

Pass in Review

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Think Safety!
Be smart this Labor Day
Don't drink and drive

A letter to Barracks Marines...

Dear Col. Flynn,

Friday's Parade under inclement weather conditions was truly inspiring. You and your troops handled it superbly. Please convey to them my deep appreciation. Their precision and skill in music and drill were truly impressive. A number of our guests remarked how thrilled they were with the superb performance.

Very best wishes to all of your Marines and a hearty well done!

With warm regards,

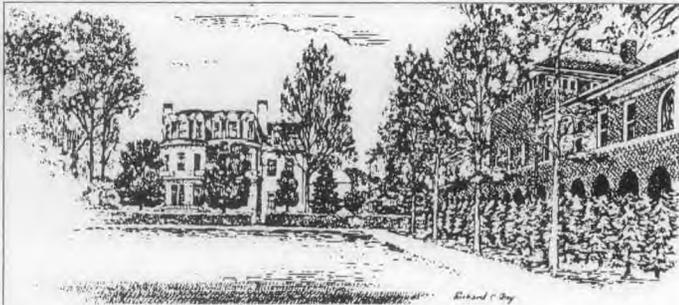
Sincerely,

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On the cover: Cpl. Bradley J. Hazelett proudly serves his country as a member of the Color Guard. (Photo by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)
Back Cover: Private Chesty X poses in front of the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Va. (Photo by Cpl. T. J. LaPointe)
Inside Back Cover: Lance Cpl. Kenneth D. Nettle participates in the 400-meter relay race at the Barracks field meet. Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)

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ON PARADE



The parade staff for the July 21 Sunset Parade prepares to take its' post during the ceremony. During this special parade, SNCOs assumed all key billets in the parade. (From left to right) MSgt. Philip M. Simoes, GySgt. Joseph Alfonso, GySgt. David S. Rollins, SSgt. Michael W. Kane and SSgt. Walter L. Howell.



Hats off to the sea services.



The senior enlisted advisors for the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marines and Barracks SgtMaj. Michael D. Nicolio await the pass in review.



Led by Capt. M. D. Lloyd, Company "B" marches across the parade deck at the Marine Corps War Memorial during a Sunset Parade.

LOCAL NEWS

Save 50 percent on motel rates with QUEST

Henderson Hall MWR has QUEST, a motel directory and discount book. Military members can save up to 50 percent off most motel rates. The \$19.95 book is available at the Ticket Sales Window in the Henderson Hall Exchange.

USO Metro seeks volunteers

USO-Metro has a constant need for volunteers to help out in outreach centers and in other capacities throughout the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Clerical assistants, home visitors, babysitters and craft instructors are a few of the volunteer opportunities available.

For more information, contact the volunteer coordinator at (202) 783-8117.

Strayer College offers scholarships

Strayer College is offering special scholarships to military members. These scholarships provide \$200 per course for active duty personnel receiving tuition assistance. With the scholarship, the portion of tuition paid by the student is virtually nothing. For more information about this and other programs for off-duty education, contact the Barracks Education Officer at (202) 433-4492.

Insurance available when leaving active duty

Eligible U.S. military personnel departing from active service now have insurance coverage available for up to one year for pre-existing medical conditions under a contract recently negotiated between the Department of Defense and the Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company.

The coverage is designed to soften the expensive transition between military and civilian health coverage for involuntarily separated individuals and their dependents who separate under the special separations benefit program.

For more information, call (402) 978-2119.

Scuba diving courses now offered

Enrollment is now open for the Pentagon Diving Academy indoor open water scuba courses. Master instructor Donald (Andy) Anderson will teach the next course, approved for college credit, that gives you the knowledge to safely enter the underwater world.

Graduates are eligible for the master scuba diver program which is the world's highest non-instructional scuba rating. Divemaster and assistant instructor courses begin weekly. The academy has a program under which all students receive a discount on scuba equipment.

For more information about the academy or to enroll call (301) 856-7889.

Relocation assistance offered

The Relocation Assistance Program at the NDW Navy Family Services Center has expanded members travel to 103 Navy and Marine Corps installations throughout the world. The computerized information system, with the addition of worldwide welcome aboard packages, provides information on approximately 300 installations. Information on employment, schools, housing, pets, child care and more is readily available through this new system. This is a self-help service with staff members on hand to provide assistance.



Forward, March!

Brian Rosman, the Drum Major for the Edison High School' Marching Eagles in Alexandria, Va. receives instruction from Drum and Bugle Corps' GySgt. Richard A. Taylor. (Photo by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)

Check Social Security credit

The Social Security Administration recommends you check your records to make sure Social Security taxes you have paid have been credited to your account.

To make it easy to check how much you've paid over the years and what your projected benefits will be, Social Security has developed the Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement.

According to Social Security officials, the statement provides a yearly breakdown of your earnings and Social Security and Medicare taxes paid each year. It also indicates benefit estimates based on the earnings credited to your account.

Social Security officials suggest you request the statement every few years. It's easier to correct an error that is a couple of years old than one made 10 years before, said officials.

For more information on or a copy of the request form, call the Social Security Administration toll-free at (800) 772-1213, or drop in to a local Social Security office, addresses of which are listed under Health and Human Services in the United States Government section of the white pages telephone book.

H&S Company gets new C.O.

Major Paul A. Brygider relinquished command of Headquarters and Service Company to Maj. David A. Bethel during a change of command ceremony here, July 16.

Brygider, who commanded the company since June 1990, was ordered to Okinawa, Japan, where he will be assigned to the 3rd Force Service Support Group.

Bethel, a native of Harrisburg, Penn., graduated from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., in 1979 with a degree in Management and Technology. He attended The Basic School during 1979, and was subsequently assigned to the Infantry Officer Course at Quantico, Va. He then served as Platoon Commander, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines. Additional assignments include Commanding Officer, Company "L", 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines; Adjutant, 5th Marines; and Economics Instructor (Senior Lecturer) at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Bethel's decorations include the Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Achievement, Humanitarian Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal (three stars), Meritorious Unit Citation, and a Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (third award).

*Story and photo
By Sgt. Debbie Scott*



Maj. David A. Bethel receives the Headquarters and Service Company guidon from Maj. Paul A. Brygider during a change of command ceremony, July 16.



The Marine Band performs each year for audiences all over the world.

“The President's Own” to tour

“The President's Own” United States Marine Band departs Washington, D.C., Oct. 1 to perform along a northwest route to Montana during the band's annual National Concert Tour.

The Marine Band will present 44 concerts in 44 cities throughout the following 13 states: West Virginia, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Wyoming. The Band returns to Washington, D.C., Nov. 24.

Assistant Director Major Timothy Foley will lead the band during this year's concert tour. Foley has selected a varied program of soloists, Sousa

marches, and popular and classical selections which will appeal to all musical tastes.

The Marine Band is America's oldest musical organization. Founded by an Act of Congress in 1798, the band has performed for every U.S. President since John Adams. Given the title “The President's Own” by Thomas Jefferson, the Marine Band's primary mission is to provide music for the President of the United States. The Marine Band has toured since 1891 when John Philip Sousa, the band's 17th Director, organized the first national concert tour.

For more information call (202) 433-4011.

Assistant Commandant to retire

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney announced that the President has nominated Assistant Commandant, Gen. John R. Dailey, USMC, to be placed on the retired list of Marine Corps General Officers at his present grade. General Dailey has served in the position since Aug. 1, 1990. He is scheduled to retire on Sept. 1, 1992. He will be replaced by LtGen. Walter E. Boomer, who is currently serving as commanding general, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Va.

Beirut Veterans of America meet

The Beirut Veterans of America, an association of service members who served in Beirut in 1958 and from 1981 to 1984, is looking for veterans to join its ranks and help to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the October 23, 1983, bombing of the Marines serving with the multinational peace keeping force there.

The organization has declined to establish dues for the time being in order to attract as many eligible veterans as possible and directors to set the agenda for the new organization and lay the groundwork for the reunion.

For more information write to: Robert T. Jordan, Executive Director, Beirut Veterans of America, 1410 Springfield Pike, Suite 31B, Wyoming, Ohio 45215, or call (513) 948-0058.

Post Office adopts new system

Mail will still be delivered if it has the old Army/Air Force or Fleet Postal Office numbers and city code, said military postal officials.

Postal authorities have extended the deadline for switch-over to a single mail system to Feb. 15, 1993.

The U.S. Postal Service and the Military Postal Service Agency worked together to develop a standard address format for Department of Defense personnel and their families living overseas that promised faster mail delivery. This standard format includes the use of a unique state code — AE, AA, AP — and a unit number. ZIP code numbers were also aligned geographically. The use of the standard format will enable automated sorting of military mail.

For more information, check with your local U.S. or military post office.

V-22 Osprey crashes



The V-22 Osprey's mission is to transport troops, equipment and supplies from amphibious assault ships and land bases.

AFIS-- Three Marines from Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Md., and four civilian employees of the Boeing Aircraft Company were killed July 20 when the V-22 Osprey they were aboard crashed into the Potomac River near the Marine Corps Air Facility, Quantico, Va.

Dead are: Maj. Brian J. James, 34, Baltimore, Md.; MGySgt. Gary Leader, 40, Milwaukee, Wis.; GySgt. Sean P. Joyce, Daly City, Calif.; Pat Sullivan, 43, Aston, Pa.; Bob Rayburn, 34, Newark, Del.; Tony Steyck, 36, Lester, Pa.; and Gerry Mayan, 30, Smyrna, Del.

The last of the seven victims' bodies was recovered from the wreckage July 23. Salvage crews recovered the main portion of the fuselage from the Potomac July 24.

The aircraft, one of five prototypes of the V-22, left Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., July 20 after completing a series of climatic laboratory tests there. It was nearing the end of a long-range ferry flight from Florida to Quantico, Va., when the crash occurred. Further testing on the remaining three Osprey are pending investigation of this latest accident. One other V-22 crashed during June 1991.

DoD designates "Voters' Week"

Marine Corps announces voting program objectives

The Marine Corps voting program objectives were announced to emphasize the week of Aug. 30 - Sept. 5 as "Armed Forces Voters Week" as designated by the Secretary of Defense. All uniformed services are urged to "support the objective of creating an awareness and motivation to participate in the general election." Each command's information and support programs should be designed to accomplish this objective.

Department of Defense amplification of the federal law requires "in-hand delivery" of federal post card applications (FPCA's) for gen-

eral election absentee ballots to eligible personnel by Sept. 15, 1992.

Some states require a request for each election. Although block 7D of the FPCA (all elections if permitted by state laws) may have been checked, another FPCA must be submitted for the general election in the following states/territories: American Samoa, Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, and South Dakota. Vermont requires a separate FPCA for special elections.

The federal write-in absentee ballot is to be used only by person-

nel outside CONUS. The FWAB may be mailed from any location outside the CONUS. It can be used for a state ballot only when submitting an FPCA in time to receive a ballot, but the ballot has not been received.

Commanders must ensure that all eligible Marines and family members are afforded the opportunity to exercise their right to vote.

Voters may call the DoD voting information center (VIC) DSN 223-6500 or COML (703) 693-6500, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to hear messages from candidates.

Separation from overseas equals added benefits

AFIS -- Secretary of Defense Cheney announced July 9 that eligible U.S. military personnel who leave active duty from installations overseas can now receive additional transition assistance benefits to help them find a new home and job.

"The benefits are designed to help foreign-based service members and their families overcome the problems caused by their being so far from home," said Cheney.

The additional benefits include:

--An increase to 30 days from the current 10 days in the amount of authorized permissive temporary duty or time off with pay;

--Authorization to use the 30 days TAD in addition to terminal leave;

--Authorization for eligible separatees to select the military processing station that is nearest their de-

sired final destination in the United States, consistent with availability and military requirements;

--Authorization for command-sponsored dependents to travel on government aircraft, if there is space available, for one round trip between the overseas port and the port in the continental United States or, for residents of territories or possessions, from the overseas port to the port of entry in the territory or possession. Dependents would not be permitted to travel on government aircraft within the United States;

--Government air travel provided by the Department of Defense for employers to attend job fairs in some locations in Europe and the Far East;

--Training overseas transition staffs with the same training used by the Department of Labor for Transition Assistance Program seminar instructions.

Additional separation benefits may become available after evaluation of the effectiveness of benefits now in place.

Benefits now available to military personnel who face separation from the service include employment assistance; separation pay; unemployment compensation; separation and relocation counseling; health benefits; education and retraining assistance; and extended housing, commissary and exchange privileges.



A Marine disassembles an M-249 Squad Automatic Weapon during the Battalion Field Meet, July 15. (Photo by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)



Two Marines battle it out at the volleyball net. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)



PFC Bruce J. Buehl tackles his opponent during the bull-in-the-ring competition. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)

(Above from left to right) Maj. David A. Bethel, Sgt. Derek L. Hayes, CWO2 Richard L. Williamson and LCpl. Gary L. Wade give it everything during the tug-o-war. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)



Company A victorious at Barracks field meet

After a long, tiring, hot day of activities in the sun, it all came down to a matter of a softball game to decide second place in the annual Marine Barracks Field Meet at Gauludet University, July 15.

Although Company A won the meet overall, second place was determined by a final softball game between Company A and Headquarters and Service Company as the very last event of the day. In that last, do-or-die game, H&S won, and therefore edged Company B out of second place by one

point. However, in his closing remarks to the sun-drenched warriors in the bleachers, Colonel J. C. Flynn, Barracks Commanding Officer, called all the participants "winners."

Highlights of the meet, in addition to the 'combat cooking' of hamburgers and hot dogs done by each company, were individual races, relay races, volleyball, weapons disassembly/assembly races, horseshoes, tug of war, Dizzy Izzy, pullups, basketball and a truck push. In all, there were a total of 25 graded events.



This team's intention was to roll to a victory during the truck push competition. (Photo by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)

The final standings of the meet were: Co. A 65 pts; H&S Co. 44 pts; Co. B 43 pts; MCI Co. 27 pts; Guard Co. 25 pts; and Drum and Bugle Corps 8 pts.

**Story by
SSgt Stephen M. Williams**

Chesty IX retires, new mascot debuts

Corporal Chesty IX, the official mascot of the Barracks, and the unofficial mascot of the Marine Corps, was medically retired during a weekly Friday Evening parade here July 24.

Formerly known as Bowag's Theo Fitzarthur, the 48-pound non-commissioned officer suffered acute kidney failure in June, forcing his medical retirement. He will be cared for by a member of the command.

The four-year-old fawn-and-white colored pedigree English bulldog, who enlisted in the Marine Corps on June 8, 1989, was presented a Good Conduct Medal for "honorable and faithful service" by Colonel J. C. Flynn, Marine Barracks Commanding Officer, July 23. A native of Joppa, Md., Chesty IX's other awards include the National Defense Service Medal and Meritorious Unit Citation.



LCpl. Gary L. Wade, H&S Company, helps Pvt. Chesty X sign his enlistment papers. (Photo by Cpl. T.J. LaPointe)



A tailor, Rim Yi, fits Pvt. Chesty X for his blue-white uniform. (Photo by Cpl. T.J. LaPointe)

His successor, Private Chesty X, born April 3, 1992, enlisted in the Marine Corps July 23. A Glendale, N.Y., native, the former Garth Kluska Marlo's is the son of Ditoro's Amborsia Kluska, and was sired by Champion Glyndebourn Baritone. The pedigree English bulldog was allowed to enlist for six years. After initial training and fitting of his uniform issue, Pvt. Chesty's new duties will include serving as official mascot of Marine Barracks and appearing weekly at the Friday Evening Parades.

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Private Chesty X finds a safe haven in the arms of LCpl. Scott A. Tucker, H&S Company, Grounds Maintenance Section. (Photo by Cpl. T. J. LaPointe)

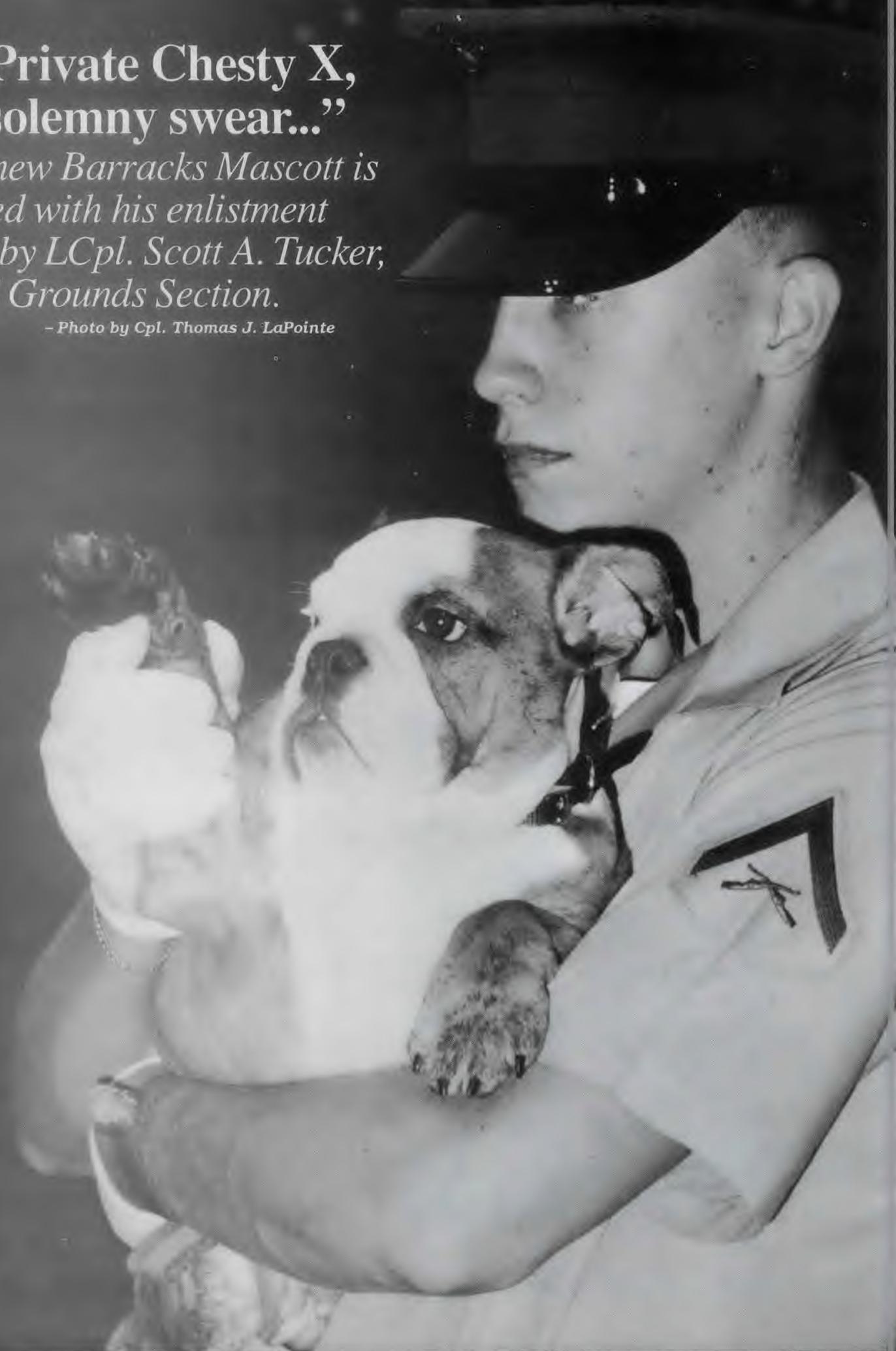


LCpl. Scott A. Tucker and Cpl. George T. Byrne III, hold LCpl. Chesty IX and Pvt. Chesty X, respectively, following an awards ceremony for the former mascot. (Photo by Cpl. T.J. LaPointe)

**“I, Private Chesty X,
do solemnly swear...”**

*The new Barracks Mascott is
helped with his enlistment
oath by LCpl. Scott A. Tucker,
H&S Grounds Section.*

- Photo by Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe



On Centerwalk

Honoring excellence among Barracks Marines

LCpl. Michael J. Engle

Unit H&S Company
Hometown Moravia, Iowa
Entered Service . August 6, 1990
Occupation 0311; Rifleman
Billet Fire Team Leader
On Centerwalk for ... Representing the Marine Corps in a Fourth of July parade in Moravia, Iowa, and receiving a letter of appreciation from the Mayor of the city.

LCpl. Engle plans to pursue a degree in fiber optics and laser technology upon completion of his enlistment. He prides himself on being motivated and having high standards for himself.



Cpl. Gina L. Hanna

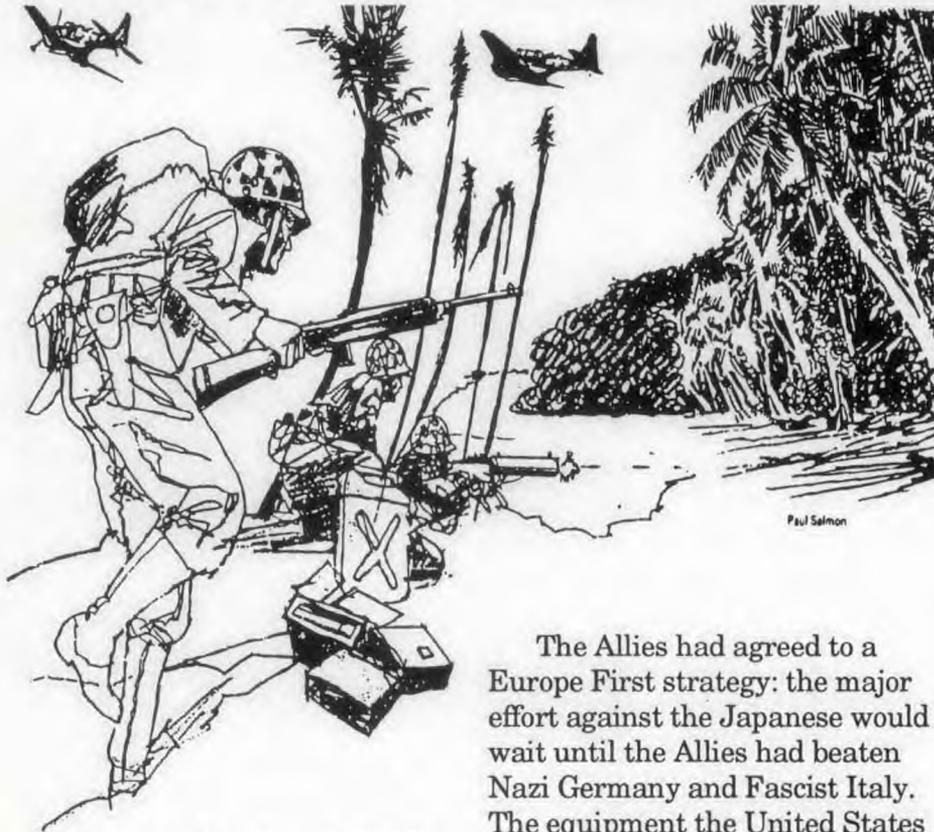
Unit Marine Corps Institute
Hometown Hopkinsville, Kentucky
Entered Service .. June 6, 1989
Occupation 0151; Admin Clerk
Billet Admin Chief; Special Projects Department
On Centerwalk for ... Sustained Superior Performance

Cpl. Hanna's hobbies include swimming, reading, and volleyball. After the Marine Corps she plans to attend college and pursue a degree in business administration.



Information and photos compiled by Cpl. Joey D. Benford

Guadalcanal: America's first offensive



AFIS — Before Aug. 7, 1942, every American action during World War II was defensive. Even the victories at Midway and the Coral Sea were triumphs of scratch forces with their backs against the wall.

Guadalcanal — one of the Solomon Islands east of New Guinea — changed when Marines stormed ashore on that day. For the first time during World War II, the United States took the offensive.

The Japanese had taken the island in March 1942 as part of their strategy to isolate Australia and started building an airfield there. Once Zeros started staging from the field, the Japanese would be able to extend conquests and cut the sea lane between the United States and Australia.

The Allies had agreed to a Europe First strategy: the major effort against the Japanese would wait until the Allies had beaten Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy. The equipment the United States sent to the Pacific was out-of-date.

Parts of the troop's uniforms dated to World War I. Their rifles were 1903 bolt-action Springfields. Their weapons had been in storage since the Meuse-Argonne campaign of 1918. The only thing first class about the operation was the troops. The units chosen for the 1st Marine Division were the elite of the Corps.

When the 1st Marine Division landed, it faced little opposition. It captured the airfield the first day and promptly renamed it Henderson Field for a Marine aviator killed during the Battle of Midway. The Japanese realized they were confronted with a test of wills. The tiny island of Guadalcanal assumed importance way beyond its strategic worth.

At sea, the battle for the island attracted American and Japanese fleets. Five great sea battles near the island caused Americans to rename the area "Ironbottom Sound."

On the ground, the Japanese weren't the only enemy. Hunger and disease plagued the Marines and soldiers who fought there. Malaria and jungle fevers spread. No one could leave the front line with a fever of less than 102 degrees. More than 2,000 service members were hospitalized by October.

The Japanese shipped thousands of troops to the 'Canal.' They launched a series of attacks to recapture the airfield taken by the Marines. They came close several times, but failed.

In the air, the battle was fought by whatever men and equipment could be scrounged. The island became the home of one of the more unusual units of World War II — the "Cactus Air Force". "Cactus" was the code word for Guadalcanal. Planes, pilots and ground support came from all American services and many Allied nations. Army, Navy, Marine, Australian and New Zealand pilots and ground crews were shipped to the island and became part of this unofficial force. They managed to beat the best the Japanese could field.

The 'Canal' — like El Alamein in North Africa and Stalingrad in the Soviet Union, both going on at the same time — marked a turning point in the war. Strategically, U.S. troops never again would be on the defensive. The tide had turned.

A mind is a terrible thing to waste

Higher ASVAB scores help open career opportunities

The statement "A mind is a terrible thing to waste" holds true in all facets of life, especially in the Department of Defense. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) was established November 1976. Since then, the Marine Corps has used the ASVAB test to classify and assign Marines to different military occupational specialties.

This test measures a Marine's aptitude and abilities necessary for successful performance on the job and during formal school training. Initial classification begins at the recruiting stations and Marine Corps Recruit Depots.

This test establishes a Marine's abilities in these areas:

--Physical abilities, language skills and aptitude.

--Military and civilian occupations.

--Education and technical training.

As of October 1, 1984, ASVAB Form 10 is authorized only for test verification at the recruit depots as part of the verification test process. Current editions of the ASVAB are used at MEPS for initial classification testing of applicants for the Marine Corps.

Also on Oct. 1, 1984, the Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT) replaced the ASVAB for in-service retesting of Marine Corps personnel; however, ASVAB scores received prior to this date remain valid, unless service personnel retest.

Marine Corps personnel are not authorized to be retested at a MEPS or at test facilities established by other components of the armed forces without the approval of the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Retesting is highly advisable when the scores are lower than 100 "GT."

Your GT is your overall combined score of your ASVAB/AFQT. A SNCO or NCO or civilian GS-4 (or higher) will be designated in writing as the testing SNCO/NCO. A certified true copy of this designation will be forwarded to the HQMC.

All test booklets, answer sheets, scoring keys and other associated classification test material are controlled items. As your Career Planner, I highly recommend that you consider retaking your ASVAB/AFQT test, so you may afford yourself the opportunity to advance in a military that is rapidly changing and to enhance your career. Knowledge is the key to success, in and out of the military.

Take advantage of an opportunity to broaden your mind and excel in the Marine Corps. Remember, "A mind is a terrible thing to waste," especially a Marine's mind.

**By SSgt. Darryl Stitt
Barracks Career Planner**



GySgt. Mervyn Best receives a Navy Achievement Medal from Capt. Benjamin Allegretti, H&S Company Executive Officer as 1stSgt. Donovan T. Cantrall assists. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)

MWR Activities line

"Your ticket to entertainment"

The Seventeenth Annual **Marine Corps Marathon** will be held in Washington, D.C., on Sunday, October 25. The event has a field limit of 13,000 participants on a first come, first served basis. The Marathon is open to all persons regardless of age or running experience who are physically fit. Individual entry is \$21 if mailed and post-marked by Oct. 1. To obtain info about the race, contact the marathon headquarters at (703) 640-2225 or MWR.

Andrew Lloyd Webber's "**Aspects of Love**" is a sweepingly romantic musical set in the south of France. The show runs at the Kennedy Center through September 27. Also at the Kennedy Center, the hand-clapping, foot-stomping hit Broadway musical revue, "**Pump Boys and Dinettes**" continues. For tickets and information call (202) 467-4600.

Andrew Lloyd Webber's "**EVITA**" runs from September 1 - 6. This international hit musical chronicles the life of Eva Peron. For tickets and information call (703) 218-6500.

Maestro Mstislav Rostropovich conducts the National Symphony Orchestra's opening concerts featuring **Dvorak's Symphony No. 8** on September 10, 11, 12 and 15 at the Kennedy Center. He returns Sept. 17, 18, 19 and 22 with a program of great music by composers of the Americas. For tickets and information call (202) 467-4600.

Sept 6 - The **B-52's** with special guest the **Violent Femmes** perform at Merriweather Post Pavilion.

Sept 20 - **Kenny Rogers** performs at the Baltimore Arena.

For more information, call the MWR at 433-2112.

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



IT STOPPED RAINING. QUICK, START THE PARADE!

Barracks Salutes

Awards

Company "A"

Meritorious Mast

Cpl. B.J. Hazelett
LCpl. L.D. Hayes
LCpl. C.V. Moffitt
LCpl. R.A. Monroe

Promotions

Capt. D. Kirby
GySgt. D. Coker
GySgt. M. Ries
GySgt. P. Woll
Sgt. C. Draud*
Sgt. T. Garrison
Cpl. C. Arnold
Cpl. M. Bates
Cpl. W. Bescham

Cpl. R. Brandolino
Cpl. R. Encinias
Cpl. R. Kroll
Cpl. M. Lodadio
Cpl. S. Long
Cpl. C. McLain
Cpl. P. Norris
Cpl. S. Rice
Cpl. B. Sadowski
Cpl. M. Schaller
Cpl. M. Shlosser Jr.
Cpl. E. Sealey III
Cpl. R. Stephens Jr.
Cpl. S. Thornbough
Cpl. S. Tomlinson
Cpl. M. Toth
LCpl. N. Burch Jr.
LCpl. C. Coleman
LCpl. R. Dudley Jr.
LCpl. A. Dutko
LCpl. K. Galley
LCpl. K. Gibbons
LCpl. A. Gladney
LCpl. R. Hill
LCpl. C. Hilton
LCpl. A. Hobbs
LCpl. P. Kramer
LCpl. R. Mondor
LCpl. K. Oliver

LCpl. P. Ramsey
LCpl. H. Robinson Jr.
LCpl. B. Rossomanno
LCpl. K. Turnquist
LCpl. M. Watkins
LCpl. R. Watson

**Denotes meritorious promotion*

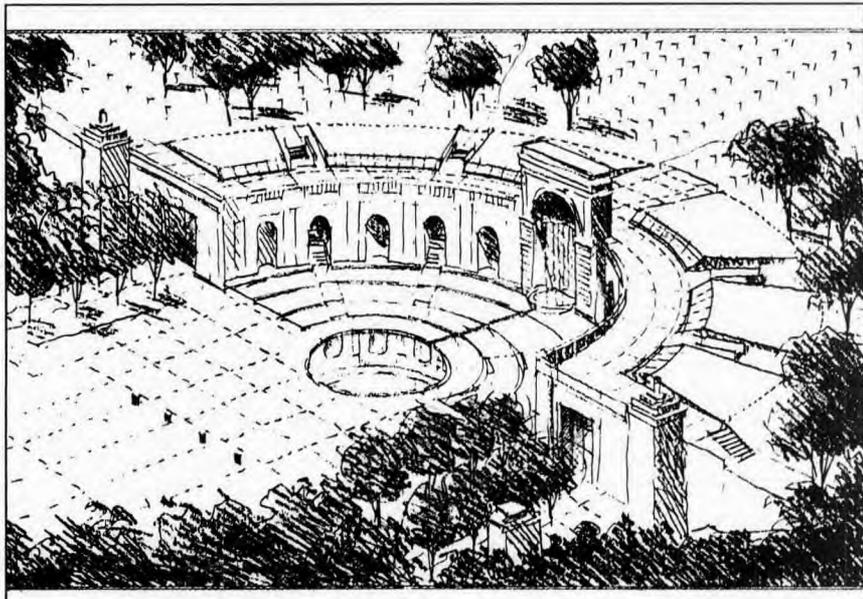
Welcome Aboard

Maj. D. A. Bethel
Maj. J. T. Boggs Jr.
GySgt. W. E. Bergfield
GySgt. B. C. Herneisey
SSgt. D. W. Haglung
Sgt. G. W. Jones
Sgt. P. D. Moore
Cpl. L. M. Courtney
Cpl. R. C. Koyne
LCpl. L. G. Bowling
LCpl. C. S. Camren
LCpl. S. M. Grider
LCpl. S. C. Hower
LCpl. D. L. McCrary
LCpl. C.W. Riggs
LCpl. J.T. Szabo
LCpl. D.A. Wren
PFC F. Avitalozano
PFC N.R. Carrick
PFC D. S. Chandler
PFC C.A. Hilton
PFC T.D. Klaas
PFC M.R. Kroczaleski
PFC B.A. Lansdell
PFC L.J. Larock
PFC E.J. Mampe
PFC A.R. Miller
PFC V.C. Pierro Jr.
PFC B.P. Rossomanno
PFC R.L. Schoolfield
PFC J.R. Teas
PFC B.N. Weyand

Scuttlebutt

We would like welcome an addition to the family of Sgt. and Mrs. Haslam, D&B Company. Their daughter, Melissa Danielle, was born on 1 August, at 5 lbs. 14 oz.

We also welcome Courtney Lorraine, the daughter of Cpl. Valerie A. Stroschein and Sgt. Clay C. Draud. She was born on July 30, at 6 lbs. 15 oz.



With only one year remaining before construction, the Women in the Military Service for America Memorial cannot be built until \$14 million is raised. The Women in the Military Service for America Foundation, a nonprofit and Congressionally approved foundation, urgently needs help. Donations can be mailed to: Women in the Military Service for America Foundation; Dept. 560; Washington, D.C.; 20042-0560.

The right thing to do

“... our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace; and he will deliver us out of thy hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.” Daniel 3:17-18

It was a matter of principle. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego knew that the second commandment given by God was that no one should make a “graven image” (which means a carved or sculptured object) to be worshiped, bowed to or served. Yet King Nebuchadnezzar had commanded that when the music played they had to bow to a golden image he had built. Anyone not cooperating would be thrown into a furnace.

The answer the three gave was that they believed their God would deliver them from the fire. And, even if God did not deliver them, they would rather burn in the furnace than disobey their God. That position goes beyond mere obedience and principle. This enraged the king and caused him to fire up the



furnace seven times hotter than normal. He ordered the three to be tied and thrown into the fire. Before the king could even breathe a sigh of relief, he discovered an amazing sight in the furnace. Four men were seen walking through the fire. The king went to the mouth of the furnace, called to the men and out they walked. The men were not burned, not one hair was even singed.

I guess you could say King Nebuchadnezzar was now a believer

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in God. He declared “there is no other God who is able to deliver after this sort.”

The decision that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego made influenced the entire country. However, at the time of their decision, they chose not to bow to the image simply because it was the right thing to do. It was a matter of principle. Another way to describe it is moral courage. Doing what is morally and ethically right can sometimes be tough. But life is filled with tough choices. We make daily choices on what to say, how to work, who to associate with, what we read or listen to, how we treat our fellow Marines or Sailors. We even choose how to practice our faith on a day to day basis. I doubt that you or I will have to choose such a drastic fate to test our faith. But our headlines are filled with crisis after crisis where someone made a bad moral decision, some of which brings national and international crisis. When making these choices, remember the three who would rather be thrown into the furnace than betray their own faith. It was a matter of principle.

Worship Opportunities

NAVY YARD	Catholic Mass	9 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Service	10:30 a.m. Sundays
NAVAL ANNEX FORT MYER	Catholic Mass	7:30 a.m. Daily
	Catholic Mass	5 p.m. Saturdays
Old Post Chapel		9:30 a.m. Sundays
		12:30 p.m. Sundays
Memorial Chapel	Protestant Services	10:30 a.m. Sundays
		11:30 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Services	8:15 a.m. Sundays
		11 a.m. Sundays





