

Hawaii MARINE

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'226 and counting'...



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller



Sgt. Robert Carlson

Above Left — Staff Sgt. Reynaldo Mendoza, chief cook at Anderson Hall Dining Facilities aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, adds decoration to the Marine Corps birthday cake. The cake will be used during the base's celebration today. Above Right — Cpl. Kindel Stanley, left, and Pfc. David Taylor, both of Supply Co., CSSG-3, run their 3-mile portion of a 226-mile run to celebrate the Marine Corps birthday. The annual run is tackled in 3-mile increments by different Marines in CSSG-3 and will take 3 days to complete.



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller

Colonel Joseph Medina, commanding officer of 3rd Marines, takes questions from the audience at a recent town hall meeting to pass along information.

3rd Marines holds town hall meeting

Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller
Combat Correspondent

More than 100 Marines and their families from the 3rd Marine Regiment showed up at MCB Hawaii's Base Theater Oct. 30, for a town hall meeting aimed at passing information to the Marines' families.

Several guest speakers, including Col. Joseph Medina, commanding officer of 3rd Marine Regiment, were on hand as subject matter experts to answer any questions that the family members had. The evening started

with the viewing of a video from the Big Island's Pohakuloa Training Area, where 3rd Marines just returned from spending the past month preparing for and completing the Marine Corps Combat Readiness Evaluation. The video was aimed at answering many of the questions the families may have had regarding where their Marines were and what type of training they were doing.

The families were also treated to two recent newscasts from local television stations of some of the training that

has gone on recently aboard MCB Hawaii and away at PTA.

Much of the meeting focused on helping families understand the upcoming year's training schedule and major deployments.

Spouses of Marines were encouraged to use the Key Volunteers Network as much as possible.

The meeting also contained a quick brief on some of the recent threats against America and ways families can protect themselves from such a threat.

Col. Medina also answered several questions from members of the audience before adjourning the town hall meeting.



A message from the commandant



As we commemorate the 226th anniversary of the founding of our Corps, Marines everywhere can take pride in their contributions to our great nation.

We are a Corps born of an act of Congress, consecrated in sacrifice, steeped in tradition, and tested in battle.

Our earned legacy is filled with the names of many great Marines: Lejeune, Vandegrift, Puller ... Butler, Bestwick, Daly — who fill the annals of our lineage with their inspired acts of vision and gallantry.

Heroic actions on the battlefield are a hallmark of our legacy. Equally compelling are the countless heroic deeds of many other Marines who exemplify the virtue of placing the needs of others above their own.

Whether it be a Marine saving an Okinawan child from drowning, or pulling people from a burning wreck, or a family extending itself to provide a safe, nurturing home for disadvantaged children, our lives are indeed full of heroism.

Today we celebrate these deeds, not as exploits, but as contributions to the greater good — circumstances where Marines take care of not just their own, but reach out to care for others.

A lone Marine standing vigil on a dark night in Kosovo; a Marine reservist serving as a firefighter or police officer who responds to an emergency in his community; a civilian Marine working alongside

his counterparts in uniform who shares the perils and realities of a terrorist attack; and a committed spouse who finds the time to serve as an advocate for family programs, in addition to making a home and supporting the family — all are among the heroes of all generations.

We are indebted to them for their example of strength and their presence of character. They embrace our core values and live them to the fullest. They inspire us to do the same. We admire and appreciate their example as we celebrate the birth of our Corps and our rich heritage.

As our motto enjoins us, let us always be faithful, to our God, our country, our Corps and to our families.

Let us also resolve to be always faithful to those Marines who have bestowed upon us our proud legacy of sacrifice, courage, and victory against any foe.

To all Marines, past and present, who uphold the finest traditions of our Eagle, Globe, and Anchor, Happy Birthday!



JONES

Semper Fidelis,
J.L. Jones
General, U.S. Marine Corps

MCBH NEWS BRIEFS

COMMISSARY CLOSURE

The Kaneohe Bay Commissary will be closed Sunday, in observance of Veteran's Day.

The Commissary will be open for normal operations Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Patrons are also invited to the Kaneohe Commissary Sidewalk Sale, Saturday, Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Normal store hours are Tuesday through Sunday. For more details, contact Jeffery Dusich, store director, at 257-2612.

TRIPLER SHUTTLE BUS

Due to added security at Tripler, appointments and programs are beginning and ending later in the day. While the bus to Tripler will leave MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, at its normal times, the last bus departing Tripler will now be 4 p.m.

CREDIT UNION CHANGES HOURS

To better serve its membership, the Windward Community Federal Credit Union has changed its hours of operation from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The change was made to accommodate Kaneohe Bay personnel who are finishing work beyond 4 p.m.

The credit union will welcome any feedback regarding this hours change. Call 254-3538 or fax 254-2243.

MONITORS VISIT, NOV. 26-28

The HQMC Manpower Management Enlisted Assignment (MMEA) Monitors and Career Counselors will be visiting MCB Hawaii from the Nov. 26 thru 28.

The command will provide briefings and counseling which will target every Marine at MCB Hawaii.

Briefs will include a command brief targeting officers; a sergeant major brief, open to senior enlisted Marines; a career brief, focusing on individual awareness of competitive and retention issues; and a first term brief to address current issues surrounding retention, lateral moves special duty assignments.

For more, at K-Bay call Master Sgt. Iosefa Elisara at 257-8858, or at Camp Smith, call Master Sgt. Patrick Buckley at 477-8698.

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Staff Sgt. Jason Huffine

Staff Sgt. Eric Coughlin, a Special Operations Training Group instructor, dangles from a line as other SOTG instructors demonstrate to Marines from Lima Co., 3rd Bn., 8th Marines, the proper way to descend from another level of a building. Third Bn., 8th Marines was at the MOUT Facility full-filling training requirements. The unit was recently assigned as the Marine Corps' answer to anti-terrorism - the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (AT).



Staff Sgt. Jason Huffine

Corporal Sam Castanza, a rifleman with 1st Platoon, Lima Co., 3rd Bn., 8th Marines, climbs a building at the MOUT (Military Operations in Urban Terrain) Facility.

Urban climbing

Corps' new antiterrorism brigade is ready for modern warfighting in urban environments

Sgt. Joshua S. Higgins
4th MEB Public Affairs

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C.

— Less than 24 hours after the unit's reactivation, Marines attached to 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (Anti-terrorism) were putting in training for missions in "every climb and place."

Devil Dogs from 3rd Bn., 8th Marine Regiment, currently the antiterrorism battalion for 4th MEB (AT), conducted urban assault climber training at the Military Operations in Urban Terrain facility here recently as part of an intense training package comprised specially for the unit.

The seven-week course was condensed to only two weeks in order for 4th MEB (AT) to attempt to reach its goal of being fully mission capable by early December.

The training is intended to give the Marines the knowledge and skills needed for today's more urbanized warfighting.

"The Marine Corps is orienting more toward the urban style of fighting

such as the rescue and evacuation of downed pilots and civilians.

"Our job is to give these Marines the training they need to move through an urban environment undetected and less dangerously," said Capt. Gary A. Bourland, the officer in charge of the Mountain Arctic section of Special Operations Training Group.

"The classes we've had have been very fast paced due to time restrictions," said Sgt. Joshua P. Stevens, a platoon sergeant with Lima Co., 3/8. "We get the class and go straight into practical application."

The training began with the Marines learning how to tie basic knots and climbing skills before moving on to rigging and traverse rope configurations.

These fundamentals are used later in the course for climbing buildings, evacuating casualties, and moving from one rooftop to another.

The Marines also learned different techniques used to scale walls

such as using a grappling hook, or a pyramid stack in which they form a human ladder.

"Sure the inherent danger of these techniques is high," said Bourland, "but not as high as if they were going through streets without cover and concealment and trying to clear buildings by going inside and working their way up."

With these tactics in stow, the Marines moved on to the final exercise, which according to Bourland, forces them to use all of the skills they have learned to secure a section of the MOUT facility.

"This exercise is based on Operation Metropolis that is executed at Camp Dawson, W.Va. during the six-week version of this course," said Bourland.

They are given an objective of taking over buildings in order for other platoons to move through the town safely, he said.

"This gives the average Marine one more asset," said Bourland. "It is definitely a powerful tool."



Staff Sgt. Jason Huffine

Marines from 3rd Bn., 8th Marine Regiment, watch and learn the proper way to prepare a strap for climbing. The unit was at the MOUT Facility (Military Operations in Urban Terrain) taking part in an Urban Assault Climbers Course. The battalion was recently assigned to 4th MEB, the Corps' answer to antiterrorism.

Dengue remains a threat

Sgt. Robert Carlson
Press Chief

As the rainy season in Hawaii picks up steam, health officials and environmental experts remind the residents of MCB Hawaii to keep their guard up against the Dengue threat.

There is still a potential for the spread of the disease. New cases are still being reported on the outer islands.

The Asian Tiger mosquito, or *Aedes Albopictus*, is the insect responsible for the spread of Dengue on Maui, Kauai, and the Big Island. According to Lance Bookless, natural resources manager at MCB Hawaii's environmental department, the species has been found around the Temple Valley and Manoa areas of Oahu and could potentially exist in any area where moisture is present.

"This mosquito doesn't need a pool of water to live, just a moist area," said Bookless. "A crack on a tree, or water sitting in a discarded tire could be a potential breeding ground."

With the amount of rain the island is receiving, and the number of used tires around the base, Bookless is concerned the mosquito problem could grow.

The Asian Tiger mosquito needs five to seven days to transform from larvae to flying mosquito, and then another seven to 10 days before it is ready to start biting.

If the people who live and work on MCB Hawaii installations dump out any tires, buckets, trays or any other items which hold water, every four or five days, there is a good chance the cycle can be halted.

"The Asian Tiger mosquito is different from some of the more common species because it doesn't put all of its eggs in one place," said Bookless. "This mosquito will disperse its egg laying around a large area."

According to Bookless, there are two ways mosquitoes can transmit Dengue. The first is through biting an infected person and then biting another,



Water builds up everywhere during Hawaii's rainy season. The smallest bit of moisture can become a mosquito breeding area if left for more than five to seven days.

er, thereby infecting the second person. The other way is by an infected mosquito laying eggs and producing more infected mosquitoes.

The environmental department is working closely with state and local officials to reduce the threat, but they need everyone's help in keeping the Asian Tiger mosquito at bay.

Bookless suggest using insect repellent products containing 10 to 30 percent DEET. Any higher percentage could be dangerous for the skin, and should only be used to treat clothing. Products containing DEET are available at most military stores and exchanges.

Although an insect repellent can keep the mosquitoes from biting, the best remedy for the problem is to dump water containers around homes and work areas at least every five days.

For more information about the effort to control the spread of Dengue on MCB Hawaii, contact one of these ap-



The Asian Tiger Mosquito, above, gets its name from its white leg bands and white body markings. Also known as the *Aedes Albopictus*, this insect spreads its eggs around moist areas such as tree holes and discarded tires. Health officials and environmental experts recommend that standing water be dumped from containers at least every five to seven days to help stop the spread of Dengue.



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Loose lips do 'sink ships,' directive says

Sgt. M. V. Trindade
HQMC Public Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. — With the advent of cable news channels and round-the-clock access to events as they happen, the potential exists to release sensitive information which may be of value to U. S. adversaries.

In light of the attack against America, the Marine Corps has issued Marine Administrative Message 439/01 to reinforce the proper handling release and security of information.

"We must be extremely mindful of the content and possible intelligence value we receive and provide," reads the MarAdmin.

A few days after the bombing campaign began in Afghanistan, Donald Rumsfeld, U. S. secretary of defense, told a crowd of reporters that many of the operations in the campaign against terrorism would remain classified.

According to the MarAdmin, even "casual conversations about sensitive information or speculation about operational matters in public venues can be exploited."

Marines and family members have a responsibility to keep sensitive information out of public earshot.

For example, the

MarAdmin states that the "identity of units planned for deployment is confidential until an official statement is made." This also includes talking about general locations of units deployed or details pertaining to allied military participations.

"News and imagery that identify or include identifiable features of specific deployed locations ashore" are not authorized for release at this time, reinforced a related MarAdmin 527/01.

Moreover, "Operation Enduring Freedom has progressed to the point that release of most news, still photography and video footage no longer requires approval by Office of Secretary of Defense Public Affairs," reads Marine Administrative message 527/01.

This MarAdmin delegates news release authority to unified commanders and services.

Regardless of release authority, video or still photography must be sent to the Joint Combat Camera Center either "prior to or coincident with release," according to the MarAdmin. Additional information regarding this can be found by visiting the website — <http://dodimagery.afis.osd.mil/dodimagery/home.html>, for details on sending

Kahuku bound



Staff Sgt. Jesus Lora

4th Force Reconnaissance Co. teams rehearse aboard MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, in preparation for a 4-day operation in the Kahuku Training Area.

products to JCCC.

News and imagery expected to generate national or international media interest must be brought to the attention of OASD PA prior to release.

There are restrictions, however, on some types of camera images such as those mounted on guns or weapon video systems. Release of these images are reserved by the secretary of defense.

There are also guidelines that must be followed when posting information to the worldwide web.

"We don't post lists of names of Marines who are assigned to overseas, sensitive, or deployable units," said Staff Sgt. William Ray, Marine Corps Webmaster. "This helps with operational security by not showing numbers of personnel assigned to different sections.

"In addition," Ray continued, "we are trying to help

keep the family members safe by not even mentioning them except by the most general of terms, (i.e. daughter, son, wife or husband)."

The challenge remains steady for commanders and all Marines: How can the Marine Corps tell its story without violating informational security procedures?

This security is so important that Rumsfeld also requested that the civilian media follow the same guidelines as military media.

For example, stories about pilots who are directly involved in the bombing campaign are referred to by rank, first name and call sign only.

Ultimately, people must maintain an awareness of the information they send or receive which will aid in maintaining national security.

For more information, refer to MarAdmin 439/01 and 527/01.

WORD ON THE STREET

How are you going to celebrate the Corps' birthday?



"I'm having my mom come out and watch the ball."

Cpl. Carlos Candia
Wire technician
CSSG-3

"I'm going to take my girlfriend to the ball and out to a nice dinner."

Lance Cpl. Douglas Molina-Nunez
Gunner
Weapons Co.,
2/3



"I'm just going to the ball."

Lance Cpl. Jason Moore
Gunner
Weapons Co.,
2/3

"Reflect on my heritage while at the ball."

Cpl. Lowell Muenchau
Fire direction
NCO
Charlie
Battery, 1/12



"Go to the ball with my fellow Marines and celebrate the tradition."

Cpl. Christopher Rosetti
Squad leader
Weapons Co.,
2/3

COMMENTARY

'Positive relating'

Navy Lt Cmdr.
Anthony B. Headrick
Director, CREDO Hawaii

How we relate to people is important.

How we relate to people will influence how effective we are in establishing understanding and clear lines of communication.

How we relate is the single most effective means by which we are evaluated in the minds of others. It will dictate how others react to our speech and actions.

Ask Questions

The questions I try to ask each time I speak with someone is, "What do I want to communicate?" "What is the best way to phrase what I want to say to this person?" and "What do I want to accomplish through this conversation or encounter?"

Thinking through this process has helped me to

think before I speak.

It helps me reign myself in and be proactive in how I communicate.

It helps me take responsibility for what I say and how I relate to others.

Be Positive

When we speak we are giving ourselves away. Our speech and way of communicating indicates how we think and reflects our attitude.

We all know that respect for others is important. How we practice respect in our speech and relations will directly effect how successful we are with others.

In addition to considering what we want to say and how, we should also consider some positive elements by which we communicate. These will indicate a positive attitude and assist us when we are speaking with others.

Consider These Things

- Present a relaxed and

pleasant demeanor in your speech. The demands of our time and the pressures we experience make this difficult. However, they will bring rewards if we practice them.

- Be patient with others and try to understand every situation before reacting.

When you are unsure about something, give the benefit of the doubt. Ask clarifying questions and make informed comments and judgments.

As much as possible, overlook the minor faults of family members and friends. Judge wisely what is a destructive fault before you speak to it — and then only with the person.

- Don't expect something in return for helping a friend. Give because you want to and not out of compulsion.

Make a practice of help-

See *RELATE*, A-7

Moving up together



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller

In the scenic backdrop of the 13th hole of the Kaneohe Klipper golf course, aboard Kaneohe Bay, Staff Sgt. Aundrey Salter (Right) of MCB Hawaii's G-3 and his wife Staff Sgt. Cecilia Salter of the Base Post Office were promoted to their present rank Nov. 1 by Col. John A. Lemoine, deputy commander of MCB Hawaii.



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller

A Sailor ensures patients get the right prescription.

K-Bay's Branch Medical Clinic ready for worst-case scenarios

Lance Cpl.
Jason E. Miller
Combat Correspondent

The staff assigned to the Branch Medical Clinic at Kaneohe Bay has stepped up its normal routine and implemented extra training that will help the clinic be better prepared in the face of adversity.

The Sailors at BMC were receiving one day of training each week, but that has all changed since Sept. 11.

The Sailors are now working and training on a daily basis to be more pre-

pared for any scenario.

"We're definitely working a lot more hours now," said Lt. j.g. Lana Wilson, assistant clinic director. "We're doing a lot more training, but we're still serving our patients just as we always have."

Branch Medical Clinic Sailors are receiving training on everything from basic burns and scrapes to more advanced training on things like biological weapon awareness, anthrax awareness, dengue fever, mass casualties and other medical cases that the clinical staff could pos-

sibly encounter.

"One of the main roles that we are playing right now is the role of educator," Wilson said. "A lot of people call medical to find out information. It's part of our job to steer those people in the right direction."

"The last thing we want is panic," said Master Chief Petty Officer Robert Johnson, clinic master chief. "Hopefully education will prevent anything like that from happening."

Wilson also added that while the clinic has not treated any cases of anthrax or dengue fever, it is still a goal of the clinic to

educate the residents of Kaneohe Bay to prevent any kind of a panic.

It is important to remember that BMC is still a primary care facility, said Wilson.

Despite the increased readiness tempo, the clinic is still providing the same quality treatment for servicemembers and their families.

While BMC would not be a direct responder to any anthrax or terrorist activities, the clinic stands ready with the knowledge and medicine to treat victims in the event that something unthinkable should happen at K-Bay.

'Happy Birthday Marine'

The traditional Gen. John A. Lejeune birthday message

(Editor's Note: On Oct. 21, 1921, Maj. Edwin McClellan, of the Historical Section, HQMC, sent a memo to Maj. Gen. Commandant John A. Lejeune, suggesting that the original birthday of Nov. 10, 1775 be declared a Marine Corps holiday to be celebrated throughout the Corps. Accordingly, on Nov. 1, 1921, Lejeune issued Marine Corps Order No. 47 summarizing the history, mission, and tradition of the Corps, and directed that it be read to every command each Nov. 10.)

"On November 10, 1775, a Corps of Marines was created by a resolution of the Continental Congress. Since that date many thousands of men have borne that name Marine. In memory of them it is fitting that we who are Marines should commemorate the Birthday of our Corps by calling to mind the glories of its long and illustrious history.

The record of our Corps is one which bear comparison with that of the most famous military orga-

nizations in the world's history. During 90 of the 146 years of its existence the Marine Corps has been in action against the Nation's foes. From the Battle of Trenton to the Argome, Marines have won foremost honors in war and in the long era of tranquility at home generation after generation of Marines have grown gray in war in both hemispheres, and in every corner of the seven seas so that our country and its citizens might enjoy peace and security.

In every battle and skirmish since the Birth of the Corps, Marines have acquitted themselves with the greatest distinction, winning new honors on each occasion until the term "Marine" has come to signify all that is highest in military efficiency and soldierly virtue.

This high name of distinction and soldierly repute we who are Marines today have received from those who preceded us in the Corps. With it we also received

from them the eternal spirit which has animated our Corps from generation and has long been the distinguishing mark of Marines in every age. So long as that spirit continues to flourish Marines will be found equal to every emergency in the future as they have been in the past, and the me of our nation will regard us as worthy successors to the long line of illustrious men who have served as "Soldiers of the Sea" since the founding of the Corps."

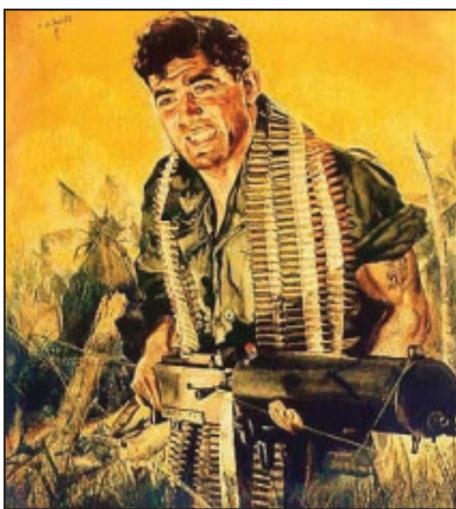
'We have fought our country's battles...'

1918 - France



'5TH MARINES AT CHAMPAGNE'
Champagne, France 1918
Artist : Captain John W. Thomason Jr.

1942 - Guadalcanal



'SERGEANT JOHN BASILONE, USMC'
Medal of Honor Recipient, Guadalcanal, Oct. 24-25, 1942
Artist : C.C. Beal - c. 1945



**Commander, Marine Forces Pacific
Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific**

1 November 2001

A Message from the Commander, Marine Forces Pacific

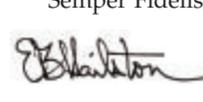
As we celebrate the 226th anniversary of the founding of our Corps, I am heartened by the renewed sense of patriotism I see around the country and by the commitment and pride I see in the eyes of everyone who wears the uniform of a United States Marine. Our role as our nation's premier force-in-readiness has never been more clear or needed.

We face the global threat of terrorism, and the efforts of everyone in Marine Forces Pacific are vital to maintaining stability in both the Pacific and Central Command areas of responsibility. Whether forward deployed to the Horn of Africa, Southwest Asia, Southeast Asia or elsewhere in the Pacific, or manning our bases and stations from the western United States to Japan, every individual Marine is absolutely essential to our success. To win a war with no clear front lines, we must be united in effort and vigilance as never before. Your nation and your Corps demand nothing less than a total commitment to victory.

The Marines have a long history of rising to the occasion when the going is tough. Names like Belleau Wood, Tarawa, Iwo Jima, Chosin Reservoir, Khe Sahn and Task Force Ripper ring in our ears and swell our chests with pride in those who have preceded us in the Corps. I am confident that in future years, those who will follow us will look back on Operation Enduring Freedom and know that we were equal to this task as well.

As you celebrate the founding of our Corps, I want you to reflect on what has made our Corps great since its inception: the Honor, Courage and Commitment exhibited by everyone who has served honorably in the uniform of a United States Marine. Take pride in following in their footsteps, as I take great pride in serving with you. Happy Birthday, Marines.

Semper Fidelis,



Earl B. Hailston
Lieutenant General, U.S. Marine Corps

1943 - Tarawa

'TARAWA'
South Pacific, Nov. 20, 1943
Artist : Sergeant Tom Lovell



1993 - Somalia



'PREVENTIVE MEDICINE'
Marine Sniper, Mogadishu, Somalia
Artist : Colonel P. Michael Gish (Ret.)

1991 - Iraq



'GUIDED INTO POSITION'
AV-8B aboard the USS Nassau during
Operation Desert Storm
Artist : Colonel H. A. Chenoweth (Ret.)

1968 - Vietnam



'MOVING UP'
Marines South of Hoi An, South Vietnam.
Artist : Howard Terpning

1951 - Korea



'COMBAT TRANSPORT'
A Marine helicopter lands on a
Korean hill with reinforcements for
Republic of Korea troops in the front
lines.
Photo: Official U.S.M.C. photo

Marine Corps Base Hawaii's birthday celebration

The birthday meal will be served today from 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Anderson Hall dining facility, Building 1089.

The Flightline dining facility will serve its standard take-out menu.

The cost for all personnel on commuted rations (COMRATS) and for civil service, nonappropriated funds employees, or any other guests is \$5.30.

The cost for family members of E-4 and below is \$4.40.

The Birthday Menu:

Minestrone Soup
French Onion Soup

Roast Rib of Beef
Shrimp Scampi
Boiled King Crab Legs
Southern Fried Chicken

Rice Pilaf
French Fried Steak Cut Potatoes
Twice Baked Potatoes

Peas w/ Mushrooms
Whole Kernel Corn

Sautéed Mushroom and Onions
Brown Gravy
Croutons
Dinner Rolls
Crackers, Saltine

Strawberry Shortcake
Assorted Pies
White Cake w/ Vanilla Frosting



Official USMC photo

Tun Tavern was the birthplace of the Marine Corps, Nov. 10, 1775.

EDUCATION

Scholarships available now for children of active, retired Marines

Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller
Combat Correspondent

The children of active duty or retired Marines with honorable discharges are eligible to receive scholarships to finance a college or vocational education with funds from the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation.

The MCSF was established to not only give students a chance to succeed, but also to build a sense of appreciation of the sacrifice that their parents made by serving their country.

"We help the Marine Corps by helping the Marine family," said Retired Brig. Gen. Michael Wholley, executive director of MCSF. "This doesn't mean that they have to enter the military either. A number of students do end up in the military, but it is by no means required."

"This is just about helping students achieve their dreams and their full potential," he added.

The foundation has given more than one million dollars in scholarships each year for the past 10 years.

To qualify for the scholarships, which range anywhere from \$500 to \$2,500 depending on the student's situation, the student must be the child of an active duty or retired Marine who wishes to attend either a college or vocational school. The family's income must also not exceed that of \$47,000 dollars per year.

"A lot of the kids that we grant scholarships aren't all 'A' students," said Wholley. "We're trying to give ordinary

students a chance to become extraordinary where they normally wouldn't have a chance."

Also, every year, one scholarship is given away to the son or daughter of a retired or active duty Navy corpsman who served with a Marine unit.

The foundation has grown exponentially over the past 10 years due to an influx of volunteers and donated money. The fund has given away more scholarship money in the past 10 years, than in the previous 30 that the foundation has existed.

"Our growth has just been phenomenal," said Wholley. "It is our hope that this foundation will continue to grow and give away more scholarships each year."

The MCSF has also pledged to donate \$10,000 dollar scholarships to the families of the current or retired military victims of the Sept. 11 attacks and any servicemember who may die during the war on terrorism, regardless of the family's income.

The success of the foundation rests solely on the participation of people who volunteer their time and money to this worthy cause.

"It doesn't matter if someone wants to donate \$50 or \$5,000," said Wholley. "What matters is that people are giving back what they can to help."

For more, write: Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, 121 South St., AS-APH, Alexandria, Va. 22314, or visit www.marine-scholars.org.

"We're trying to give ordinary students a chance to become extraordinary."

Retired Brig. Gen. Michael Wholley
Executive Director, Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

G.I. Bill can increase up to \$600

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Combat Correspondent

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. — The growing costs of attaining a college education is enough to make some parents want to run to the hills never to be found again. Raising a child in this world of designer labels and fancy cars can be expensive enough.

For this reason many high school students walk into a recruiting office and want to learn more about the educational benefits that the military has to offer.

One of the many "perks" to signing up for the military is the educational benefit of the Montgomery Government Issue Bill (MGIB).

On May 1, Marines who enlisted after July 1, 1985, and had signed up for the MGIB in the first two weeks of their enlistment became eligible to increase their educational benefits in the form of the MGIB kicker.

"The kicker allows Marines to put an extra \$600 into the Montgomery G.I. Bill, thus enabling them to receive an extra \$5,400 on top of their \$1,200 investment, which gives

them \$23,600," said Warrant Officer Brent C. White, operations officer, Division Personnel Administration Center, Headquarters and Support Co., Headquarters Bn., 2d Marine Division.

"The total once Marines have taken advantage of the kicker is \$29,000, and it can be used for up to 10 years after the Marine has left the Corps with a regular discharge," he said.

According to MARADMIN 208/01, contributions of less than \$600 will be allowed, but the benefit, a maximum of \$5,400, will be reduced proportionally. Participants can only draw this benefit after paying the required \$1,200 and serving a minimum of two years.

Members electing to invest into the benefit can contribute the additional amount only while serving on active duty.

A Marine may buy into the kicker in one of three ways.

First, they may set up an allotment in multiples of \$20 with increments of \$4 which will end once the Marine has paid the full \$600 or

completes active service, whichever comes first. This can be accomplished through a Marine's administrative representatives.

Second, the Marine may pay in one lump-sum, which can be accomplished through the disbursing office.

Finally, if a Marine does not have enough time on their contract to set up a reasonable allotment and cannot afford to pay the full lump sum amount, then the Marine may buy into the kicker in a combination of the two.

"The G.I. Bill is used for technical and non-technical schools both full-time and part-time.

"One thing the Marine must do is make sure the college is accredited by Veterans Affairs, otherwise it will not be covered by the G.I. Bill," said White.

According to White it is a simple process to buy into the extra benefits.

"All a Marine has to do is submit an allotment form to the consolidated administration center," he said.

For more, visit www.gibill.va.gov or call 1-888-442-4551.



'I pledge allegiance...'



Staff Sgt. Jesus A. Lora

Beth Wolff leads her 26 Mokapu Elementary School students in the morning Pledge of Allegiance.

RELATE, From A-4

ing those who cannot return the favor.

- Be an active listener and focus on what is being conveyed to you, not on your response. Talk less!

- Never be too busy to make a new friend when the opportunity presents itself. Treat others as you would like to be treated.

Practice Communicates Worth

These are just a few pointers when relating to others. Practicing them communicates to others their worth to us.

In the Christian scriptures we are told to: "love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith." Having the above pointers as our motivators will enhance our ability to put them into practice.

These pointers are spiritual as well as social disciplines that we can practice for more meaningful relationships. Considering them and making them a proactive part of our communication will help us stay focused on what is important.

Relationships, both personal and professional, are often difficult. They sometimes bring pain. However, if we relate to others by the ways listed above, we can turn negative patterns into more positive encounters.

Look for the positive and be positive. You never know where it will make the difference.

EVERY CLIME AND PLACE



Petty Officer 3rd Class Ryan M. Kitchell



Lance Cpl. Matthew J. Decker

Above Left — Marines from the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (SOC) prepare to board a CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter on the flight deck of the amphibious assault ship, USS Peleliu (LHA-5) in preparation for a mission in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The Marines conducted the mission the day the United States initiated its first military strike in support of the nation's war on terrorism. Above Right — A Marine from the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (SOC) inspects an AH-1W Super Cobra's 20mm machine gun on the flight deck of the amphibious assault ship, USS Peleliu (LHA-5) before the aircraft departs on a mission.



Lance Cpl. Matthew J. Decker

A Sailor from the USS Peleliu (LHA-5) gives the signal for liftoff to an AH-1W Super Cobra helicopter on the flight deck of the amphibious assault ship before the aircraft departs on a mission in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Operation Enduring Freedom

Since the end of September, crews, infantrymen are on the ready for any type of mission

Sgt. Joseph R. Chenelly
15th MEU Public Affairs

ABOARD USS PELELIU — Marines and Sailors of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) train continuously, day and night, keeping their quick-reaction abilities sharp to accomplish any mission they are tasked with in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, the international war on terrorism.

Even before the bombs began

dropping in Afghanistan, time on ship has been spent readying forces for missions and protecting ships at sea.

Crews upload ammunition, rockets, missiles and bombs onto Marine helicopters and jets. Flightdeck handlers launch one aircraft after another. Mechanics keep everything running. Infantrymen rehearse for many types of operations they're prepared to conduct on a moment's notice.

The 15th MEU (SOC) is a versatile, special operations capable task force always ready to carry out any of numerous missions, which include everything from amphibious

raids to tactical recoveries of aircraft and personnel, to non-combatant evacuation operations.

As America pushes forward in the battle against terror, so do servicemembers here.

Secretary of the Navy Gordon R. England spoke with hundreds of Marines and Sailors and posed for photos with many. He also presented several servicemembers with achievement medals and reenlisted others.

The 15th MEU (SOC), which is embarked aboard three amphibious ships, has been in the Arabian Sea supporting the international war on terrorism since late September.

MILITARY BLOTTER

Traffic Court

There were a total of 49 traffic citations issued.

The Blotter

-In separate incidents, two Marines were arrested by the Honolulu Police Department for driving under the influence, after being involved in traffic accidents. Both were further processed and held on \$500 bail.

-A Marine was involved in a traffic accident when he lost control of his motorcycle.

-A Marine was apprehended by the Military Police Department for communicating a threat after he threatened another person verbally.

-A Sailor was apprehended by MPD for a DUI after being stopped for speeding.

-A Marine was arrested by HPD for a DUI after being stopped for erratic driving. He was further processed and held on \$500.

-A Marine reported to MPD that unknown person(s) stole his Playstation 2 game console and \$35 in currency from his barracks room.

-A Marine was apprehended by MPD for malicious mischief, after someone reported that the subject had deflated the front tire of his vehicle.

-A Marine was apprehended by MPD for a DUI and under-age consumption, after being stopped at the Main Gate during a 100 percent identification card check.

-In separate incidents, a Marine and a Sailor were apprehended by MPD for DUIs, after being stopped at the Main Gate during a 100 percent ID card check.

-A military dependent was apprehended by MPD for driving without a driver's license, after being stopped for speeding.

-A military dependent

was involved in a traffic accident when travelling and failing to maintain sufficient distance from a second vehicle which was stopped.

-A Marine reported to MPD that unknown person(s) broke into his wall locker and stole a CD case containing 150 CDs.

-A Marine reported to MPD that unknown person(s) stole his Playstation 2 game console from a friend's room.

-A Sailor reported to MPD that unknown person(s) broke the left rear window to his privately owned vehicle.

-A Marine reported to MPD that unknown person(s) stole two pair of pants out of the barracks laundry room.

-A Marine was involved in a traffic accident when travelling and failing to maintain sufficient distance from a concrete barrier.

Lost and Found

If you're missing valu-

ables, or other items, contact Lost and Found to see if anyone has turned in the item(s) at the Military Police Desk.

Call Cpl. Fernandez at 257-2103, ext. 325, for prompt assistance.

Neighborhood Watch

Crime Prevention is looking for neighborhood representatives to get involved in their communities by taking charge of local neighborhoods.

If you're interested in getting involved and making a difference, call Crime Prevention at 257-2103, ext. 315.

Crime Prevention

Do you have questions about how you could take a stance against crime in your neighborhood?

If so, contact Cpl. Gordon Scott at Crime Prevention, at 257-2103, ext. 315, for tips on how to not become a victim of crime.

Nov. 11 is Veterans Day ...



... and America is at war.

Blue Star Banners are back.

Since World War I, a Blue Star Banner displayed in the front window of a home told others that a family member was serving in the armed forces.

As we steel ourselves for a long and difficult war, the sight of Blue Star Banners in homes will remind us of the personal sacrifices being made to preserve our way of life.

Once again, American men and women are being called to war. They are our nation's newest veterans, fighting to wipe out the seeds of terrorism. Each of them leaves a family behind. Every neighborhood has someone serving.



This Veterans Day, we urge all Americans to remember those in uniform today, as well as the veterans of generations past. Their sacrifice to preserve freedom and opportunity for us all deserves our heartfelt thanks.

The American Legion

www.legion.org

SEAT BELTS!
... a good thing to have around

