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## Weekend Forecast

Fri.: Windy, warm, heavy  
thunderstorm.  
High 87 Low 59

Sat.: Mainly sunny and  
pleasant with a breeze.  
High 79 Low 57

Sun.: Partly sunny, windy,  
heavy thunderstorm.  
High 84 Low 60

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## MajGen. Bedard pays visit to Marines in Haiti



Senior Airman Chris Evans

Emil R. Bedard discusses rifle with LCpl. Singa Sonthivongnovath, Camp Lejeune, in a guard tower.

**Air Force 2nd Lt. Karin Klein**  
Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Support Group Haiti

Marines from Golf Company 2d Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment and 8th Engineer Support Battalion, who are currently deployed as part of the U.S. Support Group in Haiti, were recently visited by MajGen. Emil R. Bedard, Commanding General, 2d Marine Division.

The visit, which took place March 19-21, was to inspect readiness, training and troop welfare. 8th ESB is in Haiti as part of a deployed for training (DFT) mission to build a school, and Golf Co. 2d Bn. 8th Marines pro-

vides security for the Support Group and all its missions.

During the visit, Bedard visited each area Marines are involved with. At each site he spoke to the Marines, stressing the great job they are doing, the pride they should feel about what they are doing and the need to stay focused and not let their guard down.

At the engineering site, he walked around and spoke to Marines as they continued to do their jobs laying bricks, surveying, mixing cement and working in the tool shed.

He again stressed that this project is an achievement they can be proud of as they are making life better for the children of Haiti.

"In societies like Haiti, the long term impact and effect seems to be on the children," he said.

8th ESB has been in Haiti since mid-February for a 90-day deployment during which Marines are building three four-room school buildings and two latrines. The project should be complete by May 15.

The Marines are living in field conditions at the site, which is about an hour away from the support group in Port-au-Prince. They work twelve hours a day, six days a week and rotate back to the support group one night every four days.

According to 1st Lt. George T. Egli, De-

tachment Officer in Charge, the Marines are getting good training not only doing their job, but cross-training in other areas in order to keep the project on track. He also said the Haitians seem very happy with the job the Marines are doing. "There is an orphanage at the site, and the children often present the Marines with drawings as a way of saying 'thank you,'" said Egli. In fact, Bedard was presented with a drawing during his visit.

Morale is high at the engineering site, as the Marines feel they are leaving something behind for the people of Haiti. They were

See HAITI/6A

## Melissa computer virus attacks DoD

**Brandon L. Rizzo**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Department of Defense computer users had their hands full the morning of March 22 as they tracked the infamous Melissa Virus to its source.

The virus was discovered the morning of March 25, and an alert was sent to Camp Lejeune programmers and workers who began working on the problem the morning of March 28, according to Capt. Todd A. Assistant Branch Head, Information Systems Management Division (ISMD).

Damage created by the file was due to the short period of time before it was discovered. The person team was in full swing the afternoon of March 28.

Marines, with the assistance of 150 information systems analysts (ISAs) from various units, began scanning and installing anti-virus programs in more than 100 Marine Corps Base computers. They worked around the clock for shifts to scan and clean all file servers. Additionally, a firewall was added to the network (security for the internet) to prevent infection of the network. The problem was solved about four days after the

full staff and shifts picked up.

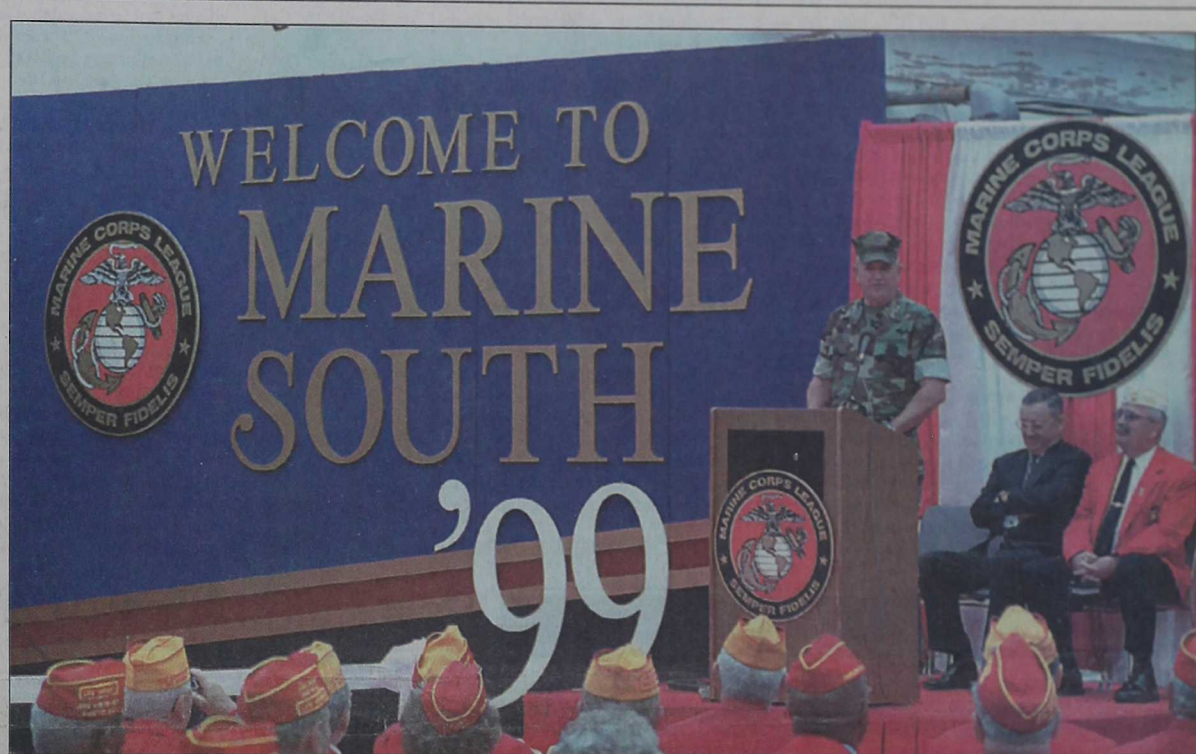
Though many people call it a virus, the problem is actually more like a worm combined with a mail bomb, according to Cpl. Kendrick S. Rizzo, computer programmer, ISMD.

"Melissa is similar to a worm because it mass replicates itself, however it requires user interaction and sends out vast amounts of email, which likens it to a mail bomb," Rizzo explained. Unlike most viruses, it doesn't destroy anything. It's just a nuisance because the vast amounts of email cause servers to crash.

Melissa had been making its way through networks as an attachment to emails, containing a list of pornographic sites. When a user opened the document for viewing (usually named "list.doc"), the macro was executed by the system. The macro is a code that is run by a computer's system, normally to perform user-friendly and helpful functions such as a document format. Once executed, Melissa first adjusted the macro security setting to prevent the user from being prompted the next time.

The macro also infects the "normal.doc" file, the default template for Microsoft Word documents. Once infected, all Word documents

See VIRUS/6A



Sgt. Jason M. Webb

### Evolution of Weaponry

MajGen. Ray L. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, gives a speech before the opening of the 6th annual Marine South Expo. The Marine Corps League - sponsored event was held at Marston Pavilion April 7 and 8. The expo highlighted many new items, from advanced weapons systems to innovative field gear.

## Cohen says NATO resolve still firm in peacekeeping campaign

**Linda D. Kozaryn**  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — Each day the allied air campaign against Yugoslavia's military continues, NATO's determination to end the conflict grows stronger, according to Defense Secretary William S. Cohen.

"I believe we've seen greater resolve in the last few weeks as a result of Milosevic's activities and the absolute brutality with which he has carried out his ethnic cleansing campaign," Cohen said enroute to Europe April 6.

Before NATO launched military action March 24, Cohen said he called each alliance member to make sure they understood that "we were not going to begin this campaign unless we were all in it for

the long haul. Everyone signed up to that."

Cohen talked with reporters at the start of a two-day trip to NATO headquarters in Brussels, Aviano Air Base, Italy, and Ramstein Air Base, Germany. The secretary invited twelve members of Congress to accompany him so they could get an update from U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, Operation Allied Force Commander, and have a chance to thank American service members taking part in the air campaign.

During a night flight to Brussels, Cohen said NATO air strikes are "starting to take hold," he said. "We are starting to do much more damage now that the weather has cleared and we've taken out some of (Milosevic's) more substantial air defense systems."

NATO rejected a cease fire offer Milosevic made earlier in the day because it was "woefully insufficient," Cohen said. "He has created a humanitarian catastrophe at a level we haven't seen since World War II."

"Now that he's gone through and allowed his forces to slaughter innocent people, to say, 'I think it's time to call a cease fire,' that's simply unacceptable," Cohen said.

There is increasing evidence that Serb forces committed atrocities that have not yet been fully confirmed, Cohen said.

"My expectation is that we'll see those confirmed sometime in the future," he said. "More and more reporting is coming through and based on some of the films that were smuggled out where you can see the charred remains of certain bodies, I

think our worst suspicions will be confirmed."

Milosevic's cease fire offer "could be related to the fact that he's now seeing he's going to suffer considerable damage in the coming days and weeks," Cohen speculated. Or, "it may be that he feels he's accomplished his mission and it's simply a charade he is engaging in."

Regardless of Milosevic's motives, Cohen said, NATO is going to continue its campaign until he agrees to pull back his forces, allows Kosovar Albanian refugees to resettle with autonomy, and a NATO-led international peacekeeping force is deployed to implement peace.

NATO authorities knew from the beginning that ending the Kosovo crisis "was not going to be quick

and easy," Cohen noted. They knew allied forces would face rough terrain, adverse weather and substantial air defenses.

"We anticipated there would be bad weather," Cohen said.

"We knew of the time of year. We don't pick the time which Milosevic starts to kill innocent people. We were faced with a choice. We could sit and let it happen, or we could try to... deter him from carrying out this ethnic cleansing, but if that was not successful, to then start taking down, damaging his military capability."

Cohen said many people have "unrealistic expectations" about the length of the conflict.

Operation Desert Fox only lasted three to four days, he noted, "but this is an entirely different terrain and a different type of opponent."



Army Master Sgt. Michael Land

force personnel unload supplies from a C-130 in Tirana, Albania, as part of an ongoing relief operation for ethnic Albanians.

## Blue ribbon campaign encourages child abuse prevention, awareness

**Mike B. Vrabel**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Health and Lifestyles Education Department of Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) Camp Lejeune began its Blue Ribbon Campaign April 1 to promote National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Blue Ribbon Campaign has been a nationwide since 1983 to educate the public about child abuse and neglect, according to Melissa Slater, prevention specialist with Health and Lifestyles Education.

Over our nation, you can see people

wearing blue ribbons," said Slater. "The ribbons represent a commitment from the people to help prevent child abuse."

Child abuse is not limited to beating a child, according to Slater. To belittle, sexually abuse, and neglect young ones are all considered forms of child abuse, and continue to be problems in America, according to Slater.

Neglect can happen as a result of a lack of supervision for young children, or when children are not provided proper food or clothing. Abuse often occurs when other forms of domestic abuse spill down onto the young ones, said Slater.

During the month of April, blue ribbons

will be displayed throughout Camp Lejeune in an effort to draw attention to the crisis of child abuse.

The ribbons will be posted on trees and electrical poles along the main roads of Camp Lejeune, on various buildings, and at entrances to base housing areas.

There are things anyone can do to help prevent child abuse. One thing is to wear a blue ribbon during April to help raise awareness. Also, it is everyone's responsibility to report suspected cases of child abuse.

"Because child abuse rarely stops without intervention and help, it is federal law that

every citizen must report suspected child abuse and neglect," said Slater.

There are a number of programs that promote healthy family relationships offered aboard Camp Lejeune. These programs include parenting classes, the Early Intervention Program, Kids' R' Great, Kids Plus, and other counseling services.

To report a suspected case of child abuse or neglect, contact the Community Counseling Center at 451-2864/2876, or in an emergency situation, dial 911.

For more information concerning family programs, or for a blue ribbon, call Health and Lifestyles Education at 451-2865.



Cpl. Jon Wilke

Blue ribbons have been hung throughout the base to remind personnel of the importance of child abuse prevention.

### Missing Person

Missing is 22-year-old Tonya A. Wallace, wife of a Camp Lejeune Marine. The 5-foot-4-inch, 115 pound woman was last seen about 10:45 p.m., March 26, while driving her 1996 Geo Tracker sport utility vehicle aboard base (vehicle was later found at Piney Green Shopping Center). She was wearing a green tank top shirt and blue denim jeans.

Wallace has no history of unexplained absence, and she has not been heard from since her disappearance. Anyone having information concerning her whereabouts, is asked to call the Naval Criminal Investigative Service at 451-8071 or 577-6247.

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#### Operation Dog Pound

Reservists from across the nation visit base to participate in 2d Marine Division motor transportation exercise.

#### Children Learn Leadership

Torch Club allows base children to display their leadership potential, while instilling the value of teamwork.

2A  
4A  
10A  
14A  
1B  
6B  
8A  
16A







# Home Alone

## New base order clarifies child-at-home guidelines for parents

Sharon G. Angell  
Lejeune correspondent

Parents may believe their child is old enough to stay home alone, before and after school, or while they are working, but in some cases this may not be true.

According to a new addition to the Family Manual, Base Order P 11101.32G, Child must be at least 10 years old to stay alone or in a car unattended. The order states a child must be 12 years of age or older to baby-sit another sibling or child. Additionally, if the parents plan on being home overnight, they must make arrangements for another adult to come in and care for their child.

The new guidelines are part of a new set of base orders that provide assistance to parents by establishing a stable place for their child while they are at work.

The Marine Corps Community Services, Children and Youth Programs sponsor the School-Age Care (SAC) Program and the Latch Key Program.

"These programs are for children whose parents have to be at work early in the morning before school starts, or whose parents don't get off work until after (the children) are out of school," said Tonya Turner, Director, Brewster Child Development Center.

SAC is held at Berkley Manor Elementary School and Tarawa Terrace Child Development Center. Students from Russell Elementary School and Stone Street Elementary School are transported to Berkley Manor by bus, explained Turner.

The SAC program provides the children a nutritious breakfast and afternoon snack, but more importantly, a safe place to stay while their parents are at work, according to Turner. Berkley Manor SAC is accredited by the

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and Tarawa Terrace SAC is currently seeking accreditation. There is one care provider per 15 children and each care provider receives specialized training in such things as CPR, first aid, child abuse reporting, and safety and fire prevention training.

"The School-Age Care Program is open to all students from kindergarten through 12 years of age and the fee for a student to participate in the program is based on total family income," said Turner.

Care is available Monday through Friday, including school breaks and teacher training days. Normal working hours are from 6:30 a.m. until school starts and continues after school until 6 p.m., except during scheduled school

breaks when the center is open full days. The center is closed on federal holidays, according to Turner.

In addition to SAC, the Latch Key Program is also available to assist with children 10 years and older who do not stay at school after hours.

This program focuses on students who do not have anyone at home after school and is instrumental in helping parents decide if their child is mature enough to be home alone.

If there are parents who are unsure if their children should be left alone, handouts and guidelines are available at the Children and Youth Programs Resource and Referral Office to help answer their questions.

These guidelines help parents decide whether or not their child should stay home

alone and if so, for how long, according to Turner. Some of the guidelines include: how long the parent will be away, how often the child will be away, the ability of the child to make decision in an emergency, and the presence of siblings.

"These guidelines are set to help ensure the safety and care of a child aboard Camp Lejeune," according to Turner.

Although some parents may believe the child is old enough to be left home alone, the base order is designed to guide and parents the care of their child when they can not be home.

For more information on these programs for children, contact the Resource and Referral Office at 451-2653.

Editors note: some information included in this article was provided by the Quality of Life Partners for Readiness Program at Virginia Tech, Va.



## MCCSSS's MAT program improves Marines' attitude

Sharon M. Kalyn  
Lejeune correspondent

The Marine Corps Combat Service Support (MCCSSS) at Camp Johnson led the Marines Awaiting Training program in January 1998 because of the number of Marines facing various problems.

The program was used to be a way of life for waiting for the start of their military specialty (MOS) schools at Johnson. However, there are only so many wrap-ups a Marine can pick up before motivation dies.

While waiting to go to school working parties asking themselves, "Marine, the best of the best, then why are these crappy details?" said 1st Sgt. A. Foxx, First Sergeant of the Marine Corps Community Services.

Friday, Foxx pulls aside new Marines and asks what is expected of them while at Camp Johnson. She talks about that as Marines they should be "airly, yet firmly."

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Marines exercise daily throughout the one-week program, and exercises may range from the Marine Corps daily seven and an occasional fartlek course to an obstacle course and swimming. Marines are also given the chance to practice shooting on an Indoor Simulated Marksmanship Trainer (ISMT) to ready them for requalification on the M-16A2 service rifle.

Since all Marines under 26 years old are required to take the Driver's Improvement Course, MAT schedules driver's training in the curriculum to help Marines get a head start before they hit the fleet. By completing this course, Marines will be able to register their privately owned vehicles immediately upon arrival at their first permanent duty station.

MCCSSS personnel realize the importance of familiarizing Marines with the resources available to them, so they invite representatives from several organizations to give a short brief about their services.

Some of the organizations include the equal opportunity office, career planning, administration, the Jacksonville United Service Organization, and Marine Corps Community Services. A chaplain discusses topics which may be eye opening to some Marines, touching on subjects such as stress management, marriage and suicide. A Naval Hospital doctor warns Marines of the risks of contracting sexually transmitted diseases and discusses

other health issues.

Gender issues, including sexual harassment, are incorporated into discussions with staff advisors. For many Marines MOS school is the first opportunity males and females have to work together.

MCCSSS takes a proactive approach to learning by inviting an instructor from Coastal Carolina Community College (CCCC) to administer a proficiency test focusing on math and reading skills. Marines whose scores reveal problems attend learning labs hosted by CCCC twice a week at their MOS school. MAT also stresses to staff advisors that Marines are no longer recruits and they should be treated accordingly.

"I expect new Marines to be treated with respect and dignity, and I will not tolerate anyone treating them poorly," said Foxx.

"We try to give Marines an opportunity to be treated like Marines," said 1st Sgt. Charlie L. White, Staff Advisor from Logistics Operations School. "We are not trying to take them back to boot camp."

Many Marines arrive at schools with unresolved personal and medical problems from initial training. White says he tries to help these Marines work out their problems so they can focus more on their schoolwork.

"I try to be approachable so Marines who have problems feel they can come to me," said White.

One instructor from each of the six MOS schools at Camp Johnson is loaned to MAT for six months as a staff advisor. Advisors become mentors, taking Marines to all scheduled activities, leading physical training (PT) and teaching core values classes. They also quell any fears or uneasiness Marines may have about events to come.

"We invested in Marines, giving them a sense of belonging to a family, rather than leaving them feeling like they are in a holding pen," said Foxx.

Before the MAT revisions, Marines were lost with no idea of when they could expect to go to school. Sometimes it was months before they could attend, and they were left wondering what their fate would be. However, Marines are now given their schedules by Monday of their MAT cycle. They now know if they are going straight to school the following week or spending a week as a Marine guard, providing security for the Beirut Memorial, armory and gate.

Although staff advisors and program directors are always trying to better the MAT program, statistics have shown the program has already made a difference in morale.

Since 1997, there has been a drop of 53 percent in administrative separations and a 38 percent drop in nonjudicial punishments (NJP). MAT student critiques have also shown a change in attitude toward the Corps.

## Civil Processing takes new duty

1st Lt. Heidi Timmerman  
Civil Process Officer

The Civil Processing Section of the Staff Judge Advocate's Office has a new duty. It now works with Department of Motor Vehicles enforcement officers to process revocations of North Carolina drivers licenses and automobile plates. Battalion legal sections will now be getting calls from Civil Processing for Marines and Sailors who have had their drivers licenses or automobile plates revoked to appear before the DMV enforcement officers at Bldg. 66 on Wednesday mornings.

A revocation order for drivers licenses may be issued for a variety of reasons, such as failure to appear in traffic court or DWI. Upon receipt of the revocation order, the Civil Process section will notify the legal sections for each battalion, instructing the individual to appear with their North Carolina drivers license and proof that the problem has been corrected. A revocation order for automobile plates is issued when the individual fails to recertify their insurance.

For more information, call the civil process officer at 451-7081.

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## 2d MarDiv

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## 2d FSSG

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Fedline Authorization Worksheets (FAW) are now available for Key Volunteers. Filling out the FAW and attaching it to the SF1164 reimbursement claims will allow disbursing to pay claims faster, via electronic fund transfer.



## MCB

## Commissary store hours

Sunday	noon-6 p.m.	Friday	9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Monday	Closed	Saturday	9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Tuesday	9 a.m.-6 p.m.	Early bird will remain	
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For updated information on community activities, sports information, Marine Corps Exchange sales, and much more, visit the web site at [www.mccslejeune.com](http://www.mccslejeune.com)

## Self-Improvement

Anger Management class will be held April 16 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at building 65. Call 451-2865 to register.

**Mom's Basic Training, Dads Baby Boot Camp** are hands-on education classes for parents with children from newborns to 6 years of age. For registration, information and dates, call 451-5286.

**Marriage Preparation Workshop** will be held Thursday and Friday from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Marine Corps Family Team Building Center. For more information, call 451-0176.

**Transition Support Services, Building 14.** Formerly known as the Family Service Center (FSC) are offering classes on a regular basis. These classes are as follows:

Approach Workshop  
Thursday — 9:00 a.m. - noon TT Bldg. 2475

Federal Employment Workshop  
April 19 — 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. TS/PS Bldg. 14

DORS Workshop  
April 20 — 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. TS/PS Bldg. 14

Hidden Job Market Workshop  
April 21 — 9:00 a.m. - noon TS/PS Bldg. 14

Interviewing Workshop  
April 23 — 9:00 a.m. - noon TS/PS Bldg. 14

Reservations are needed and may be made by calling 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

**Making The Right Move** will be held April 14 from 9 a.m.-noon at the Transition Support Services, Building 14. Formerly known as the Family Service Center. To register or for more information call, 451-3212/3219 ext. 100/101.

## Scholarships

The Camp Lejeune Chief Petty Officer's Association is offering a \$500 scholarship towards the college education for dependents of Camp Lejeune chief petty officers. Dependent children must be graduating high school seniors. Applicants must be accepted as full-time students at an accredited college or university. For further information or to receive an application, contact PNC Bruschi at 451-8113.

**Sprint** offers on an annual basis, \$1,000 college/university scholarships to active duty military personnel and their dependents stationed at Camp Lejeune or MCAS, New River. Seven scholarships are available to individuals who are attending, or accepted to, four-year colleges or universities within the state of North Carolina. Details and scholarship applications are available at the guidance department of area high schools and Coastal Carolina Community College. Deadline for applications for the 1999-2000 college year

is May 1. For additional information contact the Project Manager, Ms. Tina Duncan at 451-2517.

**The Retired Officer's Association (TROA)** will award 200 grants of \$1,000 each for the 1999-2000 school year. An applicant must be the dependent of an active duty or drilling reserve component member, officer or enlisted. An applicant must be a high school senior or college student working on his or her first undergraduate degree, under the age of 24 and never married and an applicant must be planning to attend an accredited college or university as a full-time student in the fall of 1999. Applications will only be taken on line at TROA's web site: <http://www.troa.org>. Then go to "Member Services" and find "Scholarship 200" click there. The introduction page shows all the information an applicant will need. There are no essays, or proof of financial need. Deadline for application is Thursday.

**The Camp Lejeune SNCO Wives Club** will offer a total of \$6,000 this year—funds earned through sales at the Wives Club Thrift Shop. The sole purpose of the program is to provide financial assistance in the form of direct scholarships to family members of active duty, retired or deceased service personnel of the United States Armed Forces. Application and accompanying documentation must be postmarked no later than Thursday.

Applications postmarked after Thursday or those which do not include all supporting documentation will be disqualified. Applications may be picked up at the SNCO Wives Club Thrift Shop; local high schools; Education Center, Camp Lejeune; Family Service Center, Camp Lejeune; Base Library, Camp Lejeune and Hidden Talents.

## Support Groups

**The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society** will be offering a crocheting class through April 21. The class will be held at the NMCRS Layette room, Camp Lejeune from 9 a.m.-noon. For more information call 451-5584.

**Exceptional Family Member Program** is not just a service for children. If you have an adult in the family, residing with the military sponsor, and they possess a special physical, intellectual or emotional need you may qualify. For more information call 451-3219/5340 ext. 100/101.

**"Triumph Over Tobacco" Support Group** meets for those who have successfully quit tobacco use, those currently trying to quit and for those who are "thinking" about quitting. Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month, at 4:30 p.m. Bldg. 65. For more information, contact Kim Hugelback 451-3712.

**Pre-separation Brief** is spon-

sored weekly by the Career Resource Management Center and will answer any questions you may have. For more information call 451-5340 ext. 119.

**Marine Corps Family Team Building/L.I.N.K.S. (Lifestyle, Insights, Networking, Knowledge, and Skills)** "links" spouses with real life tips, positive attitudes, Marine Corps culture, benefits associated with the ID Card, and available resources that they can use to help themselves become more self-sufficient members of the Marine Corps Family whether their Marine/Sailor is in for three years or 30. Sessions offered monthly. Make new friends and enjoy being part of the Marine Corps Family here at Camp Lejeune. For more information, call the L.I.N.K.S. Office at 451-1299.

## Upcoming Events

**Musical Lunch Series** will be held on Fridays through April 30 from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at the New River Waterfront Park. The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department, the Onslow County Public Library, and the Jacksonville Recreation and Parks Department invites the public to a series of musical lunches. Concerts are free and open to the public. In case of rain, concerts will be held across the street at the USO. Performers include The Onslow Brass Quintet, Roots of Bluegrass and more. For more information, call 347-5332.

**The 44th Annual Joint Electronic Warfare Conference** will be hosted by the USMC at Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla., April 26-29. The conference is for U. S. Government personnel only. The conference theme is "EW: A Controlling Factor in an Expanding Battlespace." For registration information, contact Karen Maggard at (703) 784-4541 ext. 2013.

**The Relay for Life** is a unique fund-raising event that will be held at Jacksonville Commons Recreation Center April 23 at 6 p.m. through April 24 at 6 p.m. There will be approximately 1,000 people in attendance. The purpose of the Relay is to raise money for Cancer research. For more information, call 326-5136.

**The Camp Lejeune Commissary** will be having a one-day only truckload sale Monday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Family Skating** and fun at the Tarawa Terrace tennis court area, straight in from the Tarawa Terrace II gate. This event will include DJ skating music, balloon sculptures, moonwalk, clown entertainment, magic, face painting and more. Bring your skates, helmets, and family for hours of family fun Saturday from 1-4 p.m. For more information, call the Tarawa Terrace Community Center, 451-2253 or Armed Services YMCA at 451-9569.

**Confederate Railroad** will be in concert Sunday at 2 p.m. at Goettge Memorial Field House, with special guest Michael Twitty and 40 West. Tickets are \$7 in advance or \$10 at the door. For more information, call 451-3535.

**Onslow Home Health and Hospice with Johnson Funeral Home** will host "Living with Grief: At school, at work, at home," sponsored by the Hospice Foundation of America and moderated by Cookie Roberts. This broadcast will examine the ways loss and grief affect our interaction with others and the way we function in our day to day surroundings. The teleconference will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at Coastal Carolina Community College in room BT 101. Health professionals, clergy, educators, bereaved individuals and anyone touched by grief, should contact

Arnold Johnson, Spiritual/Bereavement Counselor at Onslow Home Health and Hospice. For more information, call 577-6660.

**HqSpt Bn MCB & MCCS** present Alpha Company Spring Fling April 16 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Hospital Point picnic area. Win prizes, enjoy free food and athletic events. For more information, contact GySgt. Peterson at 451-5508/3108.

**Flea Market** will be held at Marston Pavilion April 17 from 7-11 a.m. Sell unwanted treasures. \$1 per table (max 150 tables) first come, first served. Register by April 16. To register or for more information, call 451-1521.

**Marine Corps Community Services** presents "Children's Expo '99" April 24 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Marston Pavilion. Live performances and hands-on activities are planned throughout the day for parents and children. Special guests will include Camp Lejeune Fire Prevention Department, PMO canine unit, Jazzbo the Clown, McGruff the Crime Dog and Christopher & Company. Open and free to all family members of military and DoD employees. For more information, call 451-2653.

**Camp Lejeune Youth Activities' event** will be held at the base theater April 23 from 7-9 p.m. Choral, dance and instrumental groups throughout Camp Lejeune and Onslow county will participate in variety of shows for families by children. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 451-2785.

**Officer Wives' Club** presents "Experience the Orient at the Cherry Blossom Luncheon" April 21 at the Camp Lejeune Officers' Club. Social hour and 1999-2000 OWC executive board election will be held at 10 a.m. A Chinese water brush presentation will be held by April 14 to the Sherrie Grim.

**Adult Afternoon Craft Class** will be held April 19 at 1 p.m. Register by Wednesday. Fee will be \$5 and includes materials except for glue gun. For more information, call 451-2253.

**Co-Ed Cooking Classes** will be held April 20, 27 and May 4, 11 from 5-8 p.m. You will learn basic nutrition and how to plan and prepare your meals. Enjoy a sit down dinner at the end of each class. Bring an apron and have fun. Registration deadline is April 13. Fee will be \$25 (includes food). Register at TT Community Center or Base Library.

**Day Trip to the North Carolina J. Rolston Arboretum in Raleigh** will be held April 17. Fee will be \$15 per person. Advanced registration required. Bus will leave the Camp Lejeune Library parking lot at 7:30 a.m.

**Grand Opening of All Points Travel** will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. Register to win tickets to various attractions, such as Kings Dominion, Six Flags, Carowinds, Kinston Indians and Medieval Times. Stop by and get the best deals possible on airfare and railway tickets or plan a dream vacation. Located at the Exchange Mall Complex, next door to ITT. For more information, call 451-3535.

**Break Time 8-Ball Pool Tournament** will be held Saturday from 2 p.m. to midnight at the French Creek Recreation Center. Register today. For more information, call 451-1446.

**Grand Prix Series event** will be held Saturday at 8 a.m. To register or for more information, call 451-1799.

**The Ladies Home Journal** may provide the answer in its September issue which will be dedicated to the 100 most important women in

America. Ron Bickerstaff, Diversity Coordinator, Headquarters Marine Corps, is accepting nominations to forward to the magazine. We'd like you to nominate women currently active in the military that you believe are the most worthy of recognition. Nominations on behalf of officers and enlisted Marines are encouraged. Individuals may nominate themselves, or they may be nominated by their command.

Deadline is Thursday. Provide the Marine's complete name, duty station and a sentence or two justifying the nomination. Nomination should be email to [bickerstaff@hqmc.usmc.mil](mailto:bickerstaff@hqmc.usmc.mil). You may also fax your nomination to (703) 695-7460.

For more information, contact Bickerstaff at (703) 614-6251 (DSN 224).

**Day of Remembrance: Victims of the Holocaust** will be held at the Jewish Chapel, Camp Lejeune Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. For more information, call 451-9382.

**Lejeune High School Parent Teacher Organization** is planning an all night, substance-free graduation party for the seniors May 28. We need prize donations, food donations and chaperones. Interested persons may send in donations or inquire to: Project Graduation Lejeune High School PTO Attention: Prize Donations 835 Stone Street Camp Lejeune, N.C. 28547.

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**Family Housing Self Help Store** will again be distributing bedding plants and azalea bushes to base housing residents April 16 and 23 from noon-4 p.m., and April 17 and 24 from 8 a.m.-noon.

Flowers will be available for pickup at the following issue points: Tarawa Terrace, Midway Park & Knox MHP residents — Self Help Store, Bldg. TT-43; MCAS New River residents — Air Station Bldg. 605; Paradise Point, Hospital Point, Berkeley Manor and Watkins Village residents — The parking lot next to the superintendent of schools building on Stone Street; Courthouse Bay and rifle range resi-

dents — any location.

For more information, contact Area Manager.

## Volunteers

**Key Volunteer Training** held at the Marine Corps Family Team Building Center. The training schedule is as follows: Tuesday: 9-11:30 a.m. April 20: 9-11:30 a.m. April 27: 9-11:30 a.m. The next co-ordinator meeting will be May 13 from 9 a.m. at the Key Volunteer Building H-14. For more information, call 451-0176.

## Youth

**Marine Corps Community Services** presents preschool movies Monday, with "The Tuxedo of Pinocchio;" April 19 Hunchback of Notre Dame" and "Madeline." Movies will be from 9:30-11 a.m.

**National Library Week** will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday and will be through the week with contest displays, posters, bookman. Special guest will be David Channel 9 Meteorologist.

**Teen Job Fair**, will be held 17 from 9:00 a.m. - noon at the Street Youth Pavilion. This is targeting our youth who are looking for summer employment - full/part-time position. Family Employment Assistant and Stone Street Youth are presenting an opportunity employers with vacancies to their opportunities to our young people workforce. For more information call 451-1504 or Youth Activities at 451-2710.

**Teen Preparation Workshop** will be held Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., at the Street Youth Pavilion.

The preparation workshop cover skills assessment and writing on the first day and interviewing techniques and Teen Job preparation on the second day. Additional assistance may be obtained at the Family Member Employment Assistance Center, Tarawa Terrace, Bldg. 2475, behind the Chapel. For more information call 451-2710.



LCpl. Sharon M.

## Best chow in field

MajGen. Wayne E. Rollings, Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force, shakes hands with 8th Communication Battalion MEF, messmen after presenting the battalion with the Ney-Hill award, April 1 at the Base Theater. This is the battalion's second award for best field mess in the Department of the Navy. SSgt. John W. Gilinski, Chief Messman, accepted the award on behalf of the battalion. The award was won after the battalion competed against 45 other field mess units in a field mess setup.



## Movies:



Camp Lejeune			New River (Free)		
			No shows Tuesdays or Thursdays		
<b>Saturday</b>			<b>Friday</b>		
Message in a Bottle			She's All That	PG-13	7 p.m.
Payback	PG-13	2 p.m.	Playing by Heart	R	9:30
Rushmore	R	9:45 p.m.			
<b>Sunday</b>			<b>Saturday</b>		
My Favorite Martian			She's All That	PG-13	7 p.m.
	PG	2 p.m.	Playing by Heart	R	9:30
Message in a Bottle					
	PG-13	7 p.m.	<b>Sunday</b>		
<b>Monday</b>			She's All That	PG-13	3 p.m.
She's All That	PG-13	7 p.m.	Blast from the Past	PG-13	6 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>			<b>Monday</b>		
Playing by Heart	R	7 p.m.	Blast from the Past	PG-13	7 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>			<b>Wednesday</b>		
She's All That	PG-13	7 p.m.	Thin Red Line	R	7 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>			<b>Friday</b>		
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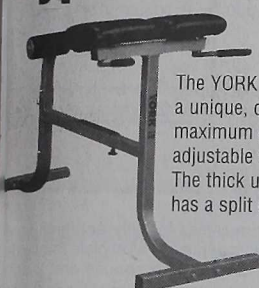
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## HAITI from 1A

also very pleased that Bedard took time to visit them, said Egli.

The other large group of Camp Lejeune Marines in Haiti is Golf Co. 2d Bn. 8th Marines. They have been in country since January 25 when they replaced Kilo Company, 3rd Battalion 2d Marine Regiment, also from Lejeune. Since that time they have provided security for humanitarian missions, DFT missions, and both Camp Kinzer and Camp Fairwinds.

Bedard spoke with Golf Co. Marines in a lunch address and then as he toured the camp he spoke with Marines in guard towers and in their "hooches." After this interaction the general commented that he was impressed with what he had seen.

"I am very impressed with the morale level of the Marines and with training and experience they gain by deploying down here. I am also impressed with the cohesion of the unit which always comes together when you deploy," he said.

Golf Co. Marines were also pleased that Bedard visited Haiti and had the opportunity to see what they are doing here. They are proud of the job they are doing and see the value of the training they receive.

"For almost everyone in the company, this is our first opportunity to deploy on a real-world mission. It is a good experience and allows us to apply the things we've trained to do," said LCpl. Andrew Calise, Company Training NCO.

Both units currently deployed to Haiti have kept up a very high operations-tempo. Golf Co. returned from Okinawa just in time to spend Christmas with their families and then rolled right back into training and deployment to Haiti. After their return in early April they will begin training for another deployment.

This tempo doesn't look like it will slow



Senior Airman Chris Evans

MajGen. Emil R. Bedard, Commanding General, 2d Marine Division, talks with PFC Jared Scott during his visit to Haiti.

down any time soon for Marines.

"I may not be able to pronounce the country we are going to next, or tell you exactly where it is on the map, but I think when you look at our expeditionary nature, the way we're organized, the way we train, the fact that we are an air-ground logistics task force that can pick up and move very rapidly to a crisis area. I see only more calls for U.S. Marines," said Bedard.

The Marines of Golf Co. are happy to be on their way home to families and friends. Most have been away from Camp Lejeune for nine of the past 11 months and will likely leave again in September. However, they will return with a new appreciation for America. LCpl. Matthew Shoemaker, one of the approximately 30 married Marines here, described the living conditions for the local population here as a "big shock," and LCpl. Samuel Deeds

added that "being in Haiti really makes you realize how much you have back home."

Bedard echoed this prevalent sentiment.

"I think after a deployment like this they go home tremendously appreciative of how they live, and the freedom they enjoy and guard so dearly. I think they also, in their hearts, have a feeling that in some way they contributed to the stability down here," he said. He also saluted the dedication of Marines family members and the support at home.

"We have got just a tremendous support organization back at Camp Lejeune that not only takes care of our young forward-deployed Marines, but certainly of their families as well," he said.

"Family readiness is a key aspect of force protection: If our families are well taken care of, our Marines can focus more clearly on what they are doing here."

## VIRUS from 1A

created thereafter act just as the original Melissa file.

Additionally, it checks the computer's registry, which tells Melissa if it has already been there. If it has, it stops there. If Melissa is new to the system, it proceeds to access the user's address book and emails itself to the first 50 users that show up on the list.

These users in turn receive an email from that person saying, "Important message from (name of person)." The message inside the email says something to the effect of "Don't worry. I won't tell anyone!" When the recipient opens the attached file (list.doc), the process repeats itself.

To make a long story short, the file was

attached to an email, and now every time it's executed it sends itself to 50 people via email. By the time it reaches the second level, it's already infected about 2,500 email accounts. A few more levels and the problem has reached a nine-figure number of recipients.

"The servers couldn't handle that kind of traffic," said Rizzo. "The massive amount of processing that was required to handle it could have caused the servers to come to a grinding halt. We shut our servers down Saturday morning (March 27) to prevent not only that, but the spreading of the file throughout the following work days."

Though Melissa caused a great deal of work for base's computer wizards, Beckman said it was a good wake up call.

"The advantage here is that we have the most up to date virus scans, and if this should happen again we have the experience to combat it," said Beckman. Beckman added that in spite of some "copy cat" viruses floating around, the chances of this happening again are slim, thanks to the latest virus scan programs.

Four "copy cats" of the Melissa Virus currently exist. Each is a slightly modified version of the file. For example, one virus may send out a higher number of mail entries, while another works with Microsoft Excel instead of Word. The culprit of the Melissa Virus was apprehended in New Jersey by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) after the file was traced to him and a search warrant issued.

## Civilian Personnel

## Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance (FGLI) increase in option C-Family coverage and election unreduced options B-Additional and option C-Family retirement

Public Law 105-311, Federal Employees Life Insurance Improvement Act, of Oct. 30, 1998, made numerous changes to the FGLI program. Some of the changes include increasing the amount of Option C-Family coverage available, allowing employees to elect unreduced Options B-Additional and C-Family, and eliminating the maximum amounts of coverage for the Basic insurance and Option B-Additional.

## Increased Amount of Option C-Family

Q: What is the current amount of Option C-Family?

A: Currently, Option C-Family coverage is \$5,000 for a spouse and \$2,500 for an eligible child.

Q: What is the new amount?

A: The new law allows federal employees to elect up to five multiples of the amounts. The maximum amount of Option C-Family available therefore will be \$25,000 for a spouse and \$12,500 for each eligible child.

Q: When does this change go into effect?

A: This change becomes effective April 24, 1999.

Q: Can employees elect a different number of multiples for different family members?

A: No. The number of multiples an employee elects applies to all eligible family members. For instance, an employee cannot elect four multiples on a spouse and 2 on a child.

## Change of Command

Headquarters and Support Battalion, MCB



Col. Glen R. Sachtleben



LtCol. Jesse L. Beamon

In a ceremony held yesterday at Bldg. 1, LtCol. Jesse L. Beamon relinquished command of Headquarters and Support Battalion, Marine Base, Camp Lejeune, to Col. Glen R. Sachtleben.

Beamon, who held command of the battalion in an interim status beginning Jan. 12, now reassumes duties as battalion executive officer.

Sachtleben assumes command of the battalion after a successful tour of duty as AC/S G-1, II Marine Expeditionary Force. Sachtleben was commissioned in June, 1974, and is married to the former Laurie Smith of San Francisco. They have four children, Joseph, Robert, Danielle, and Michael.

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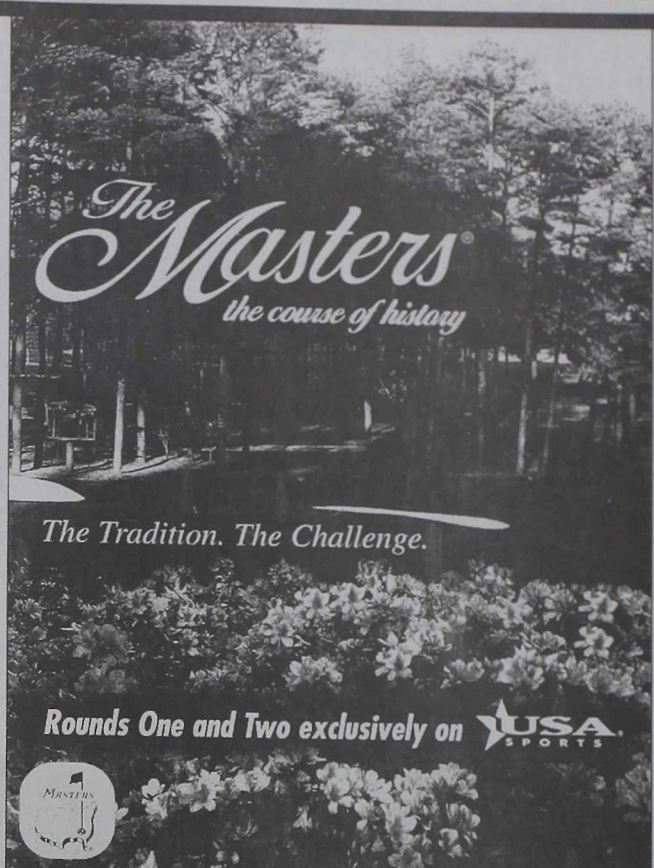
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# Reserve mechanics activate to work in high-tempo environment



Sgt. Micheal D. Rogers

Hard at work, Cpl. Stephen P. Ritter examines a humvee engine for damage and possible repair.

**Sgt. Micheal D. Rogers**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Reserve Marines from across the nation activated March 20 to assist motor transportation units from 2d Marine Division during a 14-day exercise, dubbed Operation Dog Pound II.

During this period, 17 reservists augmented division's undermanned motor transport unit to help fill billets and work hand-in-hand, getting 2d Marine Division's overall combat readiness back up to respectable levels.

These reserve mechanics came from as far south as Abilene, Texas, and as far west as Sacramento, Calif. to bring their mechanical expertise to the 2d Marine Division table.

"We want to use your expertise," Col. Ronald S. Coleman, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, 2d Marine Division, told the crew. "We plan on getting as much work out of you as we possibly can while you are here."

Basically, everybody in the division is

maintaining 56 percent of their required Table of Organization, the number of Marines a unit rates in various military occupational specialties, according to Capt. David J. Eskelund, assistant motor transport officer, 2d Marine Division Motor Transport. "Operational tempos are in full swing while the augmentation of these reservists will provide a much needed increase in maintenance output," said Eskelund.

The reservists were split into four teams of four Marines, each with one staff-noncommissioned officer in charge. One team went to 2d Tank Battalion, where it assisted the Marines in repairing everything from humvee's to water

bulbs in the motor transport maintenance section. "The reservists coming here and assisting us shows real teamwork," said CWO-4 Dan D. Cooper, Motor Transport Maintenance Officer, 2d Tank Battalion, 2d Marine Division. "What the reservists may lack in experience,

they more than compensate for in motivation and dedication toward their job and unit cohesion. It's a real give and take situation," said Cooper.

The other teams went to 2d Combat Engineer Battalion, Headquarters Battery, 10th Marine Regiment; and Headquarters Battalion, 2d Marine Division. All the mechanics worked in the motor transport maintenance sections of the units to which they were assigned.

"There is a vast difference in equipment for us to work on and a new work environment for us to explore here," said LCpl. Ryan D. Whitlock, a reservist from Augusta, Ga.

"There's obviously a whole lot more to it than it's a different kind of work, not happening every day at the reserve."

As the reservists typically

weekend a month and two weeks

Marines are providing a much-needed

to their fellow devil dogs.

"Both the mechanic and log

sharpens individual skills a

significant benefits to active duty

said LtCol. Gregory E. Andrew

Officer in Charge, Affiliation De

Marine Division. "It's a win-win

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*"We plan on getting as much work out of you as we possibly can while you are here."*

**Col. Ronald S. Coleman,**  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4,  
2d Marine Division



LCpl. James B. Buck squeezes himself into the underbody of a 5-ton truck as he hand tightens a nut.



Sgt. Micheal D. Rogers

With just enough precision to hit the bolt and not the thumb, Cpl. Jody R. Allen hammers away while Cpl. Thomas R. Allen, Truck Company, Headquarters, 2d Marine Division, keeps a steady grip.

## Radio communication vital to successful artillery mission

**LCpl. Sharon M. Kalyn**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Spartan Echo, this is Spartan Golf ... Roger ... pause repeat follows 9-7-3 break ... 4-2-8 how copy ... repeat from four to eight ... roger out.

The jargon of field radio operators sounds foreign, like mumbo-jumbo, to untrained ears, however their language clearly communicates messages to ensure vital mission essential information gets passed.

Communication is the foundation of operations.

Without sound communication, commanders cannot talk to troops, supplies cannot be delivered and many other problems can arise.

By practicing their communication skills, Marines can iron out any problem areas. This helps the Marines prepare for any trouble which may occur with their equipment, according to Sgt. Ernesto Ramirez, 2d Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division.

2d Bn., 6th Marines has been training more lately to prepare for its annual Marine Corps Combat Readiness Evaluation (MCCRE).

The battalion will be evaluated on its ability to accomplish its mission as outlined in Fleet Marine Force Manual

3-30 for communications. This manual outlines everything a communications unit in the Marine Corps is required to do to be combat ready, according to GySgt. Randy Delgado, Communications Chief.

Field radio operators train with the battalion's infantry and artillery units to practice finding targets and passing adjust fire messages to the firing line. Marines from 2d Battalion, Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, trained at Observation Post 2, Lucky's Mound, using the portable radio component 119 (PRC-199), March 22 with artillery batteries.

The purpose of the training was call for fire. Observers find the grid of targets through the use of compasses, lasers, scopes and maps, and then relay that information to the artillery units in the field so they could destroy the target.

Each four-man team of communicators is made up of a forward observer (FO), a scout observer and two field radio operators. The FO and scout determine positioning of targets, and radio operators relay messages to artillery.

Observers watch through binoculars and tried to pinpoint the enemy, then radio their calculations to artillery, and patiently await impact.

Occasionally, aim is off target, so radio operators relay adjustment directions to put rounds on target.

Messages sent over the radio are usually short and to the point, not longer than a couple of seconds. Radio operators communicate between units in the field to make sure firing is coordinated and artillery can effectively eliminate targets, according to Ramirez.

Sometimes, radios break down requiring operators to do whatever is necessary to rectify the problem. When malfunctions occur, the mission begins to disintegrate, according to Ramirez.

"Troubleshooting is my favorite part of the job," said LCpl. Victor A. Wiggins, Field Radio Operator.

Wiggins said he enjoys trying to correct the problem so he can continue communicating. He also said he learns something new everyday by discovering the cause of a problem and how to fix it.

While field radio operators sit waiting for messages on their crackling radios, their job may seem insignificant and boring. However, their communication skills and expertise could make the difference between success and failure of a mission.



Cpl. Steven L. Barnett communicates coordinates of a target to Marines on the firing line.



LCpl. Sharon M. Kalyn

Marines with 2d Bn., 6th Marines, discuss coordinates of a target and make a fire plan.



# Assault Amphibian Battalion celebrates 57th anniversary

## lution maintains legacy of service and pride

**Sgt. J. Huffman**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

On March 18 marked the 57th anniversary of the Assault Amphibian Battalion, a battalion responsible for maneuvering elements of 2d Marine Division from ship to shore for more than a century.

The celebration was held March 19 on the deck at Courthouse Bay, where the battalion came out in full force to pay tribute to the legacy of many proud Marines and who fought and died, etching their names in our nation's history forever.

The 2d Marine Division Band played for the occasion, and among the special guests were Marine Division Chief of Staff Col. Kevin A. Conry, and the 2d Marine Division Sergeant Major SgtMaj. Henry C. Wallace.

On March 1, 1942, the battalion began as the Assault Amphibian Battalion, and in keeping with the technological evolution of the assault amphibious vehicle, it maintained peak readiness and distinguished itself as a true forcible entry unit.

On the day of the battalion was December 20, 1943. Covered by the thundering guns of the USS Maryland and USS North Carolina, the Battalion Commander Maj. Drewes, readied his landing vehicle (LVT), and LVT-2s for battle. This first time these vehicles were used as landing craft rather than cargo delivery vehicles.

In three waves, 87 LVTs made

their way to the shore while under well aimed enemy fire from heavy and light machine guns, and 40mm anti-boat guns. The first wave of LVTs returned fire with .50-caliber machine guns, and struggled onward to the beach. WO Kiyoshi Ota, senior surviving Japanese officer stated, "We could see the American landing craft coming toward us like dozens of spiders scattering over the surface of the water... One of my men exclaimed, 'The God of Death has come!'"

There were 323 Americans killed in the battle that day, including Drewes, who died after taking over a machine gun from a fallen crewman.

The men gave their lives, not just to secure a heavily defended and fortified beach, but also to give birth to modern amphibious assault doctrine.

After a brief reflection of history, the battalion saluted proudly as a color guard passed before them.

There was also a cake-cutting ceremony honoring the battalion's oldest Marine, MGySgt. Iverson E. Hathaway, and the youngest Marine, PFC Jared E. Sanders. After the cake-cutting, LtCol. Thomas B. Galvin, 2d AA Bn. Commanding Officer, thanked the Marines for their sacrifices, and invited all Marines and special guests to enjoy some cake at the celebration.

After all the pomp and circumstance, Galvin dismissed the Marines, bringing the ceremony, which paid solemn tribute to 2d AA Bn.'s rich heritage and steadfast devotion to country and Corps, to an end.



Sgt. Bruce J. Huffman

During 2d AA Bn.'s 57th anniversary ceremony, a cake-cutting honored the oldest Marine, MGySgt. Iverson E. Hathaway, and youngest Marine, PFC Jared E. Sanders.



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Members of 2d AA Bn. stand proudly at parade rest during the ceremony commemorating the battalion's 57th anniversary.



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2d AA Bn. Commanding Officer LtCol. Thomas B. Galvin thanked the battalion's Marines for their continued hard work and sacrifices.



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Christopher Hutsell and members of the 2d Marine Division Band were on hand for the occasion, setting the tone for a day of celebration and reflection.



Sgt. Bruce J. Huffman

2d Marine Division Chief of Staff Col. Kevin A. Conry and 2d Marine Division Sergeant Major SgtMaj. Henry C. Wallace were the special guests at 2d AA Bn.'s 57th anniversary ceremony.



# Depot Marine opens own business while training for triathlon

LCpl. Adam K. Anderson  
MCRD Parris Island correspondent

**MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT PARRIS ISLAND, S.C.** — One Depot Marine has his hands full training 22 to 28 hours a week for triathlons, managing household chores and owning the Beaufort areas first drive-through gourmet coffee shop while managing to fulfill his duties as a Marine.

"I'm juggling a lot of things right now, but it's not stress and it's not overwhelming - it's fun and I'm living my life to the fullest," said SSgt. Terry E. Butts, Operations Chief at Parris Island's Combat Swimming Pool.

While driving through Beaufort one day with his wife, GySgt. Ana Prada-Butts, First Sergeant of Company O, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, looking for new real estate investments, they spotted what would very quickly become a dream business. "My wife pointed out the building and said, 'you know, that would be an awesome, drive-through, gourmet coffee shop,'" said Butts. "From the time she said that, it was open two weeks later."

After seeing the shop, Butts coordinated a partnership with his brother, 2ndLt. Travis Butts, a student at The Basic School in Quantico, Va.,

and his sister-in-law Tami, to put together the coffee business. Because his brother is more business minded and lives too far away to help with the labor, he took care of dealing with the type of loan they would take out to purchase the equipment and building.

Preparing for the opening of their shop was not as easy as it first seemed. Butts, along with a group of friends, had to tackle the tasks of power-washing the building, repainting and setting the equipment up for their grand opening - and that was the easy part, according to Butts.

Hundreds of fliers had already been distributed announcing the shop's opening as Feb. 13, but the building wasn't as ready for the opening. The machines arrived one day before the shop was scheduled to open, and after the boxes were emptied and the machines were set up, Butts realized that the building was not wired to the correct voltage. So the rewiring began.

Not having expertise in the wiring field, Butts called on the electrical skill of his father-in-law, John Prada, and fellow Marine SSgt. Dave Burgess, Police Sergeant at the Depot Combat Swimming Pool. A job which could have cost thousands of dollars, was completed at minimal cost in just over an hour, Butts explained. "It's hard to find friends like that," said Butts, "but I've found that no matter where

you go in the Marine Corps you will always have friends like that, and they will stick with you when you need them most."

Butts begins his work days by opening the coffee shop at 5 a.m., and staying until approximately 6:45 a.m. at which time he drives to the Depot to work at the Combat Swimming Pool.

During lunch he goes to town and purchases supplies that are needed at the shop. He also manages to train two to three hours each day for triathlons. That training placed him as a competitor in the recent ironman competitions in Clairmont, Fla., where he placed 19th overall and second place out of the competing service members with a 10 hour, 12 minute time. Butts competes in the 25-29 age group bracket, where, according to him, the best triathletes are found.

After completing his work on base, Butts spends his evenings working at the coffee shop for another two hours before going home to take care of his three dogs, do the household chores and pay bills. He also runs the shop on Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Butts attributes his work ethic to his Marine Corps training and time spent as a sniper with force reconnaissance and as a Marine Corps infantryman. Idle time is unknown to men like Butts. "Basically,

once I get up I've got something going on. Butts allows himself one avocation - he reads books to read about business management, physical fitness and anything that will help him accomplish his dreams and make his business future businesses, better.

He plans on opening another coffee shop, Quantico with his brother and ultimately hope to own a large restaurant. "As long as you got someone that you can count on who can sure the hours on the payroll are right, you got a good manager that you can rely on and people work for you that you can count on, it's work to run something like this," said Butts.

Currently, Butts is working on becoming as a triathlon coach to teach athletes to bet themselves through running, biking and swimming preparing for the upcoming qualification Military World Games in May.

No matter what he is training for, work or serving up, Butts explained that the key to being successful is to always try and be as able as possible, help as many people as possible and make the best out of every situation handed.

"God puts people in different places for different reasons," said Butts. "I'm just here to take advantage of it."

## Medal of honor recipient's mother visits depot

Cpl. Victoria M. Modlin  
MCRD Parris Island correspondent

**MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT PARRIS ISLAND, S.C.** — A Vietnam War Medal of Honor recipient's mother and sister visited the Depot March 24 - 26 with the Recruiting Station New York Educators' Workshop and were honored with a bouquet of flowers at a morning colors ceremony March 26.

Florence Noonan, mother of LCpl. Tom Noonan, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for heroic actions during the Vietnam War, and her daughter Jeanne Leonard, took time out from the Educators' Workshop activities to meet with BGen. James R. Battaglini, Depot Commanding General.

"It was a pleasure to meet with Mrs. Noonan during her visit to Parris Island," said Battaglini. "We will always remember her son LCpl. Tom Noonan for his heroism and the giving of his life for his fellow Marines in Vietnam. So too, we must never forget the great sacrifice by Mrs. Noonan ... the loss of her son in the service of our country and its Corps of Marines. She is quite a lady ... a proud and true Marine's

mom." Noonan and her daughter, said they were flattered when Battaglini served them coffee before the morning colors ceremony and were overwhelmed to talk to him about Noonan.

According to the Medal of Honor citation awarded to Noonan in 1971, the Queens, N.Y., native was a fire team leader with Company G, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division in operations against the enemy in Quang Tri Province in the Republic of Vietnam.

On Feb. 5, 1969, Co. G was directed to move from a position which they had been holding southeast of the Vandergrift Combat Base in A Shau Valley to an alternate location.

As the Marines commenced a slow and difficult descent of the hill, made slippery by the heavy rains, the leading element came under heavy fire from a North Vietnamese Army unit occupying well concealed positions in the rocky terrain. Four men were wounded, and repeated attempts to recover them failed because of the intense hostile fire. "LCpl. Noonan moved from his position of relative security and maneuvering down the treacherous slope

to a location near the injured men, took cover behind some rocks. Shouting words of encouragement to the wounded men to restore their confidence, he dashed across the hazardous terrain and commenced dragging the most seriously wounded man away from the fire-swept area. Although wounded and knocked to the ground by an enemy round, LCpl. Noonan recovered rapidly and resumed dragging the man toward the marginal security of a rock. He was, however, mortally wounded before he could reach his destination. His heroic actions inspired his fellow Marines to such aggressiveness that they initiated a spirited assault which forced the enemy soldiers to withdraw."

The Crucible honors LCpl. Noonan with event 3, Noonan's Casualty Evacuation, in which recruits carry a litter for a mile through the woods.

During their visit to the Depot, Florence Noonan and her daughter witnessed the event dedicated to their "Tommy." "They were explaining to the recruits what Tommy did," said Leonard.

According to Noonan, her son was always unselfish. She explained that he would help anybody.

"It's an honor to the whole family," said Noonan about a Crucible event being dedicated to her son's memory. "His name will always be somewhere. It's an honor for the generations."



BGen. James R. Battaglini, Depot Commanding General, presents flowers to Florence Noonan, Vietnam War Medal of Honor recipient LCpl. Noonan's mother after the morning colors ceremony March 26.

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# From behind Iron Curtain to eagle, globe and anchor

**Former Soviet girl battles hardships and emigration on her path to self-actualization as a member of the Marine Corps**

**Sgt. Sergio Jimenez**  
MCAS Yuma correspondent

**MARINE CORPS AIRSTATION YUMA, Ariz.** — PFC Natalie Aksenenko looked down at the grass at her feet and watched as a fickle wind blew a dry leaf across the field.

"I came to America to find myself," said the 23-year-old from Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma's Crash Fire Rescue unit.

"Sometimes I look at people who have lived in Yuma all of their lives and I wonder how much they have missed," said Aksenenko. "There is a whole world out there that they don't know about because they never leave. Maybe they don't like change, but I think change is good."

Like the leaf blowing across the field, her life has had many changes in color and texture. Aksenenko was born in 1976 and grew up under the crumbling Soviet regime in the Belarussian city of Minsk.

Her Jewish heritage made life difficult in the increasing anti-Semitic climate that arose in the former Soviet Union during the 1980s.

She grew up during the Soviet Union's painful transition from a socialist system to a hybrid socialist-free market economy and more open political system. But for the young Aksenenko, the political, economic and social disintegration was neither historic nor revolutionary.

"That's just the way life was," said Aksenenko. "And we got through it because we had no other choice."

Aksenenko remembers the government issued food coupons her family used to buy food with them and having to hunt around town for basic foods like bread, salt and sugar. A grocery trip was often a whole day affair, she said.

"We would drive up to a store and ask someone in line what the store had to sell. If it was something we needed, then we would wait in line," said Aksenenko. "Usually my mom would find out which stores had things we needed by word of mouth, then she would hurry up and go there before they ran out."

Not only did most Belarussians face shortages in basic foods, they also felt a housing crunch not felt by most Americans.

"In Russia, we couldn't own a home, so we had to get on a waiting list that sometimes lasted years to get an

apartment for the size of our family," said Aksenenko looking into the distance. "We moved around a lot because every time our family got bigger, we had to get a bigger apartment."

It was common for citizens to circumvent the waiting lists by agreeing to swap apartments on their own, said Aksenenko.

Moving had become a way of life. "I've been moving all my life, but it wasn't so bad because it forced me to adapt and work harder to catch up to the rest of my class," she said. "I would have to read extra chapters and do extra homework."

Moving around the country, Aksenenko began to notice the former Soviet Union was becoming an unpredictable and dangerous place to live.

"We would hear reports of Jewish people being attacked on the streets, or reports about anti-Semitic demonstrations," she said.

To escape the economic hardship and religious persecution in Belarus, Aksenenko and her family, who are part Jewish, emigrated to Israel in 1990.

"It was a whole new world," she said. "Everything was like I remembered seeing in the movies. Everything was new. The stores were full of new clothes, televisions and radios, and the grocery stores' shelves were full." Even going to a new school was eagerly anticipated.

"I was more excited than nervous about going to school in a new country," she said. "Blending in wasn't a big problem because the kids at school were used to kids coming from other countries and many were immigrants themselves."

"And learning Hebrew was easy because there were many other kids to practice with," she added. According to Aksenenko, life in Israel was both exciting and dangerous. She soon realized that her family had traded one social and political firestorm for another.

She had to adapt to living with the constant threat of bombing by Iraq during the Gulf War and with the frequent terrorist attacks by neighboring Arab nations. "I had to walk to school with a gas mask at my side that was so outdated that it probably wouldn't have helped me during an attack," said Aksenenko. "I remember the bomb raid sirens going off and all of us having to run to a special room that had been sealed with plastic and tape to protect us from chemical and poison gas attacks."

When Aksenenko turned 18 she joined the Israeli Army for 21 months of obligated service as a night vision device specialist. "Since women were only allowed to serve in administrative fields, I spent my enlistment aboard on an emergency supply base that stored spare parts and tools for aircraft and tanks near the Syrian, Lebanese, and Jordanian borders.

"Being in the military in Israel was hard mentally,"

*"Sometimes I look back at my life and think about the person I've become ... And everyday I learn a little more about myself."*

**PFC Natalie Aksenenko**  
Crash Fire Rescue  
Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron



Photo courtesy of PFC Natalie Aksenenko

PFC Natalie Aksenenko, firefighter, Crash Fire Rescue, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, finishes putting on a heat resistant suit in under two minutes inside a P-19 firetruck during a gear drill with her unit. Aksenenko did not plan on becoming a firefighter but said she has adapted and now is very happy in her profession within the Marine Corps.

said Aksenenko. "I never knew if one of my friends was going to be killed on the battlefield or from a terrorist car bomb in the city."

Rocket attacks by Syria and Lebanon and counterattacks by Israel were common between the arch enemies who have been targeting each other since

Israel gained independence in 1948, and since Israel took control of the Golan Heights and other strategic lands from the Arabs during the "Six Day War" of 1967, said Aksenenko.

"We all lived with the thought that any one of us could be killed at any time," she said.

Just as her enlistment was up, Aksenenko's family was given the opportunity to emigrate to the United States.

"It was a very tough decision for me. I love Israel. It was where I developed as a person," said Aksenenko. "In Israel, I discovered my heritage and learned all about the Jewish holocaust from actual survivors. I felt a part of a people, a part of something special."

Aksenenko realized that it was time for her to take control of her own life and not to leave everything to fate.

"Sometimes you've got to take a chance at the opportunity to make a better life for yourself," she said. "In Israel, everyone knows that if you get a chance to go to America, you take it. When I was a child, I didn't have much control in my life. For the first time, I had some control."

Aksenenko arrived in the United States in 1997. Having studied English since she was 7 years old, she set out to adapt to her new home and continue her military career.

"A friend suggested I try the Marine Corps," said Aksenenko.

"I had no idea what the Marine Corps was, but a recruiter made such a good first impression that I decided to enlist," she said.

Aksenenko was attracted by the core values of honor, courage and commitment and the proud traditions of the Marine Corps.

"In Israel, military service is mandatory, so there is little pride involved in serving," said Aksenenko.

Dressed for work, the soft spoken Aksenenko looks like the average Marine Corps firefighter. Her eyes, delicate features and thin 5-foot-4-inch frame look out of place inside her bulky, heat-resistant firefighting suit.

"Being a firefighter is not what I set out to be, but I love it. I'm grateful for what I have," she said.

Aksenenko sometimes misses Israel. "Even though I've made good friends in the Marine Corps, I still miss the camaraderie I had with the guys in the Army," she said. "But life keeps changing and you have to change with it in order to grow as a person."

"Sometimes I look back at my life and think about the person I have become. In Israel, I used to think in Russian or in Hebrew depending on the situation," said Aksenenko.

Sometimes when she's alone with her thoughts, Aksenenko has caught herself thinking in Russian. "I've thought to myself, who is this person in my head?" she said.

Aksenenko said she now knows. "I am a person with a lot of emotional endurance. A person who knows when to be serious and when to have fun. Most important, a person that doesn't break down when it comes time to move."

Every day life changes and she changes with it, Aksenenko said. "And every day I learn a little more about myself."



Photo courtesy of PFC Natalie Aksenenko

PFC Natalie Aksenenko graduates from the Israeli Army basic training in Southern Israel August in 1995. Aksenenko came to the United States in 1997 and joined the Marine Corps because of her attraction to the Corps' proud history and core values of honor, courage and commitment.

## Current Kosovo conflict stems from centuries-old hostility

*Editor's note: The following article is based primarily on information found in a July 1998 article written by Jim Garamone of American Forces Press Service.*

It is virtually impossible to not know that an armed conflict is waging in the Serbian province of Kosovo between the Serbian government and ethnic Albanian Kosovars.

But, how much do we, as a country, know about the long-standing feud between the Serbian government and the ethnic Albanians in Kosovo?

Troubles in the area date to 1389, when the Kosovo province was the site of the Battle of Kosovo Polje. A Christian army of Serbs, Bosnians, Bulgars, Albanians, Vlachs, Poles and Hungarians united under Serbian Prince Lazar failed in an effort to stop the expansion of the Muslim Ottoman Turks led by Sultan

### Ethnic conflict with religious roots still causing unrest in Balkan region

Murad. The loss marked an end to the independent Kingdom of Serbia and the beginning of an inhabitation that fuels tensions to this day.

The Turks took and maintained control of the province leaving the church as the only Serbian national institution to survive. Serbs have regarded the area seized by the Muslim Turks as sacred soil ever since.

In 1804, Serbia began a series of revolutions against the Ottoman Empire. In 1806, Russia allied itself with Serbia and in 1833, Turkey formally withdrew from Serbia. However, the Turkish flag continued to fly alongside the Serb banner.

The Serbian persistence finally paid off, and in 1878 Serbia regained full independence — and the province of Kosovo.

Today, 90 percent of Kosovo's population of two million can trace its roots to Muslim Albania. The ethnic Albanians speak Albanian and maintain ties with clans in their ancestral homeland — many can point to Muslim forebears who settled in Kosovo 600 years ago. The other 10 percent are Serbian and speak Serbo-Croatian.

Serbia had been an autonomous republic of the former Yugoslavia, and Kosovo had been an autonomous Serbian province since 1974.

It had its own representatives at the federal level of the Yugoslavian government; it maintained its own schools, police and hospitals; and it managed its infrastructure without consulting Serbia.

When Yugoslavia broke apart in 1989,

Serbia declared itself the federal successor and stripped Kosovo of its special status. The Serbs dismissed the local governments, closed the Albanian-language schools and cracked down on dissent. In retaliation, the Muslims formed a guerrilla independence movement, the Kosovar Liberation Army, which the Serbian government regards as an insurgent force.

Kosovo is politically and legally part of Serbia. U.S. officials have said the NATO charter gives the alliance the ability to intervene in Kosovo if needed. On the other hand, some NATO allies say the alliance first needs a U.N. Security Council resolution. Serbian allies, however, liken outside intervention to everything from unwarranted interference to armed invasion.





# Women of 24th MEU (SOC)

## Forging new edge for old Marine Corps spear

By Iris W. Cox  
Correspondents

**RD USS NASSAU** — The United States Marine Corps has been a fighting force for nearly 224 years, and has been a part of that history in one way or another since 1917 when Opha Mae Johnson joined the Corps Reserve.

Beginning, the goal for women in the Corps was to "Free a Marine to Fight."

Today, a World War II-era poster, but now women Marines are dispensable in the Corps as their male counterparts.

There is this vital element evident in the cutting edge of operations like the Expeditionary Special Operations currently deployed on the USS NASSAU Amphibious Group.

In the course of their 82 years in the Corps, women have contributed to the Corps' mission rendering valuable service in war and peace.

Women have also made steady progress toward equal

footing with their male Marine counterparts to a point today where they serve in all but a handful of combat-related military occupational specialties.

There are eight female Marines currently assigned to the 24th MEU (SOC). The positions they fill are crucial in maintaining the MEU's position at the "tip of the Marine Corps spear."

The impression from the outside looking in, by Marines and civilians alike, may be that women are treated differently than male Marines.

Not true according to Capt. Amber Lehning, Officer in Charge of the 24th MEU (SOC) Joint Task Force Enabler Detachment.

Lehning indicates that the atmosphere inside the unit is completely professional and Marines are treated as Marines no matter what.

"Nobody's got the time to mess around out here. Everybody's got a job that has got to be done," Lehning

*"It surprises them to see women doing the things we do. It's not so much that they look down on women, it's just that they're surprised to see them."*

**Capt. Amber Lehning**  
Officer in Charge  
JTF Enabler Detachment  
24th MEU (SOC)

said.

She and her detachment are responsible for computer, radio and telephone communications between the MEU, higher headquarters as well as foreign forces while off ship.



Sgt. Gregory S. Gilliam

When Capt. Amber Lehning is not in the field with her Marines, she uses part of her time to teach college courses to fellow Marines aboard ship.

"You must know what you're doing or you wouldn't be here in the first place," she said.

Despite being able to fit in professionally with their peers on ship, sometimes being a woman does bring unexpected "cultural" obstacles.

One that faced 1stLt. Sonja Lemott, the OIC for the MEU's Mobile Air Traffic Control Team, during a December exercise in Israel could have seriously affected the MEU's Aviation Combat Element (ACE).

One of the mobile air traffic control team's missions is to coordinate with local air traffic controllers. This involves establishing contact, putting together an agreement for use of the country's airfield and actually working hand-in-hand with the resident controllers in their tower.

Without that liaison detachment to facilitate these things, the aviators would be restricted to a very limited flight schedule ashore.

When the mobile team went to Nevatim, Israel, to facilitate 10 days of flight operations for the MEU's (ACE), the fact that the team's OIC was a woman surprised the male dominated allied controllers.

"When we were in Israel, the information that I received was that they're not used to having women in authoritative positions, and with me coming in and taking their tower, literally, from them, they had to take a step back," said Lemott.

"After that first day though, everything went fine. We worked well together, we got to know each other and we didn't have any problems."

Despite perceived difficulties that could have resulted from the situation, Lemott was able to accomplish the mission because of her Marine training and experience.

Some misconceptions about female Marines stem from the reputation of what a stereotypical Marine is - rough, tough and ready to fight - which is not readily associated with women.

For Americans, it may be easier to understand the role women Marines play, but for foreign nationals who are not as familiar with the gender integration found in today's U.S. military, a stereotype is often all they have to shape their judgement.

"Even here on ship when we had Israelis coming aboard

for tours, they literally stopped the tour to say, 'Hey, is that a Marine?'" said 25-year-old 1stLt. Kisha M. Hill, Supply Officer for MEU Service Support Group 24.

"They couldn't believe there were actually females in the American Marine Corps. They knew there were females in the Navy, but as soon as they saw the camouflage uniform, they were like, 'Is she really a Marine?'"

"It surprises them to see women doing the things we do," Lehning surmised. "It's not so much that they look down on women, it's just that they're surprised to see them."

During several meetings with Israeli military members, Lehning was able to compare the male/female ratio between the Israeli army and the Marines.

For the Israelis, it wasn't the fact that she was a woman doing a man's job.

It was the fact that she was a U.S. Marine holding a position of authority that did not fit their expectation of the Marine image.

"They have way more women than we have here," she said. "It surprised me. They have a very high percentage of women in the Israeli Defense Force."

Like their predecessors, these Marines are blazing a new trail that other women will follow.

For Hill, however, just bearing the title "Marine" is reason enough to be thankful for making the long trip from her roots in West Palm Beach, Fla.

"You have to want to do it because it is hard," Hill said.

"It isn't easy to be a Marine, but that's what makes it worth it. That's why we're so proud of what we do because we know we're doing something that not a lot of people can do."

"When I was coming into the Marine Corps, I looked at the old posters that said that women get to be the support element - 'Free a Marine to Fight,'" she said.

"I had such high ideals of what I was going to do to support the Marine Corps. I never would have thought this is where I would be."

"I'm just happy to be here!" continued Hill.

"I wish I could shout the message to the world; to every female who ever thought she wanted to help in any form or fashion. Come join the Marine Corps!"



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Marlene Walters, 24th MEU (SOC) Adjutant and one of only eight women currently with the MEU, on temporary additional duty orders with 2d Radio Battalion's Cpl. Adam T. Redenbaugh.

## 24th MEU (SOC) Marines use deployment to launch careers

By Gregory S. Gilliam  
(SOC) correspondent

**RD USS NASSAU** — Two Marines assigned to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) have used their current deployment to launch new chapters in their careers.

Eric Webber, 22, an electronic intelligence analyst, and LCpl. Gary Freeman, 23, an administrative clerk with Battalion Landing Team 1/6, are turning in their camouflage utilities for a new life.

Webber will soon become a midshipman at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., pending a physical examination, and Freeman will be trading in his computer for a trumpet in Washington, D.C., to become a part of the Commandant's Own Drum and Bugle Corps.

Freeman looked into a lot of different options, before the Naval Academy was the way to go," said

Freeman. "One of the other officer programs send you to a college and it is almost like being a reservist, but at the academy you are still around the military."

When I came into the Marine Corps, all I really wanted to do was play in the band," said Freeman. "I originally signed up for The Band option, but they wouldn't take me then. I can honestly say it was worth it."

Freeman was promoted to the officer ranks

Freeman, who has been academically accepted to the Naval Academy, will be making a return trip to college. He originally attended a local community college where he played defensive end on the football team his senior year.

Freeman said that at that time did not work out for him and after a "debated" suggestion by his parents, he decided to join the Marine Corps.

During Christmas break of 1995 and 1996 my parents came down and said they thought I should join the Marine Corps. My father is a computer systems analyst and his mother is a computer administrator.

When I was 17, I was in the Marine recruiters office signing up for computer training."

Freeman took a test for the intelligence field of his high Armed Services Vocational Aptitude (ASVAB) test scores.

Freeman scored very high on the intelligence test and was recommended to that military occupational field.

In 1997, Webber had written off the Naval Academy option due to their age restriction, which was 21 years old, so he continued looking at various other options to officer programs.

He received his break during his current deployment with the 24th MEU (SOC), but to take advantage of it required quick action from the top of the chain of command all the way down to Webber himself.

In January he was flipping through a Navy Times newspaper when he ran across an article stating the Naval Academy age restriction had been changed to 23 years old.

Knowing his time was running short, he quickly began organizing his application package.

"He did most of the work himself and due to his persistence and determination he was able to get it done," said GySgt. Mark Keltner, Webber's Staff Noncommissioned Officer in Charge.

"I am very proud and happy for him. I tried to go his route prior to the Marine Corps, and I was an alternate for the Naval Academy. I feel vindicated that someone I know and work with was good enough to make it to become a Navy or Marine Corps officer."

"I just feel like I have been blessed with good fortune," said Webber.

"This will provide a great opportunity for me, and I will be exposed to so many things."

### Riding a musical wave

After high school, Freeman did not plan on going to college or joining the military. He elected instead to drift through the bar scene with his old high school band, the "Mo Better Quintet."

A short time after he started his new life, a man in a Marine uniform changed his life.

The man, a recruiter, pulled him aside after a set the band was playing and asked if he wanted to play for the Marine Corps.

"I was told I would go to boot camp without the band option, but would be tested later on," said Freeman, a trumpet player for the past 12 years.

"I tried to audition for the II MEF (Marine Expeditionary Force) band, but I had to go on a deployment to Okinawa, Japan."

That chance slipped by him and Freeman had been contemplating leaving the Corps when his contract ends in June. His luck and decision to get out changed, however, when he received a message from Headquarters Marine Corps requesting a reserve trumpet player.

"They were just looking for a reservist to fill the spot, but I thought I should send them a tape anyway," said Freeman.

He put a demo video tape together, with the help of the 24th MEU and USS NASSAU public affairs office. He performed a composition of his original music and sent it to Washington, D.C.

"I believe that (composition) is what helped me get it," he said.

His craft might have helped him in this case, but he



Sgt. Gregory S. Gilliam

LCpl. Gary Freeman, 23, auditions for the ship talent show in the ship studio recently. He will be taking his talents to the Drum and Bugle Corps when the 24th MEU (SOC) returns from its current deployment.

believes it was his parents' - his mother is a nurse and his father, an architect - and their drive that pushed him to pursue his musical talents.

"I remember one day I was outside playing baseball and my mother called me inside," said Freeman.

"She started me out in music and they spent thousands of dollars on equipment to keep me going."

Six years ago he began writing his own music. He bases much of his music on what he experiences or feels.

Some of his recent work was presented when he and his ship band, "The Mo Better Trio," performed before Marines and Sailors during a talent show.

For many Sailors and Marines, a six-month deployment can be a building block for many career moves.

The Marine Corps can provide many tools to make an individual successful from education to experience - but as Webber and Freeman demonstrate, sometimes it takes perseverance and a desire to make things happen.

## USS Pensacola goes out in grand fashion on final oceanic mission

Compiled by 24th MEU (SOC)  
Public Affairs staff

**ABOARD USS Pensacola** — As USS Pensacola's service in the United States Navy draws to a close, Sailors and Marines took time out of their day to pay tribute to the 28-year-old warship.

Ceremonies took place on the mess decks, culminating in the cutting of the large birthday cake by 4 esteemed representatives: Cmdr. Albert Curry Jr., Commanding Officer; 1stLt. Thomas D. Wood, Executive Officer Alpha Company, Battalion Landing Team 1/6; MMCM (SW) Harold E. McGehee, oldest Sailor; and LCpl. Josue B. Jovel, youngest Marine.

Following the festivities of the afternoon the entire crew partook of a fabulous feast prepared by the mess specialists.

The birthday meal included fresh steamed lobsters, steak, roast beef, shrimp, seafood cakes, baked potato, and of course, birthday cake for dessert.

"It was a great meal. I've been to Maine and throughout New England and this is definitely the largest lobster I've ever seen or eaten," stated Petty Officer 3rd class Matthew P. Ickes.

The goal throughout the day was to have a birthday celebration that captured all the grandeur of Pensacola's illustrious 28 year history.



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USS Pensacola has been servicing Marines and Sailors for more than 28 years.





# Chapel Schedule

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## ROMAN CATHOLIC

### Sunday Masses

Brig	8 a.m.
Courthouse Bay Chapel	9:30 a.m.
MCAS New River Chapel	9 a.m.
Naval Hospital Chapel	10 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier Chapel	8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

### Weekday Masses (Monday-Friday)

Naval Hospital Chapel	6:30 a.m.
MCAS New River Chapel	11:45 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier Chapel	11:45 a.m.

### Saturday Masses

St. Francis Xavier Chapel	5 p.m.
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### Holy Day Masses

(Except Christmas/ New Years)	11:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
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### Confessions

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## JEWISH

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

## ISLAM (MUSLIM JUMAH)

Base Chapel Annex Bldg. 16	(Friday)	11:45 a.m.
Brig Chapel		1 p.m.

## PROTESTANT

### Sunday Worship/Religious Education

Base Chapel, Holy Communion	7:30 a.m.
Base Chapel, Contemporary Service	9 a.m.
(Sunday School Bldg. 67)	9:30 a.m.
Base Chapel, Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Brig	9 a.m.
Camp Geiger Chapel	9:30 a.m.
Camp Johnson Chapel	9 a.m.
Courthouse Bay Chapel	11 a.m.
French Creek Chapel	9 a.m.
Midway Park Chapel	11 a.m.
Naval Hospital Chapel	9 a.m.
Tarawa Terrace Chapel	11 a.m.
(Sunday School, Religious Ed. Bldg.)	9:15 a.m.
New River Chapel	11 a.m.

## EASTERN ORTHODOX

### Holy Week at Camp Johnson Chapel

Today — Vespers: Christ's Descent from the Cross (Placing of the Winding-Sheet in the Tomb)	3 p.m.
Matins/Lamentations: Burial of Our Lord (Procession with the Winding-Sheet)	6:30 p.m.
Saturday — Vesper/Liturgy of St. Basil the Great (Commemoration of Christ's Descent into Hell)	9:30 p.m.
Nocturns	11:30 p.m.
Bright Week (Easter food following the Divine Liturgy)	
Sunday — Resurrection Matins & Divine Liturgy	12 a.m.
Paschal Vespers	2 p.m.
(Agape celebration following, at Marston Pavilion)	
Monday — Paschal Divine Liturgy	9:30 a.m.

## LATTER DAY SAINTS

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# Chaplain's Corner

## Called to be Saints

Chaplain Andrew D. Nelko  
MCB Camp Lejeune

What is a saint? This question was recently posed by a pastor to a group of small children in his religious education class. After a few reflective moments, one young girl's eyes became fixed on a sunbeam shining brightly through the figures in a stained glass window. After mustering up courage, the young lady boldly stated she knew the answer to the question, "saints," she announced, "are individuals through whom God's light shines."

The Greek word for saint, "hagios," is derived from a root word that literally means "not like anything else, different." From this we would assume that individuals regarded as saints are different from the "ordinary" people of the world and essentially march to the tune of a different drum. Saints are indeed ordinary people who go to work, pay taxes and talk to friends. Perusing the accounts of their lives attests to this. They do not necessarily wear the biggest halos, so to speak. Yet, when God speaks, they obey and are conformed, or more appropriately, conform themselves to the will of God.

In essence the call to saintliness is essentially a call to holiness. An invitation to share and participate in the holiness of God. In both the Old and New Testament scriptures this call to sanctification is made: "For I am the Lord your God. You shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and you shall be holy; for I am holy." (Leviticus 11:44; 1 Peter 1:16) Saints are not perfect people. However, to be a saint is to be the best you can be by God's grace and love. But in reality who are saints?

One could say that the saints are the real heroes of the world. The saints are the truly brave and courageous of our human race, because

they imitate God himself. In every generation have been true sons and who have indeed been and have come close to being the things that are These righteous ones saints. For us it is impossible member that when we draw the saints we draw close to self who has made his dwelling with us. When we draw saints we also draw upon age and strength that individuals to become God.

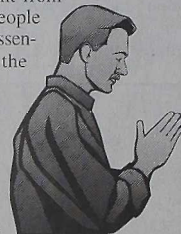
Today if someone were they were a saint most often tend to very much doubt. There are not many individuals a strong enough will and strated courage to give up their lives in life and respect to holiness of God.

most like person she has become. We look at her and what that individual

make such a decision in their life. Life for a saint must along the way because acutely aware of God, caring person who, if we let them or were confused, we are able to clear up our and help us solve our problems may sound like a psychiatrist but I am sure that if a person saint, you would feel their presence.

Finally, by virtue of a fulfilled life that begins with would be able to thank a sainting an example for all of knowledge, and more importantly, an individual the qualities of saintliness quite a challenge in this day.

However, sainthood is an invitation to each and of us.



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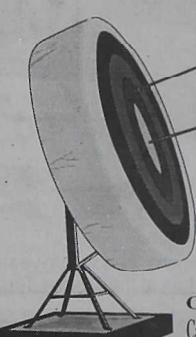
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# Children's club teaches leadership

Cpl. Victoria G. Gross  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

There is a treasurer, secretary, vice-president and president aboard Camp Lejeune who have the power to decide what their organization does for work and recreation. They are elected into position by their peers and lead them with determination — and they are all under the age of 12.

Camp Lejeune children between the ages of 10 and 12 are catching up to their active-duty parents in leadership skills through the Torch Club. Designed by the Boys and Girls Club of America, the program provides service and leadership opportunities to children ages 10-12. It also gives children a sense of belonging and an opportunity to make a difference through community service.

"We let them come up with their own ideas, and we write them all down. We advise them on what ideas are feasible and why. Then they vote on what project they will do," said Monique Davis, Youth Activities Program Director for ages 6 to 12.

"The Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion group has a secretary, treasurer, vice-president, and president," said Rose M. Sancrant, Torch Club Advisor at the Stone Street Youth Pavilion. "Right now, only the TT location group has elected officers because we don't have enough members yet at Stone Street."

Meetings for the club are held at the Stone Street Youth Pavilion and the Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion once a week. Once a month, both groups meet at one location and work on the elected projects or field trips.

The idea for the Torch Club came from the National Boys and Girls Club, according to

Donna A. Wiggs, Director of Youth Activities. "Since October 1997, Youth Activities on base has been affiliated with the Boys and Girls Club," she said. "One of the best advantages to the affiliation is our ability to pick and choose from the Boys and Girls Club programs. The Torch Club is just one of the programs here designed by the Boys and Girls Club."

Although the basic idea for the club comes from the Boys and Girls Club, it is customized to meet the needs of the children on base. "We changed a few things to accommodate us. For example, the ages for the group suggested by the Boys and Girls Club are 11 to 13, the Torch Club on base is designed for 10-to-12-year-olds because the youth pavilions on base have set times for certain age groups," said Monique Davis, Torch Club Advisor.

Davis started the club on Camp Lejeune because it triggered her interest when she heard about it. "I've been working in recreation since I was 14 years old. I worked a lot in city recreation, and I remember all of the kids in the programs there had positive role models and people who cared," said Davis. "The program provides the members with the guidance and support of a committed, caring adult."

"The club encourages the members to perform community service, teaches self-respect, respect toward others, and it shows leadership," said Sancrant, who has been an advisor at Stone Street since January.

"The best thing about this club is it has shown me they know how to lead themselves and it's great to see them be so positive," she said.

While Sancrant sees the improved abilities in the members of the club, her view is slightly more insightful based on the changes she sees in her 11-year-old son, Andrew T. Sancrant, a 6th-grade student at Brewster Middle School, and member of the Torch Club.

"I've seen him mature a lot since he joined the club. He takes on more responsibility at home and he wants to make more decisions on his own," Sancrant attributes her son's improvements to both the Torch Club and the Boy Scouts.

In addition to providing children with role models, Davis started the club here to encourage children to move in the right direction. "I think children should learn to help the community more. As a team, these kids can accomplish a lot. There are a lot of intelligent children in the Torch Club who have their own ideas," said Davis.

Together the Torch Club members have been moving in the right direction and helping the community since August 1998. The children have performed community service for the Camp Lejeune base library, the Soup Kitchen, and the Brithaven Retirement Home. They are currently working on a recycling project on base.

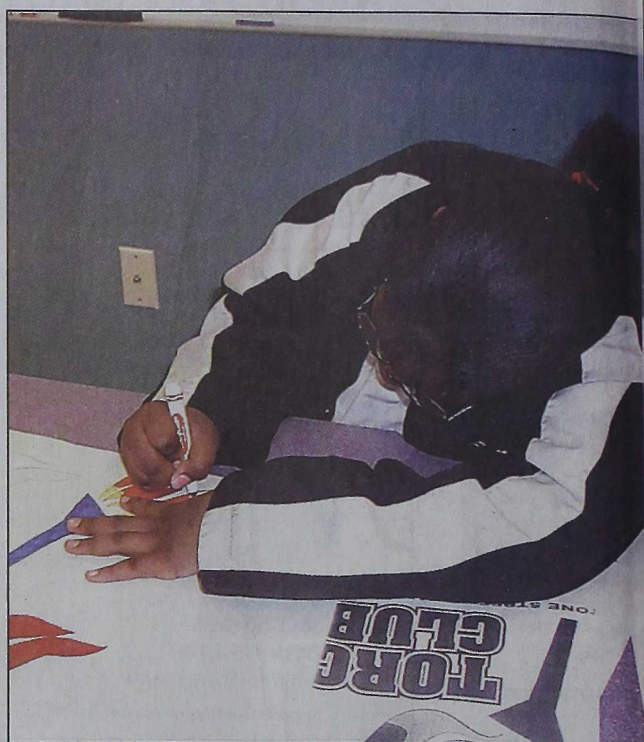
When the Torch Club members visited their base library they attended a volunteer class which taught them the Dewey decimal system. They were then able to help stock books on the shelves and ensure the books were in the proper order, according to Davis.

The Torch Club also contributed to the community by having a canned food drive on base. "We had the drive on base to collect cans and then took them over to the Soup Kitchen in Jacksonville," said Davis. After a brief tour of the Soup Kitchen the Torch Club members were able to stock the cans on the shelves in the proper order.

"I like the club because of the community service things we do. We went to Brithaven and toured the home. It was great because I've never been there before," said Terrell Phillips, 11-year-old student at Tarawa Terrace II Elementary School.

The Torch Club members toured Brithaven in preparation for the Adopt-A-Grandparent project they are working up to, according to Davis. "The kids will go to the home and choose someone who they will 'adopt' then they will help that person throughout their daily routine. They may read to them or bring them magazines, just basically help them out."

Although the Torch Club members put a lot of effort and time into community service projects, they also take time out to enjoy each other's company and just have fun — when they vote on it.



Sharleisha Bolton, 11-year-old student at Brewster Middle School, colors in a poster for the Torch Club meeting place at Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion.

"We went to the Golden Corral last Thanksgiving. It was a reward to the kids for all the hard work they have done," said Davis.

Future Torch Club events include: a candy drive, parents' meeting, yard sale, and the next

reward, a trip to the recreation 'dieval Times' in Myrtle Beach.

For information about the Torch Club or other youth activities on Monique Davis at 451-2177.



Andrew Sancrant and Sharleisha Bolton, 11-year-old students at Brewster Middle School, color torches for posters at the Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion.



Some of the Torch Club members display their club T-shirts at the Tarawa Terrace Youth Pavilion.

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## Former recruiters benefit from second

*Second tour may prove more rewarding than first for Corps' experienced recruiters*

GySgt. Cynthia Atwood  
HQMOC correspondent

**MARINE CORPS RECRUITING COMMAND, Washington** — Marines who have completed one successful tour of duty as recruiters and carry the additional military occupational specialty of 8411 are invited to volunteer for a second tour of only 24 months.

The enlisted assignments initiative was announced March 12 in an effort to enhance the experience level of Marines on recruiting duty across the board.

"The number of 8412s (career recruiters) we have on the street now is not as high as we would like," according to the recruiting command's Assistant Chief of Staff for Manpower, LtCol. Tim Moore. "We want to

bring back those recruiters with experience to augment the 8412s we do have."

There are benefits for those who volunteer. They will be assigned to the recruiting district of their choice and will receive a duty station option at the end of their 24-month tour and compete for meritorious promotion as 8411s.

The old tier system for Special Duty Assignment pay is gone. Now, all recruiters begin receiving \$375 per month SDA pay upon reporting to their recruiting stations upon completion of recruiters school. The requirement to attend recruiters school will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

All volunteers will be stepping into the only continually successful recruiting service in Department of Defense. February marked 44 months of consecutive mission attainment, a trend the command wants to be well poised to continue.

"Recruiting is only going to become more competitive in the future," Moore noted. "We

want to remain more competitive

experience on the street, we want to be able to compete in today's market."

In addition to the competitive successful tour, Marines volunteer to return to MCRC must be qualified on current screening checklist, have two years of time on station, primary military occupational specialty upon reporting, and must have two years of obligated service to their current contract at the time of the request.

More detailed requirements for volunteer and transfer procedures are found in MARADMIN 109/99.

Volunteer request submission received no later than June 12, temporary initiative to increase experience.

The point of contact at Headquarters Marine Corps (MMEA-85) is GySgt. Atwood at (703) 784-9263/64/65, DSN 27



## Programs at the Base Library

Compiled by Library Staff  
Camp Lejeune base library

The Camp Lejeune base library has many monthly programs of interest to all of the patrons from preschool to adult.

The following is a brief listing of the April events. Most of the programs are offered free and reservations are not necessary, except for special trips that require a small fee to cover travel. Monthly flyers, which highlight upcoming events, are available at the library and at many base facilities or by calling 451-3178 for information.

• Each Monday morning from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the conference room, a free animated movie for preschool children is shown. April movies are: April 12 - "Adventures of Pinocchio;" April 19 - "The Hunchback of

Notre Dame;" April 26 - "Madeline."

• Each Friday in the conference room from 4 to 6 p.m., there are movies shown for Kindergarten through 8th grade children. April movies are: April 16 - "Free Willy 3;" April 23 - "Home Alone;" April 30 - "The Mighty Ducks."

• Each Thursday morning in the conference room, **Preschool Storytime** is held from 9:30 to 10 a.m. for children ages 2 to 3, and from 10:30 to 11 a.m. for children ages 4 to 6. These programs include books, flannelboard stories, fingerplays, and crafts based on a different topic each week. April themes: April 15 - National Library Week; April 22 - Fun and Fitness; April 29 - Monkey Business.

• **Fun-damental Reading** is held each Tuesday from 6 to 6:30 p.m. Families with children in grades preschool to fifth are encouraged to come and share special books,

flannelboard stories, and fingerplays.

• Additional storytime programs: the same weekly theme are held on Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. at the Midway Park Community Center and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at Tarawa Terrace Community Center.

• **How to Buy a Used Car Without Taken to the Cleaners!** will be held Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the conference room at Jack Tagmyer (Auto Hobby Shop) Hall (Marine Federal Credit Union) sound advice to first-time buyers that they avoid dealer traps.

• **Book Chat** will be held at the Tarawa Terrace community center Thursday. This month's book discussion will be "Color of Water" by James McBride. For more program details, call 451-

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## Marine Corps shooters compete

### East Coast rifle, pistol matches challenge Marine Corps' best

**Cpl. Sharon G. Angell**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

"Shooters, on the firing line, assume a good prone position. Your prep time begins when your target appears... stand-by! Targets! Get all Able targets high in the sky!"

Whether on the firing line or in the

"pits," these statements became very familiar to many Marines who participated in the 1999 Eastern Division Rifle and Pistol Matches March 15 to April 2 at Stone Bay Rifle Range. Teams from many of the Marine Corps installations east of the Mississippi River competed in this year's competition.

"The United States Marine Corps is divided up into regions and each region holds their own competition. This competition is held twice a year at Camp Lejeune for all Marines to compete in," said Capt. David Weapons Training Battalion, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune.

According to Marine Corps Order

3591.2J, all Marine Corps commands are required to provide at least one team of Marines to participate in the Competition-in-Arms Program. The only way a command can be excused from competing in any Marine Corps shooting competition in their region is to be specifically waived from the competition by having the Commandant of the Marine Corps sign a waiver authorizing it.

"All Marines should be given the opportunity to compete in the matches. If all the units who are required to compete, did compete, (meaning they did not get a waiver from the commandant,) there would be some really good competition out here. It is great training for all Marines," said SSgt. Julia L. Watson, Marine Corps Shooting Team, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.

Many Marines feel the same way. "It is sad more Marines do not know about this program. There are a lot of good shooters out there who deserve the challenge," said Sgt. Shawn A. Wilkerson, from Marksmanship Training Unit, 8th Engineer Support Battalion (ESB), 2d Force Service Support Group (FSSG).

The 1999 Eastern Division Rifle and Pistol Matches kicked off with a week of classes to refresh Marines on their advanced marksmanship training skills, coaching techniques, sniper firing, and range operation procedures to prepare them for the next two weeks of firing.

The two weeks of competition were designed to sharpen Marines' skills and better train them with the M-16A2 service rifle and the M-9 service pistol. The first week of shooting was the annual re-qualification with both weapons and practice for the following week of competition.

These two weeks of shooting seemed to be long and strenuous on some of the competitors. "The hours are long and the stress is taxing, but if it was easy, everyone would do it," said SSgt. Jerry D. Cole, Marine Barracks, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Marines from along the eastern seaboard, and abroad, competed in the matches this year. Some of the teams included Marines from

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The British Royal Marines sport their Union Jack as they aim in on targets down range. The British Royal Marines made the journey especially for the rifle and pistol matches.

## CAMP LEJEUNE SOFTBALL TEAM



Cpl. Melissa R. Watts

### Congratulations

Congratulations to the Camp Lejeune Men's Varsity softball team for winning its first two tournaments of the season. (Pictured from left to right) In the front row: J. R. Boltz, John Ensing, Alberto Montanex, Lee Diaz, Roberto Medina, and Matt Harps. In the back row: Mike Stanton (Assistant Coach), Shannon Nelson, Fredrick Bryant, Maurice Ellison (Captain), Tyrone Gray (Captain), Todd Harding, Pedro Aguilar, Tony Pasquera and John Turner. Not pictured are Paul Cunningham, Mike Martinez, and Gabriel Thieschafer. These players will be representing Camp Lejeune in the Azalea Festival in Wilmington this weekend.

## Kicks, punching for fun increases cardio fitness, strength

**Randall L. Rizzo**  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

people have seen the 'com' for the "Tae Bo" program combines punches and kicks for a moderate aerobic workout. Marine Community Services (MCCS) offers a similar program called Cardio, which is available to retirees and dependents.

This program is a specialized aerobics class involving punching and kicking techniques and speed drills such as jump roping and plyometrics. Plyometrics are power moves that involve both feet leaving the ground, such as jumps.

What separates Combat Cardio from "Tae Bo" is the more authentic fighting stances, and the use of punching bags, according to Terry

Hort, Aerobics and Physical Training Instructor, MCCS.

The bags provide resistance, helping build your muscles during the workout, said Hort. Additionally, the workout increases the heart rate. Lifting weights builds muscle, but doesn't increase the heart rate like aerobics does. Combat Cardio combines cardiovascular workout with strength building.

"The first time I tried the workout, I felt I'd thoroughly worked every muscle in my body," said Hort.

Hort has been an aerobics instructor for eight years and said this is the best workout she's ever had. She explained how the workout helped to improve her physique because the exercises consist of natural motions.

"I've noticed an increase in my muscles' definition from working

them in a functional manner," Hort said. "Also, a lot of the kicking techniques work the abdominal area much more than regular crunches or sit ups." An example of good definition resulting from this type of workout would be the physique of a boxer or a martial artist, according to Hort.

Hort said the best part of the Combat Cardio workout is not only the

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LCpl. Greg Thomas

SSgt. Terry Butts, Operations Chief at the Depot's Combat Training Pool, partially credits his triathlon success to the athletic training facilities at Parris Island.

## Ironman sights in on Hawaii

**LCpl. Greg Thomas**  
MCRD Parris Island correspondent

**MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPT, PARRIS ISLAND, S.C.**—This guy's idea of fun is swimming 2.4 miles, pedaling a bike 112 miles and then running 26.2 miles.

Triathlons have not always been a part of SSgt. Terry Butts' life. The operations chief at the Depot's Combat Training Pool participated in his

first triathlon in 1996 at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he finished 30th overall and first in the military division, according to Butts. After that triathlon, Butts was hooked. He began training and traded in a three-week-old bicycle for one which would allow him to be more competitive.

At first, his training was limited by his job as a Force Reconnaissance Marine. He could run every day but getting on his bike or into the pool on a regular basis proved nearly impossible. So Butts did the next best thing to training - he read about it.

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## LEJEUNE Grand Prix Series



**Saturday Lejeune Marathon:**  
A well designed, certified asphalt-paved course covering 26 miles, 385 yards.

**May 15 Armed Forces 5k:**  
A scenic, flat, fast, certified asphalt course covering a distance of 3.1 miles designed to produce record performances. The course starts at Goettge Memorial Field House and ends with an Olympic-style finish on the track.

**June 5 Semper Fi Triathlon:**  
A challenging Olympic distance course consisting of an open river 1.5 (.9 mile) swim, a flat, fast, asphalt 40k (24.8 mile) cycle; and a 10k (6.2 mile) flat, fast run. The course has been designed to produce record-setting performances.

For more information and application for events, contact Race Coordinator Mike Marion at 451-1799.

## From the Sidelines

### GOLDEN CHILD

**Houston F. White Jr.**  
contributor

o ahead, call him a freak of nature. He's been called worse. In fact, he goes by several names, including the Worm, Moses and (my personal favorite) Rodzilla. His given name is Dennis Rodman, and all his flamboyance and eccentric behavior, the fact remains that the rainbow-haired, tattooed rebounder more body piercings than cushion provides an indispensable service for any smart enough to sign him contract.

is five championship rings should be enough to convince anyone of that. Though his 10,000 plus reads are his calling card, Rodman also brings an air of madness (Via defense and aggression) and desire (Dennis routinely dives head-first for bounds for loose balls) team through his relentless hustle. Laker GM Jerry West was smart enough to recognize this and once Dennis added to the then-struggling Los Angeles roster, they immediately went on an eleven-game winning streak (Shaquille O'Neal's throw shooting definitely isn't the reason), further proving that the Worm still has it takes to get the job

course there is a price to pay when a rebel such as Rodman is on your team (eject at inopportune times, unauthorized absences from practice, the occasional campaign get's kicked in the ass, etc.), but when it comes to winning, which is the ultimate reason for playing the game, few 6' 8" players can match Rodzilla. This is the Rodman factor has already given the young team as well as LA fans a reason for their expectations and I wouldn't be surprised to see him win the first NBA title of most Jordan era.

the rest of the Lakers are, maybe Dennis will even earn Electra to show up the victory party.

## ARCHERY

### '99 ARCHERY TOURNAMENTS

**Divisions:**  
Men's open, Men's bow hunter, Men's traditional, men's division, Youth division, Cub division, and Pee Wee division.

April 17 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
May 15 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
June 19 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
July 17 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Aug. 21 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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## MARATHON

The Lejeune Marathon will take place at 8 a.m. Saturday at the field house. This event is open to everyone, regardless of age or running experience, who are physically fit. However, the American Joggers Association does not recommend marathon running for those under 14 years of age. It is strongly recommended that anyone over 35 years of age and/or with a family history of heart disease, consult their physician prior to running the marathon. Athletes should enter with a reasonable expectation of finishing the race within 5.5 hours. Entry forms are available at all fitness centers and registration may be also be made on the Internet at [www.mccslejeune.com](http://www.mccslejeune.com). Entry fee is \$15 for military and \$20 for civilians if received by 3 p.m. on April 8. Late registration fee of \$15 for the 5K only will be accepted on race day. Call 451-1779 or email [granpri@gibraltar.net](mailto:granpri@gibraltar.net) for more Grand Prix information.

## FITNESS CENTER

If you're looking for a great workout, look no further than an MCCS Fitness Center. Various exercise and aerobics classes are available daily at all fitness centers. Water aerobics is available every Tuesday and Thursday at Area 2 pool. Early Bird Aerobics happens at 6 a.m. every Monday at French Creek Gym in the aerobics room. Try Aerobox - the latest in fitness. Stop by a fitness center soon. Learn the latest and greatest fitness techniques. Call 451-5841 for other schedule information.

## AEROBOX

Aerobox! The latest in fitness. Stop by the French Creek Fitness Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., for a great workout in the aerobics room. Learn the latest and greatest fitness techniques. Call 451-5841 for other schedule information.

## POWERHOUSE

The Powerhouse Club meets the last Wednesday of each month at the local fitness centers. 1999 has brought changes to the event. Competition is for several classifications based on weight and total amount lifted. Classification charts are available at all fitness centers. This competition affords customers an opportunity to make their workouts pay off and receive awards for reaching different classification levels. Separate awards are available for each classification. Times of lifts vary at each fitness center. Please call and verify lift times. For lift times and locations, contact Mike Marion or Kris Lehman, at 451-1799.

## BOWLING

Bonnyman Bowling Center patron appreciation weekend will be this weekend. Bowlers can enjoy bowling all weekend for \$1.25 per person per game. For general bowling information, or if you are looking for league information, call 451-5121.

## ARCHERY

A 3-D Archery Tournament will be held April 17 at the Camp Lejeune Archery Range. Entry fee is \$5 per person. Divisions include men's open, men's bow hunter, men's traditional, women's, youth, cub, and pee wee. Trophies are awarded to first, second, and third places in each adult event. Medals are awarded to first, second, and third places in each cub and pee wee. Call 450-0800 or 451-8124 for registration information.

## COACHES CLINIC

The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department will be offering NYSCA Coaches Clinics for new baseball/softball coaches on April 14 & 15 at Blue Creek Elementary School cafeteria. The clinic fee is \$20, for more information call 347-5332.

## Local Marines attend All-Marine volleyball trias

## Marines gear up for interservice tournament

LCpl. Mike B. Vrabel  
Camp Lejeune correspondent

Three Marines from Camp Lejeune and one from Marine Corps Air Station New River were selected to try out for the All-Marine women's volleyball team during a three week camp on Camp Lejeune.

## MATCHES from 1B

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S. C.; and Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany, Ga.

A team, consisting of 10 British Royal Marine competitors and one coach from the Marine Corps, came from England and competed this year. The British Royal Marines have been competing in the matches since 1986 with the M-9 service pistol and this year was their second time shooting an M-16A2 service rifle, according to Cpl. Roy Osborne, Commando Training Center, Lymstone, Exmouth Devon, England.

"The British Royal Marines are used to firing their own weapon, the SA-80 service rifle. They still use this weapon in England, but are getting accustomed to using the U. S. Marines weapons," said GySgt. William S. Skiles, British Royal Marines Coach.

One of the other teams of competitors was from the MCRD Parris Island, S. C. The MCRD team consisted of 18 shooting members with eight tyros, a person who has never competed in a rifle and pistol competition before. Each team is required to have at least one tyro.

Sgt. Freddie R. Branham, Headquarters and Support Battalion (H&S Bn.), MCRD Parris Island, S. C., was one of the high shooting tyros with the M-9 service pistol out of all the tyros who competed. Branham took the fourth gold medal in the individual pistol competition and earned 10 points toward becoming distinguished.

"It was very exciting out here. It was

Camp Lejeune will be selecting the members of the 1999 All-Marines women's volleyball team during the camp, which will run from Sunday until May 1. The team, once selected, will be competing in the Armed Forces Championship at Kelly Air Force Base in Texas.

Sgt. Jennifer N. Beckner, 2d Radio Battalion; LCpl. M. R. Digman, Headquarters and Support Battalion, 2d Force Service Support Group; and LCpl. R. L. Rawson, 10th Marine Regiment were selected from Camp Lejeune. SSgt. Julie Ingersoll, Marine

Wing Support Squadron 272 was selected from MCAS New River.

The Marines were selected from their intramural squads by their coaches to attend the camp, according to Pamela Hodge, the Director of all-Marine sports program. There are usually about 20 Marines who try out for the team, competing for 10 spots, said Hodge.

The camp is run by GySgt. Robert L. Kellum, who is also the team coach and team captain for the East Coast Regional Volleyball champions, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

During the three weeks, the competitors will be challenged to display their best volleyball game under pressure, according to Hodge.

"I'll have the girls here for three weeks," said Kellum. "That should be plenty of time to pick out a roster of the best players."

Once the team is selected, they will begin to train in preparation for the Armed Forces Championship. The tournament will run from May 2-8, when a champion will be crowned.

The Marine Corps' women's team has never won a medal at the champi-

onships, but the team stays in for their chances this year, according to Hodge.

"We have a disadvantage of our numbers," said Hodge. "There are so few women Marines, the best we can do with what we have. Other services have another edge in that they can select servicemembers from their active duty to play for the championship, according to Hodge.

The team will depart for the championships May 1. For more information, call 451-2061.



Cpl. Sharon G. Angell  
Marines from 2d Marine Aircraft Wing show off their trophy during the 1999 Eastern Division Rifle and Pistol Matches awards ceremony. The 2d MAW took first place and earned the Edson Trophy for the pistol competition.

really good training, also," said Branham.

It takes 30 points for a Marine to become distinguished with the rifle and 30 points to become distinguished with the pistol. Marines can earn these points through participating in competitions in the Marine Corps. These competitions include the Division Matches, Marine Corps Matches, Inter-service Matches, the National Matches, and the International matches.

Sgt. John M. Juarez, H&S Bn., MCRD Parris Island, S. C., earned a tyro silver medal in the rifle competition. Juarez and the Parris Island team have been training for this competition since January and it seemed all the hard work was worth it.

"The pressure was building up ever since we started practicing. Now that the competition is over, there is such a feeling of relief," said Juarez.



Marines commence firing the M-9 service pistol during the 1999 Eastern Division Rifle and Pistol Matches. The 2d Marine Aircraft Wing team won the Edson Trophy for the pistol team match.

The 1999 Eastern Division Rifle and Pistol Matches ended with an awards ceremony at the Stone Bay Rifle Range gymnasium. MajGen. Ray L. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune awarded the Marines their awards

they earned during the competition.

The trophies were awarded as follows: the Parris Island "Gold" Team took first place in the rifle team match earning the Elliott Trophy for this competition; the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing won the Edson Trophy for the

pistol team match; and the Headquarters and Support Squadron 272, MCAS Cherry Point, N. C., won the Wirgman Trophy for the rifle match. The Inter-Corps Rifle Match trophy was awarded to the 1st MC Shooting Team.

## YOUTH SPORTING EVENTS THIS WEEK

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Baseball Tee Ball Division Tarawa Terrace Field Pirates vs Orioles and New River Air Station Field Rangers vs Indians  
10 a.m. Youth Baseball Tee Ball Division Tarawa Terrace Field - Reds vs Dodgers and New River Air Station Field Red Sox vs Cubs  
11 a.m. Youth Baseball Tee Ball Division Tarawa Terrace Field Rockies vs Braves and New River Air Station Field Royals vs Athletics  
Noon Youth Baseball Tee Ball Division Tarawa Terrace Field Tigers vs Astros  
1 p.m. Youth Baseball Tee Ball Division Tarawa Terrace Field White Sox vs Yankees

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Baseball Pinto (Coach Pitch) Division New River Air Station Field Reds vs Dodgers and Tarawa Terrace Field Red Sox vs Cubs  
10 a.m. Youth Baseball Pinto (Coach Pitch) Division New River Air Station Field Orioles vs Astros and Tarawa Terrace Field Rockies vs Cardinals  
11 a.m. Youth Baseball Pinto (Coach Pitch) Division Tarawa Terrace Field Yankees vs Braves and New River Air Station Field Pirates vs Mets  
1200 Youth Baseball Pinto (Coach Pitch) Division Tarawa Terrace Field Rangers vs Indians

## Saturday 9

0900 Youth Baseball- Mustang

Division New River Air Station Field Braves vs Giants and Tarawa Terrace Field Indians vs Cub  
11 a.m. Youth Baseball Mustang Division New River Air Station Field and Tarawa Terrace Field Orioles vs Yankees

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Baseball Bronco Division Tarawa Terrace Field Rockies vs Athletics and New River Air Station Field Dodgers vs White Sox  
11 a.m. Youth Baseball Bronco Division (Exhibition Week) Tarawa Terrace Field Yankees vs Pirates

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Baseball High School Fed Division New River Air Station Field Reds vs Braves and Tarawa Terrace Field Brewers vs Yankees

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Softball Pee Wee Girls Division Tarawa Terrace Field Orioles vs Braves  
10:30 a.m. Youth Softball Pee Wee Girls Division Tarawa Terrace Field Phillies vs Pirates

## Saturday

9 a.m. Youth Softball Midget Girls Division Tarawa Terrace Field Rockies vs White Sox  
10:30 a.m. Youth Softball Midget Girls Division New River Air Station Field Dodgers vs Athletics



Jill Alden, white, blows past a weary James Keanan defense in a 11-3 thrashing over the first year James Keanan team.

## FIT from 1B

physical benefits, but that it's fun. "You don't realize how hard you're working because you're having so much fun," said Hort. "This is something Marines can definitely sink their teeth into."

Marines aren't the only ones using this workout program, however.

"We have 60 year-old women in this class," Hort said. "The classes consist of a wide variety people. This program is recommended from 18 year-olds to 65 year-olds." There's no limit, and everyone has fun doing it, said Hort.

One thing that can take away from the fun of it all is injury, said Hort. "It's

important to warm up before exercising, and to stretch afterward." Hort said safety is stressed as a number one concern during the program. Another way to help prevent injury is to wear the proper shoes while working out.

"A lot of people come in wearing running shoes," said Hort. "Aerobics shoes are better for you due to the

lateral movements of Combat Cardio." Additionally, it's important to work at your own level, and increase the workout as you get better at it, according to Hort.

All equipment necessary for the workout is provided by MCCS. For more information on Combat Cardio, call 451-5841.

## IRONMAN from 1B

"I started reading all the books on athletic and endurance training," said Butts. "We were moving, but I could always find books with me. So it gave me the opportunity to learn how to be smart about training and get injured."

Unfortunately, Butts did experience the sour taste of injury when he fell in a fast-rope exercise. With his foot in a cast for more than a year, Butts' training was stunted. Out came the books. Butts continued to learn about exercise physiology and proper techniques.

Just two or three months after the cast, Butts came to Parris Island. "The support I've gotten from Support Bn. is unreal," Butts plained. "(The support) from pool deck all the way up my command is the reason I'm here as I am."

And good he is. "Last year I recorded a 1:12 and 12 minute ironman at Camp Lejeune," said Butts.

"As far as everyone knows, the fastest ironman recorded by a Marine."

In that triathlon, Butts was overall and the second service member out of 1,172 people.

Butts credits his ability to coach, Troy Jacobson, and the facilities on Parris Island.

"The facilities on Parris Island are top notch," said Butts. "The pool is the largest training pool in the Mississippi River area. It's a great facility."

With the proper coach and facilities, Butts has his sights set on the Ironman triathlon. Currently, he is training for a triathlon and a qualification race at Camp Lejeune for the Military World Games, which will be held in Croatia.

"I think if I finish in the top six I'll make the team," said Butts.

Above the Military World Games, Butts is looking toward the Ironman triathlon. "The Ironman triathlon is the ultimate test of endurance," Butts said. "It's a challenge that many people don't want to take on. But I want to turn pro and deal with some people."

"I don't want to just turn pro and be a mediocre pro," said Butts. "I want to turn pro and deal with some people."

"I want to turn pro and deal with some people."



## Sports & recreation briefs

### COUNTY & CITY

#### BEGINNING GOLF LESSONS

Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department and Rock Creek Golf Club will be sponsoring Adult Beginning Golf Lessons at Rock Creek Golf Club. All lessons will be from 6-7:30 p.m. Fee is \$25 and all students must provide their own golf clubs. Days of the lessons are: Tuesdays April 13-May 4 and Thursdays 3-June 3. Pre-registration is held at Onslow Pines Park Recreation Office until 5 p.m. on the day prior to the beginning of the lessons you want to participate in. Class size is limited. For more information, call 347-5332.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Onslow County Parks & Recreation Department is looking for persons, high school or adults, to assist with various programs and athletic events. All those interested in volunteering should contact the Onslow County Parks & Recreation Dept. at 347-5332.

#### OFFICIALS NEEDED

Jacksonville Recreation and Parks Department is in need of youth basketball officials for the 1998-99 youth basketball leagues. High School basketball rules will be used. For more information, contact Allison at 938-5304, weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

#### TRIATHLETES

Jacksonville Roadrunners Club is expanding membership for multisport athletes who combine biking, swimming, running, and other events as part of personal training. The goal is to assemble a network of athletes to learn from each other for The Lejeune Series events. Drawing from novices to experts, the club plans to provide classes for all levels in fundamentals and other subjects. For information, contact Terdendi at 937-7145 8-10 p.m.

#### RELAY FOR LIFE

Relay For Life is a unique fund-raising event that allows participants to walk a mile of life including Marines, Sailors, their family members, medical support staff, corporations, civic organizations, and community volunteers to join together to fight cancer. Teams form teams of 10-15 people and take turns walking on a track at the Jacksonville Commons Recreation Center. Each team is asked to keep one member on the track at all times. Teams may get businesses, organizations, or someone to sponsor them financial contribution, which is tax deductible. A 24-hour relay will be held April 23 at 6 p.m. and April 24 at 6 p.m. the time to get information and form your team. For more information, contact Raymond Applewhite at 450-4463/353-9810.

#### SEMPER FI WRESTLING CLUB

Wrestling club wants to give every youth in grades 1-8 a place and opportunity to learn and practice the sport of collegiate and Olympic wrestling. The club is chartered through the N.C. Junior Olympic Wrestling Association and is under the supervision of a leader with 25 years of experience, Coach Ezra Simpkins. The club will meet at Jacksonville High School Gym on Tuesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. For information, call Seaman Laymon at 451-5775.

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Some of the stories are written by celebrities, such as the touching love between comedian Chevy Chase and his wife, Grace. A moving testimony of the expressed by Dana Reeve, she looked at her newly paralytic husband, actor Christopher and said, "It's still you."

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## 1999 REGIONAL ALL-MARINE AND ARMED FORCES CHAMPIONSHIPS

<b>Basketball (Men)</b> East Coast Regional Oct. 17-23 MCB Camp Lejeune, N.C. West Coast Regional Oct. 17-23 MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif. All-Marine Trials Oct. 24-Nov. 14 MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif. Armed Forces (USN Host) Nov. 15-20 Port Huene, Calif.	<b>Volleyball (Men)</b> East Coast Regional April 4-10 MCAS Cherry Point, N.C. West Coast Regional April 4-10 MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif. All-Marine Trials April 11-May 1 MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif. Armed Forces (USAF Host) May 2-8 Randolph AFB, Tx.	<b>Softball (Men)</b> East Coast Regional July 25-31 MCAS Cherry Point, N.C. West Coast Regional July 25-31 MCRD San Diego, Calif. All-Marine Trials Aug. 1-21 MCAS Cherry Point, N.C. Armed Forces (USAF Host) Aug. 22-28 Air Force Academy, Colo.	<b>Soccer (Men)</b> East Coast Regional Oct. 10-16 MCB Camp Lejeune, N.C. West Coast Regional Oct. 10-16 MCRD San Diego, Calif. All-Marine Oct. 17-Nov. 14 MCRD San Diego, Calif. Armed Forces (USN Host) Nov. 6-14 NS San Diego, Calif.
<b>Basketball (Women)</b> All-Marine Trials March 7-27 MCLB Albany, Ga. Armed Forces (USN Host) March 28-April 3 Port Huene, Calif.	<b>Volleyball (Women)</b> All-Marine Trials April 11-May 1 Camp Lejeune, N.C. Armed Forces (USAF Host) May 2-8 Randolph AFB, Tx.	<b>Softball (Women)</b> All-Marine Trials July 18-Aug. 7 MCLB Albany, Ga. Armed Forces (USAF Host) Aug. 8-14 Eglin AFB, Fla.	<b>Soccer (Women)</b> All-Marine Trials Sep. 12-Oct. 2 MCRD Parris Island, S.C. Armed Forces (USN Host) Oct. 3-9 NAS Memphis, Tenn.
<b>Wrestling</b> All-Marine Feb. 1-March 20 MCB Quantico, Va. Armed Forces (USN Host) March 9-14 Port Carson, Calif.	<b>Triathlon</b> Armed Forces (USAF Host) May 5-9 MCB Camp Pendleton, Calif.	<b>Golf</b> All-Marine Trials Aug. 27-28 MCB Camp Lejeune, N.C. Armed Forces (USMC Host) Aug. 29-Sept. 4	<b>Marathon</b> Armed Forces (USMC Host) Oct. 22-25 MCB Quantico, Va.

## LEJEUNE ATHLETIC DEPT.

### MATCH PLAY GOLF LEAGUE

Paradise Point Golf Course is currently organizing Match Play Golf. Each team is limited to 10 players. Leagues will compete on 3/4 handicap, handicaps or 5 score cards must be submitted to golf course by May 10. This event is opened to all active duty, DoD and MCCS civilian employees. For more information, call 451-2061.

#### 10K RUN

Oak Island Lighthouse will be presenting a 10k run Saturday from 9 a.m.-noon. Entry fees are \$15. For more information, call 457-6964.

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9.	2d AA Bn	1-4
10.	Three Pointers	0-4

## Camp Lejeune Base Powerlifting Team

A powerlifting team is forming at Camp Lejeune, those interested must qualify to be part of the team. Tryouts will be held April 17 at 9 a.m. at the Area 2 Gym on the corner of Main Service Road and F Street. All who wish to participate must attend the rules briefing and weigh-ins at 9 a.m. Those eligible to participate are all men and women who are active duty military aboard Camp Lejeune, their families, retired military and civilian employees aboard Camp Lejeune. For more information, contact SSgt. Benedict at 451-3694/ email benedictj@2dmardiv.usmc.mil.

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Monday	Conference schools — Dixon	North Shore CC	3 p.m.
Wednesday	Onslow Co Invitational	North Shore CC	1:30 p.m.
April 19	Conference Schools	Paradise Pt.	3 p.m.
April 26	Conference Schools	Topsail Greens CC	3 p.m.
April 28	Southwest	Paradise Pt.	2 p.m.
April 29	Wilmington Christian	Belvedere CC	2:30 p.m.

### Devilpups Softball Schedule

Tuesday	Dixon	Home	4:30 p.m.
Thursday	N. Brunswick	Away	7 p.m.
April 20	Jones Sr.	Home	4:30 p.m.
April 22	Topsail	Home	4:30 p.m.
April 27	Pamlico	Away	4:30 p.m.
April 29	Dixon	Away	4:30 p.m.
May 3	N. Brunswick	Home	4:30 p.m.

### Devilpups Girls' Soccer Schedule

Monday	Dixon	Home	7 p.m.
Wednesday	W. Brunswick	Away	5 p.m.
April 16	Whiteville	Home	7 p.m.
April 21	Topsail	Away	7 p.m.
April 26	S. Brunswick	Away	7 p.m.
April 28	Dixon	Away	7 p.m.
May 3	W. Brunswick	Home	7 p.m.

### Devilpups Baseball Schedule

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Thursday	N. Brunswick	Away	7 p.m.
April 20	Jones Sr.	Home	4:30 p.m.
April 22	Topsail	Home	4:30 p.m.
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### Devilpups Track Schedule

Thursday	West Craven — Washington	Away	4 p.m.
April 20	Pamlico — Swansboro — Dixon	Home	
	Wallace Rose Hill		
April 22	N. Brunswick	Away	3:30 p.m.
April 27	Pamlico — Dixon — Jones Sr.	Home	
April 29	Pamlico	Away	3:30 p.m.

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AREA 2 POOL 11:30 AM	WATER RUNNING	WATER AEROBICS	WATER RUNNING	WATER AEROBICS	WATER RUNNING
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AREA 2 POOL 5 PM		WATER AEROBICS		WATER AEROBICS	
BLDG. 524 AERO-CTR 5:30 PM	COMBAT CARDIO		COMBAT CARDIO		COMBAT CARDIO
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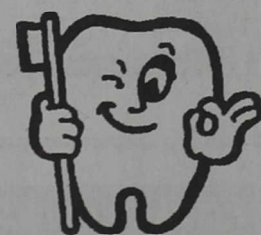
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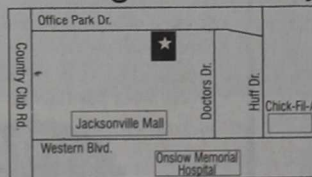
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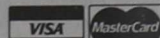
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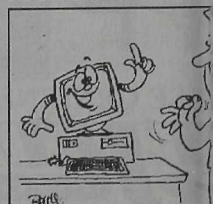
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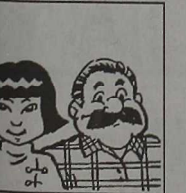
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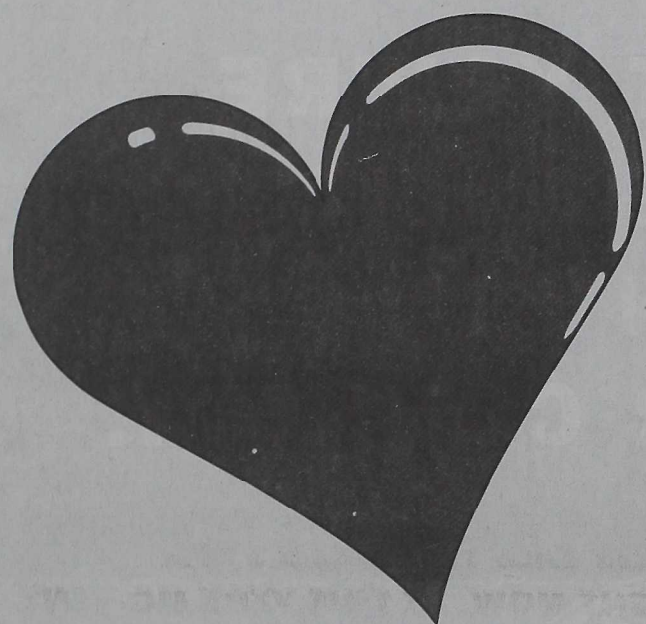
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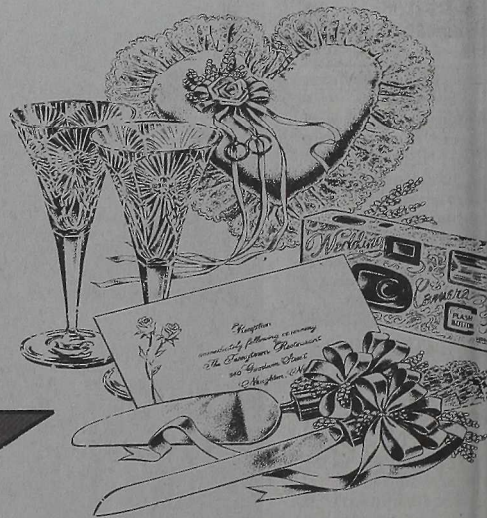


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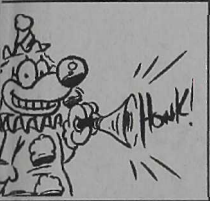


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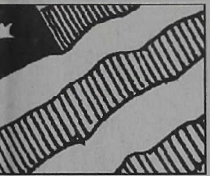
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# Smiles for Life:

## Local Dentist Donates Tooth Whitening to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



**Jacksonville, NC** - Dentists across the country are kicking off "Smiles for Life," a tooth-whitening campaign that will raise funds for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

The Crown Council, a group of more than 700 dental teams from across North America, created the three-month program last year as part of their commitment to improve the health and wellness of their local communities. In the program's first year, dentists raised \$1.5 million for cancer research and treatment. Participating dentists provide patients dental whitening services free of charge in exchange for a charitable contribution to the Smiles for Life Foundation, which in turn will contribute the money to St. Jude Hospital.

"Tooth-whitening is becoming very popular," said Dr. Emmet Jones who practices in Jacksonville. "In fact, it's one of the most requested dental procedures in the country. It's simple to accomplish and the results can be dramatic. We're excited that we can perform this service for patients and help the kids at St. Jude Hospital again this year."

The tooth-whitening procedure involves preparing a mold of the patient's teeth so that a customized whitening tray can be created and worn at home. Discus Dental, manufacturer of Nite White™, is donating its product to participating dentists for the "Smiles for Life" campaign.

"Because the dentists are donating their service and Discus Dental is donating the supplies, we're able to give 100 percent of the money we raise to the hospital," said Dr. Jones. "We hope to double our first year's total and raise \$3 million this year."

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, in Memphis, Tenn, was founded by the late entertainer Danny Thomas. The hospital is internationally recognized as the only biomedical research center dedicated exclusively to finding cures for catastrophic diseases of childhood, including pediatric cancer and AIDS. The hospital's work is primarily supported through public contributions raised by ALSAC, its fund-raising arm. All St. Jude patients are treated regardless of their ability to pay. ALSAC covers all costs of treatment beyond those reimbursed by third party insurers, and total costs for families who have no insurance.

"You might wonder why a dentist in Jacksonville would want to support the efforts of a hospital in Memphis," said Dr. Jones. "St. Jude Hospital is a research center, and they share what they find with doctors and scientists all over the world. A life saved at St. Jude Hospital will eventually mean thousands saved all around the world." The protocols developed at St. Jude Hospital have raised the survival rates for the most common form of childhood cancer (acute lymphoblastic leukemia) from 4 percent when it opened in 1962 to 80 percent today.

For more information on "Smiles for Life," call Dr. Jones at 1-910-455-2151 or you can call in United States or Canada toll-free (877) 4 SMILES.

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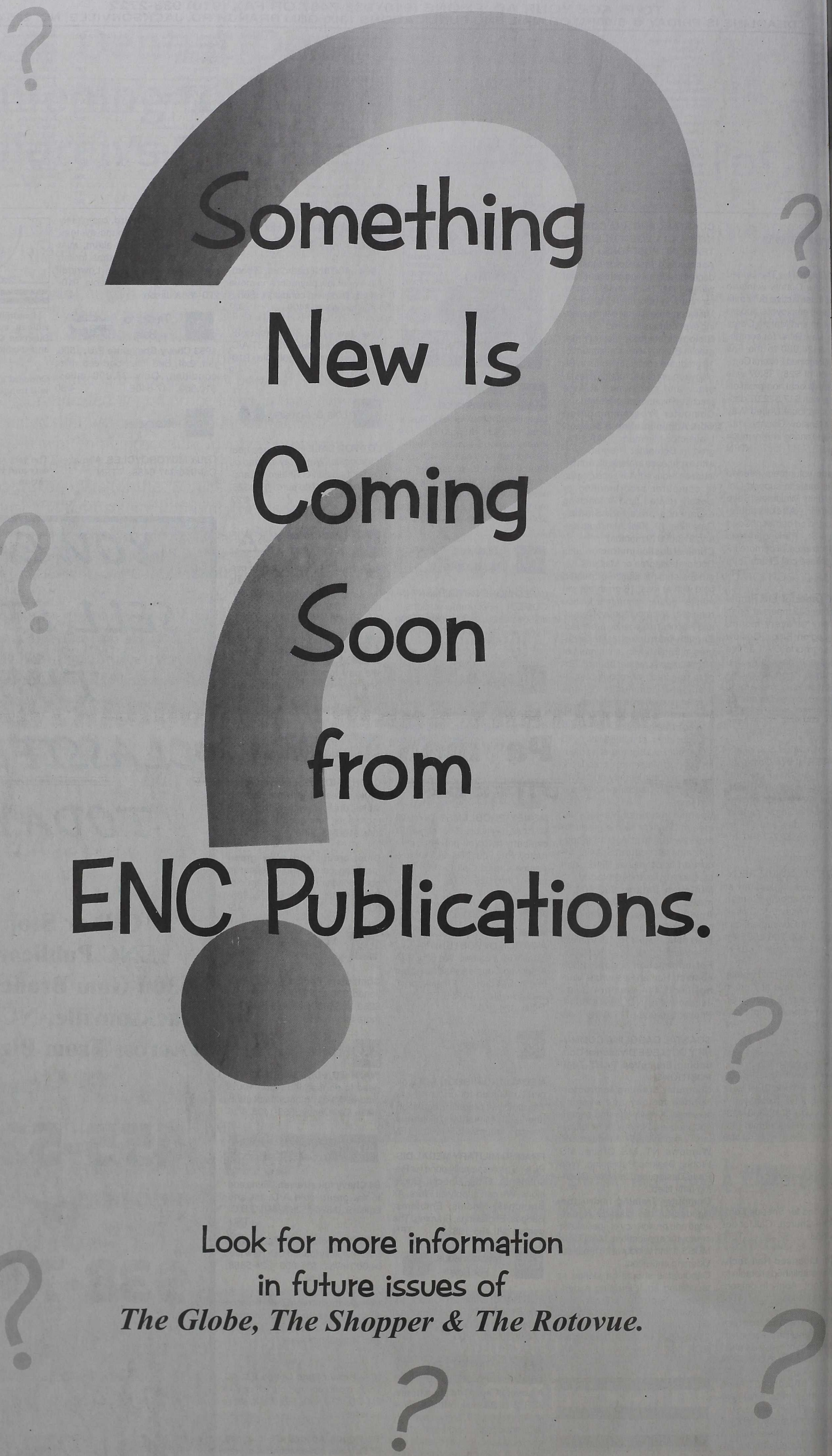
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Students—or anyone—to get the benefits, they must understand the nature of credit and the obligations of being a credit card user. The potential vulnerability of college students—because there is so much at this—is that most of

them have never had credit before and most have limited incomes. As in all things, inexperience can lead to mistakes.

Students who wish to use credit cards must accept the responsibility to educate themselves about the nature of credit, and credit cards in particular. Meanwhile, as card issuers continue fighting to sign up student customers, the issuer's responsibility is to make this education easy and accessible.

Students have several alternatives. One is getting an additional card on their parents' account. This has the advantage of ease of access and grants the student credit card experience. It also gives parents a strong incentive to educate their children on the wise use of credit and allows them to monitor account usage. However, the student does not establish a credit record in his or her name.

Another way is for the student to co-sign a card with his or her parent. While allowing the same advantages as above, students also establish credit in their own name. A warning—unless the account is closed, students and parents are both responsible for the full amount of the debt even if ten years or more have passed and the parent has never used the account.

Finally, students can apply for a credit card account in their name only. This, of course, puts the official responsibility for the account solely on their shoulders. If students do get in over their heads, parents may find out about it only much later.

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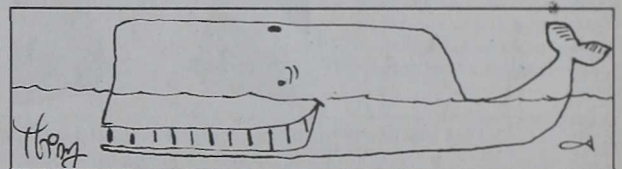
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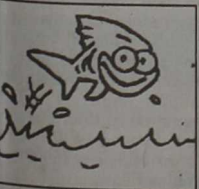


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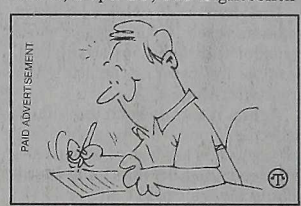
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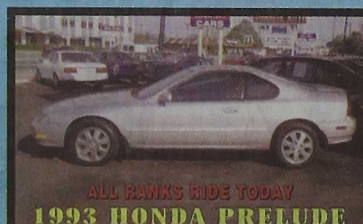
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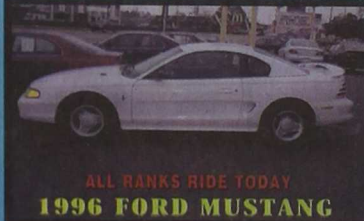
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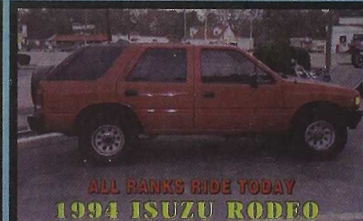
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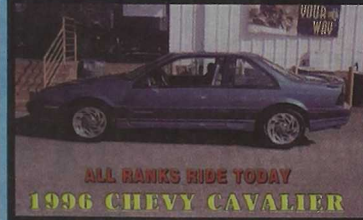
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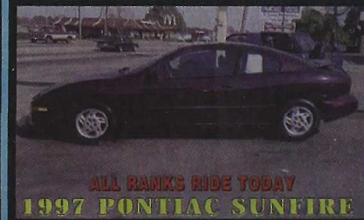
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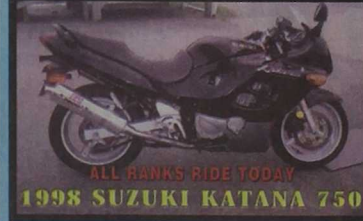
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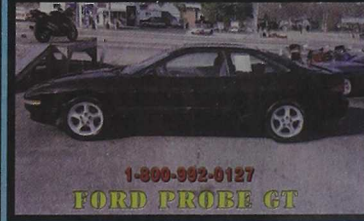
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by Marie Pace

(NAPS)—As a parent educator for 10 years, I found two things very successful in maturation. It is these two factors that peer pressure—that force of growth.

The first is the home. Author and humanist Ron Hubbard wrote that the building block of society. In the book *Scientology*, it goes on to say that the reason families improve so much is that individual to community with family and education. Through research, Hubbard de-

Peer pressure has an effect on a child's development more than a sound family life.

innovative technique for that enables the student only fully grasp the subject.

Children with failed skills may be more likely to pray to peer pressure.

being pursued, but also to apply it in life or work. It has been my observation that children from shaky homes and with failed skills readily fall prey to taunts and pressures that can inflict.

Conversely, children with a sound family life and study skills, have the strength on which to build their choosing and the strive for and achieve the I have found, through the philosophy of L. Ron Hubbard, a sure-fire approach to a happy child. If you have explored it, then I urge you out for yourself. Get the *What is Scientology?* and you can ensure a successful not only for your child but whole family.

Marie Pace is executive director of the Lafayette Tutoring Center.

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