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i with repairing this equipment are the Marines of 2d nce Battalion, 2d Force Service Support Group. They weapons, trucks, tanks, boats and just about any other ear in the II Marine Expeditionary Force. According to n J. Miller, section chief for the machine shop, the Mas would grind to a halt without these maintenance Ma-

out us they can't operate. How many times have Mae to the field and weapons break or a truck breaks down? le fact of the matter is, no trucks, no guns, no war,'

d Maint. Bn.'s massive complex is located off of Avenue. Inside the almost hangar-like structure, trucks, s," guns and boats are packed together ready for repair

epair is divided into individual sections. For example, on specializes in weaponry repair, while another spe-1 automotive repair. Second Maint. Bn. even has a sected to repairing boats.

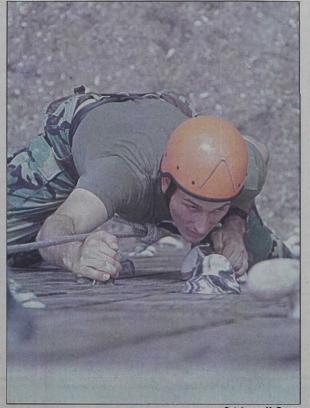
feels many people don't understand the complexity or e of the operations at 2d Maint. Bn. "Sometimes people this complex every day and don't understand what is here. I think that's because they're not aware of what it support an infantry unit or a tank unit in the field." he

considers maintenance and repair to be one of the keys for infantry operations. "We sustain them. For every combat it takes three Marines to support him. A Maenance man, an admin type and supply. Though it takes to support the infantryman, he never sees them because sees the other side of the house.

each section specializes in a certain type of vehicle or ines who work here need to have a lot of knowledge and e in many areas.

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# Hanging around



Sqt. Lance M. Bacon

PFC Marcus D. Hilger claws his way to the top of a 60-foot rock tower. In this week's edition, Globe reporter Sgt. Lance M. Bacon joins Hilger and his fellow combat engineers from Company D, 2d CEB as they conquer the rock tower and other obstacles offered by the Ropes Course.

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s note: See next week's Globe for a historical series on the fighting withdrawal from Chosin Reservoir.

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eek the chapter presented aff Noncommissioned Club a print of Col. Vaterhouse's portrait "The Reservoir to freedom. though surrounded by 10 Chinese

"I walked into the (SNCO) club and noticed there was everything on the wall from World War I to Saudi, but nothing from Korea," said retired GySgt. Joe Bechard, who served with the 1st and 7th Regiments at Chosin. "I asked the club manager, and he said they forgot. That's the same old story when it comes to Korea -- 'we forgot."

As a result, Bechard contacted Camp Lejeune's club committee about presenting the club something by which to recognize and remember

Bechard decided the painting by "The painting depicts Waterhouse (who was also at the res-Marine Division's famous ervoir) was the appropriate choice to withdrawal from the commemorate the Korean War.



Sqt. Lance M. Bacon

yogı. G Giggs, of the Coastal Carolina Chapter of the Chosin Few, present Sgt.Maj. Albert S. Wilson (left) and Sgt.Maj. Acie T. Carver a eligible to enroll in Prime or one of two other options. painting which depicts their plight at Chosin Reservoir. The painting will hang in the SNCO Club as a reminder of the the Korean War.

# Base foresters prep for blazing season

Sgt. Lance M. Bacon

Beach-goers and sun seekers alike are joyously breaking from winter's chill as things begin heating up. Base foresters fear that things may heat up a little more than they would like.

While others prepare for summer, the foresters are readying themselves for another fire season, which begins March 15. Once again, their watchword is 'preparedness.

We've got all of our equipment up and available," said Danny Becker, base forester. "We normally suffer about 100 fires each year, and we aren't expecting that number to increase this year.

What the foresters are concerned with, however, is two factors that can turn the 16-acre average fire into a major blaze encompassing thousands of acres.

The first concern results from the aftermath of hurricanes Bertha and Fran. Nearly 10 percent of base timber was downed, which simply "added fuel to the fire," according to Pete Black, who heads the Base Forestry Division and is a Natural Resources Conservation award winner.

"The broken trees have left a significant amount of natural fuels along the ground, which will be dangerous in the spring," Black said. "Where we used to have five tons of natural fuels per acre, we now have eight to nine. That added fuel could heighten the intensity of a fire and impact the rate of spread.

Additionally, Black and his fellow foresters fear that in the event of a significant fire, the remaining downed trees will impede the foresters progress in battling the blaze.

To counter the problem, the Forestry Division has contracted timber harvesters and conducted controlled burns since the hurricanes passed.

Before the hurricanes even came through Camp Lejeune, the foresters were already looking at their second concern - one they consider "a fire waiting to happen" in the Greater Sandy Run Area.

The \$41-million training area has suffered fires in past years which the foresters have successfully halted. This year, however, the foresters are keeping a close eye on the area as more pyrotechnics are used and construction nears its end on P-949, the tank crew training range located at the northern portion of

# **DoD** mandates evening, weekend hours at medical

Douglas J. Gillert

WASHINGTON - Military clinics and hospitals will open for evening and weekend patient care, DOD's top doctor has told the services' surgeons gen-

Dr. Stephen Joseph, assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, said DoD will move aggressively on this patient care policy and ordered the surgeons general to submit implementation plans by Monday.

Joseph first announced his intentions at a regional TRICARE conference here in January. He told the participants DoD must "offer our patients access to the care they need, when it is convenient for them.

He said the TRICARE access goal should be to provide clinical services four nights a week and, if needed, on Saturday mornings, the current civilian

In a Feb. 7 memorandum to service secretaries, Joseph formalized the policy to "ensure success and beneficiary acceptance of our TRICARE program . . . particularly for Prime enrollees." Under TRICARE, all active duty members receive their health care in Prime, DoD's managed care option, and most family members can elect to enroll in Prime. Military retirees and their families are

"The implementation of this policy should greatly enhance access for all TRICARE Prime enrollees," the DoD health chief added.

# inks, AAVs trump card in joint exercise



SS Nashville during Exercise Island Thunder '97. whicles were vital for success of the exercise.

Sgt. Mark D. Oliva

PORTO SCUDO, Sardinia - When the time mes for the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) to play cards with the enemy, they play with a stacked deck.

The MEU was called to reinforce a U.S. Army battalion during Exercise Island Thun-The light infantry soldiers, already ashore for the exercise, were expecting an enemy mechanized threat and they turned to the MEU for assistance to counter the threat.

Battalion Landing Team 1/8 responded with a reinforced mechanized force of four M1-A1 Abrams Main Battle Tanks and a platoon of amphibious assault vehicles loaded with a company of Marine infantrymen. The Meu turned the odds in America's favor.

"On the day of the landing, we were called

in to reinforce the 1st Battalion of the 508th infantry," said Capt. Gene Augustine, Co. C commander, BLT 1/8. "They're a light infantry battalion and were expecting an attack from an enemy mechanized force. We were called in to reinforce their lines and cover their heliconter withdrawal.

The advantage of using a mechanized force was the mobility and additional firepower, Augustine explained. The AAVs enabled the MEU to quickly close the gap between Marines and enemy, delivering a force to the fight that hadn't been fatigued by foot movement. The 120mm cannon on the tanks brought accuracy and fire superiority to the fight.

The 26th MEU was calling the enemy's bluff while holding a full house and holding an ace up its sleeve.

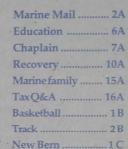
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# Inside...



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# It was 40 years ago when...

#### New uniform to be tested

sers, cap cover with frame cap and khaki shirt with tie. It is not expected to be available for some time

For officers and Staff NCO's French cuffs and

#### Summer uniforms to appear April 8

scribed as the appropriate uniform of the day nd the uniform of liberty for all personnel attached o or serving within the geographical limits of Camp

will wear summer service "A" or "B" with frame or

Officers (male) wear summer service "C" with frame or garrison cap, and female officers wear sum-

The Globe, March 22

#### Command changes scheduled for July

Monday that Brig. Gen. Wallace M. Greene Jr. will become Base commanding general here July 1, succeeding Maj. Gen. J.C. Burger who will assume com-

Maj. Gen. Reginald H. Ridgely Jr., present Division commander, was appointed Commanding General, MCB, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Maj. Gen. Robert B. Luckey, formerly scheduled to become Base commanding general here, will succeed Gen. Greene at Parris Island.

Presently commanding general of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C., Gen. Greene was formerly stationed here as Assistant Division

The Globe, April 5

#### **Argentine Admiral to** inspect Lejeune area

The Commandant General of the Argentine Marine Corps, Rear Admiral Pedro Favaron, will visit Camp Lejeune during period April 12-17.

The distinguished officer and party are slated to arrive at Building 1 by helicopter at approximately 9:30 a.m. next Friday morning

Appropriate honors, including a 13-gun salute, will be rendered on the Camp parade ground. Capt. Forrest A. Oldenburg, MP Bn., MCB, will be officer in charge of the ceremony.

The Globe, April 5

#### New Identification card to be issued

Department of Defense has prescribed DD Form 1173 as uniform identification and privilege card for issue to eligible dependents of members of the uniformed services and certain civilians accompanying or employed by the military services.

rized patron for medical care, commissary, expense and theater privileges as appropriate

It will replace DD Form 720 which will not be honored or issued for any purpose after Dec. 31,

Active duty members will make application for the DD Form 1173 on half of their dependents by submitting DD Form 1171 to their commanding of-

The Globe, May 24

#### Lejeune's AF Day Program well received by visitors

Despite intermittent showers, Camp Lejeune's Armed Forces Day program was well received by military dependents as well as by visitors from East-

Starting at 9:30 a.m. and lasting until 3:30 p.m., units of the Marine Corps Air Facility, Marine Corps Base and 2nd Division displayed their most potent weapons and machines, with Marines answering questions, operating movable parts and conducting tours throughout the day

At the Air Facility, a static display on the flight line held the interest of both young and old. An AD "Skyraider," a propeller-driven fighter-bomber from the Auxiliary Landing Field in Edenton, N.C., a "Flying Boxcar" from Cherry Point and an R4D twoengined transport lined the strip

The Globe, May 24

## What's News

# Chesty's



Test your Marine Corps knowledge! Every week the globe will run 10 questions guaranteed to stump the smartest Devil Dog. Give it a try, it's good PT for the brain!

1) What historic battles halted Field Marshal Hindenburg and Gen. Ludendorff only 40 miles short of Paris in WWI?

2) Which was established first, Camp Pendleton or Camp Lejeune?

3) On what day did the 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions breach Iraqi minefields to begin the ground offensive of Operation Desert Storm, and how long did the war last after the offensive began?

4) When Marines were dispatched to Harper's Ferry just prior to the Civil War, to who did they report?

5) True or false: Army Gen. John J. Pershing selected one company from the Army and one from the Marine Corps to guard his headquarters in France during WWI.

6) Which president authorized the first official Marine Corps Seal, and when did

7) When did the first Marines land in the area of Da Nang, Vietnam? 8) Which Marine Fighter squadron suffered heavy losses at both Pearl harbor

and Wake Island, but went on to great success in WWII?

9) Of the 520,00 men who died in the Civil War, how many were Marines?

10) True or false: Marines have been tasked with guarding hotels in Washington, D.C.?

#### Answers

1) The Battle of Belleau Wood and counter-attack at Chaireau-Thierry, 2) Camp Lejeune, which was dedicated May 1, 1941 (Camp Pendleton was dedicated Sept. 25, 1942) 3) Feb. 24, 1992, the was lasted 100 hours more, 4) Col. Robert B. Lee, USA. 5) Falses, He selected only the Tl991, the was lasted 100 hours more, 4) Col. Robert B. Lee, USA. 5) Falses, He selected only the On May 10, 1845, Marines and Sailors from USS Constitution landed there, but at the time it was Tom May 10, 1845, Marines and Sailors from USS Constitution landed there, but at the time it was From the Marines and Sailors from USS Constitution landed there, but at the time it was It was a large and sailors from USS Constitution landed there, but at the time it was It was a force. When the British destroyed the U.S. Capitol in Sept. 1814, Marines were tasked with protecting Congress, which was housed in a hotel.

### Commandant's Reading List



### The Anatomy of Courage

by Lord Charles M.W. Moran

(Garden City Park, NJ, Avery Publishing Group,

ord Moran's purpose is to find how courage is born and how it is sustained in a modern army of free people. Most of his observations are drawn from his experiences as a medical officer with a British battalion in World War I. He refined his thoughts, though at a distance, while lecturing to pilots during World War II and serving as Winston Churchill's doctor.

Moran believed men enter combat with a certain store of courage which is steadily drawn upon in a manner analogous to a bank account. Some come with more in their account than others, but all will exhaust their reserves if the experience of battle extends long enough. Moran classifies men's courage four ways: Men who did not feel fear; men who felt fear but did not show it; men who felt fear and show it but did their job; men who felt fear, showed it and shirked.

Considered a classic by many, the work is somewhat flawed by its strictly British viewpoint and by an often not-so-subtle ethnic prejudice. However, despite these shortcomings, it is a must-read book before leading Marines in combat.

For more details on the reading list, consult Marine Corps Bulletin 1500, published as ALMAR 246/96 (031500Z JUL 96)

# **MARINE MAIL:**

### What is the Navy/Marine Corps Retirement Home which o

### money goes to finance?

The following Marine Mail was received from GySgt. Nathan C. Hales Jr.

I have had many Marines ask me about the money taken out of our pay for the Navy/Marine Corps Retirement Home. I asked about information on this activity at a PME session and the Sergeant Major in attendance was somewhat stumped. I am interested in the name of someone who can provide me with the who, what, where, and why about the retirement home.

GySgt Hales

The following reply was provided by Brig. Gen. Henry P. Osman, Director, Personnel Management Division,

The Naval Home is the oldest continuing care retirement home in the United States. It was established on Feb. 26, 1811, by an act of Congress for disabled and decrepit Navy officers, seamen, and Marines. Originally located in Philadelphia, it was moved to Gulfport, Miss., in 1976. The NH provides primary residence facilities for enlisted personnel and limited duty/warrant officers who are receiving retired pay and for honorably discharged veterans who served during a period of national conflict.

With the passage of the National Defense Authorization Acts of FY90 and 91, Congress mandated that the NH could no longer be funded by annual appropriations from within the Navy Department budget; instead, it would operate from funding sources similar to the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home. Since FY77, regular Air Force, Army e and warrant officers have had 5 deducted from their pay each m order to assist in the funding USSAH.

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I appreciate your concerns a courage you to contact us if yo any further questions. The Hea ters Marine Corps point of cont questions concerning the NH Shirley Stadtmueller, Head, F. Activities, at 1-800-336-4949. T can be contacted by writing to Naval Home, 1800 Beach I Gulfport, MS 39507-1597, or callt 1-800-332-3527.

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# omer in the Marine Corps?

What? Women Marines? You got to be kidding.

That was the first reaction from a group of male Marines freed from a prison camp in the Philippines in February 1945. These men could hardly believe that women were in the Corps.

By February 1943, American forces wiped out all enemy opposition on Guadalcanal The bitter fighting there made it apparent that many more Marines would needed to continue the war in the Pacific. The Marine Corps would soon learn that there were no differences between men and women with respect to their fierce pride in the Marine Corps and that special "Once a Marine, always a Marine' brand of loyalty.

On June 7, 1946, Commandant of the

Marine Corps General Alexander A Vandegrift approved the retention of a small number of women on active duty. They would serve as a trained nucleus for possible mobilization emergencies. The demobilization of the Marine Corps Womens Reserve, 17,640 enlisted and 820 officers, was to be completed by Sept. I, 1946. Of the 20,000 women who joined the Marine Corps during World War II, only 1,000 remained in the Marine Corps Women's Reserve by July 1, 1946.

On June 12, 1948, Congress passed legislation giving women regular military status, placing them on a par with their male counterparts in the U.S. armed

Researched by Alexander Molnar Jr. USMC (Ret.)





Left, Col Katherine A. Towle, 2nd direct the Women's Reserve. Top, A WR re learns first-hand about carbines. Botton roup of WRs gather at a farewell dinne Adm. Nimitz Day in 1945.



The Globe

#### Recruits test future footwear of the Corps

MCRD, PARRIS ISLAND, S.C. - A series of recruits and some Marines on the Depot are currently testing footwear that may soon be on the feet of all Marines as soon as this summer.

Many recruits and drill instructors from Co. I, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, were issued Danner-brand Acadia combat boots to test for Marine Corps Systems Command in Quantico, Va., according to Maj. Dave Ruiz, project officer for Individual Combat Clothing and Equipment, MCSC.

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The 350 pairs of commercial, off-the-shelf boots being tested will provide the data needed to make decisions for new permanent-issue boots,

tested will all be considered," he said.

"Marines have always complained about their boots, and I have no misconceptions about the

new boot ending these complaints," Ruiz said. The Acadia model's retail cost is \$160, and wholesale it is \$105.

However, the new boots will be issued free to all infantry battalions in the Marine Corps on both active and reserve duty, Ruiz said.

Beginning in fiscal year 1998, the new boots will be introduced into the seabag issue, he said. They will also be available in cash sales outlets and exchanges

"We expect to award a contract for the new boot sometime in March, and deliveries to the FMF will begin this summer," Ruiz said.

The Danner has many features desirable to Marines based on results from previous infantry unit tests as well as the instructors from the Bridgeport Marine Mountain Warfare Training Center, Ruiz said.

The new boot will incorporate more cushioning in the sole, a repairable sole, better traction, a waterproof but breathable membrane, lighter materials, more lateral stability, a shorter breaking-in time, and better customer satisfaction.

Cpl. William M. Lisbon

#### Marines rescue five **Japanese** businessmen

CAMP SCHWAB, OKINAWA, Japan - Responding to faint cries for help, two Marines assigned to 1st Bn., 6th Marines, 3rd MarDiv., were the first of eight to aid in the rescue of five Japanese businessmen who nearly drowned here recently.

The businessmen, who are executives with Kunucha Resort Hotels and Villas, Inc., were fish-

ing near Recon Point when a wave crashed into the side of their boat, causing it to capsize. Scared, panicked and unable to swim, the five men held desperately onto anything that would float and began to cry out for help.

Less than 100 yards away, lstLts. Bill Brown and Sean Pascoli, H&S Co. were snorkeling when they heard the businessmen's voices. Unsure of what was happening, they swam closer to investigate.

We were out snorkeling when we heard voices." said Brown. "We couldn't see anything because the water was choppy. But as we swam closer, we saw a boat was overturned and knew something was

According to Pascoli, two of the business men were climbing to the top of the boat, which was almost completely submerged.

Upon reaching the distressed businessmen, Brown said he and Pascoli tried to keep the businessmen calm "The Danner and several other boots we have and told them, "Everything is going to be alright."

Seeing a boat off in the distance, Pacoli and Brown began yelling and waving to get their attention. However, it looked as though the boat was sailing away.

Knowing time was running out for them to save all of the businessmen, Brown decided to swim toward the boat and get its attention. Once there, he planned on guiding the charter boat through the reef back to the capsized boat and the businessmen.

While swimming toward the boat, trying to get their attention, LCpls. Glenn Depp and Christopher Kenley and PFC John Gilstrat of Combat Assault Bn. arrived on the scene. They too had been snorkeling in the area when they heard the businessmen's

Upon their arrival, they began to assist Pascoli, who was left behind to keep the businessmen calm and above water

Additional help came from LCpls. Jason Vandaele and George Lord and Cpl. Anthony Morefield of Co.

Vandaele, Lord and Morefield were kayaking nearby

when they noticed a fishing boat approaching them. "A gentleman aboard the fishing boat told us five people were drowning," Morefield said.

According to Morefield the man's boat was too large to fit through the reef and that they (businessmen) needed their help.

Morefield, Vandaele and Lord pulled the businessmen aboard their kayaks, Brown succeeded in making contact with the charter boat. He then guided it through the shallow reef back to the capsized boat where the businessmen were safely brought aboard and a towline was attached to their sunken craft.

Expressing heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the eight Marines, the businessmen visited the 4th Marine Regimental Headquarters where they thanked their benefactors again in person Jan.

They also presented each of the Marines with a traditional Okinawan porcelain doll as a token of their appreciation.

Cpl. Jason Dequenne

#### Special Response Team trains with New York police

TWENTY-NINE PALMS, Calif. - The Provost Marshal's Special Response Team received advanced training Feb. 3-15, when two felony warrant servers with Emergency Service Units in the New York City and Nassau county, New York, visited the Combat Center to teach the young response team members some of the tactics used by their depart-

Thomas Auletta and James McEniry, who also serve as Marine reserve infantry platoon sergeants, took time out from their busy schedules in New York to share their civilian police experience with the team.

'My unit has worked with departments all over the country," McEniry said. Helping Marines train was special, though.

"SRT and SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) teams around the country don't get to train as often as they would like, so we trade information back and forth to help each other," he said. The Marine teams probably train more than most, but seldom, if ever, get to put their training to the test.

"If they learn something from us and it helps them down the road; saves a life or keeps some one from

etting hurt; then great, we've done our job, McEniry added.

Auletta and McEniry taught the seven-man team the same advanced tactics their units pass on to other SRT and SWAT teams across the

The team worked on tactics, live fire, use of tools in room entry and live-fire room entries, McEniry said.

McEniry's unit is one of the oldest ESUs in the country, he said. The unit was involved in the World Trade Center bombing, where members of McEniry's unit rappelled into the building to help survivors; the TWA Flight 800 crash, where McEniry served as a diver; the 1996 Summer Olympics and the Oklahoma City bombing investigations. The unit serves an average of 200 high-risk, felony warrants each month.

When describing the team's primary weapon, the MP-5 submaching gun, to new SRT members, McEniry related that he had been involved in several gun fights and that the MP-5 was the best there is for the type of operations

SRT could find themselves involved in.
"It's accurate and stable," he said. "It's a 9millimeter with extra support.

Cpl. Jay Lamborn



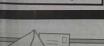
#### A Humvee make-over

The first of six new recruiting aides was recently delivered to the 6th Marine Corps District. The new High Mobility, Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle was redesigned to assist in the recruiting effort. The vehicle is a modified armament version of the HUMVEE that became popular in the Persian Gulf War and is equipped with a fully operational turret, bulletproof glass, steel armor plating, and kevlar reinforced doors. The recruiting aide HUMVEE is now painted with a high gloss "Viper-Red" finish, and Marine Corps advertising on the sides. The interior communications equipment is now replaced with a 25-inch color TV, VCR, six-disk CD changer, 10 speakers, and two amplifiers pumping 300 watts of power. The 8th MCD is scheduled to receive their new HUMVEE this summer.

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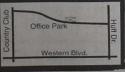


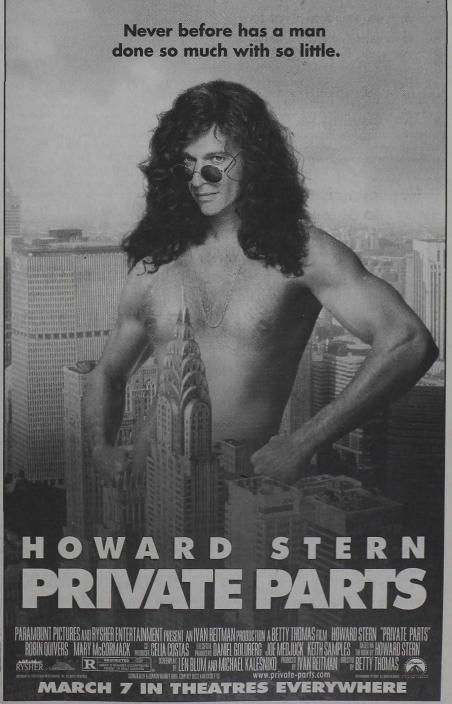
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for appointments.





#### Eat, drink and be merry at Lasagna Night at the USO

The Staff NCO Wives' Club of Camp Lejeune, Marine Corps Base will be the host of Lasagna Night at the USO Saturday

They will be serving homemade Lasagna, tossed salad & iced tea. Free to all military and their families. Dinner begins at 5 p.m.

#### Free financial management classes

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handling credit	
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Money-saving tips	45 mins

Topics can be combined to design a class that will meet your unit's specific needs. To set up classes contact, Bob White 451-2492 ext. 217

#### **Business '97 Expo** come to Jacksonville

The Greater Jacksonville/Onslow Chamber of Commerce and Onslow Beverage Co. will sponsor Business Expo '97 held at the American Legion in Jacksonville - just off Highway 17 at the fairgrounds. The Expo is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A \$1 donation is requested for

#### Briefs

adults, and children are free

Come out and see what our community has to offer, and while you are there, register to win a fabulous Royal Caribbean cruise. Call 347-3141 for more

#### "The Chosin Few" offers lectures

The Coastal Carolina Chapter of "The Chosin Few" is comprised of former members of units that participated in the Chosin Reservoir Campaign of the Korean War during November and December, 1950. Most of our members were in Marine Corps units during that campaign and are accordingly concerned that the legacy of that battle not be lost, an epic battle which in many eyes equals that of the most noteworthy in the annuals of Marine Corps

It has been our general experience than most of the young Marines of today have little or no knowledge of the Korean War, in general, and at best a sketchy idea of the Chosin Reservoir Campaign. To correct this situation, members of our Chapter have volunteered to place themselves at your disposal to give talks and answer questions.

The Chapter is willing to provide a speaker to any unit that so requests. Naturally, times and dates would have to be coordinated to insure the availability of a speaker. The point of contact for this matter is the Chapters historian, retired MSgt. Max Cribelan. He can be reached at 455-0114

#### **Navy-Marine Corps** Relief Society seeks volunteers

Need a challenge? Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is a private, non-profit emergency relief dedicated to helping the Navy and Marine Corps community.

We are looking for dedicated spouses, retirees and active duty as volunteers to work in administra-

tion, casework, reception, layettes, bookkeeping public relations, and loan management. Improve your job skills and make a difference.

Child care and mileage reimbursed. Call 451-5346 for information.

#### Children's Art Show

The 19th Annual Student Art Show for students in grades 6 through 12 will be on display at the Council for the Arts from March 2-25. Each school was invited to submit eight pieces

Cash awards will be presented in both middle and senior high school levels.

The Awards Reception is open to the public and will be held March 2, from 2 to 3 p.m. with the Onslow Art Society providing the refresh-

#### Make reservation for Spring Luncheons

Make your reservations now for the Officers' Wives' Club Spring Luncheons.

"A Down and Dirty Garden Party," will be held March 19 at 10:30 a.m. Deadline is March 12.

A Joint Luncheon will be at the New River O' Club, featuring "A Salute to Those Who Have Saluted the Service," Wed., April 9 at 10:30. Deadline is March 19.

To make your reservation write, Amy Smith, 2514 St. Mary Dr., CLNC 28547 or drop off in boxes at PPCCC, Hidden Talents or the Officers Club.

#### Base cable price increase

Charter Communications customers may notice a few changes April 1.

Customers will see an increase in their April bills. The new monthly rate for basic and expanded service will be \$28.45.

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Petty Officer 1st Class Joseph Zitelli is a surgical technici at the Camp Lejeune Naval Hospital with a lot more on I agenda then surgery. Zitelli has spent the last four years givi his time to volunteer organizations such as March of Dim and Toys for Tots program. He is also a liaison for Onsk Council for the Aging. According to Zitelli, he loves volunteen his time, and feels that the armed services should be involve with their communities.

At the Movies:

March 7-March 14

**Base Theater** 

Zeus and Roxanne

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#### Welcome to Okinawa brief

The FSC will be conducting a Welcome to Okinawa Brief March 19 from 9 a.m. to noon at the FSC classroom, Building. 14.

To register, call 451-5340 ext. 100/101. Child care will be provided by calling 451-2874 in advance.

#### Welcome aboard brief

The FSC presents a Welcome Aboard/New comers Orientation Brief every Tuesday from 8 a.m. to noon at the 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 MWR. This brief is in accordance with MCO 1320.11E. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

Child care is provided by calling 451-2874 in

#### Interviewing I & II

The FSC is conducting a two-part Interview Workshop. Part one provides information and guidance on the interview process, frequently asked and difficult questions, proper dress, body language, and other topics related to the inter-

### Human Services

view. In part two of the workshop, participants have the opportunity to be videotaped in a mock interview scenario.

Part one will be March 10, 9 a.m. to noon, and part two is March 10, 1 to 4 p.m. at Building 14. These workshops are offered to service members and their families. To register, call 451-5340, ext. 100/101. Child care will be provided by calling 451-2874 in advance.

#### Victim Advocate volunteers needed

Volunteer Advocates are needed nights/weekends for rapidly growing Camp Lejeune domestic violence prevention program.

Volunteers will provide emotional support, resource information, and accompaniment to emergency medical/legal appointments, to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Volunteers should possess good listening skills, the desire to help support people in their own decisions, and reliable transportation.

The training dates will be March 11, 12, 18 and 19 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and March 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Upon completion of training, volunteers will be assigned 1 to 3 evening shifts per month. For information, call 451-2864/2876, and ask for Mary Lynn

### Communication workshop for couples

The Family Counseling Center holds Couples Communication Workshops every Thursday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Family Counseling Center (Building 41) Classroom.

Couples are asked to make a five-week commitment to attend five sessions of the workshop; however, they may begin any week they choose.

This educational workshop is for couples to explore issues of trust, self-responsibility, conflict resolution, and respectful communication with each other.

To register, call the FCC at 451-2876/2864. Child care is available by calling 451-3828.

#### Financial fitness in '97

Get "financially fit" this year. Personal Financial Management classes will be conducted by the Family Service Center at Building 202, Rm. 210, from I to 4 p.m.

Banking on it: March 18 checkwriting Money March 19 workout plan

To register, call 451-3212 ext. 100/101. Child care will be provided by calling 451-2874 in ad-

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Come twist and shout at Attitudes Sock Hop tonight at 9 p.m. The three best dancers of 40s and 60s music will win a color television, microwave oven, or a boom box with compact disc player. The best dressed 50s couple will receive \$100!

Arrive early and enjoy dinner from 5 until 9 p.m. All ranks can now enjoy an all-new nighttime menu at Vittles All-You-Can-Eat Farmhouse Buffet every Monday through Friday from 4 until 9 p.m. For more information, call 451-1534.

#### New Movie Releases

March: Courage Under Fire, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Space Jam, First Wives' Club, Long Kiss Goodnight, That Thing You Do, Supercop,

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Glimmer Man, Maximum Risk and Highschool High. For more information, call 451-5928.

#### Youth Spring Camp

Registration is now in progress for Spring Camp 1997, to be held at Marston Pavilion from March 31 until April 4. Full days of activities, events and outings are planned for ages 6-11. Cost is only \$30 per week or \$10 per day. Deadline to register is March

#### NBA Basketball trip

Hurry in to Information, Tickets and Tours (ITT) for tickets to see the Charlotte Hornets play the Vancouver Grizzlies March 11 and the Washington

An overnight trip package is available for \$90, which includes transportation, lodging, and game

Individual tickets are available for \$15 each. For more information, call ITT at 451-3535.

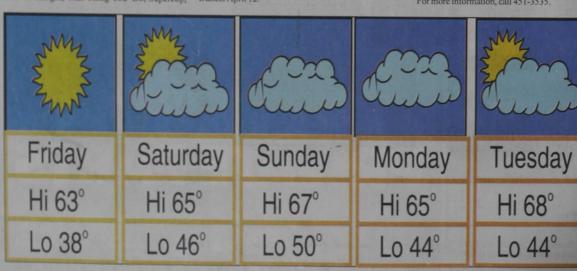
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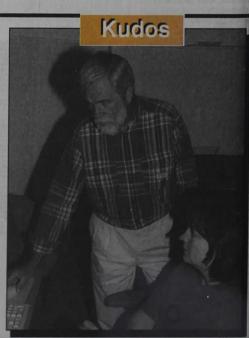
An international festival featuring performers from around the world is coming to the base the-

"The Festival" is Up with People's newest blockbuster musical production, and more than 100 young people from 25 countries will perform one show March 29 at 7:30 p.m.

This event is open to the public, and tickets are available at ITT for \$2 each

For more information, call 451-3535.





Norman Brooks has been the librarian at Berkeley Manor Elementary School for three years. His duties range from managing all the library's reading material and software to helping the kids learn to use the library properly. In addition to his normal routine, Brooks and his library assistant, Pauline Ellen, have begun devoting extra hours of their time after school to teaching children and their parents how to use the Internet and other programs. Their only requirement is that parent and child must be together and share in the

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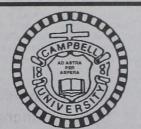
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#### **Pointers** For Parents ing-along Fun

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# Marines no longer find acheiving a degree out of reac

Cpl. Chris Irvine

Jumping off a truck, their faces smeared with camopaint, two Marines fresh from the field run inside the Consolidated Education Center with just minutes to spare before their class begins. Short of breath, they sit down are prepare for the mission of their lives; getting a college education.

Many Marines have regarded getting a college degree as "mission impossible", but they may not realize that the Base Education Center is a powerful resource that can help them overcome the pitfalls of trying to afford college and finding the time to

interest to local residents.

**OWC** offerings

April 1, 1997

Military

\$cholarships

Editor's note: Several organizations have made collegiate scholarships

available to servicemembers and their families. Listed below are a few of

The Camp Lejeune Officers' Wives Club is offering scholarships to graduating se-

2) active duty military personnel currently fulfilling an unaccompanied PCS tour

3) retired or deceased military personnel whose last duty station was in the Camp

\*Applications are available through school counselors. Deadline for submission is

The Camp Lejeune Staff NCO Wives' Club is offering scholarships to graduating

miors from all Onslow County high schools and to the spouse of a staff nco who is

Applications may be picked up at the Base Library, Onslow County Library, high

school guidance counselors' offices and the Staff Wives' Thrift Shop. If you would

like additional information, call 451-5591 or 353-5346. The deadline for submission is

either active duty, retired or a deceased member of the United States Armed Forces.

niors who are currently attending either Lejeune High or one of the six Onslow county

high schools. Scholarships will be awarded for academic excellence and merit. To

qualify, a senior's sponsor must meet one or more of the following criteria:

1) active duty military personnel serving in the Camp Lejeune area.

whose last duty station was in the Camp Lejeune area.

Camp Lejeune Officers' Wives' Club

Point of contact is Elizabeth Aupke at 355-2666.

Lejeune Staff NCO Wives' Club

(Attn: Scholarship Committee)

Please mail completed applications to

Camp Lejeune, NC 28547

P.O. Box 8531

According to GySgt. Fay L. Dalton, Education Chief at the Base Education Center, the center has educational opportunities for almost every Marine. We're trying to get the word out, not just to Base Marines who have a fairly stable lifestyle, but also Marines that deploy a lot. We want them to come down here and see what programs we have for them," Dalton said.

The center houses a variety of colleges that offer a wide spectrum of different programs at the undergraduate and post graduate level

Marines are not the only people that can benefit from this resource. Any service-member, familiy-member, retiree or civilian employee who meets the entrance

requirements for a particular college or university represented at the center one advantage that others do not. The Marine Corps will pay up to \$2,500 per-semester to-This money is not a loan and their paychecks are not affected. The only stipulation attached to this program is that once paid for, the classes must be passed. If a student receiving the money fails the class, all the money must be paid

to accepts you in to their program, the Corps will pay. Many of the colleges have an "open door" policy that make acceptance for many easier than they may know.

back to the Corps.

As long as the col-

lege that you apply

"A lot of Marines worry that because they weren't motivated in high school that they can't get an education here. It's simply not true. If they come down here and speak to us, we can show them what we have to offer. We offer tests that they can take and they

grams that can help prepare perspective students for college level

According to Dalton, helping Marines get a college education is just one aspect of preparing for the day they hang up their uniform for the the "Discovery Program," which is a computer program that can help students evaluate their abilities, interests and produce a list of possible jobs and ca-

This is not the same computer program you may have seen in high school that told you to become a forest ranger that the programs have realistic choices for making the transition from life in the Corps to life on Main Street.

Deployments can think that getting a college education in the doubt that deployments

can make attending regular classes difficult, Dalton says that the center has programs for deployed Ma-

"It doesn't matter if they're deployed, we can help semester. Taking two classes a semester

them with correspondent courses or get back into classes after they get back. It may not always be easy but if you want an education, you can get one," said Dalton.

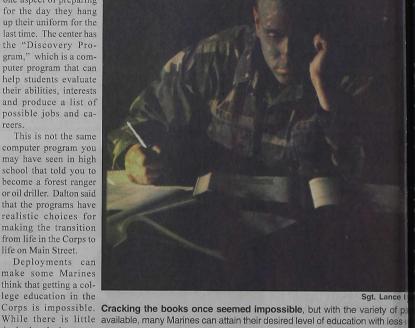
Life in the Corps is not always predictable, if a Marine is in a class and sudden deployment keeps a Marine from the classroom, the Marine can withdraw from the class and not be penal-

While enrollment in classes is high, Dalton said that there is still room for more students to apply. "We just want Marines to come down here and see what kind of opportunities we have here for them. If you want to receive an education while the support we can give them once they enr

you're in the Corps there is no reason why you cannot."

"A lot of Marines worry that because they weren't motivated in high school that they can't get an education here. It's simply not

> -GySgt. Fay L. Dalton **Education Chief**



According to Dalton, Marines must get mission of their command before they enroll

and Marines cannot take more than two class

it takes a student two complete a full year of Many potential studer not think they have the take classes, Dalton s classes are scheduled all times of the day to modate a Marines so "We have classes dur lunch hour. So they here and get in a few week and not have to about working late an ing a class. The cent has a variety of progr enhance a students wo ficiency and areas of ac

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sisted thousands of Marines since it was established in the early 1970s. By providing financial assistance to Marines to further their education, the program improves professional competence, enhances career progression and helps Marines prepare for their future transition to civilian life.

Tuition assistance rates for fiscal year 1997 have been established at the following levels:

High school completion: 100 percent, up to \$2,500 Vocational/technical certificate: 75 percent, up to \$2,500

Undergraduate study: 75 percent, up to \$2,500

Graduate study: 75 percent, up to \$3,500

To qualify for tuition assistance, Marines must enroll in a program of study at an academic level higher than they currently hold, and must achieve a satisfactory grade in all funded courses. In cases where failing course grade is awarded, Marines will be required to reimburse the amount of funding granted for that course.

Tuition assistance for active duty commissioned officers is governed by Title 10 of the U.S. Code and is granted only if the officer agrees to remain on active duty for a period of at least two years after completion of the training or education. If the officer must separate from active duty before that time, a prorated amount of the tuition assis-

There are several organizations and programs to help Marines in their educational pursuits through the VOLED program. Although they are briefly described here, Marines should contact their local education office for c

- The Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education independent study activities.

Servicemember Opportunity Colleges Marine Co (SOCMAR) coordinates cooperative agreements with leges and universities to establish flexible transfer poli

and grant credit for military experience and training. The American Council on Education (ACE) evalu military learning experiences and publishes a guide v

credit recommendations for colleges and universities. Realizing that it is often difficult for many Marines pursue their educational goals through traditional classro courses, the Marine Corps VOLED program offers sevi alternatives:

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- Marines deployed at sea may participate in the N Program for Afloat College Education (PACE).

This program provides academic skills and college p grams, and is funded at 100 percent of the tuition co PACE offers both computer-based and instructor-delive courses depending upon the size of the ship and number

-DANTES offers a wide variety of independent stu programs coordinated through local education centers: per-based instruction, directed independent study, vid television, computer, satellite and E-mail.

The life-style of a Marine is fast-paced and demand and may appear to leave little time for off-duty educative But through the Marine Corps Voluntary Education Programme and some advice from their education office, Marines forge ahead in pursuit of their educational goals. The prof sional and personal rewards are worth the effort.

MCAS Staff NCO Wives Club

The New River Staff'NCO Wives' Club scholarship applications are available in local high schools, MCAS library, Coastal Carolina Community College, main Onslow County Library and the Staff Wives' Thrift Shop located in Building TC11107 on Camp Geiger.

Graduating high school seniors and continuing education students are encouraged to apply. Eligibility is limited to family members of New River Staff NCO active duty and retired military personnel.

days or Thursdays 9:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m

Jerry Marcus Moody

The family of the late Jerry Marcus Moody, in association with the Staff NCO Wives Club, wishes to announce the Lance Corporal Jerry Marcus Moody Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is privately funded and is open to all unmarried sons and daughters of enlisted active duty, retired or deceased members of the United States Armed

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors from Lejeune High School or Onslow County Schools. Applications may be picked up at the high school guidance elors' offices. Deadline is April 15. For additional information, call 451-5591 or

#### Marines' Memorial Association

The Marines' Memorial Association has offered two four-year, \$5,000 scholarships for family members of active duty enlisted Marines. The association sponsors scholarships annually to recognize qualified students who have demonstrated scholastic aptitude, community involvement and civic spirit.

The recipients will receive the awards in increments of \$1,250 per year as long as they remain in college and in good academic standing.

For more information and scholarship applications, write to:

Marines' Memorial Club (ATTN: Scholarship Request) 609 Sutter Street San Francisco, Calif. 94104 or call (415) 673-6672.

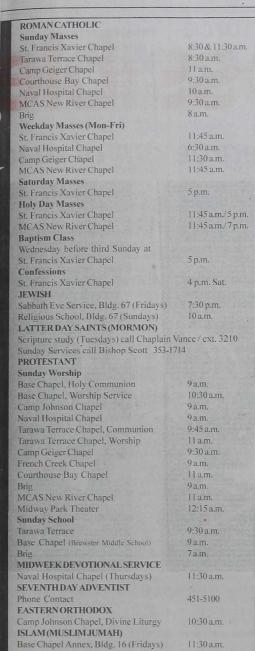
#### Sprint

Sprint (formerly Carolina Telephone and Telegraph) awards, on an annual basis, \$1,000 college/university scholarships to active duty military personnel and their family members stationed at Camp Lejeune or MCAS New River

Seven scholarships are available to individuals who are attending or accepted to four-year colleges or universities within North Carolina.

Details and scholarship applications are available at the Guidance Department of area high schools and Coastal Carolina Community College. Deadline for applications for the 1997-98 college year is May 1.

For additional information, contact Ms. Crawford at 451-2525.



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#### Lent: it's not the fuzzy stuff clinging to your dark clothing

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The word "Lent" may bring to mind a couple of different meanings. It could be a variation of the word "lend" and as such be used in serveral different ways. One might use it in this way:

Jim lent Dave his car for the evening. That's with the understanding that the car be returned in as good or better condition than when it was taken. We've probably all had experiences in which this didn't happen.

Sometimes we use it with reference to money: I lent him fifty dollars because he is my friend. That's also with the expectation of getting the money back within a reasonable time frame. If that doesn't happen our friend may become our enemy.

Possibly we may use it when giving assistance to someone: Sarah lent Mary a helping hand with the dishes. These are all fine uses but are not the meaning being considered here.

The word "Lent" to many Christians has another meaning. It signifies the forty weekdays from Ash Wednesday to Easter which are especially set aside for prayer, penitence and works of charity. It's a time for soul searching and repentance.

Lent was originally used as a preparatory period for Easter, when faithful people everywhere rededicate themselves and converts were instructed in the faith and made ready for baptism. In most churches the decorations are purple or blue, royal colors used to prepare for the Kino.

By observing Lent the individual Christian can imitate the withdrawal of Jesus into the wilderness where he prayed, fasted, recharged his spiritual batteries and resisted great temptation. It was a preparatory time for Jesus before he began his earthly ministry.

Here are some helpful hints to assist you in making this special season of Lent more fruitful in your life.

When you pray, spend extra time alone, with your family and with members of your church. Reflect on who you are in relation to who Christ is. Recognize your need for forgiveness as you remember the wrongs you have done. Read the Bible daily.

If you are Catholic attend mass more frequently and pray the stations of the cross often. Think of Christ's love for you recounting his tremendous sacrifice. When practicing penance examine your conscience each night and ask God for the grace to turn away from any wrong doing and to do better the next day.

If you are Catholic receive the sacrament of Penance at least once

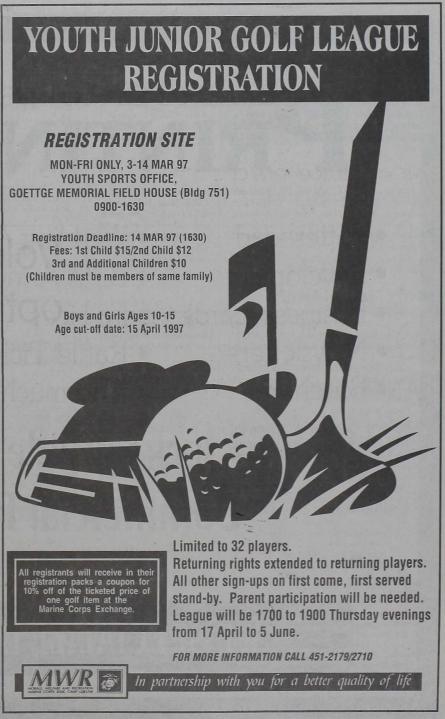
Abstain from harmful habits and fast especially from unhealthy foods. Avoid eating between meals. Let any feeling of hunger or craving for food remind you of your craving for God. Practice acts of kindness and charity toward all people especially your family members. Share with the poor, make real and meaningful sacrificial gifts to the church to help bring the good news of the gospel to all.

If you haven't observed Lent yet, start today. Let this special time be a significant part of your life for now and for years to come.



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# Joint exercise holds lessons for amphibious force

Sgt. Mark D. Oliva 26th MEU (SOC) corresponder

PORTO SCUDO, Sardinia – The 26th Marine Expeditionary unit (Special Operations Capable) landed here for Exercise Island Thunder '97, a combined joint exercise with the U.S. Army's Southern European Task Foirce (SETAF) and elements of the Italian armed forces.

The exercise began with a joint services noncombatant evacuation exercise that allowed the 26th MEU (SOC) to work with SETAF. The NEO was followed by an amphibious assault, a joint fire support coordination exercise (FSCEX) and a small unit infantry training for Battalion Landing Team 1/8.

The exercise also marked a first for Marine aviation. The forward-looking imaging radar system on Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 365's AH-1W Super Cobras was used to mark targets for AV-8B Harriers to drop 500-pound laser-guided bombs. By combining these assets, the MEU added an air-delivered precision strike capability to its arsenal.

The value of the exercise was apparent as the variety of the training scenarios fell within the scope of the core mis-



gt. Mark D. Oliva

A machine gun team rushes to put a gun into action in response to a mechanized ambush.

sions MEUs train for on a regular basis, explained Col. Emerson N. Gardner Jr., 26th MEU (SOC) commanding officer. During follow-up infantry training, BLT 1/8 and HMM-365 took advantage of wide-open ranges to conduct multiple live-fire exercises that aren't possible in most training areas.

Included in the exercise was a full-scale integrated livefire combined-arms exercise. Indirect fire from U.S. Army, Marine and Italian artillery and Marine 81 mm mortars was combined with fire from rotary and fixed-wing aircraft as American and Italian forward observers tested fire support capabilities. The ACE's Hueys, Harriers and Cobras' were augmented by U.S. Air Force F-16s from the 555th Fighter Squadron out of Aviano Air Base.

The FSCEX was an invaluable opportunity for the MEU to put air and ground-based fire support together in a combined-arms package, and to "flesh out" operating procedures for a joint environment.

Integration of fire was also conducted on the small unit level. Shoulder-mounted, anti-tank weapons were attached to rifle squads in live-fire drills designed to enhance the MEU's small unit anti-armor capabilities.

"The ranges available to us throughout the exercise allowed us to increase the scope of our training," Gardner said. "They allowed us to fire weapons with extended ranges, and we got all our assets in the field to work together in concert. There aren't many places where we can do that on the scale we did here."

Many of the lessons learned from working with the Army will be incorporated into future exercises, Gardner explained. Those lessons will prepare them for what they can expect when operating in a joint environment.

Island Thunder highlighted the fact that MEUs can quickly become the force of choice in amny contingency operations, Gardner added.

"In an exercise like Island Thunder, it becomes obvious how flexible and capable a MEU is when operating ashore," he said. "This was a good opportunity to demonstrate to senior commanders what the 26th MEU has out here, and showcase how we make it all come together."

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"There always needs to be a sens gency," Higgins said. "The enemy and hear us, so we need to move fast that vehical is targeted for attack, it's trap for the embarked infantry. We get away from it as fast as possible.

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The mission was one Marines dor mally practice, Augustine explained didn't keep them from learning the r the game and turning them in their fa

"We had to make sure everyone ha situational awareness," he said. "Th cise wasn't like the typical assault. quired more attention to the mission.

"This gave us very realistic training added. "We had to be aware of pocenemy, maintain awareness of froces and practice our immediate acticommunication procedures. It gaves good idea of how we might interaction of the forces on the battlefield."



t. Mark D. Oliva

LCpl. Brian Buck braces himself as LCpl. Greg Lucharelli fires a Shoulder-launched, Multipurpose Assault Weapon (SMAW) rocket during an integrated live-fire exercise.

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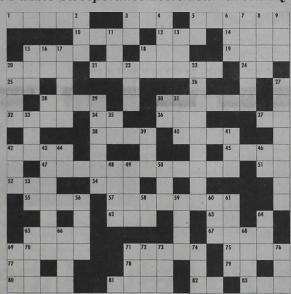
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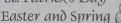
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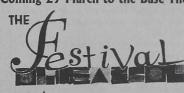
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# CSSD-27 engages enemy behind Main Exchang

#### Training prepares Marines for joint exercise

LCpl. Erik Suthrland Svihla

A truck convoy lumbers along an unpaved road at casual rate. The Marines aboard the vehicles, though weary from the day's activities, remain constantly alert, scanning the roadway and surrounding forest for any signs of a possible attack. Just as they are about to clear the danger area, shots ring out to left of the convoy. Immediately, Marines dismount and establish their defense, returning fire as smoke grenades and auto-

matic weapons greet them Perhaps this scene would be commonplace within a combat zone, but for the Marines of Combat Service Support Detachment 27 (CSSD-27), this is no combat zone. In fact, this type of assault occurred roughly 300 yards from the base exchange, at Landing Zone Sparrow, as part of the CSSD's involvement in the Battle Skills Training (BST) course Feb. 23-27

their participation in a combined arms exercise set for mid-March, according to Maj. Joseph Curatola, commanding officer for CSSD-27. Their mission will be to provide support for Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) five and

The necessity for BST training stems from CSSD's responsibility to provide their own rear area security, Curatola said. In other words, they will have to be able to respond to and repel enemy aggression themselves, rather than have an infantry unit do it for them.

Providing their own security is one of the main reasons for going through

"In this day and age, we will be required to provide our own rear area security, in case the bad guys attempt to attack us in the rear. We will have to be able to handle that on our own. BST gives us an opportunity to refresh our infantry skills and to get back to Marine Corps basics," Curatola said.

Getting back to basics can be pretty involving, according to Curatola CSSD started the course with a land navigation package. As they progressed through the week-long course, the detachment moved on to obstacles, such as reaction courses. The culmination was a final exercise, to test their abilities The BST is a small part of the training involved to prepare CSSD-27 for to work as a team and provide rear-area security for the support element.

"This course also provides an excellent opportunity for our N commissioned officers) to exercise their skills in solving a field of they may encounter. As they rotate billets, it gives the junior chance to learn and practice his leadership skills. They never kn they may have to step up and take charge of a situation," Curatola

After finding their way through the challenges, the Marines of had one final task to compete before they were finished with the co all-out staged assault on the rear area support-just what they ha

"They (CSSD) will prepare an ambush position, with some of the on trucks, while another section will lie in wait for them. At some pocourse, contact will be made with this assault group, and the Ma dismount while coordinating movement through automatic weapon attempt to quench the ambush," Curatola said.

The Marines of CSSD remained within the simulated com until the early hours of the morning. At dawn they left with knowledge of their support mission and how to defend the CSSD is now prepared to move on to support the MAGTF in t exercise.

# Chains, horsepower bested by technology in vehicle recovery

Cpl. Chris Irvine

Corporal Joseph Savanto stood on top of his Amphibious Assault Vehicle and shook his head. "That little vehicle is never going to get my track

The hole he was referring to was a huge mud hole in which Savanto had purposefully stuck his vehicle. With mud coming almost to his feet, it did seem as though the small wheeled Canadian vehicle would not be able to get the massive "trac" out. As everyone knew, it takes steel cable, chains and pure horsepower to pull a trac out of a situation like this. Everyone except for the Canadians; they had a surprise for the Marines

The Canadian Light Armored Vehicle had an experimental German winch on the front of the vehicle and a rope like nothing the Marines had ever

The "Herzog Rope" is an experimental rope designed for very high stress tension. The rope looks and feels like any normal rope. On the inside however, it is radically different.

Wolfgang M. Wilke, technical sales, Herzog Rope LTD., said that the rope's abilities are due to special materials inside.

"It's made from special synthetics that cling together. So when an ordinary rope would normally break, the filaments in the Herzog Rope have a much higher stress tolerance and therefore can pull or lift incredible amounts of weight. This rope is rated to 68 tons.'

The custom-built German winch allows the Canadian LAV to pull four times its weight. The LAV had a blade on the front that the Canadian crewmen drove deep into the ground to anchor the

Once the LAV was anchored and the Herzog Rope was attacked to the trac the German winch went to work.

Much to the amazement of the Marines, the Canadian system was able to pull their vehicle from the mud bog. "At first I couldn't believe it. That tally suitable. "We knew that you had a lot of



Cpl. Chris Irvine

This Canadian Light Armored Vehicle equipped with an experimental winch and rope system is able to extract AAVs from swampy areas and mud bogs without high horsepower.

little vehicle...with wheels, was able to pull my trac from the mud with that little rope. Amazing,"

The system was tested several times, each test gradually increasing the strain on the rope. Eventually, after the Marines had all but submerged their AAV, the rope broke.

Within minutes, the Canadians had performed an emergency splice and reattached it to the AAV. 'That's another great thing about this system. It's really, really flexible. If the rope breaks we can splice and have the vehicle out minutes later," Wilke said.

The Canadians, a mix of civilian and military personnel working on the project, came to Camp Lejeune because they thought it was environmen-

swampy and marshy areas. We thought that this would be the perfect place to test this new rope and winch system. It's a little frozen back home so we knew that this is a much better place to come and do our testing," Wilke said.

With the rope reattached to the LAV, the winch went to work, pulling the AAV slowly from the muck. As the strain increased, the rope stretched to half of its original width.

It looked for a brief moment as though the rope would break. Rising slowly, the AAV suddenly moved forward, signaling that it was free from the mud bog's grip. As his AAV was pulled free, Savanto shook his head again, "That's some system they have there. I never thought it would do

#### MAINT from 1A -

"Our Marines have to have a wide background to work here, they could be working on a vehicle and the next day they coworking on a weapon. So they need to know a lot," Miller said.

Additionally, 2d Maint, Bn. is responsible for much of the repair work on the East coast. While highly detailed repair and n nance work is sent to Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany, Ga third and forth echelon maintenance can be completed by the ba

Another strength of the facility is that it can manufacture it parts. Instead of having to wait weeks for a part to be delivered one can be made on site. This cuts down on the turn around ti gear that is being repaired.

While they are able to meet these requirements, keeping the N Corps' gear well maintained and ready for war can lead to a very schedule. According to Miller, there have been times that the d for gear, such as transmissions for Amphibious Assault Vehicle been so heavy that the sections have worked day and night sh meet the demand.

Despite this hectic work schedule, safety is a top priority. "Yo get complacent around the machinery. You have to stay on you and you have to think about what you're doing at all times," Mille Making safety a priority has kept the accident rate low. For exmaintenance Marines are not allowed to wear jewelry because catch on machinery

Miller credits 2d Maint. Bn. success to the Marines who gring cut, spray, oil and rivet, keeping to keep the Marine Corps up an ning and deployed around the world.



LCpl. Robert Daniels, 2d Maint. Bn., welds a new part i

# Goettge: the Marine, athlete behind the nai

Chris Irvine

Goettge Memorial Field House has been the sight of many great victories and more than a few agonizing defeats. For years Marines have come there to see these pitched battles on the court and knockout triumphs in the boxing ring. Yet few Marines know about the man for whom the sports arena was named.

Col. Frank B. Goettge was born in Canton, Ohio, Dec. 30, 1895. After graduating high school, he attended Ohio University and played freshman football. war on Germany and prepared to send troops to the treacherous battlefields of France. Goettge decided to do what so many other Americans did upon hearing about the country's entry into World War I; he enlisted in the Marine Corps.

After serving a year, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant and deployed to France as part of the American Expeditionary Forces with whom he participated in the Meuse-Argonne offensive in November, 1918. It was during this intense, chaotic and bloody battle that 1st. Lt. Goettge found himself in command of the battered 55th Company, 5th Marine Regiment. Despite the opposition, he served with distinction.

With the battle won, the German Empire was a spent

The guns that turned the fields of France into a meat grinder of an entire generation fell silent after four continuous years of butchery. Marines who had trained for war, deployed to fight and caused great tion force," acting essentially as care-takers for the shattered continent

Supremely overqualified for the job, the "Devil Dogs"

found themselves with a lot of time on their hands With little nightlife to indulge in and not much to do. Football has traditionally been a popular sport with Americans and those Marines were not an exception. Units reated football teams and squared off on the gridiron against each other and other services

Goettge, the former Ohio State football player, joined the 2d Marine Division team and quickly revealed his talent for running, catching the ball and smashing the opposing players.

He became an overnight sensation, his name becoming well known to football friend and foe alike. It was a game against the 4th MarDiv. team, played in Coblenx, Germany in 1919, that vaulted Goettge into annals of football lore and earned Goettge the title as the best football player developed in the Marine Corps during World War

reportedley sparked the opposing officers into a mammoth bet of \$46,000 on the outcome of the game. At half-time 2d. Div. was up 7-3. Jubilant 2d MarDiv. fans stormed the field and put on a massive snake dance. The wild half-time festivities caused five Marines to be carried off in stretchers. It was a classic case of counting chickens before they hatched. With minutes to go in the second half, the underdog 4th MarDiv, team got through the formidable defense and pulled off a stunning 10-7 victory.

After returning from Europe, Goettge was deployed to

Returning to the U.S. in 1921, Goettge tried to become a Naval Aviator but flying aircraft was simply not one of Goettge's natural talents. He then attended Motor Transport School and was then assigned to

ment at Peking, China in March, 1927. Geottge returned to the U.S. two years later and the following year became

Following his tour at the White House, Goettge went from his battleship assignment, Geottge served tours napolis and Executive Officer at The Basic School. There Goettge also played for the Marine Barracks, Quantico Playing on the same squad he helped win the 1925 major allied counter-offensive of the war, the ir President's Cup. As a coach he led Quantico to another

President's Cup championship.
Col. Goettge joined the 1st Marine Division in Quantico in June 1941, and transferred with that unit to New River, N.C. in September.

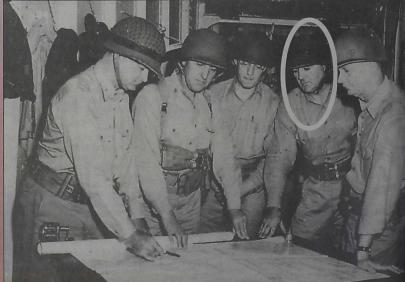
Less than two months later the United States was violently dragged into World War II when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Over the next six months, the Japanese stormed through the Pacific, chasing the overwhelmed allied forces out of the Western and Southern

and was tasked with gathering information for the first

Guadalcanal. His ability to gather an enormou of information in a very short period of time critical part in the invasions.

In 1942, Col. Goettge was killed in Guadalcanal, his remains were never recovered remembered as an outstanding officer who ga thing he had for his country and died in the lin Yet, he is also remembered as an extraordinat Walter Camp, dean of American football once r Goettge as "easily the greatest Football play present day. He is, indeed, the nearest approa

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LtCol. Frank B. Goettge (circled) helps aboard the USS McCawley with planning for the Guada

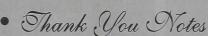
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# Combat Engineers shown the rope

# Delta Co. gets into the swing of things at Ropes Course

66 Even though you know your safety harness

isn't going to let you fall, something in your

mind is still not too fond of allowing you to

step off a platform that is high enough to easily

What do you do when the training schedule provides a week-long break from the field? If you're Delta Company, 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, you just hang

Realize, though, that when these Marines hang around. they do so from a 35-foot trapeze, a 50-foot rope ladder or a 60-foot rock tower at Camp Lejeune's Ropes Course.

The Ropes Course was designed and built by Project Adventure out of Covington Ga., five and one-half years ago. It offers 10 height obstacles and more than 100 exercises to test individual and unit teamwork, problem-solving techniques and physical courage

The Ropes Course is a different way to provide a lot of teamwork, communication, leadership and physical courage drills," said 2dLt. Aaron O'Connell, 2d platoon commander. "If the Marines feel that they're doing the same training over and over again, then they're not going to get the same training value. It's important to keep training interesting, and this course does that."

At the course, the tasks used to instill those principles were explained, demonstrated and monitored by certified civilian instructors

Additionally, Project Adventure physically certifies the course each year, and participants were required to wear a protective helmet, harness and safety line in all

With this information, the Marines eagerly progressed to the first station. It looked to be an easy day.

The tasks started fairly easy - brainteasers to test the Marines' ingenuity, and a 12-foot wall the squad had to conquer as a team without making a sound.

Soon after their quick success, the tasks became a little more demading — being suddenly hoisted 55 feet in . the air by the rest of your squad on an obstacle that has become known as the "flying squirrel," and standing atop

the 35-foot "Pamper Pole" (which has no wires to keep it steady) and jumping to a swinging trapeze bar eight feet

'The Pamper Pole is kind of a quick thrill, but standing on a pole eight inches in diameter really wakes (the Marines) up to the way their bodies can lock up in high places " said Amy Kimbrough, course instructor,

Back on the ground, the Marines found that their time on solid land was short-lived. By completing the previous obstacles they had only managed to graduate to the

final test of endurance and courage, located at the rock wall and "play pen."

The play pen is a series of ropes and sliding ladders that demand a great deal of upper-body strength and the ability of a Marine

to think his way through the obstacle. As they progress upward, a ladder's rung may slide down and cause the Marine to lose ground, or a rope may twist and place the next step out of reach.

If the 50-foot summit is reached, the Marine then has to contend with a hammock-shaped rope ladder which will twist them upside-down in an instant if stringent balance is not maintained

Most eventually overcame the various trials, but while celebrating triumph atop the play pen, the engineers looked over their shoulder to see the 60-foot rock wall which awaited them

The wall seemed simple enough - use the small rocks attached to the wall to climb to the top. From 45 feet, however, with arms growing tired, the tower swaying in the wind and the last 15 feet looking more like a mile, simplicity was not the first word that came to mind.

"We always talk about moral courage in the Marine Corps, but physical courage is something that we have to prepare for as well, and it's very difficult to do so," O'Connell said. "We talk about physical courage in combat, but we won't know about that until we're there. Sending a Marine up a 60-foot climbing wall, however, requires a lot of physical courage.

Fear and tiring muscles was not near enough to stop the combat engineers. In true Marine Corps fashion they made their way to the top, and subsequently pro-gressed to the final

On a platform overlooking the New River on the rock tower's far side, the Marines were attached to a -- Cpl. Michael Davidson pulley. The pulley was attached to a steel cable. The steel cable was attached to a tree 150 yards away. Once

again, it seemed easy enough...until it came time to

step off the five-story platform. When you step off, there's a lot of slack in the pulley rope," said Cpl. Michael Davidson, squad leader. You drop straight down for a moment before it catches and shoots you to the ground. Even though you know your safety harness isn't going to let you fall, something in your mind is still not too fond of allowing you

to step off a platform that is high enough to easily kill

you. That first step was definitely a big one for a lot of

A big step, but also a step made by every one of the Marines. Some did it for the enjoyment, jumping backwards and upside-down; some out of committment to their unit and fellow Marines; some to overcome their fear of heights. No matter what the reason, the outcome

was a group of Marines who walked away from t stronger as individuals and as a squad, acco

"When we first came up here we were just a Marines who had recently been put together, we're working as a solid team," the Kinston N.( said. "What may have taken months in the flee

complished in a couple of days here at this cou "For example, one of our Marines was paraly fear when we started. Everyone was there for helped him along. He, in turn, refused to let us o down. He stood up to his fear, and now he's d the obstacles with no fear at all.

While the training was targeted to enhance ties of the individual and the squad, O'Connell pleased with the unique way the course allowe measure his squad leaders.

"I learned some valuable things about my N here. Leadership is the art of making people do v don't want to do, and that's what they had to c course," the Westport Conn., native said. "Th Marines who didn't want to get on top of that Pole. As a result, I got to see how my NCOs re that pressure, and how they were able to get the to do something they didn't want to do, which they may have to do in combat."

The course's ability to put such intangibles to may be why it has yet to see a month in whic available and went unused.

"We can take five groups a week, five days o week," Kimbrough said. "We were closed for a w the hurricanes destroyed the course, but everyt cept one obstacle has been rebuilt and is read used. All anyone has to do to reserve the cor instructors is call. We'll be happy to come out at

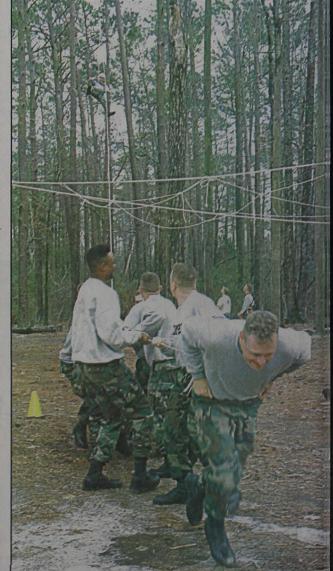
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LCpl. Alfred McCormick, of Cumberland Furnace, Tenn., relies on determination and quick thinking to get him through the "play pen." The structure is a series of moving ropes and sliding ladders which challenge the individual's upper-body strength and



Sgt. Lance N
Amy Kimbrough attaches a safety line to PFC Aaron Howell, of Blue Ridge.



Each Marine learned to fly, courtesy of the "flying squirrel" and his fellow engi

Sgt. Lance M. Bacon

lames T. Fraser, of Lompock, Calif., makes his way up the 60-foot rock tower. The tower was the last of many obstacles the Marines of Delta Co., 2d CEB endured on the Ropes Course.



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Sgt. Lance M. Bacon Alfred McCormick battles to stay on top of things as he tackles the final leg of the "play pen.







PFC James T. Fraser and his fellow squad members overcome a 12-foot wall. The Marines had to do so in a certain amount of time and without talking.



I. Matthew McDowell courageously slides upside-down from the story platform. (Inset shows height from which the Marines jumped.)



**Cpl. Michael Davidson**, of Kinston, N.C., negotiates the troublesome "play pen" as a fellow engineer scales the rock tower behind him.



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ighout the Corps' history, Navy Chaplains and Lo in representatives of God that Marines have in the face of evil, the insanity of war and cases, certain death.

according to Chaplain Richard Vance, of Chaplain's Office, their mission is not just Details with Marines before battle, but also to guide insel them through the problems and they face every day

> lains attempt to combat stress, isolation air through communication and moral guids part of that mission the Chaplain Corps resource for Marines who need to talk

> of the main problems Vance sees is the of marriage that young Marines go "I try to be a vehicle of communication nes with marital problems and I try to help eal with their problems. They've gone everything else and they say to me, 'Chapn't know where to turn,' and sometimes I

> e a marriage gets into trouble, proactive steps ken. This is a much more effective means of vith marital stress than intervening after probe boiled over. A new project proposal that working is designed to help Marines become active in maintaining their marriages

> e little problems before they become big. the things that the new program does is it ally targets marriage enhancement, friendlove, teaching good skills as far as resolvict and good communication. It could teach to prevent the pitfalls and not just pick up

bllowing article is part of a continuing prevent the dissolution of a marriage, Chaplains act as advisors and guides for married Marines. Vance said that marriages in today's society face a variety of complex challenges and that having a person to listen and talk things out with is in itself a major proactive step that any Marine can use.

There are certain things that if you go ahead and do, your marriage will be pretty much dead in the water" he said. "There are a lot of enticements out their for that kind of stuff. You see it in the movies, you see it on TV and everywhere else. Getting people to be true to themselves is probably the hardest thing we do."

Good advice and proactive programs are intended to help Marines. Yet, according to Vance, an open door and a Marine's ability to sit down and speak with someone in confidence are a Chaplain's greatest

When life's zigs and zags take a turn for the worst, Chaplains will always listen. "Can I sit down and relate to a dear John letter? No," Vance said, but you can always be a friend to somebody and give them some counsel and advice. I try to help mentor them into moving ahead with life

Another major project of the Chaplain Corps is suicide prevention. Vance said that prevention has to be a team effort that all Marines participate in.

'A major part of prevention is just being their for someone when they need to talk. As a matter y would come to me first so I can get them
n the right direction," Vance said.

of logistics, I can't be everywhere at once, so people need to learn, listen and make it easy for people to need to learn, listen and make it easy for people to talk to each other," he said. "Once we've lifted the stigma of saying, 'hey, I've got a problem,' then we've gone a long way towards prevention.'

Airing problems may seem like a risk to some, but Chaplains are forbidden from disclosing any information about problems or dilemmas that program is approved, Vance believes that Marines might be facing. "They can come here could teach couples could empower them and tell me about the things that bother them and we'll do what we can for them or refer them to someone who can," Vance said.

Chaplains have served as moral guides on battlefields around the world since the Corps' inception. Vance said that as long as there is a Marine Corps, Chaplains will continue to serve the Marines and Sailors that fight on the battlefield. They will also nd intervening or taking proactive steps to help them fight their own personal battles.

# Mills assumes command of 3d Bn., 6th Mar., Gurganus departs



LtCol. Richard P. Mills



LtCol. Charles M. Gurganus

Cpl. Kevin M. Shermer

Lieutenant Colonel Richard P. Mills relieved LtCol. Charles M. Gurganus as commanding officer, 3d Bn., 6th Marines at a ceremony in Goettge Memorial Fieldhouse Jan. 31. Gurganus has been assigned as the Assistant Chief of Staff G-7, 2d Marine Division and has been selected to attend the Naval war College next summer. Mills reported to 2d Marine Division from his assignment as the Amphibious Exercise officer and Assistant Fleet Officer, U.S. 6th Fleet, Gaeta, Italy

Third Bn., 6th Marines was redesignated as Battalion Landing Team 3/6 March 1, and will join the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit March 31. The Battalion is scheduled to deploy as part of Landing Force 6th Fleet in the fall.

wetland area where the heavy natural fuels can't easily be managed through prescribed burning. That compilation of natural fuels makes the area equivalent in fire behavior to forest fire fuel types found in southern California, according to Black.

He knows from experience the potential for a major fire in such an environment. He aided in extinguishing a 75,000acre North Topsail fire in 1986. The blaze originated not far from GSRA, and in a nearly identical environment.

Subsequently, the foresters have continued a proactive

approach toward lowering the contributing factors in GSRA. "We've done all we can do (in GSRA)," Becker said. "The prescribed burning has reduced the fuel loading as much as possible, and there are state foresters in the Dixon and Leie-

Their concern resides in the area being a pocosin — a une fire towers to give us the earliest possible jump on a fire. Still, if the weather is dry and you have a round, or flare, or even a heating tab catch out there, we're going to

In the event base foresters are unable to control a fire themselves, local, regional, state and national forestry agencies can be called in for assistance. This was done with the 24,600-acre Croatan fire in 1994.

Black and his foresters assisted in the Croatan fire as well, and recognize the need they will have for such assistance if a major fire erupts on base.

"It's only a matter of time," Black said. "We'll continue to have smaller fires that will hopefully be contained quickly, but eventually all of the factors will be there, and a major

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# Tax time Q & A

#### O: Who can take the Child Care Credit?

A: To be able to claim the credit for child care expenses, you must meet all of the following tests. To claim the credit, you must file Form 1040 or Form 1040A, not Form 1040EZ.

1) The care must be for one or more qualifying per-

2) You (and your spouse if you are married) must keep up a home that you live in with the qualifying person or per-

3) You (and your spouse if you are married) must have earned income during the year. (However, see Rule for studentspouse).

4) You must pay child care expenses so you (and your spouse if you are married) can work or look for work.

5) You must make payments for child care to someone you (or your spouse) cannot claim as a dependent. If you make payments to your child, he or she can not be your dependent and must be age 19 or older by the end of the year.

6) Your filing status must be Single, Head of household, Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child, or Married filing jointly. You must file a joint return if you are married.

7) You must identify the care provider on your tax return.

8) You must exclude less then \$2,400 (less than \$4,800 if two or more qualifying persons were cared for) of child care assistance benefits.

Your child care expenses must be for the care of one or more members of your home who are qualifying persons. Your qualifying child must be under age 13 when the care was provided.

#### RULE FOR STUDENT-SPOUSE

Your spouse is treated as having earned income for any month that he or she is a full-time student.. His or her earned income for each month is considered to be at least \$200 if there is one qualifying child in your home, or at least \$400 if there are two or more. If your spouse works during that month, use the higher of \$200 (or \$400) or his or her actual earned income for that

The Tax Center is located in the industrial area on Birch St. in Bldg. 1209.

The center will be closed March 12 for an admin standdown and March 30 for Easter Sunday.

The center will be open Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Sun. 2 - 5 p.m. through April 15. For more information, please call 451-3110 or

# Key Volunteers celebrate halfway point of fl

LCpl. Erik Suthrland Svihla

In the Marine Corps, deployments of loved ones are a common part of any family's life, with the spouse spending as much as six months away

from his family. In any case, the family is usually at a loss and misses the loved one dearly. For the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, their situation is no different.

Currently ployed in the Mediterranean Sea, the members of the 26th MEU (SOC) have recently passed their third month away from home. In cel-

ebration of passing the halfway mark to the return of their family members, the Key Volunteers Club, in conjunction with the Morale Welfare, the family members to enjoy. These included magic Marines.

their return.'

and Recreation dept., held an "Over the Hump" gathering at Marston Pavilion March 1.

This get-together served as a major moral booster for the families, Barbara Gardner, a coordinator from the Key Volunteers stated

"Every family day that the units have serves as a

Barbara Gardner

"The first three months are always

the hardest, with the family

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moral booster. However, we wanted an event where the entire MEU would be together to share their experiences with eachother." "The first three months

are always the hardest, with the family adjusting and readjusting to not having their loved one there. This celebration helps us to see the light at the end of the tunnel, which is their return," she said.

The celebration was Key Volunteer coordinator quite elaborate, according to Gardner. Beginning with a brainstorm of ideas a few weeks prior to the event, the final product held a variety of activities for

shows, story tellers, games and prizes for the along with two whimsical clowns and lots

More importantly, Gardner said, was the that the families were able to share.

"A lot of these families are experiencing deployment. They can and do feel really upset. These family days provide a way to that no, they are not alone, for there are of who are going through the same thing, and u

In an effort to provide a connection to t families, the 26th MEU, which is currently a Nassau, put together a narrative video of day lives on deployment, with a tour of the and special greetings to loved ones. This exhibited to everyone present at "Over the H

For Johanna Rose, wife of SSgt. Jeff R mand Element, 26 MEU, being apart will hard. "The feeling never changes; you will a them terribly. But after five deployments, y used to the situation. We do survive, and return," she said.

With "Over the Hump" day's passing, attendance totaled 367 family members. share a common burden, and a common l

### Command Response to Illegal Debt Collection Practic

Maj. M. S. Archer

Are you a CO, XO, OIC or 1st Sergeant receiving calls or correspondence about your Marines' alleged consumer debts? Are you the debtor that is the subject of these calls? If so, chances are that the debt collector is violating the federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, FDCPA, (15 USC 1692) and/or similar protections under North Carolina law (NC. GenStat 58:70-90 through 130 and 75:50 through 56). These laws prohibit debt collectors from taking certain actions.

Third Party Communications: Unless the debtor consents, collectors (MWR excluded) can not provide third parties, such as commanders or employers, with information concerning an alleged consumer debt, nor threaten to do so. To be valid, the consent must be given after default; that is, after some payment has been missed. Language in the original contract purporting to allow the business to provide debt information to your commanders is no consent at all under the law. In fact, such language should make you think twice about doing business with the organization. It suggests that consumers often dispute or otherwise fail to pay debts to the business and that the business will resort to unlawful means to collect these alleged debts.

Threats: Collectors may not represent that nonpayment will result in arrest of the debtor. Collectors may not threaten to injure debtors, to report false information to a credit reporting agency, to take action not actually intended, or to take action not authorized by law. Note that garnishment of wages is not authorized in North Carolina to satisfy ordinary consumer debts; Harris v Hinson 87 NC App 148, 360 SE 2d 118 (1987).

Deception: The collector can't lie about who he is. He must identify the creditor and the debt and advise that any information provided may be used in debt collection. The collector must advise that the debtor can require verification of the

debt prior to any further collection efforts. The collector must also debtor that the debtor may prevent further communications concerning

Harassment: Debt collectors can't harass debtors, such as by using language or by making an unreasonable number of calls. Collectors c other than normal waking hours (normally 0800-2100). Collectors can work, once advised of an employer policy that employees should not re calls on the job. Collectors can't contact the debtor at all, with very tions, once advised that the debtor is represented by legal counsel.

Application to creditors The federal FDCPA applies only to deb agencies; generally, people hired by a creditor to collect a debt. How Carolina law extends most of the protections further. It applies to c well. Thus, state restrictions apply not only to collection agencies, but creditor to whom the money is owed.

MarineCorps Policy It is the policy of the U.S. Marine Corps, as i chapter 7 of the Legal Administration Manual (MCO P5800.8), not indebtedness complaints which fail to comply with state law or where t has failed to make a bone fide attempt to collect the debt directly from This policy applies even where the creditor is not licensed to do busi state where the debtor is located. The Consolidated Legal Assistance Offile has prepared sample command response letters to illegal collection ef ther, witnesses to illegal collection practices are encouraged provide at to CLAO. A suggested complaint form is available from CLAO. (For all additions) ther, witnesses to illegal collection practices are encouraged provide a access to the Base's electronic tack board, these documents can be foun Information/Staff Judge Advocate/Consumer Articles. Highlight the de ment and follow directions indicated to print.)

The CLAO can assist concerning illegal debt collection practices b the harassment, providing advice concerning a possible suit against th and assisting in negotiations concerning the underlying debt. Adult Wom

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About a dozen survivors of "Frozen Chosin" joined him to present the painting to SgtMaj. Albert S. Wilson, sergeant major, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Atlantic, and SgtMaj. Acie T. Carver, sergeant major, Marine Corps Base.

It was a definite honor to have Marines from the Korean War presenting the Staff NCOs of Camp Lejeune a painting...depicting the Korean War, especially Marines from the Chosin Reservoir," Carver said. "These Marines who walked out of the Chosin Reservoir, having to fight every step of the way against unbelievable odds, carrying their

wounded and dead, are truly hero's that we all can be proud of. They set a standard that every Marine should strive to emulate. Courage was embodied in the very heart and souls of these veterans; they had a warrior's spirit and determination that has captured the hearts and emotions of all Marines.

As the Korean War passes further into history, however, many of the Chosin Few feel that the total scope of their efforts and the Korean War is slipping from a common knowledge to simply being an-

other war in history in the eyes of newer Marines. "The average Marine today knows virtually noth-

ing about Korea, and little about the Chovoir," said retired Lt. Col. Pete Stapleton, private first class at the reservoir. "It's a n manual. It gets glanced over and gets very tion. Most Marines don't know enough abo or Chosin to talk about it, but they need to battle the same way they know about Bel and Tarawa."

In their continuing efforts to educate i on the Korean War and Chosin Reservoi Chosin Few chapter has offered to prodiscussions to any interested unit aboard

# **CPSC** announces recall

importers Regent International and Tomen America, both of New York, N.Y., are announcing the recall of dangerously flammable garments made from a fleece-type fabric. Over 138,000 adults' garments, primarily tops, are involved in this recall.

The fabric, which fails to meet federal mandatory standards of fabric flammability, may ignite readily and present a serious risk of burn. CPSC'is aware of one incident of a Regent top that ignited when exposed to a candle's flame, but no injuries resulted. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibil-

The fabric is a cotton-polyester blend material with a raised fiber surface. Its fleecy texture closely mimics that of an inside-out sweatshirt. This fabric is often called sherpa.

#### Regent International recall

Regent International is recalling about 116,700 women's fleece garments, primarily tops in polo, crew peach, ivory and gray and have two sewn-in labels, one that reads "Jason Maxwell" and another that reads "Made in Turkey . . . RN 34570." The fiber content of the sage, peach and ivory garments is 80 percent cotton / 20 percent polyester, and the fiber content of the gray garments is 55 percent cotton / 45 percent

The garments were sold nationwide, mainly by J.C. Penney, although they were also sold by other retailers including Petrie, Jean Nicole, Stuart's, Dayton's, Hudson's and Marshall Fields. The garments were sold from October 1996 through January 1997 for about \$20 to \$40.

#### Tomen America recall

Tomen America is recalling about 21,400 men's fleece shirts. The shirts are long-sleeved henley-style pullovers with a five-button closure at the neck. The shirts come in navy, spruce green, olive green, natural, burgundy and gray and have two sewn in labels, one that reads "Fast" and another that reads "Made in Korea . . . RN 57336." The fiber content of the shirts is 80 percent cotton / 20 percent polyester.

The garments were sold nationwide by Ross Dress for Less. The garments were sold from July 1996 through January 1997 for about \$10 to \$20.

CPSC urges consumers to immediately stop wearing garments they believe may be involved in this recall. Consumers should return the garments to the store where purchased for a full refund. This recall does not extend to other Jason Maxwell or Fast garments. For more information, consumers can call Regent International toll-free at (888) 287-2207.

CPSC is continuing to investigate fleece garments to determine whether or not they are in compliance with the law

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypwriter at (800) 638-8270.

To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at http://www.cpsc.gov or via Internet gopher services at cpsc.gocv. Consumers can report product hazards to info@cpsc.gov

# Courts-martial

# February 24 - 28, 1997

aboard base during the period from 24 - 28 Febru-

PFC Jerry D. L. Prophet, 3d Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, was convicted at a special court-martial of a violation of Article 86 (Unauthorized Absence), and a violation of Article 112a (Wrongfully use marijuana). He was sentenced to a Bad Conduct Discharge, confinement for 90 days and reduction to E-1.

PFC Thomas H. Harris, 2d Maintenance Battalion, was convicted at a special court-martial of a violation of Article 112a (Wrongfully use cocaine). He was sentenced to forfeiture of \$500 pay per month for a period of two months, confinement for 30 days and reduction to E-1.

Sgt. Jonathan L. Griggers, Marine Combat Training Battalion, was convicted at a special courtmartial of three violations of Article 121 (Larceny). He was sentenced to a Bad Conduct Discharge, confinement for 60 days and reduction to E-1.

LCpl. Christopher M. Richey, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, was convicted at a special courttial of multiple violations of Article 123a (issuing had checks). He was sentenced to a Bad Conduct Discharge, confinement for 150 days, a fine of \$2,500 and reduction to E-1.

LCpl. Steve L. Morse, 8th Communication Battalion, was convicted at a special court-martial of a violation of Article 112a (Wrongfully use marijuana).

The following courts-martial were conducted He was sentenced to forfeiture of \$500 pay per m for a period of two months, confinement for 40

> Sgt. Matthew J. Albright, 2d Battalion, 6th rine Regiment, was convicted at a special courttial of two violations of Article 81 (Conspiracy to co mit larceny and wrongful appropriation), a violation of Article 108 (Wrongfully disposing of military p erty) and two violations of Article 121 (Larcem government property). He was sentenced to a Conduct Discharge, confinement for 120 days and

LCpl. Robert M. Glassman, 8th Motor Tri port Battalion, was convicted at a general courttial of a violation of Article 81 (Conspiracy to disute cocaine), and two violations of Article 112a ( tribution of marijuana and cocaine). He was sente to Dishonorable Discharge, forfeiture of all pay, finement for two years and reduction to E-1.

LCpl. Tracy R. Akins, 2d Combat Engineer talion, was convicted at a special court-martial violation of Article 116 (Wrongful use of langua He was sentenced to confinement for 3 months striction for 60 days and reduction to E-1.

SSgt. Zoxleavon Walton, 6th Marine Regim was convicted at a general court-martial of a viola of Article 120 (Rape) and a violation of Article (Adultery). He was sentenced to a Dishonorable charge, forfeiture of all pay, confinement for 4 y

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#### ISS TOURNAMENT

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#### DMENS SOFTBALL gistration for the Recre-

Adult Womens Softball League will beheld 9 a.m. n., March 10 through April ie Youth Sports Office in eld house. An organizameeting will be held April e field house. Proper idenion must be presented at of registration. The league n to all females 16 years and active duty, dependents e duty and retired), retirees, employees, DoD employnd DoD employee depen-For more registration intion, call 451-2061.

#### COED SOFTBALL

ens and Womens Intramuftball will be getting underon. An organizational ng is scheduled for noon on h 26 at the field house. s will be limited to 15 playut the number of teams per and is unlimited. Letters of are due to the Intramural s office no later than noon arch 26. For more intramu-formation, call 451-2061.

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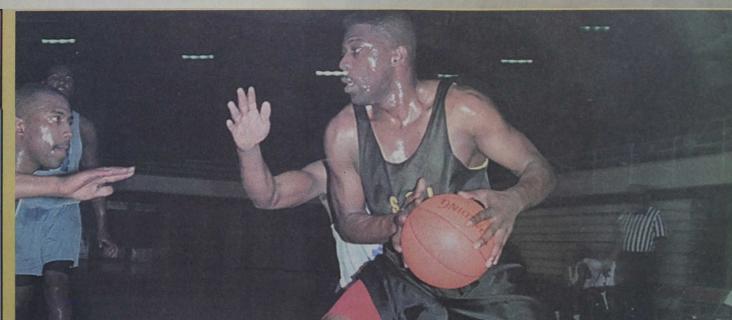
ie Lejeune Marathon will be April. 5. This is going to be elay, 5K Run, 5K Walk, and ta special courts elay, 5K Run, 5K Walk, and I (Conspiracy took is Expo, several hundred (Conspiracy of a Expo, several hundred printion), a viole sipants and spectators. Vol-sing of military is are needed to assist mili-icle 121 (Laces personnel on race deicle 121 (Larces samuel on race day. If sentenced to a sentenced t personnel on race day. If ons would like to volunteer, 3209 or sign up at Area 3 Fit-8th Motor Tra Center. All volunteers will a, 8th Molor 11 vertex All Volunteers will a general courter ve refreshments and a vol-conspiracy to dist of T-shirt in appreciation of conspiracy to distance of the state o of Article 1128

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With less than two minutes remaining in the final game, Supply took the lead and tightened down their defense to keep School of Infantry from scoring.

# All-Camp Intramural Basketball Playoffs 2d Supply Battalion schools SOI in championship match

Sgt. Jonathan D. Cress

econd Supply Battalion ambushed School of Infantry (SOI), 71-67, in a dazzling come-from behind-victory in the All-Camp Intramural Basketball Championship Feb. 27 at Goettge Memorial Field House.

In the semifinals, SOI uprooted 2d Dental Battalion, 67-59, in double overtime.

Though Dental was the only undefeated team in the Intramural Basketball regular season - picked by most to win a consecutive championship — they hadn't gone though an

The School of Infantry dominated the game, leading by more than four points until the last two minutes of regular play. From the foul line, Dental sank four to even the score at 51. With possession and a minute left to play, Dental ran the clock down but squandered their chance to win with a poor shot from the top of the key. The clock ran out and sent the game into the first overtime.

Dental seemed confident as they took a five-point lead, but SOI bounced back tying the score at 57 for a second overtime. Again, Dental sank the first bucket, but ran out of gas shortly after. School of Infantry took the lead and never looked back as they knocked Dental out of the run-

School of Infantry showed up the following night to face Supply with the same score quick, score hard strategy. They opened the game with a 9-0 run, using up four minutes before allowing Supply to score their first.

Supply quickly worked out the bugs and started scoring. After reworking their defense to match SOI's fast break offense, Supply brought the lead to within five points. Supply had foul trouble at the end of the half and SOI went back out to a nine-point lead.

As if they had reversed rolls over halftime, SOI came out having foul trouble and Sgt. Jonathan D. Cress baskets keeping themse Kirby Wilson stops SOI from making a shot inside the paint with Bob Pierre on backup, within striking distance. Supply shot three unanswered baskets keeping themselves

School of Infantry maintained the lead and the momentum until the Antonio Ford and Billy Shanks got the Supply bench fired up. Shanks hit a pullup-jumper to get things started and Ford went to the line alone on an intentional foul. Ford sank both shots and Supply retained possession. Ford then scored off the inbound pass and with the lead narrowed to three SOI called for timeout.

Supply spent the timeout pumping each other up. Shanks hit a three-pointer and Ford set in a turnaround jumper to take the lead for the first time in the game.

School of Infantry regained the lead with a three-point shot of their own.

At one minute 26 seconds, the score tied at 65 when Shanks found his range again nailing another three-pointer and taking the lead for good.

School of Infantry sent Ford back to the line where he made the final score, 71-67.

'It was a great season," said Supply coach, Anthony Page. "They promised me a championship at the beginning of the season and now we have it. This is great feeling. I'm on a high, right now." Page will be coaching the Camp Lejeune basketball team during the East Coastal Regional Basketball Tournament March 9-

Supply received a team championship trophy and each player received individual trophies, but they weren't the only award winners. Their two most dedicated fans received trophies as well, for providing encouragement, supporting the team for the entire season and providing an occasional laugh.

'Even though we we're doubted, we overcame adversity and became victorious," said award winning Peanut Gallery Coordinator, Anthony Dents. "This is one of the great teams of 2d Supply Battalion and this award serves them greatly.'



In the semifinals, playing MAW-26, Supply took advantage of open lanes quick passing their way to a 73-58 win.

Sgt. Houston F. White Jr

Coming into his March 1st battle versus Hector "Macho" Camacho, Ray Leonard had all the hope and promise of becoming the first 40-something, ex-champion since George Foreman to make a successful ring return. Then, with the exception of round 2, Leonard got his bell rung each and every round until referee Joe Cortez put a halt to the five round massacre. After the bout it was revealed that Sugar Ray actually thanked Cortez for stopping the thrashing. In fact, the once legendary Leonard needed assistance from his comrades to make it back to his

dressing room. At the post-fight press conference Leonard's doctors and trainers belatedly confessed that Ray boxed with a torn right calf muscle, an injury he suffered during training. When asked by reporters, the 1976 Olympic Gold Medalist Leonard stated that he didn't think that pay-per-view customers or boxing fans felt cheated by his performance. Nothing could have been further from the truth. "We payed our good money for this?!!" was the resounding cry of fight fans both live and linked.

What irked some even further was the 4 million dollar

purse the battered Leonard received for his feeble ring effort. Whether Sugar Ray Leonard returned for the money, one last shot at glory, or both, is debatable. Hopefully seeing the once graceful Leonard stumble around like Glass Joe from Nintendo's Punch Out" will serve to deter other retired athletes past their prime from returning to their former professions for fear of the same sort of embarrassment. Though arguably one of the most spectacular boxers of the past 3 decades, Sugar Ray Leonard has definitely left a bitter taste with sports fans worldwide.

Nuff Said



Onslow County's hardiest hashers gathered on a bright Sunday morning in Swansboro for another run.

# Hash Harriers chase ha on Camp Lejeune's trail

nslow County Hash House Harriers braved through Camp Lejeune's trails in search of their hare, "Hershey Squirt" during their hashing event Feb. 9. Hashing is a sporting event

based on the old English game "hare and hounds." The hare sets the trail using hash marks and the hounds attempt to follow. The purpose of the game boils down to just having fun. People run or walk in search of the hare, who's job is to throw off the hound pack. Clubs exist throughout the U.S., each with their own rules, if there have any at all.

On this cold and dark Thursday night OCHHH members found fun in this sport where the only rule is there

The trail was set by LCpl. Shawn "Hershey Squirt" Tum, the hare, and the hounds, retired Lt.Col. James "Topsail Gospel" Rider, Joann "Snail on a rail" Lane and SSgt. Gerald "Elmer Fudd" Konz to name a few, chased him through a series of trail marks.

The club has approximately 45 people in it, but that doesn't mean they all show up, according to Rider. Only six hashers showed up for this event.

Anyone can join the club. Ages vary from 10 to 60 years old, according to Rider. Members hash up to five nights a week.

During this hash, Hershey Squirt took the pack through New River Road, along the muddy trail he left a map with directions to the 2nd Marine Division obstacle course's rope section, to the Base Theater, A Street, the traffic circle, the Catholic Chapel, through the woods and back to the starting point at the parking lot of Building 2.

The game has no rules, but it has what they call violations, punishable by drinking. Some of the violations are: false accusations, saying someone did or said something they didn't; premature withdrawal, leaving before the event is over; calling someone by their real name; missed hashes

There were no violations during this event. However, the first and last person and the hare had to drink.

Although most hash clubs describe themselves as a

the first run is free. For interested runners a fair don't wear new shoe's unless you want to drir

Jacksonville Hash House Harriers will hold: hash Sunday at 3 p.m. It will start behind Tobie 17 and Maplehurst, across from the air station trail available.

The next regular hash will be held March 2. p.m. It will start near CP&L, 1099 Gum Branch I a family trail is available as well. During April, hash will be held on the 13th at 3 p.m. It will star Saratoga Restaurant, N.C. 172 in Sneads Ferry trail is available. For more information call (910) 3 or (910) 577-9243.



Jeremiah "Bullfrog" Matthews, the hare f

# Lejeune kids on the winning

### Camp Lejeune Youth Sports begins its first track season

Sgt. Jonathan Cress

amp Lejeune Youth Sports began its first track season Saturday in an opening ceremony at Liversedge Field.

There are three 25-member teams with boys and girls from the age of six to 15. The teams have set up their own practice times and come up with their own team names. In addition each team has its own color. The Streaks are the green team, the Thunders are blue and the Lightning are red.

The athletes will participate in all running events to in-clude: the 50-, 100-, 200- and 400- meter sprints, a 400- and 800- meter relay and the one-mile run.

Track meets will be held every Saturday at 12 p.m. over the next five weeks

According to Wes Durden, of the Youth Sports Office, the goal for getting the track program started is to give the kids a chance to get out and have some fun and learn a little bit about the sport. The scores from the beginning of the son will be kept on record to allow the athletes to see how much they have improved.

"We felt that with all the military people who run on a regular basis, that there had to be some interest with the younger kids as well," Durden said.

Having the program aboard Camp Lejeune also helps identify possible or future competitors for the Junior Olym-

'We want to make everyone a winner," Durden explained. "Not only that, we want to give everyone a winner's mental-

Although, the season has kicked off and has had a good turnout, Durden feels that there could be an even greater

interest if the season didn't coincide with soccer season. 'We're thinking about moving track to baseball season, because soccer takes some good runners," Durden said. The Streaks coach Tracy MCconnell said that track is

more challenging than most sports. "Competition is rough because everything is based on individuality," MCconnell MCconell coaches his team at their individual age levels. He teaches them to learn control, technique and style. "My kids focus on bursting speed. They're starting to believe in themselves and gain confidence."

One of the biggest competitors to a runner is the clock, MCconnell said. Whether you beat the people you are racing with you or not you're always racing the clock

The next track meet is will be 12 p.m. tomorrow at

All of the runners were at a dead sprint rounding the first turn in the one-mile run, but it was the Lightinz (red team) who crossed the finish line first.



The Streaks won the 800-meter relay, finishing more than 100 meters ahead of the second place team



Friends and family cheered and leaped for joy as the runners cross the line in the 200-meter da



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varriors meet. In a test of skill and dexterity, es to prove himself more able than the other. involves, not swords or pistols but darts.

Strength and cunning are momentarily laid aside, and the sharpest eye wins the day. Standing eight feet from a target measuring a mere 18 inches in diameter, the competitors alternate hurling the mini-missiles at key areas marked around the target's center.

The Central Area Recreation Center was the site of such a test Feb. 23, as Marines gathered to compete in the center's featured event of the month, a single-elimination 301 dart tournament sponsored by the Morale Welfare and Recreation department.

The center features a dart tournament each Tuesday,

said Amy Kimbrough, assistant club manager.

The 301 tournament however, featured several dart players who sharpened their skills during the weekly matches. The tournaments are open to all servicemembers E-5 and below, according to Kimbrough.

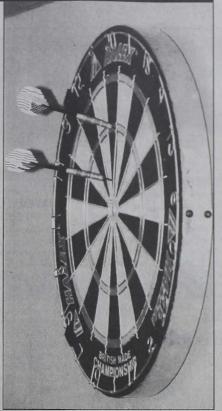
"I've been throwing [darts] for about three years," said Cpl. Alex Cabrera, LSSS, 2d Force Service Support Group. Cabrera picked up the sport in Puerto Rico, and appreciates the chance to compete against fellow Marines. "I need more practice, so I probably will come out to the Tuesday tournaments.'

Unfortunately, he was eliminated in the third round of play by a shooter with borrowed darts.

Most of the players brought their own steel-tipped darts, but loaner darts were made available for those who don't own personal sets

Several rounds after Cabrera had been eliminated, the field was narrowed down to two shooters. Vying for the final prize, a \$25 MWR gift certificate, were LCpls. Clevon Mitchell, 2d Combat Engineer Bn., and Joe Comé,

The competition between the two was close, each winning one game, but Mitchell proved the better player. He won the final game and took home the first-place prize. Comé was awarded a \$10 gift certificate for his



Cpl Edward S. Harcher

Alex Cabrera's tight group in the 20 ring.

#### SPIRIT OF '76 comes through for Lejeune **All-Stars**

Wes Durden

Saturday, during the Southeast Regional Basketball tournament for ages 13-14, Lejeune outlasted a field of eight All-star teams.

In the first game, with the score tied at halftime, Lejeune turned up the heat and easily handled Carteret County 76-59. Wesley Durden led the scoring for Lejeune with 21 closely followed by teammate Avery Graves with 18.

In the second round, the competition stiffened but Lejeune held on to eliminate Kinston-Fairfield 57-54. Graves led all scores with 23 while Durden had

Lejeune faced off with Scotland County in the championship round for what turned out to be an exciting contest. Both teams seemed to have the same game plan which was to penetrate the lane and draw fouls. With only six seconds left in regulation and Lejeune down by two, Avery Graves drove through the lane and knotted the score at 66; forcing the game into overtime. The lucky number 76 came through again for Lejeune as they held on and defeated Scotland County 76-74. Graves led the way with 29 points and Robert Anderson chipped in 22. Head coach Jon Jarocki said "We had a balanced attack and a strong bench. The sixth player scored 22 points in the last

# 7-29 sneaks by 2d LAR

farine Air Wing 29 (MAW-29) basketball team ed over 2d Lighted Armored Reconnaissance (LAR), 55-51, in the first round of the All-Camp al Basketball Playoffs Feb. 24 at Area 5 Gym. Air Wing 29 took an quick lead when James nailed a three-pointer off the jump, but LAR back with two consecutive buckets. The score close through the first five minutes of play. ad shifted many times in the first half as LAR height advantage to take charge of the boards.

Air Wing 29 kept things even with fast breaks ball handling n the half, LAR improved their shot accuracy the lead. Archie Shubert hit a three-pointer from

from driving in. Shubert swatted away three MAW-29 layup attempts. On the turnover possession LAR fed the ball to Alonzo Hall for two layups and a short jumper. At seven minutes 36 seconds, LAR had pulled out to a sixpoint lead and MAW-29 called for time out.

Tommie Jones stole an inbound pass at half court, but missed an open layup. Marine Air Wing struggled with their short game and LAR maintained the lead to halftime, 35-31.

Early in the second half MAW-29 pulled together to reclaim the lead. Using their speed, they got the ball up

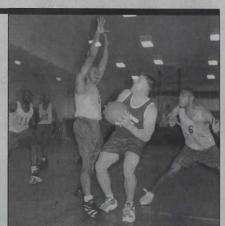
held MAW-29 off. Shubert passed across baseline through two defenders to Adrian Dawson for a reverse slam bring

ing LAR within two points of the lead, 39-41

For nearly four minutes, neither team scored. The ball changed hands eight times before Cameron Perkins hit a long jump shot for MAW-29 seconds later, Patrick Ward sank a three-pointer and MAW-29 called for a timeout with a one-point lead.

Lighted Armored Recon. never regained the lead, but nearly tied the game in the last two minutes. Shubert hit a bucket from the line with 1: 46 left to play, 50-53.

With less than 1:40 left, MAW-29 played keep away, draining a minute from the clock and forcing LAR to foul. Continuing this strategy they used up the clock for a 55-51 win. Marine Air Wing 29 advanced to the second round of the playoffs, but lost the following evening to



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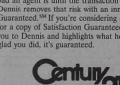
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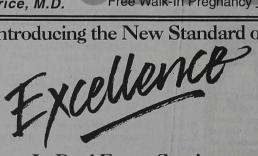
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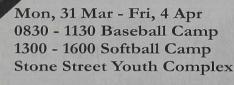
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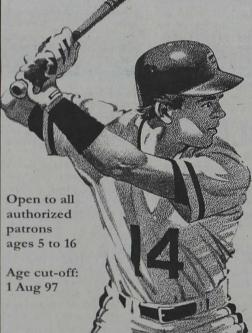
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o really understand the New Bern of today, it's important to know its past. This river town maintains its heritage by standing guard over its Colonial, Georgian, Federal, Greek Revival and Victorian architectural styles. And, its citizens still maintain an attitude of friendliness and Southern gen-

The town's Swiss look comes honestly. It was settled in 1710 by Swiss and German im-migrants who named it after the Swiss capital of Bern. Officially founded by Swiss Baron Christoph deGraffenried, New Bern is distinguished by its red-brick clock tower above city hall just like any Swiss city. The town emblem, as in old Bern, is a black bear and that symbol appears frequently through-

New Bern has been fought over by Native Americans, Swiss, British, Colonials, Yankees and Rebels. After each skirmish, it pulled itself up by its boot straps and plod-ded onward. The result is a panoply of Ameri-can history along tree-lined streets that have just the slightest look of old Switzerland. It's an odd mix that makes the town quite pictur-

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The second-oldest city in North Carolina, New Bern is the site of many firsts. It was in New Bern that the first state printing press was set up and the first book and newspaper were published. The state's first public school opened here. The first official celebration of George Washington's birthday was held in New Bern, and it was here that the world's first practical torpedo was assembled and detonated. In the 1890s C Bradham, a local pharmacist, invented Brad's Drink in New Bern. The drink later became known as Pepsi-Cola. The second-oldest city in North Carolina, New Bern is the site of many firsts. It was in New Bern that the first state printing press was set up and the first book and newspaper were published. The state's first public school opened here. The first official celebration of George Washington's birthday was held in New Bern, and it was here that the world's first practical torpedo was assembled and detonated. In the 1890s C.



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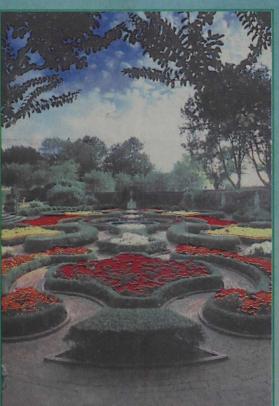
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The John Wright Stanly House, built in 1779, where George Washingtno stayed during his southern

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Progressive and exciting improvements are continuously underway. Built and dedicated in 1995, James Reed Lane is a lovely downtown mini-park and pedestrian walk-through on Pollock Street across from Christ Church. The pleasant respite amid downtown activity was planned and funded through efforts of Swiss Bear Inc., in honor of the first rector of Christ Church. In October 1996 a downtown Welcome Center housing the Craven Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Greater New Bern Chamber of Commerce will open to visitors at the corner of Middle Street and Tryon Palace Drive. Swiss Bear Inc. and the City of New Bern are renovating the park at Union Point in several phases beginning in 1996 with new bulkheading, railings and a riverside promenade. The entire 300 block of Middle Street is undergoing a facelift, inspired by the restored Kress Building at Middle and Pollock streets, restoring all the The Swiss Bear downtown revitalization initiative has been very visibly successful.

Just a few miles upstream from downtown, the Neuse River slows and quickly broadens into a milewide concourse. Joined by the Trent River, the Neusetakes a lumbering left turn and widens to 4 miles across,

making it the widest river in the United States. The two rivers converge at downtown's Union Point Park. Sitting on a park bench by the docks, you can look downriver for what seems like forever.

This inviting link to the broad, shallow Pamlico Sound and the Atlantic Ocean helped shape New Bern's destiny. The town long thrived on the richness of its rivers and the fertile soil sur-

rounding them. In Colonial times, West Indian and European vessels would dock here to trade cargos of merchandise. The river led inland to pitch, tar and tobacco and, of course, to local hospitality. Now the rivers serve as the focus of the area's recreational activities: waterskiing, sailing and fishing. Hotel-based marinas for modern-day skippers edge toward the Trent River channel from both banks between Union Point Park and the railroad trestle and also front the Neuse. New Bern's rivers are a tremendous source of area pride, and recent pollution symptoms in the Neuse have stirred tremendous state and local efforts in restoring its health.

New Bern's southeastern boundary is only a few miles from the Croatan National Forest, a 157,000-acre preserve that shelters deer, bears, alligators and the rare Venus' flytraps. Canada geese and osprey are common sights along the rivers, as are the resident great blue herons. Given the right weather conditions and saltwater intrusion, the Neuse River has been known to hide 8-and 10-foot sharks

New Bern has three historic districts with homes, stores and churches dating back to the early 18th century. Within easy walking distance of the waterfront are more than 200 homes and buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Several bed and breakfast inns, most of the area's best restaurants, banks, antiques and specialty shops, Tryon Palace, city and county government complexes and many of the town's 2,000 crape myrtles are also nearby.

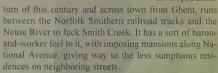
The crape myrtle is New Bern's official flower, and it's no wonder. On those hot summer days when you feel like drooping, the crape myrtle seems to laugh with energy as it bursts forth in a profusion of blossoms. New Bern does its gardening quietly. Led by the example of the professionally pampered Tryon Palace gardens, the town's residents have a yen to make things grow. During the spring explosion of dogwoods and azaleas, a ride through the DeGraffenried neighborhood, about a mile from downtown, is breathtaking.

Gardens, both public and private, extend throughout the city and its suburbs. Summertime brings day lilies, dahlias, zinnias, black-eyed Susans and petunias. Home gardens produce tomatoes, chives, squash, corn and other favorites. In fall, it seems everyone goes ga-ga for chrysanthemums. Flowering cabbage and pansies brighten the winter.

Besides the downtown historic district, New Bern also

has the Ghent and Riverside neighborhoods both of which carry official historic neighborhood designations. Ghent, DeGraffenried neighborhood, was the town's first suburb, and the dogwoodenue was once the bed of a trolley. The neighborhood displays an eclectic collection of architectural

Riverside, developed at the



Courtesy of New Bern Tourism

New Bern Academy Museum, completed in 1809 and used as a

general hospital for Union troops during the Civil War

Tucked between New Bern and the Trent River is Trent Woods, one of the wealthiest of North Carolina's incorporated towns. Here is the New Bern Golf and Country Club, the Eastern Carolina Yacht Club and some of the priciest real estate around. And Trent Woods' costly, pine-shaded real estate is more and more in similar company within New Bern's housing market. About 5 miles south of town off Highway 17 is River Bend which began as a planned development but later incorporated. Like Trent Woods, it has its own country club, golf course, tennis club, marina and waterfront acreage along the Trent River



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The Dixon-Stevenson House; the residence of the mayor and used as a civil war hospital.

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Both River Bend and Fairfield Harbour, another planned community about 8 miles east of New Bern on the Neuse River, have attracted retirees primarily from the Northeast. Fairfield Harbour's amenities include a couple of golf courses, two swimming pools, tennis courts, a marina, a restaurant and lounge, miniature golf, horseshoes and walking and riding paths.

If all this sounds boringly nice, take heart. There are a few trouble spots. Insiders' brows furrow when they talk about the town's traffic lights and its lack of nightlife.

First, the traffic lights. Those approaching New Bern on the two-laned Highway 17 north of town, will find that New Bern's drawbridge and traffic lights offer a major hitch in the flow of your trip. As you follow signs through the downtown area, the small Colonial-sized city blocks, widely varying levels of traffic and ill-timed traffic lights give you a chance to pause and read the historic markers, whether you want to or not. If you're headed south, you can expect another bottleneck around the road's intersection with Highway 70. These traffic problems won't be the case much longer, however, because changes are looming over the Neuse.

Construction of a four-lane high-rise bridge began in October 1995. The bridge will span the Neuse River and go from Bridgeton on Highway 17 to James City on Highway 70. The new bridge will replace the John Lawson drawbridge now approaching New Bern from the north. Construction is expected to be complete in 1999.

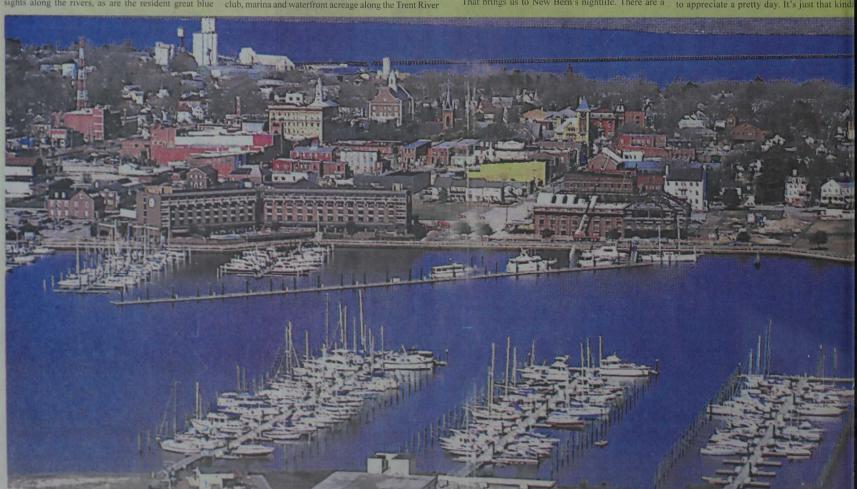
That brings us to New Bern's nightlife. There are a

few lounges, some live music, a few movi and a bowling alley, but those with a han more may not hit town at the right time, good professional and amateur acting group a professional dance company, a subscripti mance season and an annual jazz concert wait.

The town also has wonderful festivals, s fun-for-all conventions — the Chrysanther val, the New Bern Preservation Foundation Show and the Clown Convention are amo vorites. Residents gather for special occasic Trent River waterfront — on July 4 for the and in early December for the Christmas flootherwise, the town's social life takes place homes and social clubs and at various civic ity functions that are staged on an annual b

To really get to know New Bern, you ha it as it is. Think of the river city as a slov hunt where gems are revealed as you walk i It's there that you will discover the real N Visit its museums — the Bank of the Arts, T ace Historic Sites and Gardens, the New Beemy Museum, the Fireman's Museum and War Museum. Take time to read the historic and talk to the people in their gardens are porches.

New Bern is a gentle place, a place when still enjoy the passing scene, where people k to appreciate a pretty day. It's just that kind



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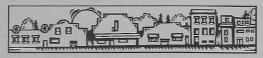
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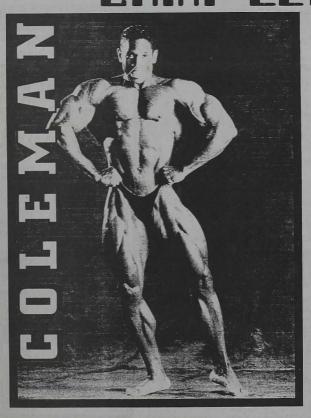
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Rosewood was the name of a nearly all-black town in Florida. This film is based on a 1923 true story of racial hatred that exploded in rural Florida after World War II between neighboring white and black towns.

The African American residents of this affluent central Florida town are burned out of their home, hunted down and murdered after one of them is falsely accused of raping a white woman.

A shopkeeper, played by John Voigt ("Midnight Cowboy") and a war vet, played by Ving Rhames ("Pulp Fiction"), are the town's two takecharge citizens who help women and children escape the flaming Rosewood, after a white woman claims to have been assaulted by a black drifter and a lynch mob attacks and burns down the entire black town.

Costarring are Michael Rooker as the polical ambitious sheriff, Esther Rolle as the respected matriarch, Bruce McGill as the despicable cracker, Elise Neal as the brave woman who saves dozens of lives, and Catherine Kellner as the lying white woman who starts it all.

Director John Singleton ("Boyz N the Hood") doesn't pull any punches in portraying the violence. Ving Rhames is excellent as the mysterious drifter called Mann and gives a powerful performance.

Rosewood is a most disturbing movie and the message is that racism is a learned behavior.

### MARVIN'S ROOM (PG-13)

This is a movie about a troubled family that balances laughs and terminal illness. It is based on Scott McPherson's 1991 serio-comedy about a Florida family struggling with a variety of serious illnesses. The dying teach the healthy about living, and that, in the end, family matters most.

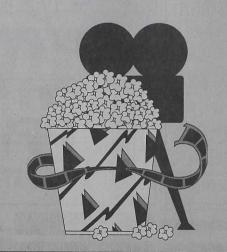
Marvin's Room is about two estranged sisters who are reunited when one discovers she has leukemia and calls on her wayward sibling for help. They fight, they reminisce, they settle

Meryl Streep ("The River Wild") is Lee, a fiercly independent free spirit, who returns home to Florida with her two sons, one a pyromaniac, Hank, played by Leonardo DiCaprio ("Romeo and Juliet"), and the other a bookworm played by Hal Scardino ("Indian in the Cupboard"). She has come to mend fences and possibly donate bone marrow to her ailing sister. Diane Keaton ("The Three Wives Club") is Bessie, who has spent the last twenty years caring for their stroke-impaired father, played by Hume Cronyn, and their brittle old aunt, played by Gwen Verdon. After devoting her life to ailing relatives, she becomes ill and must rely on her estranged sister. Robert de Niro appears as her physician.

Broadway stage director Jerry Zaks

("Guys and Dolls") makes his feature film debut with Marvin's Room. The film is very depressing but also morbidly funny and he handles eccentrics, pyromaniacs, shut-ins, and other typical American family members in a very sentimental and sensitive way.

The movie has a huge formidable and wonderful cast; Keaton as the tormented Bessie and DeCaprio as the firebug give powerful performances and fill this Room with radiant heart



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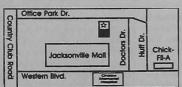
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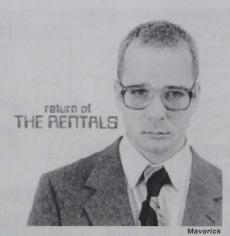
# **Album Reviews - Alternative**

eels "Beautiful Freak"



It goes without saying that bands signed to major labels have to walk a serious tightrope. Sound cool enough to be signed by a major, but wax inside enough to keep from alienating a cynical, narcissistic, and often fickle audience. What you often are left with usually resembles some of what DGC's eels brings to the table. A semi-credible-sounding mishmash of different musical styles and graces, and an all-too familiar sonic texture, that, while palatable at times, never quite whisks you away to the nirvana of an uncovered indie find. It is clear enough that musically speaking, eels knows what turns CD buyers out in droves: thick, urban beats, wispy vocals, and the devil-may-not-care-too-much slack central acumen. We should have known something was up when we clicked "Novacaine for the Soul" on. Lead singer E asks for the former "Before I sputter out." Not all of us have it that easy. And when they chronicle the trevails of inner city danger and gang violence in "Susan's House," you can't help but wonder if that's what all the numbness in the previous track was for. In all, a game effort worthy of a second listen (if by the time you read this MTV hasn't killed the spirit of it for you) but short on the revelation some of the lyrics suggest they shot for...

The Rentals "return of the rentals"



In the first few seconds of the disc, you think you've happened upon another NIN clone. However, feedback quickly gives way in "The Love I'm Searching For" to the Moog synththat anchors the sound of the Rentals' debut. The press release lists Gary Numan and ELO as significant influences on the work of Matt Sharp and his LA group but by the end of the disc you find yourself thinking more along the lines of The Cars and Weezer.

The dominance of electronic dinosaur Moogs, heavy drumming by Pat Wilson and Rod Cervera's feedbacky guitar is nothing retro-revolutionary, but the work is revlatively solid. Their rendition of "Friends of P." is infectous with the most Googly-MOOGly synth and catchy white boy hiphop jokes. It's probably the best cut of the disc. A lot of Fastbacks/Breeders harmonies by Sharp, Petra Haden and Cherielynn Westrich get old toward the end of the disc and production by Sharp and SubPopper Tom Grimley is poppy and simple. Cuts like "Waiting" and "Moving On" tap well, but three minutes into "Naive" you're begging for it to stop. In the end, return is easygoing and danceable, but nothing to attach to 'startling debuts of the year' or the like.

According to the Maverick press release (written by Sharp) the record sat on the shelf for a while in search of a label and Sharp brags about the lack of industry influenece on the project. With a little money and pressure to produce, the Rentals may very well come up with something great, but for now they're just another opening card.

the gravel pit "the gravel pit manifesto"



Certainly mischevious, undeniably sweet, and unforgivingly two-four beat catchy, Boston-by-wayof New Haven band the gravel pit strikes a mountain of swaggering good cheer on their second album, the gravel pit manifesto (QDivision).

Whether chiding TV show cop sensibilities or coming to grips with an ex-girlfriend's position as his "favorite scar," lead singer Jed Parish (he of principal'soffice-bound wry grin) and company deftly mine the vein where garage and power pop intersect.

Adding to the festivities is Boston fave producer Mike Dineen (Letters to Cleo, Guster, Aimee Mann), who helps keep the band's collective tongue planted firmly in cheek throughout. Mix in a healthy dose of Lucky Jackson's oft-thundered axe work, and you've gotta figure what the word on the street is - that Gravel Pit is a hoot live — to be all too true.

Highlights include the infectious "the shivers" and the genuinely amusing "Officer Dwight Boyd" (kudos to whoever decided that Officer Boyd should wear a brown shirt, by the way). "King of Everything" also provides table-rattling power bounce, and do pay attention to the pounding of "Something's Growing Inside." Truth is, this album's rock-solid enough (excuse the pun) that we could damn near list all the tracks as a must-hear. But do yourself a favor. Buy this sucker.

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**Poundcake** "Aloha Via Sattelit



This is not an album one listens to in the all-out edgy guitars and the sharpest-hooked) lushness of (surprise) the Pixies, Boston's F has put together an opening salvo that is not of criminally shortchanged if you don't hea the punchy surf guitar on the title track to the bounce of "Statue of Liberty," Aloha Via Satte les with cuts that outshine the more airplaye sis simple Cheap Trick and Redd Kross.

There's hardly a weak link here - "Bij Dandeline" might damn well make Matthew S ous with its layered melodies; the psychedeli would have had Tim Leary in deep karma. At gotta chuckle at the jabs taken at those buyin truly alternative music idea in "Kick the Can" so rare, maybe one in two/ And Liz Phair w love the day that she sees you." It's been no you might miss the line by enjoying the catchiness of a well-built tune.

A marriage of bandmembers who cut their Boston's infamous Cavedogs and veterans of 40. Box 162 ton scene like Jennifer Trynin and Aimee Man 402. Inform guitarist Clayton Scoble, bassist Josh Lattanzi, pounder Mark Rivers construct a cleverly word of sunny edginess throughout. Also check o fervescent riffs of "Stockade" and "Saved Ag it to look hipper than the people you hang wi



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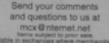
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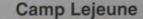
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