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32d MAU...a job "well done"

By Cpl. Joe Curran

There was no ground kissing or weeping wives and little children squinting, pointing and waving at the approaching ships. Marines of the 32d Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU), who had left on these same ships late last July prepared to offload their supplies from the ships with an air of complacency. From across the world, the Leathernecks were home again... and another job "well done."

The MAU's current deployment, with Battalion Landing Team (BLT) 1-2 and Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron (HMM) 261 was, for the record, successful. The Camp Lejeune Marines compiled an enviable record:

—Six amphibious landing exercises (PHIBLEXs), conducted in four Mediterranean countries. Four of them were carried out during the first 60 days of the cruise. Tight and frequent scheduling of the few available Mediterranean training areas is often next to impossible.

—No deaths, serious injuries or aircraft losses. The chance of a mishap increases when almost 2000 Marines aboard five ships participate in a PHIBLEX.

—Favorable weather. Although a winter storm delayed today's arrival, only one assault exercise was hindered because of rough seas.

—Virtual nonexistence of incidents ashore. Marines were well in control of themselves when mingling with host country citizens in liberty ports.

Although these reasons probably indicate a favorable amount of luck incurred, the fundamental element of any Marine activity, the Marine himself, was noted as the greatest contributor to the MAU's success through his performance.

Most of these men went through a deployment schedule which included 66 days of training ashore. It took them from the Naval Base at Rota, Spain, on the north edge of the bay from which Columbus sailed to discover the New World, to an area east of Istanbul, Turkey, a Moslem stronghold once known as Constantinople—the legendary "crossroads of the Old World" linking the land routes of Europe with those of Asia and Africa.

Although the Marines never saw Lebanon and arrived in Naples only two days later than planned, they spent almost the entire month of October in Naples and other ports while under varying stages of alert.

The time spent in Naples gave Marines the coveted opportunity to see the ancient ruins and monuments of Rome, once the capital of the known world. For some, a climb to the top of the 600-foot dome of St. Peter's Basilica and seeing the frescoes and sculptures of Michelangelo, the Bay of Naples from Mt. Vesuvius or the ruins of Pompeii made six months overseas seem worthwhile.

Because of its variety of activities, affable populace and lower prices, the cities of Spain were regarded as favorites. While on liberty in those cities, Marines spent the night hours in the hundreds of restaurants, nightclubs and discotheques nearby. The day and early evening hours could be spent seeing the local tourist sites, going along on organized tours or shopping for clothes, gifts and souvenirs.

Some consider the "Med" well worth returning to. "When I'm trying to keep my spirits up and my temper down during an unpleasant day on a crowded ship, I find myself wishing I was somewhere else," one Marine commented. "But when I get out on liberty and never feel that I'm getting enough of it because I'm not seeing and doing all I'd like to do and see," he reasoned. "It makes the cruise seem worthwhile."

"I suppose that's why I'll volunteer for the next one."

Photo by SSgt. Wm. S. Barleston



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The troops are looking good

"In a word, the troops are looking good," CMC said in his first posture statement to Congress last week "and we intend to keep them that way." Here at Lejeune MajGen. Joslyn stated the Division was in the best shape he has seen it since he took command in May, 1974. The announcement from Washington that Force Troops-2dFSSG CG BGen. Miller is one of the new major general nominees was more good word to keep the troops looking good and well-led.

Last week the word in this column was there should be some upbeat words to balance the bad news which will get written no matter how much PR we do. Before we went to press last Thursday CMC had told the congressmen that a great deal rests on the attitudes of each

Marine ... his professionalism, his pride and his sense of purpose. We proudly pushed that word to the public who read CMC's bottom line that "Tens of thousands of today's Marines are as good or better than any who

Quintico now study the matter of roles, mission and structure. If Marines out here in the bush will concentrate on those 40 or more major exercises slated for FMF units this fiscal year their role will support CMC's imperative of

Heritage Dictionary: --n. 1. An act of fluttering; a quick flapping. 2. A condition of nervous excitement or agitation: "This mystery served to keep Amelia's gentle bosom in a perpetual flutter of excitement."

Marine," to survive as an agent. Playing the word game, we have to wonder if his unnecessary modifier to Marine got in his way. Think about it. Meanwhile, special congratulations to those Division Marines and units honored last Friday with CG trophies for excellence which requires both fortitude and intellect. We try the same thing in our own way with this newspaper, which has been named "best of the Corps" in its category for 1975. Touché.

Parting shot: Water savers in showers made it down to "the big end" last week and serve to remind all of the very real need for utilities conservation. You heavies in quarters may also advertise your support of utilities conservation by burning only one of those two porch lights.

A great deal rests on the attitudes of each Marine

have ever worn the uniform: smarter, stronger, well-motivated and well-led."

It is not cricket for us to rush judgment and comment on a Brookings Institute study which caused all sorts of instant expert opinion to flow last week. We had rather let the real Marine Corps experts who happen to be assigned to Washington and

building a top quality Marine Corps. And a year from now he will also declare as he did last week, "They are ready." Let there be no fluttering in the bush as long as "they" say they are ready.

(To help define our terms, here is a translation on the use of "fluttering," from the American

(Thackeray). 3 a brief state of excitement, surprise, or bewilderment; a commotion; a flurry. Those definitions should satisfy our most intellectual Marine readers - which leads to a final point this week.)

We resented a former CIA agent on national television (Sixty Minutes) recently saying he had to be "an intellectual

Kentucky windage

The historical month of February

By MGySgt. Matt Matheson

How can a month with the birthdays of George Washington and Abe Lincoln plus Valentine's Day be all bad? Next to December, we probably enjoy February more than any other month. We have no personal anniversaries that make the month meaningful to us, but know that for country and our Corps, it is an eventful month.

Besides the three days mentioned above, February marks the anniversaries of Marine landings in Buenos Aires, Osaka, Japan; Santa Domingo, Russian Island (Vladivostok, Russia) and Haiti to protect American lives and property.

In 1832, on Feb. 7, 250 Marines defeated Malay pirates at Sumatra and in 1918, Marines landed in England on their way to the trenches in France.

The World War II campaigns of Kwajalein and Iwo Jima began in February, and the famous Iwo-Suribachi flag raising occurred on the 23rd.

February 20 marks the 14th anniversary of then-LtCol John Glenn making three orbits around earth in the first U.S.-manned space capsule, and, we aren't supposed to mention it, but before our WMs became "Marines" their birthday was Feb. 13.

Although, we bask in our Corps' history, it is really Valentine's Day that makes us emotional about the month. We are a romantic at heart, and the giving of frilly, sentimental pieces of paper has always appealed to us. Like giving at Christmas, we get a bang out of sending Valentines, and unlike poor Ole Charlie Brown, we can remember our early school days when we used to get them as well as give them. But, that's a story we'll save for our memoirs.

Didja know that Valentine's Day is really for the birds? At least the reference books we checked all state that it is not known why the day is associated with lovers, but it may have been inspired by the belief that birds mate on this day. Romance is romance is ...

SHORT ROUNDS: Mentioning WMs, the Fort Lauderdale, Fla., NEWS published a story late last month on 95-year old Daisy Lingle, who as a 36-year old housewife in 1918 served as a Woman Marine. She had to lie to her recruiter as the age limit was 33 for female reservists. She is hale and hearty at 95 and is working on a book about her life. . . What's your pet peeve? Let us know, and we'll see 'bout publishing and meantime here's a couple of ours:

(a) Drivers going around the Holcomb Blvd. traffic circle that don't or won't signal which way they're going to turn or not turn.

b) Magazines with loose subscription postals that fall on the floor (never in your lap) when you first leaf through it.

We met a CWO the other day that swears a young Marine asked him if he was assigned to Shore Party Battalion because the trooper had seen those red patches and thought the "gunner" was a second lieutenant with that red trim in his rank insignia. . . We always called 'em "Lipstick lieutenants" until a bursting bomb made a believer out of us at the top of his voice. . . When a man has two wives, he is said to have committed "bigamy." If he can satisfy two women, can't he walk around and say, "That is big o' me?" (Thanks, Cpl Bob Farquhar, but maybe you'd best stick with GLOBE sports and not humor).

Pic of the week

By SSgt. Wm. S. Barleston



But if it is war that we must be ready for, then let us train Marines.
John A. Gable



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Lending nature a hand

Story and photo by Sgt. Tom Griggs

The owner of a home adjacent to Camp Lejeune called in a forest fire alarm last week. As a fire truck arrived, it was learned that the fire was under control. In fact, it had been under control from the minute it started.

It was started intentionally by a crew from the forestry section of the Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Division, Base Maintenance. The fiery technique is called prescribed burning.

According to Base Forester Ken Harris, more than 62,000 acres here are managed woodlands. And each year, some 12,000 acres are cleared of underbrush through the prescribed burning program.

"The most important purpose behind prescribed burning," says Harris, "is the reduction of fuels." Fuels is the term he uses for built-up underbrush — growth that can feed a forest fire.

With each area on base

receiving a prescribed burning treatment at least every five years, secondary growth on the forest floor here is kept to a minimum. The result is less chance of a forest fire during hot and dry summer months.

Harris pointed out that a second benefit derived from prescribed burning is its effect on wildlife. "Wild turkey need open forest," he says. "Burning clears the forest floor and creates the

open habitat necessary for turkeys."

It also creates browse for deer. "Browse," Harris explains, "includes greenbrier shoots, hardwood sprouts, new growth that is lush and tender. Old growth becomes woody and useless as food for deer."

Assistant Base Forester Pete Black made it clear that the fire is controlled, and the trees aren't injured. "Our methods of burning keep the fire heat less than 130 degrees," says Black. "Higher temperatures will cook the cambium, or inner core, of a pine tree and kill it. And a hardwood tree has an even thinner bark, so we burn as few hardwood areas as possible."

Prescribed burning here is usually conducted during January and February, when the proper conditions exist. The rules governing those conditions are strict. Harris says the temperature must be 20 to 50 degrees

with a relative humidity of 20 to 50 percent and wind of five to seven miles per hour.

"Extremely important," he claims, "is the wind direction. We must burn so that smoke blows away from heavily used areas, such as roads, the hospital and homes. This is called smoke management."

The foresters say that for the next month they will be burning near Berkeley Manor, Paradise Point and Tarawa Terrace housing areas here. Smoke management will be a priority in the prescribed burning, but Harris warns that sudden changes in wind direction often send smoke the wrong way.

If weather conditions cooperate, this year's prescribed burning program should be concluded by Mar. 1.



HOT JOB — James Harding, a forestry aide, uses a drip torch to start a ground fire during prescribed burning operations here. The prescribed fire will burn until it reaches a trail, road, plowed fire lane, or another fire, and weather conditions must be right to keep it under control. The results include better wildlife habitat and less chance of a forest fire.

Education briefs

In order to continue to provide the best education programs to the personnel at Camp Lejeune, it is requested that this questionnaire be completed and forwarded to Base Education, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina 28542, or to individual Unit-Company Education Office.

This questionnaire will be used to determine if

there is sufficient interest in starting other education programs on base. Active duty personnel are reminded that they may use the Marine Corps Tuition Assistance Program which will pay 75 per cent of the cost. Dependents and civilians will have to pay the full university fee.

Please place an "X" beside the desired program of interest.

Ph.D:
Specify Area _____

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS

Education, Guidance-Counseling _____
Special Education _____
Business Management _____
Medical _____
Religion _____
Other _____

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM:

Education _____ Art _____
Psychology _____ Engineering _____
Business _____ Biochemistry _____
Medical _____ Computer Science _____
Engineering _____ Accounting _____
Public Administration _____ Music _____
Social Sciences _____ Mathematics _____
Biological Science _____ Criminal Justice _____
English-Journalism _____ Meteorology _____
General Studies _____ Humanities _____
Other _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

RANK: _____ AGE _____

UNIT _____

YEARS OF SERVICE _____

VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS:

Truck Driving _____
Motorcycle mechanics _____
Auto Mechanics _____
Aircraft Mechanics _____
Photography _____
Electronics _____
Brick Laying _____
T.V. Service _____
Police Science _____
Other _____
Locksmith _____
Drafting _____
Welding _____
Food Service _____

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

G.E.D. _____
Adult High School _____
Base Learning Center _____
Other _____

Place an "X" on the appropriate line:

Military: _____ Civilian: _____
Marine Officer _____ Military dependent _____
Marine Enlisted _____ Civilian Employee _____
Navy Officer _____ Retiree _____
Navy Enlisted _____ Other _____
Other _____

Meanwhile... back at the base

Vermont holds primary

The State of Vermont officials have recently announced that a Presidential Preference Primary will be held Mar. 2.

Eligible voters from Vermont are not required to register before requesting absentee ballots. Vermont residents who desire to vote in the Mar. 2 primary should mail a completed Federal Post Card Application (FPCA Standard Form 76) to the town clerk, stating place of residence and entering "Presidential Primary" in item 6. FPCA's must be witnessed by commanding officer, warrant officer or NCO. It is not necessary to indicate political party preference on the FPCA.

All eligible Marines and their dependents are requested to contact the unit voting officer for further details and information.

Coffee bar reopens

Force Troops - 2nd FSSG in honor of President's Day, Feb. 16 will sponsor their holiday coffee bar between highway 70 and 258, Kinston, N.C. It will operate from 4 p.m., Feb. 16 until 6:30 a.m., Feb. 17.

Holiday routine Feb. 16

Holiday routine will be in effect here at Feb. 16, observing President's Day.

A national salute of 21 guns will be fired from the front of Base Headquarters at noon on the holiday. Persons living in family quarters are encouraged to display the American Flag.

Separation briefing Feb. 17

Career servicemen here who have reached their 18th year of service, plus servicemen scheduled for separation or discharge before September this year, are eligible to attend a briefing in the Camp Theater from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Feb. 17.

The briefing is to inform and assist the serviceman in his transition to civilian life. Numerous speakers will discuss topics relative to leaving the military service. These include employment, VA benefits, hospitalization and medical care, the Small Business Administration, federal employment, Marine Corps Reserve, travel and shipment of household goods, pay and allowances, the Retired Serviceman's Survivor Benefit Plan and the Serviceman's Group Life Insurance Plan.

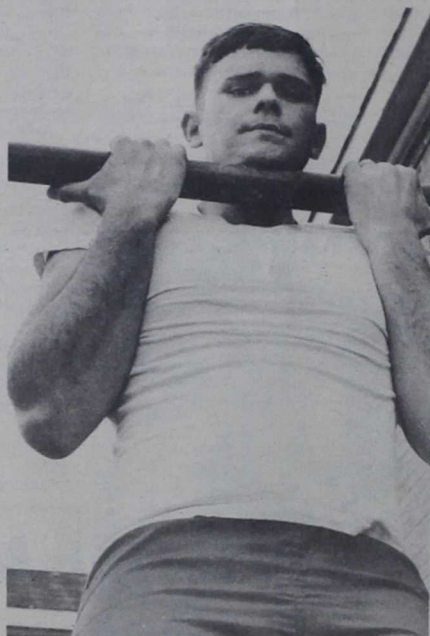
What have you done to prepare for the I.G.?



LCpl. Kevin Connolly M.P. Co. HqBn, 2d Marine Division

I've been doing the usual pre-inspection routine of getting my uniforms tailored, striping and spit-shining my shoes.

Lance Corporal Nathaniel E. Sarvis, 2d Force Recon. Co., Force Troops - 2d FSSG works as a mechanic in the company motor pool. "Work ahead of time," advised Sarvis, "don't wait until the last minute. I've been getting ready since the beginning of January. Making sure my uniforms are all squared away... marked properly, "Irish pennants" clipped, shoes and boots shined. Another, important thing is to study your essential subjects... the general orders, NBC defense, close order drill and all the rest."



Sgt. Dennis Adams H&S Co. 2d Medical Bn. 2d Marine Division

"Most of my preparation for the IG is checking on the troops," said Adams, acting company gunny. "I am responsible for the headquarters section here and we've been working hard on drill, physical fitness and of course junk on the bunk. We plan on being the CG's showplace, the very best."

Sergeant Gordon E. Clay, M.P. and Co., H&S Battalion, MCB

"I am the training NCO for our company and have been busy getting all the necessary training entries made in the Service Record Books.

I am also involved in the personnel inspection for the I.G. and am preparing for that.



LCPL. Cecario Barrientes, Jr., Rifle Range, M T. Section, MCB

"In preparation for I.G., in our Company we have been standing inspections each week and PFT. Lately, I personally have been working on all my gear in the evenings, to make sure I'm squared away. I'm standing Clothing and Equipment (C&E) for the I.G.

Cpl. Ephraim Hughes, 2d Force Recon Co., Force Troops - 2dFSSG.

"I'm doing what most Marines here are doing — buying new clothing, shining boots and brass, checking chevrons, getting 782 gear ready, and last but not least, making sure I have a good haircut.

"It's a lot of work, but the Inspector General must report on the morale, appearance and readiness of troops throughout the Corps.



Voting by absentee ballot

Editors note: Voting information for this weeks Globe was provided by the Armed Forces Press Service. For further details, see your voting officer.

The Federal Post Card Application for Absentee Ballot (FPCA) is a postage-free post card printed and distributed by the Federal Government to facilitate absentee voting by—

- members of the Armed Forces and their spouses and dependents,
- members of the Merchant Marine and their spouses and dependents, and
- U.S. citizens temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia.

The Federal Voting Assistance Act of 1955, which created the FPCA, merely recommends that States accept the FPCA as an application for an absentee ballot and for absentee registration. State law determines the extent to which this recommendation has been adopted for any or all of the three categories covered by the Act as listed above.

Because there are differences in the treatment accorded the FPCA in the various States, the law of each State should be consulted to determine exactly how the FPCA may be used.

In using the FPCA, individuals must—

- comply with the registration requirements if specified by State law.
- mail the FPCA to the appropriate election official (unit voting counselors can furnish the title) within the time period recommended by the State but always far enough in advance of the election to receive the ballot, vote it, and return it to the proper election official, and

- vote the ballot in accordance with the instructions included on it. This is an important step. The envelope containing the ballot should not be opened until the instructions are read. Some States require that the envelope be opened in the presence of a commissioned officer, notary public, or other authorized person.

Unit voting counselors will have detailed information on the provisions of each State's election law and procedures.

In accordance with Federal law and Armed Forces regulations, no commissioned, warrant, petty, or noncommissioned officer or any civilian serving as a voting counselor shall attempt to influence any person as to the choice of candidate. The actual marking of the ballot—the voting—must be done secretly. This is required by law.

Delivery Of The FPCA: For general elections in which candidates for Federal offices are elected, the Military Departments, through commanders, are responsible for ensuring—

- the in-hand delivery of FPCAs by August 15 to Armed Forces personnel, their spouses and dependents, civilian employees of the Armed Forces and their spouses and dependents while residing with or accompanying them, who are serving outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia,

- the in-hand delivery of FPCAs by September 15 to Armed Forces personnel and their spouses and dependents within the United States and the District of Columbia, and also

- that supplies of the FPCA are available to all eligible individuals who wish to participate in primary elections.

Armed Forces Voters Day: September 21, 1976, has been designated as Armed Forces Voters Day. This date, six weeks before the November 2 general election, will allow sufficient time for those who have not done so to obtain ballots for that election.

Filling Out The FPCA: Individuals using the FPCA must complete the sections correctly and completely. If election officials cannot read the information submitted or part of the FPCA is not completed, an absentee ballot may not be mailed. A complete and current mailing address must be indicated on the FPCA. Insofar as possible, military abbreviations should be avoided and complete words used, either printed or typed.

On the front of the FPCA, the individual must fill in the complete title and address of the official to whom it is to be sent. This information may be obtained from the unit voting counselor.

The numbered subparagraphs below refer to the numbered paragraphs on the reverse side of the FPCA as illustrated—

- **Top Line:** Fill in State of legal residence; if individual is uncertain of his or her legal residence, a unit legal assistance officer should be contacted.

- **(1): As indicated on the FPCA, cross out 2 of the 3 words— "General," "Primary," or "Special"—which do not apply.** As a rule, an FPCA must be sent in for each election in which a person desires to vote; some States, however, will mail all the ballots in an election year, or the primary and general election ballots, with the submission of only one FPCA. The unit voting counselor can provide the definitive information on this. If a ballot is being requested for an election other than a primary or general election, it

might be helpful to identify the election by its date or other descriptive words or phrase.

- **(2): This should be completed if a State law requires that political party preference or affiliation must be shown to receive a primary ballot;** the unit voting counselor can determine if the information is required.

- **(3): Self-explanatory:** make an "X" in the appropriate box.

- **(4): Complete birth date as shown—day, month, year.**

- **(5): This item should contain the address within the State where the individual has maintained legal residence.**

- **(6): This item may be used to indicate to the election official any information needed to clarify the use of the FPCA;** for example, persons who are using the FPCA to register absentee, if allowed by State law, should write in "Send registration forms" or "Request registration."

- **(7): This item should contain the address where the individual currently receives mail;** if an address other than an official military address is used in this item, the military address must be indicated on the front of the FPCA.

- **(8): Self-explanatory, but must be understood by individual.**

- **(9): Signature of person requesting ballot must be placed here;** if required by State law—the unit voting counselor can determine this—the signature must be made in the presence of a notary or other individual authorized to administer the oath.

- **(10): Full name, rank or grade, service number must be printed or typed in this space.**

- **(11): This information must be completed if required by State law;** the unit voting counselor will have the "Witnessing" requirements for the individual States.

FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF CARD

POST CARD APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

State or Commonwealth of **OREGON**
(Fill in name of State or Commonwealth)

(1) I hereby request an absentee ballot to vote in the coming election
(GENERAL) (PRIMARY)* (SPECIAL) ELECTION
(Strike out unapplicable words)

(2) If a ballot is requested for a primary election, print your political party affiliation or preference on this line
(If primary election is never in your State, do not answer)

(3) I am a citizen of the United States, eligible to vote in above State, and am

a. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States ☒ **X**

b. A member of the merchant marine of the United States ☐

c. A citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside of the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia ☐

d. A spouse or dependent of a person listed in (a), (b), or (c) above ☐

A spouse or dependent residing with or accompanying a person described in (a) above

(4) I was born on **29 APRIL 1952**
(Day) (Month) (Year)

(5) For **2** years preceding the above election my home (not military) residence in the above State has been **316 LAMOND PLACE TRACY**
(Street and number or R.F.D. or other address)
in the county or parish of **ALLISON**
The voting precinct or election district for this residence is **ST. SWITHIN'S**
(Name of precinct)

(6) Remarks **SEND REGISTRATION FORMS**

(7) Mail my ballot to the following official address
for those assigned in the U.S.
(YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS)
(Unit, Co., Sq., Flt., Bn., etc.; Governmental Agency or Office)
(Military Base, Station, Camp, Post, Ship, Airfield, etc.)

For those assigned elsewhere

(APO, or FPO number)

(8) I am NOT requesting a ballot from any other State and am not voting in any other manner in this election, except by absentee process, and have not voted and do not intend to vote in this election at any other address.

(9) **(YOUR SIGNATURE)**
(Signature of person requesting ballot)

(10) **(YOUR NAME, RANK OR RATE, SSAN)**
(Full name, typed or hand-written with rank or grade, and service number)

(11) Subscribed and sworn to before me on _____
(Day, month, and year)

(Signature of official administering oath) (Typed or printed name of official administering oath)

(Type or rank, service number, and organization of administering official)

INSTRUCTIONS

A. Before filling out this form, see your voting officer or request in the voting laws of your State and absentee regulations and voting procedures.

B. Fill in or print all entries except signatures. FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF CARD.

C. Address card to proper State official. Your voting officer or commanding officer will furnish you his title and address.

D. Mail card as soon as your State will accept your application.

E. NO postage is required for the card.

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FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THE CARD

(Your Current Address—)
See Note #7 ON REVERSE

OFFICIAL MAILING ADDRESS

OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOTING MATERIAL—VIA AIR MAIL

Standard Form 76
Revised 1972
Issued under 48 U.S.C. 1464
76-106

Address of Election
Official At Your
Voting Residence →

To: _____
(Title of Election Official)
(County or Township)
(City, or Town, State, ZIP Code)

Voters in Uniform

February marked the beginning of Armed Forces' voting assistance activities at all levels to insure that everyone eligible takes an active interest in the local, State, and National elections which will be held during 1976.

The present absentee registration and voting system was initiated in 1955 when Congress passed the Federal Voting Assistance Act. Persons covered by that Act are—

- members of the Armed Forces while in active service and their spouses and dependents,
- members of the U.S. Merchant Marine and their spouses and dependents,
- U.S. citizens who are temporarily residing outside the continental limits of the U.S. and the District of Columbia and their spouses and dependents who are residing with or accompanying them.

In general elections at which candidates for Federal offices are elected, a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) for Absentee Ballot must be given by the Federal Department or Agency which employs persons covered by the Act by—

- August 15 before the election if they are outside the territorial limits of the United States, and
- September 15 before the election if they are inside the territorial limits of the United States.

Voting Qualifications And Requirements: Every State has certain requirements which must be satisfied to vote. In general every State requires—

- that voters be U.S. citizens,
- that voters be 18 years of age or older to vote; however, as a general rule, States will allow persons who are 17 but will be 18 on or before the next election to register,
- registration for all or some of their voters in order to participate,
- that voters be residents; the State, city, or county (township) in which a person lived before entering military or Federal service is usually considered his or her legal residence for voting purposes unless a residence is established elsewhere.

• **State Registration Primary Dates, and Political Party Information:** Listed below are the requirements for registering in the individual States for members of the Armed Forces and their eligible spouses and dependents. Also listed are primary and runoff dates (where applicable), a list of officials to be nominated for general election in each State, and Democratic and Republican State organizations from which information on issues and candidates may be obtained. Check with a unit voting official for additional information.

ALABAMA—registration is permanent; to register complete an FPCA and request State's registration forms; forms must be completed in the presence of an officer authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary May 4/Runoff May 28:** 7 U.S. Representatives; Members of Board of Education, Chief Justice, Assoc. Justices, Judge(s) State Supreme Court, Judge(s) Court of Criminal Appeals, Probate Judge(s), Judge(s) Circuit Court, Judge(s) Court of Civil Appeals, Public Service Commissioner(s), Delegates to Democratic National Convention.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, Jefferson Federal Building, Rm 305, Birmingham AL 35203, (205)-252-4143; Republican Executive Committee, PO Box 3315, Birmingham AL 35205, (205)-322-5733.

ALASKA—use an FPCA to request State's registration forms, these must be executed before a person authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary August 24:** 1 U.S. Representative; State Senators, State Representatives.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, Mile 1316 Alcan, Delta Junction AK 99737, (907)-883-2341; Republican Party of Alaska, Box 268, Nenana AK 99760, (907)-832-5688.

ARIZONA—individuals are registered when applying for an absentee ballot using an FPCA which must be witnessed by an individual authorized to administer oaths; a separate FPCA must be submitted for each election.

• **Primary September 7:** U.S. Senator, 5 U.S. Representatives; State Mine Inspector, Corporation Commissioner(s), State Representatives, Assoc. Justice(s)/Judge(s) State Supreme Court, Justice(s)/Judge(s) Appellate Courts, County Officials, State Senators, Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 2144 East Roosevelt, Phoenix AZ 85006, (602)-244-0306; Republican State Committee, 3300 North Central Avenue, Phoenix AZ 85012, (602)-284-8484.

ARKANSAS—registration is not required for Service members, spouses, and dependents.

• **Primary May 25/Runoff June 8:** 4 U.S. Representatives; Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Auditor, Land Commissioner, Judge(s) Chancery Court, Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 300 Spring Building, Rm 720, Little Rock AR 72201, (501)-374-2361; Republican State Committee, 917 West Markham Street, Little Rock AR 72201, (501)-372-7301 and Republican State Committee, 25 Arnold Drive, Texarkana AR 75501, (501)-773-2005.

CALIFORNIA—voters apply for registration when applying for absentee ballot using an FPCA which should be witnessed.

• **Primary June 8:** U.S. Senator, 43 U.S. Representatives; State Senators, State Representatives.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 6022 Wilshire Blvd., Rm 201, Los Angeles CA 90036, (213)-931-1121, and Democratic State Committee, 54 Mint Street, San Francisco CA 94103, (415)-543-2200 and Democratic State Committee, 4034 Goldfinch, San Diego CA 92103, (714)-299-6387; Republican State Committee, Tishman Airport Center, 6151 West Century Blvd., Rm 926, Los Angeles CA 90045, (213)-670-7100 and Republican State Committee, 2 Embarcadero Center, Rm 2200, San Francisco CA 94111, (415)-392-6320.

COLORADO—registration is permanent unless voter did not vote in last general election; may be registered by using an FPCA to request absentee ballot and which includes the phrase "Request Registration"; FPCA must be witnessed by commissioned officer.

• **Primary September 14:** 5 U.S. Representatives; Regents Univ. of Colorado, Members Bd of Education, Assoc. Justice(s)/Judge(s) State Supreme Court, Judges County Courts, Judges District Courts, Judges/Judges Appellate Courts.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 1375 Delaware, Rm 301, Denver CO 80204, (303)-623-1153; Republican State Committee, 3955 East Exposition Avenue, Denver CO 80209, (303)-777-1776.

CONNECTICUT—registration is permanent; may be requested by using FPCA with words "Request Registration."

• **Primary September 7:** U.S. Senator, 6 U.S. Representatives; State Senators, State Representatives, Registrar of Voters.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee,

525 Main Street, Hartford CT 06103, (203)-278-6080; Republican State Committee, 410 Asylum Street, Rm 315, Hartford CT 06103, (203)-249-9661.

DELAWARE—registration is permanent if citizen votes regularly; may be requested by using FPCA or other form of writing when applying for absentee ballot.

• **Primary September 11:** U.S. Senator, 1 U.S. Representative; Governor, State Treasurer, Auditor, State Senators, State Representatives.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 1679 S. DuPont Hwy, Dover DE 19901, (302)-678-0250; Republican State Committee, 1003 Delaware Avenue, Wilmington DE 19806, (302)-652-3132 and Republican State Committee, Post Office Drawer F, Dover DE 19901, (302)-734-4766.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—registration is permanent if citizen votes once every 4 years; may be requested by using FPCA which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary September 14:** 1 Delegate to Congress; Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic District of Columbia Committee, 1155 15th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202)-223-4463; Republican District of Columbia Committee, 310 First St., SE, Washington, D.C. 20003, (202)-484-6537.

FLORIDA—registration is permanent if citizen votes once every 2 years; may be requested using FPCA to obtain absentee ballot and completing State registration form.

• **Primary September 7/Runoff September 28:** U.S. Senator, 15 U.S. Representatives; Public Service Commissioners, State Attorneys, Public Defender, State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Judges District Courts of Appeal, Judges County Courts, State Committee.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, PO Box 1758, Tallahassee FL 32302, (904)-222-3411; Republican State Committee, PO Box 311, Tallahassee FL 32302, (904)-222-7920 and Republican State Committee, PO Box 16402, Jacksonville FL 32216, (904)-724-9744.

GEORGIA—use an FPCA to request State registration forms which should be completed and returned.

• **Primary August 10/Runoff August 31:** 10 U.S. Representatives; Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Justices/Judges Appellate Courts, Judges Superior Courts, Public Service Commissioners, State Senators, State Representatives, Justices of the Peace.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 1310 Fulton National Bank Bldg., Atlanta GA 30303, (404)-522-9870; Republican Party of Georgia, 1904 Monroe Drive, NE, Atlanta GA 30324, (404)-873-3521 and Republican Party of Georgia, PO Box 204, Brunswick GA 31520, (912)-264-1628.

GUAM—registration is permanent unless citizen did not vote in last general election; may be registered by completing an FPCA.

• **Primary September 4:** Delegate to Congress; State Senators, Local Official.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic Party, PO Box 2797, Agaña, Guam 96910; Republican Party, PO Box CI, Agaña, Guam 96910.

HAWAII—registration is permanent unless citizen did not vote in

last general election; may be registered by using an FPCA for an absentee ballot which must be witnessed by authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary October 2:** U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representative, State Representatives, County Officials, Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 33 South King Street, Rm 216, Honolulu HI 96813, (808)-228-58; Republican State Committee, Merchandise Mart 1438, Honolulu HI 96813, (808)-538-1136.

IDAHOO—permanent registration if citizen voted in any election previous 4 years; may be registered through use of an apply for absentee ballot; FPCA must be witnessed by authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary August 3:** 2 U.S. Representatives; State Representatives, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Court, County Officials, Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, Box 445, Boise ID 83701, (208)-342-6271; Republican Central Committee, PO Box 2267, Boise ID 83701, (208)-6405.

ILLINOIS—registration not required to vote.

• **Primary March 16:** 24 U.S. Representatives; Governor, Comptroller, Attorney General, State Senator, State Representatives, Delegates to Democratic National Convention, Delegates to Republican National Convention, County Local Officials, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Justices/Judges Appellate Courts, Judges Circuit Courts.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 104 N. Fourth St., Springfield IL 62701, (217)-523-6270; Republican State Committee, 200 S. Second Street, Springfield IL 62701, (217)-525-0011 and Republican Committee, Cook Office, 1227 N. Dearborn St., Rm 828, Chicago IL 60602, (312)-641-6400.

INDIANA—permanent registration unless citizen did not vote 2 years; may apply for both registration and absentee ballot use of FPCA, which must be witnessed by commissioned officer.

• **Primary May 4:** U.S. Senator, 11 U.S. Representative, Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, Superintendent of Instruction, State Senators, County Officials, State Officers.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 311 W. Washington St., Indianapolis IN 46204, (317)-631-63; Republican State Committee, 150 W. Market Street, Indianapolis IN 46204, (317)-635-7561.

IOWA—registration for primary or general election is accomplished through affidavit on ballot envelope; absentee ballot obtained using FPCA which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths.

• **Primary June 8:** 6 U.S. Representatives; State Senator, State Representatives, County Officials, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Judges District Courts.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 1120 Mulberry, Des Moines IA 50309, (515)-241-5039; Republican State Committee, 1540 High Street, Des Moines IA 50309, (515)-244-3154.

KANSAS—registration is not required; absentee ballot obtained through FPCA which must be witnessed by a commissioned officer.

• **Primary August 3:** 5 U.S. Representatives; State Tr

Commissioner of Insurance, State Senators, State Representative, Judicial District Judge, District Attorneys, Members Board of Education, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, County Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, Holiday Inn Downtown, Suite 109, Topeka KS 66601, (913)-4025; Republican State Committee, Ramada Inn, Suite 201, Jefferson, Topeka KS 66607, (913)-234-3416 and Republican State Committee, 206 Century Plaza Bldg, Wichita KS (316)-262-2651.

KENTUCKY—permanent registration unless citizen did not last 4 years; registration may be obtained through use of FPCA "Request State Registration Form."

• **Primary May 25:** U.S. Senator, 7 U.S. Representatives; Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, PO Box 694, Frankfort KY 40601, (502)-695-4828; Republican State Committee, 105 West 3rd Street, Frankfort KY 40601, (502)-5130 and Republican State Committee, PO Box 600, Covington KY 41012, (606)-261-0802.

LOUISIANA—permanent registration if citizen voted in last 4 years; may be obtained through use of FPCA—which must be witnessed—using phrase "Registration Forms are requested."

• **Primary August 14/Runoff September 25:** 8 U.S. Representatives; Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Service Commissioners, Members Board of Education, Local Officials, Delegates to Democratic National Convention, Delegates to Republican National Convention.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 5700 Florida Blvd., Rm 318, Baton Rouge LA 70806, (504)-5552; Republican State Committee, 138 McGehee Drive, Baton Rouge LA 70815, (504)-272-3450.

MAINE—registration may be requested using FPCA which must be witnessed.

• **Primary June 8:** U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representatives; State Representatives, Local Officials.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 62 State St., Augusta ME 04330, (207)-622-6233; Republican State Committee, 187 State St., Augusta ME 04330, (207)-6247.

MARYLAND—permanent registration unless citizen did not vote past 5 years; may be requested by sending FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—request absentee ballot.

• **Primary May 18:** U.S. Senator, 8 U.S. Representatives; Justices/Judges Appellate Courts, Judges Circuit Court.

• **State Political Organizations:** Democratic State Committee, 514 St. Paul Place, Baltimore MD 21202, (301)-539-5399; Republican State Committee, 820 S. Ritchie Highway, Severn MD 21146, (301)-647-1133.

MASSACHUSETTS—permanent registration must be obtained by person; absentee registration for each election obtained through use of FPCA to request absentee ballot; must be witnessed by commissioned officer.

• **Primary September 14:** U.S. Senator, 12 U.S. Representatives; Governor's Counselor, State Senators, State Representative, County Officials.

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State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 8 N. Pine St., Rm. 67, Boston MA 02108, (617)-723-1914; Republican State Committee, 73 Tremont St., Rm. 524, Boston MA 02108, (617)-523-7535.

IGAN—permanent registration; may be obtained by using phrase "Request Registration Forms"; request may be used at same time application is made for absentee ballot.

Primary August 3: U.S. Senator, 19 U.S. Representatives; Representatives, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Justices/Judges Appellate Courts, Members State Board of Education, Governors Wayne State University, County Officials, Regents University of Michigan, Trustees Michigan University.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, N. Pine St., Lansing, MI 48933, (517)-371-5410 and Michigan State Committee, 1535 E. Lafayette, Detroit MI 48207, (313)-965-3041; Republican State Committee, 404 East Michigan Ave., Lansing MI 48933, (517)-487-5413.

ESOTA—registration may be obtained through use of FPCA phrase "Request Voter Registration Forms"; FPCA must be signed by voter, noncommissioned officer above grade of sergeant.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 8 U.S. Representatives; Senators, State Representatives, Chief Justice, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Judges District Courts, Justices to Democratic National Convention, Delegates to Republican National Convention.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, East 38th St., Minneapolis MN 55407, (612)-827-5421; Republican State Committee, 555 Wabasha Street, St. Paul 55102, (612)-291-1286.

ISSIPPI—registration is permanent; may be obtained by use of a phrase "Request Registration Application"; FPCA must be signed by person authorized to administer oaths.

Primary June 1/Runoff June 22: U.S. Senator, 5 U.S. Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Issaquena, Clarksdale MS 38614, (601)-627-3479; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1178, Jackson MS 39205, (601)-5191.

OURI—registration not required for Service members, see dependents.

Primary August 3: U.S. Senator, 10 U.S. Representatives; U.S. Senator, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, State Senators, State Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, c/o 719, Jefferson City MO 65101, (314)-638-5241; Republican State Committee, PO Box 73, Jefferson City MO 65101, (314)-3146.

TANA—permanent registration if citizen votes in each general election; may be obtained through use of FPCA which will be used as application for registration and for absentee ballot.

Primary June 1: U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representatives; U.S. Senator, Lt. Governor, State Representatives, State Senators, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Auditor, Superintendent of Education, Judges District Courts, Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Local Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Box 802, Helena MT 59601, (406)-442-9520; Republican State Committee, 1425 Helena Ave., Helena MT 59601, (406)-6469.

ASKA—permanent registration; may be obtained through use of FPCA which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths and must include phrase "Please send Registration Forms."

Primary May 11: U.S. Senator, 3 U.S. Representatives; Public Service Commissioners, Members State Board of Education, State Representatives, Members Board of Regents.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Anderson Bldg, Lincoln NE 68508, (402)-475-4584; Republican State Committee, 116 N. 12th St., Anderson Bldg, Rm. 1, Lincoln NE 68508, (402)-432-5526.

ADA—permanent registration; may be obtained by a which must be witnessed by commissioned, noncommissioned, warrant officer and which must request an "Affidavit of Registration Form."

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 1 U.S. Representative; Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, State Senators, State Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Flint St., Reno NV 89504, (702)-329-1735; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1249, Reno NV 89504, (702)-322-9166.

V HAMPSHIRE—permanent registration; may be obtained through use of FPCA to request absentee ballot; FPCA must be signed by person authorized to administer oaths.

Primary September 14: 2 U.S. Representatives; Governor, Lt. Governor, State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials, Supervisor of the Check-List, Local Officials, Delegates to Republican National Convention, Delegates to Republican National Convention.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Stratton-Carpenter Motor Hotel, Rm 700, Manchester NH 03101, (603)-669-2048; Republican State Committee, 134 North Main Street, Concord NH 03301, (603)-225-9341.

W JERSEY—permanent registration if citizen votes each 4 years; Service members, spouses, dependents not required to register.

Primary June 8: U.S. Senator, 15 U.S. Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 3 W. State St., Trenton NJ 08608, (609)-392-3471; Republican State Committee, 28 West State St., Rm 405, Trenton, NJ 08608, (609)-989-7300.

W MEXICO—permanent registration; may be obtained through use of FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—and must include phrase "Request Registration Forms."

Primary June 1: U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representatives; Assoc. Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Justices/Judges Appellate Courts, Members State Board of Education, State Senators, State Representatives, State Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 32 Second St., NW, Rm 204, Albuquerque NM 87101, (505)-243-1144; Republican State Committee, 4201 Carlisle, NE, Albuquerque NM 87107, (505)-883-1776.

NEW YORK—registration accomplished when FPCA used to obtain absentee ballot is accepted by election officials; FPCA must be witnessed by commissioned, warrant, or noncommissioned officer.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 39 U.S. Representatives, State Senators, State Representatives, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Local Officials, Delegates to Democratic National Convention, Delegates to Republican National Convention.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 800 3rd Avenue, 26th Floor, New York NY 10022, (212)-593-8500; Republican State Committee, 315 State Street, Albany NY 12210, (518)-462-2601.

NORTH CAROLINA—registration is completed when FPCA requested absentee ballot is accepted; FPCA must be witnessed by commissioned, warrant, noncommissioned officer above grade of sergeant.

Primary August 17/Runoff September 14: 11 U.S. Representatives, Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Auditor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Attorney General, Judges Superior Court, State Senators, State Representatives, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Labor, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Hilton Inn, PO Box 12165, Raleigh NC 27605, (919)-821-2777; Republican State Committee, PO Box 25459, Raleigh NC 27611, (919)-828-0678.

NORTH DAKOTA—no registration required for any State or Federal election.

Primary September 7: U.S. Senator, 1 U.S. Representative; Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Auditors, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court, Attorney General, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, Public Service Commissioners, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 1902 East Divide Ave., Bismarck ND 58501, (701)-255-0460; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1917, Bismarck ND 58501, (701)-255-0300.

OHIO—registration is permanent if citizen voted every 2 years; Service members and spouses not required to register when voting by "Armed Service Absent Voter's Ballot" which may be obtained through use of FPCA.

Primary June 8: U.S. Senator, 23 U.S. Representatives; County Officials, Members State Board of Education.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 88 East Broad St., Columbus OH 43215, (614)-221-6563; Republican State Committee, 50 West Broad St., Columbus OH 43215, (614)-228-2481.

OKLAHOMA—permanent registration if citizen voted at least every 2 years; not required when voting by absentee process which may be done through use of FPCA which must be witnessed.

Primary August 24/Runoff September 21: 6 U.S. Representatives, Corporation Commissioners, State Senators, State Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 3022 N.W. Expressway, May Ex Bldg, Suite 301, Oklahoma City OK 73112, (405)-948-5648; Republican State Committee, 111-A Northwest 23rd Street, Oklahoma City OK 73103, (405)-528-3501.

OREGON—permanent registration; if not registered, may be registered for each election when the executed oath on the absentee ballot return envelope has been accepted by election officials.

Primary May 25: U.S. Senator, 4 U.S. Representatives; Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State Senators, State Representatives, Judicial Officers, County Officials, Local Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, PO Box 1084, Eugene OR 97401, (503)-345-7000; Republican State Committee, 655 High Street, NE, Salem OR 97301, (503)-585-5320.

PENNSYLVANIA—permanent registration if citizen votes once every 2 years; Service members only are not required to register, but may register, along with spouses and dependents using FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—with phrase "Request Registration Forms" when applying for absentee ballots.

Primary April 27: U.S. Senator, 25 U.S. Representatives; Delegates to Republican National Convention, State Committee, State Representatives, State Senators, Delegates to Democratic National Convention.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 510 North Third St., Harrisburg PA 17101, (717)-238-9381; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1624, Harrisburg PA 17105, (717)-234-4901.

PUERTO RICO—registration required for every general election; Service members only may register by FPCA which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths; all other persons must register in person.

Primary July 11: 1 Resident Commissioner; State Senators, State Representatives, Local Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic Committee, Edificio Banco de Ponce, PDA 18 Ave. Ponce de Leon, Santurce PR 00907, (809)-725-4467; Republican Committee, PO Box 507, Hato Rey, San Juan PR 00919, (809)-765-9932.

RHODE ISLAND—permanent registration if citizen voted at least once in 5 years; registration not required by individuals covered by Act.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representatives; Governor, General Officers, State Senators, State Representatives, Local Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 1 State St., Providence RI 02908, (401)-272-2212; Republican State Committee, Turks Head Building, Suite 501, Providence RI 02903, (401)-421-2570.

SOUTH CAROLINA—registration required in each calendar year; use FPCA to request an "Absentee Registration Card" and return completed card for registration.

Primary June 8/Runoff June 22: 6 U.S. Representatives; State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, PO Box 5965, Columbia SC 29250, (803)-254-7639; Republican State Committee, PO Box 5247, Columbia SC 29205, (803)-799-1610.

SOUTH DAKOTA—permanent registration if citizen voted once in 4 years; may be accomplished by using FPCA to request absentee ballot and include phrase "Request Registration"; FPCA must be witnessed by commissioned officer.

Primary June 1: 2 U.S. Representatives, State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, PO Box 668, Pierre SD 57501, (605)-224-8638; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1099, Pierre SC 57501, (605)-224-7347.

TENNESSEE—permanent registration unless citizen did not vote during 4 successive years; temporary registration for single election may be obtained by use of FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—to request an absentee ballot.

Primary August 5: U.S. Senator, 8 U.S. Representatives; Public Service Commissioners, State Senators, State Representatives, Judicial Officers, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 230 Capital Blvd., Nashville TN 37219, (615)-244-1336; Republican State Committee, 306 Gay Street, Nashville TN 37201, (615)-249-4033.

TEXAS—continuous registration; use FPCA to request absentee ballot and it will be used also as request for registration for each election; FPCA must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths.

Primary May 1/Runoff June 5: U.S. Senator, 24 U.S. Representatives, State Senators, State Representatives, Local Officials, Commissioner of Agriculture, Railroad Commissioner, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 702 Brown Bldg., Austin TX 78701, (512)-478-8746; Republican State Committee, PO Box 855, Austin TX 78767, (512)-477-9821.

UTAH—permanent registration if individual voted at least once in last 2 general elections; use FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—to apply for absentee ballot and registration will be effected when the executed certificate on ballot envelope has been accepted.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 2 U.S. Representatives; Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Auditor, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 363 East 2nd St. South, Salt Lake City UT 84111, (801)-328-0239; Republican State Committee, 614 Crandall Bldg., Salt Lake City UT 84101, (801)-355-1719.

VERMONT—check list registration revised each election; use FPCA—which must be witnessed—to apply for "Application for Absent Voter Ballot" which must be completed, executed, and returned for acceptance.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 1 U.S. Representative; Governor, Lt. Governor, State Treasurer, Secretary of State, Auditor of Accounts, Attorney General, State Representatives, State Senators, County Officials, Justices of Peace.

State Political Organizations: Democratic Party, no headquarters; Republican State Committee, PO Box 70, Montpelier VT 05602, (802)-223-3411.

VIRGINIA—permanent registration; may be obtained through use of FPCA with phrase "Registration requested" when requesting absentee ballot for each election.

Primary June 8: U.S. Senator, 10 U.S. Representatives.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 7th and Franklin Bldg., Rm 1313, Richmond VA 23219, (703)-644-1966; Republican State Committee, 1001 E. Main St., Richmond VA 23219, (804)-643-0289.

VIRGIN ISLANDS—permanent registration; may be obtained by use of FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—to apply for absentee ballot, execute affidavit on ballot envelope and return for registration for each election.

Primary September 14: Delegate to Congress; State Senators, Members Board of Education, Members Board of Elections.

State Political Organizations: Democratic Party, PO Box 22, Kingshill, St. Croix, Virgin Islands; Republican Party, Box 1521, St. Thomas 00801, (809)-774-6230.

WASHINGTON—permanent registration if citizen voted at least once during 30-month period; temporary registration may be obtained through use of FPCA to request absentee ballot and completing the affidavit on the ballot envelope.

Primary September 21: 7 U.S. Representatives; Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Public Lands, Commissioner of Insurance, County Officials, Justices/Judges State Supreme Court.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, Lobby, Art Bldg., Seattle WA 98104, (206)-623-6093; Republican State Committee, 595 Industry Drive, Tukwila WA 98188, (206)-248-0560.

WEST VIRGINIA—permanent registration if citizen voted at least once during period covering 2 primary and general elections; may be obtained by completing FPCA—which must be witnessed by person authorized to administer oaths—and including phrase "Registration Application is requested" and returning completed registration form.

Primary May 11: U.S. Senator, 4 U.S. Representatives; Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Commissioner of Agriculture, State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 2106 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston WV 25311, (304)-342-8121; Republican State Committee, PO Box 1007, Charleston WV 25324, (304)-344-3446.

WISCONSIN—permanent registration if citizen voted once every 2 years; persons covered by Act are not required to register.

Primary February 17 State spring election; Primary, September 14: U.S. Senator, 9 U.S. Representatives, State Senators, State Representatives, County Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, 22 N. Hancock, Madison WI 53703, (608)-255-5172; Republican State Committee, PO Box 31, Madison WI 53701, (608)-257-4765.

WYOMING—permanent registration if citizen voted once every 2 years; temporary registration obtained through use of FPCA—which should be witnessed—to request absentee ballot and executing the affidavit on back of ballot envelope.

Primary September 14: U.S. Senator, 1 U.S. Representative; State Representatives, State Senators, Local Officials.

State Political Organizations: Democratic State Committee, PO Box 1964, Casper WY 82601, (307)-234-8862; Republican State Committee, PO Box 2875, Casper WY 82601, (307)-234-8925.

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Saturday — Lunch: Sloppy joes, baked beans, vegetables. **Dinner:** Grilled ham steak, o'brian potatoes, vegetables.

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Monday — Dinner-brunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, vegetables.

Tuesday — Lunch: Ravioli-pizza, croutons, vegetables. **Dinner:** Roast pork ham, sweet potatoes, vegetables.

Wednesday — Lunch: Meat loaf, fried potatoes, vegetables. **Dinner:** Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, vegetables.

Thursday — Lunch: Veal, buttered noodles, vegetables. **Dinner:** Grilled steak, baked potatoes, vegetables.

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Feb. 13 — Happy hour from 5 to 7 p.m. Steak night from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Deep South will entertain from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Bill Wooten will perform at the Courthouse Bay Annex from 5 to 7 p.m.

Feb. 14 — Brunch served from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sweetheart Ball Dinner-Dance \$4.50 each. Members and guests are invited. Gourmet dinners will not be served because of the Ball. Those not attending the ball may be served in the Cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m. Gentle Breeze will perform at the Camp Johnson Annex from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Feb. 15 — Brunch is served in the Cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., also a Brunch-Buffer will be served from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Seafood special from 6 to 8 p.m.

Feb. 16 — George Washington's birthday. Club closed.

Feb. 18 — Beefeaters Buffet from 6 to 9 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling 5978 or 1316. Gentle Breeze will entertain from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

SNCO

Feb. 13 — Natural Feeling entertains at Hadnot Point from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Heat Wave performs at Camp Geiger from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Feb. 14 — Natural Feeling entertains at Courthouse Bay from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Hadnot Point Valentine Dance featuring Andy Owens from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Steamship Round \$4.00 per person.

NCO

Feb. 13 — The Soulful Strutters will entertain from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

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Feb. 12 — Blue Exit entertains at Camp Johnson from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. and G.T. Corporation

performs at Area No. 5 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 15 — Blue Exit entertains at Camp Geiger from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 17 — Selebrate entertains at the Central Area and Natural Feeling performs at Area No. 5. Both shows are from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 18 — Bitter Creek entertains at French Creek and Natural Feeling performs at Area No. 2. Both shows are from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. The Omega Man Show performs at Camp Johnson from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Count Four entertains at MCAS from 7 to 11 p.m.

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Feb. 13-15 — This weekend's free movies are **ENEMY BELOW**, **PATTON** and **THREE RING CIRCUS**. Don't forget the free cookies and cakes that are served every Sunday at 1 p.m.

CINEMA

MIDWAY PARK FAMILY THEATER 7 p.m.

COURTHOUSE BAY 7 p.m.

RIFLE RANGE 7 p.m.

MONTFORD POINT INDOOR 7 p.m.

GEIGER INDOOR 7 p.m.

CAMP THEATER 7 p.m.

AIR STATION 7 p.m.

DRIVE-IN 7 p.m.

ON SLOW BEACH 7 p.m.

FRENCH CREEK OUTDOOR 7 p.m.

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A — DIRTY MARY CRAZY LARRY (PG RT 93) After a race car driver robs a store to support his sport a wild chase takes him across the country. Stars Peter Fonda and Susan George.

B — THE DROWNING POOL (PG RT 109) Blackmail leads to murder in the life of a Southern oil heiress. Stars Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward.

C — ROOSTER COBBURN (PG RT 107) Rooster after being relieved of his duties as sheriff joins forces with Katherine Hepburn to capture outlaws and redeem himself. Stars John Wayne and Katherine Hepburn.

D — THE FRONT PAGE (PG RT 105) A wild story of the newspaper life and its never ending job. Stars Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau.

E — FAREWELL MY LOVELY (R RT 95) A drama of two people in love and how it was meant not to be. Stars Robert Mitchum and Charlotte Rampling.

F — BLACK SAMSON (R RT 88) Street fighter and bar owner keeps his turf clean until the mob moves in, then its time for action. Stars Rochne Tarkington and William Smith.

G — RACE WITH THE DEVIL (PG RT 88) The life of two young couples is ruined when the devil enters into their life. Stars Peter Fonda and Warren Oates.

H — THE GREAT GATSBY (PG RT 141) Classic of a mystery millionaire and the life he lives in the late '20s. Stars Robert Redford and Mia Farrow.

I — THE DARING DOBERMANS (G RT 89) A pack of Dobermans trained to execute a robbery rebel when other people try to get into their scheme. Stars Charles Khow and Tim Considine.

O — SEVEN ALONE (G RT 97) After the parents of six children die on the way to Oregon they have to fight to keep together. Stars Dewey Martin and Aldo Ray.

P — KID BLUE (PG RT 100) An outlaw tries to go straight but runs into people as an obstacle. Stars Dennis Hopper and Warren Oates.

Q — LET'S DO IT AGAIN (PG RT 113) An amateur hypnotist ends up in the world of bookies and gambling. Stars Sidney Poitier and Bill Cosby.

R — REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONER (PG RT 111) Corruption in the police department ends up turning the tables on a young cop. Stars Michael Moriarty.

S — A CHILD UNDER A LEAF (G RT 88) The love triangle causes many mysterious deaths and a suspicious suicide. Stars Dyan Cannon and Joseph Campanella.

T — THE FAMILY (R RT 96) The breakdown of a hit man in the mob causes a twinge of conscience and a lot of problems. Stars Charles Bronson and Telly Savalas.

U — JOURNEY INTO FEAR (PG RT 99) Death and violence enters into the life of a scientist as he tries to return to America. Stars Zero Mostel and Sam Waterston.

MADCOPs:

Proving the Marine Corps is truly number one

By MGySgt. Robert Kinsman USMC (Ret.)

School will soon be out for 18 Camp Lejeune Marines attending Coastal Carolina Community College under the Marine Corps Associate Degree Completion Program (MADCOP) which phases out Corps-wide following the spring session this year.

The select group, both past and present, has established a beachhead of academic excellence which the institution points to with pride.

"I am tremendously proud of my Marines, both for their academic achievement and for providing a good influence on campus," states Dr. Vivian L. Gibson, Student Counselor at the college, who has worked closely with each class since the program's inception at CCCC in 1973.

"Currently, we have four students carrying a 4.0 average, while overall they are well above

the 3.5 mark, and in addition, Marine students play leading roles in our Student Government Association," elaborated Gibson.

She is quick to discuss the fact one of the present group is an ordained minister, and wishes she had "fifty more just like them."

Two key posts within the Student Government Association (SGA) are held by MADCOP students elected last fall by the student

body at the college. SSgt Michael Durnavich is president while Gunnery Sergeant Michael Mallon is treasurer.

The list of involvement in college and community affairs seems endless: SSgt Randy Little, treasurer of the Act1 Club; SSgt Rodger Ludden, president of Phi Beta Lambda; SSgt Bob Madison is a teacher's assistant and has been selected for commissioning as an officer; and off-duty pursuits include SSgt Larry Parker, a graduate of Prairie Bible College, Alberta, Canada, is serving as Pastor of the Harkers Island Baptist Church.

As NCOIC of the 18-Marine "student body," GySgt. Larry Blum carries over his Marine leadership credentials to keep pace with administrative details required by the Marine Corps, including not only making certain each student complies with physical fitness training programs but making certain each student's scores get to the right people.

Described as an "outstanding" student by his instructors and fellow students, Blum has been on the President's or Dean's List throughout his 21-months at CCCC. Now in his 13th year as a Marine, Blum is also active in civic affairs, serving as a member of the Jacksonville Rescue Squad.

"I'm grateful to the Marine Corps for the opportunity to receive this education and I now have more confidence than before," according to Blum, who plans to complete his degree work at his next duty station. Blum was recently interviewed in Washington and is to be assigned to the office of the Commandant after he earns his Associate Degree next May.

Part of the high esteem held for the active duty Marine students was summed up by retired GySgt. John McAllister, himself a CCCC GI Bill student.

"Having been associated with several MADCOP students in many different courses, I have found them, almost without exception, hard chargers and extremely serious students," McAllister said.

"What really impresses me, is the extra effort they constantly make to maintain high grades and at the same time fit in with the entire student body," he emphasized.

The four gunnery sergeants, 12 staff sergeants and two sergeants ending the MADCOP program at CCCC this May have transfer orders to Marine Corps post and stations stretching from Japan to Camp Lejeune. They have expressed their pleasure at being students for two years, and state they are now ready to repay the Corps for their education.



Photo by SSgt. Doyle Sanders

LAST SESSION — Dr. Vivian L. Gibson, student counselor, Coastal Carolina Community College, assists Marine Corps Associate Degree Completion Program (MADCOP), students SSgt. Charles Taff (left), GySgt. Larry Blum with spring session selection of courses. The MADCOP program ends in May.

Frisbees on a rooftop

by Noel Priseler

RED CROSS INSTRUCTOR COURSES OFFERED — A Red Cross Water Safety Instructor course will be offered Feb. 23 through March 6 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The prerequisite for this course is advanced life saving. Any dependents who are interested in attending this class call Barbara Pratt at 353-5340. In addition there will be a First Aid Instructor course given if there is sufficient interest. Completion of the Red Cross Standard First Aid and Personal Safety course is required. Those interested should call the above number.

STAFF NCO WIVES ACTIVITIES — An executive board meeting of the Staff NCO Wives Club will be held Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Billie Giza, 5861 Delaware. Hospital Bingo will be played on Feb. 17 at 1:30 p.m. in the hospital. The night meeting of the Staff NCO Wives Club will be held on Feb. 19 at 7:30 in the Hadnot Point SNCO Club.

SWEETHEART BALL — The OWC will hold its Sweetheart Ball on Saturday at the COM(O). A cash bar will be in the Lejeune Room from 6:30 to 8 p.m. A sit-down dinner will follow. After dinner the Moonglows will provide music for dancing. The cost is \$9.00 per couple and all officers and their ladies are invited. Reservations must be made by calling 451-5978 or 1316 no later than 4 p.m. Friday.

GARDEN CLUB LUNCHEON — The OWC Garden Club will hold a luncheon on Feb. 17 beginning at 10 a.m. at Marston Pavillion. The

program will be Our International Harvest and Vegetable Gardening and Preserving.

DATE CHANGE — The date for the International Wives Club's February function has been changed to Feb. 27. The event, which includes a Mongolian Bar-B-Q and a program on Taiwan, will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse Bay Officers Club. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. David Pennyfeather at 353-5046 or Mrs. John Sundholm at 455-3841.

HANDWORK GET-TOGETHER — A crochet and knit get-together is held every Wednesday, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Navy Relief Layette Room in building 2628. Get help with your handwork problems or assist the Navy Relief in making items for the Layette Room. Call Alise Dillworth (353-1876) for more information.

CHILDREN'S BOOK FAIR — There will be a book sale in the Stone Street School Library Feb. 17-20. The sale will help raise money to help air condition the school. Books can be viewed and purchased during the day or on Wednesday and Friday evening until 8 p.m.

PTO MEETING — Stone Street will hold its next PTO meeting Feb. 18 at 8 p.m.

MACRAME CLASSES — Macrame classes will be held every Monday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Anyone interested in attending these on base classes please call Cheryl Rothell at 353-3340.

I.G. scheduled



The schedule for the Inspector General's briefings and critiques has been announced.

The Inspector's Conference will go at 1:15 p.m., Feb. 17, in the Gold Room at the NCO Club, Bldg. 425.

Command briefings will follow in the Viking Room, beginning with Marine Corps Base at 2 p.m. followed at 2:30 p.m. by 2d Marine Division and Force Troops-2d FSSG at 3 p.m.

The Inspector General is BrigGen. H.L. Coffman. LtCol. James D. Pierce, heading Team "A" will be inspecting Marine Corps Base, while Team "B", led by Lt. Col. Richard A. Noll, will inspect 2d Marine Division. Force Troops-2d FSSG will be inspected by LtCol. Clarence D. Foreman's Team "C".

Sport parachuting: ch



RIGGING AND PACKING — Katy Howard (l) and Tony Pattin know the value of correct rigging and packing procedures — their lives depend on it. Above, Howard straightens the lines that will be her link to her chute while Pattin does the all-important packing. Each member of the club receives instruction in the three P's — Proper Parachute Packing.

On any given Saturday, weather permitting, there are 35 sport enthusiasts here who jump from an altitude of 7500 feet. They do it for fun.

They are members of the Marine Sport Parachute Club and they claim it is their way to "get away from the daily drudgery and explore new horizons".

John "Buzz" Howard, president of the club, said, "As a sport parachuting club, we are first and foremost safety conscious. But as parachuting hobbyists, we are no different than tennis or golf players, except that our sport takes place 7500 feet above most others."

Sport parachuting, a relatively new outlet for the diversified and varied field of what constitutes "sport", is the latest endeavor of man to "get back to nature in a free and uninhibited manner."

As the club's president stated, "The moment you leave the plane, there's an indescribable feeling of freedom, an experience that can only be shared and enjoyed by those who have participated in sport parachuting."

An avid jumper, Howard started his hobby in 1972, when as he put it, "I had a lot of free time on my hands and was looking for something challenging and exciting. I found it in sport parachuting."

With that first jump more than four years ago, he has gone on to log more than 610 "drops" and has no plans to quit.

Asked why he jumps, Howard replied, "Initially, it was the challenge and excitement and I guess that's still the best answer. Every jump is as if it were my first."

Howard's wife, Katy, praises the safety about sport parachuting. As she said, "There's only one danger and that is in the mind. If I thought it was hazardous, I wouldn't do either."

An active member of the club, Katy has logged over 375 jumps herself and recently returned to the sport after a one year "maternal leave."

"I stayed on the ground for the past year, but every time 'Buzz' went up, I was wishing I was with him on the jump."



FINAL SAFETY CHECK — John "Buzz" Howard (l), president of the Camp Lejeune Marine Sport Parachute Club, gives one final equipment check to Robin Mannion before Mannion goes "aloft" for his first jump.



LOADING UP — Three members of Camp Lejeune's Marine Sport Parachute Club board a Cessna 180 aircraft for a flight to 7500 feet for their free fall jump. The club's president, John Howard (c), with more than 610 "descents" fills the safety role of Load Jumpmaster, an added safety feature.



PERSONAL INTEREST — One of two husband-wife teams, Jim Lewis takes a personal interest in the equipment check of wife Jan Lewis before her jump. Common sense and a respect for safety dictate that another check out your equipment before becoming "airborne".

g: challenging and exciting

Another husband-wife team in the club is Jim and Jan Lewis. He has 85 jumps and she trails with 7. But both agree, "It's a sport which offers more challenge than anything we've ever attempted."

Making his first jump was Robin Mannion who joined the club three weeks ago. After he landed, Mannion was asked to express his feelings. Well, it's a feeling that's really hard to describe. In the few brief moments as I fell, I was slave to a parachute. Man, that was some kind of feeling! When do I go up again?"

Other jumpers of the day included Gary Bibeau (7 jumps), making his first five second free fall, Tony Pattin (10 jumps), Ed Carter (24 jumps), Al Hartwig (135 jumps) and Bob Dodd, a jumpmaster with more than 700 jumps.

Howard described the organization, "We are a chartered club, designed to safely promote sport parachuting as a sport for fun and enjoyment."

What we do is conduct informal classes with formal training aimed at introducing the sport to all interested persons, as well as conduct instructional jumping under supervised safety conditions."

"As far as who can join, both servicemen and dependents who have the desire to want to jump. We stress that previous jump qualification and experience is not a requirement. Anything you need to know about jumping will be taught in the classes."

Howard also added that equipment is not needed as a membership prerequisite because students are furnished all necessary gear to make their first jump.

"If falling from the sky is your bag, then the Marine Sport Parachute Club is your answer," Howard concluded. "Join our club and attain new heights!"

Interested persons can contact John or Katy Howard at 353-6370.



DECENT DESCENTS—For Gary Bibeau (l) and John Howard, another jump is nearly behind them as they float effortlessly down to earth. Bibeau is using the standard PC (Para-Commando) style chute while Howard employs the "Strato-Star" model, used by many sport parachutists for target jumping.

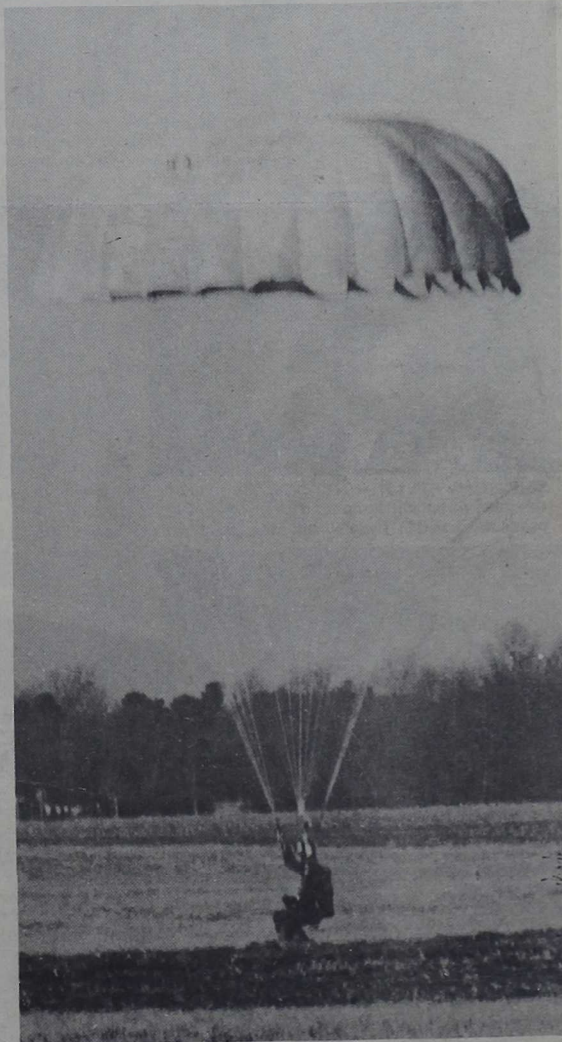
Photos by Sgt. Dan Haberer and Cpl. Bob Farquhar



BREAKAWAY—Jan Lewis makes the final break linking her to the aircraft as she pushes away from the wing strut. Her only option now to arrive safely on the ground (3600 feet away) is to utilize her parachute. Meanwhile, husband Jim Lewis, who is exiting the plane, observes her form.



BOMB OUT—Going directly out of the aircraft without the aid of the wing strut, Jim Lewis uses the form known to sport parachutists as "bomb out". Following his wife (see picture above), Lewis is attempting to catch up with her and try to link-up in mid-air.



BACK ON TERRA FIRMA—After a successful jump from an altitude of 7500 feet, Al Hartwig comes to a soft landing once again on good ol' Mother Earth. Missing the landing zone, called "the pit", Hartwig went back up again to practice his aim.

In FMFLant Tourney

HqBn. takes early lead

Action got underway this week in the 1976 FMFLant Basketball tournament and Division, which is the host command, took the early lead.

In Monday's action, HqBn., presently leading, took on 8th Comm. Bn., Force Troops-2d FSSG and outlasted the French Creek residents, 77-57.

Both teams played haphazard ball in the first half, missing easy layups, demonstrating poor ball handling and neither team capable of gaining an advantage.

The biggest factor in the overall tempo of the game was due perhaps to the lack of competition as a team since the end of the season several weeks ago.

But HqBn. regained everything they had seemingly lost in the second half and played the type of ball that has allowed them to lead the

tourney, as of 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Going into the winners bracket, HqBn. faced visiting Norfolk in Tuesday's game and the Division team showed no mercy to the "Virginians" as they took a comfortable half time lead of 29-17.

Norfolk came back strong in the second half, but HqBn., having tasted victory in the first game, wasn't about to relinquish their advantage. Keeping the long break to Barney Lewis open and by controlling the backboards, they defeated Norfolk, 66-60.

Last year's FMFLant winner, Marine Wing Communications Squadron-28 (MWCS-28) drew a bye in the first round. In action Tuesday, MWCS-28 squeaked by 1st Bn., 6th Marines, 59-58 to hold down second place in the tournament as of 3 p.m. Tuesday.



BACKBOARD CONTROL — Herb Pillow (with ball), another MWCS-28 rebound wizard, grabs the ball before 1-6's Kenneth Williams (highest in picture) can tap it in for two points. Action was in the FMFLant Tourney now going on at Goettge Field House.



SOUTHPAW STYLE — MWCS-28's Bev Toxey (0), takes an outside jump for two of a total of 12 points he earned in Tuesday's game against 1-6.



REBOUND WIZARD — Gerald Joiner of MWCS-28 shows the form that enabled him to control the backboards in the 59-58 win over 1-6.



JAMES GANG — Ed James (with ball) of MWCS-28 goes under while passing off to teammate Sam Gillespie (5). Gillespie missed only one shot the entire game for a total of 28 points in MWCS-28's slight win (59-58) over 1-6.

Photos by Cpl. Bob Farquhar

SPORTS SHORTS

All-Stars take second in ECR

The 1976 East Coast Regionals Basketball Tournament was completed last week in Quantico and the Camp Lejeune All-Star team finished second after nearly upsetting a highly favored Quantico, Va. team.

Second day action saw Cherry Point upset Camp Lejeune in an 83-80 battle. But the loss only increased Camp Lejeune's desire to win and in the third day of the tournament, they proved it with a sounding win over Parris Island, 106-81.

Playing a second game of the day, the All-Stars showed no signs of giving up and went into the quarter-final game against a strong 8th & I fivesome, taking the win 89-61.

Meeting Cherry Point again, this time in the semi-final match, Camp Lejeune's basketballers outclassed their tourney rival and went into the finals with a pleasing 104-75 victory.

A strong, undefeated Quantico team had a run for their money in the final game as Camp Lejeune had everything to win. Playing sound ball and forcing the breaks their way, Camp Lejeune's All-Stars came close but were shot as the final score gave the win to Quantico, 65-63.

Boxing trials start here

Camp Lejeune will host the 1976 All-Marine Boxing Trials Feb. 9 to Mar. 12 in Goettge Memorial Field House.

The event is open to all enlisted Marines and entrants from Camp Pendleton and the Far East are expected to participate.

The All-Marine team will represent the Marine Corps in the Inter-Service Boxing Championships to be held Mar. 29 to Apr. 2.

Participation is limited to amateur boxers only and weight classes will range from 106 lb. (light flyweight) to 178 lb. and heavy weight.

Selection for the team will be on an elimination basis to be conducted on Mar. 9, 10 and 11.

Camp Lejeune is expected to have four All-Marine Champions competing again this year: Leon Spinks (178 lb. class), J.C. Wade (147 lb. class), Roger Stafford (132 lb. class) and Toney Wilson (106 lb. class).

Open meet slated at New River

The MCAS New River Running Club will host an open meet on Feb. 22 at the Air Station Marina.

Open to all military persons (active and retired) and their dependents, 1.2 and 5 mile races will be held in the following age groups: 12-16, 17-21, 22-30, 31-39 and 40 and over.

Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. with the first race at 1 p.m.

Certificates will be awarded to the top three finishers of both sexes in each age group.

For further information, contact either Maj. Esser at 455-6527 or Maj. Davis, Divison Special Services Officer at exts. 5623 or 3636.

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