the children. They made a quick trip through the tiny village where Kosovars and dragoons fished side-by-side on the large mountain lake near the village. The Marines learned several valuable lessons during the joint training with the dragoons, according to **GySgt Stephen P. Perry**, Weapons Co, from Spiro, Okla.

"I thought it was very valuable training," said Perry. "I found the dragoons to be very informed and very knowledgeable about the area and the people. The feedback I got from my Devil Dogs was positive during the foot patrols. The operation was good for us and the people were very friendly."

Hanlon showed the group of Marines a route along the Serbian border where a

schoolhouse had been shelled previous year. According to Hanlon, the dragoons were looking into rebuilding for the residents.

Hanlon also pointed out a Serb across the border where he and tributed food and aid, as neit would support the people there.

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Sgt Joseph A. Still and Lt Johnny Hanlon, Royal Scottish Dragoon Guards, play ball with the local children in Orallan, Kosovo, April 1, during NATO's Exercise Dynamic Response 2000.

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The Dutch had set up checkpoints at major intersections around the city to provide security and traffic control, according to **1stLt Stephen R. Horan**, platoon commander, heavy counter-mechanized platoon, from Columbus, Ga. The tanks, armored vehicles, and logistics convoys of the MEU followed Horan's unit into the city where the Marines set up in the camps of their NATO allies.

The Heavy Counter-Mechanized Platoon set up with C Squadron of the Royal Scottish Dragoons in a metal working plant in the city and commenced vehicle patrols that night.

"We wanted to allow the Marines a chance to develop a grasp of the Squadron's area of responsibility and meet some of the locals," said Horan. "We observed and provided security at their checkpoints, and conducted vehicle and foot patrols."

Children and young adults lined the routes where the Marines entered the city: waving and yelling to the passing troops as they moved into desig-

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nated staging areas.

The city, whose proximity to the Serbian border makes it a likely high-speed avenue of approach for Serbian mechanized units, became the staging ground of the NATO forces as they enveloped the region.

Hardback humvees armed with M2.50 caliber machineguns, MK19 40mm machineguns, and anti-tank weapons, rolled through the streets and dirt lanes around the town, providing security. Throughout the night they searched the back roads for signs of illegal activity, crossing one-lane wooden bridges over streams to get to villages.

"It was a little scary," said **LCpl Brian P. Anderson**, weapons company, BLT 2/6, from Monroe, Ohio. "I was thinking, 'Please don't break.' It does get a little tense out there in the night, going up a one lane road on the side of a mountain."

The Weapons Company Marines learned valuable lessons during their night mission. This mission proved to them that teamwork is key and as long as they apply the training they've gone through, everything goes according to plan.

The seriousness of the training hit home with the Marines, many of who were on their first real-world mission, according to Cincinnati native **LCpl Scott A. Riehle**.

"I was a little scared to see what would happen when we got here," said Riehle, "but I was also excited that I was going to test out my training. It was good. It's good to train in a (foreign) environment. It makes it more realistic when you get to do something real."

Dutch warriors pitch in during Dynamic Response

Marines familiarize themselves with foreign militaries in exercises

Cpl Brandon L. Rizzo
24th MEU (SOC) Combat Correspondent

PRISTINA, Kosovo — The 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) completed some cross training with the Dutch Marines recently as part of Exercise Dynamic Response 2000.

First Battalion Dutch Marines began familiarizing themselves with U.S. Marine Corps CH-46E and CH-53E helicopters, Friday, in preparation for a joint exercise with the Norwegian Army and the 24th MEU the next day.

The Dutch Marines practiced loading onto the helicopters. After a few short flights, they practiced offloading as well.

The following day, the Dutch Marines were inserted by helicopter into the Podujevo valley to relieve a Norwegian unit that had suffered heavy "casualties" from simulated enemy "attack." These Marines responded to a mass casualty drill, treated patients and completed medical evacuations.

Additionally, they set up a blocking position to stop further enemy advance to allow the 24th MEU (SOC)'s Battalion Landing Team (BLT) 2/6 to counter attack with a mechanized rifle company.

The cross training was two-fold, according to **Maj Amon Van De Borg**, press officer for Dutch Marines Headquarters.

"It is important to do things multi-nationally, because we learn so much from each other," said Van De Borg. "We also love working with the U.S. Marines because it's different, and the U.S. is always well equipped when it comes to close-air support."

The U.S. Marine Corps will have its opportunity to train alongside the Dutch Marines once again, when the Corps' 1st Battalion participates in the Joint Fleet Exercise aboard Camp Lejeune in May.

Following this exercise, the battalion will complete amphibious exercises with the United States Marine Corps Reserve (USMCR) as well as the French in Caribbean and at Curacao in the Dutch Antilles. Not long after these exercises, 2d Battalion Dutch Marines will join the 26th MEU for exercises in the Mediterranean.

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A convoy from Echo Co, Battalion Landing Team 2/6, moves to a position in northern Kosovo near the Serbian border a Norwegian unit that suffered numerous "casualties" after a simulated "attack" during Exercise Dynamic Response 2000.



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A United States Marine Corps CH-53E "Super Stallion" helicopter lifts off with a group of 1st Battalion Dutch Marines. The battalion worked jointly with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit during operations in Kosovo March 18-April 10.

Army, Navy, Marines cooperate for big relations event

SSgt Chris W. Cox
24th MEU(SOC) Public Affairs Chief

SKOPJE, Macedonia — Four American servicemembers currently deployed to the area gave a local cardiac clinic the ability to provide quicker, more accurate and possibly life-saving diagnoses to patients with heart ailments. By troubleshooting an x-ray machine at the clinic and donating two portable units brought across the Atlantic aboard *USS Wasp*, the servicemembers were able to make an incredible difference.

Camp Able Sentry's Chief of Staff, **LtCol Brett Nila**, and U.S. Embassy Skopje's First Secretary **Sandra Smith** set up the event through the hospital's chief cardiologist, **Sasko Kedev, M.D., Ph.D.** They were at the equipment presentation April 6 along with Army Public Affairs Officer **Capt Paul Tieszen**, Marine Helicopter Pilot **Capt**

H. Clayton Bollinger, Medical Corpsmen Chief **Petty Officer Leslie Adams** and **Petty Officer 2nd Class Robert Leidy**, who had all worked together to make the event happen.

The original x-ray unit belonging to the only cardiac clinic in Macedonia at the University of St. Cyril and Methodius Medical Institute for Heart Diseases, stopped functioning more than a year ago. Since the clinic did not have a bio-medical equipment repair technician to fix it, whenever they needed an x-ray to diagnose a patient, they were forced to drive miles away to make use of the nearest one in another part of Skopje.

The process to solve the clinic's problem began in August last year. Embassy personnel came to Camp Able Sentry, located 30 kilometers south of the city, to request repair technicians to try and repair the broken equipment.

Until the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit

(SOC) arrived in the area to participate in Exercise Dynamic Response 2000 in March, how project was put on hold, due to projectors reporting back to the United States the Marines came to town to use the camp as an assembly area before moving into Kosovo, the MEU medical team just the right amount of expertise to project in motion again.

Bringing Navy corpsmen into the project started with a conversation between Tieszen and Bollinger about flying Marine attack helicopters. By sheer luck, Bollinger happened to be there when the camp commander asked Tieszen for assistance.

"He happened to be there when Cantu came in and asked if we could do this," Tieszen explained. "He hooked up with the Chief and the doc and we

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Petty Officer 2nd Class Robert G. Leidy, MSSG-24, explains technical information about two portable x-ray machines to a resident technician at the University of St. Cyril and Methodius Medical Facility.

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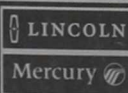
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(NAPS)—Many Americans are seeking new ways to jump-start their breakfast table. Hearty Gouda, mushroom and bacon omelets; luscious mascarpone and blueberry crepes; and potato hash mixed with Parmesan and mozzarella cheeses signal a new twist on breakfast.

One ingredient is versatile enough for any breakfast plate—cheese. With more than 200 domestic varieties and flavors ranging from sharp to nutty, cheese is the perfect accent to any eye-opening meal.

Show how versatile breakfast and cheese can be by entering the Mr. Food's Good Mornings with Cheese Recipe Contest sponsored by the American Dairy Association (ADA) and the star of the nationally syndicated "Mr. Food" television vignettes. To enter, send a recipe containing a minimum of two types of American-made, cow's milk cheeses in one of four breakfast categories:

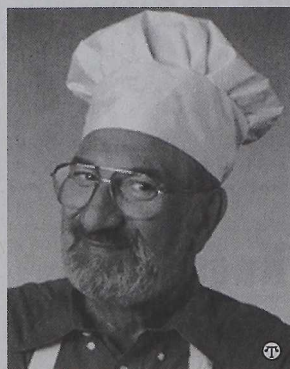
• **On-the-Go**—Easy and portable breakfast sandwiches and wraps

• **Egg-cetera**—Egg dishes like omelets and quiches

• **Batter Breakfasts**—Breakfasts using batter like pancakes, waffles and crepes

• **Baked Goods**—Oven-baked breakfasts like muffins, coffee cake and breads

One grand-prize winner will receive a trip for two anywhere in the continental United States for three days/two nights and a one-



year subscription to Mr. Food's *EasyCooking* magazine. Four category winners will each receive \$500 and a one-year subscription to Mr. Food's *EasyCooking* magazine.

To enter Mr. Food's Good Mornings with Cheese Recipe Contest, send recipes to P.O. Box 812000, Chicago, IL 60681 or enter on-line at the ADA's Web site, www.ilovecheese.com. All entries must contain the contestant's name, complete address, phone number, age, complete recipe, recipe title and category (On-the-Go, Egg-cetera, Batter Breakfasts and Baked Goods). More than one recipe per contestant may be submitted, but there may be only one winner per household and one prize per winner. Entry must be received via U.S. mail by June 15, 2000.

For complete rules, visit the

ADA's Web site at www.ilovecheese.com, or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Mr. Food's Good Mornings with Cheese Recipe Contest, P.O. Box 812000, Chicago, IL 60681.

Let Mr. Food's favorite breakfast inspire you and palate:

Pull-Apart Cheese Makes 12 to 15 servings
Prep time: 10 min
Cook time: 25 to 30 min

2 packages (approx. 20) refrigerated, buttermilk biscuit dough
1 cup (4 ounces) Colby and Monterey Jack cheese blend
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese
1 can (4 ounces) green chilies, drained (optional)

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Coat a 9" x 13" baking dish with nonstick cooking spray. Separate the biscuits into a total of 16 biscuits. Place 6 biscuits in a large bowl. Add 1/2 cup of the cheese blend and 1/2 cup of the Cheddar cheese. Mix well. Spoon the mixture into the baking dish. Bake for 25 minutes or until the biscuits are golden and cooked through. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Hugs And Kisses Delivered To Kids Who Really Need

(NAPS)—What's longer than a limo, more colorful than a cab and the "sweetest ride" around? It's the *Hershey's Kissmobile*—the "chocolate lover's dream machine"—and it's rolling into cities across North America in 2000.

Two *Kissmobiles* are making appearances and bringing smiles to kids' faces throughout the United States and Canada during the *Kissmobile* 2000 Tour, which extends through Dec. 17, 2000.

The two vehicles are traveling to approximately 100 cities, visiting children's hospitals, participating in parades and festivals and making retail stops. The tour is helping to raise awareness and donations for the Children's Miracle Network (CMN).

Each 25-foot-6-inch-long by 11-foot-6-inch-tall specialty vehicle resembles a row of three giant *Hershey's Kisses* chocolates: a classic Kiss, a Kiss With Almonds and a Hug. With the capacity to store more than 230,000 chocolate *Hugs* and *Kisses*, each *Kissmobile* will travel more than 50,000 miles this year.

The partnership between Hershey Foods Corporation and CMN began in 1987, and the first *Kissmobile* was built in 1997 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of *Hershey's Kisses*.

To date, Hershey's has raised more than \$7 million for CMN, an international, nonprofit organization dedicated to raising funds for, and awareness of, children's hospitals.

CMN is affiliated with more than 170 children's hospitals and hospital foundations in the United States and Canada and ensures that more than 14 million children receive care each year.

New in 2000, the *Hershey's Hugs and Kisses Award Program* recognizes and honors outstanding individuals who have made significant contributions to help children, and who exemplify the ideals of warmth, caring and kindness for kids through their work with CMN.

Marie Osmond, co-host of the "Donny and Marie" show and co-

founder of CMN, was named the first honoree of the award.

During the *Kissmobile* Tour, the *Hershey's Kisses Award* will be presented to select CMN volunteer children's hospitals.

To find out when the *Kissmobile* will be in your area, more about the *Hershey's Kisses Award Program*, visit the company's website at www.Hersheys.com/kiss or call the *Kissmobile* at 1-888-499-5477.



The 25-foot-long *Hershey's Kissmobile* delivers chocolate *Hugs* and *Kisses* nationwide and helps raise awareness for Children's Miracle Network.

Revive Your Lawn With Terrific Tips From Landscaping Expert Warren Schultz

(NAPS)—It's the perfect time to think about getting your lawn in shape for the lawn care season. Warren Schultz, author of "A Man's Turf: The Perfect Lawn," and MTD Products Inc., the manufacturer of Yard-Man by MTD lawn care equipment, have created a handy guide for lawn owners. "Consumers should make sure right now that they have the right equipment and know-how, if they want to improve and beautify their lawn this year," says Schultz.

A HELPFUL GUIDE TO A BEAUTIFUL LAWN

Mowing the lawn is more than a Saturday morning ritual

"Too often homeowners view lawn mowing as a chore to hurry through, not realizing different lawns require different methods," says Schultz.

• Only use a riding lawn tractor for yards that are one acre or larger, and a push mower for smaller lawns. The Yard-Man by MTD 559K is an example of an easy-to-use self-propelled mower that has a 2-in-1 system to mulch and bag.

• Make sure you know what type of grass you have, because each species requires a different cutting height—from 1" to 3". Cool-season grasses, such as Kentucky bluegrass, grow upright and require a higher cutting height. Warm-season grasses like Bermuda grass require a lower blade



height setting.

• Avoid sharp turns, which can scalp your lawn. The Yard-Man by MTD D604G riding lawn tractor has a TightTurn® capability that provides increased maneuverability around trees and flowerbeds.

• Sharpen or replace your mower blade every two months.

• Mow only when grass is dry and never remove more than one-third of the grass blade.

The importance of mulching

"Mulching may seem like a hassle, but in the long run it helps the environment, and the health and appearance of your lawn," says Schultz.

• Mulch the grass clippings to improve the fertility of the soil and the color of the grass. A mulching mower such as the Yard-Man by MTD 979L with a Supreme Mulch™, 21" high vacuum deck provides finely cut clippings, which rapidly decompose.

• If you don't mulch, fertilize your lawn once a year.

Watering is a science

"A common error in lawn care is over or under watering," says Schultz. "Know your lawn's needs, and water the most important areas."

• During the driest part of summer, apply 1" of water per week in the early morning.

• Most sprinklers deliver approximately four inches of water per week.

• If water runs off, stop watering before 1" is applied.

• Turn the sprinkler off, let the water in, then continue watering.

Appearance is everything

"Landscaping is an effort unless you take the time to save your grass from being stunted by debris like sticks," advises Schultz.

• Try using one machine for chipping, shredding and mulching capabilities, such as the Yard-Man by MTD 0201.

For more tips on how to keep your lawn looking its best, visit the Yard-Man Web site at www.yardman.com. For the story of the American Lawn (Clarkson Pott), call 1-800-488-5011.

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• **It's the thought that counts.** Consider the taste and
style of the recipient, and choose
flowers that are complementary.
For example, someone who likes
country-style decor may appreciate
an arrangement in a basket,
while a modernist might prefer
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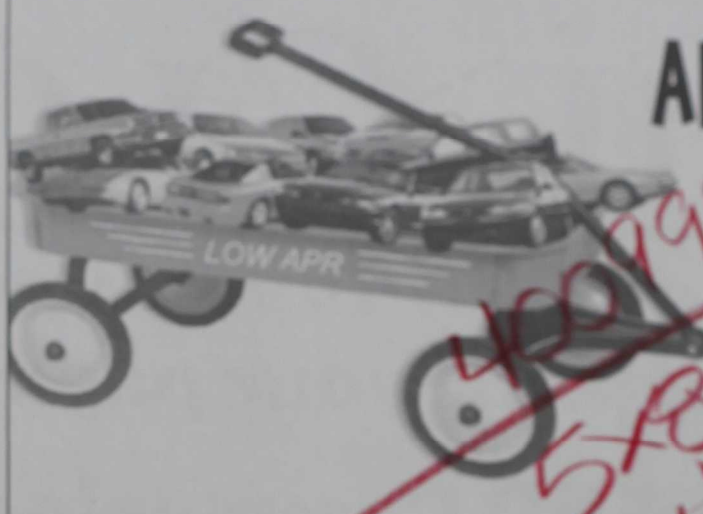
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Dr. Jones and the other dentists who are donating their services are members of The Crown Council. The Crown Council is an alliance of over 800 dedicated, leading-edge dental teams from throughout North America who subscribe to a continually rising standard of dental care.

The tooth whitening procedure involves preparing a mold of the patients teeth so that a customized whitening tray can be created and worn at home. Discus Dental is donating the supplies, so the Dr. Jones Dental Office is able to give 100% of the money they raise to ill children's charities. For more information or questions on "Smiles for Life" call Dr. Jones at (910) 455-2151.

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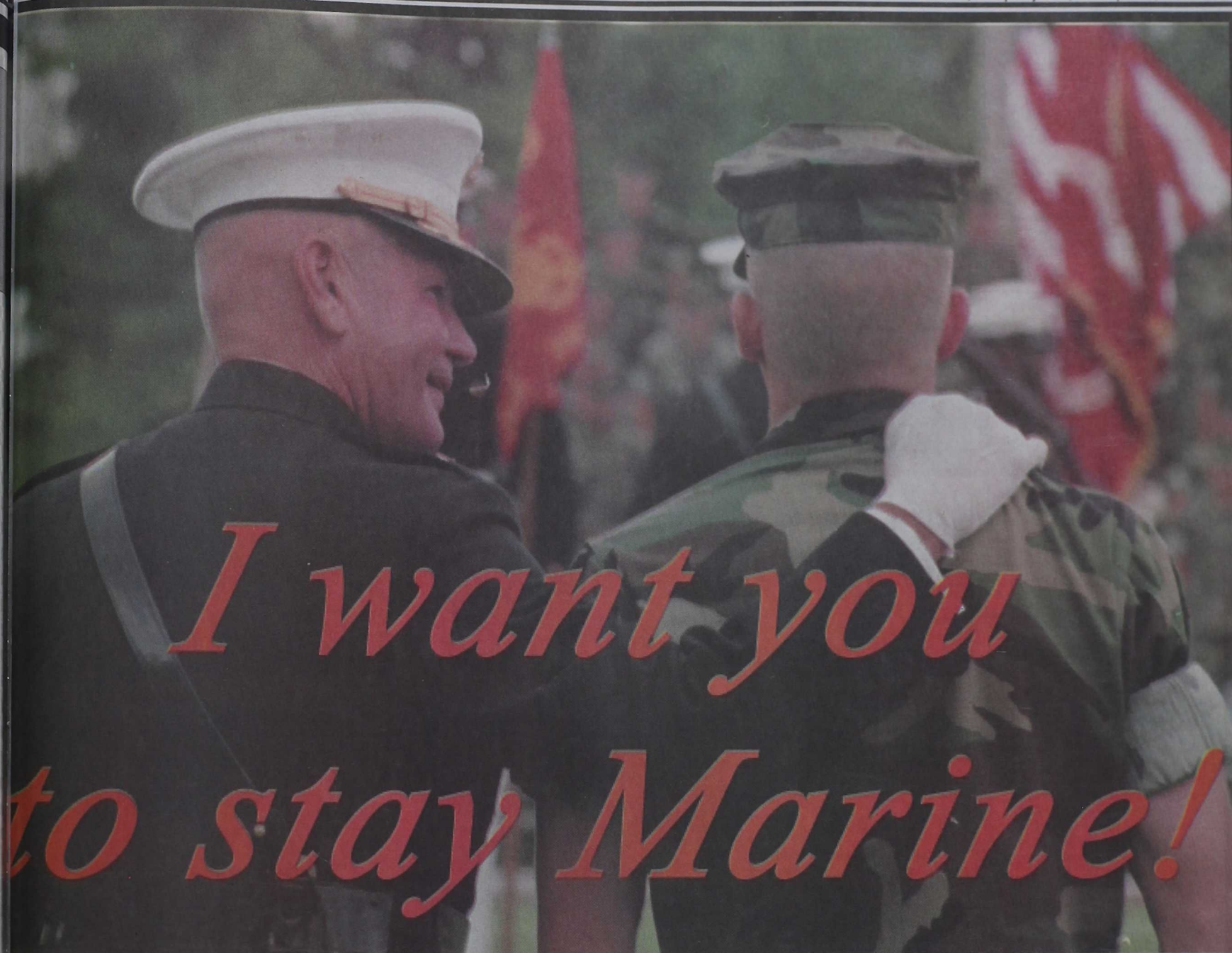
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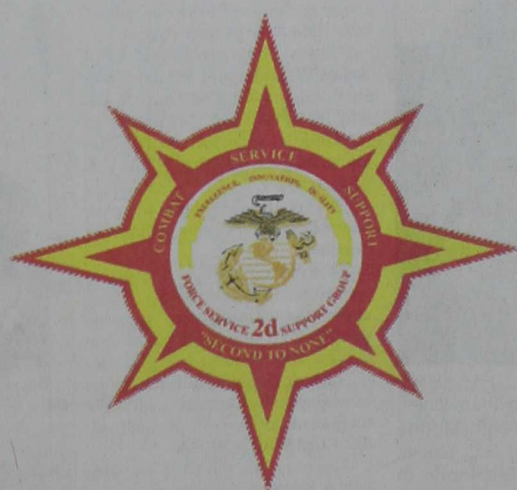
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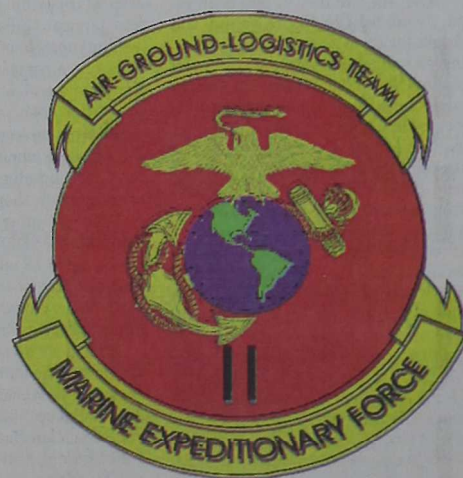


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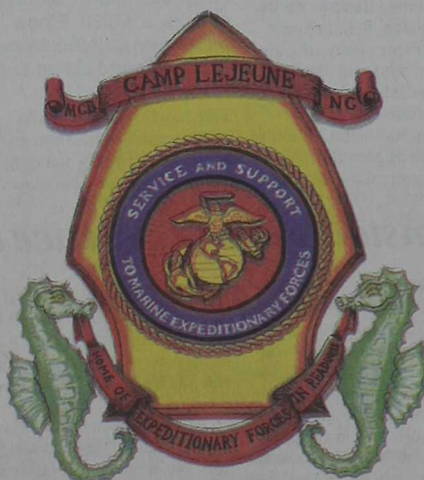
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STAND-UP from 1A

The Unitas puzzle consists of 270 Marines and Sailors from various units within the II MEF to include Charlie Co, 1st Bn, 2d Marine Regiment; 2d Platoon, Bravo Company, 2d Assault Amphibian Battalion; a Shore Fire Control Party detachment from 2d Bn, 10th Marine Regiment; a detachment from Small Craft Company, Headquarters Bn; and a detachment from 2d Reconnaissance Bn, all from 2d Marine Division.

The basic creation of Unitas begins with the center puzzle piece: Headquarters and Service Company, which handles all administration, training, communications and equipment.

"Headquarters and Service Company puts together all of the operational planning and preparation for the deployment," said **Cpl Anthony Gavito IV**, intelligence chief and Denver native.

The Unitas H&S Company provides command, communications, computer intelligence systems and combat service support in order to effectively plan and execute all operations and maintain readiness, sustainment and mission capability.

The Rifle Company can be reinforced with the use of the Small Craft Detachment from H&S Company. Using ten Combat Rubber Reconnaissance Craft, the detachment has the capability to transport a reinforced platoon in the littoral and riverine environments.

"Small craft is used to get the Rifle Company Marines deployed onto the beach," said **Sgt Thomas L. Dennis**, noncommissioned officer-in-charge of the Small Craft Detachment. "We also get the infantry Marines used to boats and then train them how to operate the craft."

The Rifle Company is part of the ground combat element and another large piece of the puzzle. Its strengths include light, medium and heavy machine guns, 60mm and 81mm mortars, assault rocket launchers and small arms.

"The Rifle Company will be first on the scene and ready to defend the citizen's interests," said **LCpl Jeremy M. Combs**, armory custodian and West Seneca, N.Y., native.

Another piece of the Unitas XLI puzzle is the amphibious assault vehicles from Company "B," 2d AA Bn. These vehicles are used to provide a mechanized force for mechanized raids and troop movement.

"AAVs provide the infantry a way of getting from ship to shore," said **Sgt Chad M. Coston**, AAV section leader and Houma, La., native.

The next piece of the puzzle is the Shore Fire Control Party, which supports U.S. or allied forces with control and liaison services in the use of Naval surface fire and air support during amphibious assaults or other operations.

The last piece of the puzzle is the reconnaissance detachment from 2d Reconnaissance Bn. These Marines conduct amphibious reconnaissance for landing forces as directed by the commanding officer. Their secondary missions include scout sniper capability and initial terminal guidance for aircraft.

"I believe we have come a long way in a short period of time but we still have a lot of work to accomplish in order to be fully prepared for deployment to South America," said Cuccio.

With a highly active training schedule filled with various training operations and exercises, all the pieces for the Unitas XLI puzzle will be ready to represent the United States this summer.

HERO from 1A

ards until the fire department arrived," said Spates. "After the fire danger had been established, I went back to ensure Sarduy was doing alright inside the cab."

Trying to maintain a stable position for the driver until the ambulance arrived, Sarduy observed a single family photo taped to the driver's console within the cab.

"It made me think the guy was not just some trucker. The little picture of his wife and young child made me think that they were sitting at home, totally unaware of what was going on," said Sarduy.

What took less than 15 minutes, seemed like 15 hours as civil authorities began arriving on the scene. The help was welcomed, and as the victim was put on a spine board and rushed off in an ambulance, the Marines instantly felt as if a part of them was still with the man and his family.

Proving themselves ready at any time, clime or place, Sarduy and Spates are not new to the role of a hero. On a previous road trip during 1999, the two LAR Marines were subject to another vehicular accident that involved personal injuries that they were able to assist. Was it fate or coincidence that brought these two Marines together and put them in these circumstances?

"Whenever we're together, something always happens to keep the days interesting."

Camp Lejeune brings home installation excellence award

L.C. Greene, Jr
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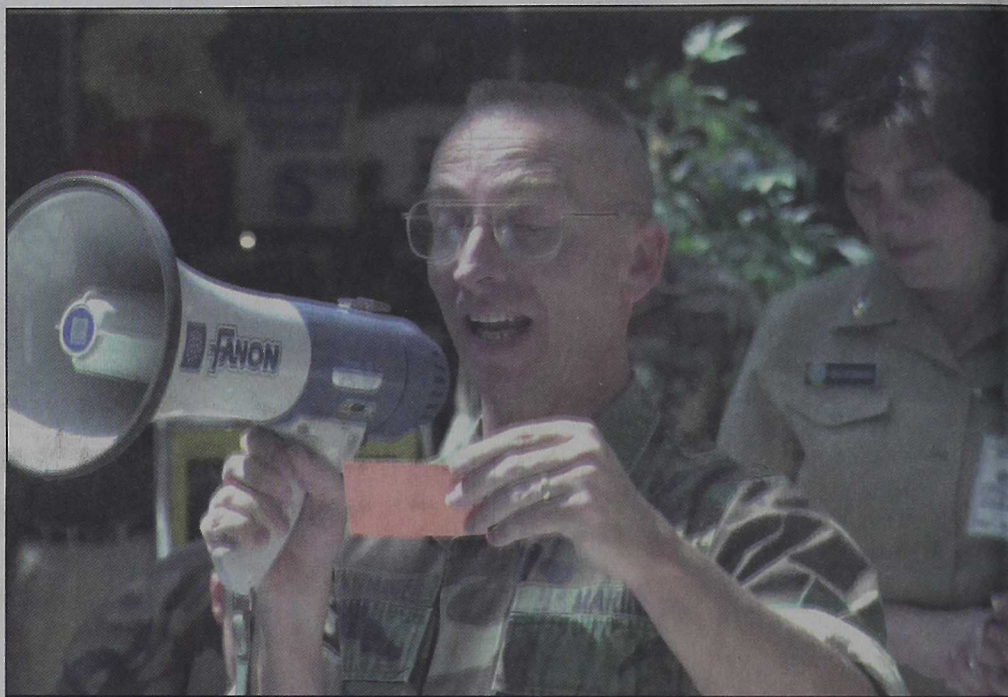
Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune has a national reputation for excellence. This reputation has led to designation of Marine Corps base, Camp Lejeune as a DoD Model Installation and receipt of the Commander-In-Chief's Award of Installation Excellence. The high level of excellence at Camp Lejeune is a result of the constant pursuit of new ideas and the strong commitment of all military and civilian personnel to improving base operations.

It is the policy of this command to direct maximum effort toward improving the quality of the base support provided to the ten-

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PRIZE DRAWING --

Top: **MajGen Ronald G. Richard**, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune reaches into the drum to select this year's grand prize winners recently. **Sgt James R. O'Brien** of 2d Tank Battalion won \$10,000.

Right: "And The Winner Is..." **SgtMaj Otis Kokensparger**, Sergeant Major of Marine Corps Base, announces the winners of the final weekly prizes. **Sgt Tony V. Farley** of VMVT-204, MCAS New River, **MSgt Theodore H. Etling** of 8th Engineer's Support Bn, and **1stLt Bruce J. Stoffano** of 2d LAR Bn were all weekly winners.



SWORD from 1A

the regiment in order to set up. CSSD-42 is comprised mostly of Marine reserves with stations all over the United States.

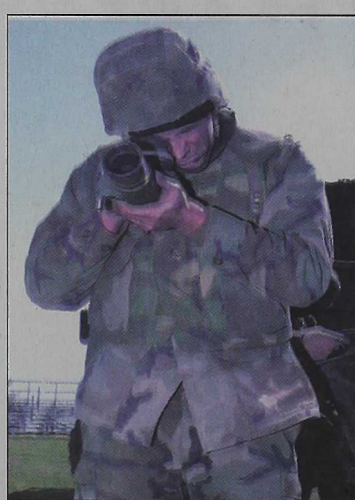
Gobar called the training "the best training the regiment gets all year long." It gives 10th Marines the opportunity to hone artillery tactical skills they can not get on the swampy terrain of Camp Lejeune. The Marines move constantly from area to area giving them a real-world feel and different targets from unknown and varying distances. Aside from the constant shift of locale where the Marines employ indirect fire, they also have the opportunity to do direct fire exercises at much shorter ranges.

When shooting indirect fire, the Marines, firing the M198 155mm howitzer, can fire at targets up to 18 miles. During direct fire, the Marines fire at targets only thousands of yards away and can see in plain sight the impact of their round.

"When we do indirect fire, all we do is set up the shot according to the instructions we get and fire. We never actually see where the rounds end up," said **Cpl Everett Sousa**, ammunition team chief, Romeo Battery, 5th Bn, 10th Marines, and Johnston, R.I., native.

The exercise gives them plenty of training, according to Gobar, who said they shoot up thousands and thousands of rounds during the three-week evolution.

"From 0700 in the morning until 2300 at night, you can hear rounds going off, blowing up and shaking the ground," said, Gobar,



Cpl Ariel Linares

Cpl Everett Souza, Ammo Team Chief, Romeo Battery, 5th Bn, 10th Marine Regiment, and a Johnston R.I., native, checks a M138 Elbow Telescope in preparation for a direct fire exercise during Express Sword at Fort Bragg recently.

a Breau Bridge, La., native.

The regiment has been going to Fort Bragg for about 50 years and concluded Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

24th MEU from 1A

rolled through the streets and dirt lanes around the town, providing security. Throughout the night they searched the back roads for signs of illegal activity, crossing one-lane wooden bridges over streams to get to villages.

"It was a little scary," said **LCpl Brian P. Anderson**, Weapons Co, BLT 2/6, from Monroe, Ohio. "I was thinking, 'Please don't break.' It does get a little tense out there in the night, going up a one lane road on the side of a mountain."

The Weapons Co Marines learned valuable lessons during their night mission.

This mission proved to them that teamwork is key and as long as they apply the training they've gone through, everything goes according to plan. The seriousness of the training hit home with the Marines, many of who were on their first real-world mission, according to Cincinnati native **LCpl Scott A. Riehle**.

"I was a little scared to see what would happen when we got here," said Riehle, "but I was also excited that I was going to test out my training. It was good."

It's good to train in a [foreign] environment. It makes it more realistic

when you get to do something. Follow the 24th MEU (SOC) on their website at www.usmc.mil



LCpl Tony K. Dick, Heavy Counter-Intelligence Plt, Weapons Co, BLT 2/6, cammieing departing Camp Casablanca via PODEJEVO, Kosovo, April 1.

Civilian Personnel

Letter addresses premium conversion

Kay Thigpen
Labor Relations Specialist

Don't forget to visit the HRO web site at www.lejeune.usmc.mil/hrocast <<http://www.lejeune.usmc.mil/hrocast>> for Human Resources related information.

Leave Recipient:

James Lawrence, employed by Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, has been approved as a leave recipient. Lawrence has

a medical emergency which is expected to continue through May 12. Anything to donate annual leave may be completing a leave donor application.

Lump Sum Annual Leave:

OPM has developed a fact sheet regarding lump sum payment for leave upon retirement/resignation. You can read this fact sheet at <http://www.opm.gov/oc/html/factsht.htm>

NEWS & FEATURES

PFC Andrew T. Thorton represents the vast talent at 2d MarDiv Combat Camera. 4B



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Maintenance sections keep tracks rolling

Brannen Parrish
Combat Correspondent

Six tons of aluminum and steel carry 21 combat-ready Marines saltwater. The environment in which Amphibious Assault Vehicles could take its toll quickly on other types of equipment. With a blood-soaked back to Tarawa, AAVs and the Marines that operate them have the capability of dealing with the elements and evolving to accomplish their mission in a changing world.

The responsibility of keeping Camp Lejeune's AAVs on the move rests on the shoulders of the maintenance sections of 2d Assault Amphibian Bn, 2d Marine Division.

Marines keep 233 AAVs on the move and available ready for use at a moment's notice.

Coming to the fleet, Marines spend three months in school at Delmar, Del. Although the training the Marines receive is top notch, nothing can

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Cpl Brannen Parrish

Renzo Simien, a mechanic with "C" Company, 2d Assault Amphibian Bn, mends a throttle on an Amphibious Assault Vehicle engine. He is from Lafayette, La.

NEWSWATCH

Training accident claims 19 Marines: Plans were finalized for a memorial service aboard MCAS New River in the aftermath of a tragic training accident which resulted in the deaths of 19 Marines.

An MV-22 Osprey accident occurred at the Marana, Arizona Airport. The majority of the Marines were from 1st Bn, 5th Marine Regiment, Camp Lejeune, Calif. "Clearly, we are all deeply saddened whenever we lose a member from the II MEF family," said MajGen Emil R. "Buck" Bedard, II MEF Commanding General. "Warriors are acutely aware that we serve in a dangerous profession - but that's little solace when one of our own is lost."

His wife, Linda and the entire II MEF family join me in expressing our sympathy and heartfelt sympathies to the families of each of our fellow Marines who were killed in last night's tragic accident. Officials recovered the bodies of the 19 Marines along with the aircraft data recorder late Tuesday. The bodies will be taken to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base where they will be placed aboard a military aircraft with Marine escorts and be flown to Dover Air Force Base, Del., for identification and processing. Identification is complete, each will travel with Marine escorts to his or her place of interment with military honors.

Camp Lejeune captain sentenced: Sunday, a military judge sentenced a captain after being convicted Saturday of dereliction of duty and violation of a lawful order. LtCol Ralph H. Mann sentenced Capt Victor A. Arana to forfeit \$600 of pay per month for six months and to receive a letter of reprimand, according to James Rich, External Information Officer, Consolidated Public Affairs Office, Marine Corps Base. Arana was found guilty following a court-martial that began April 3 at Lejeune. The case against Arana stems from an investigation into the death of LCpl Joseph Leto, a student at Camp Lejeune's Marine Corps Combat Serenading School, Camp Geiger, who died following a conditioning drill by Arana July 7, 1999.

Marines quest rewarded after 58 years: Buddies never find their own, even after 58 years. Col David Pagano of the U.S. Army Identification Laboratory in Hawaii formally announced that the remains of 19 of 30 long-lost Marines had been found in December in a cave on an island far from home. The site of a fierce battle, in mid-1942 called Makin Atoll on the Butaritari Island in Kiribati, between American and Japanese garrisons that left behind a complex mystery. One very determined Leatherneck, Marines from 2nd Raider Battalion arrived off Makin and went straight into action to attack the Japanese-occupied island. They killed 83 Japanese and destroyed two sea-craft. Eighteen Raiders died and 12 were missing. In August 1998 the Army began a search for the men. With the help of man who had been a Marine, the burial detail so long ago, the Army excavation team found the remains in December. As the remains were removed to a waiting C-130, the color guard, the elderly man stood in respect and sang the Marines' Hymn in tribute. It will take about one year to identify the remains at the Army facility in Hawaii. The challenge to find all of those missing or dead continues. Reprinted from a Jennifer Harper article in the Washington Times, with permission.

Statue to honor 39 Latino war heroes: The governing board of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument, the site of the city's founding in 1781, approved a statue to honor 39 Latinos who received the Medal of Honor. The monument will be named after A. Obregon, a Marine from East Los Angeles who was posthumously awarded the medal after saving the life of a fellow Marine during World War II. The monument will cost an estimated \$1 million, according to the Los Angeles Times.

Plans to pay for bills from radiation: The Clinton administration, vowing to "right the wrongs of the past," by unveiling the pending national compensation plan to compensate thousands of workers who were exposed to radiation while helping to build the nation's nuclear arsenal, according to the Washington Post. The plan would pay \$100,000 to workers with certain cancers, in the first acknowledgment of responsibility of unsafe working conditions. The plan would also pay for medical care for workers and their families. The plan would also pay for medical care for workers and their families. The plan would also pay for medical care for workers and their families.



Sgt Bobbie J. Bryant

NEED SOME HELP -- Jessica M. O'Connor, of Midland, Texas, discovers how much fun pipe cleaners can be during the Children's Expo at Marston Pavilion April 1. Jessica's father is SSgt Donald J. O'Connor, an infantryman with 2d Bn, 2d Marine Division. See related story/2B.

Local community leaders share views of future

2ndLt James D. Jarvis
Community Liaison Officer

The Jacksonville-Onslow Chamber of Commerce and the Governmental Affairs Committee presented the 2000 State of the Community Breakfast March 23 at the Jacksonville Country Club.

The annual event, sponsored by the Jones-Onslow Electric Membership Corporation, featured perspectives and performance updates from some of the biggest names in Jacksonville and Onslow County government and leadership.

Featured were Dr. Ronald B. Singletary, superintendent for Onslow County Schools; Chairman

Tony Padgett, Onslow County Board of Commissioners; Mayor George Jones, City of Jacksonville; MajGen Ronald G. Richard, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; and Dr. Ronald K. Lingle, president of Coastal Carolina Community College. While the honored guests offered their own unique view of the progress made in the past year, one theme seemed to run throughout. "Jacksonville and Onslow County are experiencing unprecedented growth, and sound economic development will be the key to success."

Singletary, drawing upon his roots in elementary education, graphically portrayed his five tenets for future community growth in a jigsaw puzzle.

Recognizing that "schools are an important part of our citizens' quality of life," Singletary pieced together his five tenets as economic development, having a shared vision, quality of life, having a positive future for our children, and finally education.

"Education," Singletary said, "is the glue that holds all of the others together." He briefly highlighted that \$26 million had been earmarked to construct two new schools and renovate four others as well as building 102 new classrooms for more than 2,600 students.

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Youth Red Cross volunteers assist Naval Hospital

Ron Huffman
Naval Hospital Red Cross Manager

When you walk into the Naval Hospital, and you are served by a person wearing a Red Cross badge, you may wonder, who is this person, and why do he spend his free time working for nothing?

"Patriotism, concern for others, camaraderie, a sense of duty, vocational experience, prior good experience with Red Cross, my friends work there, I want to be a part of something larger than myself," ...these are just a few of the reasons provided by volunteers donating time in Naval Hospital facilities from the Emergency Room to the Mother-Baby unit to performing greeting duties at the front desk.

Many of these volunteers are members of the Red Cross Youth Volunteer Program. Currently 36 youths, many from Lejeune High School, some home schooled and others from the surrounding community, offer their services to the Red Cross. Most come after the school bell sounds ending their school day. They come to the hospital to work for a couple of hours or into the early evening, depending on the time they have to donate. Others work in the agencies of the hospital

that provide weekend services, such as the emergency room, radiology and on the wards. The common thread among all the youth volunteers is a desire to be of help, to make a difference.

The youth volunteers have donated over 1300 hours of volunteer time in the last three months. The youths, aged 14 to 18, provide a valuable force multiplier to the hospital. They take over registration, basic administrative duties and assisting nursing staff with non-professional duties. This allows the trained corpsmen, nurses and professional staff to provide better service directly to the patients, devoting additional time to increase the continuity of patient care.

Coupled with the influx of youth volunteers over the past few months, there was a need to expand volunteer opportunities to other groups. The Red Cross was approached by May Langston, a special needs teacher at Lejeune High School. A cooperative effort between the school and the Red Cross Youth Program Coordinator, HM3 Shawn Huelsman, resulted in interviews of potential special needs candidates, and coordinating with hospital agencies to insure the volunteer opportunities for the special

needs youths were appropriate and rewarding.

Huelsman said "The opportunity to be of service to the community through the Red Cross youth program has allowed me to grow as a person. The reward of providing youngsters the opportunity to work in a very special environment such as the hospital gives me pride in the career path that I chose. The special needs program enhances those youths' employment potential later in life as well as taking advantage of their considerable skills as volunteers."

Youth volunteer Vincente Ortiz, a J.C. Penney Golden Rule award nominee, said the Red Cross volunteer program teaches "attention to detail when dealing with patient records," and the most rewarding part of volunteering is "to work in a team with others."

The American Red Cross Youth Volunteer Program continues to expand activities throughout the Naval Hospital. The humanitarian mission of the Red Cross and its integral



Ron Huffman

Vincente Ortiz and Preston Johnson volunteer time at Outpatient Records.

responsibility to work for the welfare of the military community have motivated America's youth for generations. Activities at the Naval Hospital promise to carry on that tradition.

Staying in focus . . .

PFC Andrew T. Thornton
Combat Photographer

Hometown: Raymond, Maine.

Photography history: Has only been into photography since enlistment. "It's something I've always been interested in, and I wanted to try it."

Hobbies: drawing, art, biking and skateboarding.

Goals: To work in a photo studio or for a magazine.

Favorite subjects: outdoor photography, sports photography.

Mentor: SSgt Robert Butler, Combat Camera. "Butler has been a very good teacher, and I have learned a lot from his experience."

Parting Shot: "The Marine Corps has put me on the path toward a career in photography."

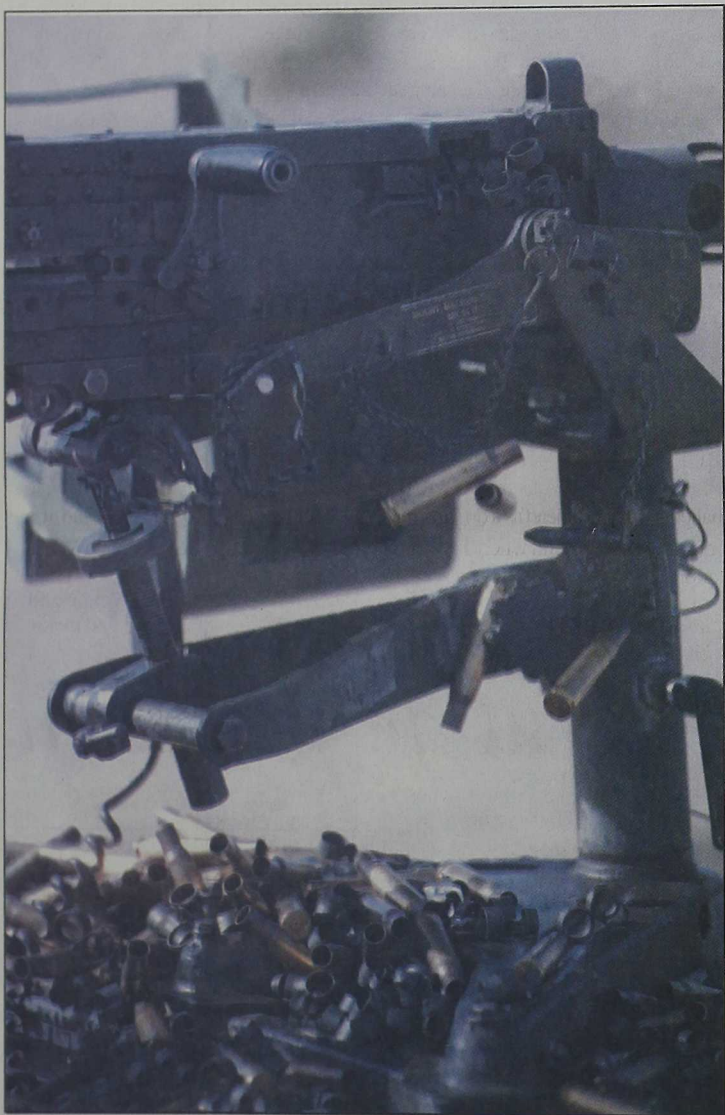
This is an installment of a periodic GLOBE series featuring the work of Camp Lejeune-based and area photographers.



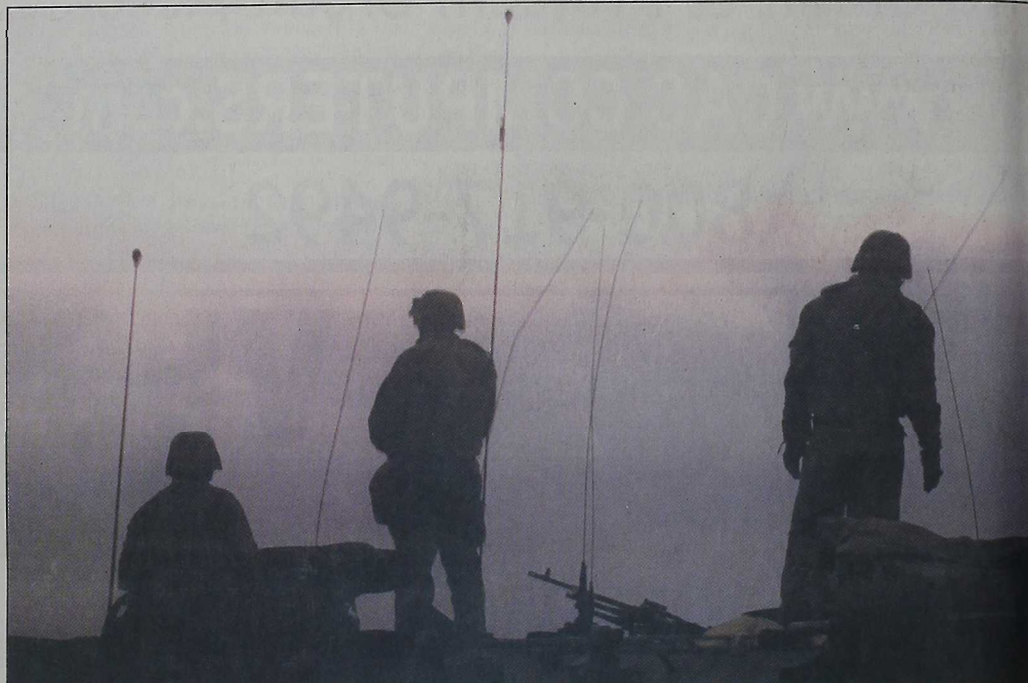
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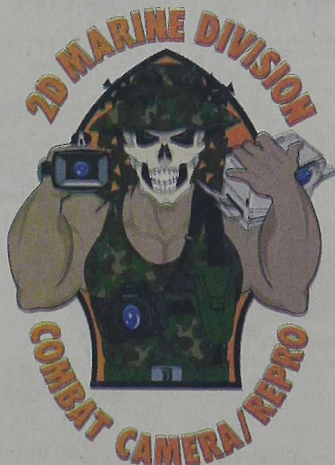
While performing proficiently and professionally for the Marines of Camp Lejeune, the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps Drum Major MGySgt James P. O'Keefe, offers the Commanding General a hand salute.



The turret of this humvee as well as the ground around it are mercilessly pelted with hot brass while hundreds of rounds are being fired from a .50 caliber machine gun, leaving the immediate area littered with smoking shells.



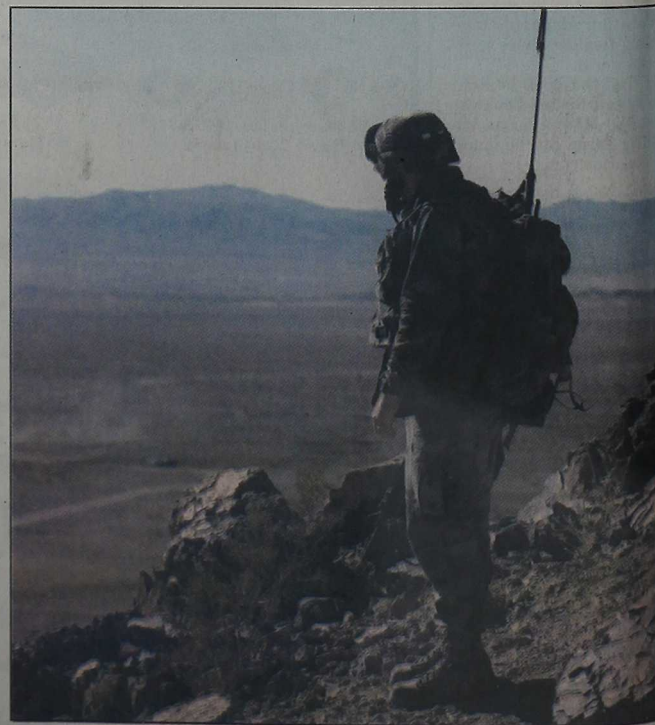
Few pleasures await the Marines of 2d Assault Amphibian Bn in the field during the early morning desert hours aside from the visually stimulating effects of a resplendent sunrise.



Despite an impending rainstorm, the Marine Corps Silent Drill Team performs in front of the Marines of Camp Lejeune Sept. 9, 1999.



On the top of Machine Gun Hill at Twentynine Palms, Calif., three Marines from Charlie Co, 1st Bn, 8th Marines, support ground troops with suppressive fire from a 240G machine gun during CAX 4.



While the actions on Range 400 halt, a Marine from Charlie Co, 1/8, stands during a momentary lull in cantankerous noise from rifle fire and grenade explosions, keeping an eye for a scenic desert expanse and blue sky.

Artillery leader one of Corps' hidden treasures

Photo by
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LAGG, N.C. — The Marine is ed with crucial leadership bil- al to mission accomplishment velfare. The 0800 field, field no exception.

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on chiefs of artillery units are nes. The chief of an individual ndles the teaching of the ecks assigned to him. It is a ut one that provides satisfac- arine Corps pride.

ely, the section chief is respon- sibilities taken to ensure Ma- properly trained. The section he move all day making sure gets done," said SSgt Hec- ritz section chief with Romeo Bat- th, 10th Marine Regiment. "I l in them that knowledge is that they can stay ahead by

studying their MOS (military occupational specialty) knowledge. I tell them it's important to be proficient at our MOS and to be proficient as a Marine in general, to do your best and to carry yourself as a Marine."

Ortiz, a Lorain, Ohio native, knows the ins and outs of being a section chief as well as anybody. He has held the position for more than five years since at-



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SSgt Hector Ortiz
Section Chief
5th Bn, 10th Marines

tending the Section Chief's Course at the Artillery Training School at 10th Marines. He understands the importance of his job, not only as a section chief, but also as an artilleryman and a Marine.

"I love being an 0811," he said. "It's exciting supporting the grunts, knowing that we are sitting behind the line providing support to the front line, and do-

ing our best to help keep them alive. It's a very important job. If I'm giving a hundred and ten percent, then I know I'm helping to keep somebody alive."

Working on the M198 155mm Howitzer is a demanding job where hard-working Marines strive. With long hours and constant relocation, it may seem like a non-stop effort. According to Ortiz however, hard work is rewarded by down time that gives these warriors time to rest, do weapons maintenance and keep up on MOS and Marine Corps knowledge.

"The hours aren't bad. Sometimes we work late but we make up for it. I give

my Marines an opportunity to rest," he said. "Sometimes we rack out at zero one and get up at zero five or six, but once our mission is accomplished we rest and take care of other things."

Taking care of the Marines of his section is important to Ortiz and his Marines understand the importance of mission accomplishment.

"I love teaching Marines. I love to work with them because the way your section operates is a reflection of you," said Ortiz. "If you have a section chief who doesn't brief and teach his Marines, it shows because things don't fall into place. The way our gun runs depends on how well I train my Marines."

His Marines respect his leadership as a section chief and respect him as a Marine, as well.

"He's definitely good to work for. He'll let you make decisions and that keeps it fun and motivating. He likes teaching new Marines things. He taught me everything I know. Staff Sergeant Ortiz is very knowledgeable. He knows a lot about the MOS," said Cpl Everett Souza, an ammo team chief with Romeo Battery, and a Johnston, R.I., native, who



SSgt Hector Ortiz, section chief with Romeo Battery, 5th Bn, 10th Marines, and a Lorain, Ohio native, discusses maintenance repairs with Takoma Park, Md. native, Cpl Abdoulaye Toure, an artillery mechanic with 5th Bn, during an indirect fire exercise at Fort Bragg recently.

has worked with Ortiz for more than three years. "He likes to keep morale high on the gun. He thinks if morale is low in the section, then a lot of mistakes will be made."

He stresses the importance of keeping his Marines informed and up to speed because of the frequent reassignment of Marines.

"One thing about being a section chief is you have to ensure all knowledge you know gets passed on because you won't be here forever," said Ortiz. "You teach your Marines so they can move up because they will be the ones taking your spot, taking over the responsibilities."

For Ortiz, his run as a section chief is quickly coming to an end.

He has been chosen to take his skills to the drill field where he will become a different kind of leader; a leader of recruits. He said he looks forward to the challenges that lie ahead as a drill instructor (DI) at Parris Island where he will be stationed.

"I need to move on but I look forward to the drill field. The reason I want to be a DI is to teach and make a differ-

ence in the Marine Corps. Going to P.I., making civilians into Marines reflects on you by what you teach them."

The Marines of his section will miss his leadership but know he is moving on to continue leading and training the few and the proud.

"He is a good Marine. He will make a good DI who will give his recruits much discipline," said PFC Phillip Iddins, an Atlanta native with Romeo Battery. "If he trains his Marines like he was trained and like he trained us, he'll make good Marines. He loves the Marine Corps. I wish he was going to Okinawa with us in June. He'll be missed by the battery because he plays a big role in it."

Ortiz said staying in the Marine Corps was an easy decision to make because of the pride he has in being an artilleryman and a Marine.

"If I got out, I would have come back in because I would have missed it so much," he said. "I love being a Marine fighting for my country, knowing I make a difference being a section chief and a Marine. It's all about pride and making a difference."



Ortiz helps the troops erect cammie netting during Express Sword.

22d MEU CO reflects on successful deployment



Marines from the 22d MEU (SOC) send rounds down range during the units maintenance down in Greece.

Sgt Kurt M. Smay
22d MEU Combat Correspondent

With the safe return of all Marines and Sailors from their recent deployment, April 7, Col Walter E. Gaskin marked his first deployment as the man at the helm of the 22d MEU (SOC).

"The most important thing that I've confirmed is that this is the best job in the Marine Corps," said the Savannah, Ga. native. "Not only do I get to work with some of the best Marines and Sailors our society has to offer, but I also get to play a direct role in the nation's defense and strategies."

While Col Gaskin revels in the privileges of his job, he does not take the responsibilities lightly.

Keeping 2,100 Marines and Sailors

equipped, ready and safe is an important task.

"The one thing that is humbling and challenging is that you are entrusted with so many of the Marine Corps' assets."

There's also the responsibility of patrolling the Mediterranean, which has become the MEU's identity over the years.

"There's a special trust and confidence in you (the MEU commander) to ensure all the policies set forth by the commander in chiefs and our nation are enforced," he said.

"You are the first on the scene. You're the first of the Marines on the scene and the first to represent your nation, and that's humbling."

Becoming an expeditionary force in readiness is the biggest responsibility of a MEU. For Gaskin, it is also the most fulfilling.

"The best part of being a MEU commander is demonstrating that the Marine Corps way of life is a good way of life," said Col Gaskin. "The best thing is to watch them evolve into a team; a force in readiness and a force to be reckoned with. Watching that transformation is something because you know you were a part of it."

Another essential part of the MEU (SOC) concept is teamwork with the Navy. During a MEU deployment, Marines work with Sailors 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"The very essence of our tradition is Navy," Col Gaskin said. "We are inextricably linked to each other. And it's imperative that we continue to forge that relationship."

"That Marine/Naval connection is so important because there is a total dependency on each other," he added. "Not

only am I proud of that professional relationship, but we're also friends with them."

While the entire workup and deploy-



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Commanding Officer
22d MEU (SOC)

ment evolution was a smashing success for the 22d MEU (SOC), the road was not without a few obstacles.

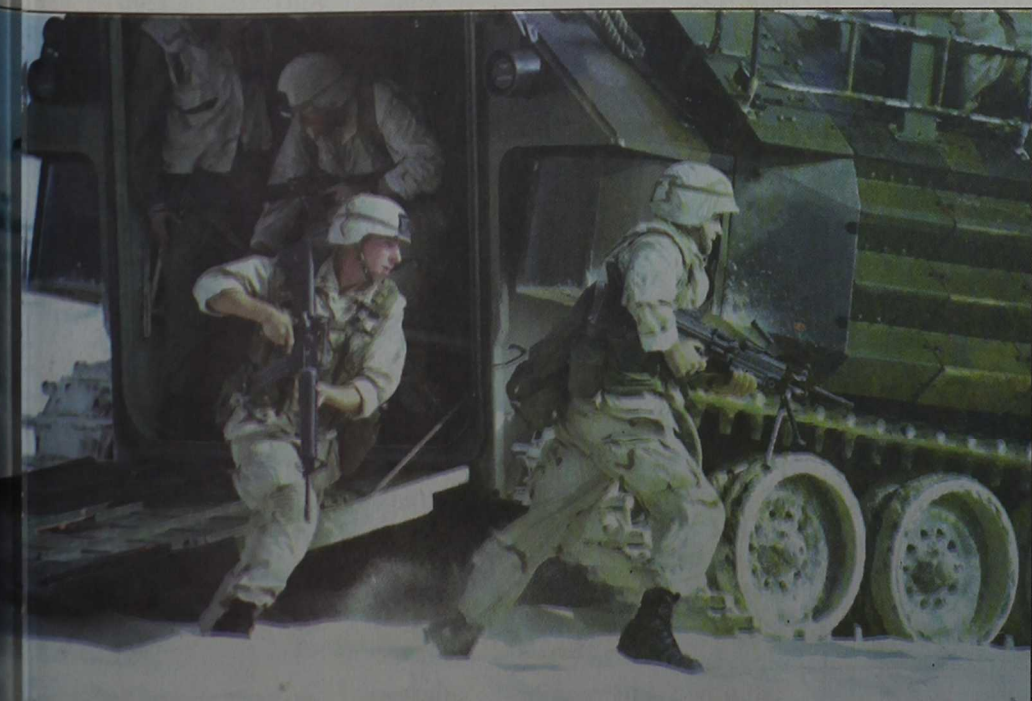
In June, days before the MEU began their Training in an Urban Environment Exercise (TRUEX), the Executive Officer, LtCol Terry D. Steele died of a brain aneurysm in his bachelor officers quarters room. The loss was a major blow to the unit.

"There's no way you can lose someone of his caliber and not feel the effects," Col Gaskin said of his friend and colleague. "Everyone felt the loss, but being Marines, they realized they must go on. They used it as motivation. In fact, many of our efforts were dedicated to him."

With Steele's memory driving them, the 22d MEU (SOC) embarked on a deployment that would see them complete three major exercises in the deserts of Egypt and the Middle East. While Col Gaskin was pleased with the MEU's performance, he said there's a lot of work still to be done.

"There's always room for improvement," he said. "This MEU (SOC) business is not a graduation, it's a continuous learning experience."

See 22MEU/8C



Sgt Kurt M. Smay

BLT 3/6 storm out of an AAV during Exercise Biraht Star '99, conducted while the 22d MEU (SOC) was in Evat.

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With the mood set and the importance of a shared vision already illuminated, Padgett bounded to the podium with a promise that "we are working together for a new beginning." The relationships that have been nurtured and strengthened in Onslow County according to Padgett have resulted in not only unprecedented growth, but also in an unemployment rate that has decreased steadily since 1990. Stressing the importance of continuous planning, Padgett reiterated the call that growth in Onslow County be in accordance with a shared vision, not sporadic and reckless.

The Mayor took his place next at the podium armed with facts, figures, and the status of many high-profile projects in Jacksonville. A new industrial park remains on pace for a June or July opening, Jones said. Redevelopment of the downtown area has already been fully embraced by the private sector with a 10-year government-sponsored renovation project set to begin soon, said the Mayor.

Jones highlighted the Sturgeon City Project which will, at a minimum, feature a beautiful new park with a butterfly garden, an ecological study center and picnic area with an indoor aquarium and museum still being considered.

The Jacksonville Raiders, a semi-professional football team, has been created with games set to be played aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. Credited to the newly-formed Onslow County Sports Authority, the Raiders will help bolster tourism and introduce Americans to all that Eastern North Carolina has to offer.

Jones also agreed that the unique relationships that exist in Onslow County between city government, county gov-

ernment and the county's Marine Corps bases are truly the key to our economic success.

MajGen Richard focused his comments on a strong theme of "trust." "I trust you," he told the audience of mostly business owners. "The base is as strong as ever financially and is a strong ally in the fight for future economic growth, both inside and outside the (base's) gate," the general said.

Providing the biggest surprise of the morning, the general announced that he was now willing to enter into new "partnerships" with businesses interested in expanding their clientele by conducting business on base. "The base is not in competition with the community," the general said.

In offering a hand of friendship, even partnership, to the local business community, the Base's Commanding General hopes to alleviate concerns over competition and, instead, work together with business leaders to form "partnerships" for the collective greater good. As with any good partnership, the key word is "trust."

Specifically, these new joint ventures are officially referred to as "public-private ventures" or PPVs for short. PPVs could be administered under the non-appropriated funds portion of Marine Corps Community Services' strict guidelines, thereby enabling commercial enterprises to set up stores on base.

Whereas policy and law may prohibit some specific types of business from participating in the program, there is a golden opportunity for long-term success for those businesses willing to apply for a partnership.

In fairness to those businesses already pursuing such partnerships, MajGen Ri-

chard did not offer any specific examples of kinds of businesses prohibited or sought. However, many civilian businesses already conduct business aboard Camp Lejeune including Domino's Pizza, Burger King, Andy's and Southern Cleaners.

The final speaker of the morning was Lingle, the president of CCCC. Lingle also embraced the tenet approach as a way to bond his presentation with the themes of the other speakers and outlined four tenets as the most important for Onslow County economic growth. As an educator, Lingle first stressed educational quality.

The quality of Onslow County's public schools, the first-rate education nurtured in the Department of Defense education system (as recently highlighted by NBC's "Today Show," and the positive efforts of CCCC have served to guarantee a reserve acceptance for all CCCC graduates at University of North Carolina-Wilmington.

The second tenet was technology and the need to continuously upgrade our technological assets to foster growth. His third tenet was teamwork and partnerships highlighting the comments of those speakers who had gone before him. He concluded with his fourth tenet that, in his opinion, a solid economic development program begins and ends with teamwork.

Five speakers, one message. "Teamwork, a partnership based upon trust, and investing in our children's education" are the keys to the door of opportunity for Onslow County.

Business owners interested in opening businesses on base can apply for the program by calling **Wayne West** or **Lynn Ritter** at MCCS, 451-2525.



THE GIFT OF GIVING -- Bob Pollock, member of the Baltimore chapter of the Marine Corps League, and Baltimore native, helps unload his chapter's collection of games and books at the Key Volunteer Center recently. The games will be repackaged and shipped to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit. The more Chapter also donated a few boxes of children's books for the Key Volunteer Center.

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substitute time says **CWO4 William Schwenger**, maintenance officer, 2d AA Bn.

"It's a steep learning curve," says the Millville, Pa., native who came into the Marine Corps in 1976, before the current AAVs were under production.

"A lot of on-the-job-training is required. It takes about 18 months to get a mechanic to the point you don't have to have someone looking over his shoulder."

Each line company within 2d AA Bn, has its own maintenance section, where

they conduct the majority of repairs on the vehicles.

Each of the companies has 47 vehicles they must maintain.

The level of maintenance referred to as second echelon maintenance includes repairing the suspension system, annual and semi-annual checks, recovery and some compartment replacement.

According to Schwenger, second echelon maintenance is often considered the most difficult level. "Second echelon maintenance requires a lot of troubleshooting," says Schwenger. "You have

operators coming up to you saying, 'My tractor won't go.' And you have to figure out why it won't go."

The workhorses of the line companies' maintenance sections are the AAV recovery vehicles. The R7s contain most of the tools mechanics need to make on-site repairs.

A boom is mounted to the top of the R7, and can be used to remove the engine-transmission assembly, commonly referred to as the 'pack' by mechanics.

"They can pretty much do anything," says **GySgt David Van Den Heede**,

ramp chief, C Co, 2d AA Bn, who hails from Pendleton, Ore.

"When we're out in the field we have all the tools we need. We can remove the packs. We can do just about anything." A unique aspect of 2d AA Bn's maintenance sections is they are all housed under one roof.

If an AAV needs a new transmission or engine, the mechanic can send it to Headquarters and Service Company and still have "eyes on" to know what progress is being made.

Headquarters and Service Co is re-

sponsible for third echelon maintenance which includes component replacement.

Within Headquarters and Service Company are a turret shop, a machine optics shop and a welding shop.

"Not many units have all of the maintenance sections under one roof," says **GySgt Daniel Kelly**, Mail Room Chief, Headquarters and Service Company, 2d AA Bn, a native of Clewiston, Fla.

"We can make most of the repairs right here. With the exception of engine, there isn't much we can't do here."

Lejeune Bus Schedule

	Morning		Afternoon	
	Arrival	Departure	Arrival	Departure
Rifle Range	7:00	7:01	12:00	12:01
Courthouse Bay	7:17	7:19	12:17	12:19
Onslow Beach	7:31	7:33	12:31	12:33
Dispensary FC-308	7:47	7:48	12:47	12:48
10th Marines bldg. 522	7:54	7:55	12:54	12:55
HqBn 2d Marines bldg. 320	7:57	7:58	12:57	12:58
8th Marines bldg. H-1	8:00	8:01	1:00	1:01
II MEF bldg. H-1	8:05	8:06	1:05	1:06
Bus Terminal	8:12	8:17	1:12	1:17
Main Exchange	8:22	8:23	1:22	1:23
bldg. 15	8:27	8:28	1:27	1:28
Hospital	8:43	8:45	1:43	1:45
Camp Johnson M-401	9:02	9:04	2:02	2:04
USO	9:13	9:14	2:13	2:14
Camp Gieger	9:23	9:25	2:23	2:25
Air Station AS-240	9:30	9:31	2:30	2:31
USO	9:41	9:42	2:41	2:42
Camp Johnson M-401	9:49	9:50	2:49	2:50
Hospital	10:07	10:09	3:07	3:09
Main Exchange	10:09	10:20	3:19	3:20
bldg. 15	10:24	10:25	3:24	3:25
Bus Terminal	10:31	MP	3:31	MP

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Air Station AS-240	7:00	7:01	12:00	12:01
Camp Gieger	7:06	7:08	12:06	12:08
USO	7:17	7:18	12:17	12:18
Camp Johnson M-401	7:25	7:27	12:25	12:27
Hospital	7:43	7:45	12:43	12:45
Main Exchange	7:55	7:56	12:55	12:56
bldg. 15	8:00	8:01	1:00	1:01
Bus Terminal	8:03	8:08	1:03	1:08
II MEF Bldg H-1	8:14	8:15	1:14	1:15
8th Marines bldg. 123	8:19	8:20	1:19	1:20
HqBn 2d Marines bldg. 320	8:22	8:23	1:22	1:23
10th Marines bldg. 522	8:25	8:26	1:25	1:26
Dispensary FC-308	8:32	8:33	1:32	1:33
Onslow Beach	8:47	8:48	1:47	1:48
Courthouse Bay	9:00	9:02	2:00	2:02
Rifle Range	9:18	9:19	2:18	2:19
Courthouse Bay	9:35	9:37	2:35	2:37
Onslow Beach	9:49	9:50	2:49	2:50
Dispensary FC-308	10:01	10:02	3:01	3:02
10th Marines bldg. 522	10:08	10:09	3:08	3:09
HqBn 2d Marines bldg. 320	10:11	10:12	3:11	3:12
8th Marines bldg. 123	10:14	10:15	3:14	3:15
II MEF bldg. H-1	10:19	10:20	3:19	3:20
Main Exchange	10:29	10:30	3:29	3:30
bldg. 15	10:34	10:35	3:34	3:35
Bus Terminal	10:37	MP	3:37	MP

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Milestones

Dedicated to recognizing the hard work and achievements of the Marines, Sailors and "Civilian Marines" based at Camp Lejeune. To submit honorees' names, contact your unit information officer.

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2d Marine Division
Sgt Juan F. Alvarez
Sgt Christopher L. Bates
Sgt Johnny E. Brinson
Sgt Ricky H. Corn
Sgt Jason P. Dolan
Sgt Delano V. Everette
Sgt Raymond G. Fuentes
Sgt Michael J. Gattis
Sgt Craig M. Hutchinson
Sgt Kenneth J. Kondash
Sgt Todd Q. Lloyd
Sgt Francisco A. Romero
Sgt Eric A. McIntosh
Sgt Richard T. Miller
Sgt David A. Scott
Sgt Jason D. Spears
Cpl Joshua R. Anderson
Cpl Paul M. Antonic
Cpl Johnny Avila
Cpl Jeremy Blake
Cpl Chadwick W. Charlton
Cpl Jerilyn L. Clay
Cpl David Delcastillo
Cpl Sherwood G. Dubrey
Cpl Jeffrey S. Ferrier
Cpl Raymond G. Hamilton
Cpl Eric C. Harris
Cpl Robert L. Jacobs
Cpl David R. Lemoine
Cpl Joseph A. McCarthy
Cpl Raymond T. Rust
Cpl Jason D. Sams
Cpl Edward A. Short
Cpl Corey M. Taylor
Cpl Gary W. Triplett
Cpl Shane B. Vickers
LCpl Gene L. Bradley

II Marine Expeditionary Force
Headquarters Group
GySgt Michael R. Burns
GySgt Jose A. Castillo III
GySgt Charlene Jackson
SSgt Lisa A. Chiavola
SSgt Vincint M. Pallucci
SSgt Ronald T. Susalla, Jr.
SSgt Jodi A. Fellah
SSgt Darren M. Green
SSgt Darren M. Greenuerta
SSgt William M. Johnston
Sgt German Alicealop
Sgt Daniel L. Edinger
Sgt Gavin S. Henry
Sgt Donald M. Roane
Sgt Larry J. Whitfield, Jr.
Sgt Jerome Wynn
Cpl Josue Ayala
Cpl George A. Gibbs, Jr.
Cpl Cory K. Hodnefield

Awards

Supply Battalion
Navy Commendation Medal
Sgt Kenneth O. Balderson
Marine Corps Achievement Medal
Sgt Chauntasc K. Jenkins
Sgt Al. C. Murdock
Sgt Adam Newsum
Sgt Gabriel Sifuentes
Cpl Henry L. Dooley
Cpl Bobby E. Hall
Cpl Mansoor Q. Khan
Cpl Lucas R. Reid

Cpl Jeffrey M. Starr
Cpl Kemmini S. Washington
Cpl Bruce C. Weaver
LCpl Nathan E. Smart
Certificate of Commendation
Cpl Peter K. Appiah
Cpl Melvin J. Fields
Cpl Robert D. Kelly
Cpl Katrina M. Morissette
Cpl Hector Oviedo Jr.
Cpl Jamie L. Westfall
LCpl Lasaro D. Alvarez
LCpl Randy R. Blanche
LCpl Michael D. Forbes
LCpl Troy L. Greene
LCpl Jason D. Grooms
LCpl Duane O. Harris
LCpl Arnold J. Houck
LCpl Brandy E. Lockett
LCpl Alfredo F. Ortizmercado
LCpl Miguel A. Robles
LCpl Gerald J. Small Jr.
LCpl Rubmond D. Streater
LCpl David G. Vaguez
LCpl James P. Welch
LCpl Victor M. Yanez
PFC Michael W. Sisk II
HN Antonio S. Miguel

Promotions

1st Force Service Support Group
Supply Battalion
Sergeant
Sgt Andrew C. Jones
Sgt Locostia W. Powell
Corporal
Cpl Dante J. Holly
Cpl Jeremy R. Montooth
Lance Corporal
LCpl Heather M. Berkey
LCpl James M. Biela
LCpl Kevin S. Cieslak
LCpl Kimberly J. Gallant
LCpl Julia A. Reeves
LCpl Steven C. Stark
Private First Class
PFC Carissa A. Rosenbohm

Graduations

Field Medical Service School
Field Medical Service Technician course
DR Le T. Huynh
HR Michael A. Hoalim
HR Nicholas R. Vice
HR Dacia Q. Smith
HR Joshua J. Caprio
HR Stephen Torres
HR Dwayne R. Cormier
HR Jacob G. Hasty
HR John C. Miller
HR Brian J. Melin
HR Ryan R. Ruffin
HR Norbert A. McKenzie
HR Alexander Rodriguez
HR Gustavo maya-perez
HR James P. Williamson
HR Jason Eason
HR Jerun W. O'hair
HR Jermaine Brown
HR Brett M. Hudson
HR Charles M. Moleski
HR Christopher R. Lowe
HR Vadim Zverev
HR Edgar E. Gallego

HR Maciej A. Wartak
HR Katherine E. Tookey
HR Jeremiah L. Harbin
HR Johnny Pena, Jr.
HR Eric K. Odoro
HR Steven H. Calderon
HR Ramoncito M. Fabra
HR Eric A. Seal
HR Victor C. Chijoke
HR Adrian F. Guest
HR Joshua W. Blaz
HR Rainer K. Todar
HR Carlos L. Bell
HR Ronne L. Miles
HR Emily M. Fonner
HR Christopher P. Hoskins
HR Thomas E. Ammons
HR Dennis B. Japonis
HR Karl V. Umbrasas
HR Darryl G. Rutledge
HR Brianna M. Bernal
HR Katie T. Killeen
HR Richard W. Lowrance
HR Bobby L. Hansen
HR Chandley W. Lambert
HR Jessy Fernandez
DA David T. Kavanaugh
HA Jack B. Goldman
HA Joshua J. Scott
HA Bradley J. Ainley
HA Seyed M. Mousavikshrou
HA Bryce A. Neumann
HA Dusty A. Webb
HA Marcus A. Fletcher
HA Kevin D. Schmitz
HA Edison M. Vargas
HA Rory I. Bostian
HA Nicholas A. Cozzens
HA Brian R. Daetwyler
HA Nathaniel A. Bazile
HA Kendrick B. Allen
HA Daniel J. Senatus
HA Felicia M. Walton
HA Antonio R. Flores
HA Michael D. Price
HA Michael C. Gandy
HA Ryan A. Gomiseek
HA James A. Shumaker
HA Wadder Y. Enani
HA Melvin Rolonmerced
HA David J. Lipscomb
HA Akin A. Osinuga
HA Phillip Jeangilles
HA Leonna K. White
HA Aaron T. Pitts, Jr.
HA Michael D. Ingram
HA Juan L. Sanchez
HA Jordan L. Fontenelle
HA Andrew C. Hand
HA Nicholas L. Hale
HA Casey T. Moody
HA William A. Baggett
HA Clay C. Hamilton
HA Terrance J. Gomes
HA Cullen M. Eldridge
HA Nezer B. Belen
HA Demerice A. Young
HA Rodney W. Wooley
HA Jeffrey M. Clifford
HA Gregory J. Fisher
HA Jason R. Yochum
HA Pierre A. Thomas
DN Derik J. White
DN Frank F. Smith
DN Tonja M. Knight
DN Aaron D. Brown
HN Lesley E. Gaines
HN James A. Menke
HN William A. Pursley
HN Joshua D. Blake
HN Francis D. Rosanes
HN Carlos M. Lainez-gomez
HN Benjamin L. Fleming

HN Bryan C. Empey
HN Dexter L. Raysor
HN Babajide O. Sonuga
HN Lance A. Maddox
HN Kevin R. Peters
HN Derrick L. Raysor
HN John P. Tennis
HN David A. Doan
HN Sean P. Huffman
HN Rebecca A. Keeney
HN Bridget C. Mcendree
HN Karl R. Daley
HN R.J. Engle
HN Sean D. Duke
HN Thelbert Ivey
HN Jose N. Preciado
HN Ian-Andrew T.S. Meadors
HN Philip R. Park
HN Warren Montes-Velez
HN Ryan P. Tiernan
HN Robert J. Racquer
HN Mark A. Garcia
HN Michael M. Weiss
HN Francisco J. Medrano
HN Lyonell Riveros
HN Marco A. Salgado
HN Lance Sustaita
HN Daniel E. Echeverry
HN Jamie L. Wilson
HN John P. Rodriguez
HN Miguel H. Garcia
HN Walter Gembe
HN Francis H. Lecklickner
HN Lakeisha N. Jones
HN Carl A. Marshall
HN Robert Mauricio
HN Michael K. Kite
HN Romeo J. Malabanar, Jr.
HN Ronyal L. Watson
HN Sylvester Muse
HN Michael C. Davis
HN Jonathan L. Grimmer
Petty Officer 3rd Class Shabonne K. Tripp
Petty Officer 3rd Class Marc G. Madden
Petty Officer 3rd Class John S. Chafin
Petty Officer 3rd Class Maria E. Stewart
Petty Officer 3rd Class David J. Voda
Petty Officer 3rd Class Eduardo Herrera
Petty Officer 3rd Class Willie J. Crawford
Petty Officer 3rd Class Rodney A. Lybarger
Petty Officer 3rd Class Shane R. Prybylski
Petty Officer 3rd Class Linda M. Mabie
Petty Officer 2nd Class Brian E. Wicker
Petty Officer 2nd Class Mario M. Faria
Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael L. Hess
Petty Officer 1st Class Bennie B. Crawford
Petty Officer 1st Class Arthur Ferguson
Petty Officer 1st Class Jerry A. Ramey
Chief Petty Officer Wallace W. Perry
Chaplain, Religious Personnel Expeditionary
Skills Training
Religious Program Specialist
Seaman Recruit William R. Miller
SR Christian M. Bell
SR William P. Smythe
SR Johnathan R. Nutt
SR Steven P. Zurek
SR David L. Gregory
SR Yohan Chan
Religious Program Specialist
SA Marcus D. Morrow
SA Raymond T. Ball
SA Aaron D. Vanarsdale
SA Aaron Williams
Religious Specialist
Petty Officer 3rd Class Jessica B. Jimenez
Petty Officer 3rd Class Chanda I. McCall
Petty Officer 3rd Class Verricchia C. Eatmon
Petty Officer 3rd Class Korey S. Ratering
Petty Officer 3rd Class Justin C. Kolaya
Lt Dorman C. Dowling
Lt Stepheq J. Shaw
Lt j.g. Joseph D. Reardon



PFC Andrew T. Thornton

Jerilyn L. Clay from Mansfield, Ohio, shakes hands with Headquarters Battalion Sergeant Major, Michael B. Campbell during Career Day on March 30. For her four-year re-enlistment she received a bonus of \$10,194.81.

Naval Hospital recognizes distinguished Sailors

Senior Sailor of the Quarter



Petty Officer 2nd Class Nathaniel Smith

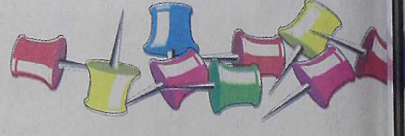
Junior Sailor of the Quarter



Petty Officer 3rd Class Greg Booker



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 24th Over-the-Hump Picnic will be May 13 from 1-4 p.m. at the Tarawa Terrace Community Center. The picnic is FREE and catered by Newbolds Carolina BBQ with snow cones, popcorn, cotton candy, moonwalks, door prizes and a clown. There will also be a hurricane preparedness brief. This event is open to all family members of the 24th MEU. Please notify your Key Volunteer if you plan to attend by May 3.

Key Volunteers

Key Volunteers are looking for new people to become Key Volunteers. Openings are available now for monthly sessions. For information on becoming a Key Volunteer call 451-1759.



MCB

Marine Corps Base will be hosting the 2000 Armed Forces Volleyball Championship May 16 - 21 at the Goettge Memorial Field House. SgtMaj Kokensparger will make the opening remarks. For game times, contact varsity athletics at 451-2061.



2d FSSG

Check out the 2d Force Service Support Group's website at www.2fssg.usmc.mil for information about the Group. The page contains unit information, news, weather, safety news, and the 2d FSSG guiding principles and mission statement.

SNCO Wives' Club Scholarship

The SNCO Wives' Club is currently accepting applications for scholarships. To be eligible, you must meet one of the following requirements: 1) Be an unmarried son or daughter of an active duty, retired or deceased member of the United States Armed Forces who is a graduating senior of an Onslow County High School or is currently enrolled as a full-time college student at an accredited college. 2) The spouse of an active duty, retired or deceased member of the United States Armed Forces. The deadline for all applications is Saturday.

Camp Lejeune High School

The LHS web site is now available for clubs, classes and athletics to post meetings, schedules and activities. In addition, general school information and announcements can also be posted.

Contact the following to have your information placed on the web site:

Clubs, classes: **Lisa Beavers, DSA**

Athletics: **Ron Toth, AD**

Other information: **Mike Smith**. Check out www.north-carolina.ihigh.com/lejeune for the latest information about Lejeune High School.

State Vehicle Inspections

One of the best kept secrets on Camp Lejeune is the Automotive Skills Development Center. North Carolina State vehicle inspections are now available Mondays through Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Fridays 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. For more information contact the center's manager, **K.P. Florian** at 451-1550.

Dad's University

When it comes to parenthood, many Marines, Sailors and their spouses may be facing the job for the first time ever! Never fear, DAD'S UNIVERSITY is now here! Classes on

parenting for dads are now available as part of the Marine Corps' new Family University Program. Call the Family University Extension Campus at 451-5353.

Camp Johnson

New Camp Johnson Web Site - The Marine Corps Combat Service Support School's web site has recently undergone a major renovation which has opened a wealth of information to web browsers. The new site includes information about: Montford Point History, Beirut Memorial, staff sections, schools reporting instructions and much more. The point of contact for the Camp Johnson web site is **Jim Coker** at 450-0747. The site address is www.lejeune.usmc.mil/mccss/.

Base Library

The National Library Week finale will take place in the conference room from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. today. The event will include Clowns Buffoons with Balloons providing balloon art, books, activities, crafts, prizes and refreshments. For more information call the Base Library at 451-5724.

MCCS Hotline

Marine Corps Community Services Customer Hotline is now available at 800-451-MCCS. Call today with any questions concerning MCCS related issues or questions.

NMCRS Closure

The Navy Marine Corps Relief Society will be closed Tuesday so the staff and volunteers may attend a Professional Development Seminar. For emergency assistance, call the American Red Cross at 451-2181. The society will reopen at 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Upcoming Events

455-3411



Join the USO every Sunday for free homemade cakes and goodies. Refreshments begin at 1 p.m. An Easter egg hunt will be held April 23, at 11 a.m. The Regiment of Retired Marines will hold the Dinosaur Breakfast at the Staff NCO Club May 6 at 7 a.m. Call 455-3411 for more information.

Off-limits establishments

Centennial Enterprises, Inc. 1489 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd., Suite 2 Thousand Oaks, Calif. (HQ's Office)

Easy Money Catalog Sales

233-F Western Blvd., Jacksonville

Jacksonville Speedway Auto Parts (A.K.A. Raceway Auto Parts & Raceway Used Auto Parts) 401 Blue Creek Elementary School Rd., Jacksonville

North Carolina Catalog Sales

1943 Lejeune Blvd, Jacksonville

Joshua Experience/Club Access 200 Golden Oak Ct, Suite 425, Virginia Beach, Va.

Botta Booms (formerly known as Private Dancer) 3054 Wilmington Hwy, Jacksonville

Private Pleasures

(A.K.A. Carriage House) 5527 Hwy. 258, Jacksonville

Tender Touch (A.K.A. Baby Dolls) Hwy. 258, Jacksonville

The Doll House Hwy. 258 West, Jacksonville

Student Assistance Company 244 South Randal Rd., Suite III, Elgin, IL

Oakwood Homes Inc. 912 N. Marine Blvd., Jacksonville

Talk of the Town 114 Texie Ln, Jacksonville

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

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 bldg. 65 classroom. For more information, contact **Kim Hugeback** at the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, Health Promotion Program at 451-3712.

The MCB Camp Lejeune Consolidated Public Affairs Office is offering internships and service-learning placements. This is an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience in writing, radio & TV broadcasting, media and community relations, and internal communications in a professional and supportive environment.

Hours are flexible. For information, contact **2ndLt Dan McSweeney**, Community Relations Officer, at 451. 7435. E-mail: mcsweeneydj@lejeune.usmc.mil

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/Navy families who at-

tend the class. For more information, call 451-5346/5584 or 450-6642/44.

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.

Key Volunteers holds a series of classes every month to help train their volunteers, and anyone interested in becoming a volunteer. Each series is comprised of four classes. The introduction class deals with family readiness, volunteer roles, confidentiality and Marine Corps organization.

The next two classes deal with local resources. The last class is about assertive communication and professional phone calling. For information about registering for these classes, call 451-0176.

Upcoming Events

Marine Corps Air Station New River will play host to the Sounds of Freedom Millennium Air Show and Open House April 29 beginning at 8 a.m. Civilian and military aviators will perform feats of aerial acrobatics, including performances from classic airplanes such as P-51 Mustangs and the F4-U Corsair. There will be a Marine Corps living history display with uniforms and equipment of World War II. Other attractions will include a F-117 flight simulator, which will offer rides to the public, and a re-enactment of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. For more information, call the Air Show information line at

450-6196.

The Hidden Talents Craft Store will have a 50 percent off sale April 29 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at bldg. H-1. For more information call 451-2658.

Montford Point Marine Association presents a dinner theater Friday at the Marston Pavilion. The wine-tasting social hour is from 6-7 p.m., dinner is from 7-8 p.m. and the performance will go from 8-9 p.m. The floor will open for dancing at 9:15 p.m. Tickets are available for \$20 and are sold in advance only at the Jacksonville Beauty Supply, New River Shopping Center. For more information call Judy James at 455-5393.

Volunteers

Camp Lejeune Performing Arts Company is currently seeking persons with directing and other theater experience. Anyone interested in being a part of the CLPAC and volunteering in community theatre, is asked to call the Base Theater at 451-2785 for more details and submit a resume of experience by April 15.

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 451-5346 ext. 200.

Transition Support Services (TSS) is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in

Fire Departments rescue units seek Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for the community volunteer fire departments and rescue units. There are 27 departments and units in all that are 100 percent volunteers. Call 347-4270 for info.

Youth

Celebrate Easter this year at way Park Community Center April 2-4 p.m. The event will feature a low Peep hat decorating contest, candy, prizes, and have your children take with the Easter Bunny. This is for children ages 0 - 6. For more information, call 451-1807.

Kids & Play Support Group meets Thursday morning from 9:30-11 a.m. at Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion. Parents and their children (up to 18 months old) are invited to attend this free program. This opportunity for parents and children to socialize while providing a supportive network to exchange information, the Semper Fit group will provide a free program. For more information, call **Ryan Lawton** at 451-2865/5751.

"Midway Moppets" is held Monday at Midway Park Community Center. Moppets is a morning playgroup for children up to five years old. The runs from 9 - 11 a.m. and is uniplaytime for mother and child. There is no fee. For registration information, call 1807.

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Carolina happenings

Flower Give-Away

At this time again folks! Spring has arrived. In celebration of "Earth Day" the Housing Self Help Store will again be giving bedding plants and azalea to housing residents at the following locations:

1 and 28 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
2 and 29 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Visitors will be available for pickup at the following locations:

MCAS New River
bldg. 605

Maraw Terrace/Midway Park
Housing Self Help Store, bldg. TT-43 in
Tarawa Terrace

Marine Point, Hospital Point, Court
Bay, Berkeley Manor & Watkins
Village

Marine Point Maintenance Shop bldg.
1919

The Tax Center Extended Hours

Visitors to meet this year's filing deadline must be postmarked by 11:59 p.m., Monday, March 13, 2000. The Base Tax Center, 1209, Camp Lejeune will remain open until 10 p.m. to process and electronically file your return.

Musical Lunch Series

Join your lunch and join us Fridays from 1:30 p.m. at New River Waterfront for an enjoyable hour of musical entertainment.

Hunter's Creek Middle School

Stardust - Jazz
In celebration of rain, performances will be held at SO. These events are free and open to the public. For more information call 455-47-5332.

Jabberwock 2000

A scholarship pageant will be presented by the Jacksonville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Saturday at 7 p.m. at Jacksonville High School auditorium. For more information call 346-2764 or 455-0356.

Summer Program

"2 Kids" will be offered by the Jacksonville Recreation and Parks Dept. with two week sessions during the summer for children 6 to 12 years. Cost is \$90 per session. For more information call 938-5319.

Heart Festival 2000

Heart Festival 2000 will be held at the Jacksonville Convention Center Saturday at 11 a.m. This is a reunion of heart patients to celebrate the gift they received. For more information call 455-7644.

Basic Literacy Workshop

A basic literacy workshop will be conducted April 28 from 6-9 p.m. and April 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the board room of the Memorial Hospital. For more information call 455-7353.

North Carolina Aquarium takes on new look

Gretchen Wiles
Carolina Living Editor

The North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores is getting a \$15 million face lift.

The aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores was established in 1976 to promote awareness, understanding, appreciation and conservation of the diverse natural and cultural resources associated with North Carolina's ocean, estuaries, rivers, streams and other aquatic environments, according to the North Carolina Aquarium website.

The official ground breaking ceremony for the Aquarium expansion project was held July 31, 1999.

At the ceremony, Natural Resources Assistant Secretary, Dewey Botts stated, "This Project is not just about bigger tanks, more fish and lots of sharks. It's about making sure that North Carolina natural resources continue to make this state the best place to live, work and visit."

The current aquarium building is 35,000 square feet and sits upon 298 acres of maritime forest in the Theodore Roosevelt Natural Area which includes a marsh area and two nature trails.

The new facility is projected to be 66,000 square feet with the center piece being "The Ocean Gallery."

The Ocean Gallery will be a 180,000-gallon tank with a half tunnel where fish, sharks, stingrays and other various ocean creatures

can be viewed swimming in their natural environment with the remains of a shipwreck for decoration.

The new aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores will be based on the theme "Aquatic Life from the Mountains to the Sea."

Visitors to the new aquarium will venture through the five aquatic zones of North Carolina. The adventure will start in mountains. Their travels will take them through the Piedmont, coastal plains, the swamps and marshes of the inshore coastal waters

and finally into the ocean.

Simulations of waterfalls, streams and rivers will be viewed by visitors as they walk through mountains and caves. They will be able to experience the animals and plants that co-exist in each different zone.

The renovation will also include an auditorium for live animal shows, hands-on learning sessions and educational programs.

As of this time there hasn't been a date set for the completion of the expansion project and the aquarium remains open for visitors.

The North Carolina Aquarium Society is a non-profit organization which supports all three of the North Carolina aquariums through private donations, gifts and foundation grants.

The society was established in 1986 and assists the aquariums in maintaining the quality of exhibits and educational and conservation programs.

The North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores is located five miles west of Atlantic Beach on Highway 58.

The aquarium offers many programs and trips which are great ways to learn about the environment and conservation.

For more information about the North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores and programs offered call (252) 247-4003.

You can also learn more about the aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores by visiting their website at www.ncaquarium.com.



www.seasky.org/seapic09.html

Two saddleback butterfly fish: one of the most common fish on the coral reef.

Eagle Scouts of all ages gather

LCpl Allan J Grdovich
Camp Lejeune Combat Correspondent

Eagle Scout Oath — I thoughtfully recognize and take upon myself the obligations and responsibilities of an Eagle Scout. On my honor, I will do my best to make my training an example and my status and my influence count strongly for better Scouting and for better citizenship in my troop, in my community, and in my contacts with other people.

For many young Scouts, memorizing the Oath was a big accomplishment.

For other Scouts, the biggest accomplishment was simply achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

The second gathering of Eagle Scouts since 1995 was held March 28 at the Fisherman's Wharf restaurant in Jacksonville.

The event featured Eagle Scouts ranging from the class of 1934 to 1999.

An Eagle Scout is the highest-ranking Boy Scout and it usually takes about five years to achieve.

The Marine Corps recognizes the achievement of Eagle Scout and has an enlistment incentive for such a rating, such as attaining the rank of private first class upon graduating boot camp.

The gathering featured Camp Lejeune's commanding general, MajGen Ronald Richard, who was an Eagle Scout before entering the Corps and being commissioned in 1968.

"Being an Eagle Scout inspired me to join the Corps," said Richard.

Also at the event was former Boy Scout and Marine, Bill Terrell, owner

and operator of Century 21 Communications in Jacksonville and sponsor of the event.

Though never an Eagle Scout, Terrell sponsored the event because of his strong support for the character and moral values, which he believes scouting provides young men.

"If I had a daughter, I would want her to date an Eagle Scout," Terrell stated.

I have a few friends who are judges and they have stated in all their years of working on criminal cases, they have never seen a Scout in trouble.

"That doesn't mean we're perfect but it sends a good message to the type of values we instill," said Terrell.

Eagle Scouts, contributors, volunteers and guests came to the get-to-

gether. Fresh seafood was served and fellow Scouts participated in a renewal of vows.

According to Joe Stoud, Eagle Scout since 1965 and master of ceremonies during the event, there are approximately 13,000 Boy Scouts in the eastern North Carolina region. Those numbers have been on a steady rise in the past few years.

For Scouts around the country, Eagle or not, the Boy Scouts of America continues to be a positive learning tool for young people in particular.

The achievement of reaching Eagle is still the true sign of success for scouts. With the positive turnout, support and wide range of ages of Eagles at the event, the ethos "once an Eagle always an Eagle" still reigns true.



LCpl Allan J. Grdovich

Master of Ceremonies John Stroud, Scout executive for Eastern Carolina Council of Boy Scouts, Brad Nesheim, Former Eagle and Commanding General MCB Camp Lejeune, MajGen Ronald Richard and Scout Eagle Earl Harper enjoy a night out with fellow Eagle Scouts.

Join Relay For Life

Compiled by Sadie Ervin
American Cancer Society

In a nation where more than one million people will be diagnosed with cancer this year, Onslow county is invited to celebrate life.

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life is a unique fund-raising event in which teams of participants take turns walking or running around the track for 24 hours in an effort to fight cancer. Teams camp-out, eat and play games. This year's Relay For Life will take place at the Jacksonville Commons Recreation Center from 6 p.m. Friday until 6 p.m. Saturday.

The message of the event is that cancer can be conquered. This theme of hope is ignited as the ceremony begins with a cancer survivor's lap at 6 p.m. on Friday evening. This emotional lap honors the courage of all who have defeated cancer. All the survivors will walk the opening lap unified in victory and in hope.

The atmosphere of Relay For Life is one of camaraderie and celebration, providing an opportunity for cancer survivors to pass the torch of hope on to those still battling cancer or those that might be touched by cancer in the future.

If you or anyone you know is a cancer survivor and would like to take part in Relay For Life, please call your American Cancer Society at 353-3322. All survivors will receive a relay for life T-shirt.

For more information on cancer, call the American Cancer Society's 24 hour hot line at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the web site at www.cancer.org.

The American cancer society is the nationwide, community based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

For more information regarding Relay for Life activities call Sadie Ervin at 324-4961.

Burping and bickering: international language of politics

My three-year-old daughter has been singing the ABC song for some time and has become a part of our daily life. We sing it together whenever we sit at the table.

Most of them follow the "ya-ha, na-ah" pattern. This is the standard operating procedure for any two siblings close in age, when one says anything and the other automatically disagrees with it. For example:

Sibling #1: "The sky is blue."
Sibling #2: "Nah-ah."
Sibling #1: "Yah-ha."
Sibling #1: "Nah-ah."
Sibling #2: "Yah-ha." (And so on ad infinitum.)

But I figure there must be some purpose, some function to this mindless bickering back and forth that seems to go on forever. And indeed there is. It prepares our children for political office.

This led me to consider the merits of completely dispensing with the United Nations and its astronomical operating costs.

In its place, we could simply pluck an ordinary kid from each of the participating nations and put them un-

der the direction of one really life-experienced, disciplined, fair, competent, hard-working, compassionate, sensitive, responsible adult: in other words, your garden variety mom.

Who better to deal with the chaotic, confusing and difficult-to-negotiate world of politics than a mother with children?

Think of all the advantages of this approach.

Since they're kids, we wouldn't have to pay them exorbitant salaries — we could just promise to feed them Happy Meals.

They wouldn't need to be put up in posh hotels and work in elaborate conference buildings — we could just set up a few tents near a playground.

Every session would be a success because they would know that unless they come to an agreement over any given dispute, they will not be permitted to watch Saturday morning

cartoons.

As for the mom in charge... she'll get no pay, no thanks, no breaks and just keep doing an amazing job.

Instead of imposing real sanctions against uncooperative countries, we could achieve the same results in a fraction of the time by putting their little representatives in time out.

"Iraq, when you're ready to lower oil prices, then you can get down and play with the other children."

The kids of such a United Nations council would learn the necessity of sharing and respecting other people's belongings.

"China, did you take Tibet from the Dalai Lama? Give it back right now and tell him you're sorry!"

The teaching of manners would promote friendly international relations.

"Britain, did you ask permission to go into Northern Ireland? You can't

just walk into someone else's home like that — where are your manners?"

International politics under the direction of one experienced mother would end the need for the CIA, Interpol and all other intelligence agencies word-wide.

Mother, turning on that familiar laser-gaze: "Chechnya, you wouldn't be planning any sort of covert military operations, would you?"

Chechnya, hiding surface to air missile behind his back: "Uh, no ma'am."

Mother: "I'm glad to hear that. I better not find any nuclear weapons in your room, do you understand me?"

Chechnya: "Uh, yes, ma'am."

Mother: "Good. Because if I do, I will take away all your military equipment for the next five years until you show me that you can be responsible with it."

Mother, looking over her glasses at a giggling, whispering child: "What is so funny?! Perhaps France would like to share his joke with the rest of the world? Hmmm?"



Wolanski Review
LAURA
WOLANSKI

Mother, coming to the defense of a goofy nation that no one wants to play with: "Now, now, everyone stop making fun of Australia. He's not weird, he's... special."

Mother, arbitrating a dispute quickly and efficiently: "OK. Who spilled fifty thousand gallons of crude oil in international waters? I want to know, right now!"

US: "It wasn't me!"
Japan: "Was too!"
US: "Nah-ah!"
Japan: "Yah-ha!"
US: "Nah-ah!"

Mother: "That's quite enough — now you can both clean it up!"

Although there are several things this article proves conclusively about me personally, my point is that we can capitalize on the model of the family to solve all of our complex international problems, even if it has to be done amidst endless bickering and competitive burping.

Laura Wolanski is a single mother of four working toward a degree to become a certified teacher.

Environmental warriors support beach nourishment

Story and Photos by LCpl Melissa R. Watts
Camp Lejeune Combat Correspondent

The danger of losing Camp Lejeune's key amphibious training areas becomes more apparent with every beach-pounding hurricane that strikes the Carolina coast.

Every year, Lejeune's coast loses beach frontage. In recent years as much as seven feet a year of beach has been lost at the southern most reach of Onslow beach due to severe storm activity according to **Doug Piner**, Director of the Environmental Quality Assessment Division, Environmental Management Department.

Camp Lejeune manages 22 km (13.64 miles) of shoreline on two barrier islands, Brown's Island and Onslow Beach, that are regulated by a variety of state and federal agencies. Recent storm activity, including the hurricanes of '96, Hurricane Bonnie of '98, and Hurricane Floyd of '99, have all made the chronic and accelerating beach erosion problem visible to the untrained eye.

"We initiated a study a couple of years ago by some subject matter experts that have

studied the North Carolina coastline for about thirty years. We asked for their help to determine what we could do to stabilize the Onslow beach erosion problem," said Piner, a Sneads Ferry native.

Also, according to the Beach Erosion and Hurricane Protection plan for Onslow Beach Management, prepared by **Dr. William J. Cleary** and **Stanley R. Riggs**, there is a high probability that a future storm will breach the southern portion of the barrier island, producing a new inlet. This would result in significant changes to the Onslow Beach shoreline.

To solve all of these existing and potential problems, Camp Lejeune has initiated a beach nourishment project and is working on a 25-year master plan developed to protect the entire area of Onslow Beach and associated New River and Brown's Island Inlets.

"Basically what the plan says, is we need to put a couple million cubic yards of sand back on Onslow Beach in specific areas every three years just to stabilize the condition it's in now. Fortunately, Headquarters Marine Corps has approved the funds for us to be able to start the project this summer," said

Piner.

The Environmental Management and Facilities Departments will team up with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Wilmington District Office to pump excess dredged sand from the New River Inlet to Onslow beach next summer with minimal disruption to beach activities.

According to the Management Report, the primary objective of the study was evaluating the potential for obtaining local sources of beach nourishment sand for the long-term maintenance of the beaches.

In order to evaluate the local sediment sources, the study had to go through several important phases. Phase I: identify all potential sand resources; Phase II: develop the necessary data base to evaluate the extent and character of each potential source; Phase III: identify the environmental and economic problems associated with recovery of sand from each of the potential resources; and Phase IV: evaluate and prioritize each of the potential sand resources.

Results of the study identified nine potential sand resources within the Lejeune area. These nine categories of potential sand

resources were thoroughly evaluated and classified into three subcategories based upon their realistic potential as viable sand sources for the renourishment of Onslow Beach. Sources were evaluated by the volume, depth, and textural characteristics; environmental considerations associated with resource recovery; and a few basic economic considerations such as mining methodology and distance to Onslow Beach.

According to Piner, inlet areas at the southern and northern ends of the beach where the USACE can dredge extra sand will be the primary sources for sand to be pumped on to the eroding beach.

"There will be higher dunes and more beach for about three to four miles of Onslow Beach, considerably noticeable to the eye," said Piner.

Once the areas where sand will be added are defined, other projects will begin. The Christmas Tree program has taken place. Christmas trees recycled from the holidays will be buried in the dunes to strengthen them from high winds.

The enlisted pavilion and other recreational facilities will be torn down this spring

and rebuilt a further distance from. Along with the extra sand, there's sand fencing and new walkovers.

To protect the existing dunes stored dunes when the project is complete, the suggestion Piner offered was to stay off of them.

"Once the dunes are revegetated, it is best if people just stay off. During the winter, we've caught people riding four-wheelers across the dunes. This defeats the purpose of the projects. Military police are currently patrolling the beach. Even on them you are just contributing to the erosion of our beach and training area."

The dune reconstruction plan implemented to restore the severely eroded dunes, followed by the installation of fences and native dune grasses, is the most recently accepted methodology. These actions can enhance the protective function of the dunes, but will not eliminate shoreline erosion. With the help of everyone on the beach, Camp Lejeune can hold on to its amphibious training areas for many years to come.



Hurricanes and storms have caused severe damage to the buildings that on Onslow Beach.



This is just a small portion of the erosion on Onslow Beach that has been caused by storms.

When my bully became my friend

My name is **Beth Hunter** and I am in the fourth grade. I really like school, all except for one thing, "My bully."

Her name is **Ashley**. I have known her most of my life. She lives just down the street from me.

Ashley started making fun of me in kindergarten. She would call me names that made me cry. She would push me down at the playground and sometimes throw rocks at me. She made fun of me for wearing glasses and for being skinny.

It felt awful having someone constantly making fun of everything about you!

When we started the first grade, everything was better because Ashley had a different teacher than me. We never really saw each other that much during school.

I thought, "This is great, I can just avoid her for the rest of my life, then she can't make fun of me." It didn't work.

When I began fourth grade, it started all over again. I would pretend to be sick, just so I wouldn't have to see Ashley.

My Mom knew what I was doing and she told me, "Beth, you are a caring, loving, beautiful and wonderful child, and you can't let people make you believe that your not!" Sometimes people are not consider-

ate of other people's feelings, that's just part of life."

Then she said, "Maybe you should talk to her and ask her why she always tries to hurt your feelings?"

"You mean talk to her?" I said, "I absolutely, positively could not."

My Mom said, "You can and you should!"

I was completely mortified. Why would my Mother even suggest such a thing?

Stories from the heart

KATHY DEBOER



She told me, "Beth, bullies are the way they are because somewhere along the way other people were mean to them. Maybe all Ashley needs is to have a friend like you."

All night I tossed and turned thinking about what I would say to Ashley. I figured at least I should try. After all, my Mom wouldn't tell me to do something dumb, right?

The next day at school, I did it. I walked right up to her and asked her, "Ashley, why have you always been mean to me?"

She replied by saying, "Go away Beth!"

I said, "No, I will not go away that easily, besides this has been on my mind for a long time!"

We sat down at the lunch table and started to talk. My heart was pounding so hard I thought it would jump right out of my chest. I was very nervous about what she would say.

She started by saying, "Beth, I thought you didn't want to be my friend! When I was little, people always made fun of me. I was bigger than everybody else. You always had so many friends and I never had any. I wanted to make fun of you first, so it wouldn't hurt so badly, if you made fun of me. Pretty stupid, huh? I

guess I was afraid you wouldn't like me."

I said, "Ashley, you never gave me a chance to like you!"

I had an idea, "Why don't we start over, we could pretend that we have never met?"

"Would you really do that for me?" Ashley asked, "Because I am in need of a friend and I think you would be perfect for the job!"

Kathy Deboer is the wife of an active duty Marine and a stay at home mom who enjoys writing in her spare time.

Jacksonville-Onslow Volunteer Center incorporates new program

Compiled by Mary Comer

Jacksonville-Onslow Volunteer Center Director

In addition to placing volunteers in the community, the Volunteer Center has grown to include additional programs.

Youth Providing Leadership (YPL) is a new program being started by the Jacksonville-Onslow Volunteer Center. This program involves local high school students as mentors for Northwoods Park Middle School children.

YPL is using the service learning concept to involve students in the community, by addressing the issues of education, public safety, environmental and other human needs.

Service-learning is a way to improve academic learning and to develop personal skills through structural service projects that meet community needs.

The key to the program is that the students themselves design, plan and implement the service projects. With the guidance of the Volunteer Center, YPL is able to find projects within the community that suit the students' needs.

The Volunteer Center is very excited about the program and the goal of teaching civic responsibility and volunteerism to the future community leaders of Jacksonville and Onslow County.

The AmenCorps program here at the Volunteer Center is one that is always growing.

Our mentoring program is currently looking

for individuals to serve as mentors to young adults in one of our mentoring programs.

The process is easy. Interested people can schedule a brief interview to enable us to learn a volunteer's school, hobbies and many preferences. We then place volunteers to projects here in Onslow County. As a whole, AmeriCorps programs operate all over the United States.

Our programs were

presented by Gen. Col. P.

AmeriCorps Programs provide access to the five

of AmeriCorps Promise to youth—a strategy to

strong futures for all children.

If you would like more information about these programs, please call the Volunteer Center at 938-HELP.

Soup Kitchen Volunteer Schedule

Monday - Friday
Jacksonville Bible Church
Infant of Prague
April 24 - 28
Antioch Presbyterian
St. Julia AME Zion
Brookwood Baptist Church

Are you interested in volunteering?
Call the Volunteer Center at 938-HELP

Five tank lieutenants reminisce about Persian Gulf War

Col Gary L. Beaver
Marine Corps Gazette

Out of every military action of substantial scope comes the memoirs of some of its participants. The Gulf War is no exception, and "The Eyes of Orion" is a group memoir of sorts.

The book is more than just a collection of the reminiscences of five Army tank lieutenants, four of whom are West Pointers.

Like any memoir, this book relates personal experiences, but it also communicates with many audiences, general public, military personnel and policymakers on a variety of important issues.

The book is remarkable and valuable in several ways. As a five-man memoir, there are fascinating accounts of the parallel activities of the lieutenants and their soldiers as they prepare for an uncertain fate.

We are reminded that the stunning rapidity with which the Iraqi Army collapsed was not a foregone conclusion in many knowledgeable minds.

The book is also a brutally honest and frank critique of the Army and those participating in the war.

The principal author, **Alex Vernon**, pulls no punches in skewering those who deserve it, regardless of rank including himself.

Some say that letters are the most revealing form of communication.

Apparently Vernon not only found his own letters written during Operation Desert Shield to be revealing, but also found that he was not very enamored of the person who wrote them.

His journey of self-discovery through writing this book is one of the buried treasures that any reader should find enlightening.

Vernon has also provided a detailed and concise window on the organization, training, mobilization and deployment of mechanized combat forces.

While much of this is more than the general population will care to know, this aspect of the book makes it required reading for anyone serving or about to serve in any combat or logistical support unit (though obviously, those in mechanized combat forces will find it the most valuable), and informative to other present and former servicemembers.

Perhaps the greatest value of this book is that it is for anyone interested in leadership in or out of the military.

The lieutenants were faced with daily logistical and morale challenges to get their units in fighting trim complicated by the harsh desert climate, food poisoning, loneliness, boredom, occasional incompetence, and the strain of being together constantly without

liberty in a place which to entertainment saturated Americans resembled the third circle of Dante's Hell (the plain of burning sand).

Anyone who doubts the ability of the Army to train leaders should have those doubts allayed.

However, make no mistake, the book is not a paean to the Army. It provides many examples of leadership failures as well as successes, but there are invaluable lessons to be learned from both types of examples.

The first half of the book concerns Operation Desert Shield; the second half, Operation Desert Storm.

The general public will want to move quickly through some of the more technical military aspects of the first half of the book, as they will find the second half far more interesting.

The devastating swiftness of the victory is given a more human face as we learn that one of the greatest dangers facing the American soldiers was fratricide from other American and allied arms.

Imperfect command and control led to a few instances of tragic fratricide and widespread nervousness.

You may also be shocked to learn of the alacrity with which the most powerful mobile landbased fighting force ever assembled was disassembled.

Did the rapid demobilization limit our options in enforcing the terms of surrender?

The book should also be studied by policymakers in Congress and in the various branches of the Armed Forces.

Perhaps it will open some eyes as to why the services are having so much difficulty retaining their best and brightest junior officers. Four of the lieutenants left the Army after the war.

Finally, I had one complaint about the book's organization. At times, I found it difficult to keep track of which of the five lieutenants was talking. I would have preferred that changes in speakers were signaled more clearly, perhaps by boldfacing their names.

This book belongs on the shelves of every military officer involved in land-based combat units; many enlisted personnel, especially all ranks serving in armored combat units and staff noncommissioned officers and NCOs in other ground combat and logistical units; and, everyone "in or out of uniform" who takes an interest in the armed forces of the United States.

This book is available at the Marine Corps Association bookstore at the Exchange Annex on base.

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Chapel Schedule

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Day Masses

Courthouse Bay Chapel	8 a.m.
AS New River Chapel	9 a.m.
Transportation provided from Chapel	9 a.m.
Francis Xavier Chapel	8:45 a.m.
Weekday Masses (Monday-Friday)	8:30 and 11:30 a.m.
AS New River Chapel (Mon-Thur)	11:45 a.m.
Francis Xavier Chapel (Mon-Fri)	11:45 a.m.
Weekday Masses	
Francis Xavier Chapel	5 p.m.
Weekday Masses	
Capt Christmas/New Years	11:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Confessions	
Monday at St. Francis Chapel	4 p.m.
Contact unit chaplain	

JEWISH

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

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship/Religious Education

Annex Holy Communion Protestant Chapel	7:30 a.m.
Contemporary Service Base Theater	9 a.m.
Sunday School Protestant bldg. 67	9 a.m.
Evangelical Chapel Service Base Theater	10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion Camp Geiger Chapel (Episcopal/Lutheran Liturgy)	8 a.m.
Brig	9 a.m.
Praise and Worship, Camp Geiger Chapel	9:30 a.m.
Camp Johnson Chapel	9 a.m.
Courthouse Bay Chapel	9 a.m.
Holy Communion, French Creek Chapel	9 a.m.
Midway Park Chapel	11 a.m.
Tarawa Terrace Chapel	10:30 a.m.
(Sunday School, Religious Ed. bldg.)	9:15 a.m.
New River Chapel	11 a.m.
Wed Night Alive French Creek Chapel (Bible Study)	5:30 p.m.
French Creek Chapel, Gospel Rock Cafe (Wednesdays)	11:30 a.m.
Wed Night Youth Group	6:57 p.m.
(Middle School 6th-8th Grade) Camp Geiger Chapel	

ISLAM (MUSLIM JUMAH)

French Creek Chapel	1 p.m.
Call Cpl Ellis	451-3820

EASTERN ORTHODOX

Camp Johnson (St. Nicholas) Chapel	
Divine Liturgy Great Vespers (Saturday)	6:30 p.m.
Divine Liturgy (Sunday)	10:30 p.m.
Feast Day Services/Special Service	To be announced

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Camp Geiger Chapel, Sunday Service	6:30 p.m.
Tarawa Terrace Chapel, Gratitude Service	
1st/3rd Mondays	7 p.m.
Point of contact: Chaplain Craft	451-3517
Everette Sharp	(252) 636-8744

LATTER DAY SAINTS

Call Bishop Maloney	743-2569
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Community Briefs

Easter Egg Hunt

Onslow County Parks and Recreation is sponsoring four huge Egg Hunts for Onslow County on Friday.

Walden/Steed Park	8:30 a.m.
Low Pines Park	11 a.m.
Camp Sound Park	1:30 p.m.
Robert By-Pass Park	4 p.m.

There will be prizes and candy and even a hunt for the Easter Bunny. The program is designed for children 10 years of age and under.

Children are encouraged to participate without adult assistance. If you have questions regarding this program call the Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department at 347-5332.

Spring Concert

The Coastal Carolina Community Choir will present its spring concert, Simple Gifts, at the Trinity United Methodist Church on Hwy. 17 across from the Kettle Restaurant in Jacksonville April 28 at 8 p.m. The show is a tribute to one of the premier American Composers, Aaron Copland. In keeping with the theme of Simple Gifts, donations will be

accepted to pay for building supplies in the relief effort that continues for Chinquapin flood victims. The program is free and the public is invited to attend. For more information call 938-6341 or 938-6315.

Circus

The Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. "World's Largest Circus" is coming to town. The circus will be held at the Onslow County Fairgrounds Monday and Tuesday with showtimes at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. daily.

Scholarship

Applications are available for the Gladys

Stafford Scholarship by the Onslow County Republican Women. Applications can be obtained at all Onslow County High Schools. For more information call 347-4704 or 346-6188.

CMN Carnival

The Children's Miracle Network Carnival will be sponsored at the Sam's Club on West-ern Blvd. April 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Children's Miracle Network. For more information call 346-2148.

Quilting Classes

Quilting Classes are being offered by the

Jacksonville Recreation and Parks Department on Mondays from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Jacksonville Commons Recreation Community Center. Cost is \$18. For more information call 938-5305.

N.C. Aquarium

The N.C. Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores will hold an alligator egg hunt April 22. Kids, help Allie the Alligator find her eggs, learn about alligators and see one up close. Children will also make craft souvenirs. This program is for children ages 4 - 6 years of age. Advanced registration is required and cost is \$4. Call (252) 247-4003.

Web site features overseas travel information

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Press Service

When you're traveling to central London, African plains this summer, you can check the travel section on the Department web site home page. International travel information is available at state.gov/www/services.html.

The site provides health and safety information as well as host nation travel rules and regulations. Department officials issue travel

warnings whenever they think Americans should avoid a certain country.

A Worldwide Caution, for example, was recently posted noting the March 24 anniversary of NATO military action in Kosovo.

Officials advised U.S. citizens traveling or residing abroad to exercise appropriate caution and to avoid large crowds or gatherings, given the possibility of pro-Serbian demonstrations.

Public announcements are posted about terrorism and other relatively short-term or trans-national conditions posing threats to Americans.

In the past, the department has issued warnings about bomb threats to airlines,

terrorist violence and anniversary dates of specific terrorist events.

U.S. Embassies and Consular offices are located in more than 250 countries around the world.

They produce consular information sheets about each country.

These can be found on the Web site by clicking on the Travel Warning heading and scrolling down the alphabetical list.

The information sheets on everywhere from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe include the location of the U.S. embassy or consulate, immigration practices, health conditions, currency and entry regulations, crime and security information, health assistance, traffic

safety and drug penalties.

Keep in mind, State Department officials advised, U.S. citizens are subject to the laws of the country in which they are traveling.

Penalties for possession, use or trafficking of illegal drugs in many countries are strict, and convicted offenders can expect jail sentences and fines.

The Web site also includes a list of travel publications available on the Internet or in hard copy for about \$1 to \$1.50 by mail.

Titles include "A Safe Trip Abroad," "Tips for Older Americans," and "Passports: Applying for Them the Easy Way."

Other Internet web sites featuring information on U.S. government services and a

host of international destinations are also listed.

The travel section cites services offered by U.S. consular sections overseas. These include helping travelers replace a passport, find medical or legal assistance and obtain funds from back home.

If your family needs to reach you while you're overseas, for example, they can contact the State Department's Citizens Services at 202-647-5225.

Their emergency after hours and weekend phone number is 202-647-4000. State officials will relay the message to consular officers in the country where you are traveling and they will attempt to locate you.

Living with Grief teleconference

Arnold Johnson
Onslow Home Health and Hospice

On April 26, Onslow Home Health and Hospice will join more than 2,400 organizations across the United States and Canada as a local host for the Hospice Foundation of America's seventh annual National Bereavement Teleconference "Living with Grief: Children, Adolescents and Loss" live via satellite-video teleconference.

This teleconference will focus on ways to help children and adolescents cope with loss and offer insight and suggestions for those assisting young people with issues that include death, serious illness and divorce. The program will be moderated by Cokie Roberts of ABC News and will feature a distinguished panel of experts.

The teleconference is produced by Hospice Foundation of America, a non-profit organization that assists those who cope personally or professionally with terminal illness, death, grief and bereavement.

The teleconference is supported in part by a grant from the Project on Death in America of the Open Society Institute, and the Veterans Health Administration Office of Information Department, in cooperation with Abnenberg/CPR, funders of "Death A Per-

sonal Understanding" and John Hancock.

"While we often discuss how we grieve as adults, rarely do we consider the losses that children and adolescents must face," said Jack D. Gordon, President of the Hospice Foundation of America. "Whether they are grieving the death of a parent or grandparent, or they must face the loss involved in relocation or divorce, children and adolescents often do not know how to cope. This teleconference will present intervention techniques that caring adults can use to empower children and adolescents with effective coping skills."

The panel will include Nancy Boyd Webb, a social worker and expert on play therapy for bereaved children; Charles Corr, PhD, a professor who has written extensively on children, adolescents and grief; Kenneth J. Doka, PhD, Lutheran minister and professor of gerontology at the College of New Rochelle; Margarita Suarez, a pediatric nurse, and Executive Director of AVANTA in Washington state; Dottie Ward-Wimmer, a pediatric nurse and children's bereavement counselor for the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing in Washington, D.C., and Betsy Wendt, a counselor for the D.C. Public School System.

For more information call Arnold Johnson or Deborah Marshburn at 577-1660.

Jacksonville High School Presents

Rodgers and Hammerstein's

State Fair

May 4	7:15 p.m.
May 5	8 p.m.
May 6	8 p.m.

"Our State Fair is a great State Fair, don't miss it, don't even be late..."

Greetings from the cast of the Jacksonville High School's spring musical "State Fair!"

Come join the Frake family as they spend a weekend at the fair, discovering love and laughter through song and dance. Tickets \$7.



CHOSIN FEW RECEIVE PLAQUE -- Chapter President, Raymond Dopf presented Capt W.J. Mattes, Commanding Officer and 1st Lt J. Taylor, Executive Officer with a gold Chosin Few pin, a Chosin Reservoir Campaign Booklet and a Ballads of Chosin Reservoir tape. The Chosin Few Chapter Vice President, Don Ivers, Easy Co, 2d Bn, 7th Marine Regiment and 1st Sgt Gigg, Charlie Co, 1st Engineer Bn were also present to present a plaque to the Chosin Few. Mattes, Taylor and 1st Sgt Gigg presented a plaque to the Chosin Few.

Camp Lejeune sizzles with hot Latino Nights

Hot, it's hot, it's spicy, and it's Latino Nights. Beginning Saturday, the French Creek Recreation Center will host Latino Nights every Saturday night from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. DJ Boricua, a.k.a. Miguel Santiago, will be heating things up with the latest Latin dance music featuring Salsa, Meringue, Combias, Boetas, Quebraditas, and much more!

French Creek Recreation Center Manager, Bill Bennight states, "This will be an exciting evening which is not only open to our enlisted personnel but also reaches out to the general public."

With a cash bar and great snack line up, it's sure to be a success. You must be 18 years of age to enter. There is a \$4. cover charge per person. How-

ever, ladies will be admitted free until 10 p.m. Call the French Creek Recreation Center at 451-1446 if you need additional information.

For those of you who want to learn more about Latin Dancing, Tarawa Terrace Community Center will be conducting a six-week Latino Dance Class beginning April 22 from 10-11 a.m., teaching Salsa and Meringue. If interested, call 451-2253.

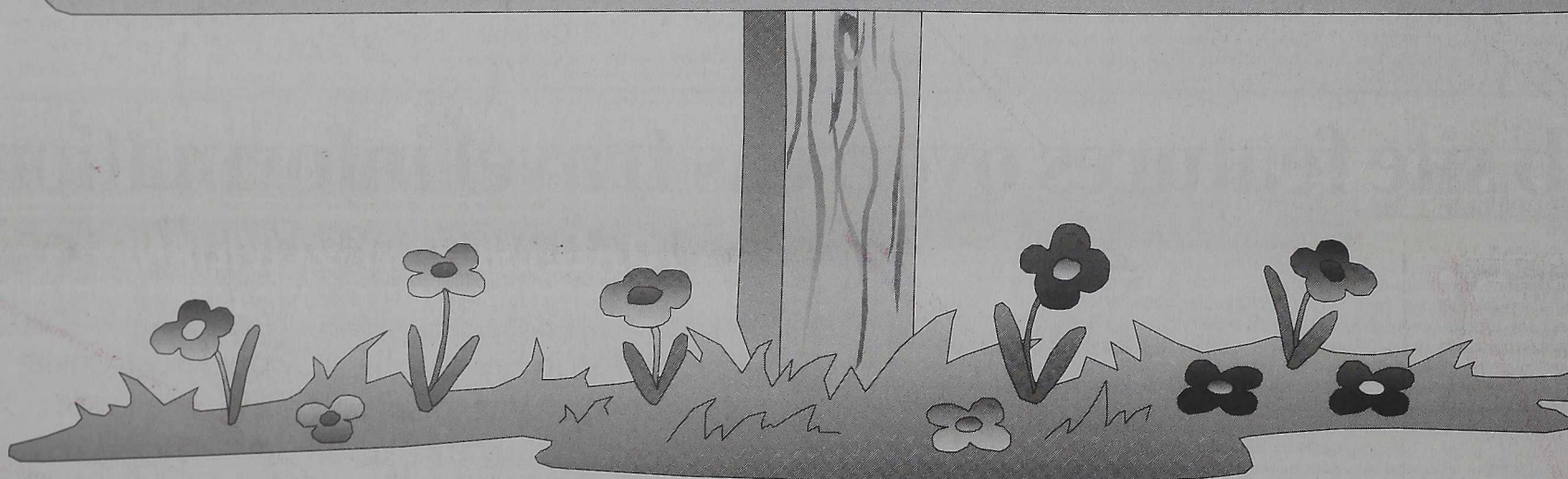
Oh, by the way, if you are in need of childcare, the Brewster Child Development Center is available for drop-in service on Saturday nights from 6 p.m.-midnight. Isn't that convenient! You must register in advance. For more information, call 451-2162.

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Commandant declares LCTV-10 best programming

I might only have twenty regular viewers of LCTV-10 that I'm aware of, but two weeks ago I also had the Commandant of the Marine Corps tune in. No kidding, he was quite pleased, that is until he found out that I had his room bugged. I'm currently shackled to my desk for my poor judgment but I can at least finish this article. Anyway, just before he smashed the camera I can tell you that what he saw was varied programming that included an up to date and colorful announcement scroll, exercise and PME videos.

If this was all we showed we would be doing okay, but then we would only be average.

What he also saw was music videos, historical videos, a base produced cooking show, base news, and where else could he have seen "Sands Of Iwo Jima."

Speaking of programming YOUR channel, I'm still waiting to hear from you as to how you want me to proceed. Call RTV at 451-

5624 to tell me how you like the channel.

Meanwhile, let me explain what I'm going to do. I want to take out music videos in the morning and dedicate the hours between 9-1130 a.m. to military subjects to include PMEs and programs like "Semper Fit."

At 1130 a.m. make sure the televisions at the chow hall, fitness centers, clubs, etc. are tuned into LCTV-10. During this time I'll program the music videos and original base programs like "Cooking With Tony" and of course, "Camp Lejeune Today"

and "Camp Lejeune After Hours."

During the later part of the day, I'll have historical and educational programs to include college and university promotional videos. You are planning to use your educational benefits, right!

I'm also obtaining programs from the other services, because I'm an equal opportunity programmer.

Late afternoon/evening programming will again include music videos and longer com-

mercial programs.

Weekends will include programs you may have missed on Thursday and Friday and if its possible, classic movies.

Throughout the day LCTV-10 will keep you informed with that high-speed scroll we've created.

There are plenty of times available to include videos that your unit produced.

Until I get more personnel, assigned or volunteers, and my new equipment comes in, we'll be

presenting "Camp Naval Hospital Health Lejeune Today" on Promotion Dept, to host Tuesdays and "Healthy Living."

Thursdays at noon and 5:30 p.m. This allows my videographic fire team to seek out more targets of opportunity and still bring you a first class news program.

This week LCTV-10 will be introducing a

new base produced show, which will cover health issues. I was going to call it Health Watch but somehow my idea got out and a local channel picked it up. So, sometime on Thursday, "Healthy Living" will premier. The first edition will cover infant care and hot weather tips.

The first health expert will introduce LCDR Janet M. Gehring from the Naval Hospital, Pediatrics Department.

I've convinced Genice H. Beightol from the Health Promotion Department at the Naval Hospital to be the show's regular host. She was a natural her first time out and I think I've discovered another star. Genice will insure that the program stays interesting, informative and ongoing.

The upcoming Music Videos will feature, Pat Benatar, Rolling Stones, Grand Funk Railroad, Curtis Mayfield, (Curtis Mayfield has been inducted twice into the Hall, once with seminal R&B group The Impressions and once for his prolific solo career) and more Santana just to name a few.

Maj Larry Costales, is officer in charge of Camp Lejeune's burgeoning cable television initiative (Channel 10).



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Terri Hort gives fitness tips on program "Semper Fit."

Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30 a.m.	Making of a Marine	Music Videos	Music Videos	Making of a Marine	We All Came Home WWII Female POWs	Combat Leadership	Naval Hosp Consumer Health
10 a.m.	Combat Leadership	Fierce Pride	The Crucible	Combat Leadership	Fierce Pride	The Crucible	Combat Leadership
11 a.m.	Semper Fit	Semper Fit	Semper Fit	Semper Fit	Semper Fit	Semper Fit	Semper Fit
11:30 a.m.	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos
12 p.m.	Camp Lejeune Today	Camp Lejeune Today	Cooking with Tony	To Lead & To Serve	Camp Lejeune Today	Cooking with Tony	Camp Lejeune Today
12:30 p.m.	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Navy Marine Corps News	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Navy Marine Corps News	Camp Lejeune After Hours
1:30 p.m.		Cooking with Tony				To Lead & To Serve	To Lead & To Serve
2 p.m.	We All Came Home WWII Female POWs		To Lead & To Serve		We All Came Home WWII Female POWs		Healthy Living
2:30 p.m.	Music Videos	Profiles of Leadership	Profiles of Leadership	Music Videos	Combat Leadership	Music Videos	Profiles of Leadership
3 p.m.	Combat Leadership	The Gallant Breed	U.S. Coast Guard	The Gallant Breed	Making of a Marine	The Gallant Breed	Reality Check
4:30 p.m.	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos	Music Videos
5 p.m.		Cooking with Tony	Cooking with Tony	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Navy Marine Corps News	Camp Lejeune After Hours	Navy Marine Corps News
5:30 p.m.	Camp Lejeune Today	Missing in Action	Missing in Action		Camp Lejeune Today		Camp Lejeune Today
6 p.m.				Sea Dragon			
6:30 p.m.							Healthy Living
7 p.m.	Navy Marine Corps News	Navy Marine Corps News	Navy Marine Corps News	To Lead & Serve	University/College Review	University/College Review	University/College Review
7:30 p.m.	Making of a Marine	Faulklands Task Force (108 min)	Faulklands Task Force (108 min)			Cooking with Tony	

'Eye of the Beholder' has sight set on Base Theater



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Kevin Kline, Kenneth Branagh, Armand Assante and Edward James Olmos are the voices behind the characters in "The Road to El Dorado"

The box office hit "Eye of the Beholder" is just one of the great movies now playing at the base theater. In this most seductive, surrealistic thriller, an intelligence agent known only as "The Eye" becomes so taken by an enigmatic serial killer that he is unable to apprehend her.

Ewan McGregor ("Trainspotting," "The Phantom Menace") stars as a British intelligence agent who is on a mission to shadow a murderous blackmailer. The agent is hunting down this beautiful and sexy serial killer using cutting-edge surveillance equipment to track her and becomes more and more fascinated by his target, and eventually becomes romantically obsessed with her prey.

Ashley Judd (Double Jeopardy) plays Joanna, a dangerous woman cloaked in mystery. She portrays the seductive man-killer who's on the run, constantly changing her looks.

Co-starring in this messy and very confusing techno-thriller are Patrick Bergin as the blind tycoon, Jason Priestley as the blond pool-hall thug, and Genevieve Bujold as the psychologist who tries to explain what Joanna is all about. K. D. Lang, who is quite good as the on-line link between "The Eye" and British Intelligence, can also be heard on the soundtrack.

Cinematographer Guy Dufaux gives the movie vibrant visual scenery in locations such as New York, Chicago and San Francisco, to name a few.

Director Stephan Elliott ("The Adventures of Priscilla," "Queen of the Desert") also wrote the screenplay, adapted from the novel by Marc Behm. He conspired with costume

designer Lizzy Gardiner and asked Italian designer Valentino to provide the wardrobe for Judd. Selected were approximately 50 garments on loan, worth more than \$100,000, mostly from the 1960s and 1970s collections.

Eye of the Beholder is not your run-of-the-

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mill slasher movie.

If you just can't wait 'til it travels to the base theater, "The Road to El Dorado" is now showing at theaters throughout Jacksonville.

"The Road to El Dorado" is an animated lighthearted adventure-comedy featuring the voices of Kevin Kline and Kenneth Branagh telling the tale of two 16th-century con men who obtain a map to a legendary city of gold.

The couple of swindlers try to find the fabled lost city of gold by stowing away on one of the ships of the Spanish conquistador, Cortes.

Also featured are the voices of Armand Assante, Edward James Olmos, and Rosie Perez. Tulio (Kevin Kline) and Miguel (Kenneth Branagh), a pair of two-bit con men, believe they have found their path to fortune and glory when they win a map to El Dorado, the legendary City of Gold.

There is only one problem, they have wound up locked in the brig on a ship of the Spanish explorer Cortes (Jim Cummings).

After a daring escape, with the help of a clever war horse named Altivo, they manage

to stumble onto El Dorado only to find their troubles are just beginning.

The High Priest Tzekel-Kan (Armand Assante) proclaims them to be gods, plotting to use their fortuitous arrival to take power from the Chief (Edward James Olmos).

To sustain the ruse and get the gold, Tulio and Miguel must enlist the aid of the beautiful native Chel (Rosie Perez) who matches them for con.

But time is running out, even as they fulfill their dreams of gold, their friendship and the very fate of El Dorado hang in the balance.

Directed by Don Paul and Eric Bergeron, "The Road to El Dorado" is a Dream Works production. Beautiful tunes are performed by Elton John, lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Hans Zimmer, the Oscar winning team of "The Lion King". All songs, except one, are sung by Elton John. The most memorable one is "Friends Never Say Goodbye."

"The Road to El Dorado" is meant to be a big fun adventure comedy, a road trip for the entire family.



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Ashley Judd plays a seductive serial killer in "Eye of the Beholder"

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Friday	
Pitch Black	R 7 p.m.
Scream 3	R 9:45 p.m.
Saturday	
The Tigger Movie	G 2 p.m.
What Planet Are You From	R 7 p.m.
Pitch Black	R 9:45 p.m.
Sunday	
The Tigger Movie	G 2 p.m.
Scream 3	R 7 p.m.
Monday	
Eye of the Beholder	R 7 p.m.
Tuesday	
The Tigger Movie	G 2 p.m.
The Beach	R 7 p.m.
Wednesday	
Toy Story 2	G 2 p.m.
What Planet Are You From	R 7 p.m.
Thursday	
Boiler Room	R 7 p.m.

Free admission to children attending matinee celebration of The Month of the Military Child on Wednesday

New River

Friday	
The Tigger Movie	G 7 p.m.
The Beach	R 9:30 p.m.
Saturday	
The Tigger Movie	G 7 p.m.
The Beach	R 9:30 p.m.
Sunday	
The Beach	R 3 p.m.
The Tigger Movie	G 6 p.m.
Monday	
Eye of the Beholder	R 7 p.m.
Wednesday	
Eye of the Beholder	R 7 p.m.

No shows Tuesday or Thursday

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Having a hard time deciding which movie to see? These are the movies playing at the Camp Lejeune and New River base theaters this week:

The Tigger Movie: Voices of Jim Cummings, Nikita Hopkins. W. the Pooh and his friends are busy preparing a suitable winter home for E. Tigger, who is just too playful to work, decides to find some other Tigger play with.

Boiler Room: Giovanni Ribisi, Nia Long. Determined to prove his worth to his demanding father, a young college dropout takes a job at a brokerage firm where he is drawn into a world of corruption and greed.

The Beach: Leonardo DiCaprio, Virginia Ledoyen. A young American traveler, an avid pop culture buff with an interest in video games and Vietnam movies, finds himself in possession of a map that supposedly leads to a legendary island paradise.

Pitch Black: Vin Diesel, Radha Mitchell. In the not too distant future pilot makes a forced crash landing in a distant world. As the survivors escape the uncomfortably hot planet they must band together to survive.

Scream 3: Neve Campbell, David Arquette. In the third and final sode of the scream trilogy, Sidney realizes she can no longer escape her

What Planet Are You From: Gary Shandling, Annette Bening. A male life form is sent on a mission to earth to impregnate a woman and qui learns that traveling halfway across the universe was the easy part.

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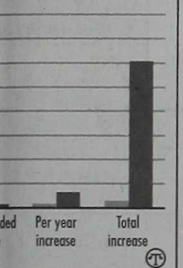
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Very seldom in order to minimize tax consequences. For subscribers like the site lets them focus on things like work or other "time" said Fredhager.com. "And for those familiar with the technology, the service provides insight into the peace of mind of following the company's portfolios and can make changes at a moment's notice."

In addition to the long-term portfolios, the site has more aggressive trading strategies—one of which is managed hedge fund for subscribers to emulate. For 1999, the fund ended the year up 15 percent. A sign of recognition, the watchdog publication Mark Hulbert Financial Research, recently announced that the performance of Fredhager.com's portfolios. The two sections: a free subscription side and a subscription side for \$200 a year.

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"You're never as good as you want to be, but you're better than you were yesterday," said Col Gaskin. "We've learned that we were ready, we were okay, but okay is not enough, we've got to continue to improve. The bottom line is still that we've got to be ready."

While the MEU (SOC) conducted a small number of exercises and no "real-world" operations, Col Gaskin stresses that just being there is real-world.

"Don't ever apologize for not going to war," he said. "Just your presence there is a deterrence. Were we ready? Hell yeah we were ready! Every exercise we did has the same settings that we would have done if we had gone into Kosovo or anywhere in the Balkans."

The MEU (SOC) participated in Bright Star 99/00 in Egypt, which was the largest multi-national military endeavor since Desert Storm in 1991. Training and maintenance in Israel, and Infinite Moonlight in Jordan which allowed the Marines to get valuable train-

ing, but also gave the MEU (SOC) a chance to provide medical and dental care to the less fortunate people in that country. "You don't need a real-world operation to prove you were ready," he said. "I don't want anyone to say 'Oh, we didn't do anything on the deployment.' There is just as much training for the events we did as there would have been if we had got to do something."

Col Gaskin also recognizes the importance of exercises not only for the training, but also because of the presence that is established. "Every time a MEU goes ashore it establishes our nation's resolve to assist our allies," he said. "It sets the tone for those we would fight with and sends a message to those we would fight against. We can be friends or we can kick butt. It's entirely up to those who choose to engage us."

Throughout everything the MEU (SOC) did, Col Gaskin remained in awe of his Marines' and Sailors' ability to accomplish the tasks placed in front of them.

"The Marines and Sailors have exceeded my expectations," he said. "They had an energy when we began that carried throughout. There were a lot of diamonds in the rough and some that had experience that was off the page and they all came together as a tremendous team. They performed admirably. I have never been prouder of a unit's performance."

So, what advice would Col Gaskin give to a new MEU commander?

"Enjoy it, because the time is short," he said. "Everything they've done so far in their career has prepared them to lead Marines. The mandate to each MEU commanding officer is to make sure their Marines are ready to answer the call."

Col Gaskin wants to make sure that all the Marines and Sailors of the 22d MEU (SOC) are as proud as he is.

"I hope they see as much in their accomplishments as I do," he said.

"As they return home they can be justifiably proud because while on watch, they did their duty."

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discussing things and making plans."

Once the problem was brought to the attention of Leidy, an x-ray technician with the 24th MEU(SOC), he used the internet and his Navy connections back at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C., to try to find out what might be wrong with the hospital's equipment. His back-home source referred him to *USS Wasp's* biomedical technician, Adams, who came ashore two days later to assess the situation firsthand and with a little bonus - two fully functioning portable units the Navy could donate.

"I let them know I had two units that I could transfer custody to them plain and simple," Adams said. "We got them on the ship about 18 months ago. It was a trial to see how they would work onboard ship, but they're not at the level where they would work on ship due to the fact that we don't have a real Mother Earth ground."

"So, I got two new replacements and kept those other two on ship hoping somebody would need them," he explained. A round of coffee and "thank-you's" from clinic staff for the new gear and the group headed for the broken x-ray machine on the sec-

ond floor. Months earlier, a unit had taken it apart to examine. Ten minutes after seeing the machine for the first time, Adams noted that all that was wrong was bad batteries. With a call from the U.S. Embassy to get batteries and shipping, the unit repair and replacement was complete.

"It's a very special deal opened today. I'm really Tieszen said after returning Able Sentry that afternoon a lot of brain power to coordinate the moving parts - everybody to coordinate with everybody to do what, when and where."

The product of these efforts adds up to more than just a personal feeling of joy or excitement for those few who participated in the labor. In a country torn by violence, this demonstration of undoubted help will save lives. The details of this effort will be forgotten before the next move on to the next duty station or return to the States for good, but the affect effort will be felt in this country for years to come.

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26th MEU hits diamond in 'Bama

A. Shoemaker
Combat correspondent

Mobile, Ala. — Not even an inflatable Uncle Sam could slow down the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) from its minor league baseball debut April 6. In 100 Marines and Sailors from the 26th MEU, to color guard, marched onto the field at Hank Aaron to start off the Mobile Bay Bears' first game of the season. Col Kenneth J. Glueck, MEU Commander, making his appearance.

A Fast Attack Vehicle (IFAV) drove onto the field of Glueck, who made his way to the mound and threw the opening pitch of the Bears' 2000 season. A baseball fanatic, said Col Glueck. "When I was old, I loved to go to games in Chicago. So having the opportunity to throw the first pitch is a dream come true." Kicking off the Bears' season was more than just an honor for Col Glueck, it was the least his unit could

do for the people of Mobile, we wouldn't be able to train here. "They have given us tremendous support." The support came in the form of Mobile city officials allowing the 26th MEU to use their city as part of the 26th MEU's Urban Environment Exercise (TRUEX).

TRUEX, which began here April 5, Marines conduct a series of training missions near a developed area to simulate real-world situations.

Things like this are the least we can do," said Cpl William A. Wedewee, Ala., native who also served as the color guard. "Besides, standing up in front of people in your (Dress Blue uniform) reminded me of

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Sgt Brook R. Kelsey

Colonel Kenneth J. Glueck Jr., 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit Commander, throws the opening pitch of the Mobile, Ala., Bay Bears' opening game of the season April 6. The 26th MEU was in town to conduct its Training in an Urban Environment Exercise (TRUEX).

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The Jacksonville Raiders, a semi-pro football team, is looking for a proven leader with choreography skills, knowledge of cheerleading and the ability to promote team spirit to coach their cheerleading squad. Interested parties must have their own insurance, be able to travel and be over the age of 18.

The season runs from July through November, with the first game scheduled for July 29 in Raleigh.

To apply, call Regina Wheelless, Executive Director of Jacksonville-Onslow County Sports Commission, at 577-7333.

Interviews will be held this week.

Late Registration

The Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department's six youth baseball and softball districts are accepting late registrants on a space-available basis. Eligible youth must be five years old before Aug. 1, and cannot turn 19 before Aug. 1. The registration fee is \$16, and a copy of the birth certificate is required. Interested players need to contact the district president in their area. For more information, please call 347-5332.

Tennis Lessons

The Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department will conduct beginning youth (ages 5-7) and adult (ages 16 and up) tennis lessons. Cost is \$20 per participant at the following dates and locations:

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Pre-registration will be held at the Onslow Pines Park administration office, located at 1244 Onslow Pines Road, before 4 p.m. April 28 for lessons at Coastal Carolina Community College and before 4 p.m. May 1 for lessons at Onslow Pines Park. Class size is limited. For more information, please call 347-5332.

Boating Safety Class

The Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department and N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will conduct a boating safety class in the cafeteria at Southwest Middle School from 6:30-9:30 p.m. May 15 and 16. The class will include responsible boating, personal watercraft and trailer towing. Pre-registration is required by phone through the Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department. Deadline for registration is May 8. For more information, please call 347-5332.

Marathon measures participants' mettle

Marathon route attracts distance runners
across country to take challenge

S. H. H. H.

Distance runners from across the country came to Mobile to tackle the longest Marine Corps Community Grand Prix Series Saturday.

The Lejeune Marathon tested runners' endurance with a winding course around the base and finishing at Goette Fieldhouse.

Days have a great turnout for the Lejeune MCCS Events Coordinator, said "It was another record crowd up today."

6 runners registered to run in the marathon or the 5k run scheduled for Saturday. The staff here was out the apparent success.

With runners appearing from as far as Washington, California, Florida and the field was quite competitive. Camp Lejeune's own Jose Garza took in, with a time of 2:46:54.

Men's overall winner was Mandy of Jacksonville, who came in at 2:46:54.

Way's closest follower, Beth Sullivan from Cary, N.C., said the race was much better than the Marine Marathon, which she competed in last year.

"I organized, with a more scenic

course and I just had a better time."

Sullivan said her experience at the Marine Corps Marathon was marred by the sports drink offered along the course; it cramped her stomach, and made running difficult.

She also added that the marathon was a "warm-up" for several events she plans to compete in next month, and she will be back for future Grand Prix Series events.

Though several hundred runners tackled the course's 26.2 punishing miles at a competitive pace, many others took it on a bit more slowly.

One such athlete, 65 year-old political science professor from Duke University, Ole Holst, race-walked the entire course.

"This was great," he said while resting after the grueling event. "It was a bit windy, but the course is beautiful. It was a piece of cake."

Holst competes in a variety of events around the state, and said it feels good to be outdoors.

Aside from the wind, the weather cooperated fully with the MCCS staff, which has not had an event rained out since 1993, according to Marion.

"We've been hurricanes out twice, but not rained out," he said. "We have been really blessed as far as the weather."

Clear skies and mild temperatures throughout the day helped bring the record crowd onto the course, though Marion believes the forecast from Friday evening may have held back some

entrants from the 5k run.

"The weather reports were kind of sad," he said. "Marathon runners always sign up early, so I don't think it affected them at all, but there might have been even more participants in the 5k if the forecasts had been better."

Though not as widely known as the Boston or New York events, the Lejeune Marathon is certified by the USA Track and Field Association.

In fact, Marion said several runners qualified for the Boston marathon.

"We send the results to the (USATF) headquarters, so runners are eligible for breaking state and national records," he said. "We are still processing the paperwork, so we really can't say if any records were broken yet."

One record that was definitely set was for the Lejeune course itself. This was the first time the course has been run, since Marion had to re-lay the path clear of certain training areas aboard the base.

One interesting addition to the marathon was the entry of six teams from the Marine Corps Combat Engineer School at Courthouse Bay.

The 31 Marine students entered the race as a class challenge, Marion said.

"It was a unique experience having the students enter as a group," he said. "I was quite impressed that they came out and ran their first marathon here. Every one of them finished."

The next event in the Grand Prix Series is the Armed Forces Day 5k run, scheduled for May 13. Interested runners should contact Mike Marion at 451-1799 for more information and to register.



E. S. Harcher

Ron Horton, from Charlotte, enters the Liversedge track after a grueling 26.2 mile run around the base.

Lejeune players reached the majors

Though perhaps better known for its football teams, Camp Lejeune had at least eight major-league players on its baseball teams.

Best known were pitcher Bob Grim, first baseman Agganis and pitcher Dan Bankhead.

Bankhead, who hurled for Lejeune in '52 and '53, won 20 games for the Yankees in 1954 as a League Rookie of the Year.

He posted a 61-41 career record and 3.61 ERA with New York, Cleveland, St. Louis and St. Louis. He was a two-time World Series champion.

Bankhead, star first baseman for the Yankees in 1951, played 157 games for Boston in '54 and '55 before an early death at age 25.

Bankhead's military service was called up in 1950 and he was assigned to the Lejeune Football team to an 8-2-1 record, including a victory in the Electronics Bowl.

Bankhead led the Terriers to a 16-0 victory over Lejeune in 1951. He was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame.

Bankhead starred for Montford Point in '43

and '44 in an era of segregation. In 1943, for example, he posted a 22-1-1 record and hit .356.

He won 9, lost 5 in the majors, becoming the first big-league black pitcher and first to appear in a World Series, both occurrences in 1947. He also homered his first time at bat. Later, Bankhead stayed on the diamond as a minor-league manager.

Ernie Harwell, longtime Tigers TV and radio announcer, was stationed at Lejeune during part of WW II. Some bylines can be found in GLOBE issues.

In addition, Rich Garcia, second baseman on the 1964 Lejeune team, became a major-league umpire.

Mike Illitch, principal owner and chairman of the Detroit Tigers, was a shortstop for Parris Island in 1949 and Quantico in 1950, opposing Lejeune in at least half a dozen games.

Other Lejeune major-leaguers: Catcher Aubrey Epps (1 G, Pittsburgh 1935), 1943/23rd Regiment/Tent City Pitcher Bill Greason, Lejeune 1952. Had an 0-1 record for St. Louis in 1954 and had hurled for the Birmingham Black Barons before entering service.

See GUNN /3D

Once a Marine,
Always a Marine
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Know the water; know your bass bait

The sun is starting to burn through the morning haze and the clouds are starting to disappear, the top water bite is gone and it's time to switch tactics.

This is when a good fisherman starts looking for a better pattern to keep catching bass; the options that are available are endless! The different types of lures that you keep in your tackle box should relate to your experience level.

Myself, I'm not much of a plastic worm fisherman so I use a lot of spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Most of the time it depends on how deep the water is that I am fishing also.

Here in North Carolina the lakes and the rivers are full of grass, and it depends on the time of year, what type of grass, and how thick it will be when you fish it.

Everything from coontale and hydrilla, to eel grass and lily pads, are just a few of the flora and fauna that grow here. In some places there is a combination of both, it just depends on whether you are fishing lakes or rivers.

Next we start looking at water depth, this is a relative term. In some areas 6-foot deep water is considered deep and in others we fish 40-foot deep points.

The first type of lure we can look at

are spinnerbaits, these range from 3/16 of an ounce up to one and a half ounces. My personal preference is the smaller ones. The reason behind this is that most of the bait fish around here seem to be of the smaller variety.

There is also a large range of colors, blade sizes, and blade types to include willow leaf, Indiana and Colorado blades. Then there are the newer titanium wire spinnerbaits.

Then we have the crankbaits. There is such a large variety of crankbaits that I could talk about them forever. There are so many lure manufacturers that I could name them for the next couple of weeks, I will try to stay with the ones that I personally have knowledge of. These are Megabass, Poe, Mann, Berkley and Rapala.

The depth of the water dictates what type of crankbait I will use. Here's where the choices start to become mind-boggling, a lot of people that I know use Mann's baby 1-minus in shallower situations.

See TOP /3D

Be safe; wear a helmet whenever riding a bike on base.

Lejeune Marathon results

Female Overall Results

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	Mandy Treadway	3:33:20	23
2	Beth Warner-Sullivan	3:35:02	22
3	Susan Elderbroom	3:37:07	21

Male Overall Results

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	Jose Garza	2:46:54	23
2	Kenneth Dixon	2:47:40	22
3	Sadot Mendez	2:53:13	21

Female Masters Overall Results

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	Gale Casey	3:50:06	23
2	Sharon Hobbs	3:53:05	22
3	Connie Lewis	3:57:07	21

Male Masters Overall Results

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	Sammie Simmons	2:55:34	23
2	Roy Cote	3:13:45	22
3	Robert Thaxton	3:14:04	21

Female Age Group: 17-19

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	257 Melissa Wesselmann	4:56:48	20
2	263 R.A. Wilkinson	5:00:35	18
3	275 Matisa Childs	5:07:04	16
4	277 Davina Blaile	5:07:59	14
5	328 Thao Nguyen	6:10:44	12

Male Age Group: 17-19

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	29 Pfc Sierra	3:27:48	20
2	149 Gabriel Dicola	4:16:45	18
3	169 Adam Payne	4:26:49	16
4	200 Scott Hawkins	4:38:29	14
5	201 Eric Gonzalez	4:38:29	12

Female Age Group: 20-24

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	64 Maria Derrer	3:46:21	20
2	91 Frances Clemens	3:56:29	18
3	92 Lisa Deitle	3:56:29	16
4	97 Beth Van Doren	3:57:14	14
5	138 Sarah Lambert	4:14:20	12

Male Age Group: 20-24

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	9 Roberto Castillo	3:06:49	20
2	52 Seth Bittner	3:41:43	18
3	53 Aaron Munz	3:42:21	16
4	55 Luciano Rodriguez	3:42:26	14
5	70 Alan Finley	3:50:18	12

Female Age Group: 25-29

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	86 Christine Couldney	3:55:25	20
2	161 Allison Archbold	4:22:17	18
3	185 Jamie Chancellor	4:32:46	16
4	235 Louise Williamson	4:49:53	14
5	268 Lisa Kearse	5:02:23	12

Male Age Group: 25-29

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	10 Russ Rankin	3:08:43	20
2	20 Jeff Rule	3:19:17	18
3	23 Wayne Scott	3:21:23	16
4	25 M T Good	3:24:38	14
5	34 Scott Buttz	3:29:33	12

Female Age Group: 30-34

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	100 Michelle Probst	3:58:22	20
2	163 Anita Browning	4:22:45	18
3	212 Rebecca Vanbree	4:43:25	16
4	296 Melissa Brown	5:27:22	14
5	310 Claire Steele	5:39:33	12

Male Age Group: 30-34

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	7 Brian Fancher	3:06:20	20
2	15 Scott Digruttolo	3:16:07	18
3	22 Ron Hutchins	3:20:37	16
4	27 Edward Haukka	3:25:22	14
5	36 Robert James	3:32:15	12

Female Age Group: 35-39

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	72 Cheryl Ebert	3:50:45	20

2	73 Susan Kolbinsky	3:51:03	18
3	90 Margaret Bloomer	3:56:12	16
4	123 Sarah Van Emden	4:09:07	14
5	181 Norma Cabana	4:31:30	12

Male Age Group: 35-39

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	5 Gregg Walchli	2:57:17	20
2	6 Pierre Garant	3:04:38	18
3	8 Vince Decker	3:06:45	16
4	11 Lawrence Abalos	3:09:21	14
5	16 Richard Williams	3:17:25	12

Female Age Group: 40-44

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	135 Marsha Kouba	4:13:48	20
2	142 Sherry Celestia	4:15:47	18
3	172 Kathleen Cariker	4:27:19	16
4	173 Dona Poole	4:27:37	14
5	192 Sally Mann	4:36:31	12

Male Age Group: 40-44

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	14 Bill Ayers	3:15:54	20
2	17 Russell Graef	3:17:25	18
3	18 Lee Piccirillo	3:17:32	16
4	21 Roy Scott	3:19:47	14
5	41 Timothy Spoo	3:34:29	12

Female Age Group: 45-49

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	106 Debbie Bozeman	4:00:37	20
2	133 Eileen Hoover	4:13:00	18
3	171 Margy Darnielle	4:27:16	16
4	202 Janis Anderson	4:39:46	14
5	278 Jeanine Hearn	5:08:27	12

Male Age Group: 45-49

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	31 Clifford Losano	3:28:16	20
2	56 Enoch Hasberry	3:42:58	18
3	82 Bruce Caldwell	3:54:20	16
4	114 Allen Patterson	4:04:01	14
5	117 Paul Comar	4:05:36	12

Female Age Group: 50-54

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	128 Sarah Almon	4:10:00	20
2	260 Judith Robertson	4:57:51	18
3	330 Sarah Guillet	6:16:45	16

Male Age Group: 50-54

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	40 Michael Whiteman	3:33:55	20
2	43 James Thomas	3:36:10	18
3	122 John Dorotics	4:08:41	16
4	132 Kenneth Wong	4:12:40	14
5	144 Stephen Bozeman	4:16:00	12

Female Age Group: 55-59

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	319 Peggy Rogers	5:53:35	20
2	332 Linda Guillet	6:29:35	18

Male Age Group: 55-59

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	32 Cary Howard	3:28:35	20
2	33 Robert C. Pope	3:28:43	18
3	35 Jean-Noel Marchalot	3:31:26	16
4	50 Horale Ellis	3:40:44	14
5	109 Ronnie Davenport	4:02:05	12

Male Age Group: 60-64

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	300 Alan Steggle	5:29:13	20
2	320 James Rider	5:53:35	18

Male Age Group: 65-69

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	71 Dick Green	3:50:45	20
2	84 Dan Shuff	3:54:44	18
3	111 Heinz Sehlhoff	4:02:46	16
4	207 Leo Beauclair	4:42:34	14
5	259 Peter Butler	4:57:32	12

Male Age Group: 70-99

Place	Name	Time	Pts
1	126 Epifanio Agosto	4:09:42	20
2	252 Franklin Mason	4:55:06	18
3	281 Dom Irrera	5:14:07	16

*Complete results posted at www.coolrunning.com

This week on base

Saturday

9 a.m. — Youth Softball — Pee Wee — Braves vs Dodgers at Tarawa Terrace Field

Midget Slow Pitch — Rockies vs Blue Jays at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Dodgers vs Braves at New River Air Field

Fast Pitch — Athletics vs Braves at Tarawa Terrace Field

Youth Baseball — Tee Ball — Cubs vs Yankees at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Astros vs Red Sox at New River Air Station Field

Pinto — Rangers vs Braves at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Yankees vs Reds at New River Air Station Field

Bronco — White Sox vs Dodgers at New River Air Station Field

— Athletics vs Yankees at Tarawa Terrace Field

Mustang — Indians vs Yankees at Tarawa Terrace Field

H.S. Fed. — Athletics vs Pirates at Tarawa Terrace Field

10 a.m. — Youth Track — Midgits

Youth Baseball — Tee Ball — Rangers vs Braves at New River Air Station Field

— Reds vs Dodgers at Tarawa Terrace Field

10:30 a.m. — Midget Slow Pitch

Youth Baseball — Pinto — Astros vs White Sox at New River Air Station Field

— Cubs vs Astros at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Mets vs Dodgers at New River Air Station Field

11 a.m. — Tee Ball — Phillies vs Orioles at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Royals vs Rockies at New River Air Station Field

Mustang — Orioles vs Pirates at Tarawa Terrace Field

Bronco — Rockies vs Pirates at Tarawa Terrace Field

H.S. Fed. — Yankees vs Reds at Tarawa Terrace Field

Noon — Youth Softball — Pee Wee — Phillies vs Orioles at New River Air Station Field

Youth Track — Majors — Liversedge Track Field

Youth Baseball — Tee Ball — Athletics vs White Sox at New River Air Station Field

— Pirates vs Indians at Tarawa Terrace Field

— Rockies vs Pirates at Tarawa Terrace Field

2 p.m. — Youth Baseball — Mustang — Giants vs Braves at New River Air Station Field

Mets vs Rockies at New River Air Station Field

Monday

6 p.m. — Over 30 Men's Basketball — Blue Devils vs II MEF — at Area 5 Gym

— Kody's Kids vs Navy Bozs — at Camp Johnson Gym

Intramural Men's Softball — 8th Comm "A" vs 8th MT — at Harry Agganis Field

— 2d Supply "A" vs CBIRF — at Intramural Field

7 p.m. — Over 30 Men's Basketball — 2d Med Bn vs SOI — at Area 5 Gym

— MCCSSS vs 6th Mar — at Camp Johnson Gym

Intramural Men's Softball — MP Co (Base) vs 2d Med "A" — at Harry Agganis Field

— 2d Supply "A" vs 2/8 — at Intramural Field

8 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — Hq Spt vs Hq Trk — at Harry Agganis Field

— Base Compt vs 2/8 — at Intramural Field

9 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — 2d LSB vs 2d Rad "A" — at Harry Agganis Field

— Hq Co vs 2d LAR — at Intramural Field

Tuesday

6 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — II MEF vs 2d Med "B" — at Intramural Field

— DisBo vs EMC — at Harry Agganis Field

6:30 p.m. — Women's Softball — Good-N-Plenty vs Millennium 2000 — at French Creek

7 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — Navy PSD vs 1/10 — at Intramural Field

— 8th ESBn vs Hq Spt "B" — at Harry Agganis Field

7:30 p.m. — Women's Softball — 2d Dental Bn vs Extreme — at French Creek

8 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — 8th Comm "B" vs 2d Rad "B" — at Intramural Field

— Hq Svc vs 1/8 Wpns — at Harry Agganis Field

8:30 p.m. — Women's Softball — Untouchables vs Sho-Nuf — at French Creek

9 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — MTM vs ELMACO — at Intramural Field

— Nav Hosp vs 2d Tank — at Harry Agganis Field

Wednesday

6 p.m. — Over 30 Men's Basketball — II MEF vs Renegades — at Area 5 Gym

— 6th Mar vs Kody's Kids — at Camp Johnson Gym

Intramural Men's Softball — 2d LAR vs Hq Spt — at Intramural Field

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— 2d Supply "A" vs 2d LSB — at Harry Agganis Field

8 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — CBIRF vs Hq Trk — at Intramural Field

— 2d Supply "A" vs 3/10 — at Harry Agganis Field

9 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — Hq Bn (Div) vs 2d Med "A" — at Intramural Field

— 3/10 vs 8th Comm "A" — at Harry Agganis Field

Thursday

6 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — 2d Med "B" vs Navy PSD — at Harry Agganis Field

— 2d Sup "B" vs 1/10 — at Intramural Field

7 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — MCCSSS vs Nav Hosp — at Harry Agganis Field

— 1/10 vs 8th Comm "B" — at Intramural Field

8 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — 2d Tank vs Hq Svc — at Harry Agganis Field

— 2d Radio "B" vs MTM — at Intramural Field

9 p.m. — Intramural Men's Softball — 8th ESBn vs 2d AA Bn — at Harry Agganis Field

— ELMACO vs II MEF — at Intramural Field

NCWBA Championship Tournament schedule at Bonneyman Bowling Center

DATE

Saturday

Sunday

April 29

April 30

May 6

May 7

TIME

11 a.m.

2 p.m.

8 a.m.

Sports Spotlight: The little slugger

Brittany Jordan, is a second grader here on base. A few months ago, she was diagnosed with insulin-dependant diabetes. Though her condition requires her to keep close attention on her diet and blood sugar, she maintains an A average in school and plays an active role on the Orioles baseball team. Recently, the **GLOBE** Sports editor talked to her and her mother, **Sharon**, on the phone to see how she handles such an active life-style.

B: Mom helps schedule my schoolwork and practice times.
S: We just try to go day by day. She has to eat a snack at certain times, and take her insulin at certain times. We just try to work it out as things happen.

ED: When you found out you had diabetes, did you think you could keep playing?
B: June 18th I found out. I always thought I would be able to keep playing.

S: Oh yeah. They say to keep active, so we were glad when she said she wanted to keep playing.

ED: Was it hard?
B: Kinda, kinda not.

S: It was hard for the whole family. We had to change the entire way we all ate and lived to help her get through.

ED: Do you have to do certain things to make sure you don't get sick while you are playing?
B: I have to eat a snack to keep my sugars leveled.

ED: How did you learn to get through this?
B: My mom did the medicine, but now I have started doing it myself.

S: I just showed her one day. She wanted to draw it up by herself, and we showed her how. She is going to camp this summer, so she had to learn how to do it for herself.

ED: Does it take a lot for you to practice and play in games while keeping up with schoolwork?
B: Yes, but my mom helps me a lot.

ED: How do you balance practice and school with all the other things you have to do to stay healthy?
B: My friends on the team help me by being my friends and supporting me.

S: Her friends watched a video on it, so they know what she's going through.

ED: Do you plan to keep playing throughout school?
B: Yes. I want to keep playing softball and soccer.

ED: Who is your favorite athlete?
B: I don't know.

ED: Do you ever watch sports on TV?
B: I think watching sports is boring. I'd rather be out there playing.

ED: Who cheers louder at your games, Mom or Dad?
B: Both of them are loud. Every time I go to hit, I hit to right field or left field. They cheer me on pretty good.

S: Her dad cheers louder, definitely.

ED: How did you start playing softball?
B: I asked my mom and dad to play softball, and they said yes, so I got to play.

ED: What is your favorite thing about softball?
B: Every time, I hit the ball into left or right field, I'm pretty good at it.

ED: This seems like a lot for a second grader to have to deal with, yet she stays so active. What do you think about her?
S: She does really good, and we're just really proud of her. I'm glad she wants to play sports and keep active, so we'll keep supporting her along the way.

If you know of someone who excels in their sport, send his or her information to harcheres@lejeune.usmc.mil.

ED: I understand you play softball and are a cheerleader. Which is your favorite?
B: Softball. I don't know why. I just like getting out there and playing.

ED: When did you get started playing and cheerleading?
B: I started softball in March, but I've been in cheerleading since last basketball season.

ED: What teams do you cheerlead for?
B: Oh, all kinds of teams at my school.

ED: What was your favorite team?
B: My favorite was the Bulls. They are a basketball team at my school.

ED: Do you have a favorite cheer?
B: No.

ED: Does it take a lot for you to practice and play in games while keeping up with schoolwork?
B: Yes, but my mom helps me a lot.

ED: How do you balance practice and school with all the other things you have to do to stay healthy?

Devilpup Soccer update

from The Daily News prep roundup

Lejeune shuts out Whiteville

A 10-0 rout moved Lejeune to 10-0 on the season. Katie Stokes put in four goals and Kia Jackson netted three as the Devilpups routed visiting Whiteville 10-0 in a non-conference game on Tuesday to remain undefeated. Stokes and Jackson also had one assist each and Corina Rangel earned her fourth consecutive shutout in goal by stopping all three shots she faced.

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Lejeune 6 4 — 10

GOALS — LHS: K. Stokes 4, K. Jackson 3, K. Kline 2, S. Burns 1. **ASSISTS** — LHS: K. Kline 2, K. Stokes 1, K. Jackson 1. **SHUTOUT IN GOAL** — LHS: C. Rangel. **SHOTS ON GOAL** — LHS 21, WHS 3. **CORNER KICKS** — LHS 7, WHS 1.

from 1D
ank Carswell, Lejeune 1945: Played for Detroit in 1953. A Rice All-in basketball, he also was a minor-leaguer in baseball.

Waugh, Lejeune 1952-53. Won 5, Pittsburgh in 46 games in early 1952-53.
Johnson, Lejeune 1953. Won 2, lost 10 for the Cubs in 1959-60. He also spawned dozens of minor-league players, according to GLOBE accounts: Camp Lejeune League: P George

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Former Marine All-American athlete at 65

St. Clair Murraine
Tallahassee Democrat

After 20 years in the Marine Corps, Rodney Letchworth had a simple vision of how he would spend retirement.

"I had a preconceived notion that after you retire you just got older and older until you can't do anything," he said. "That had been my experience with all the older people I had known."

Letchworth's wife, Martha, knew better. Rusting out during his retirement years wouldn't be the way he would go because, "easy stuff bores him," she said.

So it doesn't surprise her that, at age 65, her husband has become an All-America discus thrower. Forty years after his last collegiate competition, Letchworth threw a career-best 139 feet, 10 1/2 inches. The performance beat his previous best of 133 to make him the fifth-ranked discus thrower at the National Seniors Games last year in Orlando.

Letchworth got to the national competition by winning the discus and taking second in the shot put at the state championships in Raleigh, N.C. He placed 13th in the shot put at the nationals.



Letchworth's next major competition will come in the Florida Championship next November in Kissimmee. He earned the berth to the state by placing second in the 60-64 age group of the discus, shot and javelin at the regional championships held in January in Orlando. Letchworth has to take a first or second in any of the three events to get another shot at the national title next July in Louisiana.

Letchworth is reviving an athletic career that started when he was on the Leon High School track and field team in the early 1950s.

He later made the Florida State track and field squad in 1953 as a walk-on, and earned a

letter before a lack of finances forced him to change his plans to become a doctor.

He had milked cows, driven school buses and planted pine trees to make it through his first three years at FSU.

Enlisting in the Marine Corps was supposed to be a stop between prerequisites and returning to study for a medical degree. The idea was to save some money to pay for his classes, but it didn't work that way.

"I got into the Marines and realized I wasn't going to save much money at \$75 a month," he said. "They had this program for going into aviation to finish college. I went to flight school and had a good career after that."

Letchworth, who flew bombing missions during the Vietnam War, retired from the military with honors as a lieutenant colonel in 1977.

His honors include two distinguished Flying Crosses, the fifth highest medal given for meritorious service, and 23 air medals. He also was a Marine air weapons training instructor and left the service after working three years as a senior analyst with the Pentagon.

During most of his early years of retirement, Letchworth's days were spent renovating a home in the mountains of North Carolina. It was during his work on the property that his wife came up with the idea for him to return to athletic competition. She was confident he would be strong enough, but more so after seeing him single-handedly take down a huge tree from around their home.

"I don't know how big around it was," Martha Letchworth said, stretching her arms wide apart to illustrate the size of the tree. "He got it down. Then, he had to get the darn stump out."

Letchworth didn't give his wife's suggestion a second thought.

"It was very important for me because I was getting to the point where I was getting out of shape," he said. "It gave me motivation to get out and start working out again. The best thing about it is I feel so much better now that I'm back in shape."

Letchworth's children know of his athletic heroics only from his medals and certificates, but they are his biggest fans, although they haven't seen him in action.

"It's good to see him get into something like this at this point," said Chuck, one of Letchworth's four children. "I hope I'm like that when I get to his age."

From 1996 until his return to Tallahassee, Letchworth had been competing in senior games around the Carolinas. The Letchworths moved back to Tallahassee a year ago to be close to their grandchildren.

But Letchworth found fewer senior track and field athletes in the area. As a result, his only competitions are at regional, state and national meets.

Between meets he does light weight training and practices his throwing on a controlled schedule.

"I recognize my limitations because recovery time is a little longer," he said. "You have to put a lot more into it."

But he holds nothing back on the field. "When I get out there and realize I'm going to have to do something extra special to even place, I get pumped up about it," he said. "I get tunnel vision. I am really focused about what I have."

And the competition is taking notice. Letchworth moved up to the 65-69 age group this year and one of his challengers will be Len Olson, a national champion.

Being on the lower end of the age bracket should be advantageous to Letchworth because of his tenacity, said Olson.

"He seems to be in pretty good shape at his age," said Olson, 68. "He seems to be quite talented, and when he works on techniques he will improve. At the nationals he was very impressive in the discus."

And there might be no stopping him any time soon.

"My goal now is to win the 85-89 old age group," he said.

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July 29	Raleigh Wolverines	Away*
Aug. 5	Fayetteville Cardinals	Away*
Aug. 12	Goldsboro Tigers	Home
Aug. 19	Eastern Shore (DE)	Home
Aug. 26	Virginia Ravens	Away
Sept. 9	Raleigh Wolverines	Home
Sept. 16	Fayetteville Cardinals	Home
Sept. 23	Goldsboro tigers	Away
Sept. 30	Virginia Mutiny	Away
Oct. 7	Virginia Huskies	Home

BAMA from 1D

Other Marines with the 26th MEU said Holloway was not alone.

"I hope this inspires people," said Sgt Sam Johnston, from Columbia, Tenn. "I have seen a lot of guys tonight who were thinking about joining the Marine Corps. I hope this shows them the rewards it can offer. Plus it's kind of fun to show off."

The Bears' game was not the first time Mobile has placed the 26th MEU at center stage.

Just hours before the baseball game, Mayor Michael C. Dow thanked the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit at a press conference at City Hall.

Dow also presented Col Glueck with the city, and officially proclaimed the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit Day.

"The Marines of the (26th MEU) are the forces who defend our country. We should make every effort to support them and women who wear that uniform."



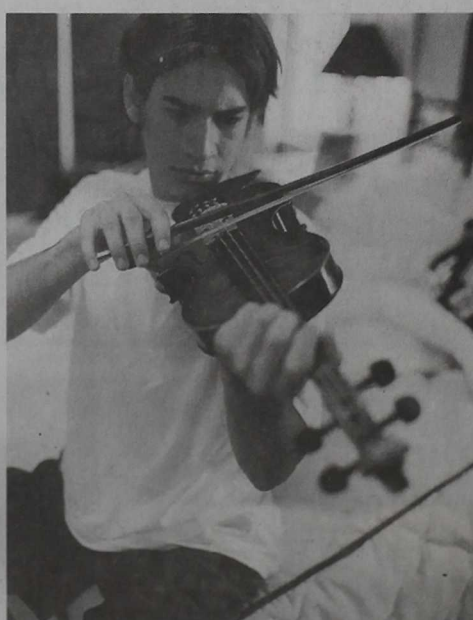
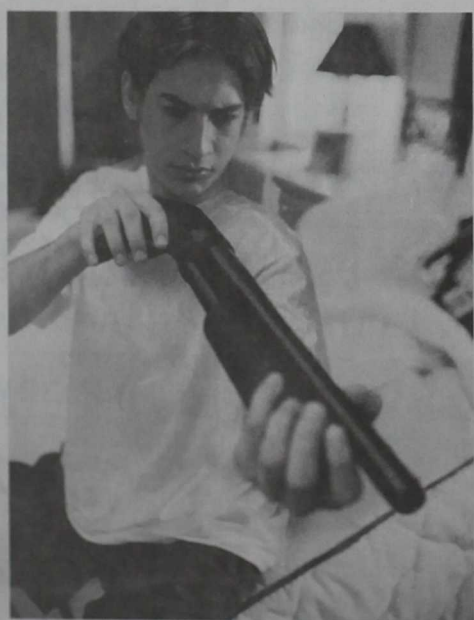
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Marines from the 26th MEU wait in the shadow of Henry L. "Hank" Aaron's stands for the opening game of the Mobile Bay Bears' 2000 season. They play their games in the stadium named after the legendary player, who won the 1955 National League MVP award and broke Babe Ruth's career home run record on April 8, 1974.

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