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MARSOC Raiders welcome new commander, say farewell to Osterman

CPL. RYAN MAINS

U.S. Marine Corps Forces,
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Over the past two years, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Special Operations Command has matured from merely being known as U.S. Special Operations Command's youngest and smallest component, to a full-fledged integral player in SCSOC's global operations. In ceremonies throughout the last week, the Raiders of MARSOC have commemorated a decade's worth of accomplishments – as well as losses – in the command's short but distinguished existence.

A final celebratory event marked a milestone in the command's history and the start of a new chapter – the changing of command between two storied officers.

The ceremony was held July 26 at MARSOC headquarters, with 300 people in attendance to witness Maj. Gen. Joseph L. Osterman relinquish command to Maj. Gen. Carl E. Mundy III. Osterman led the Marine Corps' special operations component for two years, initiating and overseeing some of its greatest contributions to special operations to

date. Osterman was recently confirmed for promotion to Lieutenant general and assignment as deputy commander at U.S. Special Operations Command in Tampa, Fla.

General John M. Paxton Jr., the 33rd assistant commandant of the Marine Corps, presided over the ceremony and spoke briefly about Osterman's exceptional performance as the commander of MARSOC.

"You pushed that envelope, General Osterman, and you pushed it by organizing, training and equipping at the individual level, building competent small units and teams, and have proven operational capability on behalf of Marine forces, Naval forces and special operations forces," said Paxton. "So on behalf of the institution: a job well done. We're proud of your leadership; we're grateful for your accomplishments."

Major highlights of Osterman's command included the regionalization of the three Marine Raider Battalions and their corresponding support battalions, expansion and operational integration of the component's intelligence capabilities beginning at the Marine Special Operations Team level,



(Right to left) Major Gen. Joseph L. Osterman passes the Marine Corps colors to Maj. Gen. Carl E. Mundy III during a change of command ceremony on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 26.

and other support innovations to forward-deployed elements. He expanded the command's information operations capabilities and oversaw the development of the Special Operations Forces Liaison Element concept, which integrates planning and coordination between special operations and Marine Expeditionary Units. Lastly, he oversaw the first deployment of a Raider-led Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force in any of the geographic combatant

commands.

"For a change of command-type situation, the focus tends to go on the commander as we pass the colors but today really is about MARSOC," said Osterman. "The ten years that MARSOC has been in existence - that we just celebrated - amazing people have come through the ranks, who have done incredible things."

Osterman went on to cite MARSOC's footprint in Afghanistan and the shift in the component's focus to

regionalized battalion areas of responsibility.

"For those who don't know, there are MARSOC members, right now, that are spread all the way from Africa, through the Middle East, all the way out to the Pacific," said Osterman. "One of the big things I had to do was adjust my thoughts from maneuvering battalions and regiments when I got here, to understanding that small teams can have strategic effects out in the battlespace."

After addressing those

in attendance at the ceremony, Osterman gave the floor to Mundy.

"I'm privileged to be able to be a part of this wonderful organization. I cannot say it better than what General Paxton and General Osterman said," explained Mundy. "Let me just say - turning to face you all, because you are all the most important people here – everyday I'm in this billet, it will be a privilege to serve alongside you, and an honor to command you."

In a letter addressed to the incoming and outgoing commanders, Marine Commandant Gen. Robert B. Neller expressed his view of MARSOC's immediate future.

"(Maj. Gen. Mundy), know that you have my total trust and confidence. I know you will bring the same outstanding leadership to this assignment that you demonstrated as commanding general of 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Bahrain, and in your previous command assignments," said Neller.

Neller stated that Marine Raiders will continue to set the standards for excellence and are instrumental in shaping the national security environment and providing decision space for our national leaders.



Sgt. Derek Turner, an explosive ordnance disposal technician with EOD Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, observes as Sgt. Anthony Carabajal digs around a controlled improvised explosive device during a training exercise at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 19. The unit conducted the training to test the effects of different types of excavation charges.

EOD company conducts excavation range

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II Marine Expeditionary Force

Marines with Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion conducted an improvised explosive device excavation range at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 19.

The exercises were intended to prepare the unit for an Integrated Training Exercise, in which they will participate later this year at Marine Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, California.

"Our mission for today's training exercise is to practice using excavation and cutting charges on IEDs that you would find in an environment outside of the United States," said Sgt. Fred Wittlake, an EOD technician with the company. "Part of the procedure involves using explosive charges to remotely uncover or move IEDs that have been emplaced or to use a cutting charge to sever command wires and other components to render the item safer to work around."

The Marines started building charges designed to blow away earth surrounding buried IEDs.

"The first task of the day was to demonstrate how to set up and use some of the

cutting charges as well as do a demonstration of the excavation charges, so you can see before you start what the results should be and how to avoid making mistakes when you emplace them," Wittlake said. "You don't want it too close or too far, you want to be able to emplace that excavation charge in such a manner that your desired outcome is to uncover and remotely move the IED components that you've discovered."

The Marines split into two teams, setting up mock charges for each other.

"The first team comes out and they're acting as the opposing forces," said Sgt. Derek Turner, an EOD technician with the company. "They go and set charges of different IEDs. That way, the second team comes in, without knowledge of what is out there, and they get the full range of the training that is involved here today."

The team sweeping the lane for IEDs first connects with a mock on-scene commander who gives them a general idea of where the IED is suspected to be buried. Utilizing different techniques and procedures, the team locates and identifies different components of the IED, said Turner.

EOTG conducts first fast rope masters course

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II Marine Expeditionary Force

After nearly two years of planning and fine-tuning, Expeditionary Operations Training Group conducted its first week-long fast rope masters course at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 11 through 14.

Derived from the longer two-week helicopter rope suspension training course, the fast rope masters course focuses on qualifying noncommissioned officers and above as subject matter experts and qualifies them to train Marines within their subordinate command.

"It's a force multiplier for conducting operations," said Sgt. Joshua Jelinek, a Helicopter Rope Suspension Training instructor with EOTG. "We teach Marines to become fast rope masters and they can go back to their units and safely conduct fast rope operations with their junior Marines."

Throughout the week, the Marines received time in the classroom, where they were taught the key fundamentals of what a fast rope master has to do when conducting operations. They then took the training to hands-on ap-

plications on multiple platforms to include a tower and rotor-wing aircraft.

"As a regular roper, you're paying attention to the rope master and trusting in him that he'll put you on the rope at the right time and give you the correct indicators," said Staff Sgt. Kyle Tanner, a company operations chief with 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment.

The course is the first of its kind. Jelinek says that they plan to run the course four to five times a year, giving more Marines the ability to pass on the valuable training and information throughout II Marine Expeditionary Force.

"The student's feedback is key," said Jelinek. "We want to know better ways to suit the needs of the Marines coming through this training."

After a successful week, the Marine students will be sent back to their commands, where training never ceases.

"I want to take away the ability to take my Marines up in a bird and send them down the rope fast and efficiently," said Tanner. "Whatever situation comes to hand, whatever area terrain we come across, we'll be able to get there."



A UH-1Y Huey hovers 30-40 feet above the ground during fast rope drills at Landing Zone Kingfisher, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 13. Marines with Expeditionary Operations Training Group went through a week-long fast rope masters course which qualifies them to conduct fast rope training within their subordinate command.

When the heat is on corpsmen refine skills to save lives

DANIELLE BOLTON
Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune

Notorious for battles in every clime and place, Marines do not stop training when the heat is on. North Carolina summers average a heat index in excesses of 100, which combined with training or physical activity leads to heat-related injuries seen throughout Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune and its clinics. Using new technology, clinics are re-fining their skills to provide faster services for heat casualties.

“Marines train the way they fight. We do the same ‘we train the way we heal,” said Cmdr. Trevor Carlson, Camp Geiger Branch Medical Clinic department

head. “You don’t ever want the first time a corpsman treats a gunshot wound to be on the battlefield; it’s the same with heat casualties. You don’t want the first time they treat one to be when it counts.”

The Geiger clinic, responsible for the care of School of Infantry - East students and staff, sees more heat casualties than any other clinic. Although performing to the same Marine Corps Base Order heat causality handling, Geiger has refined the process due to their high operational tempo.

“Geiger is like a seasoned emergency room team ‘they communicate and respond well to the casualties coming in,” Lt. Cmdr. Heather Kirk, depu-

ty director of Branch Clinics.

Like a gunshot wound, heat injuries can mean life or death. The seriousness of this injury can be felt on every level.

“It is our job to save their life,” said Hospital Corpsman Korbin Townsley, a New Orleans native, who has treated eight heat casualties in the last week. “If they come in with a high temperature, they have a potential of dying.”

During physical activity, the body’s core temperature rises. As it rises, the body regulates itself by producing sweat, but sometimes this isn’t enough to cool the body down. A core temperature of 107.5 can result in irreversible brain damage and 109 could re-

sult in a coma or death.

“If we are not quick enough, they could have brain damage and not be the same person they used to be,” said Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Michael Barber, a Los Angeles Native who has been in the Navy four years. “We train with the Marines and take care of them the way we want them to take care of us that’s what family does.”

The significance of getting the temperature down quickly can be seen in the recovery time of the patient the difference of 30 minutes could mean days more in recovery. One provider reflects on her experience with a previous command.

At a different facility we had a service member come in with a 109 temperature.

He was transferred to the local hospital, which was a 30 minute drive, said Kirk. “He ended up spending four days in the hospital because he his core temperature was not brought down quickly enough.”

Camp Geiger had three Marines come in last week with 109 temps. They spent one night in the Multi-Service Ward for observation, explained Lt. j.g. Brent Booze, the clinic’s division officer, whose clinic treats more heat injuries than any other clinic at Camp Lejeune. Their recover was directly related to how quickly the Marines’ core temperature was lowered.

“In fact, yesterday we had a Marine come in with a 109 temperature. He was found fit to go home from the emergency room the same day,” said Booze, who is responsible for the 20,000 Marines who train at SOI each year.

In order to get the clinic’s proficiency level to where it is, Booze credits their training and the simulation mannequin, named Wifi.

Wifi, so named because of its Bluetooth capability, is an interactive mannequin. He blinks, sweats, vomits and sheds tears, if that is what the scenario calls for. Additionally, Wifi is one of a kind at the hospital, because his temperature, blood sugar and blood pressure respond to treatment. Booze explains Wifi also responds to questioning, moans and grunts accordingly.

“If you treat two patients quickly and properly while removing their need for hospital stay, you have paid for one Wifi,” said Booze, who received Wifi to his clinic in January and has been training clinic staffs all over the base. Wifi can be programmed with real or fictitious scenarios to test reaction skills and abilities. In the

demonstration given, Wifi was programmed to mimic a specific person seen last November, who was brought in from a command run.

“November is outside our typical heat season, which goes from 31 May and extends until Oct. 2, so we really weren’t looking for or expecting a heat casualty,” said Booze. “He came in with 108.6.” Little did we know that he had been trying to cut weight and was on the mogenic, so his body wasn’t responding as quickly as we would like to treatment.”

This made for a unique scenario. Wifi is programmable for most heat cases a corpsman might run across, which is why many prefer getting their feet wet with him.

“Training with this guy gives you the opportunity of training and honing your skills without the chance for loss of life,” said Townsly, who added that this training gives way to professional excellence knowing how to do your job well when you are needed.

When the call comes in that a heat casualty is inbound, the team huddles and roles are assigned. This is important, explains Booze, especially when there are multiple casualties on their way.

“Every team member has a voice and are able to speak up if they don’t like something that is going on,” he said. If there are multiples on the way, they change up how they might conduct business.

“In addition to our huddle, we also alert (emergency medical services) and the hospital that there is a possibility that their services will be needed,” said Carlson. “We also communicate with the emergency department. This is an important step, because they

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Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours
FC-65 Gonzales Boulevard Ext.			FC-420 Gonzales Boulevard			M 455 Camp Johnson		
Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800	Breakfast M-F	0530-0830		Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800
Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch M-F	1030-1330	Grill	M-W-F		0530-0800
Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830	Dinner M-F	1600-1900		Lunch	1100-1245	1100-1245
Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brkfast weekend	0900-1200		Dinner	1700-1830	1700-1830
Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730	Lunch weekend	1200-1500		Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100
Sub Station	1100-1830	Mon-Fri	Dinner weekend	1500-1800		Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730
Sub Station	1600-1730	Sun	No Brunch Meals or Brunch Pricing					

Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Drive-up Window	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours
MH 128 "A" Street			FC 303 Barker Road			RR-135 (Firing Schedule)		
Breakfast	0600-0800	Mon-Fri	Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800	Breakfast	0500-0730	0500-0730
Lunch	1100-1300	1030-2030	Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch	1130-1300	1130-1300
Dinner	1630-1830		Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830	Dinner	1630-1800	1630-1800
Brkfast weekend	0730-1030	Sat-Sun	Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brk/B Sa/Sun/Hol	0900-1000	
Dinner weekend	1600-1730	1030-1900	Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730	Lun Sa/Sun/Hol	1130-1300	1130-1300
No Brunch Meals or Brunch Pricing			Mess Hall Closed Weekends			Din/B Sa/Sun/Hol	1530-1630	1530-1630

Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours
MH 521 "O" Street			MH 227 "D" Street			MH 411 "L" Street		
Breakfast	0600-0800	0600-0800	Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800	Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800
Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch	1100-1330	1100-1330	Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300
Dinner	1600-1800	1600-1800	Dinner	1600-1900	1600-1900	Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830
Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brkfast Brunch	0700-1130	0700-1130	Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100
Dinner Brunch	1500-1630	1500-1630	Dinner Brunch	1600-1900	1600-1900	Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730

Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours
WC-100 Parachute Tower Road			BB-125 Court House Bay			AS 4013 New River		
Breakfast	0600-0800	0600-0800	Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0730	Breakfast	0600-0730	0600-0730
Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300
Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830	Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830	Dinner	1600-1800	1600-1800
Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brkfast Brunch	0900-1100	0900-1100
Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730	Dinner Brunch	1530-1700	1530-1700	Dinner Brunch	1530-1700	1500-1730
Sub Shoppe	1100-2000	Mon-Fri	Sub Station	1100-1300	Mon-Fri	Midnight Rations	2300-0100	SUN-Thur
Sub Shoppe	1630-1930	Sun	Sub Station	1600-2100	Mon-Fri	Sub Shoppe	1100-2000	Mon-Fri
Sub Shoppe	1630-1930	Sun	Sub Station	1600-2100	Sun	Sub Shoppe	1630-1930	Sat- Closed
						Sub Shoppe	1630-1930	Sun

Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours	Meal	Mainline Meal Hours	Snackline Hours
G-640 Camp Geiger			MH 411 "L" Street					
Breakfast	0530-0730	CLOSED	Breakfast	0530-0800	0530-0800			
Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300	Lunch	1100-1300	1100-1300			
Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830	Dinner	1630-1830	1630-1830			
Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100	Brkfast Brunch	0830-1100	0830-1100			
Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730	Dinner Brunch	1600-1730	1600-1730			

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Flyers
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Nadine’s Food Mart
Super Expressway
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An M1A1 Abrams with Co. F, 4th Tank Battalion, drives down a dirt road to leave Engineer Training Area 2 on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 21. The intent was to bring the active and reserve Marines together to train in the event they deploy as one battalion in the future.

Reservist, active-duty Marine tankers train together

SGT. MATTHEW CALLAHAN
II Marine Expeditionary Force

Marines with Company F, 4th Tank Battalion, conducted integrated training with elements of 2nd Tank Battalion, at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 22.

The reserve Marines spent three days conducting multiple field exercises in order to develop cohesion with the active-duty Marines in the event they deploy together.

The exercises ranged from offensive and defensive strategic planning, improvised explosive device patrols and breaching and clearing obstacles.

“What we’re trying to do is improve our relationship with 2nd tanks,” said Sgt. Kyle Rehder, a tank commander with Company F, 4th Tank Battalion. “We’re trying to spin ourselves up, and they’re trying to spin us

up to an operational speed to allow us to support their mission should we actually get called up together.”

The first day, Co. F planned offensive and defensive tactics under the supervision of 2nd Tanks.

One platoon simulated an attack on the defensive position established by the second tank platoon. The platoons then switched roles later in the day.

On day two, 4th Tanks integrated with infantry Marines, conducting patrols and improvised explosive device detection drills. During the exercise, the tanks provided cover and security for the Marines on the ground while they maneuvered on a dirt road.

“It’s good for (the reserve tankers) to understand what the infantry is looking for, so in the future they know what needs to be done,” said Cpl. Thomas Malloy Jr., a squad leader with

1st platoon, 2nd Bn., 6th Marine Regiment, Company E. “Relationships are pretty important, which is why we are conducting this type of exercise.”

While the tanks provided physical security, patrolling Marines were able to act as a second set of eyes for enhancement of close-range vision of the tank platoon.

“It worked out very well,” said Malloy. “At the end of the day it’s nerve-wracking to go against Marine Corps tanks and infantry working together, we work well, we get the job done.”

On the last day, 4th tanks performed a combined arms breaching operation where they plowed through a 20-foot sand berm with the support of engineer Marines.

“Our primary mission is to support the infantry,” Rehder said. “We are very fortunate to have the opportunity to come here and sharpen our skills.”



Marines with Company F, 4th Tank Battalion, drive to a landing zone to participate in an offensive and defensive exercise at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 19. The M88A2 Hercules has the ability to tow tanks that weight up to 70 tons, making it the first choice to recover tanks from the battlefield.

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Photo by Cpl. Justin Updegraff
Marines with Bridge Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion and Bridge Co. B, 6th ESB maneuver an Improved Ribbon Bridge using a Mk3 bridge erection boat during Exercise River Assault on Fort Chaffee, Arkansas July 19.

Marines conduct joint engineer training

CPL. JUSTIN UPDEGRAFF
II Marine Expeditionary Force

Marines with Bridge Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion and Bridge Co. B, 6th ESB conducted integrated training with U.S. Army 814th Multi-Roll Bridge Company during Exercise River Assault on Fort Chaffee, Arkansas July 19. The Marines spent two weeks operating Mk3 bridge erection boats, working with the Improved Ribbon Bridges, and connecting the bridges to construct a continuous span of IRBs. This prepared them for the final exercise which was continuous span across the Arkansas River.

"We are conducting this training to develop our Military Occupational Specialty proficiency," said 1st Lt. Kendall Brennan, a crossing site commander with 6th ESB. "We used attachments with 8th ESB's boat mechanics and their radio operators to support communications throughout the operation. Overall, they taught us how they

conduct bridging operations. This allowed my Marines more time behind the wheel and more raft commanding with our operations to continue on with further operations."

While the Marines unloaded and prepped IRBs in the water, the 814th was upstream putting their section of the continuous span together. The two branches worked together at guiding and matching up the final IRB to complete the continuous IRB spanning across the Arkansas River.

"Our IRBs are extremely versatile," said Cpl. Adam Gilliam, a raft commander with Bridge Co., 8th ESB. "They can carry anything from an M1A1 Abrams to

an M88 armored recovery vehicle. We can put multiple IRBs together and span any wet gap crossing. They have proved vital to a lot of military movements especially when it comes to water obstacles."

To cap off the final exercise, structural integrity of the continuous span was tested by moving a vehicle convoy across the bridge.

"Everything went smooth. The biggest challenge was locking on our scheme of maneuver and coordinating with some of the Army elements, said Brennan. "So when it came for game time at 2 o'clock in the morning, everyone knew what their job was, and they got it done."

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RANGE FROM 1A

"It's not necessarily our job to find (IEDs), but it's our job to come in and take care of them," Turner said.

The various explosive charges used during the training were intended to uncover the IED to allow the team to view and evaluate the situation in order to render the area safe, Wittlake said.

"We get new (EOD Marines) in all the time, and if we're not overseas doing this, then we need to train technicians," Turner said. "Just like knowledge passed on to me by senior Marines, I pass the information onto the Marines of the next generation. That way we can stay ahead of the enemy and be the best we can be."

CORPSMEN FROM 2A

might have a mass casualty taking place and need us to send our patient elsewhere." In addition to a team huddle prior to a casualty coming in, Booze explains that the clinic prepares for them every morning during the heat season.

"The duty comes in every morning and changes the pools of water outside, changes out the ice in each cooler, and ensures everything is in place," he said. "We try to always be ready."

One corpsman explains that corpsmen never know when they will be called upon to serve.

"We were on our way back from the exchange. We passed a group of Marines who were out (physically training) on River Road," said Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Laurence Lau, a Dallas native who has served in the Navy for six years. "A Marine had dropped to the ground. He had a 102 temp when we picked him up in our vehicle and began to seize. We were able to call ahead and get him to the clinic quickly enough to get help."

It is situations like this one that iterates the need for constant and consistent training, explained Carlson.

"You never know what is going to come in next," he said. "So, we train to always be ready."

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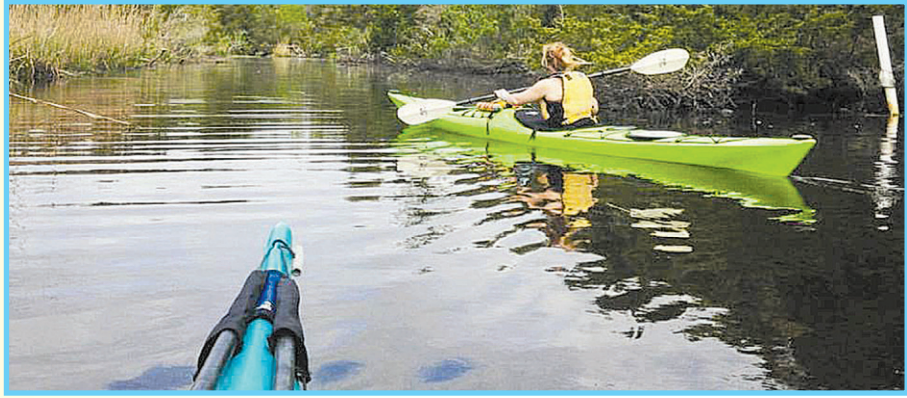
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MSOS honors fallen hero, redesignates school house Gifford Hall

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U.S. Marine Corps Forces,
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In honor of Gunnery Sgt. Jonathan W. Gifford, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Special Operations Command held a ceremony July 20th at the Marine Special Operations School to memorialize the fallen MARSOC Raider.

Gifford, a founding instructor at the school, posthumously received the nation's second-highest award for valor and the highest within the Department of the Navy - the Navy Cross - for his actions in Afghanistan in 2012. In recognition of his lasting impact on MARSOC, the command honored Gifford by naming the school's academic facility Gifford Hall.

"This is the first dedication for a critical skills operator in MARSOC's 10-year history," said Col. Brett A. Bourne, the school's commanding officer. "Jonathan Gifford is the first of the modern day Raiders to be memorialized. He spent a lot of time in the community. I did not know Jon personally, but I do know about his reputation that always preceded him."

Months after MARSOC's activation in 2006, Gifford received orders to the special operations school, developing its Advanced Sniper Course and serving as its chief instructor.

Former MARSOC teammates paid tribute to Gifford, commenting that not only was he a natural leader, but he was also passionate about teaching each of the Marines under him. One former teammate praised Gifford's obsessive focus on improvement in every facet of his life and expressed hope that Gifford's memory will be carried on by future generations of aspiring Critical Skills Operators and Special Operations Officers who train at Gifford Hall.

"I find it completely appropriate that the school house is named after Jon," said John Teague, a former team member and a close friend of Gifford. "That's what this building should be about, getting prepared and understanding that when you graduate a school house or an institution like this, you don't just stand still and you don't just assume everything. You do what Jon Gifford did and you continue to improve and you want to learn something new every day."

Gifford is not just known for his contributions to the MSOS, but for his influence on MARSOC as a whole. During his fourth deployment, Gifford and his team were advising and assisting a contingent of Afghan commandos on an operation near the village Bala Bokan, Badghis province, Afghanistan. After entering the village, the 14-man Marine Special Operations Team

and their partner nation force began taking heavy fire from an enemy ambush, wounding several commandos.

Gifford rushed to the Afghans' aid, treated their wounds and moved them back to safety, maneuvering through a fiercely contested patch of land. Afterward, Gifford led a counterattack, killed an enemy fighter firing from a window of a nearby building, scaled the wall of the building and dropped a grenade down the chimney, killing the remaining insurgents. Gifford continued to coordinate attacks against the Taliban fighters until he was mortally wounded. His actions directly enabled his teammates and Afghan partners to defeat the Taliban insurgents and secure the village.

"Everyone described Jon, that knew him and worked with him, as a gifted operator and a natural. He looked effortless in what he was doing," said Teague. "Whether he was doing a (physical fitness test) or if he was behind a sniper rifle, he looked like he had been doing it his whole life. I don't agree with that assessment - he was not a natural nor was he effortless. Jon Gifford was always prepared. He was continually trying to improve himself."

Given Gifford's reputation amongst MARSOC personnel,



Col. Brett A. Bourne, Marine Special Operations School commanding officer, speaks on behalf of Gunnery Sgt. Jonathan W. Gifford during a ceremony at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 20.

the significant time and experience he invested in MSOS, and the recounting of his heroism echoing through the MSOS corridors, the facility's new name is an entirely appropriate one.

"His fellow instructors remember him for his tireless dedication to student success and his belief that each instructor needed to be able to

demonstrate any aspect of training on demand," said Bourne.

"He forced his instructors to remain current and relevant in all aspects of their jobs. These are the traits we look to instill in all of our instructors. It is fitting that our academic facility is named in dedication of Gunnery Sgt. Jonathan Gifford."

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All-Marine Wrestling Team

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ALLIE LANDEN
Sports editor

In the wrestling world, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune is kind of a big deal. Home to Bryce Saddoris, captain of the All-Marine Wrestling Team and 2015 Marine Corps Male Athlete of the Year as well as Jason Loukides, head coach for the All-Marine Wrestling Team and 2015 USA Wrestling Greco-Roman Coach of the Year, Lejeune is a hot spot for up-and-coming wrestlers.

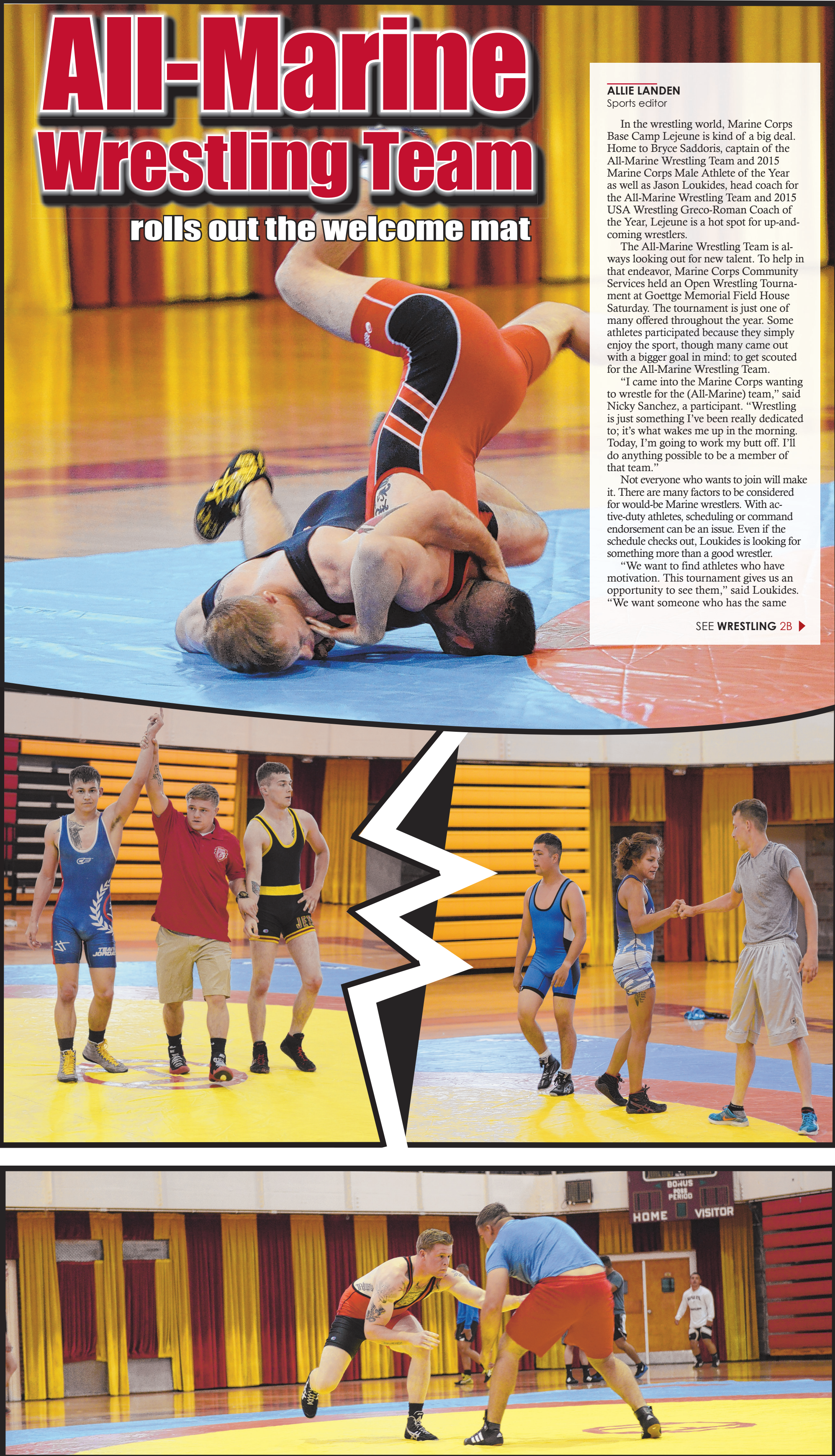
The All-Marine Wrestling Team is always looking out for new talent. To help in that endeavor, Marine Corps Community Services held an Open Wrestling Tournament at Goettge Memorial Field House Saturday. The tournament is just one of many offered throughout the year. Some athletes participated because they simply enjoy the sport, though many came out with a bigger goal in mind: to get scouted for the All-Marine Wrestling Team.

"I came into the Marine Corps wanting to wrestle for the (All-Marine) team," said Nicky Sanchez, a participant. "Wrestling is just something I've been really dedicated to; it's what wakes me up in the morning. Today, I'm going to work my butt off. I'll do anything possible to be a member of that team."

Not everyone who wants to join will make it. There are many factors to be considered for would-be Marine wrestlers. With active-duty athletes, scheduling or command endorsement can be an issue. Even if the schedule checks out, Loukides is looking for something more than a good wrestler.

"We want to find athletes who have motivation. This tournament gives us an opportunity to see them," said Loukides. "We want someone who has the same

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HALL OF GAME

Are you ready for some football!?

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What time is it? It's football time.

Yes, it is still July, but I watched the Green Bay Packers ride their bikes to training camp, and now I am ready.

I know it's crazy to talk about football when the baseball All-Star break just passed, but I can't help myself.

Why, you ask? Well, it's simple for me. Nobody knows who will win this year. It's a giant toss up of

teams who can, but there's no clear favorite.

The Denver Broncos no longer have a Hall of Fame-level quarterback to complement their impressive defense. The Carolina Panthers lost a few key contributors, and people weren't even convinced they were a Super Bowl team last year.

The New England Patriots will have to go four games without Tom Brady. The Pittsburgh Steelers don't seem to have any players not using performance enhancing drugs, and the Packers are still waiting

to see if a lighter Eddie Lacy and a healthy Jordy Nelson fix last year's disappointing offseason.

Those are teams that were good last year who have questions still.

But there are some teams that were bad last year that may be good this year. The Dallas Cowboys will get Tony Romo back and drafted Ezekiel Elliot to run behind that incredible offensive line.

The Indianapolis Colts spent the offseason trying to ensure the \$150 million they are giving Andrew Luck isn't spent on knee braces and ice baths. If

Luck can stay on his feet, look for the Colts to be good this year.

The Minnesota Vikings picked up Laquon Treadwell in the draft who has said he is finally 100 percent healthy, and he could be a key to helping the Vikings offense open up more running space for Adrian Petersen.

I suppose there are a few things we can be sure about this year though. The Cleveland Browns and the San Francisco 49ers are going to be bad. If we're lucky, the Philadelphia Eagles and the New York Jets will be too.

All in all, it should be a great year in football. And I don't know about you, but I'm ready.

Editor's note: Hall of Game is a weekly commentary series covering everything sports-related. Facts not attributed are purely the opinion of the writer.

On the fit side

Baby, it's hot outside

ALLIE LANDEN

Sports editor

The Skin Cancer Foundation recently released an article outlining sun protection tips for young children. Why specifically for young children? According to the article, a baby's skin is most vulnerable to ultraviolet rays in the first six months of their lives. Parents don't understand an infant's inability to protect its own body against harmful sun exposure.

Children cannot be responsible for themselves.

You, as the adult, are responsible for taking care of them. Even if a child is older and can apply his own sunscreen, children don't understand why sunscreen is important. It's not about avoiding the temporary pain of a sun burn; it's about avoiding the lasting effects of UV rays on a person's body and increased risk of developing melanoma. Skin cancer is preventable. You'll find the SCF's sun protection tips below:

1. Seek shade. Even if it's cloudy outside, the risk is there. Stay in the shade whenever possible and use the visor on your stroller when you're out walking. The SCF says peak sun hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this time frame, be extra vigilant. Plan ahead when you're going out.

2. Cover up. This concept is in the same ball field as the last. Your goal is to limit your child's sun exposure as much as possible. I'm not saying your child should be layered up in winter clothing. Seek out acceptable lightweight choices which cover a child's arms and legs. The SCF suggests a wide-brimmed hat as well.

3. Be careful in the car. Interestingly enough, the SCF says front windshields have UV protection by law, but side and rear windows do not. It's easy to forget the danger of sun exposure when you're inside a vehicle in the cool air-conditioning. To battle this, simply get one of those suction cup sun visors for your car.

4. Start sunscreen at 6 months. The SCF advises infants under 6 months of age to be kept out of the sun completely. When babies become 6 months old, you can begin to apply sunscreen to them. Keep in mind their skin is still sensitive; they may have an adverse reaction to one brand or another, just like diapers. With that in mind, don't just rub a new brand of sunscreen



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A baby plays in the sand.

all over. Test a small area, first. The SCF mentions the wrist as a good spot to test reactions and to use stick sunscreen (the kind that looks like a glue stick) or the spray-on kind. As a parent myself, I can attest to the dangers of runny, slippery lotion. It will get in their eyes every time.

5. Use sunscreen properly. Sunscreen only works where it's been applied. Be thorough with your application. The top of the ears, back of the neck, top of the feet, face and back of the hands are a few overlooked areas. The SCF also mentions the importance of reapplying sunscreen every two hours, or more if your child is swimming or sweating. Sunscreen doesn't last forever.

Yes, sun protection is important for all of us, but for children, the choices you make will have a lasting impression on their lives. Teach your children about the dangers of UV exposure early on, so they commit to sun safety as a way of life instead of a chore.

For more information, visit the Skin Cancer Foundation website at www.skincancer.org.

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WRESTLING FROM 1B

values of any Marine. We want them to have that desire to compete. We're just looking for someone with potential to succeed on the next level, and we'll teach them the intricacies they need to know. I want to know what kind of athletes they are. I want to know how they fight and see their desire."

In all, 35 wrestlers came out to compete in front of the All-Marine Team. Loukides said he was pleased with the turnout because some proved to be very talented athletes.

Some current members of the All-Marine Team were there to run the tournament. They checked participants in, kept scores and refereed matches. Ray Bunker has been on the All-Marine Team for about a year. He

said the majority of his teammates were scouted from tournaments like this one. He explained why wrestling is his sport of choice.

"Wrestling makes you more driven and determined," said Bunker. "Self-discipline is important because in this life, you can't go anywhere without self-discipline. Being in the military and having that self-discipline really does correlate to being on the wrestling mat. It helps you with other aspects of your life, too. Basically, it makes you a better person and able to get through challenges in life other people couldn't handle. Having that wrestling experience, that strength, will allow you to push through the tough times."

For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/sports.



Photo by Allie Landen

Members of the All-Marine Wrestling Team watch competitors during the Open Wrestling Tournament at Goettge Memorial Field House on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Saturday.



30th Anniversary Marine Corps Half Marathon T-Shirt Design Contest through Aug. 19

To recognize the Marine Corps Half-Marathon's 30th anniversary, Marine Corps Community Services is hosting a T-shirt design contest until Aug. 19. The winning 2017 shirt design will also be used as the concept for the 2017 Marine Corps Half Marathon finisher medals. The contest is open to all active duty, retirees, reservist and immediate family members 18 years or older. The winner will receive one race shirt and two complimentary race entries into the 2017 Marine Corps Half Marathon. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/grandprix/half.

Bonnyman Bowling Center Family Fun Night

Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m.

Bonnyman Bowling Center on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune is hosting a series of Family Fun Nights every Tuesday until Aug. 30 from 6 until 8 p.m. The evening includes 2 hours of glow bowling for up to five bowlers at \$20 per lane. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/bowling.

Beginner Fencing Classes

Tomorrow through Sept. 23, 7 p.m.

Cape Fear Fencing Association will host beginner fencing class at the Wallace Creek Fitness Center on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Fridays, tomorrow through Sept. 23 (no class Sept. 2) at 7 p.m. Cost for the eight-session class is \$40 plus \$10 USA Fencing membership fee. For more information, visit www.capefearfencing.com or call 799-8642.

Running with the Law 5K

Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

The fourth annual Running with the Law 5K offers runners a chance to compete alongside local law enforcement officers as a sister event to National Night Out. The run starts at the Jacksonville Commons Recreation Center Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Registration is available until race day for \$30. All proceeds support Special Olympics North Carolina. To register, visit www.runsignup.com/Race/NC/Jacksonville/RunningwiththeLaw5K.

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The Intramural Flag Football League is open to all active-duty military, authorized DOD civilians, spouses, family members at least 18 years of age (and out of high school) and retirees. Registration for Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune's league runs Monday through Aug. 19. Registration for Marine Corps Air Station New River's league runs Aug. 15 through 26. Both leagues begin Sept. 12. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/sports or call 449-5844.

Globe & Anchor Championship

Aug. 13 and 14, 8 a.m.

The third tournament in the Grand Slam Series will take place Aug. 13 and 14 at Paradise Point Golf Course on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. Registration is open until Aug. 10. Open to the public. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/golf or call 451-5445.

Hard Corps Series: Push-Pull Meet

Aug. 13, 10 a.m.

As the newest addition to the Hard Corps Series, the Push-Pull Meet is geared toward newcomers to the sport of powerlifting. The event will be held at the French Creek Fitness Center on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. Early registration is available until tomorrow for \$30. Regular registration is available until 9 a.m. the day of the event for \$40. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/hardcorps.

Marine Corps Half Marathon 5K, 10K

Sept. 17, 7 a.m.

The Semper Fit Grand Prix Series will host its annual Marine Corps Half Marathon, 5K and 10K at Goettge Memorial Field House at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune Sept. 19 at 7 a.m. The course is scenic and flat and lends itself to setting course records. Registration for the run is now open with the half marathon priced at \$60 and the 5K and 10K options at \$40. Prices will increase Aug. 19 at noon. For more information, visit <http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/grandprix/half>.

For more information on games, tryouts, special events and exercise classes around Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, check out Sports on Tap each week. To add your activity, email LandenA@CampLejeuneGlobe.com or call 451-7419. Space is limited to availability.

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Gerald "Sledge" Saunders, All-Marine Softball coach, addresses a group of Marine players during the scouting session at Harry Agganis Stadium on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 20.

All-Marine Softball coach scouts Lejeune talent

ALLIE LANDEN

Sports editor

Local, active-duty Marines took advantage of a special opportunity July 20 at Harry Agganis Stadium on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. The coach of the All-Marine Softball Team, Gerald "Sledge" Saunders, made a trip to evaluate local talent and choose which players, if any, would be invited to the All-Marine camp in San Antonio, Texas.

Scouting happens all over the states and from these small sessions Saunders said about 25 men and 25 women would go to the two-week training camp. At that point, coaches narrow players down to 15 men and 15 women to represent the Marine Corps in the 2016 Armed Forces Tournament.

"I know there's a wealth of talent down here," said Saunders. "Since we had the Armed Forces Tournament here last year, I knew we'd get a good turnout. We don't have regionals like we used to, so we make trips like this to see where the talent is. This is where you find the hidden gems."

Saunders isn't just looking for the strongest or fastest player. He wants the whole package.

"Today, I'm looking for players who know about the fundamentals of the game," said Saunders. "Some people think it's all about home runs and things like that, but it's not. I want someone who can think their way around the game at this level."

More than 30 men and about 10 women showed up to demonstrate their skills. Players who made the team last year still had to compete like any other newcomer.

"The first year was probably the worst," said Daniel "Smokestack" Nieves, a two-year veteran of the All-Marine Men's Softball Team. "It's the first time you meet everybody and you're nervous. Out here, you're playing at a higher level than you normally would, probably higher level than



Tabetha Brewer, left, and Alyssa Reynolds, right, get ready to showcase their softball skills to the visiting All-Marine Softball coach during a scouting session at Harry Agganis Stadium on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 20.

you'd play again in your life."

Destini Brown, player for the All-Marine Women's Team for the last two years, was among the hopefuls vying for a spot in camp.

"You need to have humility," said Brown. "You don't need to go out there already thinking you're gonna beat the other team or be better than your teammates. You need to be humble at what you do because at any minute, you could make a mistake."

Saunders said selections for camp will be made in the next couple weeks.



Photo by Allie Landen
Participants play an ice-breaking game before heading out to kayak during Explore the Outdoors Camp at Gottschalk Marina on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune July 21.

School's out, camp's in

ALLIE LANDEN

Sports editor

Last week was full of exciting activities for young participants in Explore the Outdoors camp, hosted by Outdoor Adventures on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

The four-day camp started Monday with hiking and nature-themed education at the Brewster Recreation and Camping Area. Tuesday, they covered survival, including shelter-building and fire-starting. Wednesday, children participated in archery and made slingshots. Children went kayaking at Gottschalk Marina Thursday to wrap up the camp.

"We are having lots of fun," said Danny Curran, a participant. "I liked the shelter building. We had to gather everything from wood to bark to a bunch of other stuff. We had to break down trees, too."

Before setting out for their daily activities, children would participate in a game or two to break the ice for the day.

Kaylynn Stone, a recreation assistant, led many of the activities. Archery is usually held at Hospital Point, but the new location at Brewster Recreation and Camping Area turned out to be an excellent choice.

"Having archery at Brewster was great," said Stone. "It was in the

shade and there was a nice breeze. I didn't even break a sweat until we were cleaning up to leave. A bunch of kids did archery camp before, so it was a refresher. Other kids had a great time learning the sport for the first time, and the slingshots were really fun to make."

The camp was a big hit with participants, many of whom said they'd like to do it again.

"I liked everything," said Ella Brenize, a participant. "It was just fun. I like playing outside and doing outdoor stuff."

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ring in this new venture is a cast mix of old and new:

Jeff Goldblum (“Jurassic Park”) returns as the satellite engineer David Levinson;

Liam Hemsworth (“The Hunger Games” series, “The Last Song”) is Jake Morrison, a fighter pilot serving Earth Space Defense;

Jessie T. Usher (“When the Game Stands Tall”) is Dylan Hiller, son of the late fighter pilot Steven Hiller (portrayed previously by Will Smith);

Vivica A. Fox (TV’s “Empire”) can be seen again as Jasmine Hiller, Dylan’s mother;

Bill Pullman (“The Equalizer”) is back as President Thomas J. Whitmore, and Maika Monroe (“The Fifth Wave”) as Patricia, his daughter;

Sela Ward (“Gone Girl”) is Elizabeth Lanford, the first female president of the United States;

William Fichtner (“The Lone Ranger”) is General Adams, in charge of the fighter pilots;

Judd Hirsch (“Tower Heist”) is Julius Levinson, the father of David Levinson;

Brent Spiner (“Outcast”) is also back as the eccentric scientist Dr. Brakish Okun; along with John Storey “Parks and Recreation”) as Dr. Isaacs.

French actress Charlotte Gainsbourg plays psychiatrist Catherine Marceaux.

Director/writer and producer Roland Emmerich (“White House Down,” “The Day After Tomorrow,” “Godzilla,” “The Patriot,” “Independence Day”) also returns to tell another story of aliens returning to Earth in a mothership to unleash apocalyptic powers on new locales.

Emmerich’s visual effects team pulls out all the stops with state-of-the-art 3D visuals predicting the end of the world.

“Independence Day: Resurgence” is the long-awaited sequel that brings back the extraterrestrials. This sensational silly popcorn movie could be this year’s summer blockbuster.

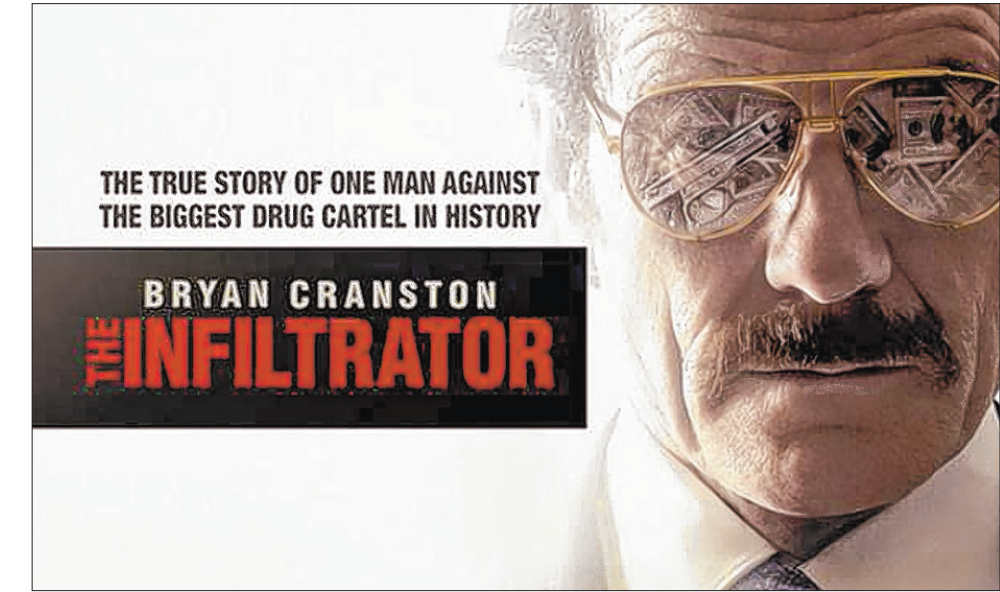
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“THE INFILTRATOR” (R)

“The Infiltrator” is a crime drama based on a true story.

The story plays out in the 1980’s, when U.S. Customs special agent Robert Mazur uses his undercover alias “Bob Musella” to become a direct player for drug lords in cleaning their dirty cash.

Bryan Cranston (“Breaking Bad,” “Trumbo,” “Argo”) stars as



Robert ‘Bob’ Mazur, the U.S. Customs agent who goes deep undercover to infiltrate Pablo Escobar’s blood soaked drug trafficking scene that is plaguing the nation by posing as the slick, money-laundering businessman Bob Musella.

John Leguizamo (“American Ultra,” “Chef,” “Meadowland”) costars as Emir Ebreu, the indispensable colleague, an impulsive and streetwise fellow agent, who teams up with Mazur.

Diane Kruger (“The Bridge,” “Unknown,” “Troy”) plays the rookie fellow undercover agent posing as Mazur’s fiancé Kathy Ertz.

Mazur befriends Roberto Alcaino, portrayed by Benjamin Bratt (“Snitch”), Escobar’s top lieutenant in Colombia’s legendary Medellin

cartel.

Mazur is navigating a vicious criminal network in which the slightest slip-up could cost him his life and risks it all by building a case that leads to indictments of 85 drug lords and the corrupt bankers who cleaned their dirty money, along with the collapse of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, one of the largest money-laundering banks in the world.

Also starring are Amy Ryan (“Bridge of Spies”) as Bonni Tischler, Mazur’s superior on the Custom force; Olympia Dukakis (“The Last Keepers”) as the cynical widowed Aunt Vicky; Juliet Aubrey (“Christmas Eve”) as Evelyn, Mazur’s loyal wife; and Elena Anaya (“Point Blank”) as Alcaino’s wife.

Brad Furman (“Runner Runner,” “The Lincoln Lawyer,” “The Take”) directs an

all-star cast and revisits the cocaine wars of the 1980s with the help from a script written by his mother, Ellen Brown Furman, which is based on the 2009 autobiography of the same name by Robert Mazur, a longtime U.S. Customs agent.

Cranston is brilliant in playing this real-life agent who spent years undercover as a flamboyant and ruthless money launderer.

“Infiltrator” is an entertaining, compelling and tense crime thriller and a dangerous spy game that keeps the viewers at the edge of their seats; one of the best movies this summer.

Editor’s note: Information for movie reviews provided in part by: www.rottentomatoes.com/m/independence-day_resurgence/ and www.rottentomatoes.com/m/the_infiltrator/

MOVIE SCHEDULES

CAMP LEJEUNE	MIDWAY PARK	NEW RIVER
Bldg. 19 McHugh Blvd.	Bldg. 4014A in Midway Park	Bldg. AS240 Curtis Rd., Air Station
FRIDAY	FRIDAY	FRIDAY
"Now You See Me 2," PG-13, 6:30 p.m.	"The BFG," PG, 6:30 p.m.	"The Legend of Tarzan," PG-13, 6 p.m.
"The Purge: Election Year," R, 9:20 p.m.	"Warcraft," PG-13, 9 p.m.	"The Shallows," PG-13, 8:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	SATURDAY	SATURDAY
"Finding Dory," PG, 3:30 p.m.	"The Legend of Tarzan," PG-13, 2 p.m.	"The BFG," PG, 6 p.m.
"Suicide Squad," PG-13, 7:00 p.m.	"The Purge: Election Year," R, 5 p.m.	"Central Intelligence," PG-13, 8:30 p.m.
SUNDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
"The BFG," PG, 3:30 p.m.	"Finding Dory," PG, 2 p.m.	"Independence Day: Resurgence," PG-13, 2 p.m.
"The Legend of Tarzan," PG-13, 6:30 p.m.	"Free State of Jones," R, 5 p.m.	"The Purge: Election Year," R, 5 p.m.



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through Sept. 8, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Enjoys summer concerts in downtown Swansboro Sunday evenings. Bring your lawn chair and listen to live music at the park. For more information, visit www.seasideartscouncil.com/.

Summer Concert Series - Darryl Murril & Jazzpel
Friday, 6 p.m.

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Tuesday, 5 to 9 p.m.

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Summer Reading Program Finale
Aug. 8, 1 p.m.

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Aug. 13, 8 p.m.

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Children enjoy inflatables during the Polynesian Festival at Onslow Pines Park in Jacksonville, N.C. Friday.

Celebrating Polynesian culture

SARAH LANE

Staff writer

Onslow Pines Park hosted Jacksonville's third annual North Carolina Polynesian Festival Friday and Saturday.

Friday's opening ceremonies were followed by a martial arts demonstration and routines from Emerald 'Aina Hula Dancers, Sounds of Samoa and Carolina Polynesian dancers. Festival goers enjoyed the Polynesian culture that filled Onslow Pines Park.

Saturday featured much of the same entertainment along with Island Praise and Worship, Rhythm of Tahiti, Micronesian Dream and, of course, more Hula dancing.

"In general, hula dancing for me is a way for me to share my heart," said Amanda Todd, hula dancer. "Through hula dancing, I can share Aloha right here, right now in Eastern North Carolina, with many who might not get to experience it first hand in Hawaii."

According to Todd, what she enjoyed the most about the festival was the sharing and coming together of different cultures with the Aloha Spirit.

The festival also featured a bountiful amount of Polynesian food, Hot Hula fitness and activities for kids such as pony rides and a bouncy house.



Emerald 'Aina Hula Dancers pose for a photo before performing at the Polynesian Festival at Onslow Pines Park Friday.

This community festival closely represents the Polynesian culture and has become a beloved local summer festival in Jacksonville. Attendees enjoyed the food and fun atmosphere.

"I think it's wonderful how the Polynesian festival represents the culture," said Marlis Stanley, a festival goer. "The costumes are unique, the food is great and the music really makes you feel like you are on the islands."

The festival ended Saturday night with a spectacular Samoan Fire Knife Dance.

For more information on upcoming events in Jacksonville, visit www.onslowcountync.gov/.



Pony rides were one of the many attractions during the Polynesian Festival at Onslow Pines Park Friday.

Workshop teaches resiliency skills

SARAH LANE

Staff writer

Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune is offering a new curriculum for military singles called "Got Your Back." These workshops will help participants set and commit to goals, limit destructive communication patterns and reduce the negative effects of stress and anger.

These workshops are fast-paced, information-packed and use a variety of teaching methods that include animations, Lecture Doodles, activities, self-assessments and more.

"This is not a series of lectures but an experiential learning process that builds on self-awareness, promotes mindful choices, emphasizes relationship skills and encourages participants to value themselves and citizens of the world," said Nancy Hauck, clinical supervisor, Marine and Family Programs.

The workshops feature three keys to success which are the core themes throughout: "Do your part," "Make it Safe" and "Decide Don't Slide."

A personality tool using primary colors is featured in this curriculum. It is designed to help participants find out how people are different when it comes to how they handle relationships and life circumstances by highlighting strengths as well as potential pitfalls.

How to build and maintain relationships is a helpful part of the curriculum. Subjects such as how to notice red flags for dangers in relationships are touched on during this part of the workshop.

Improving on communication skills by learning to be a better communicator and addressing difficult situations, such as breaking up with a significant other, are a part of this workshop as well.

Credit card debt, impulse buying and other unhealthy habits within commands are also addressed.

A unique part of this workshop is the Lecture Doodles. Lecture Doodles is a program that features drawing what the speaker is talking about as they teach a lesson. They are quick, interesting and easy to follow. This teaching method is entertaining and grabs the audience's focus.

Hands on activities, assessments followed by group discussions and helpful resources such as counseling services are provided. The "Got Your Back" curriculum is one that will provide a lot of valuable information to military singles and those who are new to the Marine Corps or need to improve upon important life skills.

The "Got Your Back" workshop begins Mondays and Wednesdays starting Aug. 15 at the Commander Charles K. Springle Training Center on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. For more information, visit www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/events.

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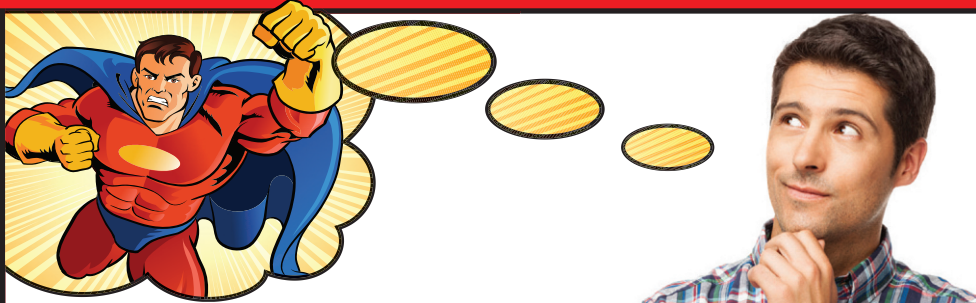
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Day trips

Emerald Isle a coastal gem

SARAH LANE
Staff writer

Since we live on the beautiful coast of North Carolina, why not take a day trip to one of our beautiful beaches? Emerald Isle is a nearby beach town that has much to offer.

The summer is of course a great time to visit Emerald Isle. Whether you decide to spend a day on the beach at one of the several public beach accesses, go fishing at Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier or spend a day at Water Boggan, the local water park, you will be sure to have a fun day in the sun.

Families with young children will enjoy Water Boggan. I have some dear childhood memories there myself as I took a day trip there every summer with family and friends and enjoyed the thrill of the water slides. Bring the kids for a day of water thrills at this fun little

water park. In addition to a variety of water slides, Water Boggan also features wading pools and a splash area that smaller kids really seemed to enjoy. There is also a snack bar available onsite.

For those who like to fish, Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier has been a fixture in Emerald Isle for over 50 years. Currently open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, this week's fishing report notes catches of Spanish mackerel, pampano, sea mullet, plus flounder and spots. Bogue Inlet Pier has a bait and tackle shop onsite where you can buy food and drinks and beach gear if needed.

Need an easy way to get around Emerald Isle? Rent a bike for the day from the family owned local business, Hwy 58 Bicycles. For those of you who are adventure seekers, rent a standup paddle board from Carolina Kitesurfing and hit the water.

Need a break from the sun? Emerald Isle offers retail therapy for all of you shoppers out there. Find unique gifts for yourself and the family at the many surf shops and boutiques in the area, and if you have a sweet tooth, be sure to stop by Sweet Spot where you will find 50 flavors of ice cream, plus candy and gifts.

One restaurant where I enjoy dining in Emerald Isle is RuckerJohns. They offer a menu with all your favorites including mouth-watering steaks and seafood.

If you want a great spot to watch the sunset in Emerald Isle, The Point is where you will want to go.

For more information about fishing at the pier, visit bogueinletpier.com

For information about Water Boggan rates and hours of operation, call 252-354-2609.

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The Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier at sunset in Emerald Isle, N.C.

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Chaplain's Corner

What of envy? Cain and Abel

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I grew up right outside Hershey, Pennsylvania and much like any area where there is a large multi-billion dollar corporation that employs the population base, wealth and affluence was prevalent to a varying degree among the families who lived in the surrounding area. My next-door-neighbor happened to belong to one of these affluent families. He was my age, and we would often play together and had a long love/hate relationship until college and careers drew us apart. Coming from a wealthy family he lacked for nothing; he always had the best clothes, toys and the latest in sports gear, and given our competitive natures I often envied him. I remember one day when I was about six years old, I was so bored despite all the good things I had, my thoughts were consumed upon all the cool toys my neighbor had, which were so much better than my own. One day I took it upon myself to secretly requisition some of his toys I most treasured. Fortunately for me and the state of my soul, I discovered my parents had an accurate inventory of the toys I owned and, they were quite puzzled by a number of my newly acquired toys which suddenly appeared on my bedroom floor. I had to personally return the toys along with an apology. Though this was a painful chapter in my then-young life,

the seeds of understanding the dangers of envy were planted.

In Genesis chapter 4 we read that Cain was the first man to commit murder when he killed his brother Abel. Cain was not only the first murderer, but also the first envier. It was envy that ultimately drove Cain to raise his hand against his brother, because God accepted Abel's sacrifice but not his. Cain could have changed his type of sacrifice to be more like Abel's, or he could have asked God for forgiveness and a change of heart. Instead Cain murdered Abel because of his better sacrifice. This action may have made Cain feel better for the moment, but it didn't make his sacrifice any better, and now he was guilty of murder. Because of envy Cain's heart grew hard, he killed his brother, and his relationship with God was forever broken. The envy in Cain's heart destroyed him and everything around him.

This is why it is so important to reflect upon the envy that may be in our own life, for as it says in Proverbs 14:30, "a heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones." Observe any society where their government is based upon political theories inspired by envy; the people never live in freedom. Observe those around you whose lives never seem to be at peace; envy is probably at the root of their struggle. If we long for contentment, we need to allow God to remove envy from our hearts and have Him fill that void. Then and only

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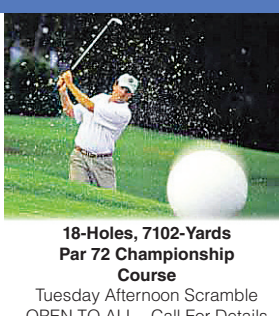


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Marines with Marine Wing Support Squadron 471 practiced operating heavy equipment to become certified at Marine Corps Air Station, New River, July 18, 2016. The purpose of this training is to provide the platform for Marines to gain an understanding of how to operate heavy equipment, and increase readiness for future deployments. “The training allows junior Marines who haven’t had operating time to become familiar with the equipment,” said Cpl. Stephen Loehrke, a heavy equipment operator MWSS 471. The Marines have been training on the D6 dozer and the HYEX excavator aboard Marine Corps Air Station New River. The training for each piece of equipment takes the Marines about a week to become familiar with and licensed on.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Jon Sosner

Sgt. Joshua Hoffman, an instructor with Marine Wing Support Squadron 471, Marine Aircraft Group 41, discusses the performance of one of his Marines during a heavy equipment operator’s licensing test at Marine Corps Air Station, New River July 18.

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New IPAC building opened

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MCB Camp Lejeune and MCAS New River

Marine Corps Air Station New River opened a new Installation Personnel Administration Center located on White Street across from the air station medical branch. The new 17,000 square foot building was the first new multimillion dollar building in the Marine Corps built specifically for the IPAC mission. The old air station IPAC was split between the air station headquarters building and an adjacent trailer, with a combined space of only 7,400 square feet, keeping the sections separate and adding a level of unnecessary stress to the administrative Marines. “It was really a pain being separated between two buildings; customers would come in and they wouldn’t realize that there’s a whole other section of the IPAC in a different building,” said Cpl. Georgy Kinyavsky, noncommissioned officer in charge of separations section of IPAC. “It definitely increases unit cohesion because we’re all together now. Now we’re all a big team now, instead of being between the trailer and headquarters building.” The new building opened its doors July 18, bringing together the entire IPAC into one central location.

“It’s what most units have, all their Marines in one place. Better communications,” said Master Sgt. Sam Carodine, New River IPAC quality control chief. “It’s been great. We can see Marines and how they’re doing. From a leadership standpoint, it’s what you want.” Not only do the Marines who work at the IPAC benefit from the new building, but Marines who need administrative assistance save time at the new IPAC. “Marines who were going through a permanent change of assignment used to go to the outbound section at the HQ building and then they would have to go the trailer and get in another line with customer service and inbound. It became time consuming,” said Carodine. “Now we take those PCA Marines and put them in a classroom, the outbound section does their thing and they just call the inbound section, and they’re right there. It’s a much smoother process for us.” IPAC’s mission is to support Marines and sailors with administrative needs such as pay, orders, travel claims and checking in and out of a unit. “The Marines are happy; morale is up. It’s the building that the air station deserves,” said Chief Warrant Officer 3 Nicole Hershman, IPAC director. “We’re proud of having Marines come here to get their needs taken care of.”

Bowling center renovations ‘strike’ a new atmosphere

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Residents, visitors and employees at Marine Corps Air Station New River have the opportunity to enjoy family activities at the newly-renovated New River Bowling Center. The center charges \$3.50 per game plus \$2 for shoe rentals. The renovations include an improved snack bar that serves a range of breakfast, such as eggs and pancakes, and lunches, such as their number one seller “The Master Gunny” burger consisting of four ounces of ham and bacon with cheese and a

hard egg on top between pieces of wheat or white bread, made fresh every day. Some of the upgrades also include new black light glow lanes shaped as highways, new carpets, glowing bowling balls, new shoes and even a new and larger Wi-Fi accessible lobby. “We want all our customers to feel welcome and enjoy themselves,” said Lee Walker, manager at the New River Bowling Center. “We’ve had some recent renovations that will help people coming in relax and enjoy what we have to offer. We’re doing regular events like Monday Madness and Extreme Bowling in high hopes of re-inviting pleased customers.”

The bowling center is currently hosting a special event called Warrior Wednesday from July 13 to Aug. 31, where patrons get to view the cooks making their food as they wait. Bowlers can also rent a lane for two hours for \$20. Monday Madness is from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. for \$1.50 per game not including shoe rental. Every Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight bowlers can play unlimited games and rent shoes for \$15. “I’ve been working here for 32 years to help this bowling center be the best it can be,” said Walker. “We have these events to show our appreciation and give the best experiences to families wanting to enjoy time together and have fun.”

New River Marina to host MCCS Kid’s Day Aug 6

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Marine Corps Community Services will be hosting Kid’s Day at the marina on Marine Corps Air Station New River Aug. 6. MCCS has been hosting the event for several years, celebrating the end of summer and getting kids excited for a new school year. The theme for this year is pirates. “We’re setting sail for the new school year is our theme,” said Lorraine Reiner, MCCS supervisory recreation specialist. “We’re at the marina and, we thought of something fun that went with the water. (Kids are) always excited about pirates.” Children can take part in water activities, relay races and schoolyard games while parents can take the time to visit MCCS resources, such as Marine Family Team Building and library representatives. “It’s a really great opportunity for people to experience something new on Camp Lejeune or New River,” said Reiner. “Bringing the community together is a great opportunity for families to build relationships with other families in a safe environment.” The event will have waterslides and activities, and families are encouraged to bring bathing suits and sunscreen. Parking for the event will be at AS-891 by the mega hangar and the event goes from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. In the case of inclement weather, Kid’s Day will be held at AS-4000.

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SERGEANT MAJOR'S CORNER



Sgt. Maj. Charles A Metzger
Marine Corps Air Station New River
Sergeant Major

Friends and Families,
I would like to take the opportunity in this first article to introduce myself and let you know that I am very honored and humbled to have been provided the opportunity to serve all the service members, civilian employees and families that make Marine Corps Air Station New River their home, tour of duty or place of employment. MCAS New River has a long, proud and sustained history of training warfighters and employing Air Combat Elements around the globe supporting the mission within II Marine Expeditionary Force and the Marine Corps. To this end, taking an enthusiastic and devoted approach to ensuring

everyone that serves and works at MCAS New River have what they need to perform their mission comes with the highest priority to me. I also have to sincerely thank Sgt Maj. William Oldenberg for his dedicated years to our Corps, MCAS New River and the community. His impact has been evident across all operations at the air station and he will be truly missed. Life and a Marine Corps career are but a vapor in the big scheme of things, so I am ready to get underway to support and progress the personal and professional development of those aboard the air station to the fullest extent possible. My family and I have lived in the greater

Jacksonville area for a few years now, and we have come to enjoy everything about the area; the hospitality, activities, beach and the enduring camaraderie that come with living in a military community. We look forward to spending some additional years enjoying Eastern North Carolina and serving with you at MCAS New River. Until next time – Live Well and Semper Fidelis!
“The Marines I have seen around the world have the cleanest bodies, the filthiest minds, the highest morale, and the lowest morals of any group of animals I have ever seen. Thank God for the United States Marine Corps!”
-Eleanor Roosevelt, 1945.

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After they pass the written test, they move onto the practical application exam, which is hands-on time with the gear and an opportunity to practice basic movements.
“The first phase includes knowledge on characteristics and familiarization with the gear,” said Sgt. Joshua Hoffman, an instructor with the unit. “Then they’ll operate the gear and get familiar with the controls.”
During the practical application period, Marines were required to construct a ditch and berm with the D6 dozer. Afterward, they had to fill in the ditch and flatten it out, demonstrating their ability to properly level the ground.
The training that the Marines conducted directly reflects what they would be responsible for if deployed, including constructing airfields.
“It can take three days to two weeks, depending on how big the airfield is,” said Hoffman. “If we ever have to go outside the wire and build an airfield, it will require all these pieces of gear to make the airfield.”
Many of the Marines in the unit have been previously certified with the equipment and are using this training to improve their skills and build confidence.
“A lot of the guys do this outside of this training iteration,” Loehrke said. “They’re proficient with the gear despite only operating two days a month.”



Photos by Lance Cpl. Jon Sosner

(Left) Lance Cpl. Donnelly, with Marine Wing Support Squadron 471, Marine Aircraft Group 41, inspects the engine of his D6 dozer during a training exercise at Marine Corps Air Station New River July 18. (Above) A Marine with Marine Wing Support Squadron 471, Marine Aircraft Group 41 operates a D6 dozer during a training exercise at Marine Corps Air Station New River July 18. (Below) A heavy equipment operator with Marine Wing Support Squadron 471, Marine Aircraft Group 41 operates a Hydraulic excavator during a training exercise at Marine Corps Air Station New River July 18. The excavator is used to dig ditches and build berms, a critical component to constructing an airfield.



Chaplain's office to hold Back-to-School Giveaway at McCutcheon Chapel

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The chaplain’s office will host the Back to School Giveaway at the McCutcheon Chapel on Marine Corps Air Station New River July 31.
Those with access to the air station can attend the Protestant service with a message on education and then gather at the Fellowship Hall for communion, food and basic school supplies such as pencils, pens, glue and paper.
“MCAS’s McCutcheon Memorial Chapel and its congregates understand that school is important to and for every student,” said Jen Metallo, air station Protestant director of religious education. “School supplies are necessary and help (students) to attain the best level of achievement in an academic setting, but they are also expensive. By sharing just a small amount of the needed school supplies, we hope to help ease that burden. We also hope to encourage them in knowing that we are praying for their student no matter where they attend school.”
During the church service, children’s church will have a puppet show. After the service, in the Fellowship Hall there will be food with the school supply giveaway line.
“Please enjoy the rest of our summer here in Eastern North Carolina,” said Metallo. “Be safe and blessed and know that McCutcheon Memorial Chapel congregants are thinking and praying for an excellent school year.”

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July Service Member of the Month



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Sgt Conner J. Fiero, of Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Division, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron Marine Corps Air Station, New River was named July Service Member of the Month at a ceremony during a monthly Military Affairs Committee meeting at the MCAS New River Officer's Club July 18. Fiero was chosen by a selection committee of senior enlisted advisors of the air station. For his selection he received many gifts donated by various local businesses and included several gift cards, Bluetooth speakers, a framed print of the Beirut Memorial and several other gifts. Additionally, his name will be put on the list for selection as the Service Member of the Year who will receive a 4-day cruise for two, \$500 spending money, a G-shock watch and a billboard in his or her honor. The Service Member of the Year will be announced in February 2017.

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