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Marines of Company I, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines, 7th Marine Regiment, exit an MV-22 Osprey with Marine Aircraft Group 39 as part of a Marine Air Ground Task Force Integration Exercise at the Chocolate Mountain Training Area, Yuma Ariz., June 22.

'Darkside', MAG-39 team up in MAGTF Integration Exercise

STORY AND PHOTOS BY CPL. THOMAS MUDD

Marines of Company I, 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines, 7th Marine Regiment, and Marine Aircraft Group 39 conducted a Marine Air Ground Task Force Integration Exercise at the Chocolate Mountain Training Area in Yuma, Ariz., June 22.

This integration training tested the ground combat element and air combat element ability to work together to perform the insert of troops in defense of a territory.

"This exercise is more advanced than the training our Marines have conducted together to this point," said Capt. Jerimiah Adams, company commander, Company I, 3/4. "India Co. stood up in January and we had only trained at a squad level with very linear exercises. This exercise pushed us to work at the company level, to keep track of other Marines, and work from different avenues to attack the objective."

During the exercise, MAG-39 retrieved approximately 100 3/4 ground troops from the Combat Center's Strategic Expeditionary Landing in six MV-22 Ospreys en See **MAGTF pg.** A6

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ASYMCA spreads Christmas spirit

STORY AND PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. DAVE FLORES

Despite the 100-degree temperatures, children played in powdery snow and cut paper into snow-flakes. The spirit of Christmas could be felt in the Iune air.

The Armed Services YMCA held its first Christmas You Missed event at building 1707, Saturday.

ASYMCA organized the event so service members who were on deployment during the holiday season could celebrate Christmas with their families. There were different activities available for service



Pfc. Chelsea Coble, student, Marine Crops Communication-Electronics School, dresses as one of Santa's helpers and brings gifts to children at the Armed Services YMCA's first Christmas You Missed event at building 1707, Saturday.

members to enjoy with their families including; art and crafts, an inflatable bounce house and a visit from Santa Claus himself.

"The military lifestyle is hard all on its own and a child doesn't really understand all the things that go along with the lifestyle," said Yeseida Reyes, special events coordinator, ASYMCA. "It is very important to maintain a good family-oriented environment, so that as they grow up they realize they are not alone and there is a whole community that supports them and that they can call family."

ASYMCA volunteers attended to help make this event special for more than 35 families.

"This event gives the families that magical moment

See **ASYMCA pg.** A6



Carson Wilkins, 4, son of Sgt. Brandon Wilkins, mortar section leader, 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, plays with homemade fake snow at the Armed Services YMCA's first Christmas You Missed event at building 1707, Saturday.

Combat Center children sing, pray during VBS

STORY BY LANCE CPL. LEVI SCHULTZ

Children and their parents gathered to sing and worship for the last day of Vacation Bible School at the Protestant Chapel, June 24.

VBS is a week-long program, sponsored by the Protestant Chapel, which helps children learn about religion in a fun and interactive environment. Navy Lt. Ryan Krause, chapel pastor, Protestant Chapel, helped organize the program for the last three years and watched it grow and change over time.

"We hold the event during summer break as a way to give children activities to strengthen their faith," Krause said. "The theme for this year followed the story of Joseph in Egypt and the struggles he faced

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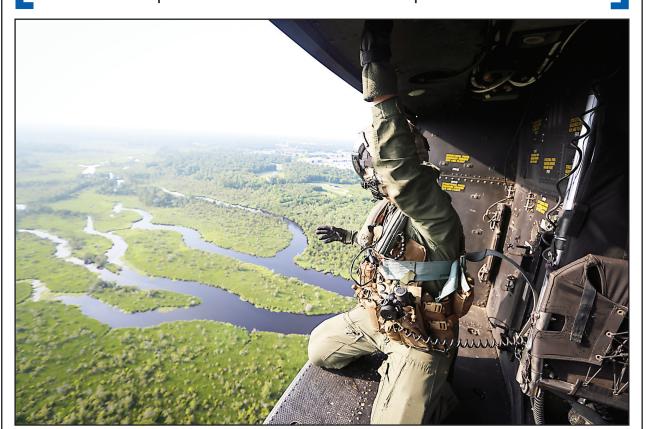


PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PROTESTANT CHAPEL

Combat Center families and volunteers sing during Vacation Bible School at the Protestant Chapel, June 24. VBS is a week-long program, sponsored by the Protestant Chapel, which helps children learn about religion in a fun and interactive environment.

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 Lance Cpl. Aaron K. Fiala.



Staff Sgt. Stephen Ferguson, a crew chief with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 167, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, rides in the back of a UH-1Y Venom as it approaches a landing zone during a training exercise near Camp Lejeune, N.C., June 17.

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BAH no longer includes provisions for renters insurance

Prior to 2015, the cost of an insurance component. LMH renters insurance was included in Basic Allowance for Housing rates; residents in Lincoln Military Housing automatically received renters insurance as a provision of their lease.

On Jan. 1, 2015, the renters insurance component was removed from the BAH rate calculation, resulting in an approximate 1 percent reduction in the established BAH rate. Corresponding adjustments to LMH renters insurance provisions were not made concurrently.

Members with rate protected BAH pre-dating the Jan. 1, 2015, changes will continue to receive BAH that includes

will still provide continued insurance coverage or a benefit of corresponding value to those members until their rate protection would otherwise cease (e.g., permanent change of station, change in pay grade, or change in dependent status). BAH for all other members presently accounts for the eliminated renters insurance component.

For more information, please see MARADMIN 337/16 or call LMH at 760-368-4500.

Right, Lincoln Military Housing provides housing and management services to military families.

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WHAT I'VE LEARNED

Crystal Las Vegas, NV. Corporal, small arms repair technician, armory, Headquarters Battalion

Guerrero developed her love of weapons and desire to work in the armory from her father who was also a Marine.

>I was born in Los Angeles but moved to Las Vegas when I was little, so that's where I call home. Growing up in Las Vegas is not what most people assume; there is more to Vegas than just The Strip.

> always knew I wanted to be in the armed **services**, I just didn't know what branch. I became very involved in JROTC [Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps] since I was old enough to join.

>Being active in JROTC taught me a lot about leadership. I worked hard and became the drill team commander, operations commander of the unit and head of the physical fitness team. Going into the Marine Corps with JROTC training helped me become a leader. I was able to help teach others the discipline that is necessary to strive in an institution like this.

>My father was my biggest role model and was also a Marine. When I first looked into the military, he didn't want me to join the Marine Corps. When he saw how hard-working and dedicated I was, he gave me his approval to join the Corps. I knew from that point on what branch I wanted to be a part of.

interest. When it comes to weapons, I can do pretty much anything regarding assembling, disassembling tourist attractions. and cleaning the weapons we have.

helps things run smoothly and keep us, especially at not combine both? the armory, on task and ahead of the game.

ent places to hike here such as Joshua Tree National a lot to do and many different places to visit. relax and enjoy the scenery.

>When I have special liberty, I like to travel have your mind open to learning new things.



> I wanted to be an armorer in the Marine Corps to places like Los Angeles, San Diego, or anywhere I because my father's love for guns sparked my own haven't been. Being around these major cities is nice because you get to experience different cultures and

> I want to start college in the fall so that I >One of the things I love most about the can be finished by the time I get out of the Marine **Marine Corps** is the discipline it instills in Marines Corps. I want to pursue my dream job of owning my as soon as they join. Everyone has the mentality own sports fitness clothing store. I enjoy fashion and when you're told to do something you do it, which fitness, so when I get out of the Marine Corps, why

>In my time in the Corps I've learned to be >Since I've arrived in Twentynine Palms, I social with the people I'm going to be around for the have grown to love hiking. There are so many differ- next few years. When I got here, I realized there was

Park, Whitewater Preserve and Havasupai Falls. The biggest thing I have learned in the Marine Corps Hiking is enjoyable because you can take the time to is to always try and take advantage of all the things you are offered. Travel while you can and always

Interviewed and photographed by Lance Cpl. Dave Flores





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Fight the bite

Keep mosquitos away this summer

Summertime is historically the season when mosquito populations increase. Be sure to protect yourself and your family from mosquito bites this summer. Here's how:

Cover up!

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants.
- Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing. Treat clothes with permethrin or another Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insecticide for extra protection.

Use only an EPA-registered insect repellent.

- Consider bringing insect repellent with you.
- When used as directed, EPA-registered insect repellents are proven safe and effective, even for pregnant and breastfeeding women.
- The effectiveness of non-EPA registered insect repellents, including some natural repellents, is not known.
- Always follow the product label instructions.
- Reapply insect repellent as directed.
- Do not spray repellent on the skin under clothing. If you are also using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first. For more information on insect repellent visit: www.

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Keep mosquitoes outside: Stay in places with air con-

Keep mosquitoes outside: Stay in places with air conditioning or that use window and door screens. If you are not able to protect yourself from mosquitoes inside your home or hotel, sleep under a mosquito bed net.

Use a mosquito bed net.

- Sleep under a mosquito bed net if you are outside or in a room that is not well screened.
- Mosquitoes can live indoors and will bite at any time, day or night.
- Buy a bed net at your local outdoor store or online before traveling overseas.
- Permethrin-treated bed nets provide more protection than untreated nets. Permethrin is an insecticide that kills mosquitoes and other insects.
- Do not wash bed nets or expose them to sunlight. This will break down the insecticide more quickly.
- For more information on bed nets: www.cdc.gov/malaria/malaria_worldwide/reduction/itn.html



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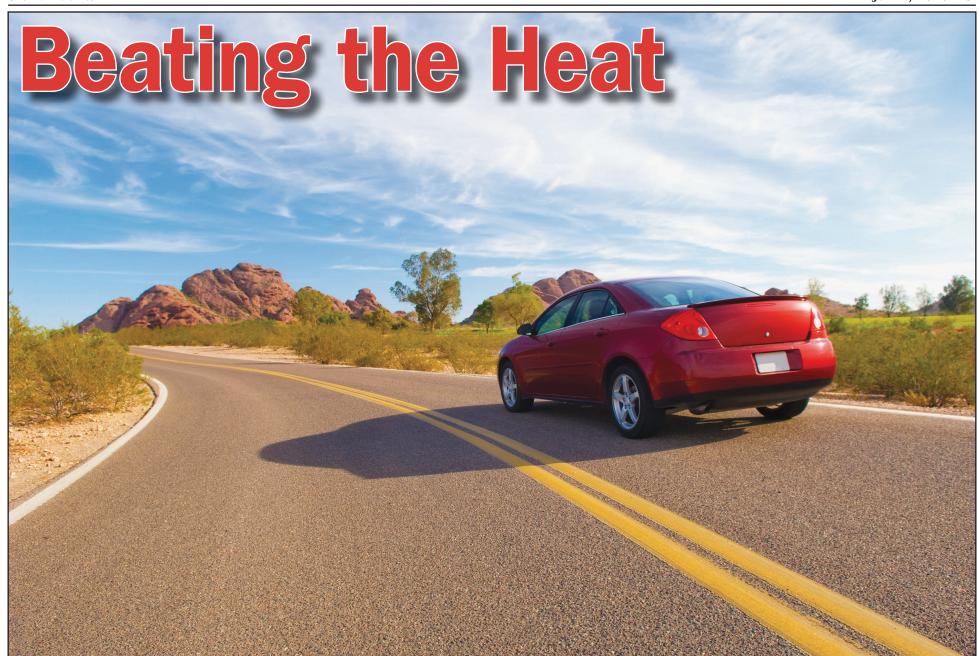
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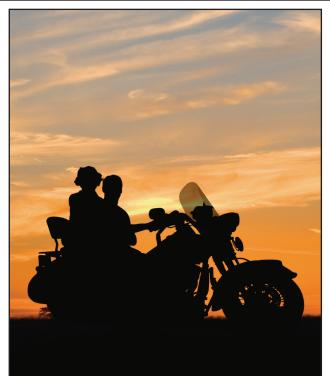
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STORY BY BOBBY PIIRAINEN, SAFETY DIVISION

A commute or long distance ride rarely seems more appealing in a car than on a motorcycle. But when the temps climb up and over the 100 degree mark, even some of the most hard core riders begin to miss the niceties of the four wheeled vehicle (air conditioning, cup holders filled with ice cold beverages, etc.)

One of the best ways to deal with these adverse temperatures is to simply plan ahead. Mid-day rides are fine in that they allow you to hit the "snooze button" a few times, but they also put you out on the road in the hottest part of the day, and generally when the traffic is the heaviest (smart?). Early morning rides are much more enjoyable during the summer months. Temperatures are lower in the morning, which helps to keep you cool while rolling down the road. Late afternoon rides should not be counted out as they put you on the roads as the temperature is dropping rather than rising. Plus the sun is up much later this time of year so if your ride gets "extended"



you won't be left in the dark.

Those of you that have been out here for a summer or two already know there really isn't a "cool" time to ride. But, we can prepare ourselves to make the ride as safe as we can and to make it as enjoyable as possible at the same time.

Should you be unable to avoid riding in the midday heat, make sure you have the proper gear for the climate. A perforated jacket with closing panels and pants with vents work well. Remember not too much ventilation or you may dehydrate. A well ventilated helmet and gloves are a nice plus along with some vented riding boots. You may also want to consider some sort of under armor or cooling vest to help with moisture retention.

Water--for you not just the bike, make sure you have plenty of water with you to stay hydrated. This is more a necessity than a recommendation. Increased perspiration rates are your enemy but can be combated with a camelback or some other liketype system.

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route to the notional conflict territory. After landing, the Marines performed a non-live fire assault on the military operations on urban terrain facility with fire and maneuver tactics and engaged Marine role-players acting as an opposing force.

"The role players helped to give our Marines some realism to the training exercise and the [standard operating procedures] we have been teaching the Marines," said Staff Sgt. Erik Leveras, platoon sergeant, Company I, 3/4. "The Marines also learned a great deal about communication throughout the exercise. I believe it opened their eyes a little to everything that they need to practice for real operations."

As training continues, more units will integrate together as a cohesive team through shared planning, briefing, rehearsals, execution and debriefing. This interaction builds the inherent understanding that Marines need to possess in order to fight as a unified force.

"An exercise like this requires a lot of planning and being able to practice the planning like this helps prepare our company leaders for operations in the future," Adams said. "This exercise is also the first time that most of the junior Marines have ever been inside an Osprey so there are skills to learn from every aspect of the exercise. I believe that our Marines can take what they have learned from this exercise and apply it to the rest of their training to better ready themselves for the future."



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Mrs. Claus reads a book to children at the Armed Services YMCA's first Christmas You Missed event held at building 1707, Saturday.

of Christmas," said Tiffany Ferguson, volunteer, ASYMCA. "They may have missed it back in December, but the date that it happens shouldn't matter; it's the

Cpl. Gabriel Moreira, mortarman, 1st rience it, even if it's in June."

Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, this was an opportunity to make up on lost time with his daughter.

"This event gives us that chance to spend that special Christmas time with For many service members, like our kids," said Moreira. "It's nice to expe-



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PROTESTANT CHAPEL

Combat Center children play a game during Vacation Bible School at the Protestant Chapel, June 23.

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during that time."

More than 170 children participated in the program supported by approximately 53 Marine and 48 civilian volunteers. Children were split into different groups and cycled through various lessons and activities throughout the week. The activities included

ers. Additionally, the children had the opportunity to meet and talk with a costumed Joseph during the different activities.

"My favorite part about VBS was seeing how much can be done in such a short time," said Ashley Davis, director, Vacation Bible School. "I in their faith."

On the last day, the children's families were invited to see what their children learned throughout the week.

"These children were able to come and learn about Joseph and strengthen their faith," Davis said. "Everything went very smoothly and learning songs, playing loved watching the kids the kids had a blast. I feel games and making post- worshipping and growing it was a huge success."

TOUGH MINDED **OPTIMISM** by Lou Gerhardt



If you were to shrink the population of the world down to 1,000 persons, 300 would be Christians (183 Catholics, 84 Protestants, 23 Orthodox), 210 would be atheists, agnostics, no religion, 175 Muslims, 128 Hindus, 55 Buddhists, 47 Animists, 85 other religious groups.

In the United States the most recent National Opinion Research Center report states that for the first time in our nation's history Protestant Christians have become a minority.

The figures show that 49 percent of the population is Protestant and that the percentage is falling, while the Catholic population has remained stable at 25 percent.

The percentage of Muslims has grown somewhat and the percentage of Jews has declined slightly. The largest increase in the statistics is with the rapidly growing number of people who decline to state any religious affiliation or declare themselves as atheists or agnostics.

So what does all this mean? Well, to me, it suggests that more and more we must recognize the growing religious diversity both nationally and inter-nationally and we must embrace a true spirit of genuine respect and appreciation of religious philosophies that differ from our own.

It is my sincere belief that someday the spirit of ecumenism will dominate the world and "nation will not rise against nation and men will not make war anymore.'

It almost goes without the need of comment that you and I must be ferocious fighters against prejudice in any form, however subtle.

Marcel Proust wrote, "The universe is true for all of us and different for each of us."

Perhaps that is the way it should be.

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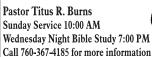
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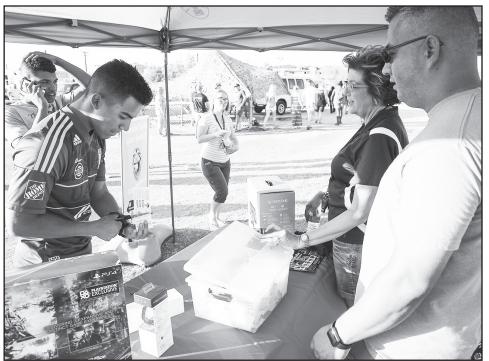
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Food Truck Festival rolls in for 7th Marine Regiment

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Lance Cpl. Akira Fuentes, field radio operator, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, signs up for a raffle during the Food Truck Festival at Del Valle Field, June 23. The City of Palm Desert hosted this event to support the Marines and families of 7th Marine Regiment. A variety of food trucks were present including Richeeze Truck, Okamoto Truck and Sabores de Mexico



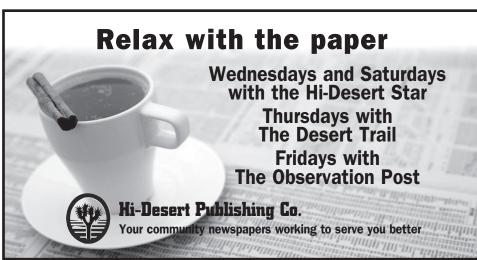
Children play in an inflatable bounce house during the Food Truck Festival at Del Valle

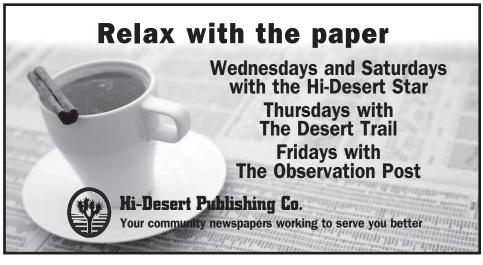


Marines play cornhole during the Food Truck Festival at Del Valle Field, June 23.



Pfc. Frank Roy, rifleman, 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, enjoys flavored Kona Ice at the Food Truck Festival at Del Valle Field, June 23.









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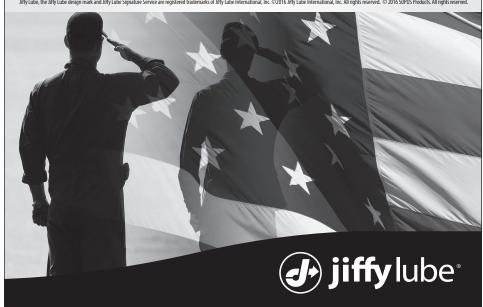
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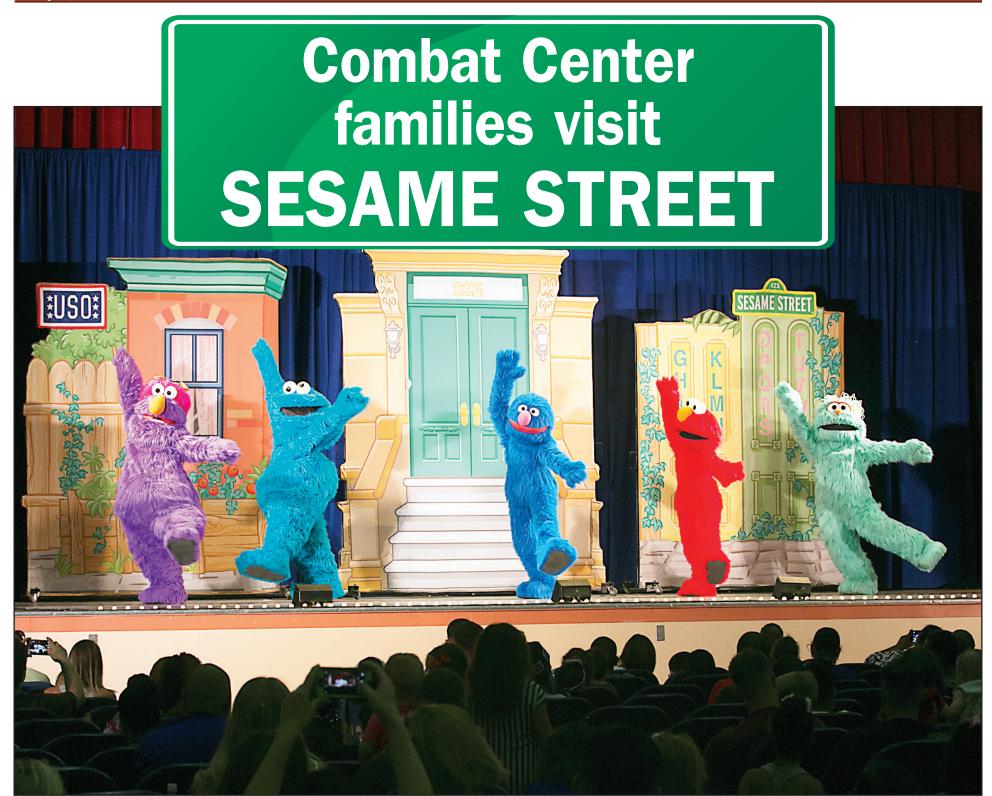








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Sesame Street characters dance and sing during the USO Sesame Street Experience for Military Families held at the Sunset Cinema, June 24.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY CPL. THOMAS MUDD

As the theater lights dimmed and the stage lights illuminated colorful Sesame Street props, Elmo and his Muppet friends bounded on to the stage at the Sunset Cinema, welcomed by the roar of children cheering and clapping. Once the crowd's excitement was tamed, the Sesame Street cast began singing and dancing.

The USO Sesame Street Experience for Military Families visited Combat Center family members, June 24 and 25.

Marine Corps Community Services hosted the event. The Sesame Street tour started aboard the Combat Center in 2008 and travels to installations around the country. This year's shows helped teach Combat Center children how to handle moving while in the military, and how to transition back from living on a military base using familiar Sesame Street characters like Elmo, Cookie Monster and Grover

"We travel around the country putting on these shows for the families of the military as a thank you for all the sacrifices service members have to make," said Nicole McClendon, tour manager, USO Sesame Street Experience for Military Families. "One of the most difficult things for a child is to constantly move from one base to another. We wanted to try and help the children find ways to cope with the challenges that come with it."

The tour group conducted two shows each day. The first show highlighted how to help with moving to a new base and learning how to handle the struggles that come with moving. The second show was themed on the unique struggles that come with a family that is transitioning out of the military and returning to a civilian life.

"The families that come to see these shows every year always ask to have them return," said Eileen McCallum, special events program manager, MCCS. "Hosting this show gives the families with younger children the opportunity to come and see the characters of Sesame Street and learn how they can help their parents. Doing anything to help improve the quality of life aboard the installation is what we strive to do and the members of the USO are great at helping us do just that."



Sesame Street characters interact with children in the audience during the USO Sesame Street Experience for Military Families held at the Sunset Cinema, June 24.



Combat Center children dance along with Sesame Street characters during the USO Sesame Street Experience for Military Families held at the Sunset Cinema, June 24.

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Combat Center Events

Dunham Mess Hall will be closed until further notice due to required maintenance and repairs. Units and individuals that patronize Dunham Hall should use Littleton Mess Hall, Bldg. 1660 or Phelps Hall, Bldg. 1460. The best times for units to avoid the student lines at Littleton Hall are 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 1:30 p.m. While repairs are in progress at Dunham Hall, both Littleton Hall and Phelps Hall will operate under extended hours.

Sandy Hill Lanes Bowling Center is holding their 60 Days of Summer event allowing children ages 5-18 to bowl free now through August 13. Adults can join by purchasing a family pass. For more information call 760-830-6422.

Hashmarks Staff Noncommissioned Officer Club hosts Steak Night every Monday from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday. The event is open to all hands Monday and SNCOs on Fridays. For more information, contact 760-830-5035.

Sunset Cinema

Friday, July 1

3:30 p.m. – Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (NDVD - Free Admission), PG-13

5:30 p.m. - Deadpool (NDVD - Free Admission), R

8:00 p.m. - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows (3-D), PG-13

10:30 p.m. - The Conjuring 2, R

Saturday, July 2

10:00 p.m. - Kung Fu Panda 3

(NDVD – Free Admission), PG 12:00 p.m. - The Angry Birds Movie, PG

2:30 p.m. - Alice Through The Looking Glass, PG

5:00 p.m. – Me Before You, PG-13

7:30 p.m. - Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising, R

9:30 p.m. - Batman V Superman: Dawn of Justice (NDVD-Free Admission), PG-13

Saturday, July 3

12:00 p.m. - Planes (NDVD - Free Admission), PG 1:50 p.m. – Zootopia (NDVD – Free Admission), R

4:00 p.m. - Black Hawk Down

(NDVD - Free Admission), R

6:40 p.m. - 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi (NDVD - Free Admission), R

Monday, July 4

11:00 p.m. - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows (3-D), PG-13

1:30 p.m. – X-Men: Apocalypse, PG-13

4:00 p.m. - Independence Day

(NDVD - Free Admission), PG-13

Tuesday, July 5

5:00 p.m. - The Angry Birds Movie, PG

7:00 p.m. - Alice Through The Looking Glass, PG Wednesday, July 6

5:00 p.m. – Teenaged Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows, PG-13

8:00 p.m. – X-Men: Apocalypse (3-D), PG-13 11:00 p.m. – Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows, PG-13

Thursday, July 7

5:00 p.m. - The Nice Guys, R

7:30 p.m. - Money Monster, R

Friday, July 8

5:30 p.m. – Alice Through The Looking Glass, PG 8:00 p.m. - X-Men: Apocalypse (3-D), PG-13 11:00 p.m. - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles:

Out of the Shadows, PG-13



Reappearing Act

Do-gooder scamps return for more hocus-pocus hijinks

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'Now You See Me 2' Starring Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg, Dave Franco, Lizzy Caplan, Mark Ruffalo, Morgan Freeman & Daniel Radcliffe Directed by Jon M. Chu Rated PG-13

The magic of the movies sometimes makes for some nifty tricks, and this "reappearing" act is a good one—a sequel to the 2013 hit about a foursome of infamous crusading magician tricksters whose large-scale, steal-from-the-rich stunts have made them worldwide rock-star Robin Hoods.

Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg and Dave Franco return as three of the so-called Four Horsemen, with

Lizzy Caplan (Virginia Johnson on TV's Masters of Sex) coming aboard to replace Isla Fisher from the original. Mark Ruffalo is back as FBI agent Dylan Rhodes, whose "reveal" as the Horsemen's hidden-in-plain-sight mastermind was the first movie's final bit of hocus-pocus. Morgan Freeman again rounds out the cast as Thaddeus Bradley, a former master magician-turnedtrick-debunker who was framed and sent to prison for the group's last big caper.

Joining the cast is former Harry Potter star Daniel Radcliffe as a megalomaniacal tech billionaire who hijacks the Horsemen to coerce them into heisting a new super-high-tech computer chip that, if delivered into the wrong hands, would compromise the privacy of every computer—and every computer userin the world.

The only problem is, which hands are the wrong hands, and which are the right ones? In a

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ly hard to tell.

Director Jon M. Chu, white chompers. whose resume includes two of the Step Up the do-gooder scamps zip from New York to China to London, trying to stay one step ahead of the law. The plot gets bogged down a bit as it tries to layer on detail and backstory, but when the Horsemen get down to business, things really come alive—like in an absolutely stunning sequence in which the purloined computer chip, attached to the front of a playing card, is masterfully flipped, flung and flicked from Horseman to Horseman to avoid detection while they're each being searched. It's the movie's centerpiece trick, a sexy, super-slick bit of slight of hand, and a showpiece of computer-assisted "card-istry."

In one of the movie's best running gags, Harrelson has a ball in a new, "surprise" role-in addition to the smooth-talking hypnotist Merritt McKinney, he also plays his sib-

movie about magic and Chase, who sports a misdirection, it's awful- head of curly hair and a mouth full gleaming

One of the coolest things about Now You dance flicks, keeps See Me 2, like its predethings moving along cessor, is how it shows briskly with a sense of the audience how its fun, fizz and sizzle as trickery is done-after the razzle-dazzle, it pulls back the curtain to reveal the nutsand-bolts explanation behind each jaw-dropping effect, the trap doors, the trickery, the switcheroo, the behind-the-scene hustle-bustle that made the illusion possible.

> Magic, it lets us know, requires practice, hard work, concentration, planning, patience and super skills. That doesn't make it any less amazing, or any less wondrous. "The best tricks," says Morgan Freeman's character, "work on many levels." Now You See Me 2 is a multi-leveled magic show, heist caper, comedy, drama and globetrotting action-adventure romp with characters whose company you'll find most enjoyable.

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Marines with Marine Wing Support Squadron 374 and MWSS-473 train together in a simulated car-fire exercise aboard the Combat Center., June 23. The scenario allowed Marines to practice the skills necessary to save the lives of those trapped in vehicle fires.



Marines with Marine Wing Support Squadron 473 train alongside MWSS-374 in a vehicle fire exercise aboard the Combat Center, June 23.

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