

Pass in Review

Serving "The Oldest Post of the Corps"

February 1996



**Blizzard buries
Barracks bugles
and bayonets**

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The rules apply to all of us...

by Col. David G. Dotterer

Well, I suppose it had to happen.

No matter how many times the leadership of the Barracks passes the word, we still have a few (fortunately very few) Marines who believe the rules do not apply to them. In this case I am talking about the rules which say we will treat all Marines with dignity and respect. Consequently, we have an NCO who is facing charges before a special court-martial for allegedly mistreating his fellow Marines. This is serious charge which, in spite of the fact that this NCO has an exceptional record, can only be dealt with in this manner.

First, let's look at what the rules say. A few years ago my predecessor faced a similar situation (why do we keep making the same mistakes?) and wrote the following in a Barracks order:

"The misguided, if once "time honored," practice of initiating newly assigned Marines... is expressly forbidden.

"No member of the organization-no one shall participate in, or condone, the conduct of any sort of "rite of passage." No Marine will punch, kick, knee, slap, strike, douse, "dog pile," "pink belly" or otherwise physically abuse any other member of this command. Furthermore, no Marine will deliberately humiliate, demean, or otherwise psychologically or emotionally abuse any other member of this Barracks as a means of "welcoming someone aboard" or acknowledging the Marine's promotion.

"I am telling you for the very last time: Knock off the adolescent "grab-ass" right now!"

I can't say it any better. Nevertheless, we find ourselves in a situation where a Marine didn't believe, or chose to ignore, the last statement.

While it is important for everyone to first know and understand what the rules are, it is more important to understand how to apply them. What this incident provides is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on how traditions, leadership, and ethical behavior appear to collide.

First, while we have consistently stressed the importance of traditions here at "The Oldest Post of the Corps," there are few which have been passed down, unfortunately, which we can do without. Those traditions are forbidden in the Barracks Order and are the ones our NCO is charged with.

Second, since all Marines are leaders, it is all of

our responsibility to recognize the "special trust and confidence" placed in us as Marines. Leadership requires the application of our core values in every situation or, as a former Commandant said, "The people of the United States expect from us prowess in combat; but equally so, they expect honor, integrity, dedication to ideals, respect for human dignity, and the highest standards in personal and institutional discipline. Any action to the contrary is detrimental to the very image conveyed by the title Marine."

Finally, let's look at ethical behavior as defined in FMFM 1-0, "Leading Marines" - "action taken specifically in observance of a defined standard of conduct." In other words, you have a standard of conduct which you know, or should know, about and you apply it to a specific situation.

Note that I emphasized the word "appear" in the above paragraph when introducing tradition, leadership, and ethical behavior. "Leading Marines" makes the comment that ethical choices often involve a moral dilemma. Maybe they do in some cases; however, in this one there is no dilemma. If there is, you need to reexamine your personal decision-making process. In this case we have the classic win-win situation. Following the rules and the traditions is a winner for you as well as for the organization.

This all really comes back to something which I have discussed in previous columns and discussions with you—elite vs. elitist. The Marine Corps, and this Barracks as the embodiment of the Corps, is an elite organization. As such, we have both exacting standards and traditions to uphold. We all put ourselves on a very slippery slope when begin to rationalize our actions by "playing off" standards, traditions, and requirements against each other. An *elite* Marine in an elite organization recognizes how these standards and traditions apply in a specific situation. There is no dilemma or "collision" of values. On the other hand, an *elitist* will claim there is a "higher requirement" which places him above certain rules and traditions in the name of maintaining the elite status of the organization. Don't start down this slope of rationalization because you will soon find that you can justify almost any action. I recognize that the title 'elitist' belongs to only a few "bad apples." However, we are all tempted or see others who are tempted and we need to remember that **THE RULES APPLY TO ALL OF US.**

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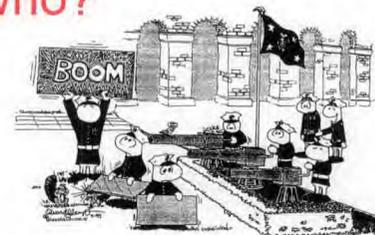
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"No smoke, no noise to disturb the neighbors, saves money on ammo, and is sensitive to the needs of the hearing impaired."

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IRS tax publication offers free tax service information

If you're doing your federal taxes and need a telephone number, a publication or somewhere to turn for help, the Internal Revenue Service has the information you need in one free booklet.

Tax officials said IRS Publication 910, Guide to Free Tax Services, offers telephone numbers for toll-free tax help and a list of other IRS services.

The guide also provides a list of recorded tax topics available by calling either a local or toll-free telephone number. Topics include filing requirements, tax credits and types of income.

One handy feature of the booklet, said IRS officials, is an

alphabetical listing of tax subjects with the related publication number. For example, if you need information on child care, you will find six separate entries under child, ranging from care to tax rules.

Each entry has the publication number listed with it that specifically deals with the topic and the tax requirements, said IRS officials.

For a free copy of this tax publication and others call toll-free (800)829-3676 or write to:

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DoD updates figures on worldwide military strength

AFIS — Military personnel strength dropped only 226 in August 1995, according to figures released by DoD recently. It is also a decrease of nearly 93,000 service members from the same time in 1994.

DoD bases its report on a preliminary report of 1,532,890 individuals serving as full-time military members. These numbers include regular and reserve component service members

on active duty. They also include midshipmen attending the service officer candidates, and cadets and academies.

SERVICE	8/31/95	7/31/95	CHANGE	8/31/94	CHANGE
ARMY	516,465	517,131	- 666	549,724	32,259
NAVY	439,016	439,693	- 667	472,515	-33,499
MARINE	175,359	173,659	+ 1,700	174,159	- 1,200
AIR FORCE	402,050	402,633	- 583	429,318	-27,268
TOTAL	1,532,890	1,533,116	- 226	1,625,716	-92,826



IRS eases difficulty in filing military-pay tax exemptions

Special tax benefits are available for members of the military, Internal Revenue Service officials said. But they can make filing federal taxes more difficult.

To make it easier to understand military pay, allowances and benefits and how they affect federal taxes, IRS offers two free brochures. IRS Publication 3, Tax Information for Military Personnel, and IRS Publication 945, Tax Information for Those

Affected by Operation Desert Storm, explain in detail what's taxable and nontaxable income.

For copies of these publications, call toll-free (800)829-3676 or write to:

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IRS officials said taxable military pay generally includes:

Active duty pay;

Re-enlistment bonuses;
Reserve training pay;
Service academy pay;
Special pay for hazardous or foreign duty;

Pay received by retired service members serving as instructors in Junior ROTC programs;

Lump-sum payments upon separation or release to inactive duty; and Military retirement pay based on length or service and age.

According to IRS officials, items generally not taxable include:

Basic quarters allowance;
Basic allowance for subsistence;
Department of Veterans Affairs benefits;

Death allowances for burial services;

Variable housing allowance;

Uniform allowance;

Forfeited pay, but not fines;

Family separation pay;

and Benefits under Servicemen's Group Life Insurance.

Federal taxes for service members stationed in the Persian Gulf area in 1995 are affected by the combat zone exclusion, said IRS officials. Specific details are available in IRS Publication 945.

If you need assistance, contact the local IRS office or call toll-free **(800)829-1040**.

Tell It To A Marine...



--If it will help kill the enemy, it's important.
 --If it will not help kill the enemy, it's not important.
 --Keep your material ready for battle.
 --Keep your boss informed concerning your readiness for battle."

-ADM Arleigh Burke

Tricare family member dental plan changes hands

On Feb. 1, The Dependents Dental Plan (DDP) changed vendors from Delta to United Concordia Companies (UCCI). No deterioration or essential change in service should be noticed.

The TFMDP operates exactly as it did under the DDP Delta. Members are not required to reenroll in the plan or choose a new dentist.

If the member's dentist is currently enrolled with UCCI as a "participating provider" then that dentist agreed to accept UCCI rates and will process dental claims for the enrolled member accordingly. There are cur-

rently 11,000 UCCI enrolled dentists.

If the member's dentist is not enrolled with the UCCI, then the dentist must be paid in advance and the resulting claim must be processed by the member. If the non-UCCI dentist charges more for procedures than the UCCI contract allows, then the member must pay the difference.

No changes will be experienced at the reporting unit level. All applications, unit diary entries, requests for adjustment, etc., will remain unchanged.

Concordia will continue efforts to recruit and accumulate more partici-

pating dentists to their program so that a comparable number of dentists are available to service members.

UCCI will be sending all families enrolled in the TFMDP a welcome kit that contains complete details of the transition. Following this introductory information, UCCI will send out information explaining their coverage and which dentists are enrolled in each specific geographic area.

In addition, DDP Delta will put special messages in their claim documents which will outline how to arrange treatment prior to and following the contract switch to UCCI.

Space available flights open up for family members

In a move designed to expand space available travel privileges and enhance quality of life, DoD changed its policy on family members using space-A flights.

An Air Force recommendation accepted recently allows family members to travel space available within the continental United States with sponsors and overseas without.

Specifically, family members may travel space-A within the United States with their sponsor on permissive house-hunting trips linked to a permanent change of station. They may also travel with sponsors for stateside emergency leaves.

Family members may also travel space-A unaccompanied between the United States and an overseas theater, and within that theater when on a command sponsored overseas assignment.

“The thought behind this change was to help minimize the stress families are experiencing because of draw-downs, high operations tempos and the frequent deployments of service members,” said Brig. Gen. Thomas R. Mikolajcik, Air Force transportation director.

Mikolajcik said the change is similar to one DoD adopted during Gulf War operations. He said overseas family members traveled unaccompanied while service members deployed to the Persian Gulf region.

Space-A travel allows eligible passengers to use seats remaining on all DoD-owned and chartered aircraft.

DoD categories Space-A travel into six categories:

Category I — emergency leave;

Category II — environmental and morale leave for active duty personnel assigned to sites;

Category III — ordinary leave, permissive temporary duty in preparation of a PCS move;

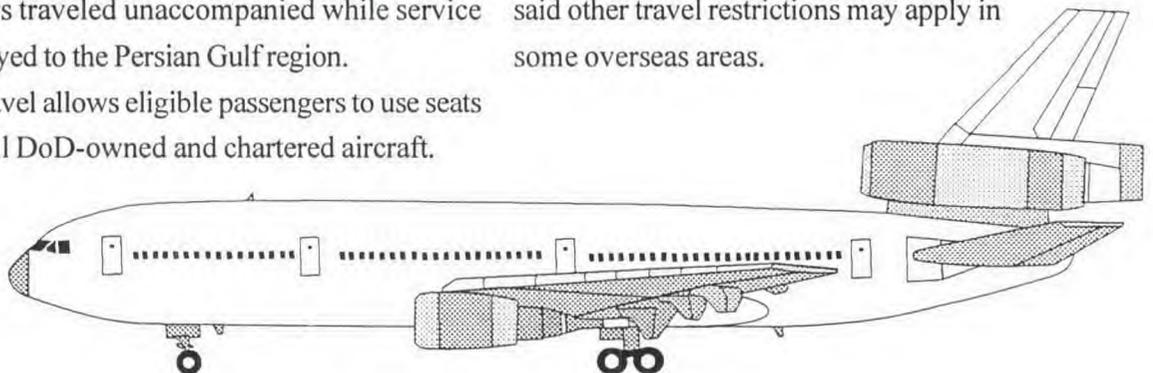
Category IV — environmental and morale leave for unaccompanied family members and DoD teachers during summer break;

Category V — service members on permissive temporary duty, foreign military passengers and students;

Category VI — retired military, reserve service members and ROTC/service academy cadets.

Although the new policy will not affect current space-A categories, conditions and restrictions to travel apply. A command-sponsored family member must be 18-years old to travel unaccompanied. According to Tech. Sgt. Dennis Bachiller, shift supervisor at Andrews Air Force Base passenger terminal, there are no restrictions for the Washington, D.C. area other than those outlined in the DoD policy.

Also, travelers stationed overseas must have a letter signed by the sponsor’s commander verifying command sponsorship. The letter is valid for one round-trip. Mikolajcik said other travel restrictions may apply in some overseas areas.



DoD plans housing upgrades

Perry responds to requests for more living space

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Responding to requests for more living space and privacy, DoD will soon begin replacing barracks rooms with mini apartments, according to Pentagon officials.

Defense Secretary William J. Perry recently approved a construction standard for junior enlisted, single housing at permanent duty stations.

Two service members will share an efficiency apartment with two 118-square foot living/

sleeping rooms, closets, a bathroom and a kitchenette, officials said.

He also approved standards for building size based on the number of apartments. The new standard does not affect barracks for service members in basic training.

The need for more living space and privacy topped the list of service members' concerns on recent quality of life surveys, officials said, causing DoD to explore ways to improve housing.

The new standard, called 1 plus 1, replaces the 2 plus 2 rule set in

1983, which provided a two-room suite for four people with a shared bath. While 1 plus 1 will be more costly, officials said, the investment will pay off in higher retention rates and lower



Marines at 8th and I living in the BEQ live and work together in shared three-man rooms. (USMC photo by LCpl. Chance D. Puma)

recruitment and training costs, and will boost morale and productivity.

Transforming old barracks to meet the new apartment-style standard will not happen overnight, however, officials said. But, the services have made a commitment to upgrade barracks quality and adopt the new standards beginning with fiscal 1996 construction, officials said.

According to MSgt. Alfred F. Hickmott, Logistics Chief, Marine Barracks, Washington D.C., there are currently no plans for any renovations to the barracks here, but the com-

mand is working to insure the quality of life for Marines at "The Oldest Post of the Corps" is up to standards.

"Several years ago, before Gen. Mundy set forth his quality of life

standards for the Corps, we had four or more Marines in each of the rooms in the barracks. Once the former commandant issued his guidance, we began a concerted effort to get the occupancy level in the barracks down to two men per room in the larger rooms and one

man per room in the smaller rooms," said Hickmott. "Currently there are no plans for any major renovations to the barracks."

During the next 20 years, DoD's plans call for increasing the number of enlisted members in the four lowest grades living in private rooms from about 50,000 to about 275,000. The number of people living in barracks with central lavatories will drop from about 116,000 to less than 1,000. Rooms with three or more people will drop from 123,000 to about 30,000.

Dear Marines and Civilians of 8th and I:

Words can not express my thanks to all the Marines and civilians of 8th and I, for their overwhelming support after the tragic death of my daughter Caitlin. I wish everyone of you could have known my little girl because she was very special. Christy and I could not have gotten through this without your tremendous outpouring of affection. You have all proven that "Semper Fi" is not just a motto, but a true measure of what being a Marine is all about. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

SEMPER FI.

MGySgt E.T. Hurrey

U.S. Marine Band free concert series continues

A number of free concerts by "The President's Own" U. S. Marine Band are planned.

The 1996 Spring Band Concert Series begins Sunday, March 17 and continues each week through April 28 at the Center for the Arts at George Mason University in Fairfax. The concerts begin at 2 p.m. The concerts will feature a blend of music, from Sousa marches, traditional band music and contemporary tunes. Instrumental soloists and the Band's bari-

tone vocalist, Michael Ryan, will also be featured.

The United States Marine Chamber Orchestra begins its Spring Concert Series March 3 at the National Academy of Sciences. The concert begins at 2 p.m. The Chamber Orchestra is the ensemble which most often performs at the White House.

Band performances are free but tickets are often required. For information, call the U. S. Marine Band at 433-4011.



Newsnotes...

Well, all the snow is gone, and hopefully your lives have returned to normal. Mine certainly has and I've made an interesting discovery. I've found that even when the Barracks is closed down, some how more paper seems to accumulate on my desk.

Some of the things will be used for stories in the "Pass in Review," but small items just seem to get lost in the shuffle even if they are good to know. So, from now on I'll be telling you about little odds and ends of information that could prove to be useful.

♦MWR has announced a minor change on hours in the gym and weight room. The facilities will be open Mon. - Fri from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. and weekends 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. MWR Marines will only be in the office to check out equipment from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on weekends, so, don't expect to go at other times looking for a basketball to use.

♦The Third Marine Division Association's annual family reunion is set for July 23-28 at the Adams Mark Hotel in Philadelphia. For more information call Sgt. Maj. (Ret.) Don Wilson at (609) 235-8178.

HQMC moves to Pentagon

Secretary of the Navy welcomes Gen. Krulak to "E" Ring in Headquarters' latest relocation

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Another page in Marine Corps history was written Jan. 18 when Secretary of the Navy John Dalton officially welcomed the Marines to their new Pentagon headquarters.

All four service chiefs are now under the same roof. Gen. Charles C. Krulak, 31st Commandant of the Marine Corps, accepted Mr. Dalton's invitation to join him and the Chief of Naval Operations, ADM Jeremy M. Boorda, on the "E Ring," saying the location of his old office in the Navy Annex caused him to miss all or part of some last-minute meetings with the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Headquarters Marine Corps has

long been a symbol of leadership for Marines serving throughout the world. The headquarters has been located at various sites throughout its history. From 1775 to 1781, HQMC was located in Philadelphia. While history does not record its exact location during the Revolutionary War, it is known that the headquarters was located in Philadelphia's waterfront district.

The Philadelphia Navy Yard hosted the headquarters until July of 1800. Finally, at the beginning of the 19th century, the Marines moved to Washington, D.C.

For the first four months, HQMC was temporarily lodged in tents at a

small camp site known as Camp or Peter Hill near 23rd and E Streets, NW.

In November 1800, the headquarters moved to a building rented from the War Department on Pennsylvania Avenue opposite the State Department and White House. Then, on March 1, 1804, the headquarters moved into its first "permanent" home at the historic Marine Barracks at 8th and I Streets, SE, where it remained for 97 years.

From June 1901 to November 1941, the headquarters was located at various buildings throughout Washington, D.C., and then settled at the Arlington Annex.

Six states have a new mailing address for CHAMPUS claims, and a new toll-free telephone number.

The six states are: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio.

For these states, claims should be sent to: Palmetto Government Benefits Administrators, CHAMPUS Claims, P.O. Box 100598, Florence, S.C. 29501-0598. The new toll-free telephone number for the six states is 1-800-471-0704.



DoD's Armed Forces Sports Committee kicked off its first 1996 championship tournament Jan. 21 with the armed forces boxing tournament at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Fifteen tournaments are slated for six installations this year. Other locations are:

Naval Air Station, Memphis, Tenn., March 10-16, women's basketball.

Camp Lejeune, N.C., March 10-16, men's basketball.

Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Va., March 14-17, wrestling.

Fort Jackson, S.C., April 6-12, bowling.

Naval Air Station, Memphis, Tenn., May 6-11, volleyball.

Camp Lejeune, N.C., Aug. 11-17, softball.

Fort Huachuca, Ariz., Sept. 22-28, golf.

Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, Norfolk, Va., Nov. 3-9, soccer.

The track and field tournament is set for May 21-26 at a site to be announced later.

To qualify for armed forces competition, athletes must apply through local sports channels and qualify through service tryouts and tournaments. Requirements vary by service. For more information on armed forces competition, contact Cpl. Powers at Special Services, 433-4295.

Silent Drill Platoon selects inspectors for '96 season

by Cpl. Timothy C. Hodge

The United States Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon has selected two Marines to serve as the rifle inspectors and the six Marines that will make up the inspection teams for the 1996 parade season.

Cpl. Steven W. Snyder and Cpl. Doug L. White were selected during recent tryouts as the 1996 inspectors.

LCpl. Elias A. Alvarado and LCpl. Christopher P. Cronin will be the "throw-outs". The "throw-out" tosses his rifle to the inspector for the mirror drill. Cpl. Matthew B. Mayo and LCpl. Daniel J. Diacik will be the "doubles". They will perform the mirror drill with the rifle inspector. LCpl. Daniel M. Francis and LCpl. Heath D.

McCrinkle were selected to be the "singles". They combine with the inspector to execute the elaborate rifle inspection.

To be a part of the Silent Drill Platoon is indeed an honor, but for the Marines who now belong to the inspection teams, they have truly distinguished themselves as

the best of the best.

For a short time during each appearance, the rifle inspector and the members of his inspection team are featured apart from the rest of the platoon, displaying flawless drill movements and rifle handling.

For the first part of the 11-minute demonstration, the rifle inspector and

his inspection team appear no different than the other Marines in the platoon.

But just as the action seems to slow, the rifle inspector singles out the members of his inspection team to perform dazzling spins, tosses and an amazing "mirror" drill. During this difficult drill sequence, the rifle inspector and a member of the inspection team

replicate every drill movement simultaneously.

To tryout for rifle inspector or an inspection team, the Marine must have at least one year of experience on the Silent Drill Platoon. They are selected after tryouts that are graded by the rifle inspectors of the previous year.



Cpl. Doug L. White competes for a spot on the inspection team. (USMC Photo by Cpl. Timothy C. Hodge)

Newsnotes...

♦There have been some changes to the Champus/Tricare system that you should know about. The Active-Duty Dental Plan has expanded its coverage to include enrolled persons living in Canada. Active-duty families returning from overseas, who have 12 months left on their current enlistment, may sign-up for the dental plan. Also, the "Catastrophic Cap" has been reduced for non-active-duty enrollees in the Tricare Prime managed-care program.

♦Recruiting Stations Kansas City, Omaha and San Francisco are looking for recruiter assistants. If you are interested in earning extra points for promotion while spending up to 30 days permissive TAD in your hometown area, contact your chain of command for more information and assistance.

♦ALMAR 7-96 is out. The new policy is that GySgts. are not required to requalify with the service rifle unless it is assigned as their T/O weapon. MGySgts. and SgtsMaj. are now exempt from annual pistol qualification, too.

♦Finally, the Marine Corps had a tank shortage. Congress solved the problem by directing the Army to give 84 M-1 tanks returning from Europe to the Corps.

by LCpl. Patrick E. Franklin

Barracks Marines weather



The Blizzard of '96 buried or stranded offices and businesses in the Washington, D.C. area and made travel in the District impossible for days. More than 24 inches of snow fell during January storms, but fierce winds and fluctuating temperatures covered many areas of D.C. even deeper, according to the Commerce Department of the National Weather Service. 8th & I, as a Marine post near the heart of the nation's capitol, was not immune to the blizzard's effects.

Snow-blocked roads cut many Marines off from the District and marooned others into the Barracks to weather the storm.

Top: Molly, the Barracks Mascot, enjoys a refreshing romp through the snow. (Photo courtesy of SSgt. Ronald P. LaPlante) Right: Cpl. Cindiemarie Smith catches the spirit of Blizzard '96 by making a snow angel. (Photo courtesy of Cpl. Smith) Far Right: GySgt. Edward A. Temple stands beside his creation -- a huge winter dragon carved from a snow drift. (Photo courtesy of GySgt. Temple) Bottom: A panoramic view of an iced-over road in Alexandria. (Photo courtesy of Cpl. Smith)



the storm in Blizzard '96

While Barracks companies worked to stay on top of their missions, the blizzard made a striking change to the face of 8th & I.

For those accustomed to the immaculate gardens and parade deck of this historical landmark, constant snowfall presented an unusual sight, according to Cpl. Kenneth J. Turbyfill, a Grounds Maintenance squad leader. The Barracks looked like, "a snowcapped ghost town," said Turbyfill, originally from Charlotte, N.C.

While the Barracks is now back to normal, many Marines here won't forget the January blizzard that for a time made 8th & I "the coldest post of the Corps."



"The snow parlyzed our daily operations at MCI for about two and a half days by blocking the local post office routes. We could process students' enrollments and grades, but we couldn't send out courses or grades." -- Sgt. Nolan C. Nurse, Logistics Dept., MCI Co.

"We were ready for snow and had all the removal equipment we needed. There was such a magnitude of snow though, there was really nowhere to put it." -- Cpl. Kenneth J. Turbyfill, Grounds Maintenance, H&S Co.



"MWR was up and running through the storm to keep the weight room and gym open for everyone stuck in the Barracks. It was just a way to provide relief from cabin fever." -- GySgt. Linda R. Charest, Special Services, H&S Co.



"The workload in my office didn't increase, but a lot of us stood extra duty for Marines who couldn't get here. There was a feeling of isolation around the post with so few people." -- Cpl. Michael J. Bess, Graphic Production Dept., MCI Co.



Cpl. Michael J. Minar, U. S. Marine Band, was recently cited for his heroic efforts to attempt to save the life of Mr. Howard J. Davis Jr.

According to a letter by the Virginia State Police, **Minar** witnessed an accident on I-95 and stopped to offer assistance. He immediately began CPR when he found Davis had no pulse. He maintained his care of Davis until he was relieved by emergency medical technicians arriving at the scene. In praising **Minar**, State Police First Sergeant K. Randy Redden wrote, "As long as we have Marines like him, the Commonwealth and our country will remain the greatest place in the world in which to live."



Congratulate these Marines when you see them wearing their new rank insignia:

H&S Co.

- SSgt. Robert W. Crumpton
- SSgt. Robert Myrick
- Sgt. Duane G. Nixon
- Cpl. Daniel A. Robinson
- LCpl. Larry J. Domkoski
- LCpl. William J. Freaney
- LCpl. Charles J. Gonzalez
- LCpl. Phillip P. Long
- LCpl. John G. Stovall
- LCpl. Anthony M. Suggs
- PFC Omar A. Chavez
- PFC Bryan D. Crawl
- PFC William M. Eaton
- PFC Jonathan S. Hill
- PFC Christopher M. Sandlin

Best wishes to **Cpl. Eugene F. Bennett III** (second from left) and **LCpl. Nicole A. Eddy** on their recent marriage.



The ceremony took place Dec. 9 in Alexandria in a civil ceremony presided over by Magistrate (and former Marine) Gerald E. Williams.

The couple was attended by fellow members of the U. S. Marine Drum & Bugle Corps **LCpl. Chris Hansen** (far left) and **Cpl. Trey Reed**.

Co. A

- Cpl. Adam J. Grayson
- LCpl. Brian C. Dawson
- LCpl. Arthur R. Glover II
- LCpl. Gabriel B. Hartnett
- LCpl. Kenny D. Jayson
- LCpl. Kevin D. Rochford
- LCpl. Nicholas S. Trejo
- PFC Jeriah J. Rave

PFC Christopher Ryberg
PFC Michael N. Sorrells

Co. B

LCpl. Jerry A. Heim Jr.
LCpl. Derek D. Holmen
LCpl. Joshua D. Mann
PFC Joshua G. Wilcox

MCI Co.

Maj. Adam J. Copp
LCpl. Lee T. Yang
PFC David C. Dempsey

You'll be seeing several new Marines who were promoted as they joined the Barracks. They are:

Co. A

LCpl. Kenyatta Momon
PFC Clay A. Butler
PFC Aaron A. Raduechel

Co. B

LCpl. William C. Steding
PFC Christopher L. Peil
PFC Darron R. Spencer

Several new faces are be-

ing seen around the Barracks, too. Welcome these new Marines when you see them.

H&S Co.

GySgt. King E. Thomas
Cpl. Andrew A. Atkinson
Cpl. Terry L. Jackson
LCpl. Shane B. Melenbacker
LCpl. Gabriel J. Pavey
LCpl. John G. Stovall
LCpl. Christopher W. Tolley
PFC Omar A. Chavez
PFC Brian D. Crowl
PFC Matthew P. Delleart
PFC Jason P. Denner
PFC William M. Eaton
PFC Jeremy R. Fell
PFC Chet Garrison
PFC Jonathan S. Hill
PFC Rodney J. Howard
PFC Steven M. Keller
PFC Joshua M. Kleinpeter
PFC Joshua D. Lyons
PFC Terry L. Mason
PFC Andrew J. Merryweather
PFC Nathan M. Prodell
PFC Christophe M. Sandlin

PFC Andrew M. Smith
PFC Brendon D. Whitfield

Co. A

Cpl. Bryan C. Duprey
Cpl. Gabriel Q. Ford
PFC Kelly J. Andree
PFC Cory R. Hicks
PFC Dean Miyazono
PFC Jeriah J. Rave
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Have you seen 'HarryWho'?

Take the ordinary, make it politically correct, and you've got 'HarryWho'?

Have you noticed a change in HarryWho?

He didn't change his hair color or grow a mustache, but he did get a new attitude.

For six years GySgt. Edward A. Temple, U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, has found the humor in almost every aspect of 8th and I life. He has made the parade deck a runway, a four -story parking lot and a swimming pool. He portrays

the comical side of our ceremonial units. But, there's something new.

After years of trying to draw things and get certain messages across, Temple finally found a way to say things in a way as to not insult or offend any of the key players in his cartoons-at least most, he thinks. This new approach made its comical debut in May 1994.

The squirrel.

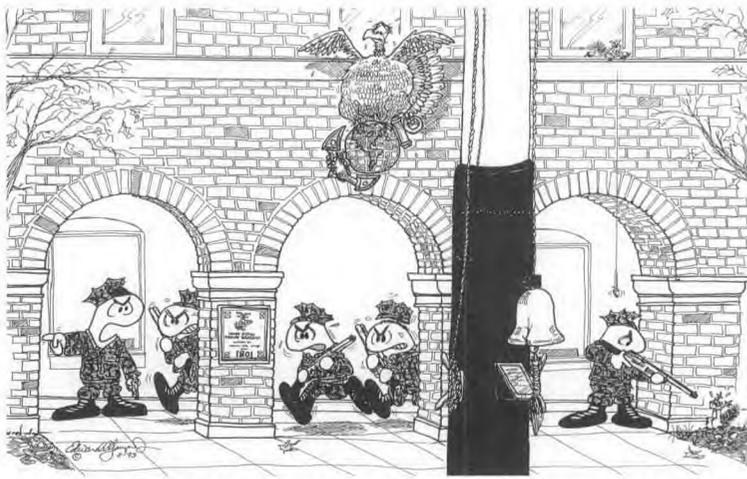
According to Temple, "the

squirrels see and hear everything that goes on at the Barracks. They're the only ones who've got the 'skinny' on anyone who's served at Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C."

It is with this point of view that Temple brought to life these co-inhabitants of 8th and I. "I incorporated the squirrel to follow the trend of political correctness in our society today," comments Temple.



“Meet LCpl. Quasi Moto, our new professional ceremonial bell ringer.”



"Find that holiday turkey, it's around here somewhere"



"So that's how you select a new drum major."

"The 'Politically Correct Cartoon' (P.C.C.) is a way for the squirrel to say what I'm thinking, but can't always express through my alter-ego Harry."

The squirrels in Temple's cartoons are found doing anything within the realm of 'politically correct'. P.C.C. first appeared as the ceremonial bell ringer, then seen trying out for the Marine Band Drum Major position. Throughout the past two years he has accompanied every HarryWho cartoon that has touched on seemingly questionable topics.

"I think the most memorable P.C.C. cartoon for me was back in September 1995. It shows the squirrels conducting the "Pass In Review" portion of the Evening Parade. I think if they had a chance they would take over the parades and show us how things should be done," commented Temple.

Much to Temple's surprise, the success of the cartoon has reached much further than the "Pass In Review." HarryWho has appeared in several mili-

tary publications including "Leatherneck", "Henderson Hall News", "The Scout" at Camp Pendelton, Calif. and on various unit t-shirts around Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.

Two of the most recent and meaningful of Temple's awards include a 1st place 1995 Division of Public Affairs Merit Award -Illustration or Cartoon, and the U.S.M.C. Combat Correspondents Association Distinguished Performance Award - also a first place

award in the SNCO/Officer, Art or Illustration category, in 1994.

Temple has also published two books and continues with another two books in production. With his vibrant sense of humor and never-ending ideas Temple is seeing a bright future in the world of Politically Correct Cartoons.

by
LCpl. Jerry Pierce Jr.



"We've been doing this critiquing stuff too long."

Attitude

How many things can you name that frustrate you now? I can think of several. Gloomy weather. Ceremonial Drill School. Piles of paperwork. Not enough money. Inconsiderate people. Heavy traffic. Boredom.

Winter months have a way of bringing us down. Maybe it's "cabin fever" or not enough time or opportunity to get out and breathe a little. Perhaps it's the work load. You may see attitudes sliding into the "gray funk" faster than kids tubing down snowbanks at Anacostia Park. Whatever the reason, I bet you would agree with me, it will be nice when summer gets here.

In the meantime, you have to survive. Hopefully you'll do better than just surviving. You know, you can use these days and improve *yourself* even if you can't do anything about your circumstances. It starts with your attitude. That's right. Not the attitude of your platoon sergeant or squad leader. You. I could waste paper trying to explain this in my own words, but the following quote from Charles Swindoll says it much better than I possibly could. Check this out:

"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people may say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company . . . a

church . . . a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past . . . we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude . . . I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.

And so it is with you . . . we are in charge of our attitudes."

Take his advice. It really doesn't matter what happens to you, or what you do or do not have. What matters is the *attitude* that will allow you to face difficulty and move right on through it.

You *can*. You don't even have to do it alone. The fact is, God doesn't hibernate through the winter. He will hang in there and give you peace if you'll trust Him.

One famous Christian writer put it like this: ". . . I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances . . . I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."

Hang on. Summer's coming.

by
LCDR Doyle W. Dunn, USN

From the Mailbox

Dear Colonel Dotterer,

The first-ever Defense Ministerial of the Americas is complete. The success of the Ministerial was unparalleled and truly exceeded my most optimistic expectations. Many Ministers of Defense and Heads of Delegation remarked it was the best conference they had ever attended—anywhere; and they expressed they had difficulty believing an event of this magnitude and complexity was conducted without a single problem. I personally share that view.

A good portion of the credit for this success goes to the Marine Corps Color Guard. Their performance throughout the Ministerial played a definite role in the success of the Defense Ministerial of the Americas. The appearance and total professionalism of this fine unit added dignity and class to an important event.

Please convey my belated, but heartfelt gratitude to the members of the Color Guard for accomplishing a challenging job in an exceptionally outstanding way. Their efforts contributed toward enhanced security relations within the Western hemisphere.

Sincerely,
William J. Perry
Secretary of Defense

Dear Colonel Dotterer:

As host for the testimonial dinner honoring Gen. Al Gray, I want to extend my sincere appreciation for the support provided by the Barracks that made the event an evening that will go in the history books.

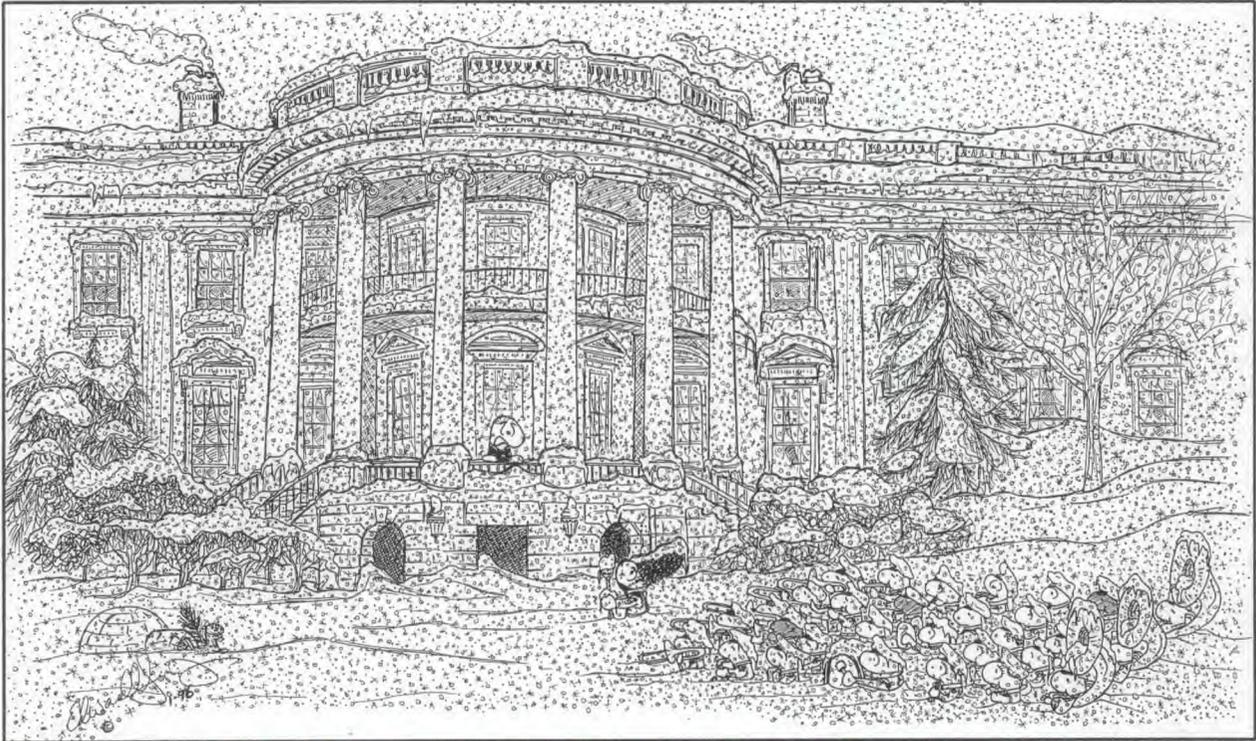
The Marine rifle bearers of the Color Guard first got everyone's attention as they escorted Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Krulak to their seats. The Drum and Bugle Corps' patriotic opening, honors rendered to our 29th and 31st Commandants standing side by side, the superb performance of the Color Guard, and the fantastic concert delivered following dinner set the stage for the fabulous testimonial.

As a Marine combat veteran of WW II and Korea, I extend to you and your Marines my personal thanks for supporting and being part of a great evening, and extend a "Bravo Zulu!"

As you meet the challenges of commanding officer of The Oldest Post of the Glorious Corps, I extend to you best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely and Semper Fi,
Daniel M. Ross

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



"The blizzard postponed our luncheon a few more hours.
Just wait here a little longer."

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