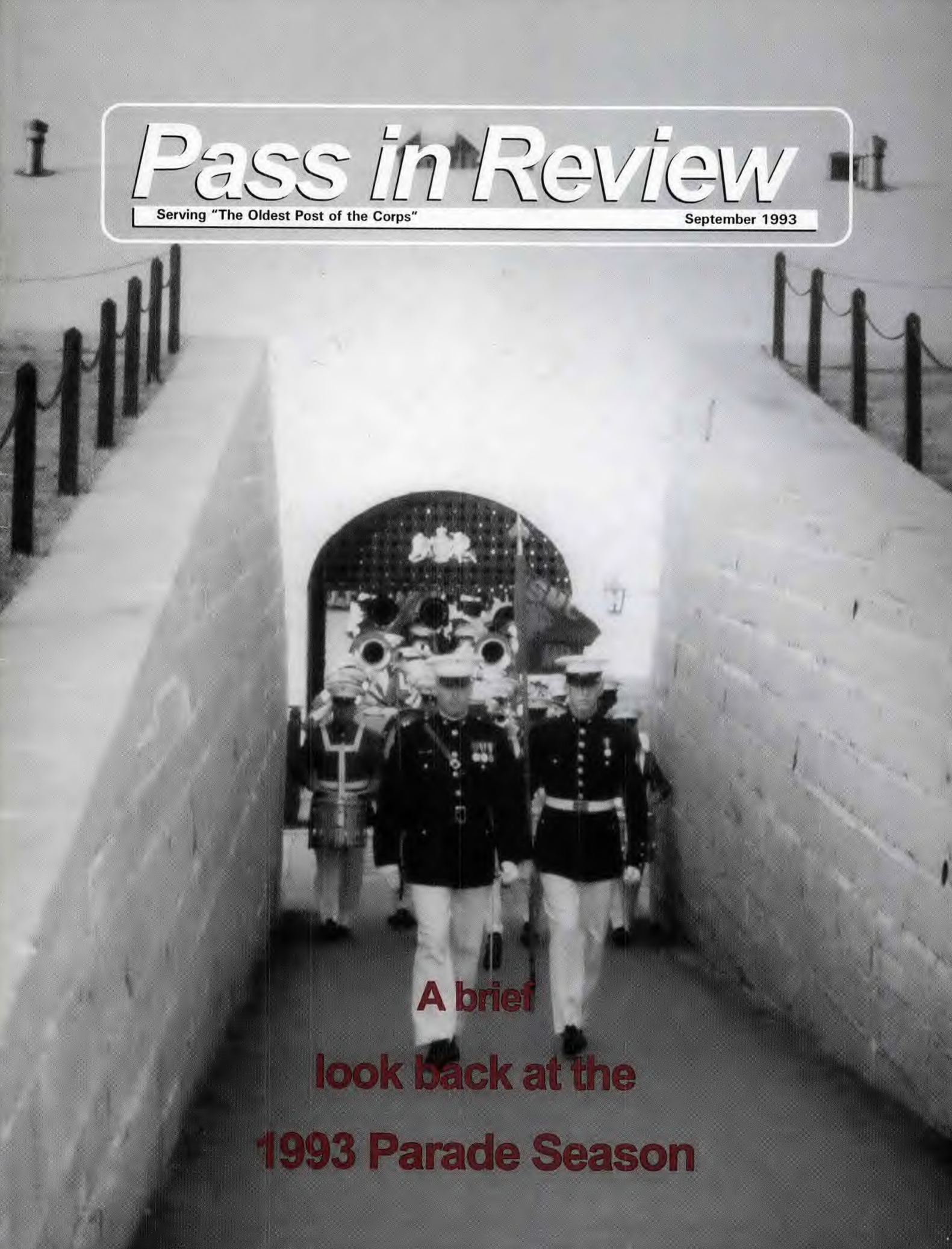


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**A brief
look back at the
1993 Parade Season**

For a job well done...

July 29, 1993

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of Marine Barracks Washington:

I am writing on behalf of myself and members of my family and staff to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for allowing us to be your guests at the reception, parade and concert last Friday evening. From the courteous guards and escorts, to the irresistible food, to the wonderful conversation and company, to the unforgettable music and parade that began just at the "twilight's last gleaming," it was that rarest of things – an absolutely perfect evening.

As I wrote to General and Mrs. Mundy, "your Marines are fantastic – dedicated and disciplined. You and all Americans have every reason to be extremely proud of them."

For as long as I live, I will treasure the memory of last Friday and be grateful to you for it.

Madeleine K. Albright

The U.S. Representative to the United Nations

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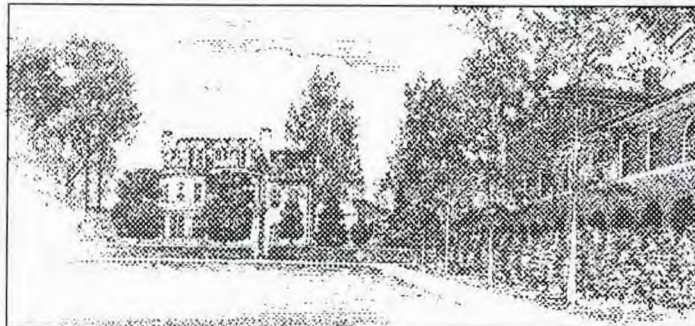
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ON THE COVER: Captain John E. Bilas leads the Battle Color Detachment out of Fort Henry during a joint ceremony there last month. See story and photos, page 26. (Photo by Sgt. Thomas J. LaPointe)

LOCAL NEWS

Marathon team seeks members

The Marine Corps Challenge Cup Team is seeking runners who qualify with a time of 2:45 to join its ranks for the Marine Corps Marathon, Oct. 24. The Challenge Cup is a 15-year competition the Marine Corps has shared with the British Royal Navy and Marines.

Qualifying Marines who are interested may contact Maj. Ellis at DSN 278-2225 or commercial (703) 640-2226.

MCI leads Commander's Cup standings

Congratulations to Guard Detachment for their victory in the Commander's Cup Powerlifting Tournament. Company B took second place.

With two events remaining in the 1993 Commander's Cup Competition, the Marine Corps Institute leads the pack with eight points. Companies A and B are tied for second with six, while Guard Detachment and Headquarters and Service Company round off the field with five and one, respectively.

Football and volleyball still remain for this year's competition.

Recreation club membership offered

The Naval Research Laboratory Recreation Club is accepting new members on a limited basis. The club is one of only two DoD facilities in the area with an indoor pool, and also has a gym, weight room, table tennis area, hot tub and sauna. Classes are offered in a variety of fitness areas.

For information about membership and costs, call the club at (202) 767-3491.

RS San Diego seeks command recruiters

Marine Corps Recruiting Station San Diego is looking for Marines from that area to participate in the Command Recruiting Program. All enlisted Marines are encouraged to participate. Those selected for the program will be authorized permissive temporary additional duty.

Lance corporals and corporals can earn bonus points for promotion, while other incentives apply to Marines of other ranks.

Interested Marines, who can obtain command approval, should contact SSgt. Woodmancy, at (610) 688-1507.

Transition classes scheduled

The Transition Assistance Program at Henderson Hall has two classes scheduled at the multi-purpose building classroom from 2 to 4 p.m., on the following days: Oct. 6, "How to have a successful interview," and Oct. 20, "How to research a company." The final TAP class this year will be offered from Nov. 16 to 18.

Contact the Barracks Career Planner at 433-5404 for more information.

Tell it to a Marine...

"All you have to do is send this major...and a couple of sergeants into a school...put some uniforms on these kids; that's structure. You put them all in a uniform, they all look alike. That takes care of the Nikes, it takes care of the fancy clothes, it takes care of all the other crap we're wasting money on our kids with. And it does wonders."

— General Colin Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on high school ROTC programs.

Fitness report receipt notices discontinued

Sergeants and above no longer have to wait for Fitness Report Receipt Notices in the mail. ALMAR 257/93 notes that the Fitness Report Receipt Notice, NAVMC HQ 698, is being discontinued. Now that Marines are required to see their completed fitness reports and sign them, the receipt notices were found to be redundant.

Sergeants and above will still continue to receive their Master Brief Sheet (MBS) on an annual basis and their Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) prior to being considered for selection in the primary promotion zone. They may also request a copy of their MBS or OMPF at any time.

Commanders can continue to track HQMC receipt and processing of the fitness reports on individual Marines by accessing the on-line performance evaluation record screen via the Customer Information Control System.

Uniform, clock changes slated for October

The uniform change to winter uniforms will be Oct. 4. Camouflage utilities with sleeves down, the green service sweater and Service "B" are authorized.

Reminder: The Service "B" is not authorized for wear off-post or on leave or liberty.

Clock changes for winter will be 2 a.m., Oct. 31. All clocks will be set back one hour to standard time. Drivers are cautioned to watch for school children during morning hours.

Barracks officer receives Silver Star

Medal awarded for heroic action in Desert Storm

A Barracks officer assigned to the Marine Corps Institute was presented the Silver Star for his heroic actions in Operation Desert Storm, during the last Friday Evening Parade of the season.

Captain Kenneth W. Amidon, of Marshfield, Mass., received the nation's third highest award from General Carl E. Mundy, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, for his repeated acts of bravery under intense enemy fire in the Southwest Asia operations from Feb. 21 to 23, 1991.

Amidon, who now becomes the Corps' 16th Silver Star recipient for bravery in Operation Desert Storm, was presented his medal as his wife, Karen and their two sons, Nicholas and Keith looked on with a crowd of nearly 4,000 parade guests. Among the guests were such notables as James Webb, former Secretary of the Navy; Gen. A.M. Gray, 29th Commandant of the Marine Corps; and the evening's guest of honor, General Leonard F. Chapman Jr, 24th Commandant of the Marine Corps and founder of the Friday Evening parades.

As the former Commanding Officer, Company C, 2nd Light Armored Infantry Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Amidon was recommended for the medal more than two years ago but only learned of its approval a few days before the presentation.

"I was in shock," Amidon said the day of the presentation. "I'm humbled by it but it's really a symbol of what my Marines did."

According to the award citation:

"...Tasked with conducting a pre-G-day deception designed to draw the enemy's attention and enemy forces north of the division's intended breach site, Capt. Amidon aggressively and skillfully maneuvered his company through heavy



Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, congratulates Capt. Kenneth W. Amidon, MCI Distance Training Instructor, after presenting him with the Silver Star Medal. (Photo by Cpl. Amy Alger)

artillery, mortar, rocket, tank and anti-tank fire to seize an enemy battalion position."

On the morning of Feb. 21, 1991, at 10 a.m., Amidon's company started their first attack and immediately began receiving heavy enemy fire, he recalled.

"Our intelligence had told us we were moving on a reinforced enemy platoon position, but after one of my Humvees took a direct hit from a mortar we pulled back to re-group," said the 35-year-old Distance Training Instructor for the Marine Corps' Command and Staff College Non-resident Program, at the Institute.

Over the next two days, his calm

leadership and expert employment of forces enabled his Marines to hold their critical flank position despite sustained, heavy indirect fire and repeated attempts by larger tank and infantry forces to overrun their position, his citation stated.

"My main concern was for the safety of my Marines and I made sure that my actions took that into account," said the 12-year Marine Corps veteran.

"For two days straight we took artillery, anti-tank and mortar fire. During a lull in the fire on the second night I got about three hours of sleep—the first sleep I had since our first attack."

During that lull in the enemy's constant fire on his company's positions, Amidon became concerned that the deception was losing its effect and "...launched a well-coordinated assault to gain a commanding view of the enemy's defenses. Despite the incoming artillery, mortar, tank and anti-tank fire, he moved to and occupied a highly exposed position for over four hours to coordinate attacks on the targets he uncovered," his citation continued.

Amidon largely credits his Marines during those two intense days. "It would not have been possible without the actions of my Marines and the initiative of my lieutenants, as well as air and artillery support."

Story by Cpl. Marcus D. McAllister

A good education opens doors. See the Barracks Education Officer today for yours.



'Top grunts' recognized during parade

Commandant presents super squads with medals

The top squads from each Marine division were recognized during the final Friday Evening Parade here, Aug. 27.

General Carl E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, presented each squad leader with a Super Squad Medal on the parade deck in front of a crowd of more than 4,000 spectators. The parade was the highlight of a weeklong visit for the Marines that included tours of the Pentagon, local museums, the White House and Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

For four months the squads competed in battlefield skills competitions at every command level, culminating at the division level. Events for the annual competition included patrolling, attacks and defenses, land navigation and supporting arms coordination. Marksmanship and physical fitness were also included.

Led by Sgt. Victor H. Martin Jr., the 1st Marine Division champions were Marines of 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, Company F, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, from Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The 2nd Marine Division champions, led by Sgt. Kevin T. O'Brien, were the Marines of 3rd Sqd., 2nd Plt., Co. E, 2/4, from Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Marines of 1st Sqd, 3rd Plt., Co. K, 3/7, from MCAGCC Twentynine Palms, Calif., led by Sgt. Michael C. Bol, were the 3rd Marine Division champions.

This year's champions in the New Orleans-based 4th Marine Division were the Marines of 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, Company E, 2/25, led by Sgt. Joseph Fanning.

Following the parade, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps Harold G. Overstreet presented each squad member with their Super Squad Medal, to be worn in a similar manner as a shooting badge.

Story by Sgt. Thomas J. LaPointe



Retired Gen. Leonard F. Chapman Jr., 24th Commandant of the Marine Corps, and Col. John B. Sollis, Barracks Commander, congratulates Marine Corps Super Squad members for being the top grunts from their division. (Photo by Cpl. Amy Alger)

Courts Martial

A corporal was sentenced at a special court martial Aug. 13, to three months confinement, forfeiture of \$500 for three months, reduction to private and a bad conduct discharge for one violation of Article 108, damaging military property; four violations of Article 121, theft; and three violations of Article 123, forgery.

A corporal was sentenced at a summary court martial Aug. 16, to 60 days restriction, forfeiture of \$667 for one month

and reduction to lance corporal for one violation of Article 128, assault.

A lance corporal was sentenced at a summary court martial Sept. 7, to 15 days confinement and forfeiture of \$400 for one month for one violation of Article 107, falsifying information, and one violation of Article 108, damaging military property.

A lance corporal was sentenced at a special court martial Sept. 7, to 45 days confinement, reduction to private and a bad conduct discharge for one violation of Article 121, theft, and one violation of Ar-

ticle 134, fraud.

A lance corporal was sentenced at a special court martial Sept. 9, to 90 days confinement, forfeiture of \$540 for three months, reduction to private and a bad conduct discharge for one violation of Article 121, theft, and one violation of Article 134, fraud.

A lance corporal was sentenced at a summary court martial Sept. 10, to 60 days restriction, forfeiture of \$543 for one month and reduction to private for one violation of Article 121, theft.

NMCRS offers variety of assistance



in a variety of ways?

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society can help pay your doctor and dental bills for necessary medical treatment at civilian clinics and hospitals.

If you are on active duty you must be enrolled in the Delta Dental Plan before the society can assist with the cost of dental work. If you or your

Did you know the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society contributes to the wellness and readiness of Navy and Marine families

family require financial help beyond the scope of military hospitals or outside CHAMPUS and/or MEDICARE coverage, inquire at your local office.

If your paycheck is stretched to the limit, your refrigerator is empty and payday is still four days away on the horizon, you may qualify for a check for the commissary to curb your hunger.

The society also operates a thrift shop in Bellevue Housing, which can help you stretch your dollars when shopping for household items and clothing for your family.

No matter what shape you're in,

the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society can provide invaluable assistance to you and your family.

If you are interested in helping Navy and Marine families, join the society as a volunteer. The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society D.C. Auxiliary will be conducting training for volunteers Oct. 18 to 22, at the Washington Navy Yard.

For more information call (202) 433-3364.

"Make the society your first resource, not your last resort."

By the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

Health care plans offered for new fiscal year

New family health plan offered

The Uniformed Services Family Health Care Plan is open to beneficiaries who live near 10 uniformed services treatment facilities nationwide. Active duty families will receive first priority for the new plan.

The plan is modeled after health maintenance organizations, and offers a full range of care, from major surgery to physicals and immunizations, eye examinations and prescriptions. There are no premiums or deductibles, no forms to file and no restrictions based on pre-existing conditions.

For more information about the new health plan that serves the Washington, D.C. area contact Johns Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore at 1-800-325-1515.

CHAMPUS news

The CHAMPUS deductible for outpatient care starts over for the new fiscal year on Oct. 1. Through Sept. 30, 1994, most users will pay the first \$150 (for one person) or the first \$300 (for a family) of allowable outpatient medical bills.

The only exceptions are the eligible family members of active duty military sponsors in the pay grade of E-4 or below. These families will pay an annual outpatient deductible of \$50 for one person or \$100 for the whole family.

"Catastrophic cap" starts over

The "catastrophic" cap is \$1,000 for active-duty fami-

lies, and \$7,500 for all other CHAMPUS-eligible families. The cap helps protect families from catastrophically high medical expenses. If a family reaches the cap in a fiscal year, CHAMPUS will pay all additional allowable costs for covered care for the rest of that fiscal year.

Partial hospitalization expanded

CHAMPUS has expanded its coverage of "partial hospitalization" beyond alcoholism rehabilitation, to include other mental health disorders.

Partial hospitalization is when a patient checks into a health care facility on a given day for treatment, but goes home at night.

The expanded benefit will be effective for care received from CHAMPUS-authorized partial hospitalization programs on or after Sept. 29, 1993, and will be limited to 60 days of treatment per fiscal year, except for alcoholism rehabilitation, which will remain at its previous limit of 21 days per 365-day period.

Inquiries about partial hospitalization for mental health care under CHAMPUS should go to: Health Management Strategies International, Inc.; CHAMP-MH; P.O. Box 748; Alexandria, Va. 22313, or call 1-800-242-6764.

Compiled by LCpl. Brandon K. Bradshaw

CORPSWIDE NEWS

Ground safety awards announced

Recipients of the ground safety awards for fiscal year 1992 were recently announced. The awards are presented to Marine Corps commands for exceptional achievement in ground safety program management. Topping this year's list as the recipient of the Commandant's Achievement in Safety Award is Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany, Ga. Merit awards in safety were also presented to 3rd Marine Division; 4th Marine Division; MCB, Camp Smedley D. Butler; MCAS, Beaufort; MCAS, Iwakuni; and Marine Aviation Detachment, Point Mugu.

Marine Corps JROTC instructors needed

The First Marine Corps District is looking for officers and staff noncommissioned officers eligible for retirement (or currently retired less than three years) interested in becoming Marine Corps Junior ROTC instructors in the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut areas. Those interested can contact the District MCJROTC section at (516) 228-5701/5665.

Movie advisor dies

Retired Marine Brigadier General Leonard E. Fribourg, died on Aug. 14 in Newport Beach, Calif. General Fribourg began his Marine Corps career by enlisting in the Marine Reserve in March 1942. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in April of the following year. General Fribourg was assigned to the 4th Marine Regiment and later served with 4th Battalion, 4th Marines participating in the occupation of Emirau, and the Guam and Okinawa Campaigns. In 1949 he acted as a technical advisor for the movie "Sands of Iwo Jima".

Later in his career he was assigned to Headquarters III MEF in the Republic of Vietnam where he was awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V". He also served as Assistant Division Commander, 3rd Marine Division, where he commanded the 11th MEB in April of 1970 on Operation "Golden Dragon". General Fribourg retired from the Marine Corps in July, 1974. He was laid to rest at the El Toro Memorial Park, El Toro, Calif.

El Toro drug counselling center recognized as best

The Joint Drug and Alcohol Counseling Center at Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, Calif., was selected as the top drug center in the Marine Corps, earning the Secretary of Defense "Military Services Community Drug Awareness Award." The award recognizes the best community outreach demand programs from each military service.

Community outreach demand reduction programs are designed to provide drug abuse education and assistance to military members, their families and nearby civilian communities.

State tax withholding begins for Arizona residents

NNS—Mandatory automatic withholding of state taxes for service members from Arizona began this month. The withholding requirement is the result of changes to the Arizona State Tax Code. Residents of Arizona will also be required to file a state tax return annually. For more information about withholding requirements, contact the Barracks administrative office.

Navy feels ready for air strikes



NAPLES ITALY (NNS)—"We are already in the business," said Admiral Mike Boorda, Commander in Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe, of the Navy's changing role in the former Yugoslavia.

Admiral Boorda, who is also the Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe, said the Navy is already doing virtually what it would have to do if air strikes aimed at Serb positions were approved by the United Nations.

"The USS America is in the Adriatic," the Admiral said. "They are flying both training missions and close air support missions over the former

Yugoslavia, talking to forward air controllers on the ground. The only difference is that no one has said 'please drop a bomb right here...' and I hope we don't have to." Admiral Boorda believes air strikes would be "very effective."

Since April, NATO planes have been enforcing the No-Fly Zone over Bosnia (Operation Deny Flight). "The U.N. gave us authorization to take control of the air there, and that's what we've done," Admiral Boorda stated.

Although the NATO planes that would conduct the air strikes are positioned at various air bases in Italy, the American fighter planes would come from Aviano Air Base and the aircraft carrier USS America (CV 66) which recently replaced USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71).

First female Marine heads to flight school

Second lieutenant already has pilot's license

MCNEWS—In as few as 14 months, 2ndLt. Sarah M. Deal may make history as the first female aviator to wear a Marine uniform. The 23-year-old from Perrysburg, Ohio, received approval July 23 to begin the process that could earn her aviator's wings.

"I'm excited," said Deal, "It's been my dream to fly, and I'm glad it will come true in the Marine Corps."

Deal explained that she joined the Corps knowing she wouldn't be allowed to fly due to existing regulations. But, she said the pride of being a Marine, which she now shares with her father who was a military policeman during the 1950's, meant more.

Deal is currently at Memphis Naval Air Station, Millington, Tenn., awaiting orders to report to flight school. She learned her request for flight training was approved the day she graduated from Air Traffic Control School.

Initially, Deal had orders to Okinawa. But when the policy on women's roles in the Marine Corps were expanded, Deal seized the opportunity and forwarded an application through her chain of command for the chance to fly Marine aircraft.

As far as being "the first" is concerned, Deal said that is a small issue compared with being allowed the chance to earn her wings.

"Air traffic control is a great occupation," said Deal. "I wouldn't have minded at all going to Okinawa first. I would have liked to see Japan and the world, and I know I would have had a blast. Then I would have applied again."

Deal graduated Ohio's Kent State University with a bachelor's degree in aerospace flight technology. After earning her commission through the Platoon

Leaders Course she attended Officer Candidate School, Quantico, Va., in the summer of 1991, and attended The Basic School there, in August 1992.

Though just being able to fly will

fulfill her dream, Deal said she interested in fast movers—like the F/A-18 Hornet.

Story by SSgt. Keith W. Stoeckle

Medal of Honor recipient retires



Col. Wesley L. Fox, who was awarded the Medal of Honor for action as a first lieutenant during the Vietnam War, retired at MCCDC Quantico after 43 years of service. Fox, pictured wearing his medal, enlisted as a private, served in Korea and Vietnam, was awarded a wartime commission and received four Purple Hearts. (U.S. Marine Corps Photo)

Bottoms-up results released

Marine Corps levels at 174,000 after review

Following more than five months of detailed study and analysis, the Department of Defense announced results of its bottom up review, Sept. 1, leveling off the Marine Corps at 174,000 Marines while, at the same time, ensuring the Corps retains the capability to remain the nation's premier force-in-readiness.

The review was a comprehensive look at the U. S. armed forces which began by looking at overall military strategy in the post-cold war era. The review's focus was on matching capabilities to requirements in meeting the future strategic needs of the nation. According to Gen. Carl E. Mundy, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, the process validated the Marine Corps' mission of forward presence and crisis response.

"The review was a major effort which directly involved input from all the services," the commandant said. "We're gratified that the administration has reaffirmed the important role the Marine Corps will play in our country's strategic future."

The operational role for the Marine Corps will continue to be structured around three Marine Expeditionary Forces, using a five "brigade-equivalent" manning level along with the 4th MarDiv/MAW/FSSG. Total Marine Corps reserve strength will top out at 42,000 personnel. MEF's will remain as the Marine Corps' main warfighting organization. The "five active brigades" mentioned in the bottom up review report do not represent standing MEBs, but rather are a unit of measurement by which the Marine Corps end strength was calculated.

According to the report, the force structure will be sufficient for U. S. military forces to win in two nearly simultaneous major regional conflicts.

The tactical air portion of the review



Force structure plans call for three MEF's (Official Marine Corps Photo)

also endorsed the F/A-18E/F program already in development and formally directed the development of the V-22 Osprey through the acquisition process.

In remarks to the National Security Studies Program at Georgetown University Sept. 2, Secretary of Defense Les Aspin emphasized that the bottom up review dealt in more than just "subtractions," citing an increase for Marine Corps forces compared to the base force.

"Within the smaller overall forces, we'll actually make some additions compared to the base force," the secretary explained. "Our Marine Corps strength will actually be 15,000 more than the base force. Expanding the Marine Corps is important to our post-cold war strategy. That strategy calls on the Marines to respond to a wide range of regional dangers and provide robust, flexible forces overseas in peacetime."

Though the Corps' role will be ex-

ecuted with fewer Marines than have been seen in decades, the commandant emphasizes that the mission will be met.

"I am gratified that the president and the secretary of defense have determined the value of Marine Corps forces in accomplishing the new U. S. defense strategy. Their decision to recommend to the congress a higher end strength for the Marine Corps than that in the previous base force is indicative that the Corps' role as the nation's force in readiness remains a vital element of our new defense posture. We are currently examining a number of options to best accomplish our assigned tasks with the number of Marines we have, but what I can tell you is that the Marine Corps will remain prepared to accomplish all its assigned missions."

While the DoD bottom up review has been going on, a National Performance Review, headed by Vice Presi-



The V-22 Osprey, whose development was formally directed in the review, is the proposed new aerial transport for U.S. forces (Official Bell/Boeing Photo)

dent Al Gore, has been studying ways to accomplish the Clinton administration plan to "Reinvent Government." As part of that plan, Marine Corps Logistics Bases Albany, Ga., and Barstow, Calif., have been named as reinvention laboratories.

The plan to reinvent government could mean transferring and retraining thousands of federal workers, consolidating operations, making agencies compete with private firms, treat taxpayers like customers, encourage private printing firms to compete with government print-

ing operations, overhaul purchasing procedures and phase out the Federal Personnel Manual and all its related directives.

"Really, the idea here is there are no rules. The laboratories decide on what process to focus," according to Col. Tucker Fagan, a Defense Performance Review Officer. "We have such an educated workforce that has to follow rules from Washington. In many ways we've got that backwards. We need to let the members of the work force use their

brains instead of having them be dictated to by the Pentagon. In essence, we empower the individual worker to do his or her very best."

Fagan added that the performance review team will be able to take input from the laboratories to get waivers or encourage new legislation to make systems work more effectively.

*Compiled from MCNews and
MCLB Albany news releases*

Next month: Find out how a Marine from Guard Detachment broke the rifle range record

Coping with the floods...

Midwest recruiters battle nature to accomplish mission

DES MOINES, Iowa — When he left Camp Pendleton he was thankful to have survived the devastation caused by weeks of rain on the hard, dry earth of Southern California.

Next stop, Des Moines — the “Heartland.” Sgt. Hobart Brown, Jr., checked into Recruiting Substation Des Moines in June, ready to start recruiting America’s finest from the farmlands of the Midwest.

Little did he know that he would be encountering the worst flood ever to hit Iowa. A flood that, after overwhelming its eastern water treatment facility, earned Des Moines the dubious honor of being the largest U.S. city ever to lose its water supply.

“I just came from a flood situation and now this,” said Brown. “It’s following me.”

But Brown still has a job to do. Despite the fact that the recruiters of Des Moines don’t have any running water, can’t take a shower or flush the toilet, have a limited power supply and are under the constant threat of more rain, they still have to put young men and women in the Marine Corps.

Many Iowans can’t afford to think of anything but the constant struggle to keep the ever-rising rivers out of their own homes and businesses.

“We’re pretty much limited to making telephone calls,” said SSgt. Jon Irelan, substation NCOIC. “We’re also relying heavily on referrals.”

“It seems like every kid I call is bagging sand, sleeping from bagging or they left town,” said Brown.

Irelan, whose substation has not missed meeting mission requirements since October 1992, said it comes down to priorities. “You can call a guy who’s

got six inches of water in his basement and tell him that you want to put his son in the Corps, but he’s probably not going to care,” he explained. “It’s not easy, but we’re still plugging along. I even had my recruiters selling the Corps at water supply points.”

Because of the water crisis, these high profile Marines are faced with another problem. “My recruiters can’t take showers or even clean their uniforms,” said Irelan. “So I only require them to

“It’s not easy, but we’re still plugging along. I even had my recruiters selling the Corps at water supply points.”

*— SSgt. Jon Irelan
NCOIC, RSS Des Moines*

wear uniforms during interviews or when they go to the MEPS.”

“It’s almost like living in the field,” quipped Brown.

Once these young applicants decide to join the Marines, there is still a problem with housing those processing through the MEPS.

“Right now we are limited to housing five people a night at a hotel with no running water,” said MSgt. Eugene LaForge, MEPS Liaison, Des Moines. “That includes those who’ve just enlisted and those who are shipping to MCRD.”

A certain number of rooms is allotted to each branch of the service for housing enlistees. Marine enlistees who must travel the farthest to the MEPS have priority in the hotel.

Others must be taken to the MEPS by their recruiter and taken back home the same day; a process that eats up a lot of valuable recruiting time.

“I talk with the other services every day in case they aren’t using all of these rooms,” LaForge said.

The MEPS is on the west end of town, the part of Des Moines being serviced by a water treatment plant which is currently still above water.

“We were letting people take showers here, but we’ve had to stop that,” LaForge said. Area residents are being urged to conserve the precious commodity.

Not only is the overnight lodging a problem, but transportation has become a major issue since the city now only has two main north-south routes, one lane in either direction, with stop signs and traffic lights.

“A drive that normally takes me 25 minutes now runs anywhere from an hour-and-a-half to two hours,” Irelan said.

The damage was so extensive that President Clinton cut his vacation short to survey the flooded corn fields surrounding Iowa’s capitol.

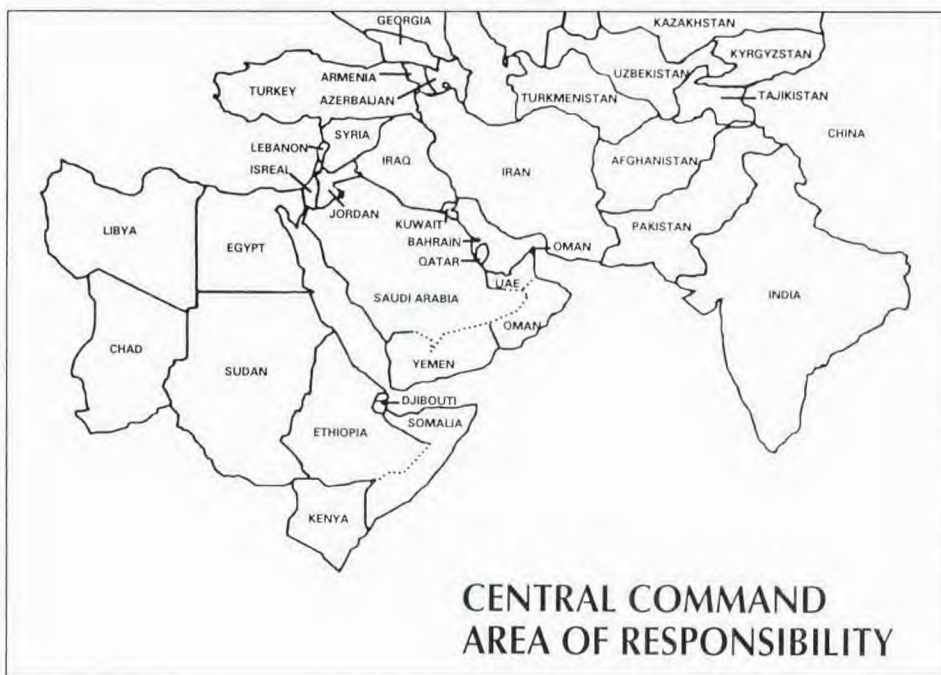
However, with all of these obstacles staring the young recruiters of Des Moines in the face, they remain optimistic. By July 15 they had still managed to recruit five young men — one less than 50 percent of their mission requirement.

“I still have faith we’ll pull out,” said Brown.

Story by Sgt. Lesli Coakley

New tensions threaten Middle East

U.S. Central Command faces increased challenges



AFIS — "Look at what the U.S. Central Command faced in 1992, and you would never guess that the Cold War ended or that Desert Storm had been won," said General Joseph Hoar.

"The Central Command saw a level of activity in its area of responsibility that belies the notion of a peaceful post-Gulf War and post-Cold War atmosphere," said Gen. Hoar, commander of the Florida-based unified command, who recently testified before Congress on the command's status.

To understand the diversity of the command's responsibilities, said Hoar, you have to take into account the immense geographic area with its varied cultures, and each presents a set of unique challenges.

The command's area stretches from Pakistan through the Arabian Gulf to the Horn of Africa and includes the water surrounding the Arabian Peninsula. The area covers 18 countries, including Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, United Arab

Emirates and Yemen in the Middle East. Two countries make up the command's south Asia area, Pakistan and Afghanistan, while the five in northeast Africa include Somalia and Sudan.

Along with promoting regional stability, cooperation and military balance, the Central Command has additional security objectives in the area. The command works to stem the flow of illegal drugs, reduce the threat of terrorism, prevent the spread of weapons capable of

mass destruction and protect access to oil in the region, stated Gen. Hoar. In addition, "...religious and ethnic conflicts, natural disasters and military imbalances all threaten the stability of the region," he said.

A three-point plan including forward presence, combined exercises and security assistance is necessary for continued access to the area, he said.

General Hoar adds that a point to remember is the time it takes to shift troops and equipment from the United States to the theater — about 7,000 air miles and 8,000 sea miles away. Sealift and airlift capabilities are crucial to the command and a problem planners consistently face.

Up to now, the U.S. military and its allies have succeeded in meeting regional challenges. To continue to do so, said Gen. Hoar, "we must actively promote regional security through our forward presence, combined exercises and assistance to our friends.

"At the same time, we demonstrate to our friends and adversaries that we remain committed to assist when needed to maintain stability and security."

Story by MSgt. Linda Lee, USA



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The 1993 Parade Season

A glimpse of the faces and events that made a summer to remember

The 1993 Parade Season, like others before it, saw the Marines here demonstrate their ceremonial prowess for thousands of guests and several notable public figures.

More than 70,000 guests reserved their place at the Evening Parades, according to the Barracks Adjutant's Office, while countless thousands attended through the general admission line. Attendance figures for the Sunset Parades were not available at press time, but more than 60,000 brochures were passed out to spectators during the season.

The hottest summer on record in the District led to many sweaty evenings, both on post and at the Marine Corps War Memorial. The sweltering heat meant less rainfall. Unlike last year, when several parades were rained out, only one parade was called for rain this year. The weather even prompted a consideration to have Marines wear modified blue dress uniforms for one Evening Parade.

For the first time in several years, women marched in the parades. Staff Sgt. Karen Imhoff, Marine Corps Institute, marched on the staff noncommissioned officer parade staff, and LCpl. Madeleine Lebeau, Supply Section, Headquarters and Service Company, marched as the official dog walker.

The "Voice of the Barracks" changed over with the retirement of SSgt. Hal Freeman, whose narration echoed across the parade deck for more than four parade seasons. Lance Cpl. James D. Johnson, a former member of the Silent Drill Platoon and *Pass in Review* assistant editor, replaced Freeman. The first woman narrator, GySgt. Cynthia Atwood, Public Affairs Chief, lent her voice to the SNCO Sunset Parade.

Another notable personnel change was the Color Sergeant of the Marine Corps. Staff Sgt. Dean R. Keck was succeeded by Sgt. Daniel J. Charlier.

Virtually every high level military official attended a parade as guest of honor, including the President, Secretary of Defense, Secretary of the Navy and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as well as members of the U.S. Congress and other leading civilians. The season opened with Lewis B. Puller Jr. as the first parade guest of honor.

Behind the scenes, Marines of MCI, H&S Company and Guard Detachment provided the support necessary to create the atmosphere for a memorable experience for parade guests.

The following pages depict some of the many facets of the 1993 Parade Season.



The U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon performs its routine on Centerwalk during the Aug. 13 parade.



PARADE SEASON '93



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The Evening Parade: All that glitters *is* gold



FAR LEFT: MSgt. Philip M. Simoes and the SNCO marching staff for 1993.

BOTTOM LEFT: The U.S. Marine Band performs its weekly concert during the Aug. 6 parade.

LEFT: The U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps perform during the July 30 parade.

BOTTOM CENTER: LCpl. Madeleine Lebeau with Barracks Mascot LCpl. Chesty X, who gets an affectionate pat from parade guest John Connors.

BELOW: Company officers and guidon bearers present arms during the July 9 parade.

BOTTOM: The U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard faces parade adjutant, Capt. M.D. Lloyd during the June 18 Evening Parade.



The Sunset Parade: A 'monumental' success



ABOVE: Sgt. Joseph A. Negron, Parade Commander for the Aug. 10 NCO Parade, shouts out commands.

RIGHT: Cpl. Earl N. Chisholm III, Silent Drill Platoon Rifle Inspector, tosses a rifle to LCpl. Horace H. Robinson Jr.





FAR LEFT: The U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps "Music in Motion" during the June 8 parade.

LEFT: Marines of Companies A and B march on during the July 13 Sunset Parade.

LOWER LEFT: The U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard presents arms in front of the Marine Corps War Memorial.

BELOW: Soprano buglers of D&B blast out a song during the Aug. 3 parade.





ABOVE: President Bill Clinton pets LCpl. Chesty X following the first parade, May 7.

ABOVE RIGHT: First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is escorted to her seat May 7.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.), Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee talks with Bernard Shaw, of CNN before the May 28 parade.

RIGHT: Gen. Leonard F. Chapman, 24th Commandant of the Marine Corps, congratulates Super Squad Marines during the last parade of the season, Aug. 27.



Guests of Honor: A notable list of VIP's



LEFT: Madeleine K. Albright, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, greets a parade guest following the July 23 parade.

MIDDLE LEFT: Rep. Ronald V. Dellums (D-Calif.), Chairman, House Armed Services Committee, signs the scroll following the June 11 parade.

BOTTOM LEFT: Secretary of Defense Les Aspin observes pass in review during the June 18 parade.

BELOW: Secretary of the Navy John H. Dalton shakes hands with Col. John B. Sollis following the Aug. 6 parade.



Marines behind the scenes maintain 'aura'



Above: Maj. John D. Foldberg and his staff practices for the Sunset Parade at the Marine Corps War Memorial.

RIGHT: Sgt. Jacqueline Y. Hockaday, MCI Print Shop, checks guests' bags before an evening parade.





ABOVE MIDDLE: GySgt. Barry C. Herneisey, MCI Distance Training Instructor, escorts an Evening Parade guest.

ABOVE: (l to r) MSgt. Joe L. Zachary Jr., Cpl. Scott T. Balliet and Cpl. Joseph T. Henry, Marine Barracks Operations Office, direct every part of the Evening Parade from Centerwalk.

LEFT MIDDLE: HM2 Ian Marks, Marine Barracks Medical Section, stands by during an Evening Parade in case of a medical emergency.

LEFT: Grounds Maintenance Marines clean up after an Evening Parade.





Mary Doran and Cenon Naval II, chat after a Friday Evening Parade here. (Photo by Cpl. Amy Alger)

Special faces in the Crowd

Two ardent fans of Marine Barracks have no problems deciding what to do on a Friday night. You'll find them both here taking in an Evening Parade as they've faithfully done for many years

Seventy-year-old Mary Doran of Annandale, Va., has been regularly attending Friday Evening Parades here since 1962. As far as she can remember, she's only missed a handful of parades for pretty important reasons, such as her daughters' graduations from high school and college.

Cenon Naval II, of Bethesda, Md., on the other hand, can't ever remember ever missing a single Friday Parade since the 41-year-old coordinator for a national CPA firm began attending in the summer of 1986 and attending the Sunset Parades in Arlington, Va., since 1988.

Total it up and one will be aston-

ished to find that these loyal fans of the Marine Barracks, have, combined, attended nearly 760 Friday and Tuesday parades.

For their faithful attendance, each now has his own parade seat in the bleachers with their names engraved on a brass plate.

Although the parades have changed little since they began decades ago, it's not the mystical military pageantry that takes place on the lush green parade deck that these two supporters keep coming back to see—it's the Marines, the men and women of the Barracks.

"I love the Marines so much because of all the sacrifices they make,"

said Doran, the mother of five and grandmother of one. Her adoration of the Marines extends beyond the evening parades. Every Friday morning, she brings in homemade cookies and cakes for the Marines to start their day off right, she says.

For Cenon, the parades give him the "emotional lift" he needs to carry on in everyday life, and says only a "coma" will keep him from attending more.

With special fans like Mary Doran and Cenon Naval II, the parade spotlights will always shine on them for as long as they keep coming to the Corps' oldest post.

Story by CWO-2 Virginia Bueno

**Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.
is proud of Marines like...**



**LCpl. Emmanuel Salazar, 2nd Platoon,
Company B, a 20-year-old New York City native.
A rifleman, he entered the Marine Corps in April 1992.**

September is Hispanic Heritage Month



*Story and photos by
Sgt. Thomas J. Lefoin*

Marines become ambassadors

Battle Color Detachment travels north for international ceremony with Canadians in historic Fort Henry

Eight abreast, the color guards of the two units march across the drawbridge and into the gate of the historic Canadian garrison.

Once clear of the low entrance, they uniformly hoist their colors into place and begin marching as one. A soft breeze dances over the limestone walls of the fort and gently lifts the flags of the two nations to a proud posture, as if to trumpet the peaceful alliance between them.

The spectators remove their hats and their chests swell as the national anthems of the United States and Canada ring crisply through the 145-year-old garrison and fade across the Saint Lawrence River to United States shores. The two color guards stand steadfast upon a pedestal initially intended for battle between their nations in the 1800's. This visage of unity underlines a heritage of mutual respect between the two nations that has been cultivated through times of war and

cemented by years of peace.

The United States Marine Corps Color Guard and Colours of the Fort Henry Guard wheel in perfect step and exit the fort together. The National Ensign, Marine Corps Colors, Queen's Colours and Colour of the Fort Henry Guard dance atop their staffs in unison

The drill transports the thousands of spectators back more than 100 years to a battlefield splashed with the sights and sounds of combat.

as if part of a colorful dance troupe while they are carried out. This special ceremony is far from over, though, as both nations proudly begin to showcase their military's pageantry for thousands

of spectators who have traveled from near and far to witness this international spectacle.

This ceremony was held Aug. 21 and 22, at Fort Henry, in Kingston, Ontario, overlooking the serene shores of the Saint Lawrence River where it joins Lake Ontario. The visit continues a tradition of mutual exchange that began in 1954 between the Marine Corps and the Fort Henry Guard. Soon after the first historic exchange, the Guard bestowed the title, "Honourary Commander of the Guard," upon Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd Jr., 20th Commandant of the Marine Corps, who initiated the first exchanges between the two ceremonial units.

During the past several years, the exchange has alternated between Fort Henry and the Barracks. It now includes joint ceremonies as well as sporting and social events with members of the Fort Henry Guard and the United States Marine Corps Battle Color Detachment, which consists of the Silent Drill Platoon, U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and Marine Corps Color Guard.

Run by Canada's Saint Lawrence Parks Commission, the Guard is

The U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard and Colours of Fort Henry enter the fort during the first of two international ceremonies there, Aug. 21.



ABOVE: The keys to the fort are passed between the sergeants major of the Marine Barracks and Fort Henry Guard to signify watch changeover of the fort between the two units.

RIGHT: Marine Barracks Mascot LCpl. Chesty X gets acquainted with Guard Mascot David VII.



comprised of university and high school students who wear period uniforms and simulate Canada's military in 1867 under British rule. The refurbished fort and Guard are a looking glass into the military history of both the United States and Canada with Britain.

"The exchange is certainly the high point of the year for the Guard," said Maj. Stephen Mecredy, Fort Henry's Supervisor of Military Interpretation.

"Everybody in the Guard is certainly aware of the important relationship and Gen. Shepherd's honorary position."

This year, Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, was the special guest of honor for the ceremony on the first evening. He trooped the lines of both units with Mecredy and even stopped to shake the

hoof of the Guard mascot, David the VII, a white Saanen goat.

Several events during this unique international visit serve to highlight the significance of the camaraderie and trust shared by the units and their parent nations. The first of these events is the traditional lowering of the fort's drawbridge to welcome the Marines into the fort.

As the Marines near its walls, the fort sounds an alarm warning others inside of imminent attack. Members of the Guard scramble into formation at a double time and prepare for battle with an enemy unknown. Moments later the Drums, Fort Henry's fife and drum unit, scramble into position in a similar fashion. A sentry posted atop the massive wall of the fort shouts out for the Marines to halt and identify

themselves.

"A detachment of Marines from Washington, D.C., on a friendly mission," responds Capt. John E. Bilas, Commander of the Battle Color detachment, based here. After the Marines are acknowledged, the drawbridge is slowly lowered and locked into place with timed precision by two Guardsmen. Then, to the strains of the "Marines' Hymn," the detachment marches in, circles around one end of the fort's parade square and into formation facing the Guard. After a brief, formal welcome ceremony, the units are dismissed and allowed to socialize with each other for a few moments before rehearsals for the two international ceremonies.

Another symbolic gesture of respect is the exchange of the keys to the fort,



which takes place on both evenings. Marine Barracks Sergeant Major Michael D. Nicolia and Fort Henry Guard Sergeant Major John Pensom march out in step shoulder-to-shoulder into the center of the parade square. Sergeant Major Nicolia, in his black blouse with white trousers, a noncommissioned officer's sword at his side and a chest full of shimmering gold medals, looks resplendent next to SgtMaj. Pensom, who wears a British uniform of the mid 1800's, which consists of a red tunic, black trousers and a sword of the same era.

When the two senior enlisted leaders reach the center of the square, they stop, face and exchange keys. The narrative, voiced in both English and French, explains how the exchange of the keys to the doors and storerooms of



ABOVE: Cpl. Adam T. Carswell, Silent Drill Platoon Rifle Inspector, escorts Guardsmen to their posts as the fort changes hands.

LEFT: Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, pets Guard Mascot David VII while trooping the lined of both units.



ABOVE: *Cpl. Jorge A. Fuentes races toward the Guard's goal during a soccer match between Marines and the Guard. The Guard won the soccer and volleyball matches and Marines took basketball and softball.*

RIGHT: *D&B performs a concert in a Kingston, Ontario park.*

INSET: *LtCol. Truman W. Crawford, D&B Director, receives an honorary membership from Guard Maj. Stephen Mecredy, Fort Henry's Supervisor of Military Interpretation, during a reception at Fort Henry following the ceremonies.*

the fort signifies the passing of the watch of the fort from one unit to the other. On the first night, Aug. 21, watch of the fort is passed from the Guard to the Marines. After the sergeants major complete the exchange and march smartly together from the fort, the fort's Corporal of the Guard escorts a group of Marines to their posts, and a Marine corporal of the guard escorts the Guard personnel back from their posts. The following night the exchange is reversed and watch of the fort is passed back to the Guard.

"Integration of the units is always challenging," said LtCol. Truman W. Crawford, Director, U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, emphasizing how Marines and Guard personnel make the adjustment successfully.

"One of the things I think is so remarkable is how Marines are surprised that the Guard, which is

primarily made up of students, is so military-oriented," said Crawford. "They usually assume the Guard is actually part of Canada's military forces."

Though they only simulate members of the military, the Guard strives for excellence in discipline and precision, according to Sgt. Patrick Kostiw, who works in the Guard's operations office. This attitude is faithful to the Guard's motto, "Morentur Etiam," or "We Also Serve."

Crawford, who has been participating in the exchange since 1967, was made an honorary member of the Guard during a special presentation following the second ceremony. He is only the 25th person and second Marine in the Guard's history to receive the honor.

The honor of being a part of the Guard is not lost on its members, who have about one month each spring to



prepare for a summer regimen of daily and weekly public ceremonies that depict fort life in the 1800's.

The Guard plays out its military heritage with musical performances and battle drill demonstrations in which Guard members fire an endless number of blanks and mortars on the parade square as if confronting an actual enemy. They demonstrate the drill movements, formations and firing rotations of the period. Choreographed to the pre-1867 music of the Drums and lit up as if on a stage, the drill transports the thousands of spectators back more



than 100 years to a battlefield splashed with the sights and sounds of combat.

A thick layer of acrid smoke shaded by a red spotlight adds to the surreal ambiance of this experience. The flash of original 1866 Snider-Enfield rifles, the roaring of mortars and yells of the Guard as it performs its bayonet movements are testimony to a bygone era of warfighting that shaped the new world.

In sharp contrast to the battlefield drills of the Guard, the Silent Drill Platoon demonstrates its precision with a series of sharp "snaps" and "pops"

that echo through the fort like the staccato tick of a Swiss watch. The audible "oohs" and "aahs," as well as hearty applause from the crowd, are testimony to their enjoyment of the demonstration.

"I had heard the exchange was a great experience. The Silent Drill Platoon was 'wicked,'" said Guard Gunner Kelly M. Wilhelm, 19, of St. Catharines, Ontario. She is one of several women integrated into the Guard for the first time this year.

The Drum and Bugle Corps received an equal response from the

crowd with its concerts during both ceremonies, as well as other musical performances throughout the evenings. Its modern musical numbers serve to successfully bridge the gaps between both nations and eras during these enchanting events.

In addition to performances at the fort, the Drum and Bugle Corps performs a public concert in a Kingston park. Fort Henry and the waters of Lake Ontario form the scenic backdrop for the 45-minute show, in which the musical unit is almost close enough for the spectators to touch.



"We really enjoy being up close and personal with the crowd," said Crawford, who let Fort Henry employee Marilyn Connors celebrate her birthday by directing one number during the concert.

The parallels between the Marines and Guard extend past historical, ceremonial and musical similarities.

Like LCpl. Chesty X, the Barracks

official mascot, the Guard's mascot David is also one of the most popular attractions of the fort, and leads the parade during ceremonies.

On the first day of the Marine visit, David was introduced to Chesty, who summarily rejected all attempts to create a positive working relationship with David. David regarded Chesty with a slight air of irritation, if not ambiva-

lence. However, both animals put their prejudices aside for the ceremonies and were generally cooperative with each other.

Off the parade square of the fort, the two units had brief opportunities to get acquainted at both social and sporting events.

The Canadians hosted receptions after the ceremonies, and it was during these that Marines and Guard personnel exchanged similarities and differences of their nations, as well as souvenirs unique to each unit.

Sporting competitions also helped the units build an international camaraderie through friendly competition. The Marines battled tough competition to win the basketball and softball matchups, while the Guard captured soccer and volleyball.

At one point during the history of the exchange, a competition was held between the units both in Canada and here to fire six-pounder field guns. Though the tradition has been temporarily broken until refurbished artillery pieces can be obtained, the contest served as another bond between the units.

These bonds have continued to grow and mature for nearly 40 years, and according to Mecredy, will get stronger with the support of the Canadian government.

Perhaps there will never be a way to measure the level of respect and camaraderie between the Marines and Fort Henry Guard or the historical significance of these annual exchanges.

But one thing is certain: as these traditions carry on from year to year, the gentle breezes of peace and mutual trust should continue to drift between the shores of both nations.



LEFT: Rifles cross in the air between Cpl. Adam T. Carswell, Rifle Inspector, and LCpl. Darryl W. Scott in one of two Silent Drill Platoon performances during the visit to Fort Henry.

ABOVE: The Fort Henry Guard performs its Battle Drill, which is a series of drill movements and combat formations used by 19th century British forces in Canada.

The way it was back then...

A former Barracks officer recalls life here in the 1950's



The colors march across the parade deck at an early Evening Dress Parade, later moved to the Marine Corps War Memorial where it became what is now the Sunset Parade.

Editor's note: *The following is the second in a three-part article written by former Barracks officer Stephen R. Trimble on the beginnings of the Friday Evening and Sunset Parades.*

Colonel Leonard F. Chapman, former Barracks commanding officer and 24th Commandant, made a lasting impression on the Barracks, as well as the Marine Corps.

In addition to the original concept of the Friday Evening Parade, he was also responsible for many uniform changes that remain in effect today. Changes included (much to the chagrin of the troops) of straightening the grommets of Barracks caps from their former "squashed" state, as well as lengthening of trousers from a no-break,

squared cuff to the regulation quarter-inch break with rear cuff tapered so as to touch the top of the heel. After he finished his detailed inspection of every man under the arcade, and proceeded away toward "officers' country," you could here 200 NCO's and troops re-bending their grommets and hitching up their trousers, Marines being Marines. This was short lived, since the Colonel was a stickler for detail, with eyes like an eagle.

The Pennsylvania Avenue Parades

Another big difference (influenced by the fact that President Eisenhower never got over his love for the military) was the number of Pennsylvania Avenue full-dress parades. At that time, whenever the head of a major foreign

state visited, he was greeted by an all-service honor guard at the MATS terminal (then located at the north end of National Airport). From there he would motor across Memorial Bridge, then east on Constitution Avenue, and would be met at 15th street (by the Washington Monument) by an all-service Parade contingent (the Army Band, and one company from each of the services). The Parade would proceed east to 12th, north on 12th to Pennsylvania, and then to the front of the White House. In 1958, the route was shortened (north on 15th to Pennsylvania, the west to the White House). The Parades (with mixed armed services and police cordons the whole route) were held at least once,

and often twice a month.

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It was the "cacophonous" music factor in street Parades which was responsible for adding horse-shoe cleats on "ceremonial shoes." In the large Parades, it was being between two bands (the smaller "Welcome Parade" had only one band, but their route was through the Federal Triangle Government buildings), resulting in a cacophony of noise, which made it impossible to keep cadence to the band music.

Cleats were added, so all marching units set their own cadence without regard to the band music. We had thought the cleats were started because of the silent drill, but were told of the history of their adoption by MSgt. Edmund J. Demar (Drum Major of the Band for many years), who said that only the "mini-cleats" on the soles and heel-sides were needed when the silent drill was first adopted. It was the Drum Major who developed the use of the electronic "pulse" hidden in his left gauntlet to ensure a precise cadence. He was affectionately referred to as "Mr. Ceremonial" by the troops, all of whom suspected that his first baby-steps measured a precise 30"!

The Original Battle Color

On non-Parade days, one Drill Team (or a smaller contingent for indoor performances) would usually be on the road, usually accompanied by a Color Guard and the Drum & Bugle Corps, for appearances throughout the United States for recruiting or other Marine Corps "P.R." purposes.

A Busy Year

1957 was eventful from the ceremonial standpoint. Admiral Richard Byrd (CMH) died, and his funeral involved a ceremonial division (more than 3,000 marching troops) for the funeral Escort (one of the few times in the history of Arlington Cemetery). We later entertained the Black Watch

for ten days at the Barracks, and before they left for a tour across the country, we had a rare joint Parade, complete with bagpipes, slow marches, etc. I don't think the "slop shute" has ever done so much business as when the Scots were there.

Once everyone was "well-oiled,"

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they taught the troops how to dance to bagpipe music over crossed swords on top of a small table, which produced some pretty strange injuries (and stranger explanations as to how they occurred).

For Her Majesty...

In November of 1957, we had a special Saturday morning Parade (actually it, as well as all Barracks

Parades, were "formal guard mounts") for Prince Phillip of England, in connection with the Queen's visit to Washington. Afterwards, he met and talked with the troops. He was visibly impressed by the number of personal decorations (Silver Stars, Bronze Stars, Purple Hearts, etc.) worn by the Marine Band, and learned that while specially recruited for the Band, that almost half had served in Korea.

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Post-Parade Season Recruiting

Toward the end of the 1957 Parade season, the usual changes started. Lt. Steve Trimble had replaced Bill Brown, and Lt. Tom Lapham replaced Dick Foster. When Trimble and SSgt. McKenzie went to Camp Lejeune to procure the troops for the 1st platoon for the next year, they were accompanied by Capt. Lyons as well as Capt. Dick Hatch, who was soon to take over as CO of Guard Company. Capt. Hatch accompanied Lt. Lapham of the 3rd Platoon for the same purpose the following month. These "recruiting" trips were a significant step in the history of 8th & I, as they produced the first black Marines for service as ceremonial troops.

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“Dropping Dimes”

“Dropping Dimes.” Now there’s a curious expression. As in any culture, we Marines (and here I include our civilian and Sea Service running mates and dependents) often communicate in a language of our very own. To Marines, “Oooo-rah, Sir!” and “Errr, Ma’am!” are universally understood (they are at 8th & I, anyway) to be appropriate greetings—the moral equivalent of “Good morning. And by the way I’m not ashamed in the least to share a dose of my Marine Corps motivation with you!” Depending on the context, “Oooo-rah!” and “Errr!” may also signify “Aye, aye” (translation: “I understand completely and will make it happen”) or “Damn straight! I approve! I agree completely and emphatically!” [EXAMPLE: “Don’t tell anyone this, but I’m kind of glad the Parade Season is finally over.” “Are you?” “Errr!!!!”]

The sincerity or validity of the “Oooo-rah” and the “Errr” are a function of their delivery: the context in which they are used, the pitch, inflection, eye contact/facial expression, body language, etc. Let’s face it, sometimes the “Oooo-rah” and the “Errr” are just reflex responses; they don’t always pack the same degree of sincerity or motivational “punch.” [EXAMPLE: “It’s 1630 Friday afternoon. The IG team is at Post 1. They want us to drop what we’re doing, suit up for the PFT, and then lay out all our gear for a detailed junk-on-the-bunk inspection. Oooo-rah!”]

The Army prefers “Hoo-ah!” They have their own culture. Same idea as our “Oooo-rah” and “Errr,” but “Hoo-ah!” always sounds a bit bizarre to me.

Outside the context of the Marine Corps, “Oooo-rah” and “Errr” will get you some strange looks.

But what about “dropping dimes”? Where do you suppose that particular Marine expression comes from? I hear it a lot around here. It’s not new to our culture; it was a common, every-day, household expression at the Barracks

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when I served here as a lieutenant. Wherever it comes from, “dropping dimes” has a decidedly negative connotation. It essentially means putting someone on the spot; putting them on report; discrediting someone; making them “look bad” in the eyes of their boss, their peers—in the eyes of someone whose opinion of them matters. It means setting them up for the kill.

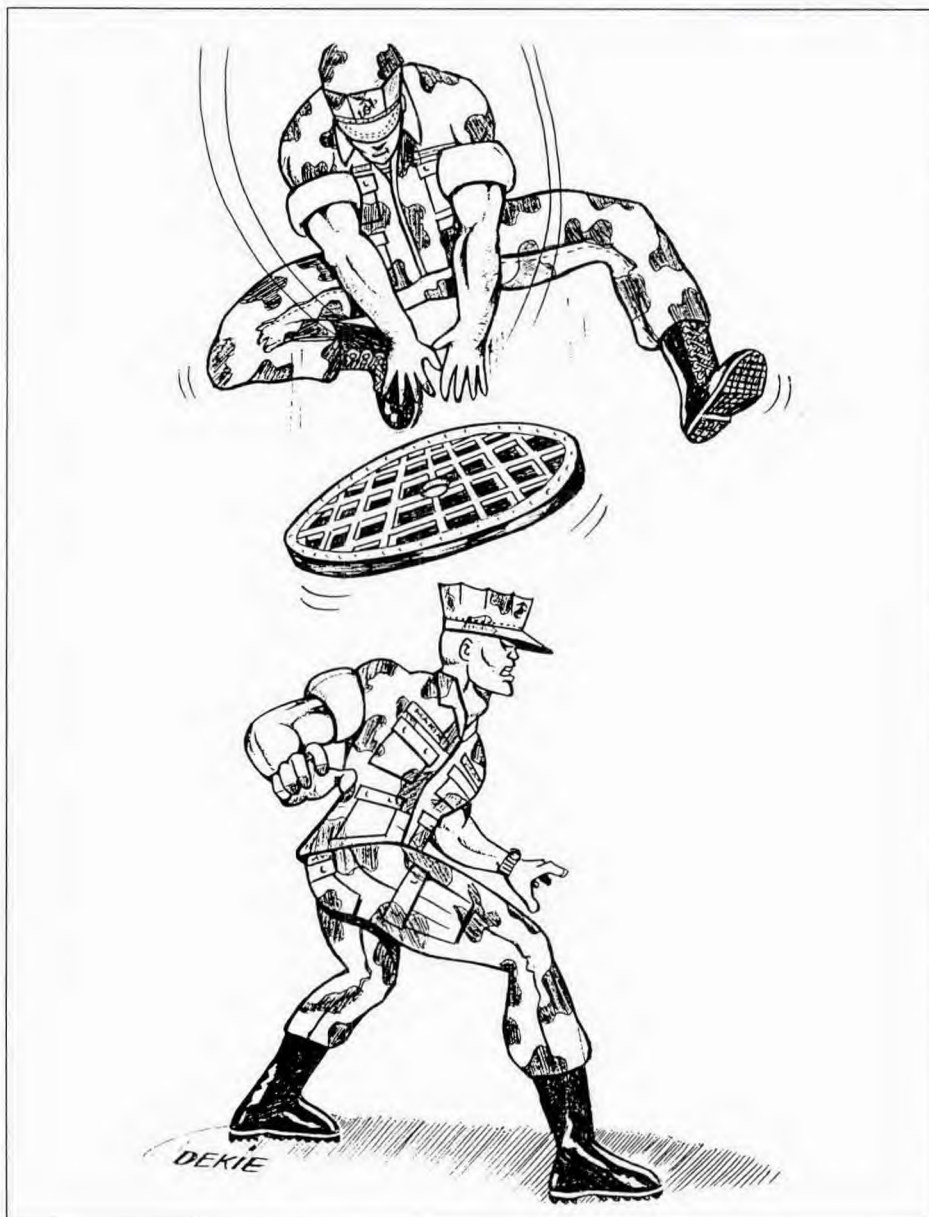
You get the impression that maybe Al Capone’s hit-men identified their unsuspecting victims in a crowded room by the dime someone else had casually dropped next to them. When you “dime” someone—deliberately or unintentionally—you generally take them by surprise and alienate their affection. Depending on the seriousness of the issue or the mega-tonnage of the ensuing thermonuclear reaction, you may not

have dropped just a dime, you may have dropped a man-hole cover. Oooo-rah!

“Dropping dimes” implicitly has something to do with loyalty. Marines don’t like to be seen as “dime droppers” because we place a premium on loyalty. And also because we place a premium on our reputation among our fellow Marines. No one wants to be tagged as a disloyal Marine. Remember Loyalty? It’s one of the 14 Leadership Traits. “Loyalty to the bitter end” is a beautiful thing. Errr!

But just as with “Oooo-rah” and “Errr,” whether or not loyalty is for real depends entirely on the context. If you know that something is wrong, if you know that someone is falling down on the job or is up to no good, if you believe that something that should be happening isn’t happening, is it loyalty that compels you to look the other way, do nothing to help set things right, and just keep your mouth shut? Is that loyalty? I don’t think so. I think it’s fear. The fear of alienation or reprisal or even how you might “appear.”

When I got here 10 months ago, nobody wanted to “drop dimes” on Post Supply. People were generally very reluctant to give me a straight answer when I asked them a very simple question: “Are you getting the support you need from Post Supply?” Several people (read: “several company commanders”) even qualified their evasive answers by saying, “Well, sir, I’d really prefer not to drop a dime on anyone in Post Supply.”¹ The real answer, as I would



gradually come to know, was an emphatic, "Hell no! Supply support stinks. Post Supply is a complete disaster!" But no one wanted to drop *that* man-hole cover on Post Supply. They would rather endure a bad—and I mean *real* bad—situation than risk coming across to me, or to anyone else for that matter, as a "dime dropper." So much for loyalty. Loyalty to whom? Loyalty to what?

Ten months later, I am happy to report, Post Supply is a monumental

success story—a success story in the making; a work of art in progress. Nothing as multi-faceted and excruciatingly complicated as Post Supply gets "fixed" overnight. But step by step, day by day, week by week, corrected deficiency by corrected deficiency, process improvement by process improvement, Post Supply is coming on strong. It isn't "just happening." CWO2 Brletich, MSgt Smith, and their merry band of ass-kicking Marines down at Post Supply

are *making* it happen. It's an all-hands effort. Sooner or later, Post Supply is going to be "world class." Count on it! The Marines of Post Supply rank very high on my list of contemporary 8th & I heroes. They're not hung up on maintaining appearances. They're not preoccupied with whether or not Post Supply comes off "looking good;" the focus of their energy is on one thing: making damn certain Post Supply *is* good and *does* provide quality support. And for that, I'm tremendously proud of them.

Maybe, over time, if someone had had the good sense or just the guts to drop one thin dime on Post Supply every once in a while, we wouldn't be faced today with the Herculean task of having to dig ourselves out from under the avalanche of man-hole covers that eventually fell our way. Think about that. If you and I are not prepared to invest or risk an occasional "dime" in what goes on around here (judiciously and constructively, of course), we're apt to get just exactly what we deserve for our "loyalty." Remember this: 8th & I is not about maintaining "appearances;" it's about maintaining the reality that things really *are* just as unbelievably good as they appear. And, Sportsfans, as I've told you once or twice before, it ain't easy lugging around all them 8th & I bowling balls! Get some! Errr!

By Col. John B. Sollis
Commanding Officer

'Here's how I score that "real-life" scenario:

Loyalty	+5
Maintaining Appearances	+2
Moral Courage	-10
Engendering Trust.....	-2
Improving Post Supply	-5
Grand Total	-10

Accept the challenge!

Make your plans for the FUTURE NOW!

Changes in retention policy are in the works at Headquarters Marine Corps. As of 1996, Marines who have not completed their Professional Military Education (PME) will not receive reenlistment authority. Currently, career Marines requesting 48-month reenlistment authority who haven't completed the required PME for their grade will only be approved for 36-months. The PME requirements are listed below for each enlisted grade:

Private through Lance Corporal

There are no PME requirements for these grades; however, participation in the Professional Reading Program and other avenues of self-study is strongly encouraged. Lance corporals could take the MCI course entitled Fundamentals of Marine Corps Leadership.

Corporals

- Enroll in the NCO Basic Nonresident Program within six months after promotion to corporal.
- Participate in the Professional Reading Program.
- May attend the resident NCO Basic Course if seating is available.

Sergeant

- Attend the resident NCO Basic Course within 24 months after promotion to sergeant. To attend, individuals must have completed the NCO Basic Nonresident Program, be in full duty status, and meet Marine Corps fitness and weight standards.
- Enroll in the SNCO Career Nonresident Program within six months of completion the resident NCO Basic Course.
- Participate in the Professional

Reading Program.

- Participate in a professional self-study program.
- May attend the resident SNCO Career Course as a staff sergeant selectee.

Staff Sergeant

- Attend a resident SNCO Career Course. To attend, individuals must have completed the SNCO Career Nonresident Program, be in full duty status, and meet Marine Corps fitness and weight standards.
- Enroll in the SNCO Advanced

"If you have already reenlisted, you are now considered a 'Career Marine.'"

Nonresident Program within six months of completing the resident SNCO Career Course.

- Participate in the Professional Reading Program.
- Participate in a professional self-study program (MCI Warfighting Skills Program, for example).
- May attend the resident SNCO Advanced Course as a gunnery sergeant selectee.

Gunnery Sergeant

- Attend a resident SNCO Advanced Course within 24 months after promotion to gunnery sergeant. To attend, individuals must have completed the SNCO advanced Nonresident Program, be in full duty

status, and meet Marine Corps fitness and weight standards.

- Complete the MCI Warfighting Skills Program.
- Participate in the Professional Reading Program.
- Participate in a professional self-study program.

First Sergeant/Master Sergeant

- Attend a First Sergeant/Master Sergeant regional seminar.
- Participate in the Professional Reading Program.
- Participate in a professional self-study program.

Sergeant Major/Master Gunnery Sergeant

- Attend a Sergeant Major/Master Gunnery Sergeant symposium.
- Participate in the Professional Reading Program.
- Participate in a professional self-study program.

The point at which you become a 'Career Marine' is your FIRST reenlistment. If you have already reenlisted, you are now considered a 'Career Marine.'

If you have completed the required PME and requested 48-month retention and only received 36-month reenlistment authority, let me know. I will make sure the Manpower Management System (MMS) is up to date.

If you have any questions regarding reenlistment call the Career Planner at extension 433-5404/5.

*By GySgt Peter J. Reed
Barracks Career Planner*

On Centerwalk

Honoring excellence among Barracks Marines, Sailors and Civilians

Sgt. Christopher E. Gayle

Unit U.S. Marine Band
Hometown Atlantic City, N.J.
Entered Service January 1982
Occupation 0311; Infantryman
Billet Crew Chief, U.S. Marine Band
On Center walk for Sustained superior performance

Sgt. Gayle, who came to the Barracks for the first time with Guard Detachment in January 1982, started his current tour with the Marine Band in September of last year. He hopes to stay on and to eventually become Stage Manager.



Cpl. Edward E. Sealey III

Unit H&S Company
Hometown Northboro, Mass.
Entered Service September 1990
Occupation 0311; Infantryman
Billet H&S Police Sergeant
On Centerwalk for Sustained superior performance

Cpl. Sealey played left defense for Team USA, the junior Olympic hockey team, prior to joining the Marine Corps. He plans to move into the Military Police field and make the Marine Corps a career.

Information and photos compiled by Cpl. Marcus D. McAllister

Awards

Company A

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. A.T. Carswell
Cpl. E.N. Chisholm III
Cpl. J.I. Hartung
Cpl. C.D. Walker
LCpl. J.M. Braner
LCpl. R.A. Monroe

Meritorious Mast

Cpl. R.D. Pitchford
Cpl. S.W. Tomlinson
LCpl. F. Elsasser

LCpl. L.J. Ethington
LCpl. T.V. Harrison
LCpl. A.G. Hicks
LCpl. K.R. Ikard
LCpl. K.S. Roberts
LCpl. D.W. Springer

Letters of Appreciation

Sgt. D.J. Charlier
Sgt. L.D. Garms, Jr.

Company B

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. C.E. Atkins II
Cpl. M.P. Carlson
Cpl. T.A. Geiger
Cpl. S.H. Rice

Cpl. S.R. Roll

Guard Detachment

Navy Commendation Medal

GySgt. K.L. Gearhart

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. C.N. Eubanks

Security Company

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. T.J. Burns
Cpl. M.J. Huber

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. B.P. Hollenbeck

Letter of Appreciation

Cpl. F.P. Crumb
LCpl. M.L. Chapman
LCpl. J.D. Conferd
LCpl. M.S. Robinson

Presidential Service Badge

Cpl. J.J. McAteer
LCpl. R.J. Mondor
LCpl. J.C. Knorowski
LCpl. W.S. Katschke

U.S. Marine Band

Good Conduct Medal

MGySgt. A.R. Linden
MGySgt. M.B. Becker
GySgt. R.C. Kantner
GySgt. R.D. Grisberger
SSgt. H.A. Miller
LCpl. M.W. Perry

Promotions

SgtMaj. W.R. Combs
MGySgt. A.R. Linden
MSgt. C.L. Blase
MSgt. R.T. Heffler, Jr.
GySgt. C.L. Green
GySgt. J.E. Niepoetter
GySgt. N.E. Lopata
Sgt. D.J. Loupe
Cpl. C.J. Borns
Cpl. S.P. Boyd
Cpl. A.C. Ivkovic
Cpl. T.J. Krywucki
Cpl. B.A. Lansdell
Cpl. D. Walsh
Cpl. F.J. Williams
LCpl. R.E. Glover
LCpl. E.S. Goodlow
LCpl. S.L. Graham
LCpl. K.L. Jackson
LCpl. T.J. Quick

LCpl. S.L. Rose III
LCpl. C. Smith
LCpl. S.W. Thomas

Welcome Aboard

1st Lt. D.F. Sullivan
1stSgt. M.O. White
GySgt. L.R. Charest
GySgt. F.E. Williams
SSgt. J.F. Agazzi
SSgt. R. Chacon
SSgt. M.D. Graham
Sgt. R.L. Lane
Sgt. M.J. Patel
Cpl. C.N. Eubanks
Cpl. J.G. Flood
LCpl. J.D. Austin III
LCpl. S.M. Belcher
LCpl. C. Bivens
LCpl. D.P. Brennan
LCpl. D.N. Butler
LCpl. R.L. Helms
LCpl. S.M. Pirrotta
LCpl. D.J. Roughan
LCpl. J.P. Sawyer
PFC S.M. Ashlake
PFC D.E. Bahrke
PFC J.J. Bernard
PFC A.J. Cantrelle, Jr.
PFC P.L. Carney
PFC K.L. Colombe
PFC T.L. Corbridge
PFC R.E. Davis
PFC J.E. Ernest
PFC K.N. Fernandez
PFC A.R. Fulton
PFC J.L. Griffin
PFC S.R. Hembree
PFC T.A. Hyde
PFC P.E. Kerber
PFC J.E. Kinter
PFC A.C. Lindstrom
PFC A.P. Little
PFC R.L. Martens, Jr.
PFC T.T. Mason
PFC A.M. Norman
PFC M.B. Olsen
PFC D.L. Osborne
PFC J.I. Plata
PFC J.P. Riley
PFC R.C. Sexton
PFC S.W. Snyder
PFC D.L. White
PFC D.R. White
PFC C.D. Williams
PFC J.W. Wood, Jr.
PFC K.S. Wright
Pvt. L.F. Mejia
Pvt. S.V. Roberts

Newlyweds



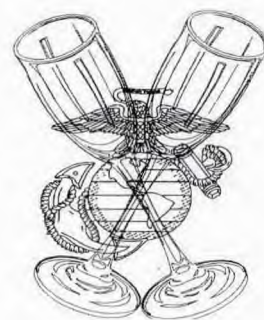
LCpl. Madeleine G. Lebeau, a Rhode Island native, and Cpl. Michael L. Engle, of Moravia, Iowa, were wed Aug. 1 at the Alexandria, Va. City Hall. Lebeau, 21, is a supply administration clerk in H&S company, while Engle, also 21, works in the Grounds and Maintenance section, also in H&S Company. (Photo courtesy of LCpl. M. Lebeau)

Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.
invites you to celebrate the

21 8th
Birthday
of the
Marine Corps



Date: November 6, 1993 **Time:** 6 p.m.
Location: Grand Hyatt, Washington, D.C.
1000 H.St., N.W.



Uniform: Evening Dress / Blue Dress A / Service A / Civilian Formal

Cost: \$25 for Officers / SNCO's; \$20 for Sergeants and below

Rooms are available at a special rate

Shuttle service available from the Barracks

Tickets on sale now at MWR

Be 'Semper Fidelis'

by Lt. Doyle W. Dunn, USN

"Listen up, Marines," said the sergeant with his strongest command voice. His platoon had gathered up close, seabags stacked tightly behind them. "I know some of you are deploying for the first time. This is a six-month float. It won't be easy. We are going to work hard. We are going to train hard. Then, we are going to *PLAY* hard! Oohrah?"

The platoon understood what he meant. Just to be sure there was no mistake, the sergeant ceremonially raised his left hand and slowly slid his gold wedding band off his finger. Big grins and subdued chuckles spread through the group. To make absolutely certain, the sergeant squinted his eyes, grimaced, and said as menacingly as he could, "What goes on out here stays out here."

This scene happens over and over. You know it's true. Not everybody does it, though. What



stops the rest? Perhaps it's a fear of AIDS or Hepatitis 'B'? Maybe they saw the movie, "Fatal Attraction"? Maybe they're single and plan to stay (GASP!)—virgin—until they're married? Maybe they are married and remember that they made a commitment to one individual to be (now watch out) faithful?

Of all the branches of military service in America, Marines take greatest pride being 'always

faithful' to God, to Country and to the Corps. What a conflict to see a person so outspoken about "The Big Three," and at the same time so treacherously unfaithful to their life-partner. It's an even greater shame to see a respected person (at any level) set that example, then preach "Semper Fi" to the other troops.

I wish everybody could hear some of the confidential discussions I have with Marines. You can't, but if you could, you would know that it seldom remains a permanent secret when someone breaks faithfulness. The damage it does to personal lives is sometimes too severe to recover from.

Don't find out for yourself. Stay in control. BE SEMPER FIDELIS! Expect the same from those Marines around you. Like the sergeant said: work hard, train hard, and play hard. Just play by the rules you've agreed to.

Worship Opportunities

NAVY YARD	Catholic Mass	9 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Service	10:30 a.m. Sundays
	Catholic Mass	7:30 a.m. Daily
NAVAL ANNEX FORT MYER <i>Old Post Chapel</i>	Catholic Mass	5 p.m. Saturdays
		9:30 a.m. Sundays
		12:30 p.m. Sundays
<i>Memorial Chapel</i>	Protestant Services	10:30 a.m. Sundays
		11:30 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Services	8:15 a.m. Sundays
FORT BELVOIR		11 a.m. Sundays
	Jewish Services	Call (703) 806-3393/4316
		(Chaplain Zisook)



From our Mailbox...

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

Dear Colonel Sollis:

As August winds up, I find myself remembering the good times of the last 30 days. The Evening Parade at 8th & I was a highlight of a busy month. Thank you and your Marines for honoring me in such grand fashion.

The professionalism and pride displayed by each of your Marines was evident to all in attendance. My family and I thoroughly enjoyed the event and the reception. Your parades will always be on our "must see" list for friends visiting the District.

With best wishes.

John H. Dalton

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Dear General Boomer:

I want express my most sincere thanks for the Marine Corps conducting a special parade in my honor during the recent Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers 46th Annual Summer Congress. Despite my years in Washington, this was the first Evening Parade I have ever had the pleasure to attend. To say that I was thoroughly impressed and just a bit overwhelmed would be a major understatement! Please pass my congratulations for an absolutely superb job to Colonel Sollis and his Marines.

More than two-thirds of the 1,000 plus people who attended the congress were reservists from other countries. I know they were equally as impressed with the military precision exhibited by Marines Barracks Washington. I'm sure they all took away a healthier respect for the quality of our Marines.

Again, thank you very much for the parade and for the opportunity for our Allied Reservists to view the outstanding precision displayed by our Marine Corps.

Deborah R. Lee

MARINE CORPS COMBAT DEVELOPMENT COMMAND

Dear Colonel Sollis,

On behalf of the Marine Corps Combat Development Command, please accept my sincere appreciation for the outstanding support received from the Marines of 8th & I. The formal dedication ceremony for the Marine Corps Research Center was a great success thanks, in no small measure, to the responsiveness, dedication, and consummate professionalism of personnel from the Marine Barracks. The Marines of Company A, including the Marine Corps Color Guard, commanded by Captain R. M. Heidenreich and the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps, under the direction of Master Sergeant M. H. Gardner, as usual, inspired the distinguished guests with their flawless performance.

C. C. Krulak
Lieutenant General, U.S. Marine Corps
Commanding General

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Dear Colonel Sollis:

It is with a great deal of personal pride that I send this note to you on behalf of the citizens of North Carolina and my fellow committee members for the Kids Klassic.

The performance by the U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Team for our event was one of excellence, and shows the real "pride of the Corps." We have only heard praise for these young men and consider it a real honor to have had them perform for us.

Captain John Bilas and the entire team were a real bright spot from the time they landed until they flew back, and everyone had a wonderful time talking with them and having them join in our festivities. I am really glad that the area recruiters were able to attend and spend time with the team.

Again on behalf of the state of North Carolina, thank you for this opportunity.

Rufus L. Edmisten
Secretary of State

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From the history books:
A brochure from the first exchange with
the Fort Henry Guard
(See page 26 for this year's visit)