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Cpl. Andrew Nutting, Arrival/Departure Airfield Control Group noncommissioned officer in charge, Combat Logistics Battalion 8, ensures the cargo is hooked properly to a CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772 while Lance Cpl. Richard Heaton, landing support specialist with CLB-8, gives hand and arm signals to the chopper, at Camp Dwyer, Helmand province, Afghanistan, recently.

## HELMAND PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN

# A-DACG Marines essential to cargo, personnel transportation

LANCE CPL. DANIEL A. FLYNN  
Regimental Combat Team 3

Every Marine, depending on their occupational field, has a different mission to complete, but all have one thing in common. Everything they do is in support of combat operations.

The Marines who make up Camp Dwyer's Arrival/Departure Airfield Control Group play a very important role in supporting combat operations here in southern Afghanistan.

"What we do is facilitate the logistical throughput of personnel and cargo," said Staff Sgt. Brian Housel, A-DACG staff noncom-

missioned officer in charge, Combat Logistics Battalion 8, "Meaning we get the Marines into the fight, and then get them the supplies they need to stay in the fight."

The A-DACG currently has the capability to handle half a dozen helicopters at once, transporting supplies and personnel. They also have several different types of missions which they perform as part of their duties.

According to Lance Cpl. Andrew Kenna, landing support specialist with the A-DACG, they handle Helicopter Support Team missions. HST missions are manned by the landing support specialists who hook cargo — such as water, food

and ammo — externally to helicopters for rapid delivery to the Marines on the ground.

"It is an exciting job," said Kenna, "especially doing the HST missions. It feels good knowing I am helping the grunts."

He added, they also assist in the transportation of Marines to the fight. The Camp Dwyer A-DACG Marines facilitated the movement of Companies E and F with 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, during the initiation of Operation Khanjar July 2 when units with Regimental Combat Team 3 conducted the largest helicopter insertion since the Vietnam War into the Helmand River Valley.

Currently, the A-DACG Marines work with just helicopters, but with the C-130 landing strip soon to be operational, they will open a second A-DACG and start handling fixed-wing aircraft as well, according to Cpl. Andrew Nutting, non-commissioned officer in charge of the A-DACG.

There are a few differences between working with rotary-wing and fixed-wing aircraft, according to Nutting. He said the biggest difference between the two is the quantity of cargo they can transport.

With the C-130s, more cargo can be moved at once, but they can only process one plane at a time. Helicopters can't take as much cargo,

but the A-DACG can handle several of the aircraft at the same time, added Nutting.

Housel added, "The C-130s will provide an increased capability to transport personnel and supplies."

When the C-130 landing strip is fully operational, it will allow the helicopters the ability to transport more cargo to the Marines who need it by moving it directly from Camp Dwyer, which is closer to many of the Marines in the fight than Camp Leatherneck.

While the Marines of the A-DACG may not be on the front lines battling insurgents, the job they do here every day has a great effect on those who are in the fight.

## HELMAND PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN

# Marines work to save young IED victim

GUNNERY SGT. CHRIS W. COX  
Regimental Combat Team 3

Marines with 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment provided medical assistance to a young boy and a man who had been injured when an improvised explosive device meant for their patrol prematurely detonated here Aug. 23.

"We were patrolling through an area we'd been in quite a few times. Near a big, open pasture — the only one in our platoon's (area of operations)," said squad leader Sgt. Sean M. Cain. "We were doing a recon just to see if there was any unusual activity. We were going to stay out of the populated area."

As the patrol stopped near a cornfield, the Marines heard and saw the explosion just 200 meters from where they were. Interviews with locals later described two "strangers" burying the mine when it detonated and critically injured at least one of them.

Three others were hurt from the blast, a man whose father drove him to the hospital in Lashkar Gah, another adult and a five-year-old boy. A neighbor picked up the boy from where he

was thrown and carried him by motorcycle to the Marines and their corpsman, Petty Officer 3rd Class Carlos A. Tobar.

"We stopped a guy on a motorcycle because we noticed he was carrying something in his hands," said Tobar. "We realized it was a kid. That's when he got off the bike and basically handed me the kid."

Tobar carried the child to the wall of a nearby house to provide cover in case the enemy was still planning to attack, and began to assess his unconscious patient.

"They had put something on his head to stop the bleeding, but he had a gash about quarter-sized," he said. The cut on the boy's forehead had been made by a projectile thrown by the explosion. "I went around and there were no other injuries at the time. Then I removed the cloth and put an actual bandage on it."

As Tobar worked on the boy, some of the villagers escorted the second blast victim, a man who looked to be in his 40s, to receive treatment for a deep cut to his wrist. Cain bandaged

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Photo by Gunnery Sgt. Chris W. Cox

Team leader Lance Cpl. Brian P. Cronin, provides security as 1st Lt. Patrick O'Shea speaks with a local farmer here shortly after sunrise Aug. 24.

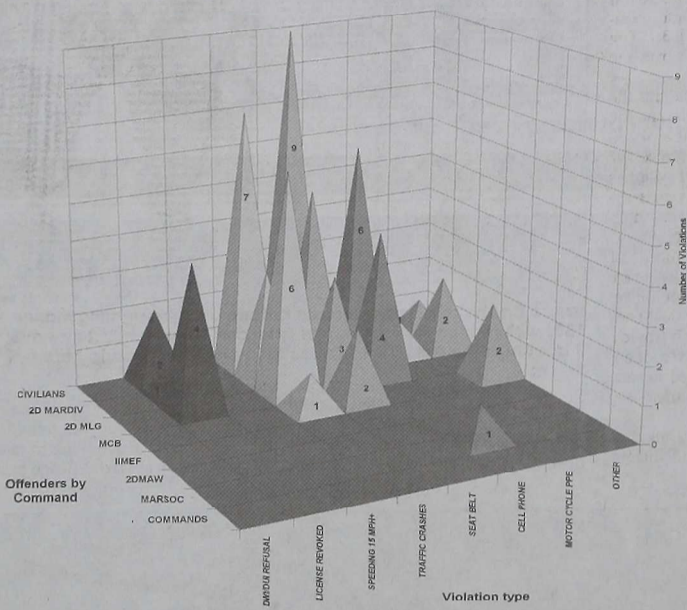
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## Traffic violations aboard Camp Lejeune



This graph represents traffic violations and driving while intoxicated / driving under the influence refusals for Camp Lejeune during the week of Aug. 31 thru Sept. 4. Traffic violations are defined as: driving while license revoked, speeding in excess of 15 mph or over, traffic crashes, seatbelt, cellular telephone and motorcycle personal protective equipment violations. Source: Command Inspector General's Office for Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune

# Legal Advice

## Practical, legal considerations for hurricane season

**M.S. ARCHER**  
Marine Corps Installations-East

This article provides some practical and legal considerations concerning landlord and tenant relations and consumer fraud as they relate to hurricanes. A separate article addressed insurance and claims against the government.

**Repairing Rented Premises.** Landlords, not tenants, are responsible for repairing storm damage and clearing debris resulting from natural disasters [NC Gen Stat 42-43(6)]. If your rented premises is damaged, or if trees or other debris has blown into your yard, notify the landlord or the landlord's agent immediately by phone and follow up in writing. If the damage significantly lessened the value of the property; for example, if air conditioning or plumbing were damaged and not quickly repaired, you may

ask the landlord to reduce or eliminate rent until the repairs are made. The modified rent should be equal to the rental value of the premises that are damaged. If the landlord agrees, get it in writing. If the landlord does not agree, you can sue him in small claims court for a court order lessening or eliminating the rent until the repairs are made. If you have already paid the full rent, you may sue for the difference in the value of the damaged property and the value of the property without damages. A court ordered reduction in rent might be just the wakeup call to inspire your landlord to make the necessary repairs.

**Lease Termination.** North Carolina Law (NC Gen Stat 42-12) provides that if the residential rental premises is damaged so badly that it will cost more than a year's rent to fix it, the tenant may terminate the lease without penalty.

However, the tenant must pay rent up to the time of the damage and must notify the landlord of intent to terminate in writing and within 10 days of the damage. Read the lease carefully. This provision of the law only applies if the lease does not contain an agreement concerning destruction of the premises.

**Consumer Fraud.** When the winds die down, home repair contractors will descend on Jacksonville like vultures. Here are some danger signs to look for:

-The door-to-door seller of home repair services fails to comply with state (NC Gen Stat 25A-39) and Federal law (32 CFR 429) requiring a written notice of a three-day right to cancel the contract.

-The company headquarters is out of state and/or is impossible to contact. Or maybe there is just a post office box and no physical address.

-The contract fails to completely and accurately describe the work to be done and/or the price to be paid. Be especially wary of contracts in which the price is based on an estimate that is to be completed in the future.

-The seller tells you not to worry about the exorbitant price, because the insurance company will pay for everything.

**Emergency Funds.** If the President declares a national disaster, individuals may be eligible for loans or grants administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. FEMA provides grants to help repair damaged homes, loans to compensate for personal or business property loss, and grants to people unable to afford the loans. However, FEMA money can be delayed and may compensate for only a small portion of the loss.

### MAN ON THE STREET

"If you could add a military occupational specialty to the Marine Corps, what would it be?"



**Lance Cpl. John Quijano Jr.**  
Company A, Headquarters and Support Battalion, Marine Corps Base Brooklyn, N.Y.

"I would add a medical MOS. I'd call it Marine Corpsman."



**Lance Cpl. Terrance Walkine**  
Installation Personnel Administration Center, Headquarters and Support Battalion, Marine Corps Base Chicago

"I would add an MOS that specializes in ceremonies."



**Cpl. Dawn Hecker**  
Military Police Company, Headquarters and Support Battalion, Marine Corps Base Hinsdale, Ill.

"I wouldn't add one, but I would keep the military police MOS, because it is slowly being taken over by civilians."



**Cpl. Graham Trout**  
Motor Transportation Company, Marine Wing Support Squadron 472, 4th Marine Division Middleboro, Mass.

"I would add a mixed martial arts MOS. I personally like it, and it would benefit the Marine Corps' warrior spirit."



**Cpl. Todd D. Dawson**  
Motor Transportation Company, Marine Wing Support Squadron 472, 4th Marine Division Beatty, Nev.

"I would add an off-road motorcycle instructor, for combat uses."



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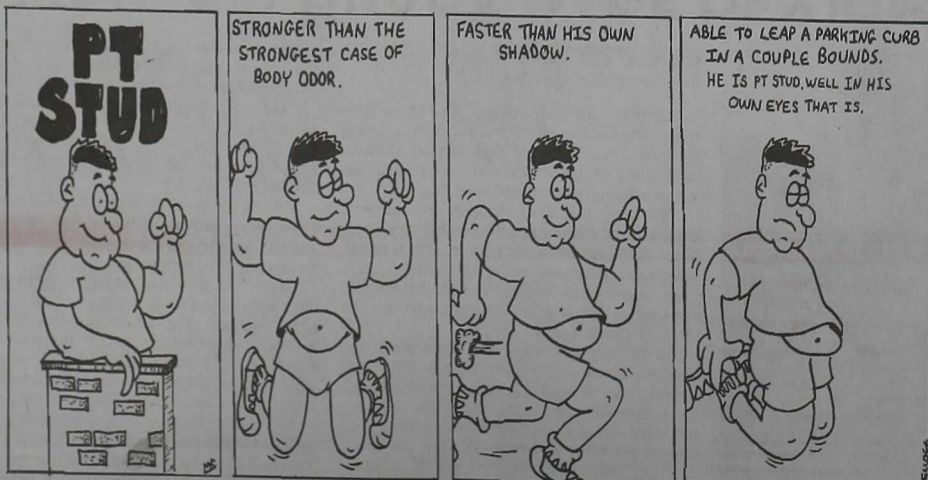
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# Flip Flop Doodles

By Matt Kellogg



HELMAND PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN

# KC-130 makes first landing at Camp Dwyer

**Sgt. Scott Whittington**  
Regimental Combat Team 3

When the first Marines arrived here last year, there was nothing other than mounds of "moon dust," but now the camp has expanded its capabilities to further support units in Helmand province.

The first KC-130J touched down successfully Aug. 27 on newly-built landing strip here as part of a test run. This new capability gives Regimental Combat Team 3 a quicker avenue to resupply Marines on the tip of the spear, fighting insurgents.

"It's an expeditionary capability the Marine Corps practices and uses to rapidly build combat power in an austere location," said Maj. Matt Merrill, RCT-3 air officer and F/A-8 pilot. "It's faster than waiting on the Air Force to build a concrete strip."

It takes convoys anywhere between 10 to 24 hours or more to bring materials down from Camp Leatherneck, depending on potential inhibiting factors such as the route, weather, vehicle issues and possible improvised explosive devices. Now materials can arrive in less than 30 minutes, according to Sgt. Steven R. Rhoades, an optics technician who also personally supervised the transportation of the aluminum matting, or AM-2, from Kandahar Airfield to Leatherneck, which began last February.

Construction commenced on the strip Aug. 9 when airmen, using heavy equipment, began clearing and flattening the terrain. Logistics Marines with RCT-3 have been coordinating the movement of AM-2 matting — 114,000 pounds or 1.4 million square feet — to KAF and Camp Leatherneck. Marines from Marine Wing

Support Squadron 371 took control of the matting once it reached Leatherneck and have been shipping the materials to Camp Dwyer over the last several months.

"There was definitely a lot of it," said Lance Cpl. Arron "The Train" Lawhon, embarkation chief, RCT-3. "The pieces came from all over the world."

One 12-foot bundle tips the scales at 6,000 pounds, and the landing strip is more than 4,300 feet long and 4,000 pieces of matting. MWSS-371 Marines spent the last couple weeks laying down the pieces and interlocking them in place.

"They finished ahead of schedule," said Capt. Alexander Lugo, detachment officer in charge, MWSS-371. "They did an outstanding job — quick, safe and accurate. Everyone is surprised they finished so soon even when our equipment went down."

Lugo said almost all their heavy equipment had maintenance



Photo by Sgt. Scott Whittington  
Lance Cpl. Mike N. Lugo, Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Marine, watches as a KC-130J with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 352 flies over the camp before it becomes the first aircraft to use the newly-built airstrip here.

problems, but his Marines were able to get them up and running quickly to complete the project.

"It's good to see progress," said Rhoades, who was one of the first Marines to arrive here. "We showed up at Dwyer,

and there was literally nothing. We're still working to make this place a full-fledge base."

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HELMAND PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN

# Marines operate out of enemy compound

**LANCE CPL. JOHN M. MCCALL**  
Regimental Combat Team 3

Marines with Company C, 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, have been using formerly Taliban-owned real estate as a base of operations for nearly two months now.

During their time here, the troops have seen many changes and learned a few lessons since their arrival July 2.

"When we first got here it was like a ghost town. We would go out on patrol and not see a single person," said Lance Cpl. Colin Newman, a rifleman. "Now, a lot of the locals that moved out are starting to come back. We're seeing much more activity around here."

Company C's third platoon is currently living in what was once a Taliban safe house. During the battalion's opening operation in Helmand province, Marines discovered the compound.

"There were sleeping bags lined up outside, and there was food recently cooked when we got there," said Sgt. Kevin Woods, a squad leader. "A few compounds away, we found a cache consisting of more than 20 pressure plates, jugs of (homemade explosive), anti-tank mines and anti-personnel mines."

Unfortunately, before uncovering the cache, one of the platoon's vehicles ran over an improvised explosive device, injuring two of their comrades.

"I don't remember much of what happened after the explosion. I just remember having a bad feeling about that compound," said Lance Cpl. Samuel Meyer, a machine gunner. "The next thing I remember is waking up in the hospital."

Meyer was the turret gunner in the vehicle during that patrol. After the IED detonated, he was ejected from inside and landed in a nearby canal.

Lance Cpl. James Buttery, a rifleman, was driving when all this happened.

"We were about to pass the compound and everything just went black," Buttery said. "I woke up in the driver's seat and saw the side doors had been blown open. Meyer was out of the turret and my face was covered in blood."

Buttery had smashed his face against the steering wheel during the explosion. Luckily, both Marines escaped with only minor injuries.

"I feel grateful to be alive. It could have been a lot worse," Meyer said.

After all the dust had settled, Marines searched the nearby compound, uncovering the enemy hideout.

Living in that compound today, Marines with third platoon conduct operations throughout the area surrounding it and work together with the local populace to keep incidents like the one July 2 from happening again.



Photo by Lance Cpl. John M. McCall. Squad Leader Sgt. Kevin Woods, talks with a group of local Afghans about current enemy activity in the area here, Aug. 26.

"We do a lot of security patrols in this area. We go around to compounds and let people know that we are in the area and to come talk to

us if they have any information about enemy activity," Newman said.




The Marines of third platoon have found a place to call

home for the time being and will continue to get to know their neighbors for the remainder of their seven-month deployment.

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CAMP BUEHRING, KUWAIT

# CLB-22 mechs keep MEU rolling

PL. JUSTIN M. MARTINEZ  
2nd Marine Expeditionary Unit

On a warm, dusty evening, acoustic guitar rhythms accompanied by boastful country-accented vocals ripple through the air as several Marines in grease-covered overalls get their hands dirty with a difficult task. The Marines momentarily mimic the country tune playing from small speakers as they turn wrenches through the night, taking out the heart of a 7-ton truck.

Marines with maintenance platoon, Combat Logistics Battalion 22, 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit, have spent countless hours maintaining the MEU's many vehicles during sustainment training board Camp Buehring, Kuwait. They've also performed maintenance miracles in support MEU units during several exercises on foreign shores, pulling the engine on a 7-ton truck just another day at the office for the knuckle-busting superheroes of the MEU.

According to the maintenance officer, the CLB maintenance Marines are 47 professionals operating at the highest level in their military occupational specialty, fixing and maintaining the MEU's equipment during its seven-month deployment.

"I have about 15 different military occupational specialties spread throughout the platoon," said Chief Warrant Officer 2 Dawn M. Conklin, the Maintenance Officer for CLB-22. "They can do everything all the way down to a complete rebuild of some terms."

Conklin added that most of the third-echelon maintenance technicians come from maintenance battalion, which does all the vehicle repairs for II Marine Expeditionary Force at Camp Lejeune.

Oil and grease smeared their clothes as they spent several hours elbow-deep in their extensive task of removing

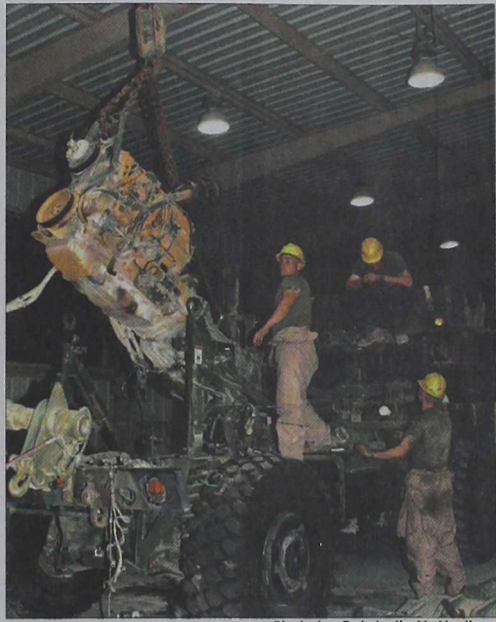


Photo by Cpl. Justin M. Martinez

Marines with maintenance platoon, Combat Logistics Battalion 22, 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit, remove a Caterpillar C-12 engine from a 7-ton truck at Camp Buehring, Kuwait, Aug. 24.

the 3,600-pound engine and transmission combo that once drove the downed truck.

"We do a lot of the Battalion Landing Team's 3rd-echelon work," said Cpl. Micheal S. Banther, a truck mechanic with CLB-22. "Like replacing engines, transmissions and transfer cases in humvees."

Banther, who has been a mechanic most of his life, added that just pulling the cab off the 7-ton truck took a day and a half.

Family tradition fuels the fire for some members of the platoon as they spend their nights with driveshafts and oil pans.

"My entire family, we're all mechanics," said Cpl. Ryan P. Roush, a truck mechanic with CLB 22 and avid NASCAR fan. "That's what we do."

On a previous exercise in a Middle Eastern country, the

maintenance team spent 17 hours on a beach replacing two humvee engines, a tank engine, and an Amphibious Assault Vehicle transmission, starter and alternator.

"We've done a lot of work keeping the MEU operational," said Conklin. "The Marines in the platoon have done an outstanding job and have been very responsive to any needs of the MEU."

So, if it's broken and it needs to be fixed, whether it's in the sand of the Kuwaiti desert or under the burning sun on a far-off foreign shore, you will find them always on



Photo by Cpl. Theodore W. Ritchie

Marines with maintenance platoon, Combat Logistics Battalion 22, 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit, prepare to remove a Caterpillar C-12 engine from a 7-ton truck.

the job, the CLB-22 maintenance Marines.

The 22nd MEU, led by Col. Gareth F. Brandl, is a scalable, multi-purpose force of more than 2,200 Marines and sailors. The unit is composed of its ground combat element, BLT 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment (commanded by Lt. Col. Robert C. Fulford); aviation combat element, Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 263 (Reinforced) (commanded by Lt. Col. Paul P. Ryan); logistics combat element, Combat Logistics Battalion 22 (commanded by Lt. Col. Gary F. Keim); and its command element.



Photo by Cpl. Justin M. Martinez

Cpl. Micheal S. Banther, a truck mechanic with Combat Logistics Battalion 22, 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit, disconnects a part from a Caterpillar C-12 engine before removing it from a 7-ton truck at Camp Buehring, Kuwait, Aug. 24.

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CAMP BUEHRING, KUWAIT

# 22nd MEU Marines graduate Corporal's Course

**CPL. JUSTIN M. MARTINEZ**  
22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit

Marines from various elements of the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit graduated a twelve-day Corporal's Course at Camp Buehring, Kuwait, Aug. 21.

The course is designed to teach Marine corporals valuable tools to educate them on subjects as diverse as squad attacks and defensive operations, close-order drill and leadership skills.

"I learned to better understand my Marines by teaching them and listening to them," said Cpl. Jonathan Rodriguez, a mortar forward observer for Company L, Battalion Landing Team, 3rd Battalion, 22nd Marine Regiment, 22nd MEU. "I'm ready to step forward with what I've learned."

The course taught many subjects to the noncommissioned officers, but they gained one asset they can't get from a book.

"One thing I liked about the course is getting to know and see the faces of all the NCO's throughout the battalion," said Cpl. Andrew Rodriguez, a fireteam leader with Company L, BLT 3rd Battalion, 22nd Marine Regiment.

As these corporal warriors mature into well-rounded leathernecks of the future, the course they went through gave them a stepping stone for growth and development.

Many leadership problems at the corporal level can be attributed to a lack of confidence, said 1st Sgt. Jeffrey A. Young, BLT 3rd Battalion, 22nd Marine Regiment's Headquarters and Support Company first sergeant.

"The course was designed to give these Marines the basic fundamental knowledge that will allow them to be successful," said Young.

The Marines who attended the class have an advantage over others as chevrons and rockers get added to their collars.

"As they progress through the rank structure, some of the basic information that they learned as noncommissioned officers will help them guide and mentor those coming up behind them," said Young.

Young added classes like this set a foundation for success throughout the entire Marine Corps.

The 22nd MEU, led by Col. Gareth F. Brandl, is a scalable, multi-purpose force of more than 2,200 Marines and sailors.

CAMP TAQADDUM, IRAQ

# Iraq-based Marine unit undergoes significant reduction in size

**1ST LT. MICHELE PEREZ**  
2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward)

Since 2004, a 4,000-person Marine Logistics Group has served as the logistics combat element of the Marine Air Ground Task Force operating in Al Anbar province, Iraq. But as of Sept. 1, a regiment-sized element, which is about half the size of the group, uncased their military colors for the first time to assume the responsibilities of providing logistics support to the Marines still in Iraq.

The change is a significant step for the Marine Corps as it shows substantial progress in their responsible drawdown from Iraq. The Marines' mission in Iraq is scheduled to be completed by spring of 2010.

Under the heat of the Iraqi sun, members of the 2nd MLG (Forward) headquarters element and guests, to include Maj. Gen. R. T. Tryon, Multi National Force - West commanding general, gathered aboard Camp Taqaddum for a ceremony to recognize the transfer of authority from Brig. Gen. Juan

G. Ayala, commanding general for 2nd MLG (Fwd.), to Col. Vincent A. Coglianesse, commanding officer for the newly designated Combat Logistics Regiment 27 (Fwd.). Coglianesse will be leading the logistics element of the MAGTF in completing the remainder of its planned year-long deployment.

When a logistics command element first stood up in support of the MAGTF mission in Iraq in 2003, the MLG (Fwd.), or the 1st Force Service Support Group as it was called before 2005, consisted of four subordinate battalions of about 1,000 Marines and sailors each. The standard makeup of the group included an engineer battalion, two direct support battalions - one in support of the Marine units operating in eastern Anbar and the other focused on units working in the west, and a general support battalion in support of all Marine Corps units within MNF-W.

For five years, this lineage of Marine logistics units has provided the ground units, and their own units, the support they needed to carry out day-

to-day operations.

"(Marine logisticians) continued sustain our forces at the outer edges of the battlefield and the edges of this empire," remarked Brig Gen. Ayala during the ceremony. "They've been on duty Anbar and Ninewa provinces, in Basra, Waleed, Diyala supporting those (regimental combat teams), Army (brigade combat teams) and the combat advisor."

"All have collectively conveyed hundreds of thousands of miles transporting and escorting tons of critical supplies such as fuel, spare parts, ammunition, mail, personnel and equipment over the same dangerous and (improvised explosive device)-laden roads which our ground combat element operates on," he continued.

The newly established CLR-2 (Fwd.) will consist of a headquarters battalion; a direct support, reserve battalion - Combat Logistics Battalion 46 and a general support battalion, 2nd Maintenance Battalion, home-base

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CTIM FROM 1A

injury while Tobar continued treating the child. While this was taking place,atoon commander 1st Lt. Patrick O'Shea, who was with the patrol, called in a casualty evacuation helicopter to come pick up the child. The nearest landing zone was a field they had passed earlier, a few hundred meters from their current position.

Tobar ran in front of the motorcycle carrying the man and the boy to the LZ. Once they arrived at the edge of the field, he replaced the boy's bandage that had fallen off, began an IV and inserted an airway adjunct to ensure he wasn't breathing since he still hadn't regained consciousness.

"By that time, his parents had arrived, so we grabbed an interpreter to explain what had happened and why we needed to take him - because he needed better help," Tobar said. "I didn't want her to be in the dark. I kept reassuring her that nothing was going to happen to her husband or her son."

At first the child's mother wouldn't be calmed, recalled O'Shea. "But after we explained what was happening, she kept saying 'Yes,' so she agreed with us that we were here to help, but she was still understandably upset."

A little over an hour from the time the bomb exploded, the boy and his father boarded a UH-60 Blackhawk on their way to the field hospital at Camp Bastion.

"We have a 10-digit grid here the boy lives so as soon



Photo by Gunnery Sgt. Chris W. Cox

Local farmer, Asad Mohamad, tells 1st Lt. Patrick O'Shea through an interpreter about the man who prematurely detonated the improvised explosive device that critically injured two insurgents and a 5-year-old boy the day before.

as we get an update, we can go out there and let the family know what's going on," O'Shea said. "We also told them to show up at the base every day, and we'll let them know as soon as we find out."

In addition to being first on the scene with medical care for those who needed it, the Marines also scored a win in support of their mission here. Theirs is not a traditional fight. They put themselves in harm's way for the benefit of

the local people, who don't always trust them.

"Today we just proved that all the things we're saying to the people are true," the lieutenant said. "We immediately started working on the child, helped anyone else who asked and investigated the bomb site all without firing a shot."

"The Taliban messed up," he continued. "They injured a child and an older man. Not only did they not get to ambush us, they also hurt them-

selves, and their reputation in the eyes of the people."

Before sunrise the next morning, as O'Shea and his Marines were preparing for another patrol through the same area, the lieutenant radioed for information on the boy's condition. The child had died a few hours earlier.

Despite the bad news, the Marines still carried on their business as usual.

During that morning's patrol, O'Shea stopped, as

he usually does, to cordially speak with most of the local men he saw. Part of the news he passed was about the IED and the fact that the boy had died overnight. At his first conversation stop with a farmer, the man passed some news back.

The man who had hurt his wrist was the one who had pulled the kite string detonator while the insurgents were placing the mine. The Taliban had been planning to use his

house to ambush the Marines, so he stopped them.

Some local residents may not trust the Marines, in spite of their actions on this day and others like it since they arrived here in early July, but others are willing to face retaliation against themselves and their family based on their belief that better days are coming. A belief that the Marines will stay, the Taliban will leave and their children will be free to play in the street.

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out of Camp Lejeune, N.C.

"Today serves as another success story in our nation's involvement in (Operation Iraqi Freedom)," expressed Coglianesse during his closing remarks. "The improved security situation we see today is a direct result of countless deployments made by our U.S. service members over the last six years."

Marine units serving throughout al Anbar and Ninewa provinces have and continue to return to their home station without replacements. The reduction has enabled the logistics combat element to continue their service support mission while allowing them to also work towards getting all Marine gear and equipment out of Iraq.

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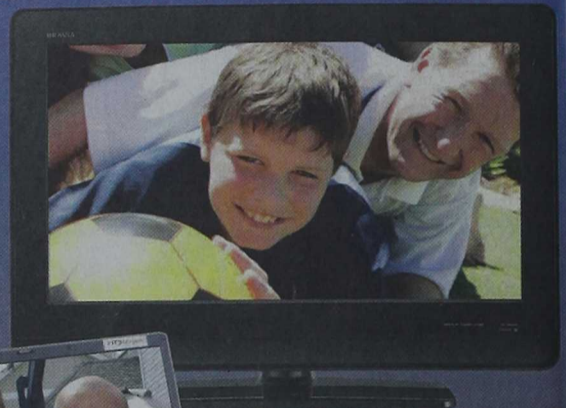


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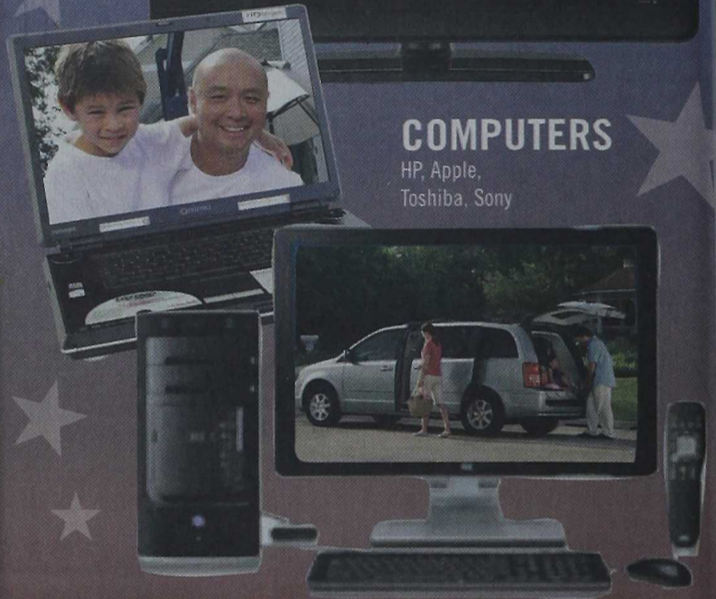


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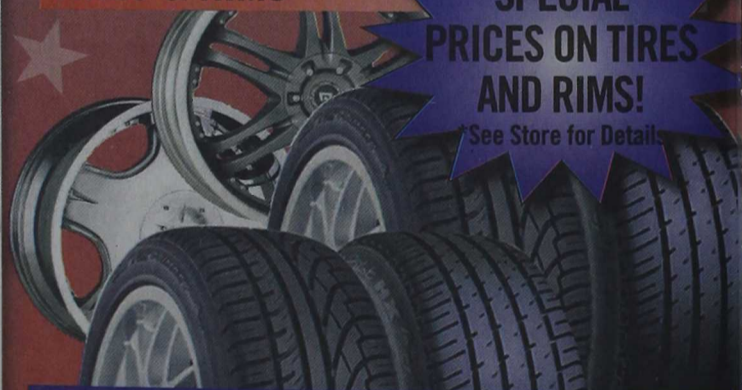


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2nd Intelligence Battalion's Kevin Martin battles a 2nd Tank Battalion player for possession during their Sept. 2 game at Intramural Field aboard Camp Lejeune.

# FIRST WIN

## 2nd Intelligence Battalion beats 2nd Tank Battalion, 2-1

**JAMIE CAMERON**  
Assistant managing editor

Entering the third week of Camp Lejeune's intramural soccer season, only 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment Charlie remained undefeated. The team from 2nd Intelligence Battalion was still searching for its first win, until its Sept. 2 match-up with 2nd Tank Battalion.

After going down an early goal to 2nd Tanks, Aaron Casebolt capped off a spirited comeback to give 2nd Intel. Bn. the 2-1 victory.

The game was played at the intramural field behind Goettge Memorial Field House.

Staked to a 1-0 lead, 2nd Tanks settled into an offside trap that stifled the 2nd Intel. Bn. through much of the first half. In the meantime, the 2nd Tanks midfielders concentrated on counterattacking with dangerous through-balls to their speedy forwards. On several occasions, only 2nd Intel. Bn. goal keeper, Jeff Lewis, was there to stand in the way of 2nd Tanks adding on to its lead. Lewis turned away shots from Jon Osborne, Guensly Dorisca and Ryan Tarabocchia before the end of the half.

During the break, 2nd Intel. Bn. worked on a strategy to break the offside trap, and within minutes after play resumed, the plan succeeded.

2nd Intel. Bn. earned a corner kick from the left side of the field, which Drew Zaro finally settled and punched home the equalizing goal from 10 yards out.

With the game tied, momentum shifted to 2nd Intel. Bn. Zaro led a terrific solo run through the middle of the 2nd Tanks defense and lured the goalie into over-committing on the play. Unfortunately, with nothing but an open net in front of him, Zaro's last touch on the ball was too strong, leaving him almost no angle to complete the play. His shot caromed off the near post and the 2nd Tanks defense was able to sweep away the threat.

2nd Intel. Bn. made good on its next chance, which started with a counter-attack up the middle of the field. This time, Casebolt drew the entire 2nd Tanks defense to him and burst free for the game-winner.

The 2nd Tanks offense played the rest



Photos by Jamie Cameron  
(Above) Aaron Casebolt, No. 4, of 2nd Intelligence Battalion races toward the goal as a 2nd Tank Battalion defender and the goal keeper try to stop him. Casebolt scored on the play. (Right) 2nd Tanks' Ryan Tarabocchia fires a shot at the 2nd Intel. Bn. goal during their Sept. 2 game. 2nd Intel. Bn. earned its first win of the season, 2-1.



# Low pressure system puts damper on dove season: Fall fishing heats up



## Lejeune Outdoors

With Jamie Cameron

After all the anticipation for the 2009 dove hunting opener, I ended up missing it, and got rained out of my Labor Day hunt — foey.

I spoke to a few hunters who hit one of the managed dove fields in Croatan National Forest and they reported a slow start, but the action picked up around 3 p.m. and remained steady through 5:30.

The surprise low pressure system that squashed the Labor Day plans did some good. On my way to work Tuesday, I saw lots and lots of hungry doves pouring into the recently cut cornfields to make up for lost time.

Traditionally, mourning doves get the most hunter pressure on the opening weekend. After that, most outdoorsmen turn their attention to other things, including preparing for deer season and taking advantage of the red hot early fall fishing action.

For those who didn't get enough (or any) shooting in, it leaves plenty of great places to pick out a good spot and have a dove shoot to themselves. You can safely assume I will be among those hunters who take to the fields over the next few weeks to throw some lead at those speedy doves, hoping for that elusive 15-bird limit.

Just as the weather didn't cooperate for the dove hunters, Labor Day was pretty much a washout for coastal anglers as well. In fact, the storm seemed to take an unreasonable dislike

to anyone in the Onslow and Carteret county areas who had a mind to go out and catch dinner.

Luckily, the action was excellent prior to the storm, and promises to return to a high level now that things have settled down.

According to Richard Ehrenkauf, a.k.a. Dr. Bogus, the fall fishing season is upon us.

Mullet, shrimp and other baitfish are pouring out of the marshes and the predatory fish are hot on their heels. Red drum, flounder and speckled trout are enjoying the feast and savvy anglers are taking full advantage of the spike in activity.

Surf fishermen are reporting red drum along the beaches and they're catching fish on live and cut bait, lures and even fly-fishing tackle. Drum as large as 11 pounds have been caught along Western Bogue Banks, and there was a fish reported to be around 30 pounds that was lost among the pilings at Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier recently.

Red drum are among North Carolina's most popular gamefish and they are a true success story when it comes to properly managed fisheries. There was a time during the 1980s and 1990s when drum stocks plummeted under the pressure of poorly regulated commercial fishing. Modern regulations allow recreational anglers to keep one red drum per day, measuring between 17 and 28 inches. The result

has been a resurgence in the population and plenty of action for everyone to enjoy.

Action in the surf also includes some nice bluefish in the 2- to 4-pound range. These fish put up a great fight on light tackle and can be excellent table fare when they are put on ice quickly and prepared properly. I like my bluefish cooked on the day they were caught; either broiled or grilled with lemon, salt, pepper and fresh herbs.

Another prized addition to the mix is the Spanish mackerel, which have returned in force for the fall run. Spanish often run right alongside the bluefish and can be caught using the same small, shiny lures. Mackerel are more discerning when it comes to terminal tackle and can be quite leader-

shy. If Spanish mackerel are your target species, go with a light leader and do away with terminal tackle like snap swivels. Tie your lure directly to the leader and hope a sharp-toothed bluefish doesn't cut you off.

The Seaview Pier on Topsail Island has lots of pompano, red drum, black drum, sea mullet and spots, while the Jolly Roger Pier is reporting keeper flounder, nice bluefish and a few Spanish mackerel.

For those who have access to a boat, the fall run of false albacore has started just off the beaches. Look for diving birds as your cue to find the schools of feeding albacore. Coastal North Carolina boasts a world-class fishery for these hard-charging tiny tunas.

Until next week, good luck out there.

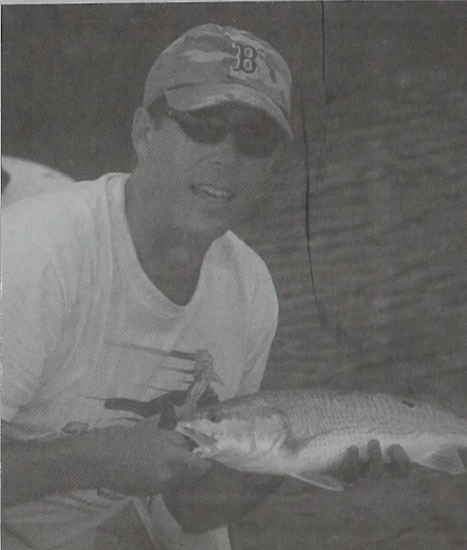


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Red drum like this under-sized individual are starting to make their presence felt along area beaches and sounds.



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# Bills offense welcomes new coordinator, Van Pelt

JOHN WAWROW  
AP SPORTS WRITER

A new job, lunch with Buffalo Bills owner Ralph Wilson and with the start of the season a little over a week away, Alex Van Pelt can't help but feel both excited and a little nervous in taking over as offensive coordinator.

It might ease Van Pelt's mind knowing the team's offensive leaders are behind him after the Bills returned to practice Sunday, two days after Turk Schonert was abruptly fired.

Quarterback Trent Edwards and receiver Lee Evans both said they and other players had voiced their concerns about the offensive sputters this preseason to coach Dick Jauron, who ultimately made the decision to make the change.

"I don't think it was really about me. I think it was about the offense as a whole," Edwards said. "We had voiced some things with what direction it was going and where we needed to go. And I think that coach Jauron made the decision on what he felt the offense needed best."

Evans agreed, noting the preseason games showed a need to simplify a no-huddle attack Schonert had spent the entire offseason installing.

"I think everybody had concerns about it," Evans said. "I think the basis of it was that things weren't getting done the right way."

As for Van Pelt, Evans said the offense philosophy won't change much, but has the potential to be more productive.

"It'll be a different culture with him, so going into Monday night I'm going to be excited to play," Evans said, referring to the Bills opener at New England, Monday.

That doesn't leave Van Pelt with much time.

"It's been hectic. It was a surprise, but we don't have time to dwell on it," Van Pelt said. "Yeah, I'm nervous. I don't think anybody in my position wouldn't be nervous, but also very excited."

The Bills' offense regressed as the preseason progressed by failing to score a touchdown in its final two games, a 17-0 loss at Pittsburgh on Aug. 29 and a 17-6 loss to Detroit, Sept. 3.

The starters particularly struggled, generating 279 yards, 15 first downs and a field goal in 15 series over four games.

Overall, the Bills went 1-4 in the preseason and were outscored 75-12 in the first half.

Schonert told Buffalo's WIVB-TV, Sept. 4, that he and Jauron had clear philosophical differences over the no-huddle attack.

"He wants a Pop Warner offense. He limited me in formations and limited me in plays," Schonert was quoted as saying in a phone interview. "He's been on my back all offseason."

Van Pelt is no stranger to the no-huddle offense, even though he was entering only his second season as the Bills' quarterbacks coach. Van Pelt spent most of his nine NFL seasons as a Bills backup quarterback and became familiar with the no-huddle while playing behind Hall of Famer Jim Kelly in the mid-1990s.

"We want to be efficient no matter what we do, and I think the best way for us to do that is to make it easier for the players," he said. "And if that's simplifying it, and we're efficient, then that's effective."

Van Pelt, along with general manager Russ Brandon, Jauron and running backs coach Eric Stutesville traveled to meet with Wilson at his home in suburban Detroit, Sept. 5.

Without going into detail, Jauron called it a "real good meeting," and a chance for Wilson to become more familiar with Van Pelt and Stutesville, who is the team's run game coordinator.

Wilson hasn't been happy with the offense since last season, Schonert's first as coordinator. The owner expressed concern in December, when he elected to retain Jauron and his entire staff. Buffalo has finished 25th or worst in yards gained in each of the past six seasons.

Terrell Owens is on board with the switch, even though he's not familiar with Van Pelt, and has some catching up to do after missing the final four preseason games nursing a sprained toe.

"This is going to be a little bit of a transition for us."

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# Tar Heels start season with alumni pro game

AARON BEARD  
AP SPORTS WRITER

The rosters featured NBA All-Stars and players who helped North Carolina win national championships. Yet the crowd that filled the Smith Center for the charity game featuring Tar Heel alumni playing professionally saved the biggest cheer for two people who weren't even playing.

Yes, Michael Jordan and Dean Smith still can bring Tar Heel fans to their feet. North Carolina men's basketball program began its yearlong celebration of its centennial season Sept. 4, drawing a sellout crowd of 21,750 to watch a game that featured NBA All-Stars such as Vince Carter, Antawn Jamison and Jerry Stackhouse. Along the way, the program honored last season's NCAA title-winning team and Jordan for his

forthcoming induction into the Naismith Hall of Fame. And of course, the crowd roared at the sight of the 78-year-old Smith — who joined Jordan, current Tar Heels coach Roy Williams and both teams on the court for pregame introductions.

"Let's be honest: I don't think we all would be here if it wasn't for him," said Jamison, who helped the Tar Heels reach the 1997 Final Four in Smith's final season. "You can't put into words how much he has meant to myself, my family and my friends. The guy has done so much. I love Coach Smith dearly. I said it before; he's like a second father to me, man."

Smith retired a dozen years ago as the winningest coach in Division I men's basketball and has kept a low profile in recent years. Yet one thing had not changed: he still seemed as uncomfortable with the attention as he was

during his 36 years coaching here. He acknowledged the crowd, then pointed several times at the players as they applauded him.

"I didn't expect anything less," said Carter, also a member of Smith's last team. "He's touched so many lives for even the people that just are die-hard fans. Just to be a part of it and see it was breathtaking."

Smith sat at the scorer's table during the game, seated between Jordan and Charlotte Bobcats coach Larry Brown. He left early without speaking to reporters.

The game also included 10 of the Tar Heels' 2005 and 2009 national championship teams. Among the other notable people in attendance: Denver Nuggets coach George Karl, who coached the losing Blue team; new Detroit Pistons coach John Kuester, who coached the

victorious White; and Bill Guthridge, Smith's longtime assistant who spent three years as head coach after Smith's retirement.

The White team also included Carolina Panthers Pro Bowl defensive lineman Julius Peppers — a two-sport standout here earlier this decade — who dressed but didn't play and heard chants of "We want Peppers!" late in the game.

With so many prominent people in attendance, the crowd spent much of the night snapping pictures with their cell phones and craning their necks to peer down the tunnel and beg for an autograph before the game. Of course, the fans had some trouble figuring out whom to cheer for at times, eventually opting to applaud every play.

That's not to say they didn't get charged up a few times, most notably on some

highlight-reel dunks from Carter. The Orlando Magic star ended the first half by taking an alley-oop pass from former teammate Shammond Williams off the backboard and throwing it down on the break.

There was also the interesting sight of the Blue team once using the clock-draining "Four Corners" offense made famous by Phil

Ford in the 1970s.

At halftime, the school unveiled the banner for the '09 title, the program's second in five seasons and fifth NCAA championship overall. In addition, the school honored Jordan during the second half and added his name to the banner listing the program's Naismith inductees.

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of the way at a frantic pace, trying to free up enough room for a shot on goal, but the 2nd Intel. Bn. defense was up to the task, pushing away the attacks and playing possession soccer to run out the clock.

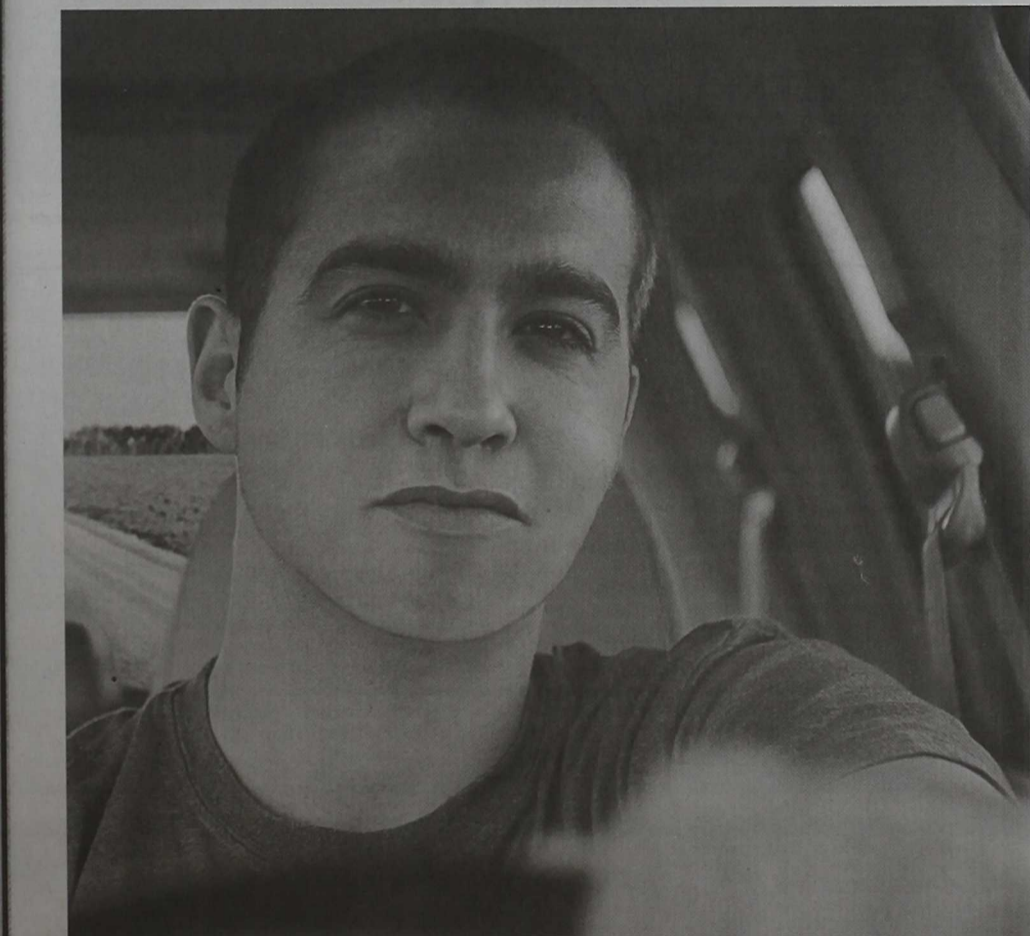
It was a strategy that worked. "I thought it was the first time this season that we played as a team," said 2nd Intel. Bn. captain Kevin Martin. "When our substitutions came into the game, they knew what they were doing and where they were supposed to go."

With its record now at 1-3 for the season, 2nd Intel. Bn. is looking to improve for the post-season tournament.

"With six teams in the league, everyone is going to make the playoffs," said Martin. "I thought we did a helluva job tonight. It's a long season; you never know what might happen."



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Jeff Lewis, goalie for 2nd Intelligence Battalion, charges out to stop 2nd Tank Battalion's Guensly Dorisca from scoring, Sept. 2.



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(Left) Steve Snow, Ragged Point Yacht Club sailor at the helm during the Jim Taulbee Memorial Regatta, aboard Camp Lejeune, Aug. 29.

(Main photo) RPYC sailors head downwind during the race.



# Yacht club memorializes a man, father, friend to all

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Marine Corps Base

The pearlescent white sails of the boats pranced in the wind while enduring the unpredictable North Carolina weather. The time to race was momentary, but the time to remember will be forever.

The Ragged Point Yacht Club hosted its 6th annual Jim Taulbee Memorial "Pop Tart" Regatta Aug. 29, at Camp Lejeune's Gottschalk Marina. The "Pop Tart" Regatta is a sailboat racing event that was started to commemorate James "Jim" Taulbee.

"This is about his life and how he lived, not about his death," said Elaine Keller, one of Taulbee's sisters.

After the race a potluck dinner was held, which included delectable homemade meals and an abundance of Pop Tarts, which were Taulbee's favorite snack.

Friends and family spoke of times when they would find brown cinnamon sugar Pop Tarts everywhere, since it was in Taulbee's nature to store these snacks in places where he knew he would return.

Taulbee retired after 25 years of service in the Marine Corps as a master sergeant. He was a computer specialist with Headquarters and Service Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, now known as 2nd Marine Logistics Group. He was murdered on Jan. 5, 2004, by then active-duty Chief Warrant Officer 4 Ruben Wright.

Despite the tragedy, Taulbee's death brought life back into the club after a hurricane took out the marina's prominent launching docks in 1997.

"Jimmy," as his friends and family called him, loved to sail. He developed his interest of boats from a boating magazine in 1987. Since his retirement, he and a friend made it a hobby to restore boats together. The boat Taulbee worked on was a 1972 Bristol 40-foot sailboat.

"I miss his laugh. He had the best hugs," said Taulbee's daughter, Lydia Taulbee. "I keep coming (to the Regattas) because I like to hear the stories they tell."

A common story of Taulbee was that he was always very helpful, and would even do repairs on the community's boats without them asking, said Denise Toth, another of Taulbee's sisters.

"One really bad thing helped us meet all these extraordinary people," she said.

One of these people was sailor Steve Snow, a retired master sergeant with 27 years of service in the Marine Corps. Out of several boats Snow owns, he chose to race his 1975, 30-foot Pearson sailboat named Margon.

"I enjoy sailing because I'm able to go places without relying on anything but the wind," said Snow. "It's invigorating."

The majority of the RPYC's members share the same dream, to retire and own a boat, if they hadn't already done so. The club has been around since the 1960s and varies from seven to 50 active members at a time. It has made its home in the New River area and the base marina.

Taulbee's friends and family, along with the RPYC, plan to host and attend this special day for many years to come.

"Jim has touched lives, and still is," said Campbell. "It was a good day... a great day."



Photo by Lance Cpl. Damany S. Coleman  
Ragged Point Yacht Club members pose on the Gottschalk Marina dock after competing in the 6th annual Jim Taulbee Memorial Regatta, Aug. 29.

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# Long wait finally over: Guru returns Week



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With Jamie Cameron

I know you've all been waiting for the NFL season with baited breath, but admit it, in the back of your mind, part of the anticipation was knowing The Globe's Gridiron Guru would be back to help you along the way.

What can I say about the new NFL? The more things change, the more they stay the same. Mike Vick was out, now he's back (in Week 3). Brett Favre was out, now he's back. Tom Brady was out, now he's back.

Regardless of how you consider these high-profile signal callers and their personal faults (and can anyone fault Brady's knee?) the league is more exciting by having them around.

Once again, the AFC is loaded, with the returning champion Pittsburgh Steel-

ers, an angry New England Patriots squad, and the best team in football (on paper) San Diego Chargers, all vying for a spot in the big game.

The NFC is more complicated. How will Chicago adjust to Jay Cutler at the helm of the offense? Can Tony Romo and the Dallas Cowboys score points without Terrell Owens? Who the heck is Eli Manning going to throw the ball to? I can't wait to find out.

The season starts tonight at 8:30 when the Steelers host the Tennessee Titans in what promises to be a real donnybrook between a pair of AFC powerhouses.

So, without further delay, let's break down some of Sunday's match-ups and light the fuse to this firecracker.

### Minnesota Vikings at Cleveland Browns

In case you've been living under a rock for the last month, you already know the big story here — Brett Favre returns to football with his third team in three years, although this reincarnation with the Minnesota Vikings seems more calculated than the last. Even without Favre, the Vikings have the most potent rushing offense in the league, led by Adrian Peterson. Minnesota's wide receivers will

be more dangerous now, except for the plays when Favre throws to the other team. Cleveland, on the other hand, is a mess. New coach Eric Mangini lost his job with the New York Jets at the end of last season in large part to the Favre experiment, so there will at least be a little revenge drama to the game. Unfortunately, Mangini's new team won't be able to compete. Pick: Minnesota

### Miami Dolphins at Atlanta Falcons

Two of the league's surprise teams from 2008 meet in the first game of the season. Miami silenced the critics last year by winning the powerful AFC East Division. Atlanta did much the same by earning a wild card berth out of the NFC South. Now that the cat is out of the bag, neither of these teams is going to sneak up on anyone. The Falcons should be even better this season, with Matt Ryan going into his second year and the addition of tight end Anthony Gonzalez. It is the Dolphins that could prove to be a flash in the pan. Quarterback Chad Pennington is serviceable, but not great, and everything else is pretty much the same. Pick: Atlanta

### Dallas Cowboys at Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Are the Dallas Cowboys

better off without Terrell Owens or will the offense now lack the big play threat it needs to succeed? Perhaps Tony Romo can finally call it his offense and settle in to a more comfortable leadership position, without all the drama that came with T.O. Here's the problem though, the Cowboys were better with Owens than they are without him. What was a dynamic offense is now hum-drum. Sure, they'll score points, and the defense will be solid, but this looks like a team on the decline. Tampa Bay is supposed to be better after adding Derrick Ward to the backfield, but Ward only looked so-so in the pre-season. Time will tell. Pick: Dallas

### Chicago Bears at Green Bay Packers

Chicago was the talk of the town after landing disgruntled quarterback Jay Cutler to fill in the weakest link on the team. Now they get to put the new offense to the test against the rival Green Bay Packers. Running back Matt Forte creates problems for opposing defenses with every snap, and the Bears' receiving corps will be much better with Cutler under center. This will mark the second season for Packers' quarterback Aaron Rodgers and he's no slouch. Rodgers is already one of the league's better signal-callers, and with a little more help from the ground game, the Pack

should be on its way to the playoffs. Pick: Green Bay

### Philadelphia Eagles at Carolina Panthers

How will the Panthers respond to last season's inglorious exit in their first playoff game? Jake Delhomme will take a less-active role in the team's fortunes and rely on a steady running game. The Panthers' defense is starting the year hurt so that won't help Carolina's chances in these early games. Philadelphia made a big splash by signing Mike Vick to back up Donovan McNabb, but Vick won't play until at least Week 4. Even without Vick, the Panthers are a solid contender in the NFC. Pick: Philadelphia

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# Untouchables prove namesake, make double overtime comeback

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The 2009 All-Star basketball Tournament came to a close here after a tough battle in which the Untouchables beat the All-Stars 56-49 in double-overtime at Iron- Works Gym Aug. 29.

The tournament was a double elimination play-off that kicked off at 9 a.m. with our teams and lasted well to the afternoon before a champion was crowned.

Coach Anthony Alexander and the Untouchables edged each James Allen and the All-Stars after two games and two overtime periods of intense, action-packed basketball.

"We played outstanding, especially going into the losers' bracket after the first game," said Alexander. The Untouchables lost their first game of the tournament to the All-Stars 34-45, which made it an uphill battle from the start.

The All-Stars remained the winners' bracket beating Da FA M 43-35 in their second win which allowed them to rest for a game.

The Untouchables didn't give up, playing two games in a row and then coming off with the All-Stars, whom they would have to beat twice to be crowned the champions.

The All-Stars were defeated in the double elimination tournament going into the first of the eventual two games, which meant they

had a second chance if they needed it to wear down the Untouchables.

"We were sluggish coming from the losers' bracket, but we had a strategy to go to the championship," said Alexander.

Alexander's team strategy was to leave some of his players on the bench, let them rest, and bring them out in spurts to utilize their energy but not tire them out.

It was a risky strategy, but it paid off for the Untouchables. They had the depth and talent on the bench to pull off such a gutsy move.

The Untouchables suited up enough players to nearly make three teams.

On the other end, the All-Stars only had six players which made it almost impossible to get any rest.

"We ran out of men. It took a battalion to beat six men on the court," said Allen.

Without fresh legs on the court and no rest, it was only a matter of time before the All-Stars would crumble.

"I knew I had 12. It was just a matter of time before they played sloppy," said Allen.

The All-Stars' fatigue began to show after tying the second game and going into overtime.

With 51.9 seconds left to play and tied at 44-44 in the first overtime, Allen was fouled attempting to shoot a three-pointer.

The result of the play was Allen missing all three free-throws which could have put the All-Stars on top for the win.

Overtime ended with both



Untouchables center Mario Brown goes up strong during a recent game. The Untouchables came from behind to win the All-Star Basketball Tournament, Aug. 29.

teams even more exhausted and with additional fouls, which would play a huge role in the following overtime.

After a much needed break, both teams got back on the court for the final five minutes of what had become a daylong battle between

these two teams. The Untouchables jumped to an early lead making four baskets to the All-Stars two.

With two minutes left All-Stars' Allen fouled out and had to sit out the final minutes of the game.

With Allen out, the

Untouchables took advantage of the ball and clock, extending their lead 56-49.

The Untouchables didn't allow the All-Stars to gain possession for the final minute of play, passing the ball from player to player faster than the All-Stars' weary legs could

keep up. After the game, the Untouchables small forward Nathaniel Rozzelle was named tournaments Most Valuable Player. "Our team came back from four games; it was a good competition," said Rozzelle.

MINNEAPOLIS

# Timberwolves sign Ramon Sessions to offer sheet; move on after Rubio snub

ON KRAWCZYNSKI  
 SPORTS WRITER

The Minnesota Timberwolves wasted little time moving on after being rebuffed by Ricky Rubio.

Two days after the 18-year-old point guard backed out of a deal to join the Timberwolves this season, Minnesota signed restricted free agent Ramon Sessions to an offer sheet Sept. 4.

The Milwaukee Bucks will have seven days to match the four-year, \$16 million offer.

Rubio's decision to stay in Spain for at least the next two seasons created a hole at point guard for Minnesota behind rookie Jonny Flynn from Syracuse.

Sessions averaged 12.4 points per game and 5.7 assists for the Bucks last season.

"We are excited about the opportunity to have Ramon Sessions on our team," Timberwolves president of basketball operations David Kahn said in a statement. "Ramon has the ability to play both guard positions, and thus will be able to complement the members of our current backcourt."

Kahn selected Rubio with the fifth pick in the draft in June. He spent all summer working with Rubio's agents to try and secure a buyout of his contract with DKV Joventut that would allow Rubio to play in the NBA this fall. The biggest sticking point was an \$8 million buyout clause, and the Wolves were limited by NBA rules from paying more than \$500,000 toward that number.

Last Saturday, Kahn, Joventut officials and Rubio's agents agreed upon a deal that would bring the popular passer to Minnesota. But less than 48 hours later, Rubio told Kahn that he wanted to stay in Spain to better prepare himself for the NBA and avoid having to pay more than \$5 million out of his own pocket to buyout his contract.

So Joventut instead traded him to rival FC Barcelona, which

signed him to a contract that will keep him in Europe for at least the next two seasons.

The Timberwolves hold Rubio's NBA rights for as long as he is playing professionally. Kahn has said that they are willing to wait for him, but a player of his talents also could fetch a nice package on the trade market if Rubio decides he does not want to play in Minnesota.

After Rubio backed out, Kahn said the team had to move on and the Sessions offer is it.

The 6-foot-3 Sessions was ninth in the NBA last season with a 2.97:1 assist-to-turnover ratio and would give the Wolves some depth in the backcourt that it sorely lacks. Kahn has reshaped the roster this summer, trading guards Mike Miller, Randy Foye, Sebastian Telfair and Quentin Richardson.

"At only 23, Ramon also has the potential to improve and fits our plan of building a young, up-tempo team with championship contending potential," Kahn said.

Flynn was the sixth overall pick in the draft and figures to be

the starter when training camp opens. Kahn has indicated that veterans Chucky Atkins and Bobby Brown may not be with the team much longer.

That leaves rookie Wayne Ellington and veteran Damien Wilkins as the only other guards on the roster.

Sessions' versatility would help things, but there is still a lack of size on the perimeter for this young and rebuilding team.

Kahn has preached patience ever since he was hired in May, saying it may take two or three years to get the mess in Minnesota cleaned up. But he has been aggressive in making moves, both to help out the accountants and the coaches, as he tries to position the Wolves to be a player in the talent-rich 2010 free agent class.

"I also hope in some way that in the last three months, people can see that we've charted a new direction and that there's hope again," Kahn said Sept. 3. "It won't be too long, hopefully no longer than three or four years down the road, where this will be a special place."

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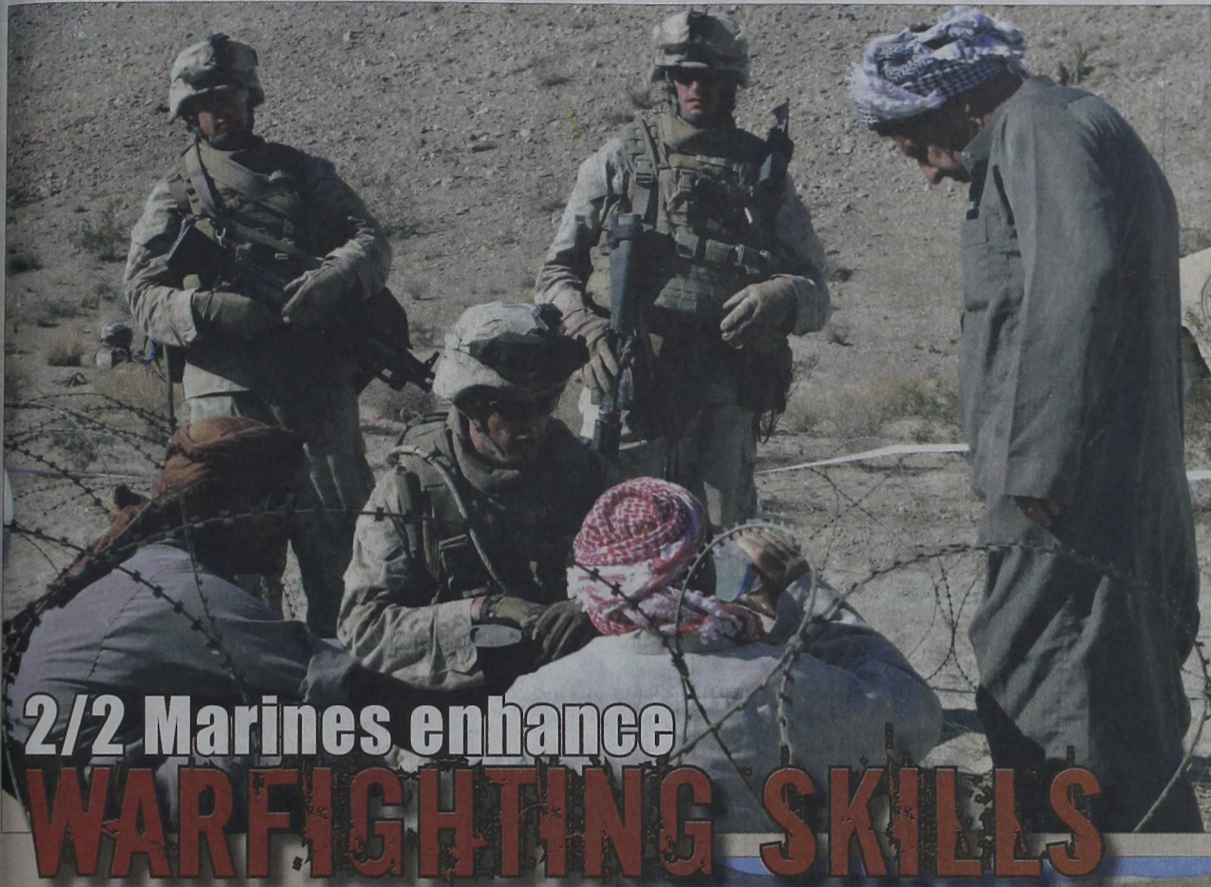
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## 2/2 Marines enhance WARFIGHTING SKILLS

LANCE CPL. DWIGHT A. HENDERSON  
2nd Marine Division

**B**ouncing and swaying in the back of an amphibious assault vehicle as it rolls through the desert, Marines wiped the sweat off their brows, waiting for the AAV to stop and the rear ramp to drop.

Once the ramp dropped, the Marines from Company F, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment quickly exited the vehicle and began assaulting an enemy bunker. While one group of Marines fired, another group maneuvered, allowing them to quickly overrun the "enemy" position.

After ensuring the area is clear, the Marines reentered their AAV and the vehicle took off in a cloud of dust toward its next objective on the outskirts of an abandoned town aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Currently deployed to Twentynine Palms for its Mojave Viper pre-deployment training evolution, the Marines are learning fundamental tactics of counterinsurgency warfare. Known simply as Clear, Build, Hold 2, the training is part of the 30-day Mojave Viper training regimen.

"It teaches the basics; basic defense, breaching, security and move-

ment with vehicles and a company sized element," said Sgt. Michael K. Nunning, a combat engineer attached to Company F.

During the assault, the Marines utilized most assets available to an infantry company, including air support, indirect-fire support, engineers and snipers.

"It's not often that you get to work with all the assets at one time," said Nunning.

After pushing through the enemy positions, the Marines then occupied an abandoned village and held it by setting up entry and vehicle control points, machine-gun positions and conducting night-time patrols and raids.

The next day, Marines used the ECPs and VCPs to allow role players, dressed up as playing the part of local citizens, to enter the Marine-held town. At the same time, the Marines kept an eye out for known insurgents trying to get back into the village. Put into practice in a real-world environment, CBH tactics will allow the Marines the opportunity to deny insurgents sanctuary and support from local populaces while at the same time providing security for innocent citizens.

After this training, the Marines of Company F said they are confident in their ability to execute what they learned during their upcoming deployment to Afghanistan.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Dwight Henderson

(Top) Marines from Company F, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, talk to role players at an entry control point outside an abandoned town during training aboard Marine Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif. Aug. 20. (Above) Marines from Company E, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, run to their CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter for extraction during Mojave Viper training aboard Marine Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Aug. 24.

"I think our deployment is going to go really well," said Cpl. Jeffrey H. Gober, a squad leader with Company F. "Everyone is grasping the concepts. Training never stops and our motto is 'never waste a minute,' so we'll just keep going forward with that."

Following on the heels of Company F, Marines from Company E endured the same rigorous training the following week.

"It was very productive, it's something we can put in our tool box for

later on," said Cpl. James C. Anderson Jr., a squad leader with Company E. "With all the scenarios that are going on in the mountains of southern Helmand, we'll definitely be able to use this training in country."

After CBH-2, the battalion came together to practice a battalion-wide defense during CBH-3, the third phase of Mojave Viper.

For more information on the II Marine Expeditionary Force, visit the unit's Web site at [imefpublic.usmc.mil](http://imefpublic.usmc.mil).

## 2nd MLG Marines build bonds with Ghana army

CPL. BOBBIE A. CURTIS  
2nd Marine Logistics Group

The distinctive mottled-green camouflage uniform of a Ghanaian soldier blended in with the desert MARPAT uniforms of 2nd Marine Logistics Group Marines during the second phase of the Ghana Small Arms Exchange Program aboard Camp Lejeune, Aug. 3 through 27.

The Marines from infantry weapons platoon, Ordnance Maintenance Company, 2nd Maintenance Battalion, 2nd MLG, spent 24 days teaching Warrant Officer Paul Galley, a small arms specialist with the Ghana army, preventative maintenance and maintenance management for the M-16 A2 assault rifle, M-249 squad automatic weapon and other weapons systems used in the U.S. arsenal.

Galley said he has learned much from his short stint in the U.S.

"I got much experience, especially on the M-16 and M-240 (medium machine gun)," he said.

He explained the Ghana army recently started using American weapons as opposed to the Soviet-style weapons they relied on in the past, and the knowledge he gained from the Marines will be priceless in advancing Ghana's ability to maintain its small arms arsenal.

"I believe if I go back to Ghana I will pass the same knowledge I got back home to my people," he continued. "I have acquired much knowledge from the Marine Corps."

Part one of the program occurred in February, when Staff Sgt. Kelly J. Jessee and Cpl. Miguel A. Garcia, of Maintenance Battalion, visited Ghana's capital city of Accra to give some Ghanaian troops an introduction to U.S. weaponry. Galley's new-found skills will help reinforce the lessons taught by Jessee and Garcia.

Warrant Officer James S. Knight, the commander of IW platoon, said the visit was a good experience for his Marines.

"It's very interesting to learn about foreign militaries," he said. "It's been a learning experience for all of us. This type of program needs to continue, it's good for relations and it's good for young Marines to see this type of event going on."

Pfc. David J. Doria, an armorer in the platoon, saw the chance to help teach Galley as a unique opportunity to get to know a person from a foreign culture.

"I learned a lot about what they like to eat in Ghana, what kind of music he listens to and the type of weapons they work on," Doria explained.

Galley also said he believes programs like this are important to continue in the future and he was grateful for the opportunity to visit.

"I wish this program to continue, so the relationship between the American government and Ghana can continue," he said. "I thank the Marines for their hospitality."

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## Marines get swabbed, save lives

CPL. JESSICA L. MARTINEZ  
Marine Corps Base

It is instilled in every Marine from day one as their feet hit those infamous yellow footprints that "Marines take care of Marines."

Sept. 1, students with the School of Infantry - East at Camp Geiger aboard Marine Corps Air Station New River, kept that significant mantra in their minds as they contemplated the simple task of swabbing their mouths in order to save a life.

As students succumbed to the cotton swabs, they registered as marrow donors with the C.W. Bill Young Department of Defense Marrow Donor Program. The process was simple and painless, but the step the Marines took was lifesaving.

"We offer the chance to register with the program weekly, as long as there is a class picking up," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Robert De Los Santos, coordinator with the program aboard the base. "(SOI - E) is currently one of the top three sites in the world for picking up donors."

Since the National Marrow Donor Program began in 1986, more than six million Americans, to include more than 400,000 service members, have registered as donors. For SOI - E, in 2007, they had 10,230 donors register, in 2008, there were 12,167 and as of this year, there have been just over 6,500 donors.

The process to become a marrow donor is quite simple and easy. Everything is step by step and takes almost no time at all. Anyone in good health between the ages of 18 and 60 is eligible to become a donor.

Marines with the school were given a packet and brief to explain the marrow donor program. From there, they filled out paperwork within the packet, and then they swabbed their mouths with four cotton swabs. After those tasks were finished, the Marines sealed their paperwork and cotton swabs into a large envelope, completing the process.

"I'm doing this to help people, it's what the Marine Corps is all about," said Pvt. Travis Houser, a Marine Combat Training Battalion student and bone marrow donor. "I think about if I were in the same position as someone with leukemia, I'd want someone to donate for me. It makes me feel good to know I'm helping out."

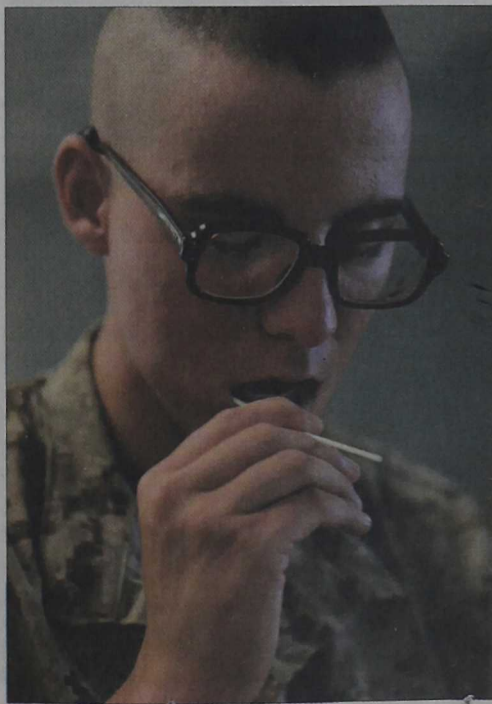
All the information is then put into a national database allowing medical personnel throughout the U.S. and the world to find a donor who matches someone in need of a transplant.

Each day thousands of people in the U.S. are in need of bone marrow transplants, and each day people die without finding a match and getting that transplant they need.

"This is important," said De Los Santos. "We are in the life saving business."

For more information about the donor program visit the Web site at [dodmarrow.org](http://dodmarrow.org).

Photo by Cpl. Jessica L. Martinez  
Pvt. Travis Houser, a Marine Combat Training Battalion student with School of Infantry - East, Camp Geiger, Marine Corps Air Station New River, swabs in order to register with the C.W. Bill Young Department of Defense Marrow Donor Program, Sept. 1.



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## ONE TOUGH MARINE

HEATHER M. OWENS  
Carolina Living editor

There is an old cliché that goes, "When life gives you lemons, make lemonade."

One local Marine is doing just that.

During 2007, Gunnery Sgt. Joseph Moneymaker, then with the 8th Communications Battalion, stepped off a plane in Iraq. His legs were swollen, but he didn't think much of it, because it had been a long journey.

By the time he got to his base in Iraq, his legs were still swollen. Still, being a tough Marine, he put off going to medical as long as possible. By the time he got there, he was told that his kidneys were not filtering properly and he needed to be med-evaced to Germany.

So began a long string of events that finally ended in a diagnosis: multiple myeloma and a blood disorder called amyloidosis.

Moneymaker, now a medical veteran, is able to explain both diseases in layman's terms.

Myeloma is a bone cancer which generates in the blood stream and causes lesions on the bones. In Moneymaker's case, many lesions were present, so the diagnosis was multiple myeloma.

His form of amyloidosis is a blood disorder which, as Moneymaker put it, "Gunks up in the blood stream, similar to dirty oil in a car engine, and puts protein deposits on the outside of organs."

The amyloidosis was what had been causing the gunny's kidney problems.

"Neither one of them are very common," he said. "They do kind of go hand-in-hand."

In fact, one Navy physician told Moneymaker she had only seen two other cases during her career.

Moneymaker ended up at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences' Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy in Little Rock, Ark.

"This is where the story really begins," said Moneymaker.

The gunny spent a year rotating in and out of the institute receiving treatment. During that year, he received multiple chemotherapy treatments and two stem cell transplants. In between stays at the institute, he would come home for two to three week breaks.

"I'm fortunate that the Marine Corps sent me and a caretaker with me on temporary assigned duty to received treatment," said Moneymaker.

"Sometimes my wife went with me or my

mother or brother, so that someone could watch my daughter and no one had to take a whole year off work."

Though cancer treatment is by nature a rigorous endeavor, Moneymaker used his Marine Corps training to persevere.

"The docs told me specifically that my age and being in shape helped me with the treatments," said Moneymaker, who is 32.

"The Marine Corps training of physical training helped me physically and the mental training of 'never give up' helped me as well."

In fact, the most painful part of his cancer treatment was the possibility of having to be medically retired. "That would be taking my life away," he said, noting he wanted to be a Marine before he knew what a Marine was and always planned to serve at least 20 years.

Today, Moneymaker, who is a Microsoft certification instructor at the Communications Training Center, is in remission from cancer and amyloidosis, though he still takes shots to keep the cancer away. He will face the medical review board in March 2010, and prays he will be healthy enough to stay a Marine.

Neither he nor his family is bitter about the experience. Moneymaker calls his treatment a "little speed bump" in their lives.

"It was given to us in this nice little package, but goodness came out of it because we met people we never would have met otherwise," said Moneymaker's wife, Meredith.

### Multiple Myeloma Poker Run Sept. 19, New River Harley Davidson

Gunnery Sgt. Joseph Moneymaker and his wife Meredith have planned the Multiple Myeloma Poker Run to raise money for the Patient Support Fund, which helps multiple myeloma patients from around the country receive treatment at the Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy in Little Rock, Ark.

Though Moneymaker's cancer treatment and travel expenses were paid for by the Marine Corps, he met so many other patients at the institute who were struggling to get by. The gunny said he hopes members of the community will support the poker run for two reasons:

"One, to support a fellow Marine in doing something good for the community," he said. "And, two, to get them out of their own world and help them realize other people have problems as well. It would help them get their minds off their issues, and it will cheer them up as well because it's going to be a fun atmosphere."

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. at the New River Harley Davidson, and participants are welcome to sign up that morning. The registration fee is \$15 per rider or \$20 for a couple on one bike. The first bikes will go out at 9:45 a.m. and the last will go out at 10:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to the best and worst hands, and refreshments will be served. The event will go on rain or shine.

For more information or to register in advance, visit [newriverh-d.com/events](http://newriverh-d.com/events). For questions about the event, call Moneymaker at 910-554-6651 or e-mail him at [joseph.moneymaker@live.com](mailto:joseph.moneymaker@live.com).



Courtesy photo  
Gunnery Sgt. Joseph Moneymaker, who was diagnosed with multiple myeloma and amyloidosis during 2007, sits on his new Harley Davidson motorcycle which he received during his cancer treatment. His wife Meredith stands by his side and daughter Taylor, 4, sits in his lap. Moneymaker is an instructor at the Communications Training Center.



## MovieReview



From the front row with Reinhild Moldenhauer Huneycutt

# 'Inglourious Basterds' is a quirky war flick

Now playing in Jacksonville

### 'INGLOURIOUS BASTERDS' (R)

"Inglourious Basterds" is a World War II epic of an alternative kind.

The two-story lines are set in Nazi-occupied France where American soldiers, French peasants, French resistance and Nazi occupiers all collide.

A special group of Jewish-American soldiers, known as the Inglourious Basterds, sent behind enemy lines to spread fear among the Germans by assassinating Nazis and taking their scalps.

Brad Pitt ("The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," "Mr. & Mrs. Smith") stars as Lt. Aldo Raine, known as "Aldo the Apache," a funny and fast talking Southerner, who leads his group of scalp hunters across Europe to engage in targeted acts of retribution. Their mission is to take down as many Nazis as they can get.

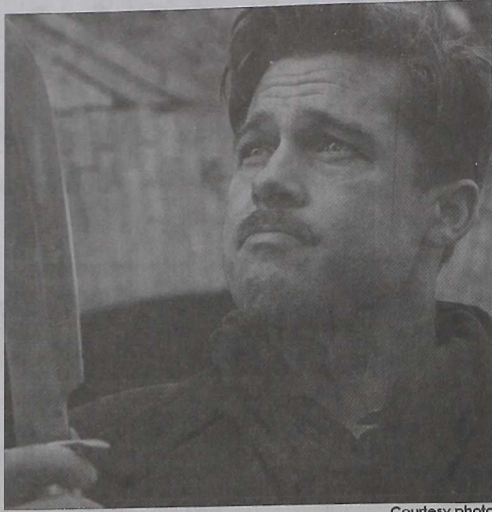
The bloodthirsty gang consists of: Eli Roth ("Grindhouse") as Sgt. Donny Donowitz, known as the "The Bear Jew," a big man who swings a mean baseball

bat; Til Schweiger ("The Red Baron") as Sgt. Hugo Stiglitz, a quiet German-born former Feldwebel in the German army, who was recruited by Raine; Samm Levine ("I Love You, Beth Cooper") as Pfc. Hirschberg; B.J. Novak (TV's "The Office") as Pfc. Smithson Utivich, aka "The Little Man"; Gedeon Burhard as Cpl. Wilhelm Wicki; and Omar Doom as Pfc. Omar Ulmer.

The group crosses paths with a French-Jewish teenage girl, Shosanna Dreyfus, played by Melanie Laurent ("Days of Glory"), who witnesses the execution of her family and narrowly escapes. She later takes on a new identity as the owner and operator of a Paris movie theater targeted by the soldiers during a showing of a German propaganda film. All along, she is working on her own agenda of revenge.

Raine's squad also joins a German actress and undercover agent for the Brits, Bridget Von Hammermark, played by Diane Kruger ("National Treasure," "Troy"), on a mission to take down the leaders of the Third Reich.

Christoph Waltz ("Gun Shy") co-stars as the kind



Courtesy photo

Brad Pitt stars as Lt. Aldo Raine, known as "Aldo the Apache," in the nontraditional, World War II epic "Inglourious Basterds."

and charming but loathsome conniving and evil SS Col. Hans Landa, a linguist genius who calls himself a detective, who is also known as the "Jew Hunter." Landa earlier executed Shosanna's family in German-occupied France.

Also appearing are Mike Myers as General Ed Fenech, a British intelligence officer; Rod Taylor as Winston Churchill; and Michael Fassbender ("300") as British Lt. Archie Hicox.

Daniel Bruhl ("The Bourne Ultimatum") plays Gefreiter Frederick Zoller, a young and arrogant German war hero who is starring in Joseph Goebbels' latest propaganda movie and who is pursuing Shosanna.

Sylvester Groth plays Goebbels, German's propaganda minister; Julie Dreyfus ("Kill Bill") appears as Francesca Mondino, his mistress; and Martin Wuttke portrays Adolf Hitler.

Director and writer Quentin Tarantino ("Pulp Fiction," "Kill Bill," "Reservoir Dogs"),

known for his over-the-top action movies, has assembled a large and outstanding international cast of actors to assure a certain authenticity.

Austrian actor Waltz stands out with his brilliant performance and language skills and has already received world-wide acclaim.

"The Inglourious Basterds" is a huge fantasy story of how World War II should have ended. It is partly a fairy tale and a wishful Jewish fantasy. The very long movie has less action than one expects from a Tarantino film; it is full of comical violence and witty and explosive conversations, mostly spoken in a foreign tongue.

This film is not your usual Hollywood war movie, but is the most unusual and gutsy entertainment film with a spectacular finale. This film is a glorious tribute to American's pop culture.

**Editor's note: Ms. Huneycutt is the Public Affairs Assistant at the Base Public Affairs Office.**

## GamingIntel 'ExciteBots' fun to race

**BRIAN BOWERS**  
Stars and Stripes

Ever drive a beetle? How 'bout one that wasn't manufactured by Volkswagen?

You can get your chance with Nintendo's "ExciteBots: Trick Racing," an E-rated racing game for the Wii. It also lets you drive robots shaped like grasshoppers, frogs, turtles, ladybugs and other critters.

The game will be familiar to anyone who's played "Excite Truck," one of the earliest Wii games. Use the motion-sensitive remote to steer, hit the 2 button to accelerate and B button for a boost.

However, the bots give you a few more options. When you run over a wrench, you can activate a running mechanism, which allows you to bash through obstacles. You then control your bot by rapidly tilting the remote back and forth. At other times, you can glide for great distances.

The tracks also offer some new features. For example, you'll occasionally come across red horizontal bars that your bot will automatically grab. It's then your job to move your remote in a circular motion in time to the rotations of your bot around the bar. This gives you a big boost and, more importantly, stars that you need to collect to progress to the next level.

In other additions, you can drive through gift boxes that contain booster rockets or chomping teeth

to use against other racers. At other spots, you can zip into quick minigames. You might roar through a set of bowling pins or get a pie that you can throw at a giant clown face or a soccer ball that you can knock into a goal.

You can play solo or against a friend locally, or up to six can compete online. You'll need to unlock levels in the solo mode before you can play them with a friend. To unlock a new level, you need to earn a certain number of stars by doing different tricks or finishing well.

You can also play minigames or participate in a poker race in which you run over different cards to create a poker hand. Best hand wins.

Most of the courses are pretty interesting, ranging from snowy Finland to sandy Mexico. One of the game's biggest challenges is to figure out which bot works best on each kind of terrain. The bat might give you some great gliding time, but he's too light to perform well on the ice.

Overall, it's a great family game. My family's only gripe came from my daughter, who says she wishes they'd included a butterfly bot instead of all those icky bugs.

**Platform:** Wii  
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The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department and Jacksonville High School cheerleaders are offering Saturday cheerleading lessons for youth ages 5 to 12 years starting this Saturday through Oct. 3. The lessons will take place at Jacksonville High School. There is a \$40 fee to participate. For more information, call 347-5332 or visit [onslowcountync.gov/parks](http://onslowcountync.gov/parks).

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The Onslow County Parks and Recreation Department, in conjunction with several other local organizations, has scheduled a Bicycle Rodeo for children ages 4 to 14. The rodeo will be held beside the Jacksonville Mall. The event includes minor bike repairs, helmet fitting, bike skills course and bike registration. Free helmets will be distributed while supplies last. For more information, call 347-5332 or visit [onslowcountync.gov/parks](http://onslowcountync.gov/parks).

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Of course, your bowling ball wouldn't fall into the gutter if you were bowling on a new alley, which is just one part of the renovations occurring at the Bonnyman Bowling Center here on Camp Lejeune.

"Not only are we renovating out old equipment, but we are also moving some of the center's features around," said Vern Swaim, the manager of the bowling center. "The pro shop will be moved to the end of the building, and a larger arcade will take its place at the entrance."

Along with laying down new lanes and replacing the ball catchers, new furniture, flat screen TVs, and black lights will be added to



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The lanes, as well as almost everything else in the Bonnyman Bowling Center, are being renovated in a long-awaited project to improve bowling conditions. Part of the alley, which has already been completed, has been met with great reception as patrons claim higher bowling averages.

completely revamp the center. The project started July 24, and a section of the alley is already completed and open to the public as the rest of the building still undergoes construction.

"Our average has improved," said Zen Vasquez, an avid bowler and part of a league with her sister. "The balls are going where we want them to go for a change. It's about time."

With nothing but great responses from patrons who have already experienced the refurbished lanes,

the time and effort put into the project is already paying off. "The only equipment not being replaced is the pin setters," said Swaim. "It really is a team effort to make all this happen."

The construction is slated to end mid-September, and the old equipment is to be resold to the public through the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office. So if you are looking to build yourself a bowling alley, stop by DRMO, otherwise, go to the new and improved Bonnyman Bowling Center.

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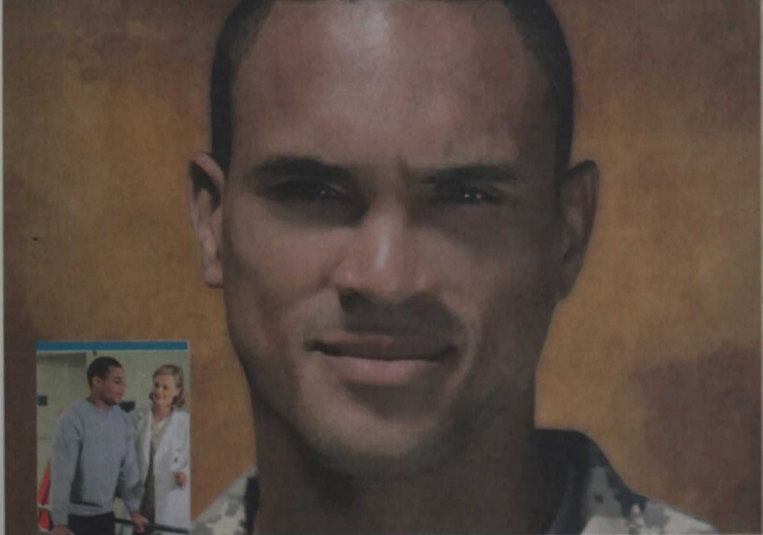
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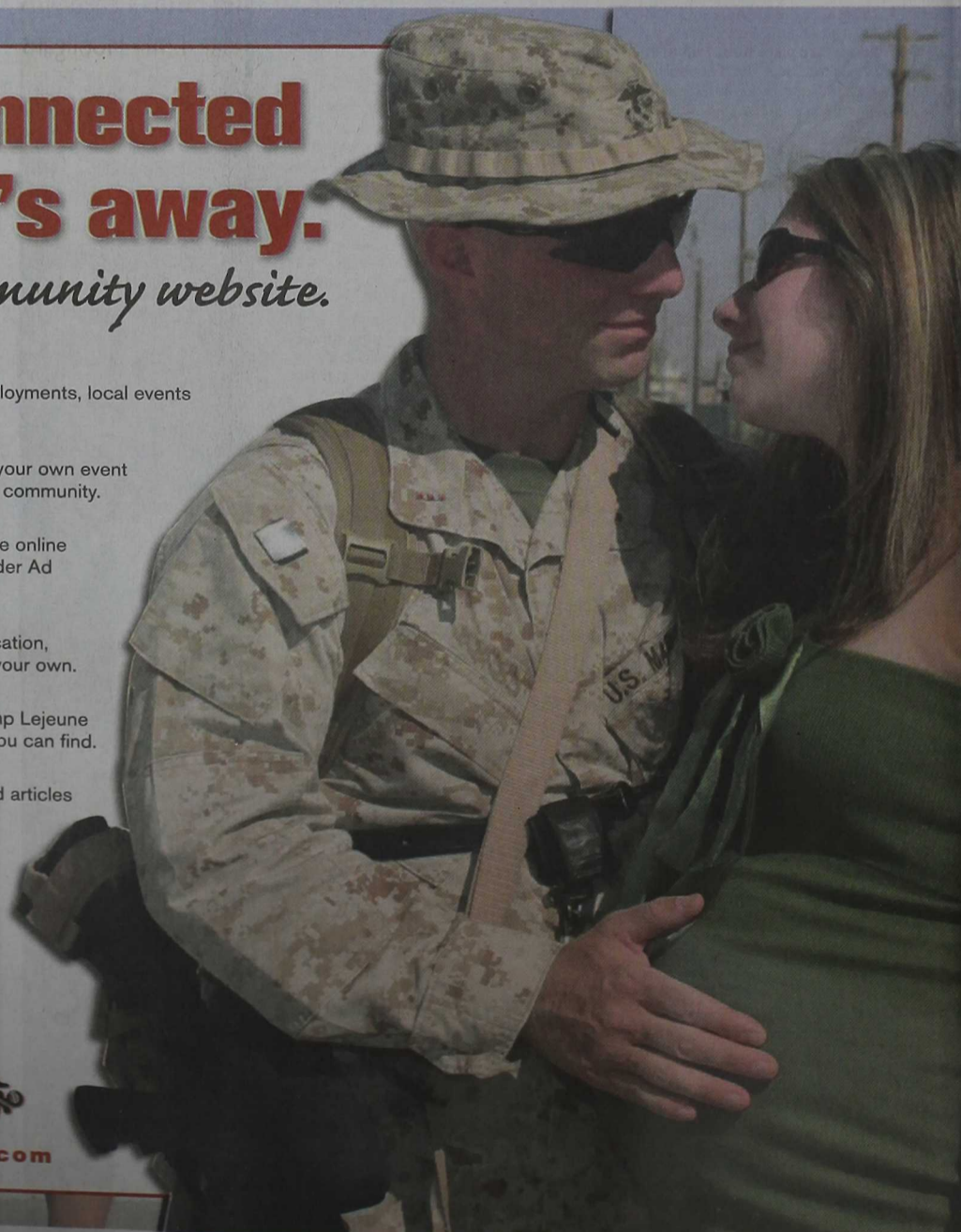
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A group of military veterans received Camp Lejeune's Hardcore Warrior Award during a ceremony on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009. Instituted by the Military Affairs Committee and Col. Adele E. Hodges, the award honors veterans of all services who fought in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. Randy Reichler, coordinator of Lejeune's Retired Activities Office, said leaders aboard Camp Lejeune appreciate what military retirees sacrificed for their country. He said he hopes many retirees will come to the base's Retiree Appreciation Day to be held at the Marston Pavilion from 7:45 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 19.

## Retirees invited to celebration, information fair in their honor

HEATHER M. OWENS  
 Carolina Living editor

Whether in battle at places like Tarawa, Iwo Jima, Saipan, Khe Sanh, Fallujah or through the medium of the Cold War, military retirees served their nation with pride and vigor. Officials aboard Camp Lejeune recognize and appreciate their service. Each year at this time, Marine Corps Base staff plans a Retiree Appreciation Day to honor these veterans, provide them with a place to get all of their benefit questions answered, and give them an opportunity to get together, fellowship and tell their stories.

Randy Reichler and Ken DiCicco, the coordinator and assistant coordinator respectively, of Camp Lejeune's Retired Activities Office have been planning this year's event for at least 10 months now.

"I think there is an obligation to recognize retirees and show appreciation for what they have done," said DiCicco. Reichler emphasized Retiree Appreciation Day is for all retirees, from every service, and their families, not just for the Marines and those who retired from Camp Lejeune. The event is set to take place from 7:45 to 2 p.m. at Marston Pavilion, Sept. 19. The morning will kick off with a social hour and continental breakfast sponsored by Fleet Reserve Association 208.

The morning is scheduled to progress with speeches from several speakers. Col. Bill Meier, USMC (Ret.), Marine Corps Base executive officer, is on the schedule to talk with the retirees and their families about the upcoming changes in construction aboard base.

Navy Capt. Gerard Cox, commanding officer of Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune, is set to give an update about TRICARE and upcoming issues surrounding medical care and NHCL. Sgt. Maj. Wes Combs, USMC (Ret.), the head of the Retired Activities Section for Headquarters Marine Corps, is scheduled to talk about secretary of the Navy and Headquarters Marine Corps legislative activities. As a special treat, Staff Sgt. George Barrows, USMC (Ret.), the chair of the base

Retiree Affairs Committee, will present the Whitey Welbourn Award.

Reichler's face lights up when talking about the retired Marine for whom this award was named.

"Whitey Welbourn was a retired gunny," he said. "He really stepped up for people in the community. It didn't matter what service or background. He provided a support and information network that was invaluable to the retiree's and their families. He also assisted widows by being an information resource regarding their benefits and rights, hosted the annual Memorial Day celebration in honor of their deceased spouses, and provided an annual Widow's Luncheon."

Welbourn died during 2001. Reichler said his funeral was one of the most well-attended he had seen in his life. Reichler named the retiree award for Welbourn and was able to present the first one to him just four months before Welbourn's death.

The Whitey Welbourn Award is presented to the retired military person who consistently provides service to active duty, retirees, widows and their family members. A person needs to provide service to all segments of the "military family." The award can be presented to persons who are employed or who volunteer to provide services.

Lunch, provided by the Marine Federal Credit Union, will be served at 11:30 a.m.

A health and information fair is also scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will include booths set up by both medical and other veterans and retiree-related organizations from the community.

Onslow County's Veteran's Administration representative Amelia Grissett is scheduled to be at the fair to talk with veterans and answer their questions.

"You run into people that you haven't seen in 20 or 30 years. It's just a good atmosphere from beginning to end," said Reichler of the fair. "It's the kind of thing where there are no strangers, only friends that haven't met yet."

Editor's note: For more information about Retiree Appreciation Day, call 451-0287.

### Retiree Health & Information Fair

The Retiree Health & Information Fair is scheduled to run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Marston Pavilion, Sept. 19. Both medical and other retiree-specific information will be available, including:

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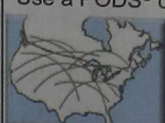
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**Patriotic Musings**  
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A few weeks ago I was out past dark one evening, walking my schnauzers, Sampson and Oscar, when I had the opportunity to meet a Marine spouse who had moved here a few days before. She was just married, new to the Marine Corps family and living in a new environment for the first time in her life. As she reached her pug play with my boys, we talked about being new to a place and all the changes it entails. Here less than a week, she was already homesick for California. She was frustrated that wages were much less than what she earned at home, and she missed her mother. It was a moment to help someone else out; one like the multitude of other times when someone went out of their way to help me when I was new in town. So I lined up in the dog park for much longer than usual, just talking things through with her. Working for The Globe, I know a lot about the base, the services and opportunities offered here, and the cool places to visit in the area. So I told her about the Family Member Employment Center on Tarawa Terrace. (By the way, their number is 450-76.) Having just done a story on the center, I remembered they offered several free classes which help people with job skills and career placement. "Plus," I told her, "if you take all three classes, then they will give you a scholarship to take a capstone class of your choice at Coastal Carolina Community College." When she told me that Jacksonville was very different from home in Los Angeles, and she may have used some disparaging terms reserved for small, rural towns at this

point), I nodded my head in sympathy. Having recently spent five splendid years in the Northern Virginia/Washington, D.C. area, I could definitely "feel her pain," as they say. When I lived near D.C., I thought it was one of the most glorious cities on Earth. There was always something to do and, if you didn't mind fighting the city's traffic, a lot of it was actually free. It's true I had some negative feelings about Jacksonville when I first moved here. Some of my complaints went like this: Is there any restaurant here that has character and doesn't belong to a national chain? Where are the plays, concerts, clubs and culture? Are you kidding, that's the mall? And, the all-time greatest affront, there was not a Barnes & Noble bookstore here when I first arrived. (Finally, that failing has been rectified with the addition of the new B&N at the Jacksonville Mall.)

But having a few years under my belt now, I've come to temper my opinion and no longer refer to our town derisively as "J-Actionville." In fact, I've even come to love some of its charms. As the old military saying goes, "Home is where the family is." Our friends are here now. Even though, unfortunately, a small group of them rotated out this summer, we're making some new ones.

And, as I told my new neighbor, we've had fun exploring Wilmington, New Bern, Surf City, Swansboro, Emerald Isle (have you seen the game room up there?), Morehead City, Beaufort (my assistant managing editor insisted that I visit there after I talked up Wilmington one too many times) and, for a really big weekend event, Charlotte or Raleigh.

Plus, in my capacity as the Carolina Living editor, I've had the opportunity to interview both natives of Jacksonville and Marines, sailors and adult "military brats" who have actually chosen to live here. Who knew? They always talk of the family atmosphere, the local beaches and the hospitality of Onslow County.

I know how my neighbor feels. It's the same feeling I had in the sixth grade when my military family moved overseas. I was mortified and would often say, "Back in Colorado..." I didn't want to be there. But when the time came for us to leave, I did not want to go.

All I am saying is: Give Jacksonville a chance.

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