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## **Corps welcomes new commandant**



Gen. James F. Amos, left, receives the Marine Corps colors from Gen. James T. Conway during a change of command ceremony at Marine Barracks Washington Oct. 22. Conway relinquished command of the Marine Corps to Amos, who became the 35th commandant of the Marine Corps.

## SGT. JIMMY D. SHEA

Gen. James T. Conway relinquished his position as commandant of the Marine Corps to Gen. James F. Amos during a change of command ceremony at Marine Barracks Washington Oct. 22.

Amos said he was ready to lead the "nation's most ready force," just moments after he received the Marine Corps' official colors, signifying his new post as the Corps' seniormost Marine.

Each commandant is appointed by the president and serves for four years as a member of the joint chiefs of staff and reports directly to the secretary of the Department of the Navy.

As stated in Title 10, Section 5043, of the United States Code, the commandant is responsible for the overall performance

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## Protege Day recognizes disabled Americans

CPL. SAMUEL A. NASSO

In order to recognize Americans with Disabilities Month, the Cherry Point equal opportunity office, in conjunction with the Craven and Carteret vocational rehabilitation services, hosted Protege Day here Oct. 21.

For Protege Day, 12 applicants with disabilities matched up with mentors throughout the air station to learn about jobs they were interested in and to gain knowledge about working for the federal government.

The participants shadowed subject matter experts for all types of positions to include: information technology technicians, office automation, finances, contracting, supply and maintenance. The Marines and government employees provided the applicants with information related to the career fields of their interest.

"I've worked with steel fabrication for quite awhile, but working with wood is definitely an extended option," said Allen Weatherington, a disabled participant who observed Marine Corps Community Services' maintenance department build hat racks for Millers Landing, the new consolidated club. "I'm just spending a few hours to get a feel for a few different jobs here to see if I like them."

For another project, Fred Ford, a disabled participant and former Marine, shadowed Johnie Smith, an MCCS maintenance worker, while remodeling a kitchen.

"I do carpenter work, construction, remodeling – I can pretty much do everything except

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## **The few, the proud, the charitable** *CFC accepting donations for annual drive*

LANCE CPL. SAMANTHA H. ARRINGTON

Have you made the world a better place today? 2nd Lt. William J. Humphreys did. Humphreys, the ground safety officer for Marine Aircraft Group 14, Department of Safety and Standardization, is just one of the few, yet proud contributors to the Combined Federal Campaign.

"I donate because it's a huge resource for these organizations," said Humphreys. "They do so much for us. We need to give back."

"I know there is uncertainty about job security and financial stability among many Americans," said Maj. Will Klumpp, the Cherry Point fund drive manager. "However, as service members we enjoy more security when it comes to employment and income, and I think the CFC presents another opportunity for us to step up when we're needed."

Cherry Point has raised more than \$200,000 for the CFC consistently over the last few years, including \$254,840 in 2009.

This year, the Cherry Point CFC has pushed back the time frame for donations, accepting contributions until Nov. 18.

"Due to weather and some difficulties getting initially started, we are extending the turn-in date," said Pam Hacker, the chair person of the local federal coordinating committee. "This will give some units that are getting back from deployment or training a chance to donate."

The goal for the 2010 CFC is 100 percent contact. "This means everyone knows about the campaign and has an opportunity to contribute to the organization or cause of their choice," said Klumpp. "The Marine Corps mentality is to always seek improvement, and it would be great to see that happen during this CFC period so we can exceed previous years' contributions."

The campaign has more than 2,500 charities listed ranging from cancer research to wounded veteran charities.

"The CFC is an opportunity for each of us to give a little to support the cause or charity of our choosing," said Klumpp, "Those who think \$3 a month is not enough to support a cause need to remember that a handful of people giving \$3 a month might be enough to help keep a river clean, buy supplies for an after-school program, feed a child, or maybe save an animal from a kill shelter."

"We are optimistic that we will have a successful campaign," said Hacker.

Parties interested in learning more about the CFC can visit http://www.opm.gov/cfc or contact Bobbie Whitbeck at 466-4237 or Pam Hacker at 466-2052.



2nd Lt. William J. Humphreys fills out a Combined Federal Campaign donation sheet at the Cherry Point drop-off location in the station headquarters building Oct. 21. "I've donated for years," said Humphreys. "It's a great organization." Humphreys is a ground safety officer with MAG-14.

# *MWCS-28 names new commanding Spartan*

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**Bulldogs visit Yuma** 







Participating in the semiannual weapons and tactics instructor course, an AV-8B Harrier jet assigned to Marine Attack Squadron 223 from Cherry Point descends for a landing on the flight line of Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., Oct. 16. WTI, hosted by Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron 1, trains Marines from across the globe to become training officers versed in the latest aviation tactics and procedures. VMA-223 is scheduled to return from MCAS Yuma Nov. 5.



LANCE CPL. TYLER J. BOLKEN

Lt. Col. Brian J. King, left, the outgoing commanding officer of Marine Wing Communications Squadron 28, passes off MWCS-28's battle colors to his replacement, Lt. Col. Gregory T. Puntney, at a change of command ceremony here Oct. 21.

LANCE CPL. TYLER J. BOLKEN

MCAS CHERRY POINT

The ceremonial thump of the drum from the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing Band was fitting for the appointment of Marine Wing Communication Squadron 28's new commanding Spartan Oct. 21.

Marines, family and friends gathered at one of Cherry Point's pinetree-etched parade fields for the relinquishing of command between outgoing commanding officer Lt. Col. Brian J. King and his replacement, Lt. Col. Gregory T. Puntney.

"It's a good day to be a Carolina Marine," said Col. Jeffrey L. Merchant, commanding officer of Marine Air Control Group 28. "This is a fine squadron."

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## Sergeants Major golf tourney



Sgt. Maj. Jerry L. Bailey, sergeant major of Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, speaks to Marines, Sailors and members of the community at The Sound of Freedom Golf Course here, Oct. 22, during the 12th annual Sergeants Major Golf Tournament "They say you're not supposed to win your own tournament," said Bailey, the host of the tournament. "But we're going to do our best."

From the Chaplain: You're not welcome at the

CDR. KARL P. KOCH

Station Chapel!

Father Nakireru, our new contract priest, Lt. Philip J. Nieto, the Deputy Station Chaplain, and I had a meeting the other day. We decided that our jobs would be a whole lot easier if you didn't come to chapel. And if you don't already attend, we also decided it would be great if you didn't start.

We don't want you. Go somewhere else, don't come here. Here at the chapel, we've decided we're highly selective

about who we want in our congregation. And you're not it. Have you passed by the chapel lately? Have you noticed the banners hanging between the columns outside? They say: "Saints, Scoundrels, Skeptics, Seekers, Welcome."

These are the people we want coming to the chapel. If you are a saint, a scoundrel, a skeptic, or a seeker, then you are welcome.

Are you a saint? You are welcome here. We could use more saints at the chapel. But here's some late-breaking news: you are no more welcome here than anyone else. As a matter of fact, some saints may want to go somewhere else where their saintliness can be on greater display. But if you want to participate in helping others grow in their faith while you grow in yours, this may be the place for you.

Are you a scoundrel? Have you done stuff that your mother will never know? You are welcome here. As a matter of fact, you might unexpectedly find yourself in the company of many other scoundrels. They're welcome too. And some of them attend at least one weekly service regularly. You think you have stories to tell? Then you've not met one of our regular scoundrels recently!

Are you a skeptic? Maybe you're not sure if you believe in any of it. Well, you may be surprised but you too are welcome here. And I'll confess, I too am a bit of a scoundrel, I know I'm very skeptical of many religious things. You might be

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## LANCE CPL. CARLOS E. ORNELAS

Job Title: Aviation Support Equipment Mechanic Unit: MALS-14 Hometown: El Paso, Texas Date Joined: March 16, 2009

## What's your job?

My job is to support all squadrons on Cherry Point by maintaining and servicing aircraft support equipment.

## When secrets can't be secrets

## SPECIAL AGENT CARRIE NELSON

Life isn't always easy. Money is tight. The children act up in school. The house never seems to stay clean. And you can't sleep at night because your neighbors are at it again. The shouting. The yelling. You also notice that when the two of them are out in public, he interrupts her, criticizes her, yells at her and scares her. It's one more problem that you don't want to face. But this kind of behavior, public or private, is everyone's problem.

Domestic violence is not just black eyes and broken bones. It doesn't even have to be physical. It can also be verbal abuse, attempts to belittle and shatter your self-esteem. It can be threats and intimidation. It can be zero control over your finances, making you completely dependent upon your abuser. And worse, if your abuser isn't hitting your children, your children are watching this violence play out. And they are taking it in.

Too often people think domestic violence can't happen to them. What may have started as a caring, loving relationship can sometimes turn into a gruesome and unhealthy partnership. There is no one face of domestic violence - victims and abusers can be of any age, sex, race, culture, religion, education, employment or marital status. Whether the abuse is a one-time attack or prolonged aggression, domestic violence can have lasting effects and it can transform the home from a place of safety and love to one of danger and fear.

The effects of domestic violence on Navy and Marine Corps personnel directly impacts unit morale and readiness, adversely affect our mission to train and equip combat-ready forces capable of winning wars. When a service member lives with domestic violence, as either the abuser or the victim, they can't perform up to their expected standards. The Naval Criminal Investigative Service and Fleet and Family Support Center take the issue of domestic violence very seriously since it impacts mission readiness, thus posing a significant risk to everyone in our military community.

If you have seen, heard about or felt the effects of domestic violence, it is your responsibility as a member of the military community to take action. This isn't someone else's problem. It's not a "family issue" or a "private matter." This is your problem. Domestic violence does not solve any problems, it only creates more

If you are being abused, don't tell yourself it can't get any worse. It can and it will. Department of Defense statistics report that 33 percent of female homicide victims are killed by an intimate partner. While you may be afraid to report domestic violence because of career problems or a worsening of abuse, the Department of the Navy has resources to help you. The earlier domestic violence is reported, the higher the chances of successful treatment and the continuation of a normal military career.

For victims or people who have witnessed domestic violence there are options if you come forward: restricted and unrestricted reporting.

Restricted reporting allows the abused to receive medical attention without command notification or law enforcement involvement, with the exception being full disclosure to command or law enforcement when necessary to prevent an imminent threat to the victim or another person.

Unrestricted reporting results in command notification, law enforcement involvement and Fleet and Family Support Center participation, which provides victims with a number of advocacy services, including medical services, risk assessment, intervention and counseling,

Remember: domestic violence can be prevented if people get involved. Step up and confront the abuser by telling them that their actions are illegal and hurt everyone in their family and community.

If you are being abused, the National Domestic Violence Hotline is available to help. Hotline services include crisis intervention, safety planning, information about domestic violence and referrals for local service providers. 800-799-7233.

Break the silence. Break the cycle. You're obligated to report suspected domestic violence.







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## What's your favorite aspect of your job?

Knowing I take part in maintaining the aircraft so they can keep flying to accomplish their missions

## What's the most challenging part?

The hardest part is supporting the current squadrons and preparing equipment for deployments

## How does your job support the mission of 2nd MAW?

There is no air support without our ground support. The aircraft can't fly without our proper maintenance.

## How does your job differ from garrison to the field?

Whether its in the field or at MCAS Cherry Point, our mission is to support MAG-14 aircraft.

## Highlight Your Superstar

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Have a Marine, Sailor or civilian you would like to highlight? Let the Windsock know. E-mail us at cherry. point.windsock@gmail.com or call 466-2536.





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# MWSS-271 CO visits Continuing Promise Marines, Sailors at sea

## CPL. ALICIA R. GIRON

Lt. Col. Paul D. Baker, commanding officer of Marine Wing Support Squadron 271, visited Marines and Sailors of Special-Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force Continuing Promise 2010 aboard the USS Iwo Jima Oct. 22-23.

The purpose of Baker's visit was to observe the Special-Purpose in action as it supported Operation Continuing Promise. Baker will be the upcoming MAGTF commanding officer for a similar mission named Southern Partnership Station 2011, a three-month deployment to the Caribbean, Central and South America.

"There's a lot of Marines who have not been aboard amphibious ships, and the upcoming deployment will give them the opportunity to familiarize with their naval roots," said Baker. "We' re trying to pull the lessons learned from the Continuing Promise staff. We'll absolutely take anything and everything from those lessons learned back with us to Cherry Point."

Baker was accompanied by Master Sgt. Joseph Rice, communications chief with MWSS-271. They toured work sections and interviewed Marines about their day-to-day operations.

"We' re learning from their hard lessons learned in everything from all the shops," said Baker. "Everyone has played a part in continuing a successful mission. I think our job is going to be a lot easier because of the hard work Continuing Promise has done so far."

Baker is scheduled to deploy with Operation Southern Partnership Station 2011 shortly after the new year to conduct subject matter expert exchanges with foreign militaries. MWSS-271 will provide the command element and logistics combat elements for the task force.

"It was a great opportunity for Lt. Col. Baker to visit the Continuing Promise team," said Lt. Col. Chris S. Richie, commanding officer of Special-Purpose MAGTF Continuing Promise 2010. "I'm extremely proud of the accomplishments of our special-purpose MAGTF and have no doubt that Lt. Col. Baker will continue our success in Central and South America."

Marines and sailors are anchored off the coast off New Amsterdam, Guyana,



Lt. Col. Paul D. Baker, commanding officer of Marine Wing Support Squadron 271 talks to Lance Cpl. Joshua Jones, a crewman with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 774, before his departure from the USS Iwo Jima Oct. 23. Baker visited Marines and Sailors of Special-Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force Continuing Promise 2010 to prepare for his upcoming deployment with Southern Partnership Station 2011.

providing engineering services to the local community.

Continuing Promise 2010 is a humanitarian civic assistance mission providing medical, dental, veterinary, engineering and community relation services to the Caribbean, Central and South American region.

For more information on the Continuing Promise 2010 Special-Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force, please visit the unit's official website at http://www. marines.mil/unit/2ndMAW/ SPMAGTF.



Lt. Col. Paul D. Baker, commanding officer of Marine Wing Support Squadron 271, puts on a cranial in preparation for his departure Oct. 23 after visiting Marines and Sailors of the Special-Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force Continuing Promise 2010. Baker embarked aboard USS Iwo Jima for two dys to observe operations of the Continuing Promise 2010 team.





The United States Marine Corps has prepared and filed a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for basing the Marine Corps Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) on the East Coast with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The JSF would replace legacy F/A-18 and AV-8B aircraft currently based at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Beaufort, South Carolina and MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina, respectively. The EIS addresses the potential environmental consequences that may result from basing, maintaining, and operating F-35B aircraft on the East Coast and considers a total of four split-basing alternatives (representing a range of options), as well as the No Action Alternative. Copies of the Final EIS can be found on the project website, <u>www.usmcJSFeast.com</u>, or at the following locations:

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# Securing the future in Marjah



1st Lt. Taylor Williams, platoon commander for Weapons Platoon, Fox Company, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, speaks with the public in Marjah, Afghanistan, about improving the nearby bazaar now that security in the area has improved. "We have seen changes here," said Walidad Ghulamzoi, a village elder who attended the meeting. "This time last year, the Taliban was running this area. Since the Marines have come in, we can sleep safely in our homes again."



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Army Capt. Danielle M. Diamond performs spay surgery on Miss Dusty, a German shepherd, Oct. 25 at the Cherry Point Veterinary Treatment Facility. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and is located between the 7-Day troop store and station Mess Hall.

# Doggie doctor:

# Air station veterinary clinic provides animal care services

CPL. SAMUEL A. NASSO MCAS CHERRY POINT

With all the Marines and Sailors on the air station, the two Army Soldiers stationed aboard Cherry Point may be overlooked. The Soldiers at the Cherry Point Veterainary Treatment Facility work tirelessly to ensure the readiness of military working dogs and treat personally owned animals, provding a service to the community.

The clinic is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday to all active-duty, retired military and their families. Located between the mess hall and the 7-Day troop store on 4th Avenue, the clinic offers a variety of services for military working dogs, domesticated pets and their appropriate handler/owner.

The clinic offers annual wellness/geriatric exams, new puppy/kitten exams, sick call, minor surgeries (spaying and neutering), blood work, vaccinations, de-worming, nail trims, microchips, flea and tick control and heartworm preventative measures.

"Our mission is multifaceted; we provide physical health checks for personally owned animals for all active-duty and retired service members and have a large focus on military working dogs," said Army Capt. Danielle M. Diamond, Cherry Point veterinarian branch chief with the veterinary corps. "The military working dogs play a large role in today's wars, and I think that is one of the most rewarding aspects of our job; to ensure military working dogs are 100 percent mission ready."

"Not a lot of Marines know about us, and it's a shame because we offer a good amount of services that are affordable and practical for families here," said Diamond.

"Since I've been here there has been countless times I've brought up the clinic to people, and the person I am talking to was completely unaware of us," said Kim R. Henderson, a registered veterinarian technician with the Cherry Point clinic. "The reason why we are here is to ensure the health of their animals."

The clinic often has its hands full due to the limited amount of personnel. Diamond is the only veterinarian, and there are only a handful of other technicians and doctors working at the clinic. However, Diamond said that fact doesn't cause the clinic to shy away from challenges.

"We see senior officers, senior enlisted, young service members and retired military service members, and each of them have different challenges in their lives," said Diamond. "Like when a spouse comes in with four kids and three pets while her husband is deployed ... it shows how important our job is here to ensure what's best for the



Left, Kim R. Henderson and Army Capt. Danielle M. Diamond administer anesthesia and oxygen into Miss Dusty's lungs, Oct. 25. Henderson is a veterinarian technician and Diamond is a veterinarian at the Cherry Point Veterinary Treatment Facility.

## animals."

To make an appointment or for more information contact the veterinary clinic at 466-2166. Clients interested in scheduling appointments regarding surgery must call in advance due to the number of personnel and limited surgery appointments available.



PFC. SCOTT L. TOMASZYCKI

Spc. Patricia McCurdy, an Army animal care specialist, draws blood from Ajax as part of his routine semiannual physical exam at Cherry Point's veterinary clinic Oct. 22. The veterinary clinic's primary job is to take care of military working dogs like Ajax, who is certified for patrolling and sniffing out explosives.





# Marines support Operation Stargey



Lance Cpl. Kevin Murphy, a crew chief with Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 362, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing (Foward), looks for potential threats as Afghan National Army and coalition forces make their way toward a CH-53E Sea Stallion in Jahazi, Afghanistan, Oct. 17. HMH-362 transported these forces in support of Operation Stargey to set up snap vehicle check points in an effort to disrupt insurgent operations in the area of Jahazi, a village between Now Zad and Musa Quelah.





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## The Windsock Night Owls join fight in Afghanistan





(Above) Lance Cpl. John Zajak and his wife, Stephanie Zajak, share a kiss before John and more than a hundred Marines with Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 2 deploy to Afghanistan. Hundreds of friends and family came to see the Marines off as they flew out on the seven-month deployment

(Left) Capt. Dale R. Fenton calms his daughter Alyssa before flying out with the rest of Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 2 Oct. 21. Hundreds of people attended a farewell at the VMU-2 hangar to say goodbye to their loved ones as they left for Afghanistan. Fenton is the squadron adjutant.



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# **Disaster relief**



31st Marine Expeditionary Unit Marines and Maconacon villagers unload bags of rice and family-sized tents from CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters during Typhoon Megi disaster relief operations in Isabela Province, Philippines, Oct. 22.



St. Jude patient Cole and his father Master Chief Rick Culley

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performance of the Marine Corps, ensuring plans, organization, policy and programs are created and maintained, as well as advising the president and the secretary of defense on matters involving the Marine Corps.

Amos stated the Marines are the most ready when the nation needs them to be.

Recent humanitarian operations in Haiti, Pakistan and combat operations in Afghanistan are prime examples of the Corps' worth to this nation and its readiness as a force, "and that will continue to be my main focus as commandant." said Amos.

Conway said Amos is "absolutely and uniquely qualified to be our commandant."

Amos, a Wendell, Idaho, native, served as the 31st assistant commandant under Conway from 2008 to 2010. A graduate of the University of Idaho and Marine aviator, Amos is no stranger to leading Marines, having served as commander from the ranks of lieutenant colonel to lieutenant general.

Both generals were all smiles when the command was exchanged on the parade deck of Marine Barracks Washington.

Secretary of Defense Robert Gates addressed all in attendance and expressed his gratitude to Conway's service.

(Conway) frequently declared wherever there's a fight, that's where the Marine Corps belongs," said Gates. "We're saying goodbye to a true warrior. I thank him for his 40 years of service and leading and mentoring the Marines."

Conway, born in Walnut Ridge, Ark., and graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, became the 34th commandant Nov. 14, 2006. In the midst of a multifront war, he created many initiatives to support his Marines in the Long War. One example was the "202K Initiative," which was established to increase the Marine Corps' manpower significantly in order to spread the deployment rate out across more Marines.

We have brave young men and women fighting in Afghanistan right now," said Conway. "It's a close fight, which has still to be won. There's a good sense of optimism for our future."

As orders were given on behalf of the president of the United States, commanding Conway to stand detached from his duties as commandant and ordering Amos to stand duty as the most senior Marine in the Corps, a new chapter began, picking up with current operations but with a new Marine in command of all leathernecks.

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electric work," joked Ford. "I need a job, and today provides me an opportunity to learn about potential jobs here, and hopefully something comes out of it."

As the day came to an end, the participants along with Viola J. Padrick, equal employ-ment opportunity program manager, and Michael W. Arkin, equal employment opportunity counselor, gathered up and discussed how the day went.

The group shared their experience for the day with some laughs and most importantly with some optimism about Protege Day and future job opportunities.

'Today is a good day," said Weatherington. "You have to put your foot in the door because if you don't then you won't get anywhere in life."

Before leaving the air station, the group gathered for a picture and said their good byes.

"It is important to honor the disabled and to promote Cherry Point as an equal employment opportunity employer for individuals with disabilities in eastern North Carolina, said Padrick. "Today, I think we did that."



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King was the Spartan's commanding officer for 18 months, in which the squadron spent time in Iraq, Afghanistan and various other training locations.

"Even when we had Marines in two theaters of war between Iraq and Afghanistan, the Marines never dropped the ball," King said. "My Marines were good ... darn good."

King takes most pride in the squadron's near-flawlessness when being inspected for discrepancies

"There is nothing better than being told we have nothing to tell you," King explained.

King is moving on to assume the role as director of 2nd MAW's communications section.

"It's an office you're familiar with and a desk you're familiar with," joked Merchant, "So the transition should be pretty quick and seamless.

As for the squadron's transition - "It is a singular honor and a humbling privilege to be with the Marines of MWCS-28," said Puntney, who was formerly the assistant chief of staff of communications for 2nd Marine Division. "My challenge is to sustain what has already been started."

Puntney added that if it weren't for the efforts and patience of others, he wouldn't be where he is today.

King assured Puntney that he's going to be working with quality Marines, telling him, "I learned a lot from these guys, and I'm sure you're going to have a great time. I had an amazing 18 months.'

Puntney parted the morning's ceremonies with words to his new Marines.

Your name, your reputation and your performance have preceded you, and I am both eager and humbled to come along side you and join you on the journey you have already begun. The days will be long, the nights will be short, and the sweat will pour, but we will accomplish the mission together as a family.'



Lt. Col. Brian J. King salutes the colors for the last time as commanding officer of Marine Wing Communications Squadron 28 during the squadron's change of command ceremony Oct. 21.

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surprised by what we agree on. And while we may have some good answers for you, I know you may have some good questions for us.

Are you a seeker? You are welcome here. I want to assure you, no congregation here has all the answers! And I'm sure there's more than one scoundrel or skeptic who is very willing to help you get the hang of things. And we're here to answer as many of your questions as we can and to seek along with you.

Father Nakireru, Chaplain Nieto and I never really had that meeting. But we all agree that saints, scoundrels, skeptics and seekers are welcome here. If you are one of these, we look forward to seeing you.





# **Operation Goodwill**



A Sailor arm wrestles a child at Calumpang Elementary School in Mabalacat, Pampanga Province, Philippines, after completing volunteer work as part of Operation Goodwill, Oct. 14 during Amphibious Landing Exercise 2011. Marines and Sailors provided sports equipment, school supplies, shoes and desks as part of Operation Goodwill.

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## Marines compete for spot on All-Marine team

## PFC. SCOTT L. TOMASZYCKI

Marines from around the Corps competed in a tournament on Cherry Point's Sound of Freedom Golf Course Oct. 16–19 to determine who would make the cut and move on to the All-Marine Golf Team.

The winners of the tournament were Capt. David King from Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Japan, who became the team captain; Capt. Tony Apperson, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Steven Kubik and Master Sgt. Chris Martinez, all from Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; Staff Sgt. John M. Oliver from MCAS Cherry Point; and Lance Cpl. Austin J. Grey from Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif.

The final six rose above the 28 other competitors.

King, an eight-year veteran and two-year captain of the team, explained the golf tournaments are a threeweek process. First, Marines compete for a spot on the All-Marine Team. Once selected, the team competes in the All-Armed Forces Golf Championship against the best players of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The top players of the All-Armed Forces Golf

The top players of the All-Armed Forces Golf Championship are then selected to the All-Armed Forces team, which ended Tuesday, with the Marines tying with the Navy team for third place.

The third place finish should come as a disappointment to King, who said he was looking forward to playing in the All- Armed Forces Golf Championship.

Grey, who said he played some competitive golf before joining the Marines, said he was excited by the prospect of playing in such a prestigious tournament. This is the first time he made the All-Marine team, and one Grey said he will never forget.

"It was a great experience," Grey said. "Being able to get back into some competition golf was exciting for me. It was nice to finish and make the team out of so many good golfers that were here. There are a number of good golfers that unfortunately couldn't make the team. There was a lot of good competition."

One of his competitors and a fellow finalist was Oliver, the only Marine from Cherry Point to make the team and compete in the All-Armed Forces Championship.

"It's always good to have someone from your area to represent you on your team," said Oliver, who is with Marine Unmanned Aerial Squadron 2. "My command is supportive and happy for the opportunity."

Andy Hinson, the coach of the All-Marine Team



Staff Sgt. John M. Oliver sinks his victory putt, winning the distinction of being the only Cherry Point representative on the All-Marine Golf Team. Oliver and three other golfers had a tie-breaking playoff to determine which of them would win the **fi**nal spot on the team during a tournament aboard MCAS Cherry Point Oct. 19. Oliver is an aviation maintenance Marine with Marine Unmanned Aerial Squadron 2.

from Marine Recruit Depot Parris Island, said he believes that there are many parallels between golf and the Marine Corps.

"The Marine Corps is about honor and integrity," Hinson said. "We saw that in every round today and throughout the entire week. The game of golf is so unique that the players will actually call penalties against themselves. I don't think you'll see that in any other sport. Although the guys are competing against each other, they help each other with coaching and advice. They help the others play their best while still trying to beat them. That's what the Marines is all about."



Staff Sgt. John M. Oliver knocks his ball out of a sand trap during a tie-breaking playoff against three other players to determine who will **fil** the last available slot on the All-Marine Golf Team Oct. 19. Oliver, an aviation maintenance Marine with Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 2, said he enjoyed home-



C. SCOTT L. TOMASZY

field advantage as he competed for a spot the team. This is the third year he has made the team.



PFC. SCOTT L. TOMASZYCKI

Capt. Tony Apperson from MCB Camp Lejeune, N.C., drives a ball down the course during the All-Marine golf tournament at MCAS Cherry Point's Sound of Freedom Golf Course Oct. 19. Marines from around the Corps enjoyed the opportunity to participate in the tournament, which was held at the Sound of Freedom Golf Course for the **fi**rst time.

Several Marines competed for a spot on the All-Marine Golf Team Oct. 19, as part of the weeklong tournament on MCAS Cherry Point's Sound of Freedom Golf Course. The six Marines who made the team competed against Army, Navy and Air Force teams at Langley Air Force Base, Va., which ended Tuesday.





## FRC-East gets Joint Strike Fighter workload

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Fleet Readiness Center East has been selected as the Navy designated source of repair, or DSOR, for the Joint Strike Fighter F-35 airframe and F-35B (short take-off vertical landing variant) lift system. FRC-East has also been assigned as the DSOR for several aircraft subsystems including the ejection seat, the power and thermal management system, the hydraulic power and generation system, the utility actuators and control valves and the rudder pedal assembly.

The Joint Strike Fighter is a fifth generation fighter jet being jointly developed for the Navy. Marine Corps, Air Force and a number of America's allies. The Department of Defense is pursuing three variants - the conventional take-off and landing (CTOL) F-35A, the STOVL F-35B, and the carrier variant (CV) F-35C.

"This new JSF workload is a perfect fit to FRC-East, which is designated the DOD Vertical Lift Center of Excellence," said Tim Hane, business office branch head. "This being a true joint service aircraft, airframe and component depot maintenance is also assigned to several other maintenance, repair and overhaul facilities including FRC-Southeast and FRC-Southwest.'

Although FRC-East is the airframe designated repair point for the Navy, Lockheed Martin is the product support integrator for the F-35 and FRC-East will be partnering with them as part of a public-private partnership arrangement in support of a performance based logistics contract between Lockheed and the JSF Program Office to provide specific levels of aircraft readiness and availability.

"We expect discussions to begin later this year with some airframe repair capability being established starting in 2012." said Hane. "The F-35 introduces numerous new aircraft system technologies. Initial F-35 airframe and operational maintenance training will be completed at the F-35 Training Center at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. The JSF maintenance training system includes working on an Air System Maintenance Trainer System that uses virtual



training with 3-D touch panel displays. The displays allow students to learn about the aircraft and virtually remove and install aircraft parts.'

FRC-East will also be partnering with Rolls-Royce as part of a public-private partnership arrangement for the F-35B lift system workload.

'We have already started discussions and completed initial site visits to initiate the planning phases for establishing repair capability for the lift system components," Hane said. "Maintenance training for the depot artisans will be provided by Roll-Royce and will be included as part of a partnering agreement.'

Organic repair capability for component repair will be established by 2014. A \$45.6 million military construction

project for a lift fan test cell is also planned for Cherry Point to support overhaul and test requirements for the F-35B by 2017. The test cell will include a 35,000 horsepower electric motor which will drive the lift fan during testing. The test cell is currently scheduled to be built across the runway in the former Hancock housing area.

FRC-East will soon see JSF activity as teams are formed to develop and standup capability for the systems and components assigned.

"This will take a tremendous effort by our support shops, our industrial engineering technicians, facilities engineers, engineers, logisticians, quality assurance specialists and to prepare for support of this next generation platform," said Hane. "The future depends on our success

## Marine and Family Programs asks: Are you in an unhealthy relationship?

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and its important to know some signs of domestic violence and abuse are more obvious than others. Here are a few of the most common.

Does your partner ever...

- · Accuse you of cheating or being disloyal?
- Make you feel worthless?
- Hurt you by hitting, choking or kicking you?
- Intimidate and threaten to hurt you, someone you love, or your pets?
- Threaten to hurt themselves if they don't get what they want?
- Try to control what you do and who you see?
- Isolate you?
- Pressure or force you into unwanted sex?
- Control your access to money?
- Stalk you, including constantly calling or following you?
- Stop or make it difficult for you to work or go to school?
- If you suspect that you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship there is help available.



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The Prevention and Intervention Program has a 24/7 Victim Advocacy Response Line. Please call 665-4713 to speak to a Victim Advocate.

## Now playing: These films are playing at local theaters

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- "EASY A" (PG-13)
- "Easy A" is a teen comedy about a high school girl who is using the rumor mill to advance her social and financial standing.
- After a little white lie about losing her virginity gets out, a clean cut high school girl sees her life paralleling Hester Prynne's I "The Scarlet Letter," which she is currently studying in school.

Emma Stone ("Zombieland," "The House Bunny," "Superbad") stars as Olive Penderghast, the witty high school student who is invisible to her peers until she starts a

gossip pretending to sleep with nerds to keep them from getting beaten up. So when her tales about her sexual exploits surface, she is instantly branded by her classmates who start calling her a tramp.

When all attempts in proving them wrong fail, Olive fights back and responds with relishing in her newfound bad reputation.

She is playing up her supposed bad girl image and even wears a red letter A – as in "The Scarlet Letter.'

She also helps out a gay friend, played by Dan Byrd ("The Hills Have Eyes"), preending to hav

ministrator and Frank's object of affection.

Co-starring are Brian Cox ("Zodiac") as Ivan, the Russian who carries a torch for Victoria; Julian Mc-Mahon ("Premonition") as Vice President Stanton; Richard Dreyfuss ("W.") as Alexander Dunning; and James Remar ("Pineapple Express") as Gabriel Singer.

Also appearing is Karl Urban ("Lord of the Rings") as William Cooper, an ambitious CIA operative; and Rebecca Pidgeon ("Red Belt") as Cynthia Wilkes, his boss, the CIA deputy director, who are both hot on the gang's trail.

Veteran actor Ernest Borgnine ("The Long Ride Home") appears as an ancient CIA archivist who knows way too much to be fired.

Robert Schwentke ("The Time Traveler's Wife," "Flightplan") directed this film named R.E.D., which stands for 'Retired and Extremely Dangerous'.

Screenwriters Erich and Jon Hoeber ("Whiteout") loosely adapted the story from e cult D.C. Comics graphic novels by Warren Ellis and Cully H



However trying to reclaim her identity is another matter altogether.

Co-starring are Penn Badgley ("The Stepfather") as Woodchuck Todd; and Amanda Bynes ("She's the Man") as Marianne, Olive's bitchy girlfriend.

Patricia Clarkson ("Shutter Island") and Stanley Tucci ("Julie & Julia") play Olive's quirky hippy parents and Lisa Kudrow ("Hotel for Dogs") appears as her guidance counselor, Mrs. Griffith.

Thomas Hayden Church ("Sideways") can be seen as Mr. Griffith and Malcom McDowell ("Bolt") as Principal Gibbons.

Director Will Gluck ("Fired Up!") also rewrote the screenplay by Bert V. Royal for this somewhat lame storyline that poses to question the audience how such a gorgeous looking girl can be that unpopular to begin with.

However, the fairly young cast keeps this comedy fresh with their sweet and sour humor. Stone is putting in a great performance as the sassy and funny main charac-

"Easy A" is a fresh take on what the rumor mill can accomplish.

#### "RED" (PG-13)

"Red" is an explosive action-comedy about a group of former top agents of the Central Intelligence Agency who come out of retirement when they become top targets because of the secrets they still carry with them.

Now framed for assassinations, they must use all of their collective cunning, experience, and teamwork to stay one step ahead of their deadly pursuers and stay alive

To stop the operation, the team embarks on an impossible, cross-country mission to break into the top-secret CIA headquarters, where they will uncover one of the biggest conspiracies and cover-ups in government history.

The impressive cast portraying the group of former black ops agents who are suddenly on the wrong side of a hit list are:

Bruce Willis ("The Expendables," "Live Free or Die Hard"), who plays Frank Mo-ses; Morgan Freeman ("Invictus," "The Bucket List") as Joe Matheson; John Malkovich ("Secretariat," "Jonah Hex") as Marvin Boggs; Helen Mirren ("The Queen," "The Last Station") as Victoria.

Also starring is Mary-Louis Parker ("Red Dragon") as Sarah Ross, a pension ad-

"Red" is a light and fluffy, but very stylish, wild and fast moving action comedy. It's a hilariously funny take on the spy film genre that should wake up the AARP crowd. With lots of cool action and easy chemistry of all top-notch and award-winning actors, this film is just simply mindless entertainment at its best.

#### "MY SOUL TO TAKE" (R)

"My Soul to Take" is a suspense horror film about a serial killer who returns to his hometown to stalk seven children who share the same birthday as the date he was allegedly put to rest.

The tale takes place in a sleepy town where, according to the legend being told, a serial killer swore that he would return to murder seven children born the night he died.

Now, 16 years later, people in the little town of Riverton begin to disappear again. Should we believe that the psychopath has been reincarnated as one of the seven teens or did he survive the night he was left for dead?

Max Thieriot ("Jumper," "The Astronaut Farmer") stars as Adam "Bug" Heller, the only kid who might know the answer. He was supposed to die on the bloody night his father went insane.

Adam, who has been plagued by nightmares since he was a baby, is unaware of his dad's terrifying crimes.

Hoping that he can save his friends from the monster that has returned, Adam must face the evil that apparently will not rest until it finishes the job it began the day he was born.

Co-starring are John Magaro ("The Box") as Adam's friend, Alex Dunkelman; Denzel Whitaker ("Training Day") as Jerome; Nick Lashaway ("The Last Song") as Brandon; Zena Grey ("The Shaggy Dog") as Penelope; and Jeremy Chu ("Strangers with Candy") as Jay.

"My Soul to Take" is a bloody and violent horror yarn only for die-hard fans of this genre.

## THE LOCAL BUZZ Announcements

## Indicates new announcement

#### ▶ Trick-or-Treat

Trick-or treating will occur on the air station from 5-7 p.m. Oct. 31.

To provide additional safety for the little ghosts and goblins, the Provost Marshal will have McGruff the Crime Dog at Grant's Landing at the corner of Wilson and Arthur Drive next to the playground, and in Nugent Cove at Alexander Rd. and Gates Rd., in the fitness connection parking lot where a table will be set up and wands will be made available for any parent wishing to have candy scanned for any metal objects.

Law enforcement and fire department personnel will also be at those locations. There will also be an increased presence of patrols in housing areas

## ► Health Clinic Enhances Pharmacy Experience

Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point is working diligently to reduce wait times at the pharmacy department. The clinic pharmacy has recently experienced an increase in wait times for new and refill prescriptions due to a recent prescription management computer upgrade. Once the pharmacy's new software system is fully online, it will bring an optimal level of security and accountability when processing patient prescriptions.

NHCCP is also in the process of making changes to the pharmacy process by adding a new refill prescription location which will add another new prescription window. The pharmacy staff at NHCCP is dedicated to reduce wait times and deliver the safest, most effective patient care to the MCAS community.

Beneficiaries can visit the NHCCP website at http:// www.med.navv.mil/sites/cpoint for hours of operation and information about the pharmacy department.

#### Girls Basketball League

New Bern Parks and Recreation is offering girls only basketball leagues for ages 13 and under. Registration is ongoing until Nov. 17. The cost for the league is \$45 per player. Evaluation night for all players is Nov. 8 and Nov. 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Including players from last year.

If you plan on playing you must attend these evaluations to be placed on a team. Games will be played on Saturdays and will begin Dec. 4 and end Jan. 29. For questions contact Rob Maglicic at 639-2907.

Brides Across America

Brides Across America was born on a realization that the U.S. needs to do more to support our troops and their families. Bridal salons are uniting across America to donate and give away wedding gowns to qualified military brides.

To qualify, interested parties must be engaged or have had a civil ceremony within the past 5 years and are planning a wedding within the next 18 months.

You or your fiance must have been deployed within the past five years to Iraq or Afghanistan and have not had a formal wedding. You or your fiance must be on active duty and will be deploying to Afghanistan or to a war zone territory. All military brides must bring drivers license or military ID or a copy of fiance's military ID.

A Bridal World in Raleigh, N.C., is holding the event Nov. 9-10 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

For more information and for qualification details, call 919-872-7433or visit http://abridalworld.com.

#### Ghostwalk 2010

Spend up to three evenings with dozens of spirited characters in the midst of their historic haunts during the New Bern Historical Society's Ghostwalk

Hauntings occur Thursday through Saturday tonight from 6-9 p.m. with ghosts of New Bern's past at Cedar Grove Cemetery and spirited entertainment at the Athens and Masonic Theatres.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 days of the event. Active duty military and students with identification are \$10, children 3-12 \$5, under 3 are free. New Bern Historical Society members are \$13. Tickets are available online at http://www.newbernhistorical.org. For more information. call 638-8558.

#### Orthodox Fellowship

The MCAS Cherry Point Orthodox Fellowship is holding a celebration of the orthodox divine lithurgy at Cherry Point's St. Michael's Chapel, the wing closest to the post office Nov. 21 and Dec. 20, starting at 9 a.m. For more information, call 466-4000.

#### **Operation Safe Halloween**

The Havelock Police Department and Havelock Parks and Recreation present "Operation Safe Halloween," an event that will involve fun, music, movies, concessions and a costume contest.

The free event will be held at the Havelock Recreation Center Sunday from 1-4 p.m.

For more information, call the Havelock Police Department at 447-3212 or Parks and Recreation at 444-6429.

### Marine and Family Programs

Marine, Family Programs Office Numbers The Family Member Employment Program, Transition Assistance Management Program, Relocation Assistance Program and accredited financial counselors can be reached at 466-4401. • Child Development Resource & Referral - 466-

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- Family Advocacy Program 466-3264.
- Library 466-3552.
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- Military Family Life Consultant 876-8016.
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• Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Program - 466-5490.

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## Monthly and Weekly Events

## Courage to Change

Cherry Point and Havelock Courage to Change is a support group for friends and family of alcoholics. Meetings are held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havelock,

Tuesdays at 8 p.m. For more information, call 241-6155 or 670-6236.

## Al-Anon Family Group Meet

There are alcoholics anonymous family group meetings Tuesdays at 8 p.m. for family members and

friends of individuals who may have alcohol problems.

The meetings are held at Havelock 3788. First Baptist Church.

For more information, call 447-8063 or 447-2109.

Together For Life

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Marine Corps League Meetings The Cherry Point Detachment of the Marine Corps League meets the

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7315 in Havelock, at 7 p.m.

Owen Smith at 444-5420.

American Veterans meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7315 in Havelock at 7 p.m.

For information, contact Doug Matthers at 447-2761.



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