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# Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps visits Marine Corps Combat Service Support Schools



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(Left) Sgt. Maj. of the Marine Corps Troy E. Black addresses Marines assigned to Marine Corps Combat Service Support Schools, during a visit to Camp Johnson, Feb. 5. (Right) Black observes the Montford Point Marine Memorial. The 19th sergeant major of the Marine Corps visited to discuss operating procedures and to inform military personnel of possible changes in the Marine Corps.

# Wallace Creek dining facility hosts first Quarterly Culinary Team Competition of 2020

BY LANCE CPL. GINNIE LEE  
Marine Corps Installations East

U.S. Marines and civilian food service specialists competed in the first Quarterly Culinary Competition at the Wallace Creek Mess Hall on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Feb. 12. The competition is held to give the contestants the opportunity to demonstrate their culinary abilities in a competitive environment.

Competitors were given four hours to complete a three-course meal including an appetizer, main entrée and dessert. While in the kitchen, the contestants were held to a high safety standard and judged on cooking fundamentals, organization, use of space and time management.

"Working in the food

industry, safety is absolutely paramount," said retired Master Sgt. Izzy Ali, daily assistant coordinator for Sodexo. "We make sure that every food service specialist maintains good order in keeping their stations neat and having the discipline to honor the sanitation regulations put in place at each chow hall to make sure that the Marines and Sailors that we feed stay healthy and mission ready."

After the four-hour time limit was up, all contestants prepared for their presentations. The distinguished guests for the competition judged the dishes based on presentation, taste and concept.

Following the presentations, the teams set up tables that represented their chosen themes

and provided Marines and distinguished guests who attended samples of their dishes. The guests were given a population poll to vote for their favorite team.

The winners of the competition were Courtney Naro and Sompone Douangdra, both Sodexo food service specialists representing the French Creek dining facility located on MCB Camp Lejeune. In addition to first place, the team also won the best table award and the people's choice award.

"We represent the people who work incredibly hard to make sure that we provide good food and service to the service members all year around," Naro said. "It feels good to be able to represent my location and get recognition for our hard work."



Photo by Lance. Cpl. Ginnie Lee

Courtney Naro and Sompone Douangdra, both Sodexo food service specialists with the French Creek dining facility on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, pose with distinguished guests after winning first place in the first Quarter Culinary Team Competition at the Wallace Creek dining facility on MCB Camp Lejeune, Feb. 11. The competition was held to give food service specialists who support various dining facilities in North Carolina the opportunity to demonstrate their culinary abilities in a competitive environment.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Isaiah Gomez

U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Col. Scott Meredith, left, off-going commanding officer of Wounded Warrior Battalion-East (WWBn-E), relinquishes command to Lt. Col. Kevin A. Misner, on-coming commanding officer of WWBn-E, during a change of command ceremony at Marston Pavilion on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Feb. 12. The change of command formally transferred authorities and responsibilities of WWBn-E from Meredith to Misner.

# Wounded Warrior Battalion-East welcomes new commander

BY LANCE CPL. ISAIHAH GOMEZ

Marine Corps Installations East

U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Col. Scott Meredith, relinquished command of Wounded Warrior Battalion-East (WWBn-E), to Lt. Col. Kevin A. Misner during a change of command ceremony at Marston Pavilion on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Feb. 12.

Since 2018, Meredith has served WWBn-E as the commanding officer in its mission of the successful support, recovery

and non-medical care of combat and non-combat wounded, ill and injured Marines, Sailors and their family members.

"Changing of command is not about change, but about continuity," said Meredith. "I am happy to have been selected to lead for this certain period of time."

Misner was formerly assigned as the deputy assistant chief of staff for 2nd Marine Logistics Group.

"I stand here today to say I am humbled and even more excited than before," said Misner.



U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Benjamin J. Wazny, instructor with Infantry Training Battalion, School of Infantry-East, poses for a photo following a recognition ceremony in his honor as the Service Member of the Year for 2019 at the Paradise Point Officer's Club on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Feb. 10.

Photo by Cpl. Karina Lopezmata

# Service Member of the Year

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The Jacksonville-Onslow Chamber of Commerce, Military Affairs Committee, recognized Staff Sgt. Benjamin J. Wazny for his outstanding performance and dedication. Wazny, an Inman, South Carolina native, joined the Marine Corps in January of 2011 and hopes to continue serving in the Corps and one day earn the rank of master gunnery sergeant. “With the emotional impact from 9/11, serving my country is something that I am compelled to do,” Wazny said. “Given the strong tradition of esprit de corps, what else could it be than the United States Marine Corps.”

# Make it your mission to save lives; donate during base blood drive, Feb. 25

**BY LANCE CPL. GINNIE LEE**  
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The Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP), the official provider of blood products to all U.S. military bases and instal-

lations, will be hosting a blood drive on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune at Headquarters and Support Battalion, building 8, on Feb. 25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Since the program's inception in 1952, more than 1.5 million units of blood

have been transfused for battlefield illnesses and injuries. In the last 12 years, more than 150,000 units of blood were transfused on the battlefield.

“Our brothers and sisters get deployed all the time, and if they get struck by enemy fire, blood donations make

saving lives possible,” said U.S. Navy Hospital Medic 1st Class Stephen Thomson, lab technician with the Donor Clinic at Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune.

The program is in particular need of O Positive, O Negative, AB Positive and AB Negative, but all

blood types are welcome.

Any active duty, family member, retiree, civilian or contractor who has access to base is eligible to donate.

“I choose to donate blood because I believe that if I have the capability to help my brothers and sisters in need, then that is

what I will do,” said Cpl. Louis Pleasant, a radio technician with H&S Bn., Marine Corps Installations East-Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

For more information about the program, visit <https://www.military-blood.dod.mil>.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Ginnie Lee

U.S. Marines with Headquarters and Support Battalion, Marine Corps Installations East-Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, donate blood on MCB Camp Lejeune, Feb. 10. The event, hosted by the Armed Services Blood Program, is in need of O Positive, O Negative, AB Positive and AB Negative. However all blood types are welcome.

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## 2nd Marine Logistics Group celebrates 75 years of service



Photo by Lance Cpl. Scott Jenkins

U.S. Marine Corps Brig. Gen. Kevin Stewart, commanding general, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, stands in front of MLG unit battle colors after a group run on Camp Lejeune, Feb. 14. The 2nd MLG held the training to boost morale in honor of the seventy-fifth birthday of the 2nd MLG.



Photo by Pfc. Zachary Zephir

U.S. Marines with 2nd MLG participate in a unit wide run.

## 2nd Marine Division honors presidents with 21-gun salute



Photos by Lance Cpl. Ginnie Lee

U.S. Marines with Echo Battery, 2nd Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, conduct a 21-gun salute at William Pendleton Thomas Field on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Feb. 17.



The ceremony was conducted to commemorate the presidents who have led the United States throughout the years.

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# Navy, Marine Corps enhance naval integration with simultaneous operations across the globe

**BY 1ST LT. JAMES MERCURE**  
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Hundreds of Marines and Sailors from II Marine Expeditionary Force and Expeditionary Strike Group 2 kicked off Maritime Prepositioning Force Exercise (MPFEX) 20 at several locations across the globe, Feb. 7.

During MPFEX 20, II MEF Forward will command and control the MPF offload of the USNS 1st Lt. Baldomero Lopez (T-AK 3010) at Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island and Naval Station Mayport, Florida, while operating as a rapidly deployable temporary command element from the U.S. 6th Fleet headquarters in Naples, Italy.

To gain proficiency directing offload and logistical operations and at demonstrating command and control from geographically disparate locations,

MPF ships are strategically positioned at sea with supplies including tanks, ammunition, food, hospital equipment, petroleum equipment and spare parts for rapid generation of forces ashore when needed.

“This exercise is an important opportunity to rehearse and demonstrate our ability to rapidly deploy and build combat power and it showcases the operational flexibility of the Navy and Marine Corps team,” said Lt. Gen. Brian D. Beaudreault, commanding general, II MEF. “Together we provide a unique and indispensable warfighting capability to our nation. Events like MPFEX directly support the National Defense Strategy and enhance naval integration.”

This exercise further establishes II MEF Forward’s ability to operate with a cross-functional team under 6th Fleet, sustaining and maintaining

naval integration.

“To deter, we have to be relevant with our maritime component partners, as well as joint and coalition partners,” Beaudreault said. “We are demonstrating relevant capability by executing offload operations while conducting networked command and control of this exercise with multiple nodes in the U.S. tied in with Europe-based Navy partners both afloat and ashore. This is an outstanding exercise that contributes to comprehensive warfighting readiness and it is an exercise our Marines and Sailors are motivated to participate in.”

The 1st Lt. Baldomero Lopez has been carrying its current cargo for the past three years after its use in the NATO exercise Trident Juncture in Norway. Among the cargo being offloaded there are over 400 mobile assets, vehicles and 400 containers.



U.S. Marines and Sailors travel to the USNS Lopez by the ship's tender boat to begin Maritime Prepositioning Force Exercise (MPFEX) 20, in the Atlantic Ocean, Feb. 9.



U.S. Marines and Sailors depart from Blount Island Command, Florida on a tender boat to the USNS Lopez.



U.S. Marines and Sailors discuss planning guidance and safety measures during MPFEX 20.



MPFEX 20 is a military exercise in which Marines and Sailors worked together to offload and process military equipment from a single MPF ship. The exercise is a rehearsal of the Marines and Sailors' ability to conduct safe, efficient offloads while in a tactical environment while working in close coordination with their 2nd and 6th Fleet counterparts to enhance the rapid and scalable deployment of naval expeditionary forces in European theaters.

“MPFEX 20 gives the ESG another opportunity to integrate with our Marine counterparts,” said Rear Adm. John B. Mustin, ESG 2 commander. “The ESG is operationalizing, and this exercise is building upon the momentum that our staffs gained during last fall’s Trident Jupiter exercise. Our Sailors and Marines will get through the reps

and sets as we conduct this MPF offload, and the net result will be a lot of training conducted. On a larger scale, this signifies the ESG providing support to II MEF Forward as it executes command and control from afar.”

More than 700 Marines and Sailors are participating in the Jacksonville, Florida, portion of the exercise and conducting

the MPF offload. Concurrently, Marines from 2nd Marine Logistics Group will run a Marine Corps Combat Readiness Evaluation based out of Camp Blanding Joint Training Center, Florida, to test their abilities at establishing a logistics command element headquarters, support food service operations and conduct logistics operations in a field environment.



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# Baldwin medals as LHS boys place top 10 at state



Photo by Dan Loughlin of NCRunners.com  
Lejeune's Nicholas Presley, back, hands the baton to Tyler Shelton, front, during the 4x800-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.

BY CALVIN SHOMAKER  
Sports Writer

Lejeune High School senior Kyle Baldwin cleared 13 and a half feet to win silver in the pole vault at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor state championship meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15. Baldwin's second-place finish gave the Lejeune boys eight of their 18 points, a total good enough for ninth in the team standings.

Karl Benson finished the 1,000-meter run in 2:39.48 for fourth place and five more team points. Benson also anchored home the 4x800-meter relay team of Niklas Cooper, Nicholas Presley and Tyler Shelton to a fourth place

finish to round out the team scoring.

The LHS girls' team competed at the indoor state meet for the first time ever. Pole vaulter Emalee Reynolds and the girls' 4x400-meter and 4x800-meter relay teams had top 15 finishes.

The LHS boys' track and field team will go for its sixth straight regional title this spring as the girls' will look to make it back to the top after finishing second at the regional meet last year.

The spring track season officially begins on March 12 when Lejeune hosts conference opponents East Carteret, Croatan and Trask at 4 p.m.

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Photo by Jeff Sides of NCRunners.com  
Lejeune's Kyle Baldwin clears the bar in the pole vault at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



Photo by Dan Loughlin of NCRunners.com  
Lejeune's Karl Benson crosses the finish line of the 4x800-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



Photo by Dan Loughlin of NCRunners.com  
Lejeune freshman Madilyne Blanton runs the 4x400-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



Courtesy photo  
The Lejeune High School winter track team's state qualifiers pose for a photo following the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.

# Patriots spoil senior night for Devil Pups



Lejeune's Kenneth Starkley drives to the basket against Pender, Feb. 14.

Photos by Calvin Shomaker



Lejeune's Tariq Lee, right, goes to the basket against Pender's Timothy Randolph.

## Lejeune boys finish regular season fourth in top heavy Coastal 8 Conference

BY CALVIN SHOMAKER  
Sports Writer

Heading into last Friday's regular season finale against Pender, the Lejeune High School boys' basketball team was looking for its biggest win of the season, and the Pender Patriots needed a win to tie East Carteret for the Coastal 8 Conference (1A/2A) regular season title.

Fueled by 27 points from Jakwon Moore and 18 points from Jajuan Carr, Pender won their share of the title by beat-

ing Lejeune 79-41, but the Devil Pups held their own for two quarters prior to the Patriots pulling away in the second half.

A three-pointer from Matt McClane late in the second quarter brought Lejeune to within one point, but the Patriots closed out the half on a 9-1 run to lead 34-25 at the break. Pender then outscored Lejeune 45 to 26 in the second half to close out the regular season with a 13-1 record in league play and a 17-6 record overall as the Devil Pups fell to 11-10 overall

and 7-7 in conference.

Despite a disappointing second half versus Pender, Lejeune coach Hugh Miller has been pleased with his team overall this season.

"These guys have been fun to coach," Miller said. "They do what you ask them to do, so what more can you ask for as a coach?"

The Devil Pups entered this week's conference tournament as the #4 seed, knocking off Croatan at home 69-57 on Feb. 17 to set up a rematch with Pender on Feb. 19.

The tournament championship game is Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at East Carteret. The state playoffs begin Feb. 25.

**OF NOTE:** Prior to the Pender game last Friday, seniors LaKeigh Harris, Evan Romero and Nick Simon were recognized for senior night along with seniors from the LHS cheerleading, swimming and girls' basketball teams.

Lejeune's Jaylon Armstrong finished with 14 points and Andrew Navarro had 10 points.

### Coastal 8 Conference (1A/2A) final regular season standings (boys):

- Pender (13-1, 17-6)
- East Carteret (13-1, 17-3)
- Dixon (10-4, 18-6)
- Lejeune (7-7, 11-10)
- Croatan (6-8, 9-13)
- Heide Trask (4-10, 9-14)
- Richlands (2-11, 5-17)
- Southwest Onslow (0-14, 0-21)

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Lejeune's Nicholas Presley competes in the 3,200-meter run at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



Photo by Jeff Sides of NCRunners.com

Lejeune's Dylan Presson competes in the pole vault at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.

### Notable LHS performances at NCHSAA 1A/2A indoor track state meet (Feb. 15, 2020):

- LHS boys finished 9th overall
- Kyle Baldwin got 2nd in pole vault, clearing 13.5 feet
- 4x800-meter relay team of Niklas Cooper, Nicholas Presley, Tyler Shelton and Karl Benson took fourth
- Karl Benson got fourth in the 1,000-meter run



Photo by Dan Loughlin of NCRunners.com

Lejeune's Niklas Cooper carries the baton in the 4x800-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



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Lejeune's Elizabeth Schwend, right, strides during the 4x800-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.



Photo by Dan Loughlin of NCRunners.com

Lejeune's Skyler Kuncik, left, hands the baton to Madilyne Blanton, right, during the 4x400-meter relay at the NCHSAA's 1A/2A indoor track state meet in Winston-Salem, Feb. 15.

# Two Devil Pups qualify for 1A state wrestling tourney



Photo by Calvin Shomaker

Lejeune's Alex Suszko, left, and Jacob Livesay, right, grapple during wrestling practice at LHS back in November of 2019.

*Lejeune's Alex Suszko and Jacob Livesay finished top four at the 1A East Regional to punch their tickets to this weekend's state championship in Greensboro.*

**BY CALVIN SHOMAKER**  
Sports Writer

Lejeune High School sophomore Alex Suszko won three straight matches by fall to get to the 152 lbs. final of the 1A East Regional last weekend in Asheboro. Suszko lost the championship match by a major decision 14-6 to #1 seeded Jerry Jimenez of host school Uwharrie Charter; however, Suszko earned his spot in this weekend's state tournament in Greensboro.

Joining Suszko at the state tourney is junior Jacob Livesay, who went 3-2 in the regional tournament for fourth place at 138 lbs. Livesay

was one win away from the finals, but got pinned in the final period by the champion and #1 seeded Michael Gabbard of South Stanley. Livesay made the bronze medal match, but fell in the second period to Elliot Sullivan of Neuse Charter.

The Devil Pups finished 12th out of 24 schools in the regional's team standings. Ethan Skillings went 2-2 at 170 lbs. as Jonathan Wyble went 2-2 at 160 lbs. Jaylen Jackson went 1-2 at 145 lbs. and Garrett Vega went 0-2 at 285 lbs. to round out the wrestling for LHS.

Suszko enters the state quarterfinals as the #3 seed with an overall re-

cord of 19-2. He will likely have to knock off Avery County's Bradley Parker, the 1A West champion, in the semifinals to make the championship match where he could get a rematch with Jimenez.

Livesay enters the state quarterfinals as the #8 seed with a record of 20-14. He will face Mount Airy's Connor Medvar, the 1A West champion, who has amassed a record of 36-1.

State championship weigh-ins begin at 12:30 p.m. on Friday for 1A wrestlers at the Greensboro Coliseum.

For a detailed schedule of this weekend's state wrestling tournaments, visit [nchsaa.org](http://nchsaa.org).

# Lady Pups end season with pride



Photo by Calvin Shomaker

Kayla Lazaro, one of three LHS seniors, drives to the basket, Feb. 14.

**BY CALVIN SHOMAKER**  
Sports Writer

It hasn't been an easy season for the Lejeune High School girls' basketball team. With few numbers and a dearth of experience, the Lady Pups had their back against the wall all season.

LHS fell to Pender 57-16 on senior night Feb. 14 then suffered a season-ending loss to top-seeded Croatan in the first round of the Coastal 8 Conference (1A/2A) tournament on Feb. 18 to finish the year winless.

Coming off a year where the program was cut due to lack of numbers, the Lady Pups faced

a number of challenges. New coach Len Tarnowski stepped into the role with a handful of freshmen on a varsity team with just four upperclassmen, one of which was a first-time player.

Despite the hand they were drawn, the Lady Pups were able to make the most of the year and see the positive side of things.

"Even though we didn't win games, I still had fun and learned a lot about basketball," said senior Kayla Stevens. "I am a better player because of coach."

Senior Marie Kristensen, who came to Lejeune from Norway this year, was happy to be

introduced to the game of basketball while experiencing North Carolina's southern hospitality.

"It's really different here from Norway," Kristensen said. "They are way more welcoming and loving here."

The team will be remembered as the group that helped start a new era in girls' basketball at LHS.

"It was really hard in the beginning, but at the end of the season we pulled through," said senior Kayla Lazaro, who led LHS with seven points on senior night. "We are leaving behind the fact that we brought back (girls') basketball to Lejeune, and I'm proud of that."

# Intramural hoops: H&S Bn outlasts NMCCCL



Photo by Calvin Shomaker

Marine Corps Cpl. Trey Ryan of H&S Bn shoots after contact, Feb. 13.

**BY CALVIN SHOMAKER**  
Sports Writer

The Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune intramural basketball team had a chance at the buzzer to send the game into overtime, but Headquarters and Support Battalion held on for the victory 68-65, Feb. 13.

After being up 12 at halftime, H&S Bn let NMCCCL back into the game down the stretch, but a balanced scoring attack helped H&S Bn hang on to improve to 4-2 in the National Conference of the Marine Corps Community Services Lejeune-New River Sports league.

"The group of guys we have, they are all awesome," said U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Nathaniel Bittler, H&S Bn player and coach. "They all come from way different cultures and backgrounds, and that's one good thing about the Marine Corps. We are all able to just mix together, and that's what I love about it."

H&S Bn was led by Lance Cpl. Anthony Suttle, who had 13 points, and Cpl. Trey Ryan, who finished with 11 points.

NMCCCL got a 30-point performance from Hospitalman Apprentice David Sidham as they fell to 1-5 on the season.

The two teams will

close out the regular season on Feb. 25 when NMCCCL takes on 2nd Dental Battalion (3-2) at 6 p.m. and H&S Bn faces 2nd Radio Battalion (5-0) at 7 p.m. at Goettge Memorial Field House.

For up-to-date league standings and schedules, visit <https://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/sports>.

	1	2	Final
NMCCCL	27	38	65
H&S Bn	39	29	68

**OF NOTE:** 2d Radio Bn defeated 2nd Marine Regiment Headquarters Company 59-44 in the 7 p.m. game to remain unbeaten at 5-0.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

**Q&A**

**LOGAN PUGH**

**Sport:** Wrestling  
**School:** Dixon High  
**Class:** Junior  
**Weight Class:** 113 lbs.

### Quick Facts:

- Coastal 8 Conference (1A/2A) tournament champion
- Qualified for state tourney by placing 2nd at the 2A East Regional last weekend (team took first)
- Has wrestled on the North Carolina National Team
- Attended Navy Seals Wrestling Camp last summer
- Wants to wrestle at a military academy



Photo and Q&amp;A by Calvin Shomaker

**Q: HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR WRESTLING STYLE?**

**A:** I like the neutral position, so I would say that I am a takedown artist. I just like the neutral position a lot. I feel like I flow there.

**Q: WHAT IS GOING TO BE THE KEY TO WINNING AN INDIVIDUAL STATE TITLE?**

**A:** I think mental toughness plays a big role in it. I think what is going to elevate me from the other kids is technique.

**Q: WHY HAS DIXON WRESTLING BEEN SUCCESSFUL?**

**A:** I think friendship has a big role to play in it. I think team chemistry is there most of the time.

**Q: WHAT KIND OF COACH IS COACH BROTHERS?**

**A:** He is a really good coach. He helps the team bond. I think having a coach that you can bond with and have a friendship with has a big part in the way you look at wrestling as a sport.

If you'd like to nominate an area athlete for Athlete of the Week, email [cshomaker@camplejeuneglobe.com](mailto:cshomaker@camplejeuneglobe.com).

# Marine wrestlers on mission to dethrone Army

BY CALVIN SHOMAKER  
Sports Writer

A turning of the tides – that is what U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Raymond Bunker believes this weekend’s Armed Forces Wrestling Championship could signify if the Marines can win, ending the Army’s 18-year winning streak in the process.

“As a program, we are always trying to make that next jump, and the next jump is beating Army and showing the world that the Marine Corps is number one and that it’s a new era,” Bunker said.

Sgt. Josh Medina said losing to the Army in past years has just been fuel for the Marines.

“Knowing that we have been losing to them, that keeps our drive going,” Medina said.

According to Bunker, the Armed Forces Championship features “super matches” where some of the country’s top wrestlers go head-to-head in the team-oriented event.

Last year, the Army defeated the Marines 32-10 in the Greco-Roman final before winning the freestyle title over the Marines 33-9 to continue their run of championships. Five Marines won both a silver medal and a gold medal in the freestyle and Greco-Roman competitions a year ago.

This year’s tournament will pit U.S. Greco-Roman National Team members up



Photo by Tony Rotundo/WrestlersAreWarriors

All-Marine Wrestling Team Head Coach Jason Loukides, right, talks to Capt. Daniel Miller during the 2019 U.S. Senior Nationals tournament that was held in Fort Worth, Texas in December. Miller, who was one of five Marines to win a gold and a silver medal at the Armed Forces Championship a year ago, won the Greco-Roman national title at 97 kg.

against one another. The Army has four wrestlers who are number ones on the national team, whereas the Marines have two number ones, Bunker and Staff Sgt.

John Stefanowicz.

The Olympics may be the premier wrestling event of 2020, but the Armed Forces Wrestling Championship is right up there for the Marines.

“This is a really big event for USA wrestling and Greco-Roman wrestling in the United States,” Bunker said. “To win, it would be great for the Marine Corps

wrestling family. It all comes down to walking the walk, going out there and doing it.”

“It’s the biggest,” Medina said. “It’s our goal as a team. This is what

we’ve all been brought here to do.”

The competition begins on Saturday at Naval Base Kitsap, Washington and concludes Sunday.

## Hard Corps Series Full Power Meet

**Saturday, Feb. 22, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Stone Bay Fitness Center, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Categories will include squat, deadlift and bench press. All skill levels welcome. Open to authorized patrons 18 years of age or older. Register at Wallace Creek Fitness Center or Stone Bay Fitness Center. Cost is \$70. To learn more, visit [mccslejeune-newriver.com/hard-corps](http://mccslejeune-newriver.com/hard-corps) or call (910) 440-2054.

## Couples Yoga

**Saturday, Feb. 29, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., Wallace Creek Fitness Center, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Connect with your special someone through a two-hour yoga class designed for couples. Cost is \$5 per person. Pre-paid group exercise monthly passes and/or punch cards are not accepted. Free admittance with Active Duty ID Card is not valid either. Open to all authorized patrons 18 years and older. Personal yoga mat recommended, but not required. To learn more, call (910) 451-0025.

## St. Paddy’s Engineer Challenge 5 Mile

**Saturday, March 14, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Courthouse Bay, MCB Camp Lejeune**

The course was designed by Marine Corps Engineers, originally designed for training Marines. It will now test your strength and determination. The course will include a variety of obstacles and mud pits that will challenge your physical and mental endurance. Register early for the best value. To learn more or register, visit [www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/grandprix/stpaddys](http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/grandprix/stpaddys).

## Xtreme Family Fun Night

**Thursday nights, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., New River Bowling Center, MCAS New River**

Enjoy black light bowling and music for only \$20 per lane for two hours. Price includes shoes and up to five bowlers. Open to all authorized patrons and their guests. To learn more, visit [www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/bowling](http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/bowling) or call (910) 449-4921.

## Weekday Bowling

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bonnyman Bowling Center, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Weekday bowling special is \$2 per game per person (shoe rental excluded). To learn more, visit [www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/bowling](http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/bowling) or call (910) 451-5121.

## Inline Hockey League Registration

**March 2 to March 16, Lejeune-New River Sports Offices**

Season begins March 23 at the MCAS New River Hockey Rink. Registration forms are available online and must be submitted to the sports office no later than March 16. Sports offices are located at Bldg. AS-4000, MCAS New River and Bldg. 751, MCB Camp Lejeune. Cost is \$150 per team. To learn more, call (910) 449-5844.

## MCCS Fun Run: Heroes & Villains 5K

**Saturday, March 7, 8 to 10 a.m., Tarawa Terrace Community Center, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Dress up as your favorite superhero or supervillain and have fun running or walking through the Tarawa Terrace community. This run is free for authorized patrons and their guests. Register on site at 8 a.m. Race begins at 8:30 a.m. One or three mile options available. This run is pet friendly and strollers are welcome. All runners will receive a medal, and runners who complete their first MCCS Fun Run will receive a free t-shirt. To learn more, call (910) 451-1687.

## Warm-Up for 49th Camp Lejeune Intercollegiate Golf Championship

**Saturday, March 7 to Sunday, March 8, Paradise Point Golf Course, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Register for your chance to qualify for a spot on Camp Lejeune’s team in the upcoming 49th Camp Lejeune Intercollegiate Golf Championship. The entry fee is \$25 and includes prize fund (merchandise certificates) and a meal on Sunday. Entry fee does not include greens fee or cart fees. Golfers flighted by handicap. Sign up by 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 1 in the pro shop. Open to the public. To learn more, call (910) 451-5445.

## Sports on TAP

For more information on games, tryouts, special events and exercise classes around MCB Camp Lejeune and MCAS New River, check out Sports on Tap each week. To add your activity, call (910) 451-7421. Availability is limited to space. To add your event to our website calendar, visit [www.camplejeuneglobe.com](http://www.camplejeuneglobe.com).



## Nutrition Fundamentals

**Wednesday, March 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Wallace Creek Fitness Center, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Learn how to fuel your body for peak performance! Topics include: Healthy food choices, Lifestyle and behavioral modifications, Macronutrients, Nutrition traps, trends & fast food, Nutrition for exercise & health and Supplement use & abuse. The class is free and no pre-registration required. It is available to all authorized patrons, though space is limited and filled on a first come, first served basis. To learn more, call (910) 451-0470.

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## Ladies’ Night Out Golf Clinics

**Monday, March 16 to Thursday, March 19 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Paradise Point Golf Course, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Whether you need to learn golf basics or refresh your skills, these clinics are the perfect way to improve your game and have a good time. Attend just one clinic or all four. Clinics are open to the public and are held from 6-7 p.m. Cost is \$10 per clinic. Topics of clinic are as follows: Fundamentals of Grip, Stance and Posture (Mon.), Putting and Chipping (Tues.), Driver and Fairway Woods (Wed.) and How to Play/Course Management (Thurs.). Register by March 13 at the Pro Shop. To learn more, call (910) 451-5445.

## Monthly Scramble

**Saturday, March 21, 8:30 a.m., Paradise Point Golf Course, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Monthly Scrambles are held (weather permitting) on the third Saturday of each month. Please register by 8 a.m. in the Pro Shop. Computer determines draw from players’ USGA Handicap. Cost is \$10 per person plus cart and greens fees. Scramble is open to the public. To learn more, call (910) 451-5445 or visit [www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/golf](http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/golf).

## Golf Demo Day

**Saturday, March 21, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Paradise Point Golf Course, MCB Camp Lejeune**

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## 49th Camp Lejeune Intercollegiate Golf Championship

**Thursday, April 2 to Sunday, April 5, Paradise Point Golf Course, MCB Camp Lejeune**

Register by March 9 to participate in this year’s Camp Lejeune Intercollegiate Golf Championship and play alongside student-athletes representing collegiate golf teams. Sign up at the Paradise Point Golf Course Pro Shop. The \$125 entry fee includes three rounds of golf, three meals and a tee package, but not cart fees. Format is three-person/best ball two-day total (two collegians, one amateur). NCAA and USGA rules apply. Event is open to the public. Individuals needing base access must contact the Golf Pro for more information at (910) 451-5445.

## No *chill*, no *thrill*: Motorcycle run rolls out despite cold weather



Photos by Pat Gruner

Riders mingle next to their bikes prior to Rolling Thunder N.C. Chapter 5's Chilly Chili Poker Run at Lejeune Motorsports in Jacksonville, Feb. 15.

BY PAT GRUNER  
Managing Editor

Cold weather was not enough to dissuade veteran, active duty and civilian motorcyclists from saddling up and supporting a noble cause at Lejeune Motorsports in Jacksonville, Feb. 15. Rolling Thunder N.C. Chapter 5's annual Chilly Chili Poker Run remembered those killed or missing in action and promoted education for military families.

About 45 riders in total came out for the event, which lived up to its name on an undeniably chilly morning. According to organizers, it was a fair turnout.

“I’ve seen it where we have had 140 to 160 riders,” said Paul Levesque, a Rolling Thunder member. “It depends on the weather and a few other factors.”

Thankfully, Rolling Thunder members were hard at work preparing vats of chili to warm riders after they finished their run. Some participants staved off the cold in other ways.

“We had a lot of people buy shirts this year to have another layer,” said Paula Howe.

The poker run is an important event for Rolling Thunder’s mission to remember prisoners of war and those missing in action. POW/MIA

causes are at the forefront of all the organization’s events and connecting with fellow motorcyclists and sharing that message serves to grow it.

The poker run also memorializes Staff Sgt. Anthony Goodwin, a U.S. Marine Corps infantryman who was killed in Iraq in 2005. Goodwin was an avid supporter of Rolling Thunder. The organization presents a yearly scholarship for military kids bearing his name.

For more information on the Rolling Thunder organization, visit <https://www.rollingthundernc5.com/index.html>.



Members of Rolling Thunder stand ready to register attendees for a raffle.



The registration form for Rocky, a longtime supporter of Jacksonville Rolling Thunder, stands in honor of him posthumously.



Bikes are ready to roll.



Rolling Thunder N.C. Chapter 5 member Gilberto “Chino” Otero (middle) fires up the propane to get ready to cook chili.



Riders hit the road.

# 'The Gentlemen' brings out the richness of Guy Ritchie's moviemaking style

BY SYMKUS  
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A good rule to follow in life is when you're really good at something, and you enjoy doing it, keep on doing it. British director Guy Ritchie is really good at making films, and he's said over and over again in interviews that he really enjoys making them. Here's the catch: Even though his films are all made well, they're not all really good. His diehard fans would argue that last point. Well, except maybe for his tough-to-watch 2002 remake of "Swept Away" which starred his then-wife Madonna. Then there was the dud of "The Man from U.N.C.L.E." - not a good film. But I'm here to praise Ritchie, not to bury him. He's had huge hits with a pair of Sherlock Holmes films, and last year's "Aladdin" crossed the billion-dollar mark at the world box office. His best films, though, the ones that his true fans remain true to, are his violent and funny looks at the underbelly of England's small-time criminal element. The gritty "Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels" introduced him to us in 1998. His follow-up, "Snatch," two years later, kept the same flavor, and proved that he had a vision, and the writing-directing chops to go with it. After a cou-

ple of misfires, he returned to his one-of-a-kind crime stories with the terrific "RocknRolla." Then came those hits (and misses). Now, in a totally positive act of taking one step forward and two steps back, Ritchie has written and directed "The Gentlemen," a violent, funny, crime-ridden tale about the drug trade, and all sorts of people within it, in contemporary London. He's also filled it with the coolest of casts: Matthew McConaughey as a laidback and very organized pot dealer; Charlie Hunnam as his righthand man (maybe henchman would be more apt); Hugh Grant as an unscrupulous private investigator; Colin Farrell as a mysterious and dangerous fellow known only as Coach, to name just a few. Ritchie's film is rife with winks and nods to viewers that they're watching a movie. In presenting his story of bad guys blackmailing and threatening other bad guys, he has a film within his film, and keeps alluding to a script - a physical script, written by one of the characters - within both of those that's telling a slightly different version of one of those stories. Confused yet? Well, you should be, because that seems to be what both Ritchie and his characters are going for. I believe it all goes



Coach (Colin Farrell) and Ray (Charlie Hunnam) don't seem to like what's in the boot of their car.

something like this: American ex-pat Mickey (McConaughey) is trying to sell his pot operation to American ex-pat Matthew (Jeremy Strong), a less-successful dealer, because Mickey's wife Rosalind (Michelle Dockery) makes money enough for both of them. But vicious gangster Dry Eye (Henry Golding) wants to buy the business, and won't take no for an answer. Hold on: Heroin drug lord Lord George (Tom Wu) - and how often do you get to put "lord" next to "Lord?" - might be involved in vandalizing

part of Mickey's operation. Then there's newspaper publisher Big Dave (Eddie Marsan) who wants to bring down Mickey, so he hires Fletcher (Grant) to find dirt on him. When Coach (Farrell) is brought into the film's fold, all bets are off as to where this thing is headed. Because so much is going on between so many characters, it's confusing to watch. But the characters are also puzzled by what's happening. Suffice it to say, everything comes together for them and for us. The actors are all having a jolly good time with this. McConaughey centers the film in an almost casual manner, Hunnam manages to cross over and back between being lowkey and frightening, and both Grant and Farrell show off their comedic sides, with Farrell edging over into moments of hilarity due to his character's unpredictability. Fans of Francis Ford Coppola's "The Conversation" might not cotton to the naughty little swipe Ritchie takes at it, but fans of Ritchie will smile at a glimpse of a poster for "The Man from U.N.C.L.E." Everyone should be pleased that Ritchie has returned to material - and a style - that he's good at and is really good.

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CAMP LEJEUNE Bldg. 19 McHugh Blvd.	MIDWAY PARK Bldg. 4014A in Midway Park	NEW RIVER Bldg. AS240 Curtis Rd., Air Station
<b>FRIDAY</b> "Dolittle" PG, 6:30 p.m. "The Last Full Measure" R, 9:20 p.m.	<b>FRIDAY</b> "The Gentlemen" R, 7 p.m.	<b>FRIDAY</b> "Bad Boys For Life" R, 6 p.m. "1917" R, 8:30 p.m.
<b>SATURDAY</b> "Little Women" PG, 3:30 p.m. "Bad Boys For Life" R, 6:30 p.m.	<b>SATURDAY</b> Half Price Matinee: "Little Women" PG, 11 a.m. "Bad Boys For Life" R, 2 p.m.	<b>SATURDAY</b> "Dolittle" PG, 6 p.m. "The Gentlemen" R, 8:30 p.m.
<b>SUNDAY</b> "Dolittle" PG, 3:30 p.m. "The Gentlemen" R, 6:30 p.m.	<b>SUNDAY</b> "Just Mercy" PG-13, p.m.	<b>SUNDAY</b> "Little Women" PG, 2 p.m. "The Last Full Measure" R, 5 p.m.



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To submit your event for our online calendar, visit <https://www.camplejeuneglobe.com/calendar>.

### Craven County Veterans Stand Down Feb. 21-22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

NCWorks hosts an event for homeless veterans, disadvantaged military veterans and family members of veterans and active duty military. Services include veterans organizations, mental health professionals, education, supplies, food, haircuts and more. The Feb. 21 event will take place at the West New Bern Recreation Center at 1225 Pinetree Dr. in New Bern, North Carolina. The Feb. 22 event takes place at Cherry Point Baptist Church at 201 Church Rd. in Havelock, N.C. For more information, contact Reeshema Walker at (252) 514-5828 ext. 237 or email [reeshema.walker@ncommerce.com](mailto:reeshema.walker@ncommerce.com).

### Free Movie: Frozen 2 Feb. 22, 2 p.m.

The Camp Johnson Library will host a free showing of Frozen 2 with light refreshments. Open to all authorized patrons. For more information visit <https://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/libraries>.

### Spouses of the Deployed Dinner Feb. 24, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"Serving Your Six Ministry" at Trinity United Methodist Church is holding a free dinner for deployed spouses including families of deployed military; this dinner is not only for spouses of deployed, but any spouse of someone who is currently serving or training away from home. Dinner will take place at the church's fellowship hall at 301 Marine Blvd. in Jacksonville.

### BBQ Bash and Chili Cookoff Feb. 28, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The New River Officer Spouses Club hosts a chili and BBQ cookoff at the New River Marina. For information on how to enter your chili or BBQ or for tickets, visit <https://newriverosc.org/event/bbq-bash-chili-cookoff/>.

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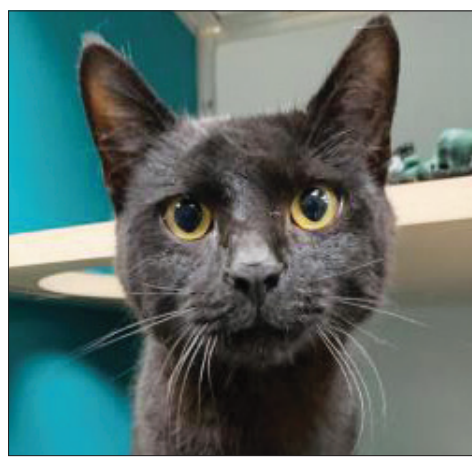
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THIS WEEK AT THE MOVIES...

# ‘Dolittle’ does little to improve upon previous movie versions

ED SYMKUS  
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It takes two hands to count the number of unnecessary movie remakes released in 2019. OK, get your fingers ready; here they are, alphabetically: “The Addams Family,” “Charlie’s Angels,” “Child’s Play,” “Dumbo,” “Hellboy,” “The Hustle” (original film: “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels,” which was a remake of “Bedtime Story”), “Jacob’s Ladder,” “Pet Sematary,” “The Upside” (original film: “The Intouchables”), and “What Men Want” (original film: “What Women Want”).

Now, just a couple of weeks into 2020, a year that will introduce remakes of, among others, “The Call of the Wild,” “The Invisible Man,” “Mulan,” “The Witches,” “Dune” (well, the first half of it), and “West Side Story,” Hollywood gives us “Dolittle,” starring Robert Downey Jr., following in the footsteps of Rex Harrison and Eddie Murphy, as the doctor who can talk to animals.

Is it a fresher, better version of the ones that came before it? Was it made for a new generation of young moviegoers who will appreciate it over its

predecessors? Is it, like the titles mentioned at the top, unnecessary? The answers, in order, are no, maybe and yes.

Is it a bad movie? Truth be told, that’s another no. It’s more than competently made, it features some expert visual effects, there’s some spot-on voice acting from an all-star cast, with Emma Thompson’s spirited performance as a bossy parrot, Rami Malek as a self-doubting gorilla, and Craig Robinson as an angry squirrel shining the brightest.

But there’s a lot more to it that can’t be treated so glowingly. The script, very loosely based on the second of Hugh Lofting’s 12 Dolittle books, “The Voyages of Doctor Dolittle,” published in 1922, tells of John Dolittle living a bedraggled and lonely life of despair, with only the animals he converses with keeping him company, after the death of his explorer wife. He’s brought out of his shell when a young girl from Buckingham Palace comes to Dolittle Manor and persuades him to leave the compound and aid the ailing Queen of England. The not-so-thrilling story encompasses a visit by an orphan boy who wants to become Dolittle’s appren-



Dolittle (Robert Downey Jr.) has a discussion with Chee-Chee (voice of Rami Malek).

Photo courtesy of Universal

tice, an ocean expedition to a remote island to find a special tree whose flower will cure the queen, and the expected bad guys who are trying to ruin everything for the good guys.

Downey soft-sells his way through the film, going for an inner sadness and eschewing any vibrancy, and putting on a passable Welsh accent that makes him sound very much like Anthony Hopkins. His young wannabee apprentice, Tommy Stubbins (Harry

Collett), adds very little to the goings-on. But the two other main live-action (as opposed to CGI) characters - Michael Sheen as Dr. Blair Mudfly and Antonio Banderas as oddly face-painted King Rassouli - are guilty as sin for chewing up, swallowing, and spitting out the scenery in villainous roles.

Director and co-screenwriter Stephen Gaghan, who won an Oscar for his “Traffic” script 20 years ago, attempts

a balancing act that includes serious intrigue at Buckingham Palace, where there are thoughts that the queen has been poisoned; Dolittle grappling with his inability to get over the loss of his wife; and an overabundance of slapstick sight gags (some of which are quite funny). It’s a real mishmash of a film, but it seems to be concerned mostly about connecting with very young viewers (expect maybe for its clever “Godfather”

reference). There is, of course, a happy ending and those young viewers are likely going to be happy about it.

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<b>SATURDAY</b> <u>Free Showing:</u> "Jumanji: The Next Level" PG-13, 3:30 p.m. "The Gentlemen" R, 6:30 p.m.	<b>SATURDAY</b> <u>Half Price Matinee:</u> "Gretel & Hansel" PG-13, 11 a.m. "Dolittle" PG, 2 p.m.	<b>SATURDAY</b> "Bad Boys For Life" R, 6 p.m. "The Last Full Measure" R, 8:30 p.m.
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# Brewster students learn through stock market program

**SOPHIA HARDING**  
Editorial Intern

Jeffrey Carr, vice principal of Brewster Middle School has come up with an unconventional way to keep students engaged this school year.

“DoDEA tries to ask the question: what do we do with the kids who know it already?” said Carr. “The focus in the past has been solely on the kid who doesn’t know it yet, but now we are shifting to try and also accommodate kids who are above grade level.”

After meeting with the parents and teachers of one such advanced student, Carr started

looking at what other schools were doing to retain the interests of high achieving students. That is when he discovered the Stock Market Game, a simulation where players get \$100,000 to “invest” in the stock market and try to increase their earnings. The Stock Market Game follows real stock trends, teaching students valuable lessons about investing in real life.

At Brewster, the school invited eight students to participate in the Stock Market Game during their free time every weekday morning. Not only has this helped those students perform better in their math classes and

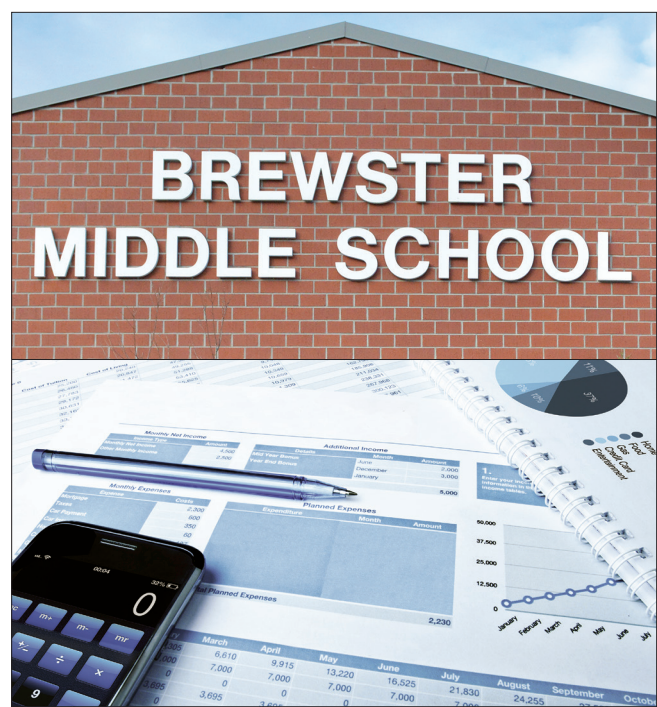
have more motivation to finish their school work, it has also taught them skills such as collaboration and research.

“People stop by just to come see these kids at work; it’s like they are speaking a whole other language,” Carr said. “They are bouncing ideas off of each other and looking over each other’s shoulders trying to learn the best strategies and which companies are the best to invest in. They have gotten really into it, doing research on their own into all different companies and new job markets. They are learning to invest in the future.”

Carr invited fellow

teacher Charles Saxer, who has had experience as a stock broker, to come speak to the group and plans on having more guest speakers in the future. He also has hopes of integrating the game into a class or club next year in order to compete in national competitions.

“It’s amazing to see the kids so happy and taking it to a whole new level I never expected,” Carr said. “A couple have even opened up stock accounts of their own and are making real money off of it. We are instilling confidence in these kids and letting them take the initiative in their own learning.”



## Slippery, or Salty?



### CHAPLAIN’S COLUMN

BY LT. MERLIN STEPHAN

2nd Transportation Support Battalion

We live in a dark and slippery world. At this time of year, when the sun is low, and daylight is short, simple walks or running may become major adventures. Our paths are often poorly lit, and our way is often covered with ice or frost. Travelers venture-out onto wet or icy highways, where simple commutes can turn into hours-long ordeals. It truly is a dark and slippery world.

How valuable to us then are salt and light? Two turtledoves will be offered as a purifying sacrifice in the Temple, and the groundhog will tell us whether-or-not to prepare for six more weeks of ice, darkness and cold. It is into this cold, dark winter that our savior comes. He speaks of two matters of vital necessity: salt and light. In Matthew 5:13, [Jesus said:] “You are the

salt of the earth...” He also states in Matthew 5:14 “You are the light of the world.” Not just the disciples...but you. Yes...you. The redeemed people gathered for worship on cold, icy winter mornings. You are there to be equipped to add salt to the world’s slipperiness, and to add light to the world’s darkness.

You have been redeemed for this purpose.

The curves are sharp, the hills are steep and everything around you is poorly lit. You are salted with the sure and certain truth of the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. You are shining lamps lighting the way along icy paths. You are rare travelers for you are among the very few who follow the path the savior has trod. This holy path leads to the cross, upon which our savior

died and where our sins are forgiven.

Your light is not an easy thing to hide. What does your Savior say in Matthew: 14-16? “A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and

give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

In this dark and icy time of year, salt and light are precious. When your neighbor’s path is slippery with sin and temptation, you provide a salty and loving presence. When your neighbor’s path is shrouded in darkness, you provide a shining light of gospel truth. You are salt, you are light, you are forgiven and you are loved.

## New elementary school expected August 2021



Courtesy Photo

The site of the Southern Elementary Project on Folkstone Road. The school is projected to open in 2021 to help alleviate population density at neighboring schools and account for Onslow County’s growing population.

BY PAT GRÜNER  
Managing Editor

Area parents will soon have a new elementary school option for their children. What is currently being called the Southern Elementary School Project plans to open its doors on Folkstone Road in Holly Ridge next August.

The project came about based on hard data by Onslow County Schools (OCS).

“On average, OCS grows by 300 students a year,” said Steve Myers, OCS chief operating officer.

“Knowing this, the school system develops long range facilities plans to address these changes. Much of the growth across the district is driven by the close connection Onslow County has

with the military. The recent information regarding a move of Marine Forces Special Operations Command West to this area has highlighted the need for a new school.”

The school will also help alleviate the population influx being faced by Dixon schools.

“Right now, Dixon Elementary School (DES), houses close to 1,100 students,” Myers said. “This number does not include the fifth graders which were moved to the new Dixon Middle School in August 2017. If those students were to be added back in, we would have over 1,300 students in a facility originally built for around 700. For the next year and a half, conditions at DES are going to

remain tight. Even without the fifth graders, there are 23 mobile classrooms on the DES campus. Once the new school is opened, we will be able to provide seats for all the students within the building itself. This will be a huge plus for the students, staff and parents at DES.”

The Onslow County Board of Commissioners has provided close to \$32 million in funding for the Southern Elementary School Project, which is now under construction. The school is projected to hold about 800 students.

“We are grateful to the county for the funding, excited for construction to be underway and look forward to opening the doors to students in August 2021,” Myers said.



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# NCDMVA celebrates N.C. African American veterans as part of Black History Month



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Larry Hall, North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs secretary, presents awards at the 2nd Annual African American Veterans Lineage Day at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh, Feb. 13.



Retired U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Walter Gaskin speaks. Also pictured (from left) retired U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Gordon Bray, retired U.S.A. Maj. Gen. Rodney Anderson and U.S.A. Lt. Gen. Michael Garrett, commanding general, Special Forces Command.

## COURTESY STORY

NCDMVA

Veterans and public officials from across the state gathered at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh to celebrate the 2nd Annual African American Veterans Lineage Day, Feb. 13. For active duty service members, their families, students and other North Carolinians, the occasion was both a chance to celebrate the dedication of the state’s military community as well as learn about the important role black North Carolinians played in breaking color barriers in the service.

“We have a duty to preserve this history for future generations, so that sense of purpose and dedication is not lost on us as a state,” said Larry D. Hall, North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (NCDMVA) secretary. “These citizens have an important story to tell, and it matters just as

much today as it did in those previous decades.”

Originally organized in 2019 by the NCDMVA, African American Veterans Lineage Day was first conceived as a memorial event to honor black service members who helped to break the color barrier in the Armed Forces. This year’s event included a panel discussion with high ranking active and retired military officials, and a ceremonial presentation of awards to black N.C. veterans who served when the military was still segregated or very newly integrated.

The day’s program began with a panel discussion featuring Hall, retired U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Walter Gaskin, U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Michael Garrett, commanding general, Special Forces Command, retired U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Rodney Anderson and retired U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Gordon Bray. Much of the message centered on the fact that many of

those being celebrated were willing to risk their lives at a time when they were denied many of the rights and freedoms they were fighting for.

“In the United States today, you can be anything you want to be. A general, a cabinet secretary, a business owner,” said Garrett. “All you need for success is vision, hard work and a little bit of luck. That’s why I am grateful for those who came before me, so that I can have the career I have today.”

During the presentation of awards, Garrett and Hall provided brief remarks before honorees were individually recognized by master of ceremonies, Deborah Noel. Garrett and Hall awarded roughly two dozen African American veterans with the NCDMVA African American Lineage Medal of Distinction, a new award for this year’s event.

Recipients included longtime legislator and

civil rights hero Sen. Mickey Michaux, Rep. Nasif Majeed, Congressman G.K. Butterfield, former General Assembly Sergeant at Arms Tous-saint Avent and 99-year-old Elizabeth Baker, one of the oldest living black women to serve.

Several awards, including the prestigious Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award, were presented from the Governor to veterans posthumously.

Many of the honorees were Montford Point Marines, the first black Marine unit, who trained at Montford Point for WWII, even though Paris Island was less than 200 miles away. In attendance also were the Buffalo Soldiers, the all-black Army regiments established by Congress after the Civil War.

“The enemy doesn’t care about the color of your skin . . . we have to remember those who fought for the right for us to fight to defend rights,” said Gaskin.

# Heroes Elementary School nominated for national award

BY PAT GRUNER  
Managing Editor

Collaboration and collective responsibility are the key principles being used by Heroes Elementary School to educate military children on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. That philosophy is not only benefitting kids, it is also bringing the school a bit of shine.

Heroes ES has been nominated for a U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools Award. The award, which is based on student achievement and progress as determined by standardized testing, selects one school from each state as well as a Department of Defense Education Activities (DoDEA) school for the award.

Heroes ES is one three DoDEA schools nominated for the award in the exemplary high performing schools category, which is based on math and reading data points.

According to Dr. Kimberley Carr, principal at Heroes ES, teamwork is key to the school’s success.

“We work together in teams for every aspect of the school,” said Carr. “Our grade level teams meet at least an hour and a half weekly to look at data and plan.”

“We have specific teams for our gifted students as well as for special education,” said Mike Starrett, assistant principal at Heroes ES. “We cover the entire spectrum of learning, collaboratively.”

The second essential component, collective re-

sponsibility, ensures the entire staff shares a common goal of education regardless of accolades.

“You have heard the philosophy of ‘it takes a village to raise a child,’” Carr said. “We are all in this together for these children... Our wonderful staff and teachers work so hard to do what is best for these kids... Being recognized like this really validates all that work.”

“It is an amazing thing for the Camp Lejeune community,” Starrett said. “It is such an honor for our school to represent the excellence we expect across the district.”

Final results for the award will be released in the fall of this year. A ceremony is held in Washington D.C. for honorees in November.



Courtesy Photo  
Heroes Elementary School students pose for a photo for Purple Up! day during 2019’s Month of the Military Child.

# Surf City Native ensures ship readiness at sea

COURTESY STORY  
Office of Navy Outreach

Petty Officer 3rd Class Blake Schieffer joined the Navy because he wanted his parents to spend his college money on his brother’s education. Now he is serving aboard U.S.S. Boxer.

Schieffer is a logistics specialist who is responsible for making sure the Boxer is up to date with the money coming in and out and ensuring the ship is spending money on

necessary material.

“I am doing a part of the job that a lot of people don’t get to see,” said Schieffer. “I am taking every chance I can to learn as much as I can.”

Schieffer is a 2017 Top-sail High School graduate and native of Surf City, North Carolina.

According to Schieffer, the values required to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Surf City.

“I learned family comes first, your shipmates are

your work family, treat them with respect and care for them and hope to receive the same treatment,” Schieffer said.

With more than 90 percent of all trade traveling by sea, and 95 percent of the world’s international phone and internet traffic carried through fiber optic cables lying on the ocean floor, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity and security of the United States is directly linked to a strong and ready Navy.

Boxer is an amphibious assault ship that has recently returned from a Western Pacific-Indian Ocean-Persian Gulf deployment. Amphibious assault ships are used to transfer Marines, equipment and supplies and can support helicopters or other aircraft. They also are capable of accessing 75% of the world’s beaches. It is the sixth ship to carry the name Boxer.

There are many opportunities for Sailors to earn recognition in their command, community and

careers. Schieffer is most proud working with fellow logistics specialists.

“They teach me about the job through the inside and out,” Schieffer said.

For Schieffer, serving in the Navy is a tradition passed down from generations and one Schieffer hopes to continue.

“Serving in the Navy means I can provide a good example for my brother,” Schieffer said.

As a member of the U.S. Navy, Schieffer, as well as other Sailors,

know they are a part of a service tradition providing unforgettable experiences through leadership development, world affairs and humanitarian assistance. Their efforts will have a lasting effect around the globe and for generations of Sailors who will follow.

“Being in the Navy means serving my country, simple as that,” Schieffer said. “Serving on Boxer has drawn me closer to loving my job as a logistics specialist.”



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U.S. Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Blake Shieffer poses for a photo aboard the USS Boxer.

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# Community delivers funeral with military honors for unclaimed soldier



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Sgt. Robert McNeil (left), Joint Forces Headquarters Raleigh, and Pvt. Amos Terry-McNeil serve as honor guard at the funeral of former U.S. Army Spc. Jerry Clair at Coastal Carolina Veterans Cemetery, Feb. 10.

**BY PAT GRUNER**  
Managing Editor

A crowd of veterans and other community members gathered to lay former U.S. Army Specialist Jerry Clair to rest at Coastal Carolina Veterans Cemetery in Jacksonville, Feb. 10.

Clair, who died on Jan. 11 at 63 years of age, did not have his remains

claimed as they sat at a funeral home. However, as part of the Missing in America Project, local veterans and other organizations came together to identify and ensure Clair was interred with honors. U.S. Army Soldiers Sgt. Robert McNeil and Pvt. Amos Terry-McIntyre from Joint Force Headquarters in Raleigh served as honor guard.



Local veterans groups and other community members attend the event. Clair passed away at 63 and was an aviation mechanic. Rev. Bill Sirginson, a volunteer from Missing in America, delivered Clair's eulogy. An urn was donated by Whites Funeral Home which accompanied the ashes.

# Antonio Barrios Crowned Mr. LHS

**SOPHIA HARDING**  
Editorial Intern

Lejeune High School held the annual Mr. Lejeune High School pageant, Feb. 13. Hosted by senior class officers Abigail Paquin and Taylor Pound, twelve contestants competed for the title.

The evening was divided into four areas of competition: formal wear, interview, talent show and tourist wear. Unlike a typical pageant, contestants were more focused on getting a laugh than coming away with the crown.

Antonio Barrios impersonated Macho Man Randy Savage for his introduction, while Isaac Harding claimed to be from "a land down under." During the interview section, Erik Guzman said that the one thing he would like to do before he dies is "live."

Talents included a wide range of skills and abilities such as tap dancing, piano playing, photography and magic tricks. Antonio Barrios and Noah Tunget teamed together for a duet with the guitar and banjo. Corbin Lewis attempted (and failed) to dazzle the audience by performing four 'bottle flips.' Kyler Roller and Kamrin Wisherd performed a dance routine to a mashup of popular songs. The most eccentric

talent was presented by Kyle Baldwin, who used his classmates as paint brushes for his talent. He picked them up and dipped the top of their heads in paint, then painted against a white canvas.

For the tourist wear section, contestants came onto stage dressed in get ups suited for a beach vacation. Pineapple socks, a squid hat, and even a fishing pole made an appearance.

At intermission, the audience members voted for contestants and then enjoyed snacks from the concession stand while the officials counted up the votes.

When the results came in, Barrios was crowned Mr. LHS and awarded a bouquet of chocolate flowers. He gave another rendition of his Macho Man impersonation during his victory speech.

"I was so happy I almost cried," Barrios said after exiting the stage.



Antonio Barrios  
Mr. LHS 2020



Photos by Sophia Harding

Kyle Baldwin uses one of his classmates as a paint brush during the 2020 Mr. Lejeune High School pageant, Feb. 13. Baldwin's unusual talent was one of many on display as students gathered to share laughs and celebrate members of the senior class.

# Fleet Reserve Association presents awards to essay winners



Courtesy photo

(From left, front row) Shipmate Luis Alers, Maddy Templeton, Infant of Prague Catholic School, Rebecca McLean, Infant of Prague Catholic School, Caleb Mendiola, Infant of Prague Catholic School, Charlie Skala, Infant of Prague Catholic School, Haley Moore, Swansboro Middle School, Elizabeth Schwend, Lejeune High School, Nathaniel Presson, Lejeune High School, Karl Benson, Lejeune High School. (From left, back row) Branch 208 President Raymond Applewhite, Erik Williams, Infant of Prague Catholic School, Shipmate Gerald Gray Jr., Branch 208 Chaplain Alexander J. Nevglowski Sr., Branch 208 Secretary Paul Miethker. FRA sponsors an annual essay contest to promote the spirit of Americanism and patriotism among our country's youth. FRA's Americanism Essay Contest is open to all students, grades 7 through 12, including those who are home schooled. Students are invited to submit a 350-word essay through an FRA member or local FRA branch before the Dec. 1 deadline. Local winners are forwarded for competition at the regional level and regional winners compete for national prizes.

# What's Cooking?



**Featured Chef »** Cpl. Tyler J. Lanier

“What’s Cooking?” is a monthly series that profiles an area food service specialist and one of their favorite recipes.

It will appear in The Globe on the third Thursday of each month.



**Unit:** Headquarters and Support Battalion  
**Length of Service:** 3 years  
**Hometown:** Lumberton, NC

## What do you enjoy most about cooking?

When I got put in this MOS I was not a cook at home yet. The people I met really shaped my love for it. I love cooking for people and seeing them enjoy a meal I worked on.

## What influenced you to become a cook?

My mom was an amazing cook. I grew up watching her work in the kitchen. When I moved out, I would always find myself going to restaurants trying to find what she made. That’s when I started cooking myself.

## What’s your favorite type of dish?

Chicken and pastry. Some folks call it chicken and dumplings. It is a dish you have to make with love. You are making scratch pastry and cooking down chicken at the same time. There is a lot that goes into it.

## What’s one thing people should have in their kitchens?

Garlic. I feel like I put it in everything. I prefer fresh but definitely keep some garlic powder or garlic salt around for those days when you get off work and are too exhausted to commit to a big recipe.

## Do you have any advice for amateur chefs?

Do not be afraid to experiment when you cook. It is important that you put a spin on things you like. If you like a certain kind of vegetable, put it in a dish that does not necessarily call for it. You can make anything you want to make.

## What do you like most about the recipe you’re providing?

It is very versatile and very easy. You just season your potatoes and pop it in the oven. They go with anything but I highly recommend you try them with steak.

## Roasted Parmesan Garlic Potatoes

### INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs small white potatoes
- 2 tbsp minced garlic
- 1/4 cup parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees
2. Cut potatoes into quarters.
3. Mix all other ingredients together in a medium-large bowl.
4. Add potatoes to mix and toss.
5. Transfer potatoes to a sheet pan and roast for 45 minutes or until potatoes are browned and crisp.

**Yields 6 servings**

### CHEF NOTES

Depending on how your potatoes are cut, you may need to cook them longer than 45 minutes to get them extra crisp.

## Catching up with a Pup:

**CARISSA BALDWIN, CLASS OF 2016**

**SOPHIA HARDING**  
Editorial Intern

Carissa Baldwin is from the Lejeune graduating class of 2016. She is currently a senior at the University of Notre Dame majoring in Biological Sciences with a minor in Italian studies. She plans on seeking a commission in the U.S. Navy after graduation and becoming a Naval Aviator.

While many of her classmates had never left their home state before starting college, Baldwin said that she wasn't nervous at all, but rather excited to explore somewhere new.

“Being a military child gave me the adaptability to enter a new environ-

ment and a willingness and enthusiasm to try new things and meet new people. Not to mention I’ve lived at Notre Dame longer than I lived anywhere,” said Baldwin.

The biggest advantage of going to Lejeune High School for Baldwin was the teachers and staff.

“I felt I was at a huge advantage for being able to build close relationships with some of my teachers and my counselor at LHS, most of whom I keep regular contact with and consider mentors. Their advice has been invaluable to me and they were key in getting me where I am today,” Baldwin said.

Baldwin wishes that she had spent more time exploring what she wanted

to study in college before she arrived at the university, but one piece of advice that she swears by is using a planner.

“I’ve used a planner religiously and rely on it to keep me on track. When life is busier, I can budget my day, keep track of assignments and exams, and I am able to schedule time with friends, remind myself of meetings, keep a to-do list and make sure I get everything done!” Baldwin said.

Her final piece of advice to anyone in college is to not get your textbooks from the college bookstore, but seek cheaper alternatives in other book stores or online.

“Save the money,” Baldwin said.

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From left to right: Carissa, Joanne, Kyle and Col. Scott Baldwin enjoy a day at the McIntyre-Parks Shooting Complex on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, May 13, 2018.

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