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Marines with the Ground Combat Element of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force post security on a simulated casualty as part of a Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel mission during Integrated Training Exercise 1-16 aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Oct 23-Nov. 15. The GCE provides a fighting force capable of executing a wide range of mission sets for the MAGTF.

## 8th Marines display MAGTF's capabilities

STORY BY 1ST LT.  
JOHN MCCOMBS

The 8th Marine Regiment demonstrated its capabilities as the command element of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force during Integrated Training Exercise 1-16 aboard the Combat Center, Oct. 23-Nov. 15.

Formerly known as the Combined Arms Exercise, ITX is now one of the largest training exercises Marine Corps units participate in prior to deployment. Approximately 4,000 Marines and Sailors from II Marine Expeditionary Force encompassing the MAGTF participated in ITX 1-16.

"One of the goals of ITX is to bring all the elements of the MAGTF together: the command element, logistics combat element, ground combat element, and your aviation combat element," said the Commanding Officer

of 8th Marine Regiment, Col. Martin Wetterauer III. "Often, the first time we get to train as a MAGTF is out here at ITX."

The training at ITX centered on integrating the different abilities of the MAGTF together to create an effective, well-coordinated fighting force. Units gained proficiency in that integration starting at the squad level all the way to the final culminating event which was the Battalion Assault Course.

ITX not only tested the individual units but the command and control capabilities of 8th Marine Regiment.

"The intent of ITX is to focus on 8th Marine Regiment's core and core plus missions. For a regiment, we come out here with roughly 11 [training and readiness standards] that we train to," Wetterauer explained.

"8th Marines is doing See **MAGTF pg. A6**



Motorized and air assets of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force integrate their capabilities as part of the Battalion Assault Course during Integrated Training Exercise 1-16 aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Oct 23-Nov. 15. ITX tested the MAGTF's ability to execute missions on a scale of increasing size and complexity.

## No holiday for safety

STORY BY THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

The holiday season is time for Marines and sailors to enjoy their well-deserved time off celebrating alongside friends and family. During this extended period of liberty, it is important for service members to be mindful of the dangers and risks that go along with it and to ensure that safety doesn't take a holiday.

According to the Provost Marshal's Accident Investigation Division, a significant rise in traffic accidents and collisions on-base has been noticed over the past year due to distracted drivers and driver's paying less attention to their surroundings.

"Driver distraction is the leading factor in traffic accidents," said Capt. Benjamin Gutek, Operations Officer, Provost Marshal's Office. "To be a safe driver involves clear judgment, concentration, and time to react. While traveling to or from work, be aware of your surroundings, eliminate distractions by getting organized before you depart and keep in mind the faster you travel the more following or stopping



PHOTO BY KELLY O'SULLIVAN

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In research AID conducted, drivers who make one claim, end up paying an average of 41 percent more for car insurance. It is not just safer to pay more attention to one's surrounding while operating a vehicle; it is also going to equal to substantial savings on increased insurance costs.

According to the Combat Center Safety Division, fatigued driving and drunk driving are also among some of the most prominent dangers that Marines and sailors face during the holiday season. Before going on liberty, planning ahead can make the difference in a potentially dangerous situation.

"Marines tend to have most issues with fatigue driving when they are returning from the liberty period," said Bob Piirainen, traffic safety program manager, Combat Center Safety Division. "It's important to get rest before driving and if necessary, to spend a little extra money on a hotel room to ensure you are rested for the drive back to base. Before you begin drinking ensure you have a designated driver and have an Arrive Alive Card. Utilizing the buddy

## FVAP simplifies absentee voting

STORY BY LANCE CPL. CONNOR HANCOCK

When service members take an oath to defend the Constitution of the United States of America, they also vow to defend freedom and the right to vote. Voting is essential to maintaining our democratic republic and is accessible to service members through voting assistance programs.

The Installation Voting Assistance Office and Federal Voting Assistance Program provide Marines, sailors and family members accessibility to vote in upcoming elections.

"Our goal is to reach everyone and simplify the voting process," said Chief Warrant Officer 3 Ikaika Chaves, Installation Voting Assistance Officer.

The program's website, [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), is an effective

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Absentee ballots allow service members, civilian employees and their families to vote while stationed overseas.

## Marine Corps' Top Shot

Every week, thousands of fans cast their votes for the best photograph posted on the Corps' Facebook page. This week's top shot comes from Cpl. Akeel Austin.



A U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey assigned to Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Crisis Response-Central Command stages on a hasty landing zone during a tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel drill at an undisclosed location in Southwest Asia, Nov. 16.



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Marines with the Marine Air-Ground Task Force load a simulated casualty on to a waiting MV-22 Osprey during Integrated Training Exercise 1-16 aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Oct. 23-Nov. 15. The Aviation Combat Element provides additional mobility, reconnaissance and firepower capabilities to the MAGTF.

everything from forming a command operations center, to conducting logistics, conducting fire support planning, offensive operations, defensive operations, and conducting reconnaissance.”

An added layer of training that ITX provides is the effect of the physical environment. “For Marines coming from Lejeune, the desert environment is significantly different than the Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, environment that we’ve been training in,” Wetterauer said. “[Being in Twentynine Palms] takes the Marine from the current training level he was proficient at before we left, he comes out here and we add another layer of problem to it,

another layer of complexity, and now he has to go through that to be successful.”

Most importantly, ITX is serving as a training exercise for 8th Marine Regiment for when they assume the command element role of Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Crisis Response-Africa 16.1.

“All the elements that will deploy with the SPMAGTF 16.1 Crisis Response Africa mission are out here conducting ITX. So we are now getting to practice how we will deploy in a few months,” Wetterauer said.

Following ITX, SPMAGTF-CR-AF 16.1 will move directly into their certification exercise with the

majority of the command element remaining in California while forward elements will move to the east coast to simulate the geographical distances the unit will have to overcome while deployed.

“We will now move into the missions that are assigned to us as a SPMAGTF, which are embassy reinforcement, non-combatant evacuation operations and quick reaction force,” said Wetterauer.

Wetterauer reiterated that conducting operations in this format is the way ahead for the 8th Marine Regiment and the Marine Corps as whole. “The MAGTF is the basis for how the Marine Corps fights and conducts operations overseas,” Wetterauer said.

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tool for voting registration and knowledge on voting requirements for each service member’s home state.

“The website is very easy to utilize,” Chaves said. “Sending your vote home is as simple as filling out a federal post-card application, which is a request for a write-in ballot. When election time comes, [FVAP] will mail you a write-in absentee ballot.”

According to Chaves, using mail-in ballots is the most popular choice for service members to vote in elections according to their legal residence. “You can print the post card application, the write-in absentee ballot, and an envelope that will have pre-printed postage, so you won’t have to

pay for it.”

“If you wanted to go to the polls, you would have to go back home to do it, which is why most service members use absentee ballots,” added Chaves.

FVAP recommends registering annually, in order to ensure an updated residential address.

“As a citizen, voting is your duty,” Chaves said. “Do your research and study the candidates so you can make an informed decision based off of your ideals and what you stand for.”

Chaves encourages service members to contact their unit voting officers. Visit [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), or call 1-800-438-8683 to have further questions answered.

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system and appointing a designated driver can help to mitigate those risks.”

The Combat Center Safety Division hosts classes such as the Defensive Driving Course Alive at 25 to help improve Marines’ driving habits. In addition, these courses serve to inform Marines of the repercussions of their actions to ensure that they understand how their conduct can affect their careers.

“Think about the consequences before you act,” Piirainen said. “Every year during these longer holidays it comes with a rise in [driving under the influence] and other incidents. One bad decision can end your career.”



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# Jet arrives for “Sling Shot” trails

Another chapter of Aviation History was written Nov. 28 when a marine super-sonic jet fighter (F4D Skyray) landed and refueled at the Short Airfield for Tactical Support (SATS) that has been undergoing planning, construction and testing here for the last several months.

Capt. Jimmy L. Pappas, test pilot for the SATS project and the Air Field Operations Officer landed his jet aircraft with needle point precision, and will prepare to take off early tomorrow. The concept of the air field enabled Capt. Pappas and his high powered jet to land is similar to an aircraft carrier. That is, it has a “sling” type arresting gear.

The jet aircraft came in on its approach and caught onto a cable that was strung across the runway. Each end of this cable is in turn is connected to nylon tape which is wound around wheels which play out the tape as the aircraft engages the cable.

It enabled the jet to come in at approach speed of better than 160 knots and to be brought to

complete rest within 700 feet, instead of the thousands of yards usually consumed.

The aircraft will be “slung” in the air and be completely air borne within 1,000 feet. The fact that the jets can be effectively and rapidly landed, refueled, armed, and launched was proven yesterday. This concept is not only possible, but very practical. The theory that was proven fact yesterday at t eh world’s largest Marine Corps Base means that the long, time consuming task of constructing the “old style” runway is now no longer necessary. In the past, it took engineers weeks and weeks if round-the-clock construction to prepare a single landing strip capable of handling jet aircraft. Yesterday these weeks were cut down to hours, thus enabling a team of engineers to set up a Short Airfield for Tactical Support quickly to handle the jets that support today’s fast Marine infantry units.

The SATS construction project here started in mid-September. Sub Unit No. 2 from Marine

Air Base Squadron No. 37, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing was established and sent to our Base with components of their supply, communications, motor transport, air control, crash crew, maintenance, and administrative sections. These men have been doing their jobs in the field and living here on Base since the Sub Unit’s formation in September.

Actual engineering construction of the field was accomplished by the men on the Navy Mobile Construction Battalion from Port Hueneme.

The Base SATS site is the only airfield of its type capable of arresting and catapulting jet aircraft built from scratch. What was previously a patch of barren desert land 13 miles from the main area of the Base is now a teeming, busy, semi-permanent air field, capable of handling any number of jet fighter type aircraft. It will be complete with all air traffic control services, weather instruments, refueling apparatus, and all the facilities needed to coordinate a tactical jet airfield early in 1963.

## CROSSWORD

- Across**
- 1 Bread buy
  - 5 Crowning point
  - 9 Pub orders
  - 14 "Tickle me" Muppet
  - 15 The cornea covers it
  - 16 "Weird" Al spoof of a Michael Jackson hit
  - 17 Purina competitor
  - 18 Woman in a Beatles title
  - 19 Piano key material
  - 20 Feathers that you lay your head on
  - 23 Call, at poker
  - 24 Navigator's need
  - 25 Sprout
  - 26 Stable diet?
  - 27 Breeze (through)
  - 29 Jeu de mots
  - 32 Old anesthetic
  - 35 Touchy topic
  - 37 It's in a jamb
  - 38 Wallops
  - 39 Conclude, with "up"
  - 40 "Yikes!"
  - 42 Like a ballerina
  - 43 Santa sidekick
  - 44 Relaxed pace
  - 45 Volkswagen model's nickname
  - 46 Catch some rays
  - 47 Tower of stranded drivers
  - 48 Bachelor's last words
  - 51 Kicks the habit
  - 56 Salon jobs
  - 57 Dig like a pig
  - 58 NCAA's Runnin' Rebels
  - 59 Cover loosely with cloth
  - 60 Center
  - 61 Put down
  - 62 Soft, matted fabrics
  - 63 Final word
  - 64 Pull

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  - 3 Enough
  - 4 April 1st victim
  - 5 Plane's passage
  - 6 Fresh, as lettuce
  - 7 Catcher's catcher
  - 8 Biblical twin
  - 9 Low-fat meat from a hybrid
  - 10 Mad
  - 11 Kind of collar
  - 12 KFC piece
  - 13 Farm structure

- 21 Actor Epps
- 22 Somersaults in the air
- 26 Pack of camels
- 27 Figure out
- 28 Justice Dept. employee
- 29 Separate
- 30 One of the Four Corners states
- 31 "Uh-uh"
- 32 Head start
- 33 Level or plane
- 34 Spot for a horseshoe
- 35 Jalopy
- 36 Small branch
- 38 Mustang not yet broken

- 41 Alternative to contacts
- 42 Poi party
- 45 \_\_\_ down the hatches
- 46 Entice
- 47 Really dig
- 48 "No kidding"
- 49 Triangular formation
- 50 Words of dismay
- 51 Actor Richard
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- 54 Hang over one's head
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WHAT I'VE LEARNED

# Heather KEASLER

Jefferson, Tx. Sgt., platoon sergeant, Installation Personnel Administration Center

Keasler enjoys studying language and culture to broaden her understanding about the world. She hopes to become a drill instructor and help make Marines who will excel above the highest military standard.

**>I grew up in Jefferson, Texas.** It's a small historical town. Growing up there made me passionate about history because there's a lot to appreciate. I like looking at history because a single person's small decisions can have a huge ripple effect on the future.

**>In my years before the Marine Corps,** I got the opportunity to live on a ranch and earn my stay taking care of horses. I still keep a close relationship with the ranchers and my favorite horse, Jeffery.

**>I do a lot of outdoor activities** like skateboarding, hiking, and running, but I also enjoy hobbies that challenge me mentally. I play violin and enjoy learning new languages.

**>I'm interested in culture** and history. Looking back in the past, creativity was a requirement for survival. Nowadays, it's easy to take technology for granted and lose creativity.

**>I have an older sister and a younger brother.** When I visited my family after coming home from recruit training, my brother saw the pride I had. It had some influence on him becoming a Marine.

**>I spent my first enlistment** at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego and have been at the Combat Center since. My goal is to return to Parris Island as a drill instructor after completing Sergeant's Course.

**>During my free time** I practice calligraphy and stationary. I'm an old school communicator and I rarely text message people. Anything that is meaningful is worth taking the time to write. I hand-make the envelopes and seal them with my own calligraphy signature stamp.

**>I want to keep motivation strong** in the Fleet Marine Force. I've seen a lot of Marines nearing the end of their active service, who have dropped their packs. There will always be good and bad days, you just have to focus on what you're grateful for.

**>I missed opportunities** to be stationed in Guam and Okinawa, but I learned to take it as a blessing. There are a lot of opportunities the military gives us and I'm lucky to be stationed somewhere I can pursue good educational courses.

**>Being a Marine can be physically and mentally demanding** at times, but it's for your own good. A lot of side tasks some Marines complain about will only help them in the end. Whether you're on a working party or standing a post, learning how to adapt to challenges is going to make you a better leader when you have Marines to instruct.

**>My advice is don't get upset** with the small obstacles life may throw at you. If you're healthy and alive, you'll always have something to be thankful for.

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# Marines get hands on new mortars



U.S. Marines with Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force--Crisis Response--Central Command, fire a M252A2 81 mm mortar system during a live-fire training mission at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, Oct. 24.



U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Matthew Parra, a fires direction center coordinator with Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force--Crisis Response--Central Command, performs gun drills during a live-fire training mission at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, Oct. 24.



U.S. Marines with Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force--Crisis Response--Central Command, assemble a new M252A2 81mm mortar system during a live-fire training mission at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, Oct. 24.

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U.S. Marines with Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force--Crisis Response--Central Command, train on a new weapons system at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, Oct. 24, and reinforce ability to provide protection to coalition partners and resources.

The Marines are

charged with the security of Al Asad, a site used by coalition members to train Iraqi Security Forces as part of the Combined Joint Task Force -- Operation Inherent Resolve's building partner capacity mission.

"We were just issued the new M252A2 Lightweight 81 mm mortar system and before we employed it in combat, we decided to get the Marines out here [Al Asad range] and get some live fires training with the system," said U.S. Marine 1st Lt. Alex Sherrod, the executive officer with Weapons Company.

During the training, Marines familiarized themselves firsthand on the functions of the system they could possibly employ in the battle space as a protection measure. The primary benefit of the training is it allowed the Marines the opportunity to hone their tactics, techniques and procedures in employment of the weapons system, further reinforcing their ability to provide protection to their coalition and Iraqi partners.

The new system is over-all 10 pounds lighter than the previous mortar system and has heat reducing technology to keep the weapons system cooler than its predecessor.

The Marines fired a total of 87 rounds during the familiarization training to ensure every mortar team received ample time with the new system.

"It's a pretty cool opportunity to come out here and train," said U.S. Marine Cpl. Destry Stemme, a squad leader with Weapons Company. "It has definitely been a learning experience for me and the other Marines, and this additional training allows us to be more effective on the battlefield."

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# SPMAGTF conducts TRAP



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U.S. Marines with Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Crisis Response-Central Command conduct a Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel drill at an undisclosed location in Southwest Asia, Nov. 16. SPMAGTF-CR-CC is ready to respond to any crisis response mission in theatre to include the employment of a TRAP force.



PHOTO BY CPL. AKEEL AUSTIN

A U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey assigned to Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force-Crisis Response-Central Command stages on a hasty landing zone during a Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel drill at an undisclosed location in Southwest Asia, Nov. 16.



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# Recent change to PMO access control policy

**STORY BY LANCE CPL. LEVI SCHULTZ**

The Provost Marshall’s Office released a policy regarding access control and registration of vehicles aboard the Combat Center effective Nov. 9.

In the past, the Combat Center utilized Department of Defense decals on vehicles to ensure individuals could receive access to the installation. The new policy regarding access control resulted in decals no longer being a recognized form of access control. Valid identification cards, such as a Common Access Card or Teslin, are now required to be presented and

inspected to allow access for any individual.

“They previously allowed access to installations with the DoD decal,” said Gunnery Sgt. James A. Meak, physical security chief, PMO. “Before, we required that personnel be vetted through the vehicle registration office; now, if you’re a military member with a valid [military] ID, you’re allowed to come aboard the installation and go about freely without a visitor pass.”

According to Meak, this new procedure creates a streamlined process at the entrance gates while still ensuring everything is conducted in accor-

dance with security requirements. Permanent residents must still register their vehicles upon arrival to the installation.

“For Marines [and civilians] stationed here, we still require them to register their vehicles aboard the installation,” Meak said. “This gives us a snapshot of what we have and allows us to identify vehicles a lot easier versus running their license plates.”

To learn more about the policy change regarding access, control and registration of vehicles aboard the Combat Center, contact the Provost Marshal’s Office at (760) 830-6800.

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# HQBN celebrates 240th Marine Corps Birthday



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Combat Center Commanding General, Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Craparotta, cuts the first piece of birthday cake to be given to guest of honor, Sgt. Maj. Bradley A. Kasal, sergeant major, I Marine Expeditionary Force, at the Headquarters Battalion Marine Corps Birthday Ball at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nov. 21.



PHOTO BY CPL. CHARLES SANTAMARIA

Headquarters Battalion Marines pause for prayer during an invocation delivered by Navy Capt. Stephen Lee, Combat Center chaplain, during the Headquarters Battalion Marine Corps Birthday Ball at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nov. 21.



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Combat Center Commanding General, Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Craparotta, and guest of honor, Sgt. Maj. Bradley A. Kasal, sergeant major, I Marine Expeditionary Force, await the arrival of the cake escorts during the Headquarters Battalion Marine Corps Birthday Ball at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nov. 21

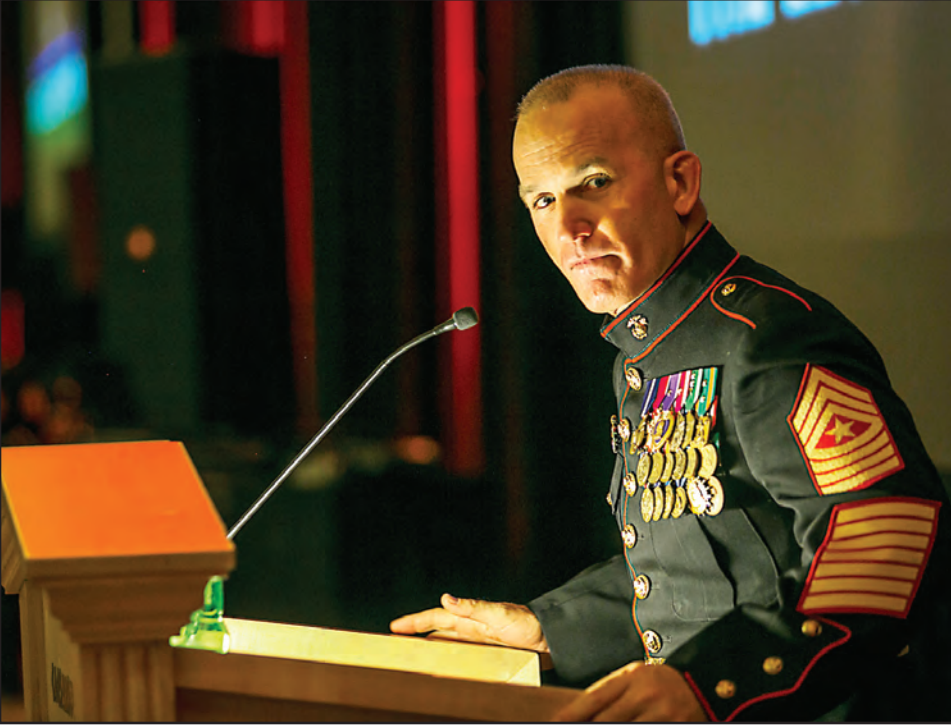


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Guest of honor, Sgt. Maj. Bradley A. Kasal, sergeant major, I Marine Expeditionary Force, speaks at the Headquarters Battalion Marine Corps Ball at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nov. 21.



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# 72 years later: Remembering the battle of Tarawa



PHOTOS BY CPL. MATTHEW BRAGG

A 3rd Marine Regiment color guard takes its place, July 25, during a repatriation ceremony in Tarawa, Kiribati. The ceremony honored the remains of approximately 36 Marines who fought and died during the Battle of Tarawa during World War II, and were loaded onto a C-130J Hercules aircraft to be transported back home to the United States.

STORY BY LANCE CPL. JONAH LOVY

November 2015 marks the 72nd anniversary of the Battle of Tarawa. Tarawa was the first Marine attack in the central Pacific region during World War II and is remembered as one of the fiercest engagements of the campaign.

The battle raged from Nov. 20-23, 1943, on the Tarawa Atoll in the Gilbert Islands. An atoll is a coral reef that breaches the surface of the ocean and forms an island.

It became necessary for the Marines to capture Tarawa following the fighting of Guadalcanal. The island, roughly the size of Central Park in Manhattan, N.Y., served as the site of the first American offensive in the central Pacific region.

The Battle of Tarawa was one of the most tenacious and bloodiest battles in Marine Corps History. Nearly 6,400 Japanese, Korean and U.S. service members died in the three-day battle.

An American force of 17 aircraft carriers, 12 battleships, 8 heavy cruisers, 4 light cruisers, 66 destroyers and 36 transport ships moved to the Gilbert Islands Nov. 20. This was the largest force assembled in the Pacific for a single operation.

When the U.S. force approached Tarawa, Japanese forces opened fire with artillery batteries. The Americans responded with a counter battery that neutralized a majority of the Japanese artillery.

The Marines approached the shore using small amphibious vehicles to reach the beach at low tide, forcing the infantry to wade through waist deep water to reach dry land. Enemy machine gun fire rained down on the men from the shore. The Marines who made it ashore secured the beach and waited for reinforcements.

On the morning of Nov. 21, tanks and artillery were brought by boat allowing the Marines to advance on the Japanese entrenched inland. U.S. forces captured the majority of the island on this day.

Marines pursued the remaining Japanese forces and an airstrip held by the enemy Nov. 22. By the evening, the remaining Japanese forces were either pushed back into the tiny amount of land to the east of the airstrip, or operating in several isolated pockets around the island.

When the fighting was finished only 17 Japanese soldiers survived out of the 4,700 who fought. Nearly 1,700 U.S. service members were killed and 2,101 were wounded.

“The capture of Tarawa knocked down the front door to the Japanese in the Central Pacific,” said Adm. Chester Nimitz, the commander-in-chief of U.S. Pacific Fleet during World War II.

The legacy of Tarawa lives on in the Marine Corps today. The Marines faced overwhelming odds but persevered until victorious.



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Marines climb over a barrier at the Tarawa Atoll, Nov. 1943. Tarawa was the first Marine attack in the central Pacific region during World War II.



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Marines land on the Tarawa Atoll Nov. 1943. Tarawa was the first Marine attack in the central Pacific region during World War II.





Combat Center Events

The **Combat Center Library** is hosting a holiday movie night Dec. 3 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join friends and family in the Dr. Seuss holiday spirit. Watch “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” and enjoy seasonal treats. Santa & the Grinch will be visiting. All ages welcome. For more information call (760) 830-6875.

**Marine Corps Community Services** is hosting the New Parent Support program Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on base. This all day class provides information on labor and delivery, postpartum, breastfeeding and safety for babies from pregnancy to 12 months. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (760) 830-7622.

**Registration and Coaches meeting for the Winter Basketball League** will end Jan. 5. The season starts on Jan 12. There can be 12 participants per roster and a minimum of seven. The event is open to all active duty personnel, MCCS employees and DOD civilians. Registration is free for active duty personnel and all other personnel will have a \$20 fee.

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4:30 p.m. – The Martian, PG-13  
7:30 p.m. – Bridge of Spies, PG-13  
10:30 p.m. – Paranormal Activity: The Ghost Dimension, R  
**Sunday, November 29**  
12:00 p.m. – The Last Witch Hunter, PG-13  
2:30 p.m. – Love the Coopers, PG-13  
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**Monday, November 30**  
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James Bond, with his iconic “license to kill,” has never been a stranger to death. And in Spectre, the latest adventure of the world’s most famous secret agent, the prospect of mortality looms especially large. “The dead are alive,” a cryptic sentence, is the very first thing you see on the screen, just before the face of a gigantic skeleton in a Day of the Dead parade.

But as Bond (Daniel Craig) notes at one point, “Death and dying—it’s all a matter of perspective.” Spectre, the 24th movie since Dr. No began the Bond franchise in 1962, may reflect on the past and even gaze into the grave, but it’s vibrantly, expressively, emotionally alive and very much in step with today. Reuniting Craig with director Sam Mendes—his partner in the snap, crackle and pop of Skyfall in 2012—it begins with Bond going off the grid to wrap up some unfinished business just as the “double-O” espionage program headed by his boss, M (Ralph Fiennes), is in danger of being scrapped back in London.

A crusading young British intelligence officer, C (Andrew Scott, Moriarty on TV’s Sherlock), wants to replace Bond and his “prehistoric” stalk-and-shoot derring-do with a new multi-national initiative, using global surveillance and drones to keep track of criminals—as well as everyone else.

“It’s the future,” C tells M. “And you’re not.”

M smells a big, worldwide rat, and so does Bond—and off he goes to track it down, to Mexico, Rome, Austria and the desert of North Africa, setting up some thrilling set pieces that up the ante on cinematic Bond moments. A dazzling 15-minute beaut of an opener begins as one ludicrously long, unbroken tracking shot (filmed by a drone!) down a street and into an alley, up and out of an elevator, into a hotel room, through a window and onto a rooftop—before climaxing in a building-toppling explosion, a frantic foot chase and a brutal hand-to-hand fight in an out-of-control helicopter dipping and diving over a crowded plaza filled with thousands of people.

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There’s a sleek nighttime car chase, an alpine pursuit with an airplane that becomes both a bobsled and a battering ram, and a brawl in a train so slam-bang intense you expect it to cause a derailment.

Christoph Waltz plays a nefarious über-villain with a deep-rooted evil secret that haunts—and hurts—Bond in more ways that one. Former pro wrestler Dave Bautista (so memorable as the red-tattooed Drax in Guardians of the Galaxy) is a hulking wall of sneering, leering bad news—and only one teeny, tiny two-word line of dialogue.

As the latest “Bond girl,” French actress Léa Seydoux gives Bond pause for something “more important” than the sometime-vicious necessities of his job. Ben Whishaw returns as nerdy gadget master Q, and Naomie Harris is back as Moneypenny, the office assistant who’s now become an invaluable assignment aide.

Will this, Craig’s fourth outing as James Bond, be his last, as rumored? Time will tell. Other spies come and go, but Bond—whoever portrays him—has been the standard for more than 50 years, and Spectre finds him in fine, full, clever, super-stylish, ultra-cool, death-dodging form, very much alive and well.

“It’s good to have you back, 007,” M tells him at one point, welcoming him home. Yes, it bloody well double-O is!

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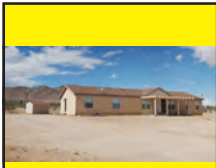
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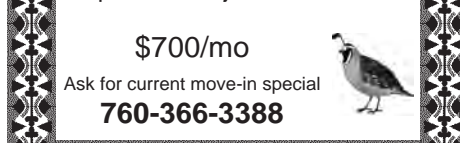
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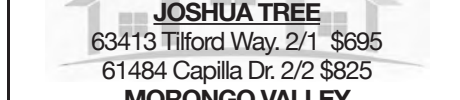
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(PUB: S. 11/05, 11/12, 11/19, 11/26/2015)  
**T.S. No.: 2014-07637-CA A.P.N.:0603-122-11-0-000**  
Property Address: **61938 Grand View Circle, Joshua Tree Area, CA 92252**

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
**PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.**

**NOTICE:** THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:**  
**YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/08/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.**

Trustor: **XYLINA GRIFFIN, A SINGLE WOMAN**  
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Place of Sale:  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

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Lance Cpl. Joseph Klein, an infantryman with Company E, Battalion Landing Team 26, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, participates in platoon room clearing drills aboard the USS Oak Hill in the Gulf of Aden, Nov. 19. The 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit is embarked on the Kearsarge Amphibious Readiness Group and is deployed to maintain regional security in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations.



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Marines with 8th Engineer Support Battalion, Improved Ribbon Bridge Platoon take turns maneuvering the Zodiac in open water during the Zodiac operator's course aboard Camp Lejeune, N.C., Nov. 19. During the course the Marines learned safety with the Zodiacs and how to use them to their full potential.



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U.S. Marines with Golf Co., Battalion Landing Team 2/1, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, are lifted in the air for flight during Special Patrol Insertion and Extraction rigging training at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Nov. 19. SPIE rigging training prepares Marines for fast entry and exit from difficult and possibly dangerous combat areas.



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The Provost Marshal's Office Special Reaction Team conducts room clearing drills at an old 33 Area armory Nov. 18. The room clearing drills help familiarize the team in close-quarters combat and hostage situations.



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Marines with Company E Mortars Platoon, Battalion Landing Team 2/6, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, practice emplacement and firing missions with the 120mm mortar system aboard the USS Oak Hill in the Gulf of Aden, Nov. 18. The 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit is embarked on the Kearsarge Amphibious Readiness Group and is deployed to maintain regional security in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations.



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