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Chief Warrant Officer 3 Stephanie Wire, Marine Corps Band San Diego, conducts the pre-serenade at the rededication ceremony of 7th Marine Regiment at Lance Cpl Torrey L. Gray Field, aboard the Combat Center, September 15. The 7th Marine Regiment celebrated its 100th year anniversary with a rededication of the regimental battle colors and a parade of troops.

# The 'Magnificent Seventh' celebrates 100 years of duty

### STORY AND PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. PRESTON MORRIS

For 100 years, 7th Marine Regiment has served in every clime and place from Guadalcanal to Peleliu, Inchon to the Chosin Reservoir, in the jungles of Vietnam and the sands of Iraq and Afghanistan, the regiment answered America's call to action.

On Sept. 15, 2017, "Magnificent Seventh's" regimental battle colors were rededicated in a ceremony aboard the Combat Center. In attendance were Combat Center Commanding General Maj. Gen. William F. Mullen III and 1st Marine Division Commanding General Maj. Gen. Eric M. Smith attended. The 1st Marine Division Band provided music for the ceremony.



Colonel William H. Vivian, regimental commander, 7th Marine Regiment, rededicates the regimental battle colors at Lance Cpl Torrey L. Gray Field, aboard the Combat Center, September 15. The 7th Marine Regiment celebrated its 100th anniversary with a rededication of battle colors and a parade of troops

# NREA gets a 'headstart' on saving tortoises STORY BY LANCE CPL. CHRISTIAN LOPEZ

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On a bright and sunny day in the Mojave Desert, five baby tortoises were being released to the wild with hopes of a greater chance at survival.

Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs released five baby desert tortoises to the wild as a part of their "Headstart" program aboard the Combat Center on September 18th, 2017.

"Headstart is an experimental program to determine if you can raise tortoises from eggs to juvenile sizes and then



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Col. Jay Wylie, directorate, G-4, places a tortoise under a bush back in the wild as a part of the Headstart Program aboard the Combat Center, September 18. Headstart is an experimental program focused on determining whether or not it's possible to bolster and save tortoise populations from predation and the harsh conditions of the Mojave Desert.

release them into the wild with a chance to improve their survival rate." said Dr. Brian Henen, ecologist, NREA.

Tortoise populations in the Mojave Desert have been declining for years due to diseases, predation by ravens and coyotes, off-road vehicle traffic, and destruction of burrows and other habitat needs. In 2006, Headstart began at the Tortoise Research and Captive Rearing Site with the primary focus to evaluate the possibility of bolstering tortoise populations by protecting the young.

To achieve this long term goal, NREA has implemented different phases to support their mission. The first phase was seeing if it was possible to build a facility aboard the Combat Center, sustain a high survivorship, protect

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Also in attendance were Marilyn Paige, widow of 7th Marines veteran and Medal of Honor recipient Col. Mitchell Paige, Mayor Jan Harkin of the City of Palm Desert, and Vincent L. Mast, president of the Desert Cities Mitchell Paige Medal of Honor chapter of the 1st Marine Division Association as well as several veterans of 7th Marines, who served during numerous conflicts to include World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the War on Terror.

"I couldn't be more proud of

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Sam Huttenhower, a retired corporal and veteran of 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, who served during World War II, is thanked by Sgt. Maj. Edward G. Zapata, sergeant major, 7th Marines, after presenting the Presidential Unit Citation Streamer with one silver and four bronze stars to Colonel William H. Vivian, regimental commander, 7th Marines. The 7th Marine Regiment celebrated its 100th anniversary with a rededication of battle colors and a parade of troops.

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Five tortoises, which tested negatively for the upper respiratory tract disease, prepare to be released back into the wild as a part of the Headstart Program aboard the Combat Center, September 18.

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# **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. Alexis Schneider.



Sgt. Andrew J. Mocarski with Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 162 (Reinforced), 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, looks out the back of a CH-53E Super Stallion to deliver essential emergency care items to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, Sept. 10. The 26th MEU is supporting authorities in the U.S. Virgin Islands with the combined goal of protecting the lives and safety of those in affected areas.

# shares tips on pet care

#### STORY BY PFC. MARGARET GALE

The Combat Center's Provost Marshal's Office would like to provide some helpful information to the community about proper pet ownership.

If you are interested in adopting a new pet to your family, it is recommended to adopt from an animal shelter, rather than a dog breeder. Shelters will provide a lower price, mandatory vaccina-

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tions for your pet and they also prevent euthanasia. Most dog breeds are allowed aboard the Combat Center, but Pit Bulls and any mix of the Pit Bull breed is prohibited.

After you bring home your new furry friend, registration and vaccinations are required. Pet registration and vaccinations must be done through the veterinary facility here, if you choose to bring your pet into town for vaccinations, there are plenty of vet-

erinary clinics in the Morongo Basin. Make sure all vaccinations are administered by a licensed professional, do not do them vourself.

Although the base welcomes pets, there are a few rules that must be implemented. Dogs enjoy being outside, but if you decide to leave you pet unattended outside, the Marine Corps order states that you must provide food, water and shelter. It is important to note that if an animal is left unattended outside for long periods of time, it may result in an animal violation notice. Additionally, if a pet barks too loud or creates excessive noise, it is the owner's responsibility. If there is failure to correct the behavior, it may result in revocation of the owner's pet privileges in housing.

Each housing unit is allotted up to two animals, and it is recommended to schedule regular checkups for your pet. If you are looking for an outside resource, contact the base veterinary office at (760)-830-6896 or visit Bldg. 1028 Calcite Rd.

If a dangerous dog breed is spotted aboard the Combat Center, report the animal to Lincoln Military Housing, located at 1003 Cottontail Rd., Twentynine Palms, or call (760)-368-4500. If the dog is spotted after normal business hours, report to PMO located at Bldg. 1407 and 1408 Bourke Rd. or call (760)-830-6800.

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Garrett on The Facts of Life. 40. Mistake. 41. Able to use again. 44. To fall off. 45. Small children. 46. Shirley's last name on Laverne & Shirley. 48. To throw into the trash. 52. Abbreviation for the control key on some computer keyboards. 53. \_ Booth, the White Goddess in Trader Horn. 54. Ended in. 58. Not plump. 59. Oldest Taylor son on Home Improvement. 61. Instrument played by Liberace. 62. Department in southern France. 63. To attract or entice. 64. Cabs. 65. \_ Kruger, Miss Austen in Craig's Wife. 66. Acronym for **European Tissue** Engineering Society. 67. Derogatory. Down 1. Barks shrilly.

2. Air or melody. 3. Carter, Nellie Ruth Harper on Gimme a Break. 4. Dishonestly.

32. To tell a story. 33. Pertaining to the work of George Orwell. 34. Country between Iraq and Afghanistan. 35. Not any. 36. Jennifer \_, Frances "Baby" Houseman in Dirty Dancing. 38. Center of Puritanism in England at the time of Cromwell. 42. Able to be lost. 43. Acronym for **Electronic Funds** Transfer System. 47. Bursts forth. 48. \_ Burke, Suzanne Sugarbaker on Designing Women. 49. Perfect. 50. Body of bees. 51. Fin or flipper. 52. Gives up. 54. One of a kind. 55. TV show starring Danny DeVito and Andy Kaufman. 56. \_ Bennett, Maid Marian in the 1922 movie, Robin Hood. 57. Quantity of medicine prescribed. 60. Furrow in the ground.

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5. Hunting expedition in eastern Africa. 6. Standard centimeter-gram-second units of force in physics. 7. Not nays. 8. Abbreviation for attorney. 9. Any salt of niobic acid. 10. An \_ a day keeps the doctor away. 11. Anderson, former host of The Family Feud. 12. David \_, a regular on **CBS** Newcomers. 13. Donna, Jerry and Robert. 21. Essential part of the matter. 23. To wear away. 25. Container used to separate gold and silver from lead. 26. Acronym for Turkish Society of Rochester. 27. Past tense of heave. 28. Of \_ proportions. 29. Inhabitants of Arabia.

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- Highway, Yucca Valley • NYPD Pizza, 260-262 North Palm Canyon
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# WHAT I'VE LEARNED

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AMISON ENJOYS SPENDING HER FREE TIME TAKING CARE OF HER 10-YEAR-OLD SON CHRISTOPHER AND PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES WITH HER FAMILY.

>I'm from Blackville, South Carolina. I lived in the deep country so everybody knew everybody and it was pretty slow paced growing up. It was a very small, close-knit community.

>My family is pretty big as far as my siblings go. I have four brothers and one sister total. On my mother's side, I am the oldest, but I'm the middle child on my father's side. I was extremely close with my three younger brothers from my mother's side.

> We struggled growing up but we did the most we could with what we had. My mother always pushed us and held us to a higher standard and we grew up strong because of it.

>I played basketball, and ran track and field. Track is my favorite sport and the only one I stuck with. I liked the team and being able to travel and do things. I liked that you had people supporting you and counting on you. >My mother forced us to support ourselves, which made me a better and more successful adult. She really pushed me to do well.

>I decided to join the Marine Corps after I went to a poolee function. That was the same day I found out that I'd only received a partial scholarship and the college I wanted to go to was too expensive.

>I was walking out of school and a recruiter



was walking in. He asked me if I wanted to join and then invited me to the poolee function. Since I lived in South Carolina, drill instructors would come to the functions. I saw the female drill instructor and knew that was who I wanted to be. I enlisted at 17 years old. >My uncle was the only

other person in my family who served in the military. My family has no military background besides him.

>My decision influenced my family. Now, all of my brothers have followed in my footsteps and joined the military. It makes me feel really good that I had a positive influence on my brothers.

>My favorite part about being in the Marine **Corps** is the Marines. Sometimes you don't realize how your actions will affect the people around you.

> I've been deployed to lraq. When people find out, they always come up and ask me about my experiences. Being away from family is

never easy, but it was especially difficult at the time because my son was only one year old. Deploying has given me a broader perspective on the Marine Corps because when you're deployed all you have are the Marines to the left and right of you. It really taught me that the Marine Corps is my family.

> The Marine Corps has changed a lot since I joined 12 years ago. We are evolving as a Corps. There are generational gaps, and training has to adapt and grow because of that. It's taken me some time to step back to change and grow as a leader.

> It's an awesome feeling to accomplish what I joined for. I attempted to go to drill instructor school last year but got injured. Most people told me I wouldn't come back. When they were doing the paperwork to drop me because of my injury, they told me the same thing, because most people don't try again. Now I'm going back to drill instructor school in October. I'm very excited to go back. This is the only thing I wanted from the Marine Corps.

>I've learned a lot over my time in the Marine **Corps**, but something that has stuck with me is to not do it for you, do it for the Corps. You have one thing the Marine Corps can't take away from you, and that's your name. Do things to honor your name.

Interviewed by Cpl. Medina Ayala-Lo and photographed by Cpl. Malik Fowler

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# **MCCS hosts Suicide Prevention Symposium**

### STORY AND PHOTOS BY LANCE CPL. ISAAC CANTRELL

Combat Center leadership gathered at the Officer's Club on base, September 19, 2017, to attend a Suicide Prevention Symposium.

The symposium, organized by the behavioral health branch of Marine Corps Community Services, provided Combat Center leadership with information and resources to aid in dealing with mental health and suicide prevention, according to Stacie Coduto, Behavioral Health Branch Head, MCCS

"Having access to these resources is vital to every command element," Coduto said. "This knowledge allows leaders to make informed decisions about how to not only best engage their resources but how to best interact with their Marines and sailors who may be at risk of suicide."

The symposium focused on identifying signs of mental disorders, ending stigmas toward mental health treatment and ways for Marines to seek help.

"The symposium was an opportunity to get base leadership and the mental health subject matter experts together in the same place to be able to talk about trends and the best practices in regards to mental health," Coduto said. "Mental and behavioral health can have major impacts on our Marines and sailors, and it's vital that we discuss these effects."

This is the second time that MCCS has hosted a symposium focused on mental health, and the goal is to stress the importance of mental and behavioral health to Marine Corps and Navy leadership in regards to mission success and individual well-being.

"We encourage leadership to continue to reach out to the mental health resources that are available and encourage our Marines and sailors to engage with supports that are available to them," Coduto said. "We want Marines and sailors to know that they are not alone."



Cmdr. Bill Middleton, chaplain, Religious Ministries, gives a speech during the Suicide Prevention Symposium, held aboard the Combat Center, September 19. The symposium, organized by the behavioral health branch of Marine Corps Community Services, provided Combat Center leadership with information and resources to aid in dealing with mental health and suicide prevention.



Capt. Anthony Arita, director of medical services, Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms, speaks about the stigmas of mental disorders at the Suicide Prevention Symposium, held aboard the Combat Center, September 19.



Col. Ricardo Martinez, chief of staff, speaks at the Suicide Prevention Symposium, held aboard the Combat Center, September 19.





Stacie Coduto, behavioral health branch head, Marine Corps Community Services, speaks to Combat Center leadership during the Suicide Prevention Symposium, September 19.





# ★ ★ ★ ★ Around the Corps ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Bravo Company Demolition Range

# Photos by Lance Cpl. Roderick Jacquote



Pfc. Caleb Pratt, a combat engineer with Bravo Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, uses a compact metal detector during a patrol at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Sept. 18. Bravo Company strengthens their capabilities by patrolling and searching for potential threats to develop deployment readiness.





Cpl. Marvin Posey, a fire team leader with Bravo Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion

Marines with Bravo Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, enclose on a target during a breaching and demolition training exercise at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Sept. 19. The Marines of Bravo Company applied their knowledge in the exercise by demonstrating the procedures of breaching and demolition.

1st Marine Logistics Group, builds a field-expedient Bangalore Torpedo during a breaching and demolition training exercise at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Sept. 19. The Marines of Bravo Company demonstrate their capabilities by producing field-expedient explosives that are used in various situations such as destroying structures, equipment, or heavy weapons.



An In-Line Initiator M23 Blasting Cap Assembly lays on standby during a breaching and demolition training exercise at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Sept. 19. The M23 is used to propagate a detonation wave to a crimped and sealed blasting cap.



Lance Cpl. Daniel Hulse, a combat engineer with Bravo Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, provides security during a patrol at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Sept. 18. Bravo Company strengthens their capabilities by patrolling and searching for potential threats to develop deployment readiness.



# 100 Years From A1

my service in 7th Marines," said Sam Huttenhower, a retired corporal who served with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines from 1942 to 1946. "To see these young men and women come after us and serve with distinction and dedication means a great deal to me."

The 7th Marine Regiment was formed on August 14, 1917, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and was immediately deployed to Cuba from 1917 to 1919. In its 100 year history it has been deactivated, reactivated and reorganized many times but the regiment still participated in every major conflict throughout the century. 7th Marines saw action in some of the fiercest fighting in the Pacific theater of WWII, took part in the amphibious note of these streamers landing at Inchon, South Korea, fighting across the frozen Chosin Reservoir, and repulsed the North

at Chu Lai, Da Nang, and Duc Pho.

After the attacks of September 11th, 7th Marines returned again to the Middle East in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Over the course of the operation, RCT-7 saw fierce combat in Ramadi, Fallujah, Al Qiam and Al Anbar in Iraq. It was during Operation Iraqi Freedom that Cpl. Jason Dunham received the Medal of Honor, when he was killed in action after he sacrificed his life by jumping on a grenade in Husaybah, Iraq in 2004. 7th Marines also supported Operation Enduring Freedom, and saw combat in Marjah, Sangin, and Lashkar Gah.

"I ask that you take and recognize everything that these young men and women who stand before you do and the commit-

Vietnamese Tet Offensive ment they make," said Col. William H. Vivian, commanding officer, 7th Marines.

> Throughout its 100 years of proud history, 7th Marine Regiment remains one of the most highly decorated units in the Marine Corps, fostering Marines such as Chesty Puller and current Secretary of Defense James Mattis. The streamers that are attached to the regimental battle colors represent the sacrifices that the men and women of 7th Marines have and do make.

"You represent a proud lineage and from Peleliu to Baghdad you have brought fear into the hearts of your enemies and pride into the hearts of your predecessors," said Smith. "Men like John Basilone and Chesty Puller brought early fame to this regiment, and it's Marines like you who continue to uphold that honor."



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# Tortoises From A1

the animals and allow them to grow until their shells hardened.

"We are in the second phase now, where we are monitoring the released animals." said Henen.

NREA has not been gathering more eggs, but instead focusing their attention on the results of phase two. They want to see if there is hard evidence to support the continuation of Headstart.

"Other programs have also raised babies and released them, but not with long term study of survivorship and maturation," said Henen. "We have these long term goals because they are more accurate measures of success for Headstart."

Since phase one has ended, NREA has released 85 tortoises over the past two years with great success of survival. The fruits of NREA's labor have shown these tortoises are much less vulnerable to ravens, increasing their survivorship. The Headstart experiment has actively demonstrated a road to further save the species from threats in the Mojave Desert.

"It could become a major success in terms of bolstering and helping the species recover." said Henen.



CPL. MALIEK FOWLER

Col. Jay Wylie, directorate, G-4, holds one of the five tortoises that are going to be released back into the wild as a part of the Headstart Program aboard the Combat Center, September 18.



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Maj. David Tran, executive director, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs, prepares to release one of the five tortoises back into the wild as a part of the Headstart Program aboard the Combat Center, September 18.



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# National Preparedness Month Earth quakes

#### STORY BY PFC. MARGARET GALE

n earthquake is the sudden, rapid shaking of the earth caused by breaking and shifting subterranean rock as it releases strain that has accumulated over a long period of time. Although earthquakes are often known to occur in the West Coast, the natural disaster can happen at any time anywhere in the

United States.

As a part of the Presidential Policy Plan Directive-8: National Preparedness, a directive passed in 2011, the Combat Center is participating in September's National Preparedness Month. During the third week of September, G-7, Mission Assurance, has focused on earthquake preparedness.

The first step you should take to be prepared for an earthquake is to register with local emergency alert systems or Marine Corps Enterprise Mass Notification System to receive emergency alerts. It is also important to have an evacuation and communication plan for the workplace as well as at home. Most importantly, take the time to prepare by building an emergency kit that includes sturdy shoes to protect you from any possible broken glass.

If there is an earthquake, stop what you are doing and, if possible, drop to the ground, take cover under a table or a sturdy piece of furniture and hold on until the shaking stops. Make sure to stay clear of any windows, unstable furniture or anything that could possibly fall.

Once the shaking has stopped, do not spark an open flame, there may be gas leaks in the area. Check yourself and others for injuries, then follow your command's protocol for personnel accountability. Next, look for and extinguish small fires, as this tends to be the most common hazard after an earthquake. Ensure you stay tuned to the radio and emergency alert system for further information and instructions. Expect an aftershock, which can happen days after the initial earthquake. If an aftershock happens, drop, cover, and hold on.

If a severe enough earthquake occurs in a populated area, it may cause death, injuries and extensive property damage. It is important to be prepared and always plan ahead.

For more information on National Preparedness Month, or on how to prepare for an earthquake, visit ready.marines.mil.

An earthquake is the sudden, rapid shaking of the earth, caused by the breaking and shifting of subterranean rock as it releases strain that has accumulated over a long time. If the earthquake occurs in a populated areas, it may cause many deaths and injuries and extensive property damage. While earthquakes are often believed to be a West Coast occurrence, all 50 states and five U.S. territories are at some risk for earthquakes at any time of year.

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Staff Sgt. Nytayia Jamison, administration chief, Headquarters Battalion, speaks to female Marines during the Women's Leadership Symposium, held aboard the Combat Center, September 15. The symposium was organized to provide senior ranking female Marines an opportunity to share their experiences and advice with their female subordinates.

# **Combat Center holds first Women's Leadership Symposium**

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Female service members from various units aboard the installation gathered for the first Women's Leadership Symposium aboard the Combat Center, September 15, 2017. The symposium was organized by Staff Sgt. Nytavia Jamison, administration chief, Headquarters Battalion. Jamison wanted to provide senior ranking female Marines an opportunity to share their experiences and advice with their female subordinates. "We were able to speak about the unique experiences that female Marines face, be it sexual assault, harassment or social issues," Jamison said. "Because females deal with these experiences differently than males, people of the same gender who have been through these situations are more capable of teaching others how to handle those adversities."

Marine Corps. Jameson feels that everyone has a success story that needs to be shared.



The symposium focused on leadership, mentorship and the individual successes of women in the "The key was to get female leadership from different sections and backgrounds in front of other female Marines. We wanted them to pass down information on leadership and integration challenges that their subordinates may face." Jamison said. "For me, making it to staff sergeant was a success story. Sharing those stories with women around the Corps is a fulfilling experience."

The Combat Center females who were present, from junior Marines to high-ranking officers, viewed the symposium as a beneficial experience.

"The symposium was beneficial because it opened a lot of junior female Marines eyes to the career possibilities in the Marine Corps," said Lance Cpl. Jennessa Davey, combat camera, Headquarters Battalion. "My favorite part was that the female leadership inspired camaraderie among all the females present."

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