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Secretary of Defense Armed Forces Day Message

As Americans, military and civilian, celebrate Armed Forces Day, there is no better way to express our feelings than with this year's theme, "America's Military — Our Nation's Pride."

This day gives us a chance to improve public understanding of the role of the military. It also provides an occasion to pay tribute to you.

This past year, in addition to proving yourselves on the battlefield, you demonstrated to the world your compassion and capacity to assist those who are in great need. Aiding those in need in Operation Provide Comfort and assisting the flood-ravaged people of Bangladesh in Operation Sea Angel are but two recent examples of your selfless service.

As we celebrate this Armed Forces Day, you can be sure that your country is proud of you and grateful for the critical part you play in keeping America strong and free. On behalf of all Americans, I thank you for your unselfish service.

**Dick Cheney,
Secretary of Defense**

See President's message on inside back cover

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From the Commanding Officer



Colonel J.C. Flynn, Marine Barracks Commanding Officer.

Parade Season is nearly upon us and the activity throughout the Barracks is at fever pitch. Regardless of your job, you're busily involved in preparation, and to date, your efforts have been commendable. I was very pleased with the Blue/White and Red/White inspections and feel confident that with a little more work, we'll be ready. Hard work, dedication, and discipline have been the keywords since before the beginning of the year. With the large personnel turnover, there was much to do to train our new Marines. From Ceremonial Drill School to your first Phase I and II, you have proven that hard work and discipline are the keys to success, and your efforts are paying off.

Our first Barracks ceremony of 1992 is history, and in the words of our Commandant, "Fine honors ceremony last night!" Much effort went into preparing for this ceremony nearly three weeks before our first parade, and your performance for our newest brigadier generals in front of the majority of the Corps' leadership was laudable — WELL DONE!

Special recognition and thanks are due our Grounds Maintenance Marines and maintenance personnel, Marine and civilian, who have also been hard at work. Our Barracks is

taking on the special aura that Spring and the parade season brings with green grass, beautiful flowers, fresh paint, and bleachers in the front yard! Their fine efforts and dedication will help ensure we are ready on 1 May.

On a separate note, Cable TV in the Barracks is just around the corner. I recently signed a contract with the District Cable company and installation is scheduled to begin soon. Ultimately, each BEQ room will be wired for cable and residents will be able to sign up for the service. Cable will be installed in each of the clubs as well as other areas throughout the Barracks. More details to follow as installation proceeds.

Thanks to those who have given unselfishly of their time becoming involved in the community. We have been trying to raise our profile in community relations and your efforts have indeed helped. One such program is the Tyler Elementary School Tutoring Program where volunteers tutor a child for one or more hours each week during after-school hours. I encourage you to look into this program as a way to spend some of your idle time while making an invaluable contribution to those less fortunate. You'll make an indelible impression on these children and your reward will be the satisfaction of knowing that you may just keep them in school and off the streets. For more information on this and other programs, please contact the Public Affairs Office.

Congratulations to Lance Corporal Melinda Potter from MCI who was recently selected for the Naval Academy Preparation program. She will begin school in July, and later will enter the Naval Academy Class of 1997. Lance Corporal Potter's performance at MCI and during Evening and Sunset Parades has been exceptional and she is most deserving of this recognition. Good Luck!

I ask each of you to sharpen your focus and continue your dedication to excellence in the demanding months ahead. The "Oldest Post of the Corps" has a hard earned and well deserved reputation for excellence, but it wasn't earned by living in the past. We should take pride in the past but must be ready for the present. For many of our guests, the Evening Parade is their first glimpse of our Corps. From the moment they enter our gates and are greeted and escorted by sharp, courteous Marines, until Memorial Taps is sounded, their impression of the Corps is being developed — and that impression is lasting. The Marines of 8th and I have represented our Corps with distinction since the first Evening Parade, and through your efforts, will continue the fine legacy left us by our predecessors. ***Semper Fidelis!***

**Colonel, United States Marine Corps
Commanding**

LOCAL NEWS

MESS HALL TO SERVE PARADE MEALS

The Barracks Messhall will serve a special pre-parade meal on Fridays.

The menu will consist of entrees such as steamship round and catfish, as well as a variety of vegetables, salad bar, and desserts.

The meal will be served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Normal price (\$1.90) will apply, and a \$3.60 sur-charge will be added for guests and service members not from this command.

JOINT SERVICE OPEN HOUSE

The 1992 Joint Services Open House is scheduled for May 22 and 23 at Andrews Air Force Base.

Displays and demonstrations by all branches of the military will highlight this year's event. The featured attractions of the two-day celebration will be the U.S. Navy's aerial demonstration team, the "Blue Angels," and the U.S. Army parachute team, the "Golden Knights."

ENLISTED CLUB OFFERS FAST FOOD

The Barracks Enlisted Club, located in Tower II, now offers Barracks Marines the convenience of fast food. Menu items include pizza (whole or by-the-slice), grilled chicken, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, and nacho chips with hot toppings.

The new food items are served from 6 to 10 p.m.

VOTING — A FAMILY AFFAIR

Your vote, and those of your spouse and dependents, are crucial. For information or to request an absentee ballot contact Capt. Phelps, Barracks Voting Officer at 433-4492. Prerecorded messages from candidates and information on local elections can be obtained by calling the Voting Information Center at AUTOVON 223-6500 or Commercial (703) 693-6500.

SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The "Hogar Hispano" summer camp program for disadvantaged Hispanic children is looking for two volunteers to work as counselors from 21 June to 27 June.

Marines interested in volunteering should contact the Public Affairs Office, at 433-4173/4497, by May 6.

COUPON TRIVIA

Did you know you can save up to \$4,000 per year by using the coupons found in your newspaper each week.

If you would like to learn more about couponing and ways to maximize your savings and using coupons, a free informational booklet called "Clipping Sense" is available. For your copy, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Valassis Inserts, c/o Public Relations, 36111 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150.

CORRECTION

The Chaplain's Column in the March Pass in Review should have been identified as a short story by Robert J. Hastings. We regret this error.

Recycling collection point moves



Recycling bins are now located near the ramp in the Upper Parking Level. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

The location of the recycling collection point has moved from the Upper Parking Level near the Grounds Maintenance storage cage to the base of the ramp used for exiting the Upper Parking Level.

The air-cooled recycling container has six compartments, two each for paper, bottles and aluminum cans. The container is locked, which allows only small items to be deposited, although users who have loads too large to fit through the small holes, may call facilities maintenance to get the receptacle unlocked. Sections should empty containers in their work areas weekly to avoid storage problems.

Newspaper, computer copier paper, notebook paper and envelopes without plastics windows are all recyclable items, although there are a number of paper goods that are not. These include post-it-notes of all colors, fax paper, telephone directories, lunch bags, carbon paper and envelopes with plastic windows.

For more information on recycling or to arrange for deposit of large loads of recycling materials call 433-3683 or 433-5931.

Story by
Sgt. Debbie Scott

MCI develops new BST/ES guide

Newest version to boast four volumes

The current Battle Skills Training/Essential Subjects Handbook (BST/ES) is being revised after three years of use.

According to Terry M. Franus, Chief, Special Programs Department at MCI, the individual training standards in the current program are written to cover the training requirements of a private.

There was a need to re-evaluate the information and tailor it to the needs of the non-commissioned officer (NCO) and staff non-commissioned officer (SNCO). There were various training requirements which weren't included in the current BST/ES. For this reason, the change was initiated.

"The new book will include information on the roles and training requirements for higher enlisted personnel, and how to implement and test this training," said Renee Hawthorne, Co-ordinator, Training



Current BST/ES Handbook is due for replacement.

Development Division, Special Programs Department.

The revised version will include four separate booklets, each tailored to specific rank brackets.

The first handbook will be General Marine Subjects. This includes subjects on Marine Corps customs and courtesies, history, weapons, wearing of the Marine uniform and inspections.

The other three handbooks will include training requirements and leadership skills for the specific rank brackets of: private to lance corporal, corporal and sergeant, and SNCOs.

In addition, the size of the handbook will also change to fit into the cargo pocket, making it more convenient and accessible during training.

The revised BST/ES Handbook is tentatively scheduled for release by the second quarter of fiscal year 1993.

**Story by
Cpl. Valerie A. Stroschein**

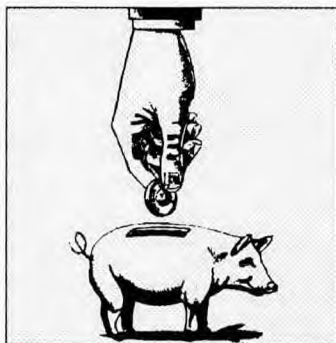
New tax changes prompt look at W-4s

Withholding to be cut for most taxpayers

(MCNEWS) A recent change by the Internal Revenue Service to the Employers Tax Guide may bring disappointment to taxpayers April 15, 1993.

The change will lower the amount of taxes withheld from low and middle income taxpayers this year. The tax paid at the end of the year, however, will still be figured in the same manner as before.

What this could mean to taxpayers is a lower tax refund next year, an increased tax bill for those who owed the IRS this year, or for those who got a small refund, perhaps no refund. Some workers, particularly higher wage earners, will not be affected by the change.



If civilian employees and military members do not want their withholdings changed to the new rates, they should complete a new form W-4 and submit it to their payroll office.

For civilian employees and military members withheld at a married rate, the amount on line 6 of the new W-4 should be 345 dollars divided by the number of paydays (26 for civilian employees, 12 for military members) per year.

Employees and military members withheld at a single rate should use 172 dollars in their calculations. These amounts should be added to the amount already shown on the W-4.

Another option available is reducing the number of allowances claimed on the W-4. For more information on determining the correct withholding amount, copies of publication 919, "Is My Tax Withholding Correct," are available through the IRS. You can also call their toll-free number, 1-800-829-1040.

LOCAL NEWS

Tanks removed from Barracks grounds

Planners, contractors overcome logistic challenges

Two 2,000-gallon fuel oil tanks which had been in the ground near the Home of the Commandants for almost half a century were removed during early March.

The project began in December 1990, when the Barracks submitted a request to Headquarters, Marine Corps requesting permission to remove the tanks in order to meet environmental regulations, according to Devaughan Moore, Barracks Facilities Manager.

An Environmental Protection Agency statute mandates all underground storage tanks (UST's) which leak or are not in use must be removed by 1994, he said.

"What made it so difficult was that we didn't know the exact capacities of the tanks or their exact locations because records were not kept," said Moore.

Moore believes one tank was installed during the 1940's, and the other was put in on top of the first one about 10 years later because the original tank was inadequate. The tanks became obsolete when the oil furnace (which replaced fireplaces early in this century) was converted to a cleaner-burning, natural gas furnace 13 years ago.

"If it wasn't for the fill and vent pipes sticking out of the ground, we wouldn't have known they were there or where to find them," said Ray Patterson, Barracks Maintenance Foreman, who noted the tanks were originally thought to have 750- and 1,000-gallon capacities, rather than 2,000 gallons each.

The removal, which took place March 2-12, and cost more than \$30,000, was approved and funded by Navy Facilities Command, Chesapeake Division (CHESDIV), from specially designated pollution abatement funds. The undertaking was overseen by Barracks officials, CHESDIV environmental engineers



A worker uses a backhoe to remove one of two fuel oil tanks from next to the Home of the Commandants. The tanks had been in place for at least 40 years, and were no longer needed when a gas heater was installed in the house. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

and officials from the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs — Environmental Division.

"The area the tanks were in presented unusual requirements," said Maj. G.J. Vinskey, Barracks Logistics Officer.

"The tanks were 20 feet from a 191-year-old house, partly under the greenhouse and separated from the road by an 8-foot brick wall," he said.

Heavy equipment was lifted over the back wall by a crane, and all the soil was moved by hand in wheelbarrows.

"The only other way to do it would have been to bring equipment in across the parade deck," said Patterson. He explained that because of the location of the hole, the greenhouse foundation had to be shored

up to prevent one corner from falling.

Once the holes were dug and the tanks were located, they were cut up and removed in sections.

"One was sitting perpendicular atop the other and the bottom one was cut and partially filled with dirt because it was no longer needed," said Patterson.

After the tanks were removed, the cavity, which measured 12 feet by 14 feet wide and 16 feet deep, was filled. The task required more than a dozen dump truck loads of fill dirt and topsoil.

In addition, a section of chain-link fence was put in place, damage to a concrete gutter was repaired and several flat stones were replaced, according to Vinskey.

**Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe**

On Centerwalk

Name: LCpl. Jim Augustin Quetel
Unit: Marine Corps Institute
Hometown: St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands
Birthdate: Dec. 5, 1971
Date Entered Service: June 5, 1991
MOS: 1521; Reproduction Specialist
Billet: Course Printer
On Centerwalk for: Meritorious promotion (March)

"Working at Marine Corps Institute allows me to contribute to the education and training of Marines worldwide"



Name: Cpl. Thomas James Dudek
Unit: Drum and Bugle Corps
Hometown: Madonna, Ohio
Birthdate: April 28, 1970
Date Entered Service: Sept. 17, 1990
MOS: 9812; Drummer
Billet: Cymbal Player
On Centerwalk for: Sustained superior performance

"One of the things I enjoy most as part of 'The Commandant's Own' is playing for appreciative audiences across the country."

Information and photos compiled by LCpl. Joey D. Benford

CORPSWIDE NEWS

LEADERSHIP ESSAY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

In an effort to promote research and writing on the topic of leadership, the U.S. Naval Institute and the Vincent Astor Foundation are sponsoring their 18th Annual Leadership Essay Contest for junior officers and officer trainees of the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. The institute will award prizes of up to \$1,500 to the authors of winning essays on the topic of leadership in the sea services. Deadline is June 1.

For a list of rules, write: Naval Institute Membership Department; 118 Maryland Ave.; Annapolis, MD 21402-5035, or call (800) 233-USNI.

NAVAL INSTITUTE SPONSORS ESSAY CONTEST

The U.S. Naval Institute will award cash prizes of \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 to the authors of the three winning essays in its Marine Corps Essay Contest. Marines of all ranks are invited to submit.

Essays must be postmarked and be received no later than June 1, and should be directed to: Editor-in-Chief, "Proceedings" (USMC Contest), U.S. Naval Institute, 118 Maryland Ave., Annapolis, MD 21402-5035.

For more information contact Jennifer Paytas at (410) 268-6110

RECRUITER ASSISTANTS SOUGHT

Privates through sergeants are now needed to serve at Recruiting Stations Dallas and Denver as recruiter assistants. RS Denver includes Colorado, Wyoming, western North Dakota and western Nebraska. Interested Marines for RS Dallas should call GySgt. D'Andrea from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at (214) 939-6544, and for RS Denver call MSgt. Ramon Calderon at 1-800-950-3011.

WOMEN MARINES REUNION

The Women Marines Association is holding its 17th biennial convention at the Town and Country hotel in San Diego, Calif., September 1-5, 1992. For more information, write to Lorre Rosa, 1624 NW Rolling Hill Drive; Beaverton, Oregon 97006, or call (503) 645-3438.

NNOA CONFERENCE

The National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) will hold its 20th Anniversary conference in Washington, D.C. from 7-12 July at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill. The 1992 conference theme is: Twenty Years of Professionalism - Developing Leaders for the Future. For registration or general information call toll free 1-800-772-NNOA.

COMMISSARIES OFFER ADDED SAVINGS

NNS — More than 200 items will be on sale at discounts of up to 60 percent in commissaries worldwide during May, in honor of Armed Forces Day, according to Bob Tate, Director of Operations for the Defense Commissary Agency (DECA).

Other worldwide sales to be sponsored by DECA are the Community Appreciation Sale in July, held to honor community support organizations, and the Agency's anniversary sale in October.

TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDER DIES

Colonel William L. Hendricks, USMCR (Ret.), died at age 87 in Los Angeles March 29. But, as founder of the Marine Corps Reserves' "Toys For Tots" program, his legacy lives on. While serving as a major with Volunteer Training Unit (VTU) 12-1 at the Los Angeles Reserve Center in 1947, Hendricks initiated and nurtured the "Toys For Tots" program.

The first year in Los Angeles 7,000 toys were collected. Since then, the program has helped brighten the holiday season for countless youngsters nationwide, with nearly 8 million toys collected and distributed last year.

British kick off Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive early

MCNEWS — A recent concert appearance by "The President's Own," the United States Marine Band in London, England, netted more than just rave reviews and positive international relations. It helped the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

On behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, Commandant of the Marine Corps General Carl E. Mundy Jr. accepted a check February 21 for \$20,000 for NMCRS from LtGen. Sir Henry Beverley, Commandant General of the Royal Marines. The funds were a portion of the proceeds raised from the Mountbatten Festival of Music held Feb. 19-21 at the Royal Albert Hall, London, during which the United States Marine Band performed.

The three-day festival is an annual event held to benefit charities of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, other service charity organizations, and the Sir Malcolm Sargent Cancer fund for children.

During a ceremony in his office Feb. 26, Gen. Mundy presented the check to representatives of the NMCRS. The NMCRS officially kicks off its 1992 fund-raising campaign in May.



MSG requirements altered

Temporary waivers offered as a result of Gulf War

MCNEWS — Two temporary policy waivers, effectively immediately, will allow more Marines to volunteer for Marine Security Guard duty. The waivers, outlined in ALMAR 22/92, compensate for the number of Marines who could not volunteer because of their unit's commitment to Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

Waivers do not effect the caliber of Marines who may volunteer. Stringent requirements still apply. However, MSG school is looking to fill classes 3-92 through 5-92 to maintain battalion staffing for sergeants and below. The following temporary waivers are intended only to increase the number of eligible Marines:

- Qualified first-term Marines, who are currently denied reenlistment under the first term alignment plan, may extend their enlistment (not reenlist) up to 24 months to serve an MSG tour. The total obligated service for these Marines must

not carry them beyond 72 months of active service. Also, they must have at least 26 months (includes extension time) of remaining obligated service upon reporting to MSG school. This policy change will allow deserving Marines an opportunity to serve one more tour before they compete for reenlistment under career force controls, however, no guarantee of further service is implied.

- The 36-month time-on-station at present duty station requirement contained in the reference will be waived to 12 months for those qualified Marines who volunteer for MSG duty.

The policy changes will remain in effect until August 1, 1992.

Marine Security Guard Battalion supports the Department of State with highly-trained Marine guards who provide security for U.S. citizens, property, and classified material at 138 embassies and consulates in 120 countries.

Marine security guard duty offers Marines unprecedented oppor-

tunities to perform unique and challenging duties in countries they might otherwise never see and gives our staff noncommissioned officers an opportunity to command. Marine security guards receive \$110 per month special duty assignment pay.

While it is intended that the MSG program remain primarily a volunteer program, staffing requirements may necessitate augmentation by qualified non-volunteers. Accordingly, the Commandant of the Marine Corps has directed a policy change to allow a percentage of non-volunteers to be selected for duty on the MSG program.

Should augmentation by non-volunteers be required to meet program requirements, HQMC will notify separate commands of volunteer shortfalls. Commands then will screen for non-volunteers to meet program requirements.

Project reunites families, Vietnam veterans

Reprinted with permission from the April 1992 "Leatherneck."

If you remember someone whose name is on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., you may wish to participate in a locator project designed to help families, friends, and fellow veterans of the Vietnam War find each other.

"In Touch" is a locator service sponsored by the Friends of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial as part of its program to promote the healing legacy of the memorial. Many veterans are looking for the families of their fallen comrades with whom they served during the months, weeks, or days during the war. Many are only now finding the strength and means to make contacts, fulfill promises and heal old wounds.

Family members, especially many young adults who never got to know their fathers, are now searching for someone who served with their loved ones in Vietnam. They often wish to learn more about their relatives from someone who knew them in Vietnam.

Several networks of family members have evolved as part of the national "In Touch" project. The first was the "Sons and Daughters in Touch" which now has



"In Touch" provides an avenue for Vietnam War veterans, friends and families to communicate. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

participants in almost every state. Networks for siblings and for Vietnam widows are also forming.

Those interested in this program may call (703) 525-1107 or write: Friends of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 2030 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 412, Arlington, Va. 22201.

Marine Corps, FBI reach agreement

Feds to continue support of special operations training

(MCNEWS) MCCDC, Quantico, Va. — A memorandum of understanding between the Marine Corps and the Federal Bureau of Investigation was made official recently when LtGen. Henry C. Stackpole III, Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans, Policies and Operations, HQMC, and Anthony Daniels, Assistant Director of the Training Division for the FBI, signed the document in the executive dining room of the FBI Academy, Quantico, Va.

The memorandum outlined the FBI Training and Assistance to the Marine Corps. The TAMACOR program has supported the Marine Corps since 1985. TAMACOR assists the Marine Corps by planning, coordinating, and supervising realistic special operations training and by providing technical expertise in special operations.

The TAMACOR program assigns a special agent to the Commandant of the Marine Corps on a full-time basis and assigns a special agent to support the commanding general of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific.

"The TAMACOR program provides Marines with the type of urban training they require," said Maj Bob Taylor, action officer, Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict branch, HQMC.

The document states the specific duties of both the East coast and West coast special consultants to the Marine Corps. A special consultant works with the Marine Corps in coordinating the special operations training evolutions.

The FBI has been assisting the Marine Corps in obtaining realistic and challenging urban and special training sites since 1985. Initially, the program involved a small number of Marines from Camp Lejeune, N.C., training in the New York City metropolitan area.

However, with the support from the FBI and numerous other federal, state, and local authorities as well as the private sector, the program has grown from a modest beginning to one that is national in scope.

Currently the FBI training assistance program involves Marine Air-Ground Task Force exercises on the East, West and Gulf Coasts with units from both FMF Atlantic and Pacific.

Training in an Urban Environment (TRUE) has been considered an essential part of the training of our forward deployed contingency forces. Over the next 20 years, it has been estimated that 80 percent of the population in developing nations in Latin America, Africa, and on the Pacific rim will migrate to, or concentrate in, urbanized coastal regions.

These are precisely the areas in which the FBI and the Marine Corps predict instability and conflict are most likely to occur.

The units that participate in TRUE are Marine Expeditionary Units. They conduct this training prior to their shipboard deployments to the Mediterranean

and Pacific rim. Upon successful completion of an extensive evaluation, the MEU is certified "Special Operations Capable." Each MEU is a tightly-disciplined, highly-trained contingency force. TRUE is designed to be conducted late in pre-deployment training as a polishing exercise.

The FBI training assistance program also assists in coordinating the use of specialized targets. The use of specialized targets allows the MAGTFs undergoing training to conduct realistic exercises on the type of targets that they could conceivably be assigned in a real world contingency. The type and scope of specialized target training extends from reserve fleet shipping to off-shore energy production facilities such as gas or oil platforms. GOPLATS are used for extensive

amphibious raid training.

The MAGTFs are trained to conduct both day and night surface and air assaults. The training consists of structural assessment, hazardous material handling, climbing, clearing, and specialized demolitions techniques. These preparations ensure the MAGTF's ability to respond to a mission which may require them to reinforce, recover, destroy, or incapacitate a GOPLAT.

"The signing of the memorandum formalizes the relationship the Marine Corps has had with the FBI since 1985 regarding TRUE training," said Taylor.

"The signatures ensure the continuation of this valuable program."

Training in an Urban Environment (TRUE) has been considered an essential part of the training of our forward-deployed contingency forces.

**Story by
LCpl. Angela D. Carrico**

Corps to adopt replacement gas mask

New version is lighter, more versatile than M-17

MCCDC, Quantico, Va. — A gas mask that improves visibility, provides more flexibility to Marines in the field, fits better and feels better is on the horizon, according to officials of the Marine Corps Research, Development and Acquisition Command, Quantico, Va.

The new M40 and M42 gas masks will soon replace M17 general-purpose mask, M25 vehicle-crewman mask, and the M9 heavy-duty mask, which are currently being used.

The M40 is scheduled to become standard issue for all Marines. The M42 is a modified mask with a hose which hooks into a filtration system for tracked vehicle crewmen.

The new mask began as an Army development project in the mid 1970's. Procurement of the masks began shortly after Operations Desert Shield/Storm, according to CWO-3 Douglas Bryce, nuclear, biological and chemi-

cal (NBC) defense equipment project officer.

Made of a silicone rubber facepiece that is lighter and provides undistorted and unobstructed forward vision, the mask has many new features that will enhance combat Marines' performance.

A face-mounted gas and aerosol filtering C-2 canister can be installed on either the left or right side of the mask, a feature that also allows the right or left-handed shooter to mount the canister as he desires so it doesn't impede his shooting.

"Second Skin," a rubber coating that adheres to the mask, inhibits chemical and biological contaminants from penetrating the silicone rubber of the mask. It can be replaced in a rapid decontamination situation. This second skin also promotes the use of the NBC hood.

Additionally, both the M40 and M42 masks have drinking devices to allow for easy intake of liquids, and both will have laser eye-protection inserts to prevent blindness from laser fire.

"I think this is one of the best protective masks in the world today. Because of the threat of chemical attack by the Iraqis during Desert Storm, we know more about chemical warfare, and what we learned went into the mask's development. This mask fits better, is more comfortable and you can see better," Bryce concluded.



The M-17 general purpose mask (above) is scheduled for replacement by the M-40 and -42.

Story by
Cpl. Suzanne Gemignani

Naval readiness statement released

Joint 1992 Navy/Marine Corps posture outlined

MCNEWS — The Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Chief of Naval Operations testified before the Senate Armed Services Committee regarding the annual 1992 Department of the Navy posture statement which was also publicly released.

Unlike past years in which the Secretary of the Navy, Chief of Naval Operations, and Commandant each had separate statements, this year the Navy Department leadership issued one unified statement outlining its positions on the state of the Navy-Marine Corps team, its future course and Fiscal Year 1993 budget priorities.

The 1992 statement emphasized that times have changed dramatically with the end of the cold war and the shift of U.S. military strategy from a global superpower confrontation to future conflicts which are most likely to be regional, sudden and widely dispersed.

The statement said the Navy and the Marine Corps have already begun to adapt to the changing world. Today's expeditionary naval forces are the highest quality Navy-Marine Corps team in history. As forces are reduced and restructured in the future this high quality will be maintained by concentrating naval resources on goals of quality and readiness — even over force structure.

According to the statement, the Navy and Marine Corps overall objective is to provide, at an affordable cost, those essential capabilities that naval forces are uniquely able to contribute in support of the nation's security.

The statement stressed that no single factor is more important to the readiness of naval forces than the quality of life of Navy and Marine Corps people and their families. While personnel reductions will match ship, aircraft squadron and battalion reductions, both services "will strive to retain high quality experienced personnel, maintain advancement opportunities, improve the quality of

training and reduce overall manpower costs."

Their plan relies on reduced recruiting, normal attrition, higher retention standards and incentives for early retirement in specified career fields to bring down the numbers of active-duty personnel.

The Navy and Marine Corps will seek to reduce military personnel without forced separations. Only a small number of officers and senior enlisted members with over twenty years of active service will be affected by involuntary retirements.

The statement noted that record retention levels and



The 1992 posture statement emphasizes continued deployment readiness during the force reductions for the Navy/Marine Corps team to respond to regional crises.

competition for reenlistments have complicated personnel plans. Both services will also need to be corrected and the Department of the Navy strongly endorses the proposed 3.7 percent pay raise for January 1993 contained in the budget.

Despite the reduced threat of global war in today's multipolar political environment, traditional naval expeditionary

capabilities remain important. Naval forces, the posture statement said, require no foreign basing, are mobile and forward deployed, are immediately responsive, can be inserted or withdrawn with relative ease, are self-sustaining and provide a wide range of military options.

The 1992 statement emphasizes Navy-Marine Corps ex-

peditionary capabilities for providing presence and projecting power in regional crisis areas and enabling capabilities to help secure access for the sequenced employment of heavier joint U.S. and allied forces.

To meet future needs, Naval forces will focus on the challenges of littoral (coastal) and shallow-water operations where anti-submarine warfare, counter-mine warfare and near-land/over-land anti-air warfare pose special technical problems.

The statement said Navy force structure priorities will favor a ship/aircraft mix optimized to project power ashore in regional crisis in support of national strategy.

Navy-Marine air-ground task forces (MAGTFs) will provide an extraordinarily flexible range of national options. The nation's shrinking overseas base structure means that naval forces must maximize their ability to sustain themselves far from home with dedicated supply lines and logistic support ships and aircraft. The Navy Fleet in FY93 is planned at 461 ships, including 13 aircraft carriers (plus a training carrier).

By 1993 the Navy base force will be down to 11 active and two reserve air wings, and by 1995 will be down to 451 ships, including 12 aircraft carriers (plus a training carrier). Naval air plans for a core of carrier air wings with 60 offensive air-to-air or air-to-air/ground aircraft, including F-14 Tomcats, F/A-18 Hornets and A-6 Intruders. The Navy's long-term aviation goal will rely upon the F/A-18 E/F and the A-X.

Additional posture points:

- ★ Since there is a long development time and a 30-50 year life span of capital-intensive warships and aircraft, fundamental changes in Naval force structure cannot happen overnight.
- ★ Smaller force structures must be complemented by innovative changes in operational doctrine. For example, Naval commanders in the Mediterranean are adjusting the composition of their task forces, and new Maritime Action Groups (without carriers) are capitalizing on the fire-power of Tomahawk equipped surface ships and submarines and exploiting the power projection capabilities of multi-purpose amphibious assault ships.
- ★ The Navy-Marine Corps team is a total force organization including active duty and reserve Navy and Marine Corps personnel and civilian employees. The FY92 Navy total force is made up of 989,298 people including: Active Duty — 551,400 (56 percent); civilian 295,287 (30 percent); and naval reserve — 142,611 (14 percent). The FY92 Marine Corps total force is made up of 246,334 people including: active duty — 188,000 (76 percent); Marine Reserve — 42,400 (17 percent); and civilian 17,394 (7 percent).
- ★ Although readiness is the first spending priority in the 1992 Department of the Navy posture statement and FY93 budget, the budget also supports procurement for long-term replacement of weapons, ships and aircraft, as well as ongoing modernization initiatives to maintain technological superiority.
- ★ No single factor is more important to naval readiness than the quality of life of sailors and their families.
- ★ Navy-Marine Corps leaders are taking a new look at Post Cold War Naval Strategy in their Naval force capabilities planning effort (NFCPE). The NFCPE is expected to be completed later in CY1992. The NFCPE involves top naval leaders and the staffs of the SecNav, CNO and CMC who will study expected role of naval forces in the next 20 years.

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

Attention focuses on child abuse, safety

Almost half the 20,000 reported child abuse cases in the military last year were substantiated

AFIS — Military installations, local communities and children's groups work together to combat child abuse. Since April 1983, their efforts have been recognized across the nation by designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Child abuse prevention comes to the forefront in April as part of a national campaign, said officials in the Department of Defense Office of Family Policy, Support and Services.

Two themes, "Partners in Prevention" and "Winning Ways for Military Families," stress the importance of child abuse prevention, especially in military families, said Gail McGinn. She is the DoD office's director.

"The combination of prevention month and Month of the Military Child gives us a unique opportunity to highlight prevention activities as we celebrate

our families and children," McGinn said. She believes knowledge of prevention measures over the next few years is necessary as "We make

most half of the 20,000 reported child abuse cases in the military last year were substantiated.

"The numbers indicate that child abuse and neglect among the military may be a reflection of the national population, where the substantiated rate of abuse runs about 50 percent. But one proven case is one too many," said Sponberg.

More than 2.5 million cases of abuse and neglect were reported last year across the nation.

Prevention is the first opportunity to solve the problem of child abuse, officials said. Suggestions for prevention include knowing the signs

and symptoms of child abuse, knowing the procedures for reporting suspected abuse at installation level and being an advocate for children. The main thing is to get involved.

The Defense Department handles child abuse prevention



our way through this critical period of downsizing and transition."

More than 1.5 million dependent children help make up the DoD family, said Sponberg. The latest figures indicate al-

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE: 1 (800) 336-4592

and treatment through its Family Advocacy Program, available at every military installation. The program isn't just for families. It also provides training and information to installation activities that are involved with children, such as child development centers and family day care homes.

Briefings, awareness campaigns and educational programs are just a few of the methods used.

To supplement the installation program offices, DoD started a child abuse and safety violation hotline for child

development and youth programs.

The toll-free, worldwide telephone hotline is for persons to report suspected child abuse and safety violations in these programs. The hotline is operational in eight foreign countries, as well as Guam, Puerto Rico and the United States. It is not meant to replace local installation reporting procedures. Also, the hotline is not for reporting child abuse within the child's family.

DoD officials stress that in an emergency situation or if the child's life is in danger, call the local authorities immediately.

Information required for a hotline call includes the name of the victim and alleged offender, the installation and the suspected offenses. Sponberg said the caller can remain anonymous.

Once the case is reported, DoD passes it to the service involved for investigation. Usually, the service is given 90 days to check into the case's validity and report the findings, she said.

The DoD Child Abuse Hotline number for the United States, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico is 1 (800) 336-4592.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION TIPS

- ♥ *Take time to listen to your children.*
- ♥ *Know who your children's friends are.*
- ♥ *Take a few minutes out when stress levels get high.*
- ♥ *Use words that help, not hurt.*
- ♥ *Teach your children how to answer the telephone when you aren't home.*
- ♥ *Teach your children not to talk to, and not to accept anything from strangers.*
- ♥ *Do not place your children's name on clothing.*
- ♥ *Do not let your children play alone on a playground or go to a public place, like a rest room, alone.*

Source: Armed Forces Information Service



Thanks, Easter B-u-u-nny!

Children turn out for celebration



ABOVE: Ashley Scott shares a fun moment with the Easter Bunny. **RIGHT:** Capt. Robin Knepp, Barracks Morale, Welfare and Recreation Officer, passes out balloons during the annual Barracks Easter Egg Hunt.

The Easter Bunny was out on a pre-Easter reconnaissance April 11th at approximately 11 a.m. and just happened to hop onto the parade deck at Marine Barracks, much to the pleasant surprise of the children who were here to greet him.

Approximately 50 of the Barracks Marines' sons and daughters joined Peter Cottontail for a Saturday morning egg hunt. Candy-filled eggs of every color were strategically placed throughout the parade deck, and throughout the greenery that aligns troop walk.

With the sun shining brightly on them, the children scurried around the perfectly-manicured parade deck in the hopes of finding easter eggs. This was even more important because some of these eggs were filled with ticket stubs that would later be exchanged for other goodies in the bunny's pouch.

It was evident that these children were no amateurs at egg hunts, because within 30 minutes all of the eggs had been found and stashed away in baskets, bags or pockets.

The Easter Bunny's final task of the morning was to pass out balloons. As the children began to leave with their parents, one could see there were smiles on some little faces. But one child left with a puzzled look.

Would the Easter Bunny still leave some goodies for them on Easter Sunday?

**Story and photos by
Sgt. Debbie Scott**





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ABOVE: Maj. P.A. Brygider, H&S Company Commander, ensures a Marine's uniform meets Barracks standards during a pre-parade season inspection.

ABOVE RIGHT: Accompanied by SSgt. Everett R. Reed (left) and Sgt. Eric A. Harris (3rd from left), Capt. Michael D. Thomas, Guard Detachment Commander, inspects his Marines on Troopwalk.

RIGHT: Capt. Thomas checks the fit of a Marine's cover.





Parade preparations underway

Inspections one aspect of demanding image

Pre-parade inspections were conducted by sections, platoons and companies to prepare for the 1992 Parade Season. One responsibility of Marines here is to ensure Blue/White uniforms are "squared away."

The first Friday Night Parade is scheduled for May 8, and will be held each week at 8:45 p.m. through Aug. 28. Spectators are advised to park at the Washington Navy Yard and ride shuttle buses to and from the Barracks.

Sunset Parades, held 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, are scheduled weekly from May 26 through Aug. 25. Parking is available at the Arlington Cemetery Visitor's Center (fees are charged), and shuttle buses are provided to and from the event.

"The President's Own" United States Marine Band will perform free concerts Wednesdays at 8 p.m. on the East Plaza of the Capitol, June 3 through

Aug. 30. Performances are also scheduled for 8 p.m. Sundays at the Sylvan Theater (on the grounds of the Washington Monument) from June 7 to Aug. 30, except July 5 and 26, and Aug. 16.

In addition, each Friday during parade season the Marine Corps Historical Center, located in Building 58 at the Washington Navy Yard, will open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**Story and photos by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe**

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ABOVE: LCpl. Douglas A. Kletz shoots an azimuth while Cpl. Frederick C. Teckmyer looks on during land navigation training.

TOP: SSgt. William D. Archer (right) gives LCpl. Larry D. Hayes the coordinates for the next destination on the course.

RIGHT: (left to right) LCpl. Adrian G. Hicks, Cpl. Lance B. Barrios and LCpl. Mark D. Schaller orient a map prior to navigating the course.





‘A’ Company tackles land-nav training courses at Quantico

Marines of “A” Company recently spent two days and one night at MCCDC, Quantico, training on land navigation ranges. For two days teams waged azimuth warfare while tracking elusive yellow and red boxes at each objective in an effort to sharpen their land navigation skills.

**Photos by
WO Virginia Bueno**





Fields of Fire

H&S Marines take to the field to sharpen defensive combat skills

In a hostile situation, a company of Marines will usually have very little time to prepare a defensive position. They must use whatever tools and terrain available to establish a fortified position which enables them to fend off hostile and aggressive enemy assaults.

During a recent field exercise at MCCDC, Quantico, Marines of H&S Company concentrated on defensive fire team tactics.

Along with setting up and defending a position against aggressors, Marines practiced

other facets of defensive war-fighting. They set up sandbags, dug fighting holes and established fields of fire for their positions. Incorporating MILES gear and smoke grenades helped add a touch of realism to the practical application portion of the day-long evolution.

"Staff noncommissioned officers from Marine Corps Institute (MCI) course-writer section were asked to teach the training classes because they essentially are the duty experts,"



explained H&S Company Gunnery Sergeant R. R. Scott.

The same training package was offered on two separate days to ensure all the Marines in the company had an opportunity sharpen their infantry skills.

"The training helped to better explain our role of support in this type of situation," said LCpl. Donald Beard, administrative clerk.

*Story and photos by
Cpl. Valerie A. Stroschein*



ABOVE LEFT: H&S Marines equipped with MILES gear move in on defensive positions.

ABOVE: Sgt. John W. Wardlaw and other Marines in H&S practice stringing concertina wire as part of the defensive training package.



Marines in the Philippines line up to draw their pay in early 1942. The battle for these Pacific islands raged from December 1941 to May 1942. (Photo courtesy of U.S. Marine Corps Historical Center)

Landings in Philippines near success

Japanese forces assault Bataan, Corregidor

EDITOR'S NOTE: *This is the first of a two-part series on the valiant yet unsuccessful epic defense of the Philippines' Bataan Peninsula and the small island of Corregidor, both located in Manila Bay. It will be part of the continuing monthly commemoration by "Pass in Review," of Marine action which took place 50 years ago this month during World War II.*

The Philippine Islands are part of a chain of volcanic islands located approximately 1,500 miles south-southeast of mainland Japan. United States forces there, commanded by General Douglas MacArthur, were first attacked from the air December 8, 1941 (Dec. 7 in the United States). Japanese forces actually landed on the primary island of Luzon Dec. 10 (northern side) and 12 (southeastern side). The invad-

ing 14th Army, led by Japanese LtGen. Masahara Homma, pushed rapidly south.

By Christmas it forced a numerically superior force of Filipinos and Americans into a defense of the Bataan Peninsula, located in Manila Bay across from the capital city of Manila.

Marine forces in the Philippines consisted of the 4th Marine Regiment, which was evacuated to there from Shan-

ghai, China, during late November and early December 1941 (see February 1992 "Pass in Review"). The regiment, commanded by Col. Samuel Howard, originally landed in Olangapo, where they joined Philippine and U.S. Navy forces to fend off attacks on the peninsula. A majority of the Marines were then positioned on the island of Corregidor, a tadpole-shaped island in Manila Bay about five miles off the south coast of Bataan. The Marines who didn't move to Corregidor reinforced defending army, naval and Philippine forces on Bataan.

Referred to as the "Gibraltar of the East," or "the Rock," this lush island was slightly more than two miles long and less than one-and-a-half miles wide. Though small in size, the island was well fortified and had a series of tunnels linking the north and south sides which served as a care center for wounded, headquarters for joint forces and a temporary haven for the Philippine leaders before they were evacuated to Australia with MacArthur March 11, 1942.

Near Corregidor were three significantly smaller islands which were fortified with coastal defense guns, mortars and anti-aircraft guns that provided fire support for Corregidor.

On April 12, after fighting four months without reinforcements or significant resupply of food, ammunition or medicine, forces on Bataan surrendered, leaving Corregidor as the last significant outpost in the Philippines not in Japanese hands. Fourth Marine Regiment

troops there had only to wait for the inevitable landing of Japanese forces. Though the island had been well stocked to support the 4th Marines, a large influx of surviving Marines, sailors, soldiers and Filipinos managed to join the regiment on Corregidor, further

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depleting waning food and water resources. As the landing approached, the men began to grow weary from long days and nights erecting defensive fortifications and surviving on half-rations of about 2,000 calories per day — slightly more than a jumbo-sized hamburger, large order of French fries and chocolate shake at a fast-food restaurant.

"The men of 4th Marines, the island's only infantry, shaved when they could, and bathed by crawling through the

barbed wire on the beaches and swimming at night in the warm waters of the bay. They found themselves stumbling over things in the darkness; the lack of vitamin A in their monotonous rations gave them night blindness," writes Hanson W. Baldwin in his book, *Battles Lost and Won*.

Japanese planners wanted to continue their offensive of Bataan onto Corregidor, but had to wait until all the landing craft were assembled in place and also wait for quinine supplies for Japanese soldiers battling malaria. It would be 27 days until the assault on Corregidor began, but steady bombing and artillery barrages that began in December continued daily during the entire wait.

Such was the confidence of the Japanese leadership that they sent a demand for surrender in early March to the American leader of one of the small islands near Corregidor which said in part, "...our invincible artillery will pound Corregidor into submission, batter it, weaken it, preparatory to a final assault by crack Japanese landing troops." However, the Japanese conquest of the Philippines was originally planned to take 50 days, and at the point this note was written, battle had been raging for three months; and it would be another two before the fighting finally ended.

Next month: the battle for Corregidor.

*Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe*

SPORTS

H&S nets Commander's Cup victory

MCI falls twice after strong finish during regular season

A consolidated Headquarters and Service Company basketball team won the 1992 Commander's Cup Intramural Basketball Championship with an 80-69 victory over Marine Corps Institute in the Barracks Gymnasium, March 27.

H&S started off the double-elimination tournament with a 104-41 walloping of Drum and Bugle Corps, then downed Guard Detachment and MCI before meeting MCI again in the final.

MCI, which had a bye in the first round of the tournament, came back from a deficit of more than 20 points to beat "A" Company in their first game. Then it lost to H&S 72-64, and ended up in the championship game against H&S after downing "A" Company.

Gunnery Sgt. Antonio Robinson, Sgt. Artis Montgomery and Cpl. James Williams Jr. scored in double

digits for H&S, with 18, 16 and 11 points, respectively. MCI was led by 1stLt. David Kirby, Cpl. LaFonzo Prince and Sgt. Mitchell Brown, who had 24, 12 and 12 points, respectively.

"We had a wealth of people, both on the floor and coming off the bench," said Lt. Keith Singleton, who coached the H&S team and cited Montgomery as H&S's Most Valuable Player during the tournament.

Montgomery said he felt the whole team deserved credit as MVP.

"I think our guards made the difference. Underneath we were matched up well, but with our guards we were quicker than the other teams," said Montgomery.

Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe



LCpl. Fredward Thomas of H&S attempts to block a shot by MCI's LaFonzo Prince. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)



Getting ready for the 'outside'

Programs help ease transition to civilian sector

Transitioning into the civilian world is not as easy as it might have been in past years because it is an extremely competitive market. Most business are looking for experience, college, or related training.

Since everybody seems to be "drawing down" to save money, Marines may need some help converting Marine Corps experience to the civilian community's needs.

The Marines Corps "Takes care of its own" through the Transition Assistance Program.

The program is available to all Marines, both enlisted and officer, who will be honorably discharged (to include General under Honorable) voluntarily or involuntarily separated.

TAP is available to Marines and their spouses within 180 days prior to separating. The subjects TAP covers include:

- ✓ Educational Benefits.
- ✓ Compensation and vocational rehabilitation entitlements under the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs.
- ✓ Procedures/Advantages of affiliation with the Selective Reserves.
- ✓ Information on Government jobs.
- ✓ Employment search/placement assistance for spouses.
- ✓ Availability of relocation assistance and benefits

under the Dept. of labor.

- ✓ Medical/Dental benefits after separations.
- ✓ Affects of a career change on the Marine and their dependents.
- ✓ Financial planning assistance.
- ✓ Employment assistance. TAP has more information on employment assistance than most Marines might think.
- ✓ Information and assistance to obtain loans and grants from the Small Business Administration.
- ✓ Relocation assistance.
- ✓ Job fairs. (help with resumes, interview techniques and other topics)

The Transition Assistance Program representative for the Barracks is Winston Coye, located in room S139 at Keith Hall (across the street from the Henderson Hall Exchange), at (703) 746-6018/19.

Other phone numbers of interest:

Veterans Coordinator

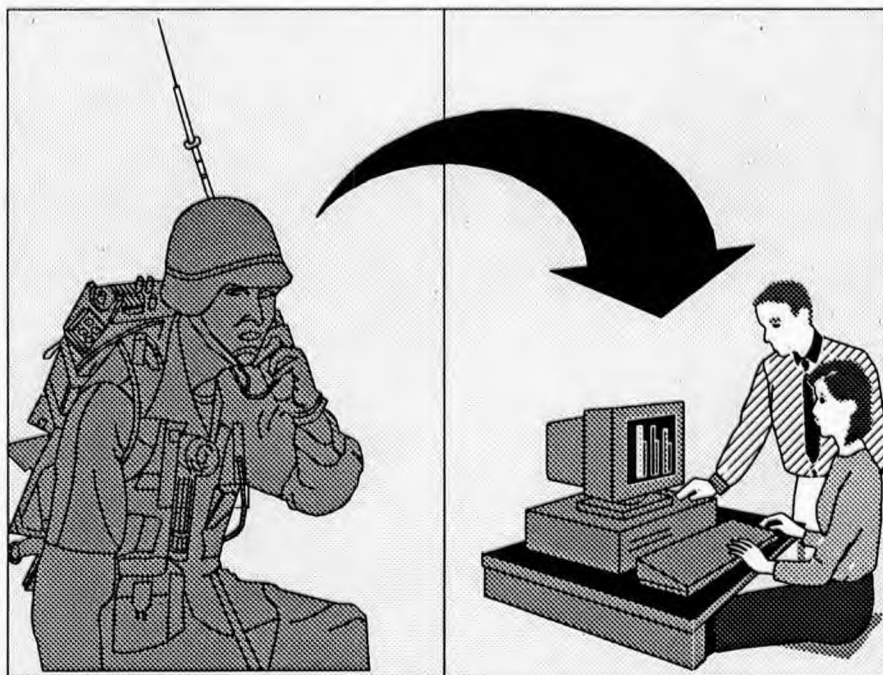
Bill Robinson (202) 606-1848

Veterans Affairs

Richard Lockette (202) 208-1300

The better informed you are the easier it will be for you to make the right decision.

*By SSgt. Steve Smith,
Barracks Career Planner*



Barracks Salutes

Awards

"A" Company

Meritorious Mast

Cpl. G. D. Covert

Letter of Appreciation

Cpl. F. C. Teckmyer

LCpl. D. E. Miller

"B" Company

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. C. A. McFarland

Cpl. T. B. Watson

H&S Company

Good Conduct Medal

MSgt. A. F. Hickmott

Cpl. I. W. Dobson

Cpl. A. D. Klinger

Cpl. B. C. McClure

LCpl. P. R. Hurst

LCpl. R. E. Jackson

LCpl. R. L. Triplett Jr.

Cpl. M. D. Boston
Cpl. P. A. Davis
Cpl. M. M. Duran
Cpl. M. A. Enter
Cpl. R. E. Johnson
Cpl. K. V. Kauble
Cpl. C. F. Leyman III
Cpl. C. A. McFarland
Cpl. E. L. Pitt
Cpl. C. E. Reising
Cpl. J. D. Sykes
Cpl. A. R. Williams Jr.
Cpl. C. Wilson
Cpl. M. B. Womble
LCpl. J. S. Amidon
LCpl. M. A. Carpenter
LCpl. J. F. Chance
LCpl. M. L. Chapman
LCpl. E. W. Gardner
LCpl. C. W. Jones
LCpl. R. A. Krolkiewicz
LCpl. D. L. Moore
LCpl. T. S. Newman
LCpl. R. W. Reagan
LCpl. R. R. Schliesman
LCpl. D. W. Scott
LCpl. J. C. Taylor
LCpl. B. E. Thomas
LCpl. C. R. Wilkerson

SSgt. L. C. Cunningham III
Sgt. R. K. Dahnert
Cpl. P. A. Davis
Cpl. J. W. Jones
LCpl. E. R. Butler
LCpl. M. J. Giampapa
LCpl. R. R. Schliesman
LCpl. M. G. Williams
LCpl. C. T. Woodburn
PFC A. O. Alexander
PFC T. W. Brooks
PFC C. G. Caldwell
PFC J. R. Crossen
PFC N. L. Fiebelkorn
PFC C. M. Johnson
PFC W. M. Kowalewski
PFC T. J. Kownack Jr.
PFC V. R. Melendez
PFC S. G. Phillips
PFC A. V. Wiesenbahn
PFC R. H. Wright Jr.

Promotions

Sgt. T. J. Winslow

Welcome Aboard

1stSgt. L. J. Wilson

SCUTTLEBUTT

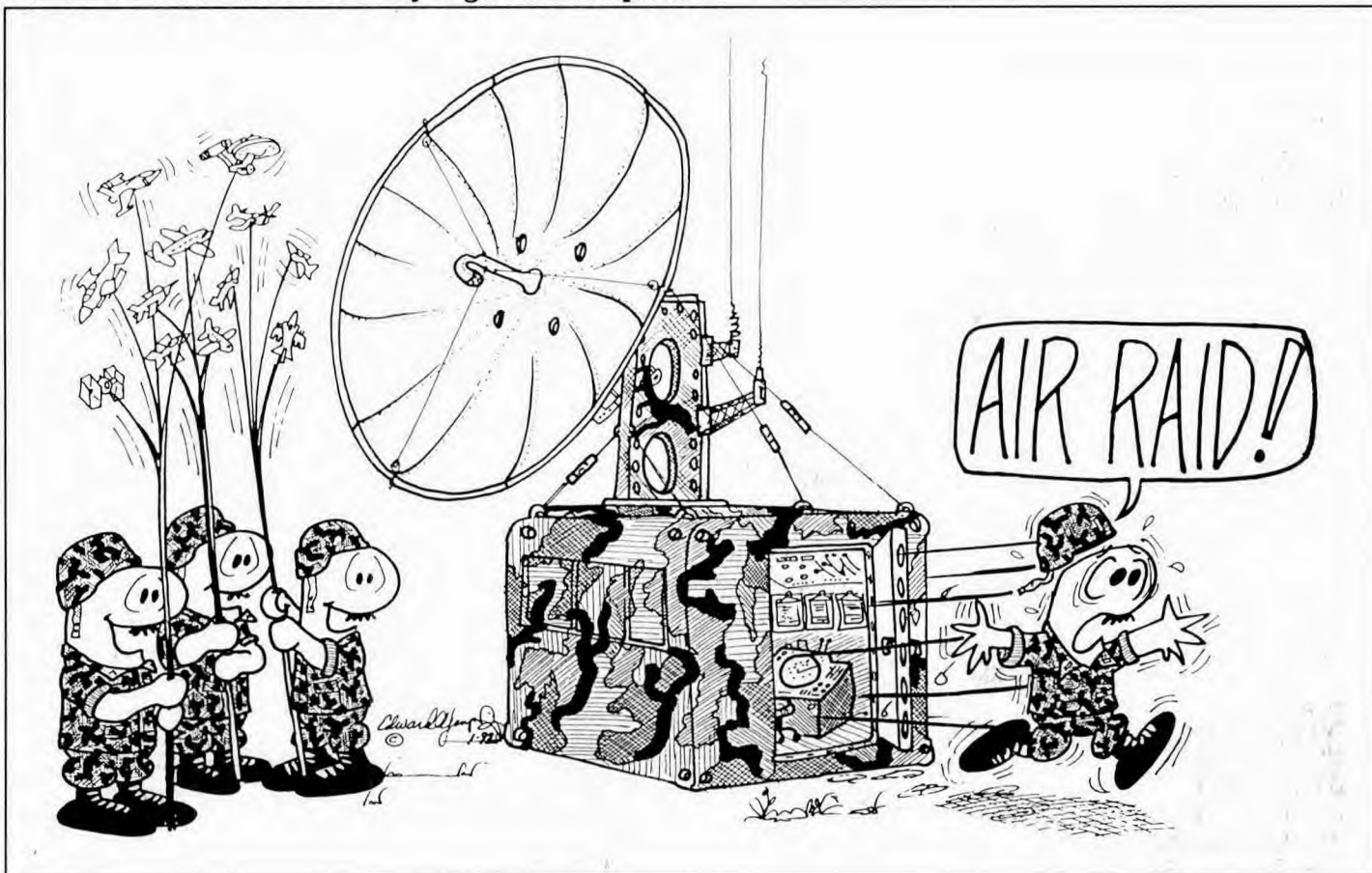
None reported this month. Submissions by individual Marines regarding births, achievements and other awards not noted in the "Awards" section are welcome. Deadline is the 6th of each month.

HARRY WHO by SSgt. E. A. Temple Jr.



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MWR Activities Line

"Your Ticket To Entertainment"

TICKET SALES — MWR is now selling the following tickets:

Movie Tickets

AMC \$3.50
Cineplex Odeon \$3.75
General Cinema \$4.00

Baltimore Aquarium

Adult \$8.00
Child \$6.00

Maryland/D.C. Coupon Books \$4.50

Shenandoah Caverns

Adult \$5.00
Child \$2.50

Kings Dominion

Adult \$14.95
Child \$12.95
Season Pass (only available through May 31) \$43.50

Busch Gardens

Adult \$19.95
Child \$15.95

GENESIS — This band performs its first concert tour in five years. They will be in RFK Stadium May 19 at 8 p.m., rain or shine. Tickets are available through the Stadium Box Office.

MIDORI, the young violist who took the concert world by storm eight years ago at the age of 11, will perform at the George Mason Center for the Performing Arts at 2 p.m., May 17. For tickets contact George Mason at (703) 764-7970.

The FAIRFAX SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA will perform Verdi's Requiem along with the Fairfax Choral Society and the Reston Chorale on May 30 at 8 p.m. This classical performance will be held at George Mason Center for the Performing Arts. For tickets contact the box office at (703) 642-7200.

TIM ALLEN, star of ABC's **HOME IMPROVEMENT** performs his **REWIRE AMERICA** Tour at Constitution Hall on May 17 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticket Master Outlets, or call Phonecharge at (202) 432-SEAT.

For further information on any of these events contact the MWR Office at 433-6178.

Final Letter Home

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Corporal Garreth Isaak was born 28 December, 1966 in Corpus Christi, Texas. He attended high school at Bob Jones Academy, Wade Hampton High School, and Harvey High School in North Dakota, graduating in May 1985.

Gary enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in May 1985. After completing recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, he was eventually assigned to 2d Light Armored Infantry Battalion at Camp Lejeune, N.C. Gary was promoted to corporal on May 1, 1986.

In October 1989, he was ordered to Panama as a part of the Marine Security Force assigned there. It was during Operation Just Cause that Isaak died in honorable service to his country on December 20, 1989. He was the only Marine killed during the operation.

His parents sent the following letter to the Marine Corps Gazette and enclosed the final

letter they received from their son:

*To the editor, Marine Corps Gazette
...Nine Marines from Camp Lejeune came to visit us this weekend. Two of the men were with Gary in the building when he died. They were very helpful to us and provided more details of the events that night....*

This is the last letter that Gary wrote. It was written the day before he faced the enemy in Panama during Operation Just Cause. The letter was mailed to us by John Walsh, Gary's best friend in the Marines.

**Al & JoAnn Isaak
Greenville, SC**

Dec 19

Mom and Dad

If you receive this letter you'll know that I died in combat protecting our country and the freedom we hold so dear. Although we never did see eye to eye on most things, especially spiritually, I want you to know that I do believe Jesus is my Saviour and I will be in Heaven to meet you. I don't blame you in the least for anything I might have done in my life. No one could have asked for better parents or examples to follow. I only wish I would have told you this more often and said I love you more often. So I'll say it now. I love you both very much and Sharlene and Lori too. You all made a very positive influence in my life even though I might not have let you know. I love you all.

Gary

Lt. Paul R. Deaton, CHC, USN

Worship Opportunities

NAVY YARD

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| Catholic Mass | 9 a.m. Sundays |
| Protestant Service | 10:30 a.m. Sundays |
| Catholic Mass | 7:30 a.m. Daily |

NAVAL ANNEX FORT MYER

Old Post Chapel

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| Catholic Mass | 5 p.m. Saturdays |
| | 9:30 a.m. Sundays |
| | 12:30 p.m. Sundays |

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| Protestant Services | 10 a.m. Sundays |
| | 11:30 a.m. Sundays |

Memorial Chapel

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| Protestant Services | 8:15 a.m. Sundays |
| | 11 a.m. Sundays |



Armed Forces Day Message From the President

I am pleased to send warmest greetings to the men and women of the Army, the Marine Corps, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Coast Guard as you observe Armed Forces Day.

During the past year, as the ideals of democracy triumphed over communism and as an international coalition ejected from Kuwait the forces of a ruthless tyrant, Americans led the way to another historic victory: winning the Cold War. Indeed, we helped to finish the struggle that was joined by every generation since the Cold War began, more than four decades ago. It was a long, difficult task. However, because of our victory, the threat of nuclear attack has been greatly diminished, and we have laid the foundation for a constructive relationship with the independent states of the former Soviet Union. Where conflict and suspicion once loomed, hope now flourishes.

Many have contributed to this extraordinary success, but none have endured more hardships in behalf of their country than the selfless men and women of our Armed Forces. It is right that freedom-loving peoples everywhere take the time to reflect upon the vital role that you have played and that you continue to play in the quest for peace. You have bravely answered the call to duty, serving with uncommon resolve and with dedication to the principles upon which this Nation was founded. We will never forget your sacrifices for our defense, nor those of your comrades before you.

As we celebrate this Armed Forces Day, the world struggles to keep pace with the dramatic changes of the past year. While these changes demand that we look anew at our needs and interests, they by no means relieve us of our responsibilities as a world leader. Though safer, the world remains unpredictably volatile, and I am determined that we will not relive the deadly mistakes of the past. The United States will remain engaged, wherever appropriate, to protect our national interests and to sustain freedom and peace. We are entering a new era of international cooperation — thanks to your steadfast efforts — and I am proud to salute you on behalf of all Americans. God bless you, and God bless America.



George Bush

