



The Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon, Battle Colors Detachment, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., executes a pass and review in front of Maj. General William F. Mullen III, commanding general, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, during the Battle Colors Ceremony at Felix Field, March 14. The ceremony is held to honor Marine Corps traditions through the Drum Corps, the Silent Drill Platoon and the Battle Colors Detachment.

Combat Center hosts Battle Color Ceremony

PHOTOS AND STORY
 BY LANCE CPL.
 MARGARET GALE

A Battle Colors Ceremony was held at Felix Field aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif., March 14, 2018. This year, the Battle Color Detachment performed a ceremony to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Belleau Wood.

The Battle Color Detachment is comprised of three sections, "The Commandant's Own," the Silent Drill Platoon and Battle Colors, which consist of four Marines presenting the national and Marine Corps colors. Every year, the detachment travels throughout the country to military installations, public events and high schools to perform the ceremony and represent the esprit de corps of the Marine Corps.

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The Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon, Battle Colors Detachment, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., performs during the Battle Colors Ceremony at Felix Field aboard the Combat Center, March 14.



Marines from the Mountain Leaders Section, Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, Calif., move through the first touring ski event at the International Mountain Warfare Patrol Competition 18 at Cheimgau Arena, Rupholding, Germany, March 7. "Team America" is one of twelve teams participating in the competition that tests mountain infantry skills and tactics.

Mountain Marines compete in Germany

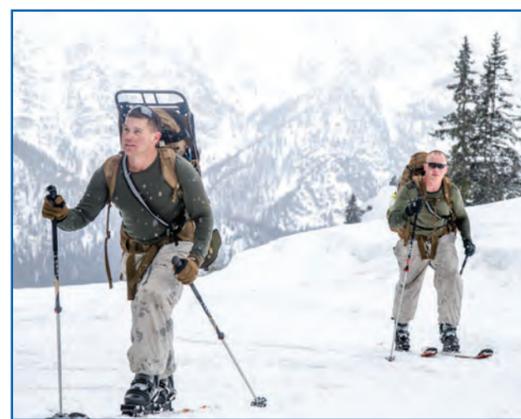
PHOTOS AND STORY
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RUPHOLDING, Germany - Marines with the Mountain Leaders Section, Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, Calif., traveled to the Bavarian Alps in Germany to participate in the 1st International Mountain Warfare Patrol Competition in Rupholding hosted by the German Armed Forces from March 5-8.

On the first indoctrination day, the Marines, Team America, were introduced to their translator and the German Army personnel responsible for organizing the competition. Demonstrations were made available on how to use certain equipment for the competition including avalanche probes, snow litters, and the G3 assault rifle. They were also given an initial welcome by the most decorated soldier in the German Army, Colonel Jared Sembritzki, brigade commander, Gebirgsjägerbrigade 23 at Hochstaufen-Kaserne Garrison near Bad Reichenhall.

Along with the Mountain Leaders from Bridgeport representing the United States, teams from Poland, Austria,

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Marines from the Mountain Leaders Section, Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, Calif., approach the top of Predigtstuhl mountain during the International Mountain Warfare Patrol Competition 18 at Cheimgau Arena, Rupholding, Germany, March 7.

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Marines continue efforts to fight against all types of bias

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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 Pfc. Timothy Shoemaker.



Marines with Bridge Company, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, perform preventative maintenance to the medium girder bridge during a field training exercise at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Feb. 28. The Marines attach ropes to link reinforcements under the bridge to ensure it is tightly secured and in place.



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Explosive Ordnance tries to keep you alive

With over 930 square miles of terrain, MCB, 29 Palms is nearly the size of Rhode Island. Divide that area by the number of Marines by working at the Explosive Ordnance Disposal section here and that's a lot of ground to cover.

The 10 Marines at EOD are responsible for sweeping the entire area for devices that failed to explode on impact during the many live fire exercises held at the Marine Corps Air-Ground Combat Training Center.

"It is a continuous job since

the wind is constantly exposing the dud ordnance," said Gunner Sergeant Mitchell A. Templeton, non-commissioned officer-in-charge of EOD. "Unexploded ordnance is found almost every time a sweep is made, however, there are not enough Marines here to sweep the ranges as often as they should be swept."

This then brings us to an even greater danger, that of trespassers.

Trespassing on government property is against the law and although 'No Trespassing' signs

are located throughout the base, the intrusions continue.

"We rarely see any people out there, but we know they're there because we find tire tracks," explained Captain Donald P. Garcia, officer-in-charge of EOD.

Driving off any established road is dangerous but if it is done in an impact area the results will be deadly.

Ordnance comes in a wide variety of sizes, shapes and colors, but it is foolish to believe that any ordnance, no matter

how unusual it may look, would make a good trophy or souvenir. Even the tiniest piece of ordnance can be deadly. Take, for example, the blasting cap; about the size of a fire cracker and yet it can very easily kill you instantly.

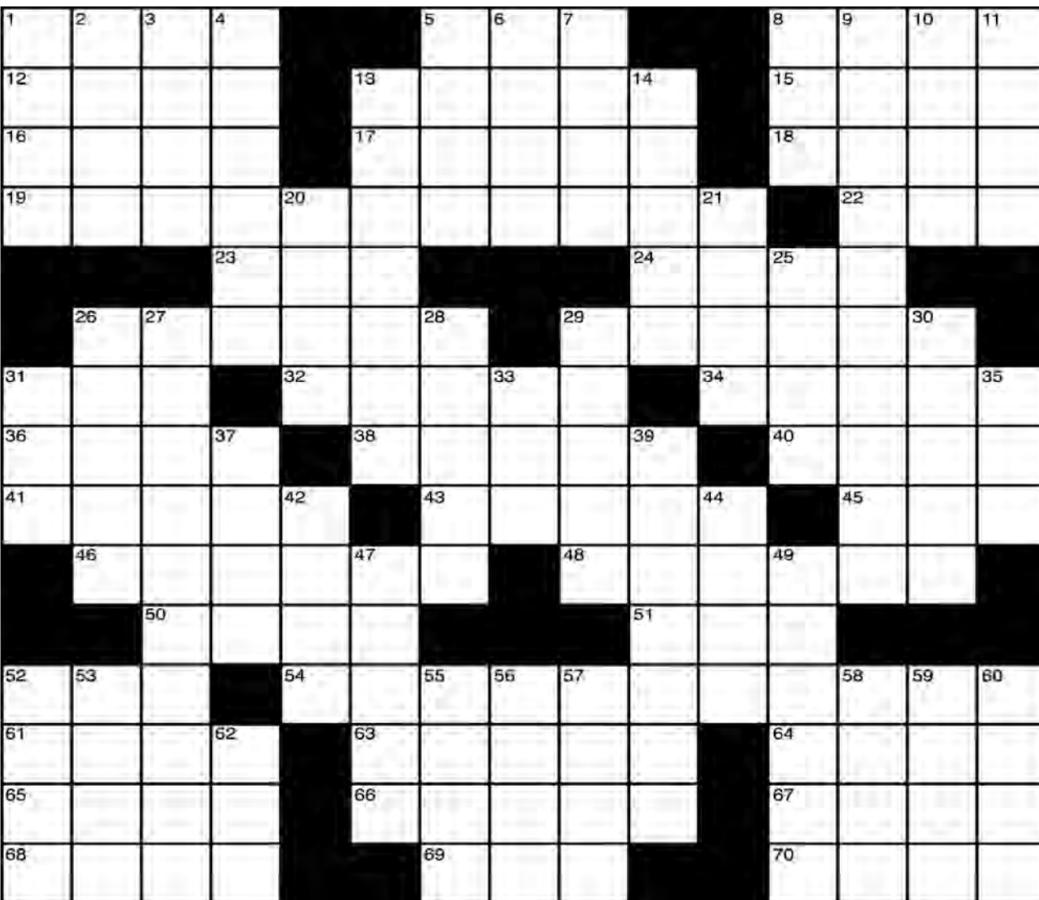
Trespassers finding any ordnance should never touch the device and especially should not even consider taking it home. The location of the ordnance should be relayed immediately.

EOD maintains a 24-hour emergency response system but

the section may also be reached through the Base Safety Office and the Provost Marshal's Office.

The Explosive Ordnance Disposal section at Marine Corps Base, Twentynine Palms could use a little cooperation from people by not trespassing on the ranges. Recent incidents concerning trespassers on the ranges have shown that, unless you know what you're doing like EOD here, handling ordnance can have only one result: DEATH!

CROSSWORD



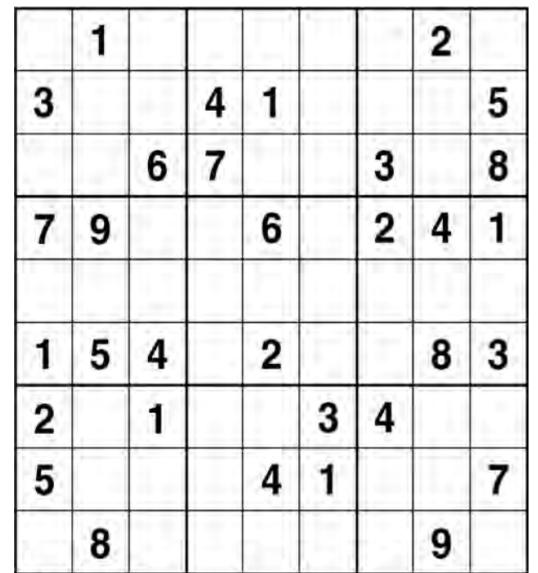
- Across**
1. A brief written record sometimes used to jog the memory.
 5. A sum of money required by a government for support.
 8. An amusing person.
 12. Barely gets by.
 13. _ Major, the Great Dog.
 15. _boks, blueish antelope of southern Africa, now extinct.
 16. Strives for.
 17. Form of the male name Arthur.
 18. Identical to or with.
 19. Making quick, witty replies.
 22. To decompose.
 23. An exclamation of impatience or derision.
 24. Appear to be.
 26. Forces armed with legal authority.
 29. G.W.G. _, creator of the Ferris wheel.
 31. Acronym for the American Labor Party.
 32. A person or thing that paces.
 34. Stoles made of fur from the semi-aquatic weaslelike animals of North America.
 36. Abbreviation for September.
 38. Of or pertaining to Doris.
 40. The "I" parts of people.
 41. Peeled a fruit or vegetable.
 43. The Scandinavian goddess of love and fertility.
 45. Abbreviation for Latin.
 46. Compensation for a loss.
 48. A finger or toe.
 50. Series of stages in an ecological succession.

51. Appearing for the first time.
52. Acronym for the Faculty of Environmental Studies at the University of Waterloo.
54. A legal wrongdoing committed by a public official.
61. Acronym for the United States Information Agency.
63. To dishonor or discredit.
64. Acronym for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
65. To reply to an invitation.
66. To come up with a solution.
67. Breaks or openings in a fence.
68. A prophet.
69. _ as a fox.
70. Past tense of shoot.

- Down**
1. Close to.
 2. Disparaging term for a migrant from Oklahoma.
 3. Abbreviation for temperature.
 4. Short literary compositions on a particular subject.
 5. Any of the various vetches.
 6. Prefix meaning "before."
 7. Roman numeral for 13.
 8. The major television network that features the hit show, Everybody Loves Raymond.
 9. In a suspenseful or frightful way.
 10. Song written by Phyllis Hiller that was awarded a 4-star rating by Billboard Magazine.
 11. A song performed by two people.
 13. A beam on a ship to which an anchor is hoisted and secured.

14. To feel that something is about to happen.
20. To scrape or rub roughly.
21. A bud, offshoot or seed.
25. The southernmost Great Lake.
26. Appeals or entreats.
27. Tyrannical.
28. To jeer or mock.
29. Cooked in fat or oil over direct heat.
30. A toast.
31. Aspartic acid.
33. To make a mistake.
35. Acronym for Supersonic Transport.
37. A city in western Mozambique on the Zambezi River.
39. A salt or ester of cyanic acid.
42. Abbreviation for dormitory.
44. Slang for one-dollar bills.
47. Extraordinary acts of achievement.
49. Plucks the strings of a musical instrument.
52. Garments made of the thick coat of animals.
53. Latin for "existence."
55. A country in southeastern Asia whose capital is Vientiane.
56. To put as much as can be held into a container.
57. Green with _.
58. A male name from the Hebrew word meaning "rest."
59. The chief branch of the Mafia.
60. The coast on which New York City is located.
62. Abbreviation for April.

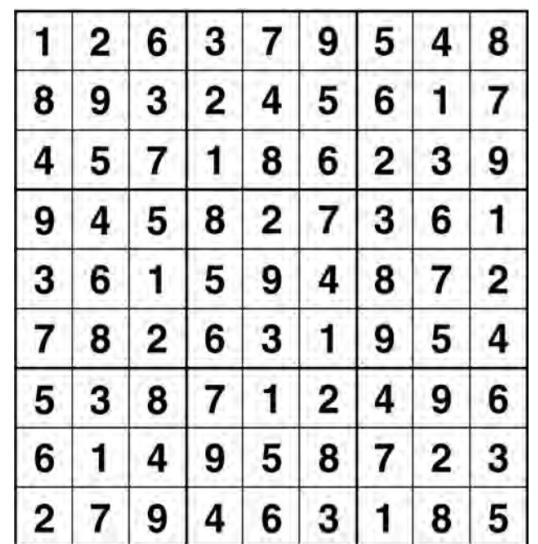
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- Club Mustang, 2200 University Avenue, San Diego
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- Get It On Shoppe, San Diego
- Main Street Motel, 3494 Main Street, San Diego
- Trolley Stations, Palomar Street & San Ysidro, San Diego
- Vulcan Baths, 805 W. Cedar Street, San Diego
- Dream Crystal, 1536 Highland Avenue, National City
- Sports Auto Sales, 1111 National City Boulevard, National City

WHAT I'VE LEARNED

Genesis

Miami, Fla. Lance Corporal, administration specialist, Headquarters Battalion

VELEZ

VELEZ WAS A PLATOON COMMANDER FOR HER HIGH SCHOOL'S ROTC PROGRAM AND WAS ANNOUNCED IN THIRD PHASE OF BOOT CAMP TO BE THE "MOLLY MARINE" AMONG ALL THE OTHER FEMALES IN HER PLATOON.

>I was born in Miami, Florida. When I was 1 year old, my mother took me back home to the rest of my family in Ecuador, where I lived until I was 10 years old.

>Family is important to me and its hard being so detached. There are times where I really need them. I am the first person in my family to join the armed forces.

>I enjoyed Ecuador because I was with my family. Moving back to the United States made it harder to keep in contact with everyone. I came back with my grandmother and it was just the two of us for most of my life.

>I was only 13 when I started my freshman year of high school. The hardest part about coming to a new country was being in high school at such a young age, and I really struggled with the language barrier.

> One of my favorite parts of high school was the diversity. My school had Haitians, Jamaicans, Hispanics, African Americans and Jewish students, and although we came from different walks of life we were all able to come together and get through school. We even spent days celebrating each other's cultures and beliefs.

>While I was in high



school I was in ROTC for the Navy, which is what first piqued my interest in the military. I wanted to join the Navy originally because of the medical occupations that they offer. I found out in ROTC that I loved drill, and I was chosen to be a platoon commander for the program.

>I changed my mind to join the Marine Corps because of one of my friends,

Martinez, who was recruiting in the Marine Corps. He would always run with me and said that I would be a great fit for the Corps. I remember when he told me that the Marine Corps has the best drill. He motivated me to become the Marine I am today.

>I was the only student in my high school class to graduate at the age of 16. This is when things got difficult

because I had to grow up fast if I wanted to make a successful life for myself.

> I had the plan of becoming a United States Marine after I graduated, but at the time I was only 16 so I had to wait until I was 17 to get my grandmother to sign the papers. She thought I was too young at first, but I was finally able to convince her that it was a good idea.

>I went to a community college while I waited to join, to study Biopsychology. This is the study of how emotions, thoughts and behaviors are affected by the brain, the nervous system and neurotransmitters in humans and non-humans.

>I would say that the person I look up to the most would be my grandmother. She inspires me every day because she brought me from a comfortable place to an uncomfortable place to make me better. She did everything for me by herself and is a very independent woman.

>She taught me to aim high. That way, even if I don't achieve my goal, I made it further than I would have if I aimed low, and I'll be able to say that I at the very least put forward a genuine effort to reach the highest goals.

>The Marine Corps has been an interesting journey so far. I am learning to respect myself and to expect more for my life. I have changed a lot during my time in and I am figuring out what is really important to me.

>I am most passionate about being successful and doing the best at my job, while staying humble so I can be a leader that my junior Marines can look up to.

Interviewed and photographed by Lance Cpl. Jeremiah Naranjo

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Integrated Animal Management Information Sheet

This document provides general guidance for control of common animals found in the Mojave Desert and it is intended to be used as a basis for animal management action

Aboard the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC) animal management is a joint effort between the Public Works Department (PWD), Environmental Affairs (EA), Provost Marshal Office (PMO), Conservation Law Enforcement Program (CLEP) and Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms (NHTP) Preventive Medicine Department. Each entity has distinct responsibilities:

Animal	Primary Contact	Phone 760-830-	After Hours
Bats	EA	5728, 5719, 5720	EA 5200
Bees	PWD Pest Control	6271	PWD 6271
Birds ¹	PWD Pest Control	6650	PWD 6271
Birds ²	EA	5728, 5719, 5720	EA 5200
Coyotes	CLEP	3293, 3042	PMO 6800
Domestics ³	PMO	6800	N/A
Insects/Household	PWD Pest Control	6271	PWD 6271
Road-Kill	PMO	6800	N/A
Rodents	PWD Pest Control	6271	PWD 6271
Snakes	EA	5728, 5719, 5720	EA 5200
Tortoises ⁴	EA	5728, 5719, 5720	EA 5200

- ¹ Pest bird species: **Pigeon (Rock Dove), European Starling, English House Sparrow.**
- ² All others include Prey & Non-Pest species: **Owls, Raptors, Eagles, Ravens, Non-Pest bird species**
- ³ Domestic animal species are commonly tamed and kept by humans as pets, food sources and work animals; they include but are not limited to species such as dogs, cats, and hamsters.
- ⁴ Tortoises: **Mainside:** Call EA, after hours call PMO, PMO will have call back numbers 24 hours, 7 Days. **Training Areas:** BEARMAT (Range Control)

Managing Animals/Pests

Animal and/or pest control begins with good housekeeping. While maintaining your facilities operational status and cleanliness, look for signs of pest activity such as staining from urine, fecal droppings and unpleasant smells.

Pests of all types are looking for **food, water and harborage**. Preventing pest activity begins with securing your facility. Look for openings, holes in screens or walls, gaps on doors or other damage allowing pest access. Normal operations within a facility, such as moving equipment and personnel, are enough to deter pests from entering open doors. **NEVER** attempt to capture animals that enter your facility. These activities could result in a bite and will require medical assistance. For example, and specifically, if a bat contacts your skin you **MUST** seek medical assistance.

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- The National Institute for Occupation Safety and Health (NIOSH)
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Battle Colors From A1

"The ceremony is our opportunity to interact with the public," said Sgt. Guy Barnes, euphonium bugler, "Commandant's Own," Battle Colors Detachment, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C.

Prior to traveling and performing on a two-week tour to military installations, the detachment spends the first three weeks of February every year at Marine Air Station Yuma, Ariz., training to hone their movements as individual sections. The Marines rehearse five to six times a week for up to twelve hours a day. The last week of training is used to bring all components together and to function as a detachment.

During the performance, the detachment conducts five portions. During the first portion of the ceremony, the U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps perform Music in Motion, which consists of a concert and drill execution. Immediately following, the U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon executes precise drill movements, which leads into the traditional commemoration of the Marine Corps and national colors that hold the history of our country. As the ceremony comes to an end, the BCD presents honors to the reviewing official and conducts a pass and review.

"I love being able to perform and spin rifles," said Cpl. Christopher Ochoa, silent drill platoon, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C. "I love traveling with the detachment and getting to meet a lot of people, service members and non-service members alike, who enjoy watching us perform. Over all, it's a great experience."



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The Marine Corps Commandant's Four, Battle Colors Detachment, Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., present the colors during a Battle Colors Ceremony at Felix Field aboard the Combat Center, March 14.

Germany From A1

and France were also present for the competition, as well as several teams representing the host nation, Germany. During the indoctrination day, the teams had the opportunity to meet with one another and learn different techniques on things like avalanche probing and cross-country skiing.

Competition day came on the 8th with incredibly difficult weather conditions, adding numerous challenges to the 26 kilometer hike on skis up to the top of Predigtstuhl mountain, and windy conditions for the shooting portion down at the bottom of the mountain at Chiemgau Arena in Ruppholding. The initial touring ski event around a 2 kilometer course led into the shooting portion, and after the 26 kilometer movement uphill, teams had to evacuate a casualty down the mountain in a snow litter.

After the competition wrapped

up, the teams were treated to a ceremonial dinner at Hochstaufen-Kaserne where Sembritzski awarded medals to each of the teams. "We have been very honored to have you come and compete with our troops," Sembritzski said of the Marines. "It is always a pleasure to work with our American friends and we hope to see you again next year."

Team America travelled to U.S. Marine Corps Forces Europe and Africa at Panzer-Kaserne in Stuttgart after the competition to meet with the deputy commander, Colonel John J. Carroll, Jr., who was the former commanding officer of the Mountain Warfare Training Center. "We're very proud of you, you gave it your best effort," said Cornell to the Marines. "We can take this as a learning experience and move forward as you all continue to educate Marines on mountain warfare."



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CPL. ANDREW NEUMANN

A Recon Marine with Special Missions Branch, Expeditionary Operations Training Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, builds a strip charge during a breaching range March 6 at Camp Hansen, Okinawa, Japan.



LANCE CPL. ERIC TSO

Marines with 1st Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment provide security and advance to their objective at MOUT town as part as a counter improvised explosive device course during Exercise Bougainville I at Landing Zone Boondockers, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, March 8. Bougainville I is used to train Marines to fight at the small-unit level and build their proficiency for future deployments.



SGT. ALLISON LOTZ

Marines with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., participate in the opening ceremony of Yuma Military Appreciation Day in Downtown Historic Yuma, Ariz., on March 10. Military Appreciation Day is held to show the importance of the relationship between the City of Yuma and our service members and veterans.



LANCE CPL. MURIAH KING

Parents of students with Kinnan Hoikuen thank Marines with Combat Logistics Company 36 in Iwakuni City, Japan, March 9. Service members with Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, visited Kinnan Hoikuen to interact and build relationships with the local Japanese community during a graduation ceremony. They thanked students for their friendship and wished them luck in the first grade. In exchange the students surprised them with thank-you gifts.



CPL. STORMY MENDEZ

Marines with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit take part in the Shallow Water Egress Training program at Camp Hansen, Okinawa, Japan, March 6. Marines and sailors with the 31st MEU learned life-saving procedures to escape a submerged aircraft in the event of mishap.

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Lance Cpl. Trevor Rowett



Marines conduct breaching procedures during Exercise Bougainville I at the Ulupau Range Training Facility on Marine Corps Base Hawaii, March 10.

Lance Cpl. Luigey Zepeda, a mortarman with 1st Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment provides fire support during Exercise Bougainville I at the Ulupau Range Training Facility on Marine Corps Base Hawaii, March 10. Bougainville I is used to train Marines to fight at the small-level and build their proficiency for future deployments.



Pfc. Maxwell Jackson scans for enemy targets during Exercise Bougainville I at the Ulupau Range Training Facility, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, March 10.



Marines prepare for breaching procedures during Exercise Bougainville I at the Ulupau Range Training Facility on Marine Corps Base Hawaii, March 10.

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Marines walk off the bus to start their check-in process for Marine Combat Training at the School of Infantry - West on Camp Pendleton, Calif., March 6. This marks the first male-female integrated Marine Combat Training company on the West Coast.

Marine Corps continues efforts to eliminate gender bias, harassment, social media misconduct

COURTESY STORY, PHOTOS
 BY LANCE CPL. DYLAN CHAGNON

ARLINGTON, Va - One year ago, the Marine Corps became aware of social media misconduct that proved to be a symptom of a larger problem of bias and exclusion. The Marine Corps formed a Task Force to immediately begin improving the ways we support victims, enforce accountability, and train the force.

Ultimately these efforts will produce the kind of Marine Corps that we want, and our Marines deserve – a Corps where every Marine is treated with dignity and respect, where teamwork and strong unit cohesion maintain our warfighting edge.

In July 2017, the Personnel Studies and Oversight Office (PSO), was created to oversee a variety of initiatives related to this complex issue. Members of PSO have met with leaders and Marines across the fleet to identify opportunities for long-term changes to improve unit cohesion and ultimately our warfighting capability. PSO has also met with members of corporate America, veteran service organizations, and victim advocates in order to scope the issue of bias and glean best practices. There are currently twenty seven initiatives for action including the following:

- Eliminating gender bias from 105 Marine Corps doctrine;
- Leveraging survey data from throughout a Marine's career to understand the cultural impacts on their decisions to stay or leave the Marine Corps;
- Training to outgoing Marines about



Pfc. Kira Kozik, the first female Marine student to check in to the School of Infantry – West, stands in formation waiting for instruction on Camp Pendleton, Calif., March 6.

“upholding the honor” via the Veteran’s Transition Readiness Seminar Program;

- Expanding training on unconscious bias throughout the continuum of Marine professional development and creating hip pocket classes at the small unit level.

Immediately following the revelation of “Marines United”, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) scanned

nearly 131,000 images across more than 168 social media sites. Task Force Purple Harbor, facilitated in part and informed by NCIS, has investigated at least 123 subjects, suspects, or otherwise persons of interest with reported involvement in incidents of online social media misconduct, to include the non-consensual distribution of intimate images. Among all persons of interest, 22 were identified as civilians outside Department of Defense jurisdiction, and 101 were active-duty or reserve Marines. These cases have been referred to the cognizant commanders, who in their independent and unfettered discretion have decided upon disposition in 82 such cases while 19 disposition decisions remain pending. To date, 55 Marines have been held accountable for online social media misconduct: six special and one summary courts-martial, 6 administrative separations, 15 non-judicial punishments, and 27 adverse administrative actions. These cases span beyond the Marines United Facebook page and reflect investigations on a spectrum of misconduct. While many cases involve photos, clothed or explicit, some involve verbal remarks without images.

The Marine Corps recognizes the importance of male and female Marines training together to build unit cohesion, and has made changes to the training pipeline to realize that exposure.

Male and female recruits at Marine Corps Recruiting Depot Parris Island train together whenever possible. This includes training during the physical fitness combat

fitness tests, attending classes and chapel together and conducting hikes together. To increase integration at MCRD Parris Island, a female Company Commander is leading a male company and a male is leading a female Company.

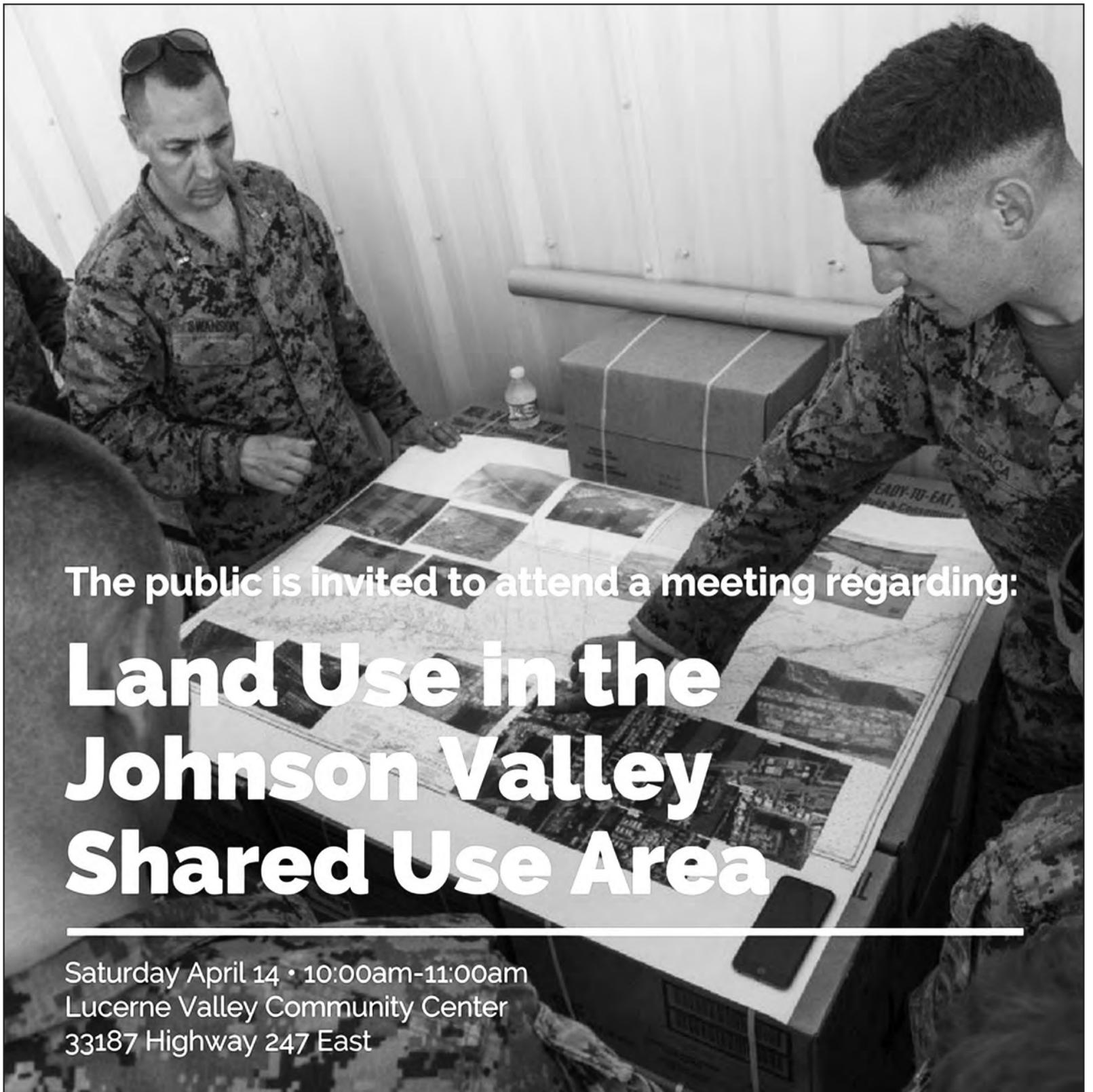
In March, the Commandant added a 4th Phase to boot camp, which provides valuable mentoring opportunities between drill instructors and the new Marines. This provides a more engaging environment for Marines and allows for discussion of complex issues, what is expected of them in the operating forces, and how to uphold core values of honor, courage and commitment.

March 6, 2018, marked a historical moment when female Marines, for the first time, joined Marine Combat Training Bn. at Camp Pendleton, where approximately 1,700 women will be trained annually. Marine Combat Training (MCT), a part of the School of Infantry, provides all enlisted Marines basic infantry training following boot camp.

Anyone who believes they may have been a victim of this kind of misconduct is encouraged to contact the anonymous NCIS tipline at taskforcetipline@gmail.com, (877) 579-3648, or <http://www.ncis.navy.mil/ContactUs/Pages/ReportCrime.aspx>. Marines can also go through their chain of command, which will route the tips to NCIS, as necessary. Resources for reporting crimes and misconduct, as well as for receiving support can be found at: <http://www.usmc-mccs.org/socialmediaFAQs/>.



Col. Jeffery Holt, commanding officer, School of Infantry - West, and Sgt. Maj. Jonathon Groth, School of Infantry - West sergeant major, greets Pvt. Nathalie Lizama. She is the second female to arrive at SOI - W on Camp Pendleton, Calif., March 6.



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Saturday - March 17

12:30 p.m. Peter Rabbit PG
 2:50 p.m. Early Man PG

5:00 p.m. Maze Runner: The Death Cure PG 13

8:00 p.m. Den of Thieves R

10:50 P.m. Winchester: The House that Ghosts Built PG 13

Sunday - March 18

12:30 p.m. Early Man PG

3:00 p.m. Black Panther (3-D) PG 13

6:00 p.m. The 15:17 to Paris PG 13

Monday - March 19

6:30 p.m. Black Panther PG 13

Tuesday - March 20

6:00 p.m. LAST SHOWING Den of Thieves R

Wednesday - March 21

6:00 p.m. LAST SHOWING Maze Runner: The Death Cure PG 13

Thursday - March 22

5:00 p.m. Early Man PG

7:00 p.m. The 15:17 to Paris PG 13

Friday - March 23

5:00 p.m. Annihilation R

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10:30 p.m. Black Panther PG 13

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