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A letter to Barracks Marines...

Dear Colonel Flynn,

I wanted to personally thank you and let you know how impressed and inspired my family and I were by the performance of your Marines at Monday night's (May 18) ceremony.

As you can imagine, I have been to many of these ceremonies over the years, but I can't remember ever seeing a better one. We know the hard work and hours of practice that go into every performance, and it pays off — the young men and women of Marine Barracks Washington are the most disciplined and the Guard presents the most precise drill in the world! Parades at 8th & I are legendary and a source of great pride for the Marine Corps, and justifiably so. Be assured that everyone in the "Marine Corps/Navy Team" shares in that pride.

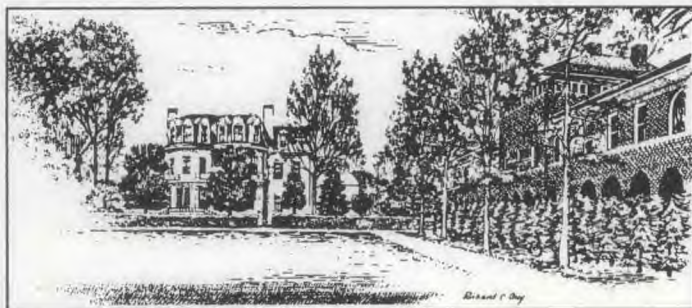
Thanks again, and please pass my personal well done to all the Marines who made the night such a memorable one. SEMPER FI!

All the best,
J. L. JOHNSON
 Admiral, U.S. Navy

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On the cover: Sgt. Mitchell L. Brown, MCI, escorts guests on parade night. See story page 12. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)

Back Cover: President's Fourth of July message (Photo by Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe)

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From the Commanding Officer...



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

The Navy Marine Corps Relief Society provides a valuable service to Marines throughout the Corps, and this is especially true locally. A large percentage of personnel seen by the Washington Navy Yard Auxiliary are Barracks Marines, for reasons ranging from budget counselling to requests for loans/grants. In typical fashion, you fully supported the annual NMCRS fund drive. Thanks to the efforts of 1stLt. John Bilas, every Marine was canvassed; and the respond was heartening, with 93 percent of the Marines donating a total of \$21,446 — an increase of nearly 30 percent over last year. This is an exceptional effort and one all of you can be proud of.

The reaction and response from local residents and businessmen to our recent neighborhood cleanup have been highly favorable. This less than appealing task was attacked with the same vigor and enthusiasm which is characteristic of everything you do. Thanks to all concerned for representing the Barracks and Corps so splendidly — WELL DONE.

There has been a major change to our Performance Evaluation System (PES) which took effect on 1 June. Reporting Seniors (RS) are now required to show completed reports to Marines reported on (MRO). Once the report has been sighted, the MRO will sign and date item 22 on the report as well as any addenda sheets. Previously, Marines were only allowed to view their fitness report if it was adverse. As stated in ALMAR 126/92: "In order for this "show" policy to work, RS's must prepare candid, objective evaluations with a conscious effort to avoid inflation." Those with fitness report responsibilities should review ALMARS 126/92 and 127/92 for additional details.

We celebrate the Independence Day holiday 4 - 6 July. Continue to exercise caution and good judgement during this high risk period. Enjoy and celebrate our Nation's birthday, but do so responsibly. Semper Fidelis.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.C. Flynn".

J.C. Flynn
United States Marine Corps
Commanding

Pediatric Clinic clarifies roles

The National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, has issued a recent instruction on the use of the Pediatric Acute Care and Pediatric Appointment Clinics. This information could be helpful to those who use Bethesda as their source of (child) health care.

The Pediatric Acute Care Clinic is operated to provide timely access to care for children with "acute" illnesses. Parents should call the clinic (301) 295-4950 for an appointment on the same day or the next day. Patients arriving at the clinic without appointments will be seen as indicated, depending on the acuteness and severity of the illness and the appointment schedule.

The Pediatric Appointments Clinic is operated to provide non-acute care (i.e., follow up from an earlier illness) or health maintenance (i.e., well baby checks). Appointments can be made by calling (301) 295-4902.

Both Pediatric Clinics are open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Patients requiring care after hours and on weekends are seen in the Emergency Room.

Motel directory offered

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

USO volunteers needed

USO-Metro has a constant need for volunteers to help out in outreach centers and in other capacities throughout the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. For more information, contact the volunteer coordinator at (202) 783-8117.

Democracy counts...on your Vote

Are you registered to vote? Are your spouse and eligible dependents registered to vote? With the freedoms of democracy come the responsibilities of making the system work by exercising your vote. The local Voting Information Center offers pre-recorded messages from candidates as well as other election information. Call the center at (703) 693-6500. For more information regarding voting, contact the Barracks Voting Officer at 433-4492.

Dental rates to increase July 1



AFIS— Premiums for the Basic Dependents Dental Plan will increase July 1, 1992.

A military sponsor with one dependant will pay \$5.20 per month, up from \$4.57, said Air Force LtCol. Roger T.

Miller, dental partnership project officer at the Office of Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS). Family coverage will cost \$10 per month, up from \$9.14.

To avoid violating the congressionally imposed cap of \$10 for the sponsor's share of family coverage, the government will pay a higher share of the premium. The current government share is 60 percent. This will rise to 61.54 percent.

The plan provides basic dental services through participating dentists. Services include dental X-rays, oral exams and cleanings, preventive sealants on permanent molars for patients under 14 and fluoride treatments. It also pays 80 percent of the charges for fillings, stainless steel crowns for baby teeth and repairs to dentures. It doesn't cover root canals, crowns for permanent teeth or orthodontic work such as braces.

Miller said the DoD is working on expanding the benefits available through the plan.

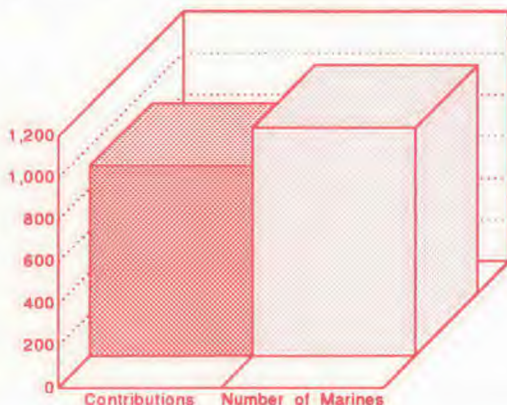
Free tuition offered

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

1992 NMCRS Fund Drive results



Ninety-three percent of Barracks Marines contributed more than \$21,000 to the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society. This year's collection netted \$5,000 more than last year.



Fire safety is key to summer fun

Save lives, prevent damage with simple precautions

Spring is when we renew our enthusiasm for outdoor activities. It's a time when we can enjoy outdoor activities with family and friends. But, remember, to keep these times enjoyable and fire safe, there are a few basic things to do when starting a spring clean-up.

In areas such as attics, basements, closets, garages and sheds, remove piles of old newspapers and rags from under sinks or in corners.



Combustible and flammable liquids (such as gasoline, oil, thinners, lighter fluid, etc.) should be properly stored in the shed in an approved safety container (NOT in glass jugs, milk jugs, bleach bottles, or other open-lid containers).

Check electrical extension cords (like the ones you might have run under the carpet last winter for the Christmas tree and forgot to remove). Look for frayed wires and replace or remove them. An old frayed electric wire or an overloaded receptacle are just the things that cause many fires in homes, so get rid of them.

If you have not already tested your smoke detector, this is a good time. Test it while you are cleaning it. Use your vacuum cleaner to clean the smoke detector to prevent it from giving off a false alarm in the middle of the night when you're asleep.

Throw away or turn-in those boxes and bags of old clothes in the attic to an

aid-center (some donations are tax-deductible). For your information, DoD prohibits the storage of combustibles in attics.

Spring clean-up is not just for the inside, but the outside as well. Get rid of the old leaves, trash, and weeds from around the yard to prevent the possible spread of fire to your house.

Clean the barbecue grille, and if you have a gas grille, check and tighten the connections to prevent any leaks.

A thorough spring cleaning is an effective way of performing sound fire prevention practices around your home. The Naval District Washington Fire Prevention Branch is always available to help you and your family in prevention matters. If you have any questions, call (202) 767-1906.

*Story by
Bill Beattie, NDW Fire Inspector*

Proper steps lessen mosquito threat

Standing water offers bug haven aboard Bolling

Besides being irritating pests, mosquitoes are the carriers of a number of serious human diseases, including encephalitis, dengue, malaria and yellow fever.

Some diseases are familiar only to active-duty members who've served in foreign countries. However, some of these diseases occur locally.

Military Public Health Services conducts a mosquito surveillance program to identify mosquitoes which may cause a health threat to the population residing on Bolling Air Force Base.

However, residents play a vital role in protecting themselves from disease-causing mosquitoes.

To help cut down the threat, residents should:

Eliminate containers around the home which may collect water, such as tires, buckets, vases and clogged rain gutters.

Change the water frequently in wading pools or bird baths to control mosquito breeding.

Mosquitoes love swamp-like areas. Don't over-water lawns and fill any low spots in lawns to prevent water from pooling.

Wear light-colored clothing with long sleeves, especially during evening hours, to offer as little exposed skin as possible.

Standard repellents work fine, but should be reapplied every few hours.

Outdoor lighting should be yellow to avoid attracting mosquitoes. Citronella candles or oil in torches can also help reduce mosquitoes.

Skin softeners are NOT an effective mosquito repellent.

For more information regarding mosquito and other pest control measures, contact the Bolling MPHS, at 767-4468.

*Story by
LtCol. Barbara A. DalleMolle
Bolling AFB Military Public Health
Services*

Hornet crashes in Malaysia

An F/A-18D Hornet crashed over land in Malaysia, May 29, while flying back to Iwakuni, Japan, from a routine training exercise in Singapore. Both crewmembers successfully ejected and were successfully recovered by a search and rescue helicopter. The aircraft, part of a six-plane detachment, was attached to VMFA(AW)-121, home-based at MCAS El Toro, Calif. The crash is under investigation.

Marine earns spot on Olympic team

MCNEWS — Staff Sgt. Roxanne Thompson earned a place on the U.S. Olympic team by winning the women's sport pistol olympic trials held May 14-17 in Chino, Calif. Thus far, she is the only Marine to qualify to compete in the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain

Other hopefuls still in the running are Sgt. Eric Wetzel, Sgt. Buddy Lee and Cpl. George Williams. These Marines are still eligible to qualify in Greco-Roman wrestling. Olympic team wrestle-offs were scheduled to be held in Concord, Calif., earlier this month.

Additionally, LCpl. Germaine Thedford, Cpl. Robert Allen, Cpl. Michael Demoss and Cpl. Sergio Reyes will vie for spots on the Olympic Boxing Teams during box-offs to be held July 27 in Phoenix, Ariz.

Recruiting Station to remain in LA

MCNEWS — Shortly after the riots in Los Angeles were quelled, news media started to report that military recruiting activities in the area affected by the civil unrest would not be returning to their previous locations and would be moving out of the south central portion of Los Angeles.

However, according to officials at Marine Corps Recruiting Station Los Angeles, the headquarters element, collocated with the Military Entrance Processing Station, has been operating since May 4 despite massive fire damage to the facility.

A recent article in the Los Angeles Times further dispelled the rumor of relocating outside the city when federal officials stated that the facility would be rebuilt in the south Los Angeles area. The exact site for the facility has yet to be determined.

Disney World offers military specials

Walt Disney World Resort salutes military personnel with the special "At Ease" package available now through Feb 6, 1993.

U.S. service personnel and their families can experience one of Disney's theme resorts and enjoy the magic of Disney's theme parks with up to 30 percent savings (depending on time of year and resort).

Packages include four nights accommodations plus four days unlimited admission to the Magic Kingdom, Epcot Center and the Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park. Packages are priced from \$73 per person, based on double occupancy, at select Disney resorts.

Participating resorts include Disney's Contemporary Resort, Disney's Village Resort, Disney's Fort Wilderness Resort and Campground, Disney Vacation Resort, Disney's Polynesian Resort and Disney's Yacht and Beach Club Resorts.

For reservations and information, service members should contact their local military ticket office or call (800) 647-7900, ext. 72.

Marine Reserve gets central command

MCNEWS — The Marine Reserve Force, a new headquarters command for all Marine Corps Reserve units nationwide, was activated during ceremonies at Belle Chase Naval Air Station, New Orleans, La., June 6.

A significant milestone in the restructuring of the Marine Corps Reserve, this new unit's command post is now located at the F. Edward Herbert Defense Complex in New Orleans. Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. C.E. Mundy Jr., reviewed the ceremonies as commanding generals of the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing and 4th Marine Division (reinforced) relinquished commands during a combined change of command ceremony in conjunction with the activation of the Marine Reserve Force.

Major Gen. Clyde L. Vermilyea relinquished command of the 4th MAW to MGen. John F. Cronin. Major Gen. James E. Livingston relinquished command of 4th MarDiv to MGen. John T. Coyne.

Story by
4th MAW/4th MarDiv
Public Affairs Office



Zero-tolerance Policy

CMC reinforces DUI policies

White Letter 7-92 clarifies command's responsibilities

"Intoxicated driving is clearly incompatible with the high standards of professionalism and military discipline that epitomize our Corps. Marines who drive drunk endanger not only themselves, but also the many responsible motorists and pedestrians who use the streets and roadways of our bases and stations. For years, it has been Marine Corps policy to reduce drunk driving through a coordinated program of education, identification, law enforcement, and treatment.

"Recently, in an effort to develop new techniques to handle the problem of drunk driving, several commands have attempted to institute "courtesy ride" and "command referral" programs for first time offenders stopped on base for driving under the influence. These programs afford the first time offender a "second chance" by referring the violator directly to the command vice having him or her processed by the military



Gen. C.E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps

police. While I applaud the initiative involved in these proposals and certainly appreciate the inherent leadership responsibilities of command, DoD and DON policy on the subject is clear.

The aggressive enforcement of DUI/DWI laws is a major component of the overall program to reduce drunk driving. Commands may not circumvent mandatory DUI/DWI processing requirements by locally instituting less stringent procedures. Administrative suspension of installation driving privileges and other DoD and DON enforcement measures will be applied uniformly to offenders driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

"The practice of Marines gathering together in fellowship is a time honored tradition enjoyed by Marines everywhere. No one is suggesting we curtail this practice. My guidance on this matter, however, is clear. We will not tacitly condone drunk driving by adopting less forceful enforcement measures. Marines suspected of driving under the influence must be handled in accordance with existing policy and directives."

IRR offers reserve time without drills

AFIS — People taking a voluntary separation option must spend at least a few years in the Ready Reserve. But that doesn't mean attending weekend drills.

Ready Reservists drill one weekend a month and for two weeks sometime during the year, but only if they belong to the segment known as the Selected Reserve, said Christopher Jehn, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management and Personnel. The other Ready Reserve components are the Individual Ready Reserve and the Inactive National Guard.

He said DoD expects most departing service members will go into the Individual Ready Reserve. First, the National Guard and federal reserve face possible personnel drawdowns to match the active component; the Indi-

vidual Ready Reserve has no size restriction. Second, he said, a long-standing federal law requires Selected Reserve members to pay back part of the separation money they receive. The law does not apply to Individual Ready Reservists.

"Plus, there is no current requirement for IRR members to drill," he said.

Neither are they paid, however.

"At this time, the only real requirement is a one-day screening each year to make sure personal information, such as telephone number and address, are correct," Jehn said.

"Also, we need to know that he or she is physically fit and still able to do the job."

According to reserve affairs officials, the ongoing personnel drawdown

makes the Individual Ready Reserve more critical to the services than before. In a crisis, its members can make up shortfalls in active and reserve component units. During the first few months of a crisis, reserve affairs officials said, the Individual Ready Reserve offers the services a trained manpower pool that gives them time to receive replacements from the training bases.

If the president declares a national emergency, he may order up to 1 million Ready Reservists, which includes Individual Ready Reservists, to involuntary active duty for up to 24 months, said reserve affairs officials. If Congress declares war or a national emergency the president can order the Ready Reserve to duty for the duration of the crisis plus six months.

Marines help refurbish monument

Marine Corps War Memorial gets a facelift

It was during the famous battle for Iwo Jima that the faces of five Marines and one Corpsman were immortalized in the Pulitzer Prize winning photograph by Joe Rosenthal. This photo, taken Feb. 23, 1945, inspired the construction of the Marine Corps War Memorial which towers 78 feet high near Arlington National Cemetery.

The 32-foot-high figures of the famous flag-raising on Iwo Jima were tarnished from weathering the earth's elements through the years.

This year, nearly 40 years after it's unveiling, the monument was restored by nine Marines from the Barracks and Henderson Hall, and four civilians from the George Washington Memorial Parkway Park Service.

"Restoration of the monument was scheduled in 1984, but lack of funds prevented us from completing the process at that time," explained Nicolas F. Veloz, Coordinator, George Washington Memorial Parkway Park Service. "However, the monument has been restored in previous years by local Marines and civilians."

Volunteers began refurbishing the monument this time on April 21 and completed the project May 21.

"The refurbishing consisted of washing the monument with pressure water, detergent and brushes. The Marines then

waxed the monument three times, using a torch to apply and smooth the wax," said Veloz.

Although the work may sound minor, a great deal of time and effort went into beautifying the structure.

"We really didn't realize how much work needed to be done



LCpl. Eric Butler, Guard Det., cleans a section of the Marine Corps War Memorial during its refurbishing in April and May. (Photos by Nicolas Veloz)

until we began," said LCpl Eric Butler, Guard Detachment. "We worked for four-and-a-half weeks and eight hours a day. But we learned a lot of history behind the monument from the others."

Barracks volunteers also included LCpl. Wayne C. Hoyt, LCpl. Boscoe C. Wilhite and PFC Chris Johnson, all from Guard Det., and LCpl. William A. Rider of "A" Company.

On November 10, 1954, the 179th birthday of the Marine Corps, President Dwight D. Eisenhower dedicated the bronze monument to all Marines who had died to keep their country free. The figures of Sgt. Michael Strank, Cpl. Harlan H. Block, PFC Franklin R. Sousley, PFC Rene A. Ganson, PFC Ira Hayes and Pharmacists Mate John H. Bradley were unveiled.

The total cost, \$850,000, was donated by Marines, Reservists, and friends of the Marine Corps. No public funds were used to construct the monument, which was sculpted by Felix de Weldon.

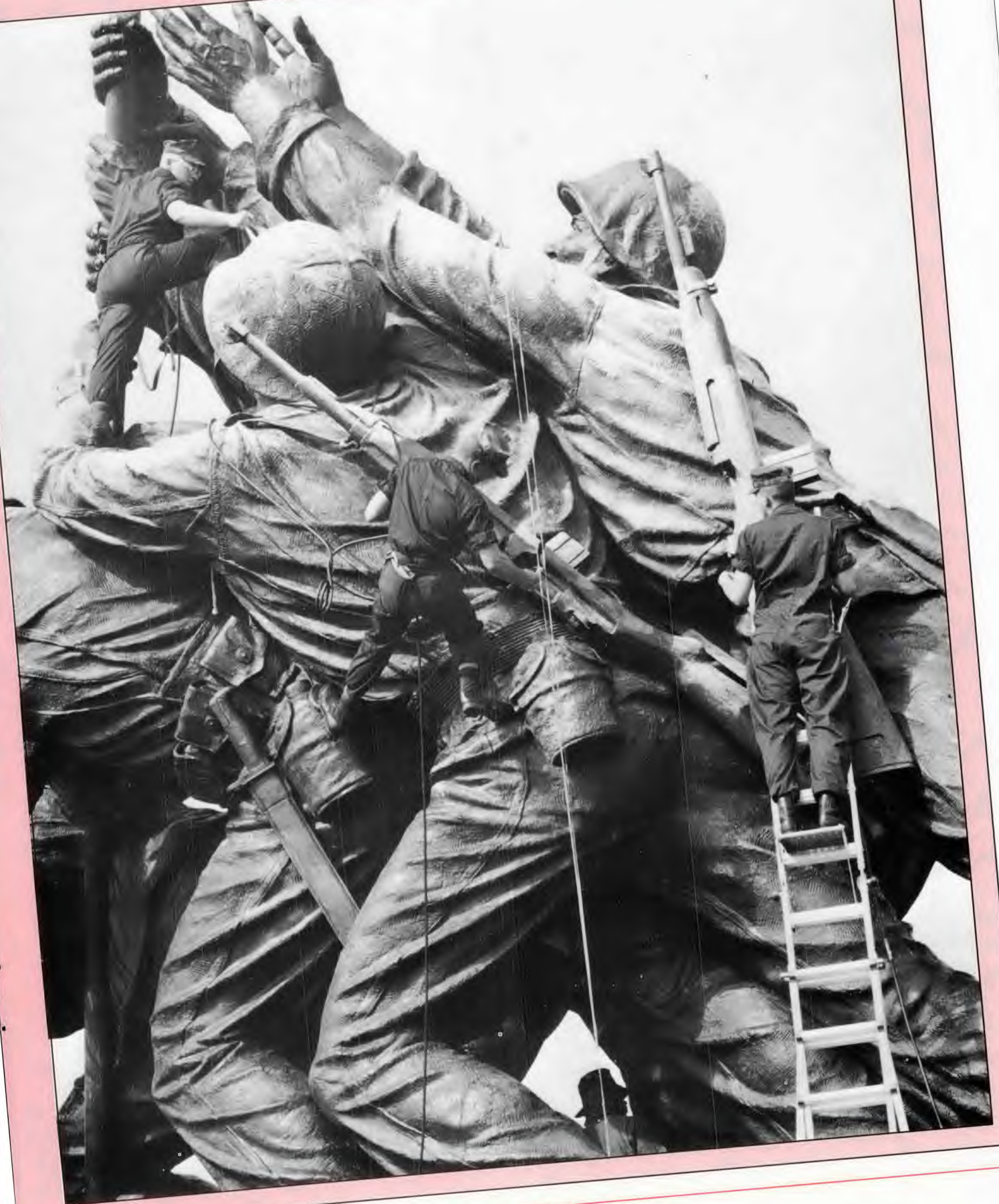
Since September 1956, the Marines of "The Oldest Post of the Marine Corps" have payed homage to those who's "uncommon valor was a common virtue" by performing Sunset Parades in the shadows of the monument.

According to Veloz, the Marine volunteers worked hard and did an outstanding job ensuring the restoration was completed in a timely manner.

"We couldn't have completed this task in the time we did had it not been for the Marines who volunteered their time to help," said Veloz.

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

Right: Marines from the Barracks and Henderson Hall work on the Marine Corps War during its refurbishing. Five Barracks Marines volunteered for the project, which lasted one month.



June 1992



Above: Cpl. Marc A. Patton, MCI, sweeps trash from a sidewalk during the recent Neighborhood Cleanup, June 3. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)



Neighborhood Cleanup

Battalion mobilizes for community service operation in local area

With rakes, shovels and brooms in hand, hundreds of dedicated young men and women formed up on line to begin a clean-up of their area...not an unusual sight for leathernecks at any Marine base.

What was unusual for these Barracks Marines was the area they cleaned on June 3; local city streets. They were joined in the Barracks-sponsored Neighborhood Clean-up by several local citizens who wanted to help clean up the streets and make their little section of the city a nicer — and safer — place to live.

Armed with trash bags, blowers and thick leather gloves, the battalion of Marines, reinforced by a handful of civilians, began a two-hour operation along the nearby streets of Washington, D.C. The clean-up covered about 12 city blocks, including school yards, city streets and back alleys.

The goal, according to Colonel J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commander, "...was to demonstrate, by example, that we care about our neighborhood, and are willing to invest time and effort for its upkeep."

Faithful to the refrain to "pick up anything that doesn't grow,"

Marines and their neighbors collected some 997 cubic inches of garbage...filling up nearly 400 trashbags. They also collected over 100 used hyperdermic needles, as well as various other drug paraphernalia. For many Barracks Marines, the sight was their first direct exposure to the drug-culture and was a sobering reminder that the war on drugs is an on-going battle.

"We had the area under the underpass (adjacent to 8th St., between I and Virginia streets)," said LCpl. Edward V. Hartman, Guard Detachment.

"I couldn't believe the number of syringes that we collected. Every time someone else found one I counted it. There were so many, though, that after a while I lost count. You don't realize how dirty this area is until you start digging in the crevices."



Advisory Neighborhood Commission (the civic group that governs the area) member Caesar Marshall called the Barracks after the clean-up to, "...Thank the Marines for the job they did in cleaning up the area."

"As Marines of Marine Barracks we have a responsibility to be good neighbors in our community," said Col. Flynn.

Although the clean-up was the first of its kind in the area in several years, it will not be the last, according to the colonel. The project was also the first step in a larger program to improve community involvement by Barracks Marines and increase understanding between Marines and the citizens of the local community.



Above center: "A" Company Marines clean up along G Street.
Top right: Guard Detachment Marines remove debris from the underpass near the Barracks.
Above: Cpl. Leroy M. Jackson, "A" Company, picks up trash in a nearby alley.
 (Photos by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)

**Story compiled by
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Behind the Scenes

A close look at the intricate details of an Evening Parade

It's 11 p.m. on a June

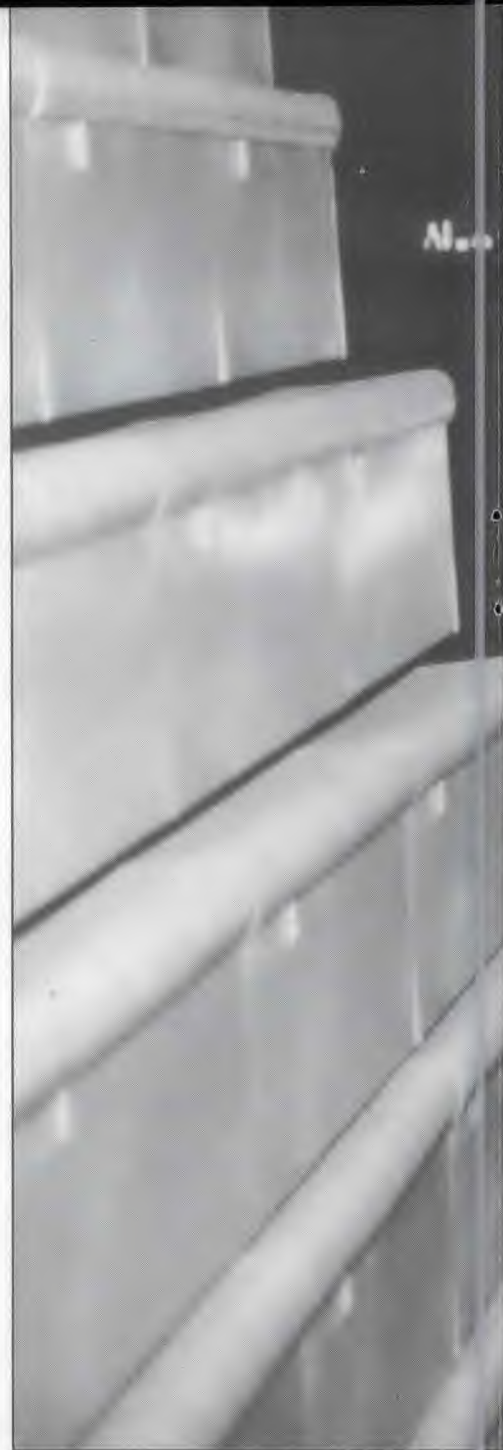
Friday night. While Marines who marched in the Friday Evening Parade are readying themselves for a night on the town or headed home to spend time with friends and family, a number of Marines remain on the parade deck moving bleachers, rolling up mats and tending to a number of other details prior to securing for the weekend.

These final activities culminate a behind-the-scenes process which continues year-round, and moves into full gear during parade season. Each of the functions many Barracks Marines perform on a daily basis have a direct impact on the success or failure of parades.

"Evening Parades are a whole Barracks effort. There are probably as many Marines behind the scenes as there are on the parade deck," said Col. J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commander.

"Without that effort we would not be successful. All it takes is one cog out of the wheel and something doesn't happen."

Headquarters and Service Company, as well as Marine Corps Institute and Guard Detachment, are the primary players in the parade support mission. Marines from these units serve in both visible and invisible roles in support of the weekly ceremony. While Marines in many sections provide support for the parade as part of their jobs in an invisible



role, they also put on their Blue-White Dress uniform and take on visible roles working on parking details, driving and greeting guests and providing security on parade nights.

Almost every section of H&S Company plays an invisible role to support the parades.

The first contact parade guests have with Barracks Marines is when they call the **Adjutant's Office** for reservations. That is where the 3,500 reserved seats



each week are allotted and assigned. The five Marines in the section are responsible for coordinating the VIP list for the Commandant's garden parties, as well as updating parking lists of special guests.

"I like this role (in the Adjutant's Office) because it's an important one. We do just as much for the parade as Marines on the deck," said LCpl. Corey D. Beaton.

It's likely that the Barracks Motor Transport Section

Above: Sgt. John W. Wardlaw, H&S Maintenance Section, removes bleachers from the parking lot following a parade. (Photo by Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe)



Right: Sgt. Patrice K. Taylor, H&S Procurement Section, checks a bag for a parade guest. (Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)



personnel will be the first direct contact parade guests have with Marines here when they park and are transported aboard buses from the Washington Navy Yard. These Marines shuttle thousands of spectators each week and perform maintenance tasks year-long to ensure their vehicles are in top condition. Some assume roles directing traffic at the Navy Yard as well.

"I enjoy working the parades because I like working with people, and parades give the public a chance to see what we do here," said LCpl. Gregory J. Jasinkas, Motor "T" driver.

Motor "T" is just one facet of the behind-the-scenes support provided by the 102 Marines and 11 civilians of the Barracks **Logistics Section** (S-4) both during parade season and year-round.

Prior to the commencement of parade season, Marines in **Supply** begin ordering the wide variety of uniform accessories and other equipment marchers need for parades. These items include brass, medals, gloves, shoes and

other accessories. The seven Marines in the section must anticipate the needs of the different companies, support additional orders from other sections involved in parade support and accommodate emergencies as they arise, according to Cpl. Byron K. Norwood, a Supply Marine.

Marines in the **Fiscal and Procurement Sections** are responsible for actually allotting the funds and "shopping" for the material on purchase requests submitted by Supply and other sections and companies, as well as balancing the Barracks' finances.

"We're basically keepers of the Barracks 'check book.' Orders for everything from contact lenses to copy machines come through here," said LCpl. Bryan M. Dallas, a Fiscal Section Marine.

The **Maintenance Section** tends to all necessary equipment repairs and numerous maintenance requests throughout the year and during parade season to help keep the Barracks in good physical shape. In April, direct support provided by these 17 Marines and nine civilians begins

with the setup of spectator bleachers along Officer Walk. During the season, they are responsible for setting up and tearing down the general admission bleachers in the parking lot, placing and removing the magnetometers (walk-through metal detectors) at each gate and operating spotlights during the ceremonies.

"Of all the maintenance functions we perform, I enjoy working the spotlights the most because we keep the crowd's attention focused on one part of the ceremony, and away from places where other things may be occurring," said Sgt. Wayne T. Komsi, a Marine in the section.

Though parades could not exist without the wide spectrum of support provided, perhaps one of the ways Logistics directly impacts Barracks Marines on a daily basis is through the Barracks **Mess Hall**. The 17 cooks and 11



Far left: SSgt. Clifford L. Green and LCpl. Rohn M. Schuster, both of Operations Section, direct details of the parade.

Left: The Barracks Mess Hall serves special meals each Friday during Parade Season for Marines, their friends and family.

ABOVE: Cpl. Will O. Thomas, H&S Company Office, helps coordinate VIP parking. Photo by Sgt. Debbie Scott)

messmen who begin each workday at 3:30 a.m. also serve an extensive meal prior to each parade for Marines to attend with their friends and family. Work for this special meal begins Thursday each week when a wide variety of pastries are prepared and the steamship round is cooked. One thing Marines working in the Mess Hall enjoy most is seeing the results of their extensive work hours.

"I like it when everyone comes in with a smile on their face and I see them enjoying their food," said cook LCpl. Jose C. Dixon.

Each Marine in the Barracks is a key player in the support and performance of parades, but no Marine could do all of it alone, said Maj. G.J. Vinskey, Barracks Logistics Officer.

"It takes a lot of different sections and a lot of different Marines doing a lot of different

jobs to put on a parade," Vinskey said.

He said one reason Marines in all sections do such a good job supporting the parades is they have a good sense of their importance in the overall picture. "They apply just as much vigor and enthusiasm to support tasks as the marchers apply to performing," said Vinskey.

If the Barracks were a computer, the **Operations Office** (S-3) would be the central processing unit. Like movie directors, the Marines in the section are responsible for all the large and small details of the performance and coordinating the minute nuances which make parades such traditionally spectacular events — from actually planning and scheduling parades to overseeing the care of the Barracks Mascot. Prior to parades, they arrange narration taping, set up the parade deck

with flags and make sure proper flags are ready to pop for the host and guest of honor, schedule various rehearsals and coordinate all this information through other sections and companies. Once the parade begins, Operations Marines control the pulse of the ceremony by directing the timing of sound and lighting, directing when supernumeraries are placed and other small performance details.

"We are given a lot of responsibility. It's good to know people have faith in us to get the job done," said LCpl. Rohn M. Schuster, an Operations Section Marine.

The behind-the-scenes job which probably has the most visible result is that performed by H&S's **Grounds Maintenance** Platoon. Clad in their distinctive green shirts and black shorts, these Marines are responsible for the overall appearance of the



Barracks. They trim shrubs, cut grass, plant flowers, sweep streets, wash sidewalks and pick up trash around the Barracks when they aren't actually setting up for a parade. And on parade days, they hang curtains in the arcade, lay out mats and boards for spectators, wipe down all the bleachers and re-clean anything which needs it for the Barracks to look good.

"It makes me feel good to know we make the Barracks look so good, then hear about all the positive comments from people. It makes all the hard work worth it," said LCpl. Daniel S. Butler, of Grounds Maintenance.

Marines in **Guard Detachment** are responsible for all standard and additional security matters prior, during and following parades. They arrange for traffic control from District Metropolitan Police and ensure parking areas for special guests are reserved in preparation for parades. During parades Guard

Marines guard parking areas, stand additional security posts and remain ever-watchful for any threats to parade guests, Marines or Barracks property.

"I enjoy working on parade nights because we're showing off what we do here at the Barracks," said LCpl. Kenneth D. King, Corporal of the Guard.

Behind-the-scenes parade support is also provided by the **Print Shop and Graphics Section** of the Marine Corps Institute. Print Shop Marines print 4,000 to 5,000 program inserts for parades each week, while Marines in the Graphics Section design and lay out the scroll each week for the guest of honor to sign following the parade.

A handful of **Color Guard** Marines from "A" Company also fill invisible roles by stuffing inserts into the thousands of programs each week and tasseling programs for the special guests.

LCpls. Dwayne J. Hurley (left) and Michael L. Engle, Barracks Grounds and Maintenance Section, load mats onto a trailer after an Evening Parade. It often takes until midnight to complete all the post-parade clean-up tasks.

"I have the utmost respect for all the Marines behind the scenes," said Col. Flynn.

"For many people it's their first contact with the Marine Corps, and from the first minute we're making an impression. It is incumbent upon us as Marines to leave them with a good impression," he said.

Once parade night arrives, all the Marines who've worked all week in invisible roles supporting the parade don their uniforms and fulfill their respective tasks transporting, parking, welcoming and seating the thousands of guests who flood the Barracks each week to view the tradition and ceremony of a Friday Evening Parade.

*Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe*

Midway marks turning point in war

Japanese forces suffer heavy losses, battered fleet

AFIS — It took only five minutes to change the course of World War II in the Pacific.

At 10:20 a.m., June 4, 1942, the Japanese empire was riding on a crest. Planes were landing on the fleet's aircraft carriers following an attack on Midway Island — an atoll in the Hawaiian Island chain defended by Marine forces. The Japanese strategy was to take the island and force the American fleet to a climactic battle.

The plan depended on the United States doing exactly what the Japanese planners forecast. Japanese planners thought the U.S. fleet would be at Pearl Harbor and be surprised by the attack on Midway. When the fleet left Pearl Harbor to challenge the Japanese juggernaut, the Japanese expected to annihilate the U.S. force.

At 10:20 a.m., the Japanese could still have won the war. By 10:25 a.m., this was no longer possible. Months earlier, American intelligence had broken the Japanese Navy's code, allowing the Americans to place a fleet in position to attack the Japanese.

On the day of the battle, the Japanese launched a strike against Midway Island. At the same time, aircraft from Midway Island and U.S. carriers took on the Japanese fleet.

The Japanese repelled the Americans. Low-level attacks brought the Japanese combat air

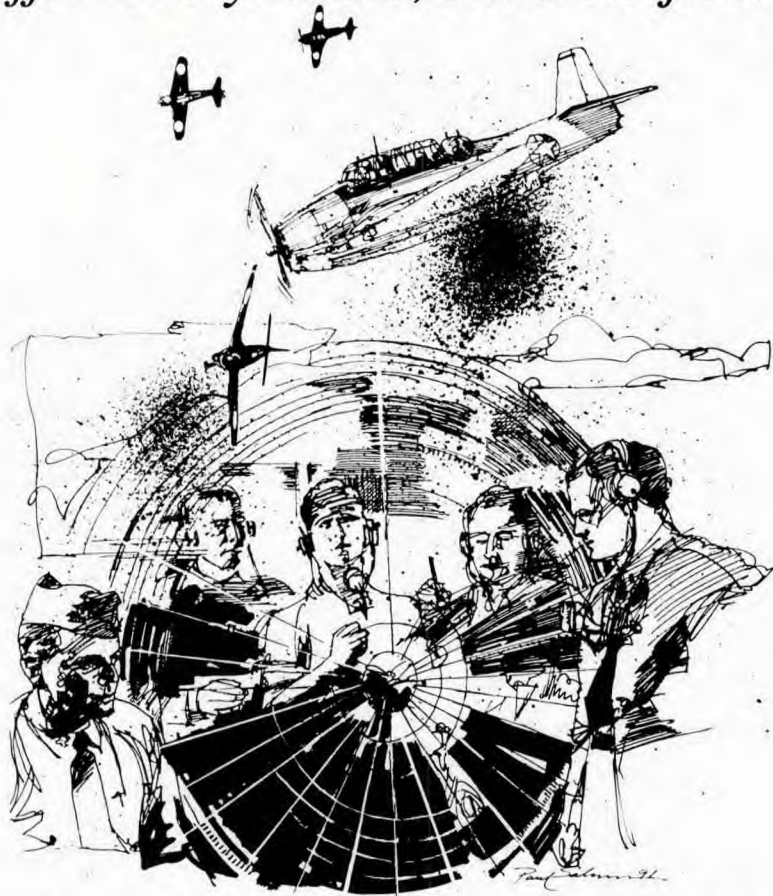
patrol down to the decks. Casualties in the slow U.S. Navy torpedo squadrons were heavy. From the U.S. Hornets Torpedo Squadron 8, for example, only one man survived to be plucked from the water the next day.

At 10:20, the Japanese were readying a strike against the U.S. force. Within five minutes, dive bombers from the American aircraft carriers USS Enterprise and USS Yorktown attacked the Midway striking force. When the aircraft left the scene, the Japanese aircraft carriers Akagi, Soryu and Kaga were in flames.

A fourth Japanese carrier — the Hiryu — was attacked and sunk later that day.

Japanese Commander of the Combined Fleet, Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, believed the Japanese must annihilate the U.S. fleet in 1942 or risk losing the war. The two squadrons of U.S. Navy dive bombers ended Japanese dreams of victory.

Much hard fighting across the Pacific remained. The United States needed three more years and the atomic bomb to force the Japanese into surrender, but the tide had turned at Midway.



Marines *can* earn promotions

Simple tasks boost composite scores

Promotions equal added responsibility, more respect, and a pay raise, but they're harder to come by these days with draw-downs and budget cuts. With a little bit of hard work pinning on a new stripe is not impossible, though.

Many Marines get upset because the composite score in their field is high and they can't get promoted. But the question has to be asked: What have you done to help raise your composite score?

MCI courses play an important role in this. They are not only informative and keep you on top of your MOS, and possibly ahead of your peers, but they also allow you to look into other MOSs. MCI's can also help you improve your abilities with finances, spelling, and math, not to mention leadership skills. Each course is worth 15 points (maximum of 75) toward your composite score. They not only add to your composite score, they add to your brain power.

Working as a recruiter assistant is another way to raise your composite score. For every person you put in the Corps, you can add 20 points to your score, for a maximum of 100 points.

Here are some additional tips for improving your composite score:

Recruiter assistance: If you are on leave, at the Barracks or any other duty stations, talk to a local recruiter. He or she will send a letter to the command requesting you for recruiting duty. If the command can spare you, you will go

on 30 days permissive TAD, at no cost to the government.

If you go out on liberty and meet an individual interested in the Marine Corps, get their name, phone number and address. Bring them into the Career Planner's office and we will get the appropriate Recruiter to talk to this individual. If they enlist, it will add 20 points to your score. Note that once you have been promoted, your MCI and recruiter assistance score goes to ZERO and you have to start again.

If your PFT, rifle or BST scores need raising try snapping in a little longer and concentrating on your shooting technique. If your PFT score needs to be raised, skip that last beer or snack and spend a little more time in the gym working out, or study your BST book more

to get that BST score up. It may not be COOL to study, or PT more or snap in a little longer, but it really isn't COOL not getting promoted.

There are always MERITORIOUS PROMOTIONS! IT IS YOUR CAREER, WHAT YOU DO IS ENTIRELY UP TO YOU!!

This is my last article for *Pass In Review*. I am leaving the Career Planning Force at the end of June, but I have enjoyed working with the Marines here as the Career Planner. Thank you for the opportunity and support — Semper Fi. SSgt. Darryl Stitt is your new Career Planner.

**By SSgt. Steve Smith,
Barracks Career Planner**



GySgt. Dwight L. Oakley, MCI, is congratulated for his recent reenlistment by Capt. Roger M. Strauss. (Photo by Cpl. Joey B. Benford)

On Centerwalk

Honoring excellence among Barracks Marines

Cpl. Ronald L. Balducci Jr.

Unit "A" Company
Hometown Wentzville, Mo.
Entered Service April 3, 1990
Occupation 0351; Anti-tank
assaultman
Billet Fireteam Leader
On Centerwalk for ... Meritorious promotion
to corporal



'I always try to remember that today's followers are tomorrow's leaders.'

LCpl. Donnie L. Burnett

Unit "B" Company
Hometown Monteagle, Tenn.
Entered Service May 28, 1991
Occupation 0331; Machinegunner
Billet Rifleman
On Centerwalk for ... Sustained superior performance



'It's an honor to have an opportunity to represent the Marine Corps in the nation's capital.'

Information and photos compiled by Cpl. Joey D. Benford

Barracks Salutes

Awards

"B" Company

Good Conduct Medal

1stSgt. A. P. Glassford
Cpl. R. Player

Guard Detachment

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. D. W. Barnes
Cpl. J. Hunter
LCpl. D. E. Cunningham
LCpl. M. F. Devan
LCpl. K. L. Douglas
LCpl. J. D. Suchan

H&S Company

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. M. F. Davis

Letter of Appreciation

GySgt. G. Porras
LCpl. N. M. Rembert
LCpl. C. T. Woodburn

Marine Corps Institute

Good Conduct Medal

GySgt. G. Torres

Certificate of Commendation

LCpl. M. Medina

Security Company

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. T. D. McDaniel
Cpl. J. E. Charette

Drum and Bugle Corps

Good Conduct Medal

GySgt. R. J. Crawford
Cpl. G. P. Yoder

Meritorious Mast

Cpl. E. T. Vogler

Letter of Appreciation

SSgt. R. E. Rose Jr.
Cpl. M. A. Miller

Promotions

Capt. J. P. Raymond
Capt. K. D. Singleton
MSgt. J. L. Alvear
Sgt. J. C. Cox
Sgt. L. L. Sims
Cpl. J. B. Adams
Cpl. R. L. Balducci Jr. *
Cpl. J. D. Benford
Cpl. J. E. Charette
Cpl. S. R. Holley
Cpl. E. R. Holmes *
Cpl. P. R. Hurst
Cpl. S. M. McClellan *
Cpl. K. W. Phillips
Cpl. S. D. Ward
LCpl. B. A. Benoit
LCpl. L. P. Brown
LCpl. C. G. Caldwell
LCpl. C. G. Cannon
LCpl. K. L. Cartwright
LCpl. K. J. Carvey
LCpl. M. J. Conroy
LCpl. M. G. Crowder
LCpl. J. C. Dixon
LCpl. F. Elsasser
LCpl. J. D. Johnson
LCpl. T. J. Krywucki Jr. *
LCpl. J. J. Lagergren
LCpl. J. C. Lilley
LCpl. S. D. Michel
LCpl. R. A. Monroe
LCpl. K. D. Nettle
LCpl. S. E. Perry

LCpl. M. N. Schank
LCpl. M. J. Schwinden
LCpl. A. B. Scott
LCpl. C. J. Stephens
LCpl. M. L. Welch
LCpl. A. V. Wiesenhahn

**Denotes Meritorious Promotion*

Welcome Aboard

Capt. K. M. Trep
1stLt. L. L. McFall Jr.
CWO-2 R. L. Williamson
1stSgt. D. T. Cantrall
MSgt. L. J. Smith
GySgt. M. Best
GySgt. K. A. Elium
SSgt. D. R. McClellan Jr.
SSgt. W. Swain Jr.
SSgt. S. L. Taylor
SSgt. S. M. Williams
Sgt. J. W. Campbell
Cpl. J. W. Taylor
LCpl. R. E. Allen
LCpl. G. L. Giacomazzi
PFC S. A. Brown
PFC T. R. Compton
PFC J. D. Confer
PFC D. R. Fields
PFC B. P. Holland
PFC K. J. Oliver
PFC P. N. Ramsey
PFC M. S. Robinson
PFC K. J. Vermillion
PFC J. H. Wood

Longevity Recognized

Richard Ocheltree (left), Barracks Planner/Estimator, and Ray Agnew, Head, Barracks Paint Shop, are recognized for their longevity here at the Barracks. Both recently received awards for their 20 years of service. (Photo by Cpl. Joey D. Benford)



MWR Activities line

"Your ticket to entertainment"

The SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL MARINE CORPS MARATHON will be held Oct. 25, at 9 a.m. The event has a field limit of 13,000 participants on a first come, first serve basis. The marathon is open to all persons regardless of age or running experience who are physically fit. Individual entry fee is \$21.00 if mailed and postmarked before Oct. 1. After Oct. 1, the fee increases to \$30.00. To obtain information and registration packages contact the marathon headquarters at (703) 640-2225.

For musical entertainment, don't miss the FREE July 4th concert by the NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. The concert will feature conductors Maestro Mstislav Rostropovich and Henry Mancini

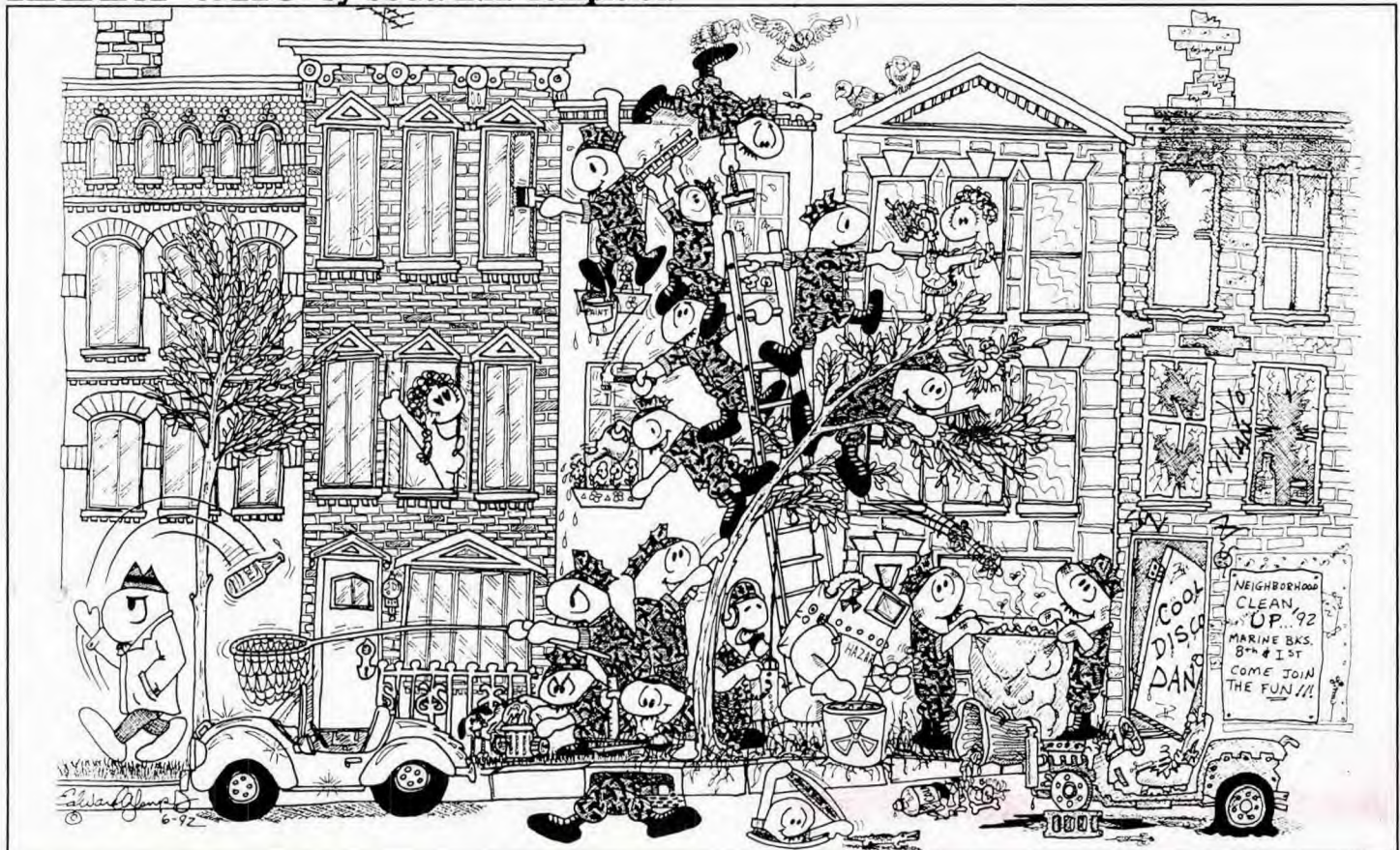
and flutist James Galway and can be heard on the West Lawn of the Capitol.

Relive a glorious tradition when you see FIDDLER ON THE ROOF at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre. For ticket information contact the Harlequin at (301) 340-6011.

Country music fans can see CLINT BLACK with Aaron Tippin and Billy Dean on July 11 and WILLIE NELSON on July 24. Both concerts will be held at Merriweather Post Pavilion. For ticket information contact ticketmaster at (202) 432-7328.

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

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



Crossing the street

Crossing the street in Washington D.C. can be a challenging and dangerous experience. I have always known that to be true, but recent experience has driven the point home even more clearly. During lunchtime I often run around the Capitol Hill area. Hitting the intersections while the "WALK" light is on or flashing helps to make the running experience more pleasant. However, sometimes even when the "WALK" sign is on, drivers will make a turn on the red light and a collision or near miss occurs; and the pedestrian, not the automobile, may become the casualty.

Last week while running up Independence Ave. where it intersects New Jersey I saw the "WALK" sign blinking up ahead and knew if I wanted to avoid getting stuck at the intersection

I'd better hurry. An elderly gentleman moving very slowly and I stepped onto the crosswalk at the same time as the "DON'T WALK" sign came on. Before bolting across the crosswalk I noticed the gentleman was having trouble getting across the street. A vehicle was trying to turn across the crosswalk and was honking his horn at the man in the crosswalk. The gentleman crossing the street seemed both angry and disoriented because of the traffic and noise so I helped him across the street. Once on the other side I discovered that he was angry because he had crossed at the wrong place and was now separated from his tour group. Well, at least he was out of the street. What I supposed to be an act of kindness ended up being not so good.

Life gives us many opportunities to decide where to cross, where to turn, and where to pull

off at a rest stop. There is certainly a danger in staying where you are and going nowhere, which is called indecision.

The danger of the street looks worse than the present situation, so you stay put. But soon a healthy restlessness sets in and decisions are made; choices are selected that sometimes change one's fate in life. Once these choices are made the worst thing to do is to quibble and doubt — like standing in the crosswalk not knowing which way to go. A great teacher once put it this way, "No one having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:62) When facing a difficult decision the best advice is to "Do your best, and leave the rest up to God". That way there will be no hesitation when stepping out into the crosswalks of life.

Lt. Paul R. Deaton, CHC, USN

Worship Opportunities

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



July 4th messages

From the Secretary of Defense:

On a hot day in Philadelphia 216 years ago, the members of the Continental Congress pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to the cause of liberty. Those patriots approved the Declaration of Independence with confidence that brave Americans would step forward to fight for freedom and independence.

Today, those of you in uniform serving your country preserve that precious legacy our forefathers fought and died to secure for us. The long honor roll of American men and women who have offered their lives in the defense of freedom is a lasting testimony that the preservation of liberty is neither easy nor without cost.

On this Independence Day, wherever you serve, let me assure you that your efforts are deeply appreciated. You are the guardians of that intangible gift of freedom entrusted to us by the patriots of 1776. And I can assure that you have the trust and confidence of the American people.

*Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense*

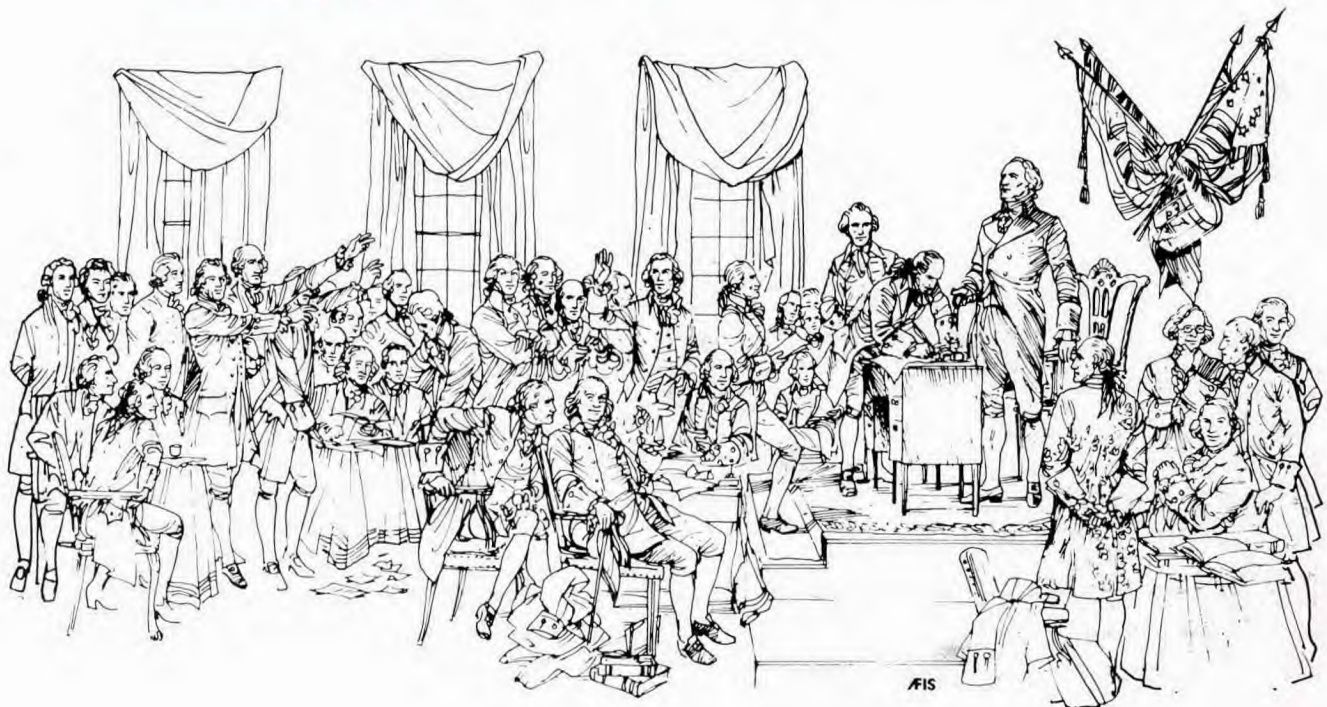
From the Commandant:

This Fourth of July, we Americans celebrate 217 years of bright, shining freedom. As we do so, we should remember the spirit and attitudes that have woven the fabric of the American experience. Throughout the history of our republic, Marines have been the quiet, steady guarantors of the iron-clad, rock-hard values that have allowed America to lead, prosper and set the example.

The future promises more opportunity, challenge and hope for America and its Corps of Marines. As we celebrate today, let's do so with a renewed sense of purpose, pride and faith in our country, our Corps and our God.

Happy Fourth of July and Semper Fidelis,

*C. E. Mundy, Jr
General, U.S. Marine Corps
Commandant of the Marine Corps*



From the President

I am delighted to send special greetings to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces as we celebrate the 216th anniversary of America's independence.

"What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed if so celestial an article as freedom should not be highly rated."

With these stirring words, the great patriot Thomas Paine helped to rally the soldiers of the Continental Army as they fought to win our Nation's freedom from Great Britain. For more than two centuries, the spirit of our Revolutionary War heroes has lived on in the hearts of our dedicated service members, who know that, although its preservation requires courage and eternal vigilance, the cause of liberty is both worthy and just.

Today, our Nation and peoples around the globe rejoice in one of freedom's most historic victories — the end of the Cold War. The ideals of democracy have triumphed over imperial Communism, and the world now stands poised for peace. On this day that we celebrate our cherished independence, it is fitting that we pay tribute to you, our men and women in uniform, who have sacrificed so much to protect our national interests and to promote peace and freedom everywhere. On behalf of all Americans, I salute you.

Barbara joins me in sending best wishes to you and to your families for a safe and enjoyable holiday. God bless you, and God bless the United States of America.

George Bush