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MCCS sponsors gather for annual base tour

LANCE CPL. NICOLE A. LAVINE

COMBAT CORRESPONDENT

The Marine Corps Community Services marketing department hosted a base tour to honor sponsors whose generous donations have contributed to Center patrons.

It is through these donations that events such as the July 4 concerts, "We Salute You" functions, and many others, are made possible for families and single service members aboard the Combat Center.

The nine sponsor groups who attended were exposed to both the training and domestic sides of the base.

The tour began at the base Officer's Club with a breakfast and safety information brief given by Jim Ricker, Community Plans Liasion Officer, who was the tour's guide.

Following a short question and answer period, the sponsors loaded two buses, each heading to opposite ends of mainside.

The first group visited the Cultural and Archeological Curation Facility on base where Dr. Brian Henen, National Resources and Environmental Affairs ecologist, and John Hale, NREA the quality of life for Combat archeologist, revealed some of the geological, cultural and archeological treasures found within the base boundaries.

Henen and Hale described the prehistoric geography of the base, which used to be rich with foliage and large animals, as well as the cultural background of natives to the area.

Sponsors also had the chance to interact with Thelma and Louise, two endangered species of desert tortoises adopted by Maj. Gen. Douglas M. Stone, the previous Combat Center commanding general, and cared for by NREA.

Meanwhile, the second group got acquainted with the base recycling and hazardous waste munitions plant. There, they toured the facility's metal-



LANCE CPL. NICOLE A. LAVINE Sponsors who attended the annual Marine Corps Community Services sponsorship tour admire the Combat Center's mock Iraqi village called Combat Center Range 215 from the balcony of a second-story building Oct 12.

junk from training ranges back into useable resources.

The use of the recycling center assures consistent clean-

crushing machines which turn up after service members' training, as well as making enough money to pay the salaries of the plant employees and additional funds for recre-

ational conveniences for single Marines, such as televisions for barracks' common rooms.

The groups then loaded their buses and switched locations before meeting back at the Officer's Club for lunch and a presentations

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QRP works with range residue processing center for base

LANCE CPL. MONICA C. ERICKSON

established a Range Residue Processing Center for maintenance activities in order to sustain the base training ranges at a reasonable cost.

For safety reasons and liability issues, the range residue personnel regularly perform range maintenance and range clearance operations.

"The base generates a sizable stream of range residue or 'scrap' consisting of spent munitions, small-arm casings,

large practice projectiles, inert practice bombs, target remnants, tires, wooden pallets, scrap steel and other opera-In 2000, the Combat Center tional material," said Jim Sanderson, the Combat Center Safety Manager and former Senior Unexploded Ordnance Supervisor. "It is not acceptable to allow this residue to accumulate indefinitely on the ranges or allow gleaned residue containing material posing a potential explosive hazard to leave the base without being certified."

The RRPC personnel are qualified to ensure all materials from ranges are certified as free of energetic material.

They have developed a fulltime systematic range clearance to increase the MPPEH processing capabilities.

"To aid in the certification process, the RRPC has numerous pieces of major equipment that can mechanically process the MPPEH to a level of 100 percent certified to be free of energetic materials," said Sanderson. "The major equipment includes light steel shredder for ammunition cans and propellant canisters, ordnance deformer and hammer mill shredder, an aluminum

See QRP, A8



Collected recycable metal is sorted out at the base Range Residue Processing Center.



Lance Cpl. Garrett Shannon and Sgt. John Martinez, with the Combat Logistics Battalion 7, stand at position of attention after being presented their awards Oct. 12. Shannon received a Purple Heart due to injuries sustained in an IED attack while deployed to Iraq. Marinez received a Navy Achievement Medal for his hard work and dedication toward CLB-7 while excelling in a gunnery sergeant billet.

CLB-7 Marines awarded Purple Heart, Navy Achievement Medal

LANCE CPL. MONICA C. **ERICKSON**

Combat Correspondent

Two Marines from Combat Logistics Battalion 7 were awarded the Purple Heart and Navy Achievement Medal at an awards ceremony Oct. 12 at

their maintenance yard. In 2006, Lance Cpl. Garrett Shannon, an Irvine Calif. native, was acting as the gunner in a High-Mobility Multi Wheeled Vehicle. They were patrolling through the city of Fallujah when his HMMWV, the second vehicle patrolling in

the convoy, was driven over a pressure plate IED.

"It is bitter sweet that we're handing out a Purple Heart," said Maj. Boyd A. Miller, CLB-7 commanding officer. "It is only given to those that spilt their blood for their nation."

The vehicle was catastrophically disabled after the IED attack, and Shannon assisted Cpl. Ryan Heller, the vehicle commander, in pulling Lance Cpl. Justin Ping, the HMMWV driver, to safety, before the vehicle was engulfed in flames.

During his heroic acts, Shannon sustained injuries to his face and had a concussion.

"My thanks on behalf of the nation and the danger you faced," said Miller. "He's a local hero, I'm proud of him."

The Purple Heart award was established by President George Washington for soldiers in the Revolutionary War, and is currently awarded to members of the Armed Forces injured or killed in any action against an enemy of the United States under certain conditions.

The Purple Heart is different

See CLB-7, A9

Friday



86/56 Sunny

79/53

Saturday Partly Cloudy

Sunday



Mostly Sunny

• A5: Housing Road Repair Reminder

• A6: Marines come back for more

• A8: Inramural rifle/pistol competition

Observations



The two lead bikes in Run for the Troops ride Saturday

This Day in Marine Corps History

— Oct. 19, 1800— Marines participated in a tribute to Dey

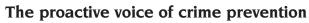
of Algiers.

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C.O.P. Corner

Community **Oriented Policing**



Presented by the Provost Marshal's Office, Crime Prevention Section

Larcenies aboard MCAGCC

Larcenies have always been a big problem across the U.S. There has been an increasing problem of thefts aboard the base and especially in the barracks, which is an issue we have to strongly look at and find a way to address.

Here are the stats on how many larcenies we have had broken down by individual units in the barracks aboard MCAGCC:

Unit	Larcenies	Unit	Larcenies
1 /7	0	3 BW/00 274	~
1/7	9	MWSS-374	5
2/7	2	CLB-7	2
3/7	3	VMU-1	2
3/4	10	MCCES	11
3/11	7	HQBN	3
3rd LAR	8	NAV HOSP	0
1st Tank Bn	4	23rd Dental	0
3rd AABN	5	Staff Housing	1
Grand Total	72.	C	

Out of the 72 larcenies, almost all of them could have been prevented or been a lot easier to solve if the person who had their property stolen would have secured the items properly, kept receipts of the merchandise or marked or engraved their property with a property marking for identification purposes. Also ensure that you write down and keep a record of all serial numbers and other identifiers of high dollar or sentimental merchandise and keep that list in a secure location. Most pawn shops will not take property that has property engraving markings on them.

DUI/DWI Update

Here is a total number of Marine related DUI's broken down by month. Jan/10, Feb/14, Mar/12, Apr/17, May/21, Jun/15, Jul/17, Aug/15, Sept/28, Oct/7 (thru the

Here are the stats on how many DUIs/DWIs that we have had aboard MCAGCC and off the installation:

MONTHLY	TOTALS
MOMENT	

Unit	Totals	On Base/Off Base	Ranks
7th Mar	8	2/6	6Cpls/1PO3/2nd Lt
1/7	12	8/4	1PVT/2PFC/7LCpl/1Cpl/1Sgt
2/7	6	5/1	1Pvt/1PFC/2Cpl/1Sgt/1SSgt
3/7	5	1/4	1PFC/1Lcpl/2Cpl/1HN
3/4	20	5/15	1Pvt/2PFC/12Lcpl/3Cpl/1Sgt/1HN
3/11	8	4/4	1Pvt/1PFC/1LCpl/3Cpl/1Sgt/1HM3
3rd LAR	13	10/3	1Pvt/1PFC/4LCpl/5Cpl/2Sgt
1st Tank Bn	7	5/2	4LCpl/2Cpl/1SSgt
3rd AABN	4	2/2	1Pvt/2LCpl
MWSS-374	9	4/5	3PFC/2LCpl/2Cpl/2Sgt/1SSgt
CLB-7	14	3/11	1Pvt/3PFC/4LCpl/4Cpl/1Sgt/1PO3
VMU-1	1	0/1	1LCpl
MCCES	12	2/10	1PVT/2PFC/2LCpl/2Cpl/1Sgt/3SSgt/
			1MSgt
HQBN	22	9/13	1Pvt/13LCpl/6Cpl/1GySgt/1Capt
NAV HOSP	0	0/0	
23rd Dental	0	0/0	
Other Mil	7	1/6	3Cpl/3Sgt/1GySgt
Mil Dep	7	7/0	6Wifes/1Husband
DOD Civ	0	0/0	
Other	1	1/0	1Civilian-NMA
Grand Total	156		

Out of the 156 DUIs/DWIs, all of them have lost or will lose their driving privileges for a minimum of one year.

The following services are available to on-base personnel and residents through the Crime Prevention Section:

Literature, Briefings, Education, Crime Assessments, Safety Tips, Stranger Danger Program, McGruff the Crime Dog, Officer Friendly Program, Operation Identification (Property Identification), Child Identification and Fingerprinting.

For more information about the above services, contact the PMO Crime Prevention Section at 830-4561/6094.

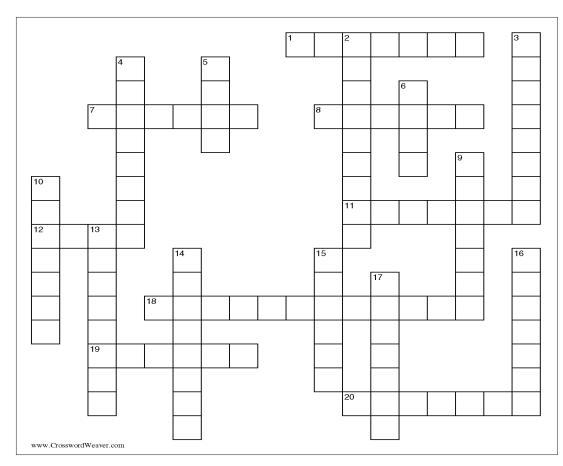
Sempertoons

By Gunnery Sgt. Charles Wolf

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MLB BASEBALL TEAMS



ACROSS

- 1. It's Tribe Time!
- 7. Their best batter gets pumped up before games
- 8. Had an appifony in 2006 season
- 11. Can't win it all, even with salary cap
- 12. Maybe next year, or the year after...
- 18. Got swept in the NLCS
- 19. Come from the City of _
- 20. Plays at Camden Yards near the inner

DOWN

- 2. Put up worst record in MLB this season
- 3. Who Ken Griffey Jr. began his career with
- ferent from their city 5. The "other" team from New York

4. Took no effort to make their name sound dif-

- 6. Pete Rose got in trouble for betting on this team as their manager
- 9. Friends of beer drinkers everywhere
- 10. Swept through the NLCS
- 13. The only Canadian based MLB team
- 14. Plays at the formerly known Comiskey Park
- 15. Broke Babe Ruth's curse in 2004
- 16. Roberto Clemente played for them 17. Nolan Ryan retired with them

[Solutions on A5]

Centerspeak

Who do you predict to win the World Series and why?

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LANCE CPL. MICAH HEWLETT 2ND BATTALION, 24TH MARINES

think the Indians will win because they beat the Yankees."



CPL. CHRIS TERRY COMBAT CENTER BAND

olorado, because it would be nice to see them actually win something."



HM3 IOHN GUSTAFSON 2ND BATTALION, 24TH MARINES

COT think the Indians will win because it's the Rockies first trip to the World Series."

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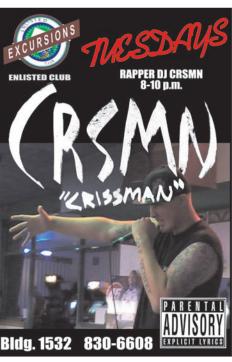
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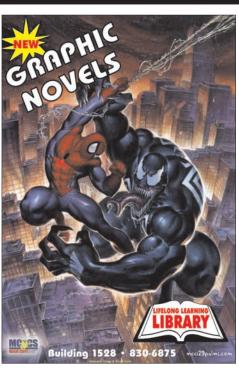
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LIBERTY CALL







October 19th-31st You're here. You're single. You're in **SUNDAY** SMP TRIP TO PAINTBALL

TUESDAY

@ Camp Pendleton, Depart The Zone 7 A.M. COST: \$20

SMP COMMISARY HALLOWEEN PARTY 7 to 10 p.m. **COST**: \$5

SAT. & SUN. OCTOBER 30TH & 31ST SMP HAUNTED HOUSE @ EAST GYM 6 to 10 p.m. COST: \$5

Movies and recreation for the upcoming week at the Sunset Cinema

FRIDAY

Mr. Woodcock 6 p.m. PG-13

Death Sentence 9 p.m.

Shoot'Em Up

Midnight

SATURDAY

FREE 11 a.m. Flushed Away

Mr. Woodcock 2 p.m. PG-13

Balls of Fury 6 p.m. **PG-13**

Superbad 9 p.m. R

Halloween Midnight R

SUNDAY Mr. Bean's Holiday 2 p.m.

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MONDAY Resurrecting the Champ 7 p.m. **PG-13**

The Brave One

6 p.m.

PG-13

9 p.m.

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Halloween

TUESDAY

Superbad 7 p.m.

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Death Sentence 7 p.m. R

THURSDAY Balls of Fury 7 p.m. PG-13



2007 MORONGO **BASIN OPEN STUDIO ART TOURS**

OCT. 27-28, WEST END AND NOV. 3-4, EAST END

This year's 6th Annual Open Studio Art Tours will run from Oct. 26-Nov. 4 and will feature more than 100 participating artists from the Morongo Basin communities.

Anchored by two featured weekends, this free, self-guided, ten-day event celebrates the Morongo Basin's establishment as a significant art community.

Adjacent to the spectacular Joshua Tree National Park, this area is nationally recognized for its dark, starry nights and otherworldly terrain which provides the backdrop for artistic inspiration. During the event, museums, galleries, cafes, theaters and music venues across the Morongo Basin will host cultural events and shows.

With over 100 participants in this year's Open Studio Art Tours, all artistic mediums are represented. Among the artists featured will be photographer Wally Pacholka, threetime winner of Time-Life's "Picture of the Year" award, Steve Rieman, a sculptor with public art pieces displayed throughout California, and Mikal Winn well known for his jewelery.

The Gathering of Artists Reception for this year's tours will be held on Oct. 26, at 6 p.m. at the Joshua Tree Retreat and Event Center (Institute of Mentalphysics). The Artists Reception is free to all members of the MBCAC.

The West End Studio Tours in the communities of Morongo Valley, Yucca Valley, Pioneertown, Landers and Joshua Tree will be open from Oct. 27 through, Oct. 28, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The East End Studio Tours in the communities of Joshua Tree, Twentynine Palms and Wonder Valley will be open from Nov. 3 through Nov. 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Weekday Tours will be available Oct. 29 through Nov. 2, at featured studios.

Additional information is available at http://www. ArtTours2007.com or by contacting the MBCAC at 760-368-8306, or by email at info@mbcac.org.

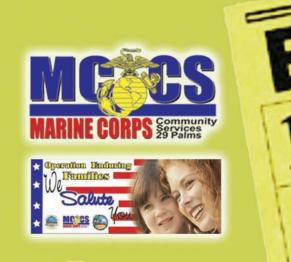


Doors open at 6:30 p.m. \$10 BUY-IN Games will be from 7 - 9 p.m. Light refreshments provided

Sign up by Friday, October 19th at the Combat Center Officers' Club. Space is limited to 100 participants.

Child Care available at the Village Center from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. (\$10 per child.) 15 children minimum for service Reserve by October 19th by calling Tina Schmitz at 830.3227/272.

DETAILS, 830.6610



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TOUR from A1

period.

After lunch, sponsors loaded bus once again to make a dusty trip to Range 215, a mock Iraqi village used to train Marines and sailors during their final stages of Mojave Viper pre-deployment training.

The group then stopped at the Explosive Ordinance Disposal section, where Maj. Michael R. Glass, EOD officer-in-charge, briefed the curious crowd on the types of rounds used by anti-coalition forces over seas, tactics they use to place improvised explosive devices and the suspicious behavior patterns they usually follow.

At the end of the IED awareness brief, the group was allowed to operate the robots used over seas to identify and remove IEDs.

Greg Sheldon, territory sales manager for Anheuser-Busch, said he was glad he came out for the tour.

"I wanted to come out,

show support and see what we don't see everyday," said Sheldon. "It was nice to see the other side of it; how they [Marines and sailors] live, train and where they stay. It was also nice to see Jim's insight as we're out here driving around."

David Ball, a Phelps Chevrolet Nissan representative, said he was very impressed with the level of training Marines and sailors must undergo before deployment.

"I couldn't imagine having to do what they do in summer climate with all that gear on," said Ball. "I want them to know we appreciate them tremendously for the things they do for us. I'd like the general to know we will take care of them in return, even though what they do for us is far greater than anything we could ever do for them."

Ball continued by stating his business plans on donating money from every car sale they make to Marine Corps charities like the Toys for Tots program.

Nina Gallager, commercial

sponsorship coordinator for the MCCS marketing department, said she believes it is very important to not only recognize what the sponsors have done for the Marine Corps community here, but also to give a better understanding of the responsibilities shouldered by service members to protect our country and freedoms.

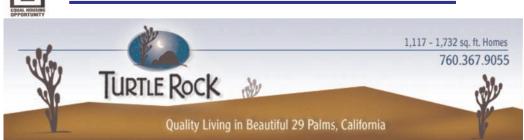
"The event truly hit home for me since I developed an admiration for the Marine Corps through my experiences as a military brat," said Gallager. "Now, as the commercial sponsorship coordinator, I not only continue with the admiration, but have a stronger appreciation for the men and women whom serve and protect. Sponsorship enhances the quality of life for our Marines, sailors and their families."

Upon returning to the Officer's Club, the sponsors shook hands and exchanged business cards to stay in touch until they meet again for a tour next year.



Mike Quintana, supervisor at the recycling and hazardous waste munitions plant., explains the process of collecting, crushing, oraganizing and reusing ammunition casings to sponsors during the annual MCCS Sponsorship tour Oct 12.

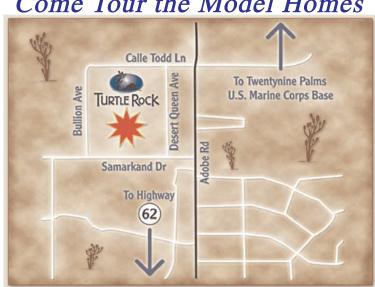




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AFGE general membership meeting

First Thursday of the Month, Nov. 1 at 4:30 p.m.: AFGE Local 2018 General Membership Meeting. Location: Building 1553, 6th Street, next to the Commanding General's Building. This meeting is open to all AFGE Local 2018 Members and those civil service and NAF employees who would like to become members.

Some of the new business agenda items are as follows:

1) Forming an Election Committee. The Local AFGE Union needs to hold a special election due to resignation of officers. An election committee

consisting of an odd number (3) needs volunteers. Work will consist of updating member's lists, nominations and ballot mailings, picking up mailings from members and vote counting. Volunteers may not be current officers or members considering nomination for office.

- 2) Nomination of a Representative to take part in the USMC Master Labor Agreement Negotiations for 2008.
- 3) Nomination of a Representative to take part in the Legislative Conference for 2008.
- 4) Seeking Nominations for vacated USMC Appropriated Vice President position for the

interim until the outcome of the Special Election.

5) Inviting Nominations of members in good standing to run for all Officer Positions of the Local and hold the office for a period of three years.

6) Seeking Nominations of members to act as Delegates representing the Local at all National, District, Council Meetings and Elections for a period of three years.

In accordance with the Civil Service Reform Act, The Department of Labor's Office of Labor-Management Standards requires the following Rights of All Union Members be published:

With respect to their rela-

tionship with their union, federal employee union members have, among other rights:

Equal rights to participate in union activities.

- a. Freedom of speech and assembly.
- b. A voice in setting rates of dues, fees, and assessments. c. The right to inspect
- copies of collective bargain ing agreements. c. Protection of the right to
- e. Safeguards against improper discipline.
- f. The right to be a candi date and run for office. Point of contact: Terry

Vetsch, Treasure, AFGE Local 2018

Housing Road Repair Reminder

This is a reminder that housing is wrapping up the last of their road repair project beginning Oct. 22 - Oct. 23. Please review the entire schedule below.

ALL EFFECTED AREAS WILL CLOSE AT 7 a.m. THE DAY WORK BEGINS AND REOPEN AT 4:30 p.m. THIS WILL ALLOW AMPLE TIME TO PARK FOR THE NEXT DAYS WORK.

TWO MILE

22 Oct 1-28 & 133-200 Two Mile 23 Oct 29-132 Two Mile

AZTEC

22 OCT 49-68 & 161-200 AZTEC 23 OCT 1-48 & 97-160 AZTEC

JOE DAVIS

22 Oct 1-68 & 129-164 Joe Davis 23 Oct 69-128 & 165-200 Joe Davis

- 1. There is a \$150 fee for towed cars and \$30 per day storage. Contact PMO in the event your vehicle is towed at
- 2. Please understand that the addresses and dates above represent the area impacted and that ALL parking areas in this area, to include uncovered and covered, will need to be vacant on the day indicated. A color map is available on our web page and in each of the housing offices. This map will provide a graphic description of the verbal instruction above. It is highly recommend that you move your car the night prior, but certainly no later then 6:45 a.m. on workdays. Your vehicle will be towed if it remains in the work area after 7 a.m. on the day work is to begin.
- 3. Stucco repair has begun on a select number of homes. Those impacted by the stucco repair were mailed a separate notification letter on Aug. 13. The workers will need complete access to your patio areas. A complete list of homes who should expect stucco repair is located on our Web site and in the housing offices.
- 4. Whole house painting and gutter replacement will begin shortly. A by-address schedule will be posted on our web page and in our housing offices once it has been provided by the contractor. Please ensure patios are accessible, personal items moved away from the walls to allow workers access with ladders and the ability to paint the exterior of your walls on the days your home is scheduled for painting.

https://www.29palms.usmc.mil/dirs/inl/housing/ default.asp

Нот TOPICS

OCTOBER SMOKING CESSATION CLASS SCHEDULED

Kick the habit and learn to become tobacco free! The Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital Health Promotions Program offers tobacco cessation classes in the Naval Hospital. Classes are offered at two convenient times of noon and 5:30 p.m. To sign up, call Health Promotions at 830-2814. The next set of tobacco cessation classes will start Oct. 23. Call now before it all goes up in smoke!

BROWN ROAD CLOSURE

Monday, Oct. 15, Brown Road was closed from 5th Street to Adobe Road for repaving. The 5th Street and Adobe Road intersections

remain open while the intersections at 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th are closed. This project is scheduled to last until Jan.18, 2008. Pedestrian access will be maintained to the buildings in the area. Please use Bourke Road and Sturgis Road as alternative routes to reach your destination. Thank you for your patience during this period of construction. Please call 830-4626 with any questions. POC is Matthew J. Lenzer LTJG, CEC, USN

DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINING

at 830-4626

The American Red Cross is currently accepting applications for the Dental Assistant Training that begins Oct. 29. The free course consists of 750 hours of practical experience, including 2 weeks of classroom learning and approximately 5 months of chairside training. Applications may be obtained by visiting the American Red Cross from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.,

Monday-Friday at the Village Center, building 1551. For more information please contact 830-6685.

RED RIBBON WEEK MOTORCYCLE EVENT

Motorcycle Riders, come out and support Red Ribbon Week during Twentynine Palms Pioneer Days, tomorrow. The Substance Abuse Counseling Center is looking for 15 to 20 riders to be in the parade to show support of Red Ribbon Week. Every rider that participates will receive a red ribbon to put on their motorcycle and a DDC collared shirt. All bikes are welcome! For information concerning the event, contact Elizabeth Ayash, 830-7501. To sign up, contact Bob Piirainen, 830-6154.

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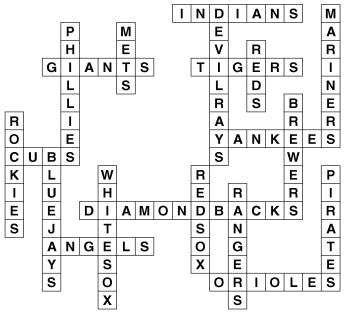
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Corps keeps Marines coming back for more

CPL. RYAN JACKSON

AL ASAD, Iraq -- "Will work for reenlistments!" should be the new slogan of career retention specialists. The Corps is utilizing every asset, such as bigger bonuses and offering first choice duty stations, to keep experienced Marines in, ensuring America's 9-1-1 force grows at a steady pace.

To accomplish the new end strength goal of 202,000 Marines over the next five years, career retention specialists are fighting an uphill battle to retain approximately 2000 more Marines than in past years. The total number of Marines that reenlisted last year, before the new end strength goal, was approximately 13,000. This year's goal is a little more than 15,000.

"Some people have mixed opinions about retention, but I think it's going rather well," said Staff Sgt. Tiffany Richardson, the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 29 career retention specialist. "We've been meeting the mission requirements that have been assigned to us. A lot of people think it's been tougher meeting mission in the last few years because of the wars. Some people are tired of deployments and are getting out, which makes it difficult to encourage them and give them the incentives they want to stay in."

Although high deployment rates deter some Marines from reenlisting, the Corps is pulling out the stops on incentives to show the Marines they're valued.

First term Marines have several incentives attracting them right now. They include everything from bonuses to hand picking their next duty station in most cases. The new selective reenlistment bonus program, which are military occupational specialty bonuses, have sweetened the deal for many Devil Dogs.

"First term Marines reenlisting get first choice in their duty station preference," said Richardson, a Gulfport, Miss. native. "Headquarters Marine



SGT. ROBERT L. FISHER III

Marines from Headquarters Battalion swear in as they re-enlist for another four years of the Corps. A few Marines who re-enlist this fiscal year may receive up to \$80,000, but for some, it's not about the money. Cpl. Simon P. Gnotsavath, Center Personnel, chose to stay Marine despite not receiving a bonus.

Corps just came out with fiscal year '08 school seat incentive for the high risk personnel course and jump school now. Those are enticing for the first term Marines."

In most cases, retention comes down to what the Corps can do for an individual. After serving four years, most Marines look for reasons to stay in. It is the CRS' job to show that person what the Corps

can do for them.

"As a career retention specialist, my job is to remind Marines of the things they know the Marine Corps can offer them and the benefits of staying in," said Richardson.

Some of the current incentives the Corps is offering are the military occupational specialty specific bonuses, which have reached an all time high, according to Richardson. Special duty assignments are available and even new reenlistment zones for Marines who have been in more than 14 years.

Stateside career retention specialists continue to keep a solid level of Marines in the Corps, but where CRS's are spending the majority of the Corps money is on its deployed Marines.

"I think being deployed, Marines are more apt to reenlist because of the tax-free bonus and this year since every single rank in every MOS rates a bonus Marines are more likely to reenlist while deployed than when they are stateside," said Richardson.

Since January 2007, at the beginning of their deployment, MALS 29 had 108 Marines reenlist. An example of giving Marines the right incentives was in July when the monitors for several job fields made a retention assist visit to Al Asad. During their two day stay, the monitors negotiated duty station preferences with first term Leathernecks to sweeten the pot. On top of that, Marines were pulling in whatever their MOS bonus was and also the assignment incentive program, which was another \$10,000, all tax free. During the month of July a total of 54 war fighters reenlisted.

Incentives can help persuade Marines teetering on the fence of civilian life or another term of service. However, to

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Dental assistant program's students help keep Combat Center patrons smiling

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COMBAT CORRESPONDENT

Two weeks of classroom learning and five months of chair-side training, totaling more than 750 hours of practical experience prepared five students of the Dental Assistant Program to sit for their dental assistant's exam.

Jennifer Brown, Pam Labor Web site, www.bls.gov. Zaehler, Trisha Easter, Kelsey Kemp and Tabatha Correll celebrated their graduation at a luncheon hosted by the American Red Cross at the Village Center Tuesday.

The program started at the Combat Center in the winter of 1999, with 17 dental assistant courses completed since, said Niki McBain, American Red Cross station

Through the course the

students learn and perform several tasks of dental assisting. They practice patient care, office and laboratory duties. They also learn how to make impressions, restorations, prepare trays of instruments for dental procedures and instruct patients on postoperative and general oral health, according to the United States Department of

"In this course, I learned a lot about oral hygiene, on how to brush and floss right," said Trisha Easter, a recent graduate of the course. "I plan on going to school to become a hygienist and get my license."

The program, which is sponsored by the American Red Cross and the 23rd Dental Company, requires participants to be at least 18 years old, maintain a mili-

tary identification card for access to base, and have a high school diploma or general education development certificate.

The program allows students to take the Dental Assistants' exam for the state of California, which is transferable to other states.

"Past classes have shown incredible success," McBain. "Every student who has sought employment in the field of dentistry has successfully found employment."

"This program is extremely transferable. Students have taken this certificate of completion and have traveled around the world as dental assistants through this course," she continued.

For one student, the course proved to be challenging

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Eddie Benitez, tailor at the Combat Center's tailor shop, makes some fixes on the dress blue trousers of Cpl. James Dagenhart, an instructor with the Tactical Training Exercise Control Group, Monday. The tailor shop here has experienced a business rush due to the upcoming Marine Corps birthday balls.



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Marines compete during intramural rifle, pistol competition

LANCE CPL. MONICA C. **ERICKSON**

The annual Marine Air Ground Task Force Training

and Pistol Matches started with a bang Monday when Col. Robert Abblitt, Combat Center chief of staff, fired the first round at the opening ceremony to symbolize good luck for the competition.

The winner of the rifle and pistol shoot will advance to compete in the Western Division Match at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif.

"This year, we had very low participation due to opera-

tional tempos and deployments," said Clint Bickle, the range safety officer.

The Marines were split into three firing teams, which they would practice and fire with throughout the rest of the competition.

The Marine Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 1, Headquarters Battalion and Marine Corps Communication-Electronics School began training last week with classes, dry fires, and practice in the Indoor Simulated Marksmanship Training facility for their first week together.

"The competition is made up of three weeks," said Bickle, "The first two weeks are just training."

The second week of the competition is live-fire practice. The Marines were able to get the feel of their rifle and set the needed adjustments while working on their trouble areas.

The third week, the Marines will begin competing against each other. They will

record matches for their individual score and for their team score.

During practice the Marines go through normal firing as if they were qualifying, shooting from the 200, 300 and 500 yard line and the 25, 15 and seven vard line for the pistol.

"It is a good opportunity for people to come out and shoot," said Capt. Wayne Mai, Headquarters Battalion adjutant and rifle team captain. "They don't have to worry about qualifying with the rifle while we're out here."

The matches for this year are only represented by MCCES with nine competitors, Headquarters Bn. with eight competitors, and VMU-1 with four competitors.

"We've got a good group of strong shooters," said Mai. "We're still practicing and I think we are going to be very successful."

The Western Division Matches are represented by all Marine posts and stations west

ing areas. Training units turned in 2,864,860 pounds

Corps in working toward

of the Mississippi river. All personnel who place in the top 10 percent at the division match sites will compete against each other at the Marine Corps Championship held at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejune, N.C.

"I like how we get more classes," said Lance Cpl. Douglass Tierney, with Central Magazine Area and a Headquarters Bn. Competitor. "It gives us a little more camaraderie. Working in teams we get a feel for each others shooting style and learn how to work together."

During the competition, each team member will fire 50 rounds from the rifle, and 40 rounds from the pistol, moving from slow fire to rapid fire at the different vard lines.

"It is a great opportunity," explained Mai. "We are more focused on having a good time for the fun of the competition."

For more information about the Rifle and Pistol Matches, contact Clint Bickle at 830-7112.

viable range management and sustainability," said Sanderson.

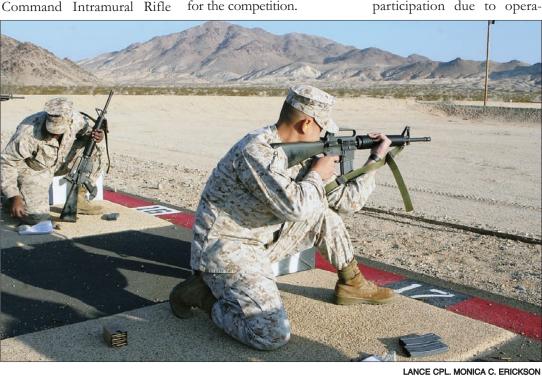
The QRP is in charge of receiving the range residue and selling it through contractors. The materials the QRP sells benefits the Combat Center by keeping the ranges clean and keeping the units training.

"I am responsible for the recycling and collection activities done at the Combat Center," said Susan Corney, the QRP manager. "I am responsible for selling the material generated by range sustainment."

Wood, a large commodity sold by the QRP is sold by contract. Recently, a large wood pile was processed by a contractor and over 2,200 tons of wood was sold to a co-generation plant in Mecca, Calif.

The QRP is looking to become a Cash Redemption Value Center for the state of California. Becoming a CRV center will give base personnel the opportunity to turn in their recyclables with a CRV rebate.

"The benefit to the recycling center is that we will be able to get the salvage value," said Corney. "It will benefit all involved."



Capt. Wayne Mai, Headquarters Battalion adjutant and rifle team captain, fires his last round down range in the slow fire kneeling position during practice firing for the Annual 2007 Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command Intramural Rifle and Pistol Matches.

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some service members the money they get for a new contract isn't what's important; it's the experience of the last term of service.

"Some Marines are going to tell you they don't plan to reenlist, so you just talk to them and ask why," said Richardson. "Find out what they want from the Marine Corps and why they joined in the first place. Air wing Marines generally have five year contracts and it's a long time from when they join to the time they reenlist. It's easy to forget why they joined, or forgot what it was like to receive their Eagle Globe and Anchor that day. Then, reminding them why they're in

convinces them to stay."

Recruiters and career retention specialists continue hooking, jabbing and taking names to make a bigger Marine Corps. The Corps has not loosened its policies either; even though the Corps' end mission stresses quantity of Marines now, by retaining experienced Marines quality will not be sacrificed.

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melting furnace for all aluminum related MPPEH, a mobile hydraulic shear for concrete, with fill bombs, steel targets and alligator shear for the large steel projectiles."

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Taking steps to protect young children from internet predators

LANCE CPL. JESSICA N. ARANDA

MARINE CORPS AIR STA-TION MIRAMAR, Calif. --According to the U.S. Department of Justice, more than 77 million children have access to the World Wide Web — making it easy to complete homework assignments, play games and obtain music.

Unfortunately, the millions of children online can easily become the victims of internet predators. Sadly, the predators prey on children in what should be a safe place — the home.

According to the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, predators use the internet to anonymously seek out children for criminal purposes such as producing and distributing child pornography and exploiting

children sexually.

Normally, internet predators begin grooming potential victims. Grooming consists of viewing a person's personal profile online and creating another to match it.

The new profile usually includes like interests within the same age group to help lure a victim in.

"Chatrooms are by far the most dangerous sites," said Chuck Arnold, a San Diego police officer and representative of the task force. "They are truly the Wild West of the Web, people are almost never who they claim to be."

Children may be drawn to chat rooms to make friends and talk about problems. Sometimes, cyberfriends are harmless, others can pose a threat.

One sign that children may have initiated an inappropriate friendship via the Web is unex-

plained gifts arriving at the house such as a digital camera allowing the child to send pictures of themselves.

To prevent children from becoming victims to online predators, parents should monitor usage by placing the computer in a common area of the house rather than in a private bedroom.

Because family members frequent those rooms, children will most likely be discouraged of logging on to sites they should not.

children have a MySpace.com account, parents should advise their children not to post any photos that internet predators could use to determine where the

Predators can trace license plates and even athletic school uniforms to locate a victim. Children should never post peraddresses or phone numbers, said Arnold.

"The best defense against internet predators is for parents to know what's going on, stay involved and communicate with their kids," said Arnold.

Parents should speak to their children about the Web sites they are allowed to visit. Also, parents can monitor their child's internet by investing in an online filter to prevent their child from going to certain Web sites.

The police department advises parents to warn their children against faceto face meetings with strangers and to avoid any messages stating obscene gestures.

To report exploitations, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678 or visit www.missingkids.com.

sonal information such as Calif., DoD assure military financial security

PFC. JARED J. BUTLER

California state legislators passed a law preventing payday lenders to charge more than a 36 percent annual interest rate on customer loans Oct. 9.

The law prevents predatory lenders from taking advantage of inexperienced California customers with an average annual interest rate of 429 percent.

The California law is a direct response from the new Department of Defense predatory lending regulation that became effective Oct. 1.

"This statement tells members of the armed forces that they have several other options to get emergency funds that are far less financially hazardous than high-cost, shortterm loans," said Leslye A. Arsht, deputy under secretary of defense for military community and family policy, in an official DoD press release.

DoDregulation encourages state legislatures to commit to the oversight and enforcement measures in an attempt to protect servicemembers from predatory lenders.

The new regulation protects servicemembers from highinterest payday loans, as well as vehicle title loans and tax refund anticipation loans.

To further the financial readiness of servicemembers and their families, the DoD offers personal financial management courses to avoid debt.

"We equate financial readiness with mission readiness," said David S. C. Chu, under secretary of defense for personnel and readiness, in an official DoD press release. "This is a part of a larger effort to create a culture that encourages our servicemembers and their families to develop sound financial strategies. Preparing

for emergencies is an important step forward and vital to avoiding predatory practices and a cycle of debt."

Jany K. Wasdin, Personal Financial Management Program coordinator, leads the Marine Corps Community Services staff in preparing and counseling servicemembers and their families aboard the Combat Center.

"Depending on the specifications of someone's financial situation, I help them with guidance, counseling and education," said Wasdin. "It's a need-based program."

Wasdin believes that education and prevention is the most efficient way for servicemembers to maintain financial stability.

"The best time for service- Jany Wasdin at 830-7342. members to seek financial help is when they think they don't need it," said Wasdin. "Any kind of financial education someone can get at an early

stage benefits them and helps them stay on the right track to be where they want to be in life in the future."

The Combat Center is scheduled to take a larger approach on financial education in February by participating in the Command Financial Specialist Program.

The Command Financial Specialist Program is a Marine Corps-wide effort to train staff sergeants and above within every unit about personal financial management so they can recognize and assist with financial problems at the low-

For more information regarding personal financial management, please contact

Employee Spotlight



Name: Rita Mayes

Organization: Armed Services YMCA

Billet Job Title: Operation Hero/Kids Care Club Coordinator

Job Duties: Primary duties are to present age appropriate materials to 2nd - 6th grade military children in an afterschool program at Condor and 29Palms Elementary Schools. Operation Hero focuses on homework, independent reading, and fun activities. Kids Care Club teaches the children to give back to the community through various activities like creating greeting cards, gift packages, etc. to the active duty military, disabled veterans, the elderly, etc.

Hometown: Tombstone, Ariz.

Hobbies: Four-wheeling, fishing, and my family

What do you like most about your job: I like working with military children in 2nd - 6th grade after school at Condor and 29Palms Elementary Schools. Each military child is individual and I enjoy helping them with homework, giving back to the community and all the rest.

One of the most significant achievements since you have been here?

Having been a military spouse for 16 years and raising my children in the military environment, my current greatest achievement has been to share my knowledge and commitment to the Operation Hero/Kids Care Club children.

Have you ever served in the military: As a spouse. Time employed at the Combat Center: 2 months

DENTAL from A7

between juggling a second job and two kids. She said despite that she found many aspects enjoyable.

"I enjoyed the opportunity to work with Marines," said Pam Zaehler, a recent graduate. "When we were working with many, we knew that they were on their way to Iraq, so it's good to thank them for their service by providing a service to them."

Many of the students felt that the program not only taught the fundamentals of dentistry, but the fundamentals of working in a crowded, fastpaced environment.

"I enjoyed working with a variety of doctors," said Jennifer Brown, a recent graduate. "Through this course I learned to be more professional, hold my composure better and be more of an official

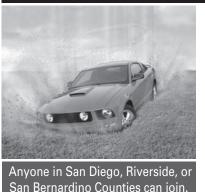
Kelsey Kemp, another grad-

uate, who plans on getting a job as a dental assistant in Twentynine Palms, agrees.

"You learn that it's important you get along with everyone. The dental clinic here is the biggest clinic I will probably ever work at."

Anyone who wishes to attend a course may contact the American Red Cross at 830-7584. Applicants will apply and attend an interview session. Ten students are selected for each course.

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CLB-7 from A1

from other awards recommended to service members because, rather the service member warrants the award after being injured or killed in a manner meeting specific criteria.

Along with Shannon, Sgt. John Martinez was recognized for his hard work and dedication. Martinez received a Navy Achievement Medal along with the respect of the Marines in CLB-7.

"He held a gunnery sergeant billet and did a great job," said Miller. "We as a battalion thank him for what he does every day."

Martinez arrived at CLB-7 in May and realized his shop had lost their calibration certification to calibrate gear to

their effective standards. "It is a big deal," said Chief Warrant Officer 3 Lonnie Thomas, the supply company commander. "He had a big mountain to climb, but he got there and automatically knew his mission."

Martinez quickly took charge and within a few months had corrected everything that was wrong.

"When the contractors came back to inspect they were extremely impressed with all the changes that took place," said Thomas. "They rewarded CLB-7 their certificate back."

CLB-7 only has to maintain the work Martinez has done for them to keep their certifi-

"He really accomplished a great deal," said Thomas. "We're good to go till the

next year."

Shannon and Martinez have shown exemplary leadership skills and the ability to think while under pressure.

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Observation POST

You Asked For It! MCCS Did It!

BY MAGGIE JONES, Marine Corps Community Services Director

Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) provides quality of life services to Marines, sailors and their family members aboard MCAGCC. It is the mission of MCCS to have entertainment, recreation and quality shopping opportunities available throughout the year. Recently MCCS received suggestions from our patrons to increase services at the Marine Palms Exchange and the Lifelong Learning Library.

The Marine Palms Exchange, located next to Carl's Jr., has expanded their hours. The store is now open daily until 9 p.m. The convenience store of-

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fers beverages, snacks, and dinner items. Marine Palms new hours are Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.; Saturday through Sunday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. The staff has had a very positive response from patrons utilizing the facility in the later evening.

The Lifelong Learning Library has added more shelves to the DVD library. In addition to expanding the CD audio books and the comic book graphic novel areas, the library has added hundreds of new releases to the DVD section. The library now offers nearly 1,200 titles, from Alien to Zathura. Hundreds of the DVDs are

children's titles to include Disney classics, PBS, Veggie Tales and more. Special interest DVDs cover topics ranging from global warming to yoga and war history. The greatest increase to the DVD library has been in the section of complete television seasons like CSI:Crime Scene Investigation and "24". There are nearly 50 seasons of television shows available now. Patrons are allowed to check out entire seasons in one rental, not one-disk-at-a-time, as some rental stores offer. Unlike County Libraries, there is no charge to check out DVDs from the Lifelong Learning Library. The Library is

located in building 1528 on 6th street.

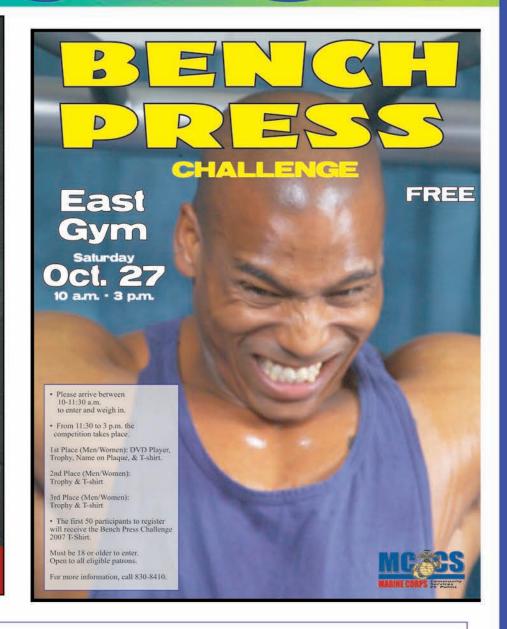
In the months to come, MCCS will be responding to suggestions from patrons for more enhanced and expanded services. MCCS eligible patrons who would like to suggest opportunities for better quality of life programs and events are invited to make comments through the Interactive Customer Evaluation online at www. mccs29palms.com or write to the Director of MCCS at MCCS, Bldg. 1522, MCAGCC, 92278. Marine Corps Community Services is here to serve.

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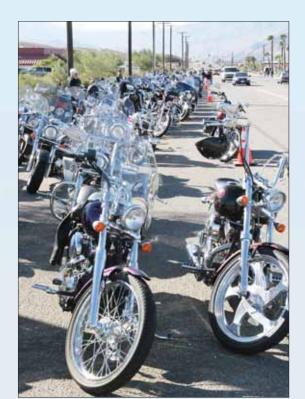
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NMCRS, Harley-Davidson hold Run for the Troops



John Hardwick and Nick Ganzarinii, road captains for Run for the Troops, lead the procession from Palm Springs to Pioneertown, Calif., Saturday.

LANCE CPL. NICHOLSA M. DUNN



Motorcycles parked at Palm Springs Harley -Davidson before the ride Saturday.

LANCE CPL. NICHOLAS M.

COMBAT CORRESPONDENT

Engines rumbled and roared as more than 400 motorcycle riders from all over southern California participated in the fifth annual Run for the Troops Saturday at 10 a.m.

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, coupled with Palm Springs Harley-Davidson, sponsored the event.

"Planning for us began back in July when 'Harley' Dan contacted me, but the dealership probably started before that," said Ray Caldwell, NMCRS director. "When this first came about, they approached me with the idea. We want to do everything we can to support the troops."

"Harley" Dan Crawford is the director of Palm Springs Harley-Davidson.

Harley-Davidson dealership in Palm Springs, Calif. From there, the procession departed and rode to Pappy and Harriet's Palace, a restaurant in the small historical community of Pioneertown, Calif.

founders of Run for the Troops, said the fundraiser started small.

"Back after 9/11 when everyone was getting deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq, Twentynine Palms was like a ghost town," he said. "Originally, we wanted to do something for the town, but then we got connected with the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society and decided to do this for the troops."

Knotts said he feels especially attached to the base because his father, retired Brig. Gen. Joseph B. Knotts, was the Combat Center command-

The ride began at the ing general from March 1981 to July 1983.

Since the beginning of the fundraiser, profits have increased significantly each year. Each participant must pay a registration fee. On top of that, individual sponsors donate both money Joe Knotts, one of the and goods. All the funds raised through donations and registration fees are given to the NMCRS.

The first year it was held, Run for the Troops had approximately 250 participants and raised nearly \$5,000. Knotts said their profits tripled the following year.

Last year, Run for the Troops had more than 450 bikers participate and they raised more than \$33,000 for the NMCRS.

We're very proud of the work we've done," said Knotts. "Supposedly, we're the only private group that donates to the society.

"It's hard to believe it went from a few bikers wanting to ride for Twentynine Palms to all this," he added.

After the ride was over, Palm Springs Harley-Davidson held a party at Pappy and Harriet's Palace. The event featured refreshments, live music and a small market. The booths at the market sold Harley-Davidson and armed services paraphernalia.

"We got invited to do the event and we thought it was a great idea," said Rouen, bass guitarist and vocalist for Crossfire, a band native to several desert cities. "This is something we'd love to do again next year."

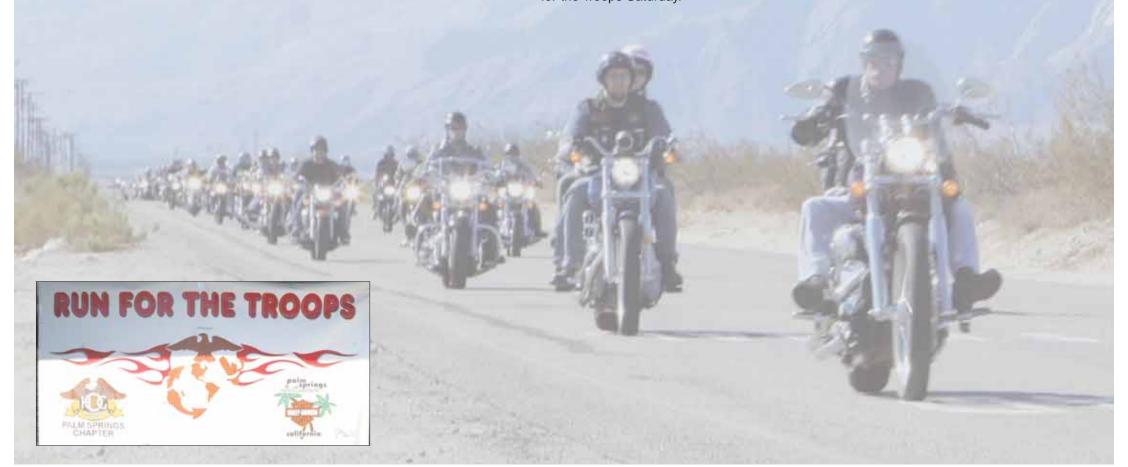
The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society and Palm Springs Harley-Davidson raised approximately \$14,000 this year and plans to hold another Run for the Troops next year.



LANCE CPL. NICHOLSA M. DUNN Run for the Troops participants relax at the party in Pioneertown, Calif., following the ride.



Crossfire, a local desert cities band, entertains the crowd in Pioneertown, Calif., after Run for the Troops Saturday.



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OBSERVATION POST

Part 2: Excerpts from the journal of breast cancer survivor



Staff Sgt. Diane M. Durden finishes the annual 2006 United States Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, D.C., while undergoing treatments for breast cancer. Here, she shares detailed excerpts from her journal, while fighting and eventually winning the battle against cancer.

STAFF SGT. DIANE M DURDEN

Special to the observation post

July 1 - Phase 1 complete. Thankfully, I'm done with the chemo therapy treatments. I have to admit, it wasn't as bad as I was expecting. Others have had a harder time with the treatments. I think a lot of it had to do with my attitude. I'm just not willing to let it get the best of me.

July 10 - A final check of my blood work before they schedule the surgery. My white blood cell counts must be up in order to lower my risk of infections. Now that I'm done with the chemo, my hair should start growing back. I have embraced the opportunity to be a bit eccentric with my hair. Not to mention how much easier it is to take care of. No washing, drying, curling. It's such a time saver. I mentioned my desire to stay bald, but the Sergeant Major was quick to say no, I have to let it grow back. July 20 - The surgery is scheduled for next week. Everything is ready to go. The insurance authorization says "mastectomy". I thought I was only having a lumpectomy (just the lump removed). I'll have to ask about that.

July 26 – The surgery is going tomorrow. I'm a bit nervous. The plan is to just

remove the lump and a small margin of tissue around the lump. But that could change depending on what the doctor finds when she cuts into me. She feels confident there won't be any surprises and she will only be removing the lump. I hope she's right.

July 27 – Surgery completed, both breast still intact. Well, one is slightly smaller. And the incision is right in the middle of my chest. I'm going to have a huge scar. I want to scream.

July 28 - The incision is huge! It's almost two inches long, right along the top of my breast. No way to hide either. I feel so ugly. Marked and damaged.

July 31 - I'm getting used to the scar now. It doesn't seem as bad as it did at first. It's actually healing pretty well. Dr. Idhe is an awesome surgeon; although she's a little sneaky. She annotated on my discharge papers "no running for two weeks". And on top of that, she made sure Cheryl saw it. What am I going to do for two weeks? I'll go crazy.

Aug. 3 – When they removed the lump they run a series of tests on the cells. Mostly to see what effect, if any, the chemo had on it. Part of the purpose for doing the chemo treatments before the surgery was to shrink the

tumor and kill the cancer cells. It appears everything did what it was suppose to do. YEA!

Aug. 15 – Now that I've recovered from the surgery, they can get me started on the radiation treatments. They are going to create a 3-D image of my breast so they can pinpoint the area to radiate. It's very precise.

Aug. 20 – I am so glad I have medical insurance. Good medical insurance. I got another Explanation of Benefits today. These treatments are not cheap. If they weren't covered by my medical insurance, there's no way I would be able to afford it. I think my total is close to \$200,000. What do people without medical insurance do?

Sept. 25 - Today I started my radiation treatments. Nothing very exciting. I just lay there while I get zapped by this big (huge) x-ray machine. To ensure they hit the correct spot with the radiation, they marked me with dots. And not with a Sharpie either. They are tattooed on; four of them. They are not very big. They almost look like they could be freckles.

Sept. 26 – Drive to Palm Springs. Get undressed from the waist up. Lay on the gurney with my arms over head. Line up the laser beams on with the tattooed dots. Zap (from the front). Zap (from the back). Get dressed. Drive home.

Sept. 27 - Same as yesterday. Sept. 28 - Same as yesterday. Sept. 29 - Same as yesterday. Sept. 30 - I'm so tired of driving to Palm Springs every-

Sept. 23 Saint as yesterday.

Sept. 30 - I'm so tired of driving to Palm Springs everyday. I drive over an hour for a fifteen minute appointment. That includes the time it takes for me to get undressed and dressed again. And I have seven weeks of this.

Oct. 29 – I ran the Marine Corps Marathon today. Everyone thinks I'm crazy to take on such an exhausting endeavor. Donna thinks she slowed me down. She doesn't realize how happy I was just to be running with her. Even though I still have several treatments left, I know I'm going to beat this thing! Running the marathon and completing it just reassures me that anything is possible when you have a positive attitude.

Nov. 15 – I'm almost done with the radiation treatments. I would have been done this week but we had to stop temporarily. My skin started blistering at the radiation site. They don't know if it's a burn from the radiation or an infection of some kind. So we have to stop the treatments until the blisters clear up.

Dec. 1 – Today I had my last radiation treatment. YEA! No more daily drives to Palm Springs. I have one last appointment with the Oncologist.

Dec. 3 – I had my last "regular" appointment with the oncologist today. I am officially considered CANCER FREE!! It's a little hard to believe. I have to take a medication everyday for the next five years. It is suppose to prevent a reoccurrence. I'll have follow-up appointments with the oncologist every three months, and mammograms twice a year.

March 1 – It's time for my first follow up appointment with the oncologist. I'm nervous. What if the cancer is back? I feel good and healthy so I shouldn't worry, right?

March 5 – The follow-up went well. All of my blood work looks good. The incision is healing well. Everything looks good.

It has been almost a year since my doctors declared me "cancer free". I still feel a bit of anxiety when it is time for my follow-up appointments however, it has lessened with time. Thank you for allowing me to share my story with you.

For additional information on Breast Cancer, the following resources are available.

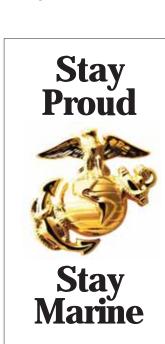
Contact Mandy at the Breast Education Office at Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital, (760) 830-2501.

Susan G. Komen for the Cure at http://www.komen .org

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Holidays and Grief Program offered to the grieving

HOSPICE OF MORONGO BASIN

Hospice of Morongo Basin invites anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one to attend our annual Holiday Grief Program, which offers support on how people in grief can cope with the holidays.

The program will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday Nov. 1 at the Hospice office, 61675 Twentynine Palms Highway, Joshua Tree.

Our speaker, Diane Kelly, RN, GCM, President of Partnership for End of Life Care, will present suggestions and ideas on how to get through the holidays with ease as you are grieving. Participants will have an opportunity to share thoughts, emotions and experiences with others and gain support and encouragement through their fellowship.

"Holidays can be busy and challenging under the best of circumstances," says Dianne F. Swella, Bereavement Program Coordinator at Hospice of Morongo Basin.

"When you are mourning the death of a loved one, the holidays can be especially stressful. Taking time to evaluate the events of the holiday season and making plans before hand, can help soften the stress," Swella says. "Things will be different this year, particularly if this is your

first holiday time without your loved one. Change may be necessary to help you through, or you may want to rely on familiar traditions. Whatever you decide, it's important to communicate your wishes to others. Be kind to yourself and give yourself permission to change your mind and limit your involvement.

This program will help you gain the knowledge to deal with these issues. Remember, you're not alone."

For those who cannot attend, Hospice will send material on holidays and grief to anyone requesting it. Call (760) 366-1308 or write to 61675 Twentynine Palms Highway, Joshua Tree, CA, 92252 for more information.

The Griever's Holiday Bill of Rights

- 1. You have the right to say "TIME OUT!" anytime you need to. Time out to let up, blow off a little steam, step away from the holidays, have a huddle and start over.
- 2. You have the right to TELL IT LIKE IT IS. When people ask, "How are you?" you have the right to tell them how you really feel, not just what they want to hear. (P.S. You also have the right to smile and say you're fine, because telling them how you really feel may not be worth your time. Some people will never understand.)
- 3. You have the right to SOME "BAH HUMBUG" DAYS. You don't have to be "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" all the time. You are not a bad person just because you don't feel like singing holidays songs all day.
- 4. You have the right to DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY. There is no law that says you must always do holidays the same way. You can do 10 cards instead of 100, or no cards at all! You can open presents at somebody else's house. You can forego decorations. You can have pizza instead of turkey! The list is endless.
- 5. You have the right to BE WHERE YOU WANT TO BE. Be at home or at the relatives. Be in any city, any state you choose! There's no law that says you must stay home.
- 6. You have the right to SOME FUN! When you have a day that isn't so bad and you feel like doing something just for fun, then do it! Don't be afraid of what someone else will say if they see you laughing and having a good time. Laughter is every bit as important as tears!
- 7. You have the right to CHANGE DIRECTIONS MIDSTREAM. Holiday grief is unpredictable. You may be all ready to go somewhere or do something and suddenly be overwhelmed. When that happens, it's okay to change your mind. There's plenty of time in life to be predictable; exercise the right to change when you need to.
- 8. You have the right to DO THINGS AT DIFFERENT TIMES. Go to religious services, open presents, serve your meal, give up and go to bed, all at a different time. Don't be a slave to the holiday clock.
- 9. You have the right to REST, PEACE AND SOLITUDE. You don't need to be busy all the time. Take a nap whenever you need one. Take time to pray and to meditate, to recharge your spirit, it may do you much more good than eating another huge meal.
- 10. You have the right TO DO IT ALL DIFFERENTLY AGAIN NEXT YEAR. Just because you change things one year or try on something different, does not mean you have written it in stone. Next year you can always change it back or do it in yet another new way.



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- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully.
- Watch for children in dark clothing.

Parents

- Make sure children are properly supervised.
- Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas.
- Instruct your children to stop only at well lit residences and to never enter a stranger's home.
- Tell your children not to eat any treat until they return home.
- Inspect treats that are brought home before anything is eaten.

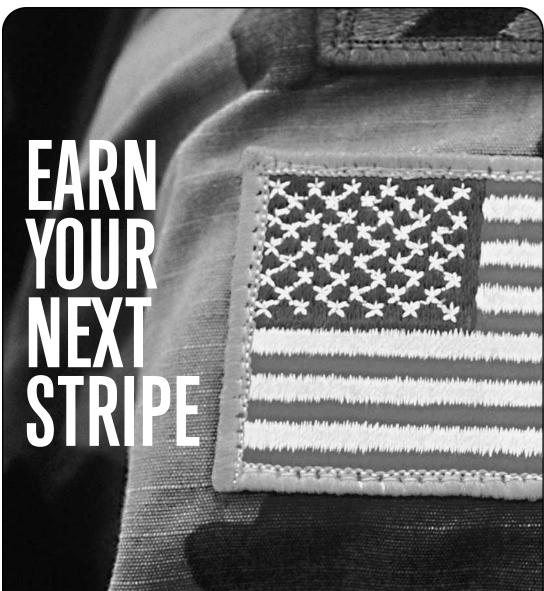
Costume Design

- Only fire retardant materials should be used for costumes.
- Costumes should be loose so warm clothes can be worn underneath.
- Costumes should not be so long that they are a trip hazard.
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Estate sale, 6117 Chia Ave 29P., Oct 18, 19, 20, 21. 7:30 am till we pack-up.

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bles, odd & ends. 60803 Division St. #B,

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Oct. 20th 8am-? Applifurniture, ances, clothes, tools, computer, etc. 61886 Oleand-MOVING sale - everything must go; horses, tack, furniture & appl.,

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366-7328, 63452 Win-

ters Road, Joshua Tree

533 GARAGE SALE LANDERS

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YUCCA VALLEY

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Collectors Garage Sale Antiques, Cook Books, Bryer Horses, English saddle, queen bed, dinning set, lost of misc. 58143 Aurora Dr. off Balsa Ave. by WalMart. Sat/Sun 7am-? Estate Sale Fri. & Sat.

7-3. Furniture, Appliances, Computer, Desk. 56292 Joshua Dr. X Church St Fri & Sat, Oct 19 & 20.

7-2pm. Furn, bikes, books, South of post office 57398 Pueblo Tr. Garage Sale Oct. 20, 8-2. tools, work bench, storage cabinets, & more. 7501 Palm Ave. #95 - stay right after

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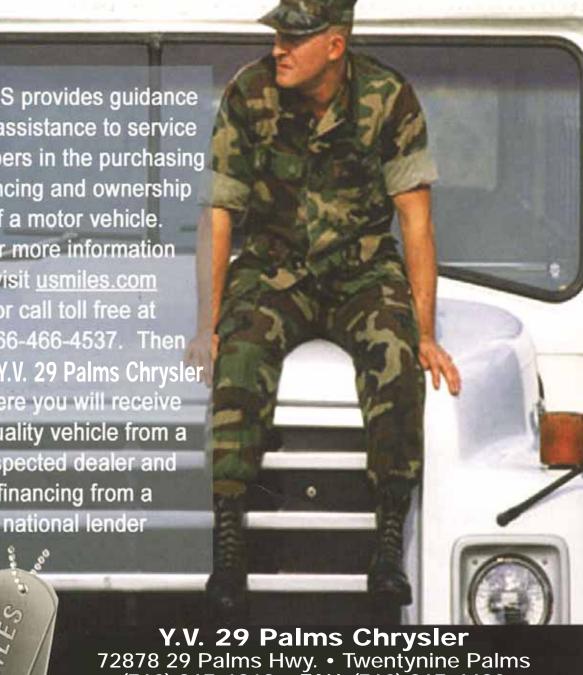


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