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Radio Hill off limits 'til further notice

By LCpl. Brian Davidson

BARSTOW LOG staff

The base Environmental Division's Installation and Restoration Program has finished investigation at an inactive landfill site near the physical training course and remedial action to protect the base population and environment from potential dangers is underway.

The site, labeled Site 7, is one of several sites on base that were polluted with hazardous materials and undetermined substances decades prior to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations regarding waste disposal practices.

"Most of the contaminated sites on MCLB Barstow were created a long time ago and used during the '40s, '50s and '60s time span," said Michael Cox, Installation Restoration program manager. "The landfills that we're capping were used in much the same way as others from the same time period. No one paid much attention to what potential environmental hazards it would pose, and it's hard to ask people to think ahead 20 or 30 years, but now

we have to."

Disposal practices before regulation didn't limit what materials and substances were dumped where. As a result, most inactive landfills contain everything imaginable, according to Shawn Monahan, Installation Restoration project manager.

"It was standard practice to dig trenches, dump garbage and everything else in, cover it all with solvents and petroleum distillates, and set it afire," said Monahan. "The process was repeated, creating layers upon layers of waste mixed with hazardous chemicals. Under the Institutional Restoration Program we are the lead agency for clean ups on base, so it's our job to fix any problems that may exist."

Digging up a landfill is an equitable solution in some instances; however, it's a solution that could create a larger problem.

"If the property is in a crucial locale or is 'expensive land', digging it up may be proposed, but that could be opening a 'Pandora's box,'" said Cox. "You never know what's in a landfill," he added.

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MCLB migrates to Microsoft NT

By Cpl. Mike McQuillan

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New technology has guided the Marine Corps so directly that the Corps' newest networking software goes by that name.

Once the Information Systems Office at MCLB Barstow completes its migration to Microsoft New Technology (NT), a single computer network will link the entire Department of Defense.

"It's a priority for the Marine Corps to have everyone on a mail service that is the same," said Leslie Hunt, ISO computer specialist. "The goal is interoperability."

Marine Corps Systems Command passed the DoD mandate in 1997 that all branches of the military would operate on the same program.

Network Operations Center in Quantico, Va., hired Smartronics, a computer network corporation, to train the Ma-

rine Corps' network administrators how to migrate its systems.

"We were the second to last for them to train and start the vertical migration on," said Hunt. "They had a set schedule on how they were going to do it based on location."

The last station to begin migration, Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, Calif., has a much smaller staff than MCLB and is expected to finish earlier, according to Hunt.

The migration began May 17, training the Microcomputer Systems Coordinators for each section.

"For certain people in some divisions, it's a collateral duty to be a point of contact for the ISO. We migrated the MSCs a week ahead so they could get ahead of the rest of the group."

One week later, ISO took its leap into Y2K and began migra-

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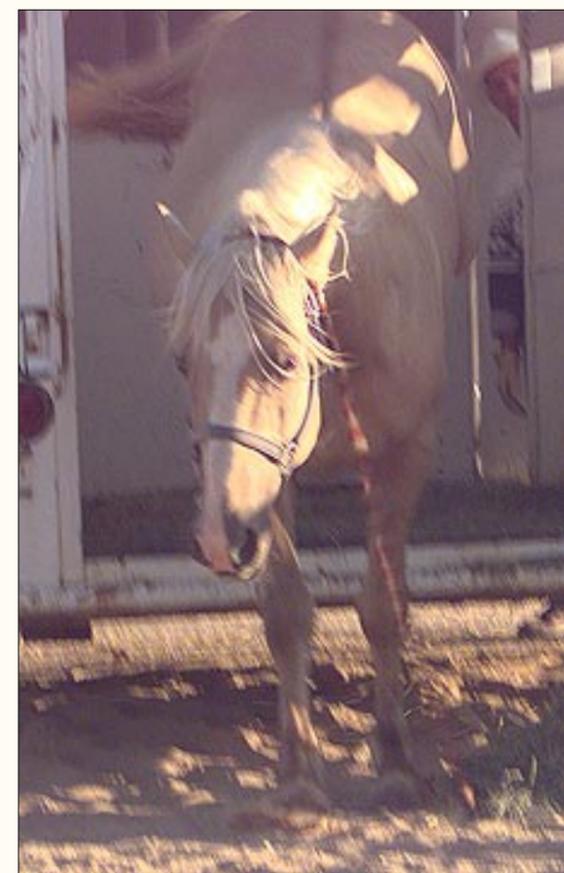


Photo by GySgt. Frank Patterson

'Freedom' comes to town

Freedom, a 5-year-old Palomino mustang, is the newest member of the Marine Corps Mounted Color Guard here.

"It will take some time to get him ready to ride," said GySgt. David Cooley, staff noncommissioned officer in charge of the Mounted Color Guard. "I would like to have him ready for the summer parade and rodeo schedule next year, but, like people, each horse learns at a different pace."

For more info on Freedom, see the story on page 7.

Provost Marshal's Office updates motorcycle, bike regulations

By Sgt. Matthew R. Weir

BARSTOW LOG staff

The Provost Marshal's Office here has started enforcing Marine Corps Order 5100.19D regarding motorcycle and bicycle safety.

Military policemen will give verbal and written warnings until PMO feels everyone has been given the chance to review the new regulations, according to MSgt. Richard Wilkinson, provost sergeant.

"I want to make sure everyone is informed before we start issuing citations," he said.

The Provost Marshal's Office will follow the Marine Corps order until a base order can be approved, according to Wilkinson. A new base order is expected to be out by the new year.

The current order – last updated in 1988 – was based on state laws, according to SSgt. Peter Holm, MCLB traffic chief.

"[The Base] was concerned about having people cover their upper torso and wear helmets in 1988," he said. "Now we are concerned with their overall safety."

"There have only been four pen changes to the order since it was written," said Wilkinson, "the last one was in 1991. This was the main reason for the change."

The change has nothing to do with new safety measures or an increase in motorcycle-related incidents. The base has not seen an incident since at least 1993, according to Holm.

"This is a proactive measure to ensure everyone – military, civilians, family members – are all

on the same sheet of music," he added. "We are not looking to come down hard on people, we just want to make sure they are safe."

MARINE CORPS ORDER MOTORCYCLES

– Hard-soled shoes with heels. The use of leather boots or over the ankle shoes is encouraged.

– Properly worn long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long-legged trousers and full-fingered gloves or mittens.

– Department of Transportation, Snell Memorial Foundation or American National Standards Institute approved helmet.

– Impact or shatter resistant goggles or a full-face shield attached to the helmet.

– Commercially available mesh/fabric vest or other upper torso garment worn as the outer garment. The garment must not be covered or concealed, such as by a back pack. The garment will be bright yellow, international orange or lime green and will have 1 1/2" to 2" wide vertical or horizontal retro-reflective strips front and back.

MARINE CORPS ORDER BICYCLES

– Bicycle helmets approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or Snell Memorial Foundation (SNELL) by all personnel who ride bicycles on installation streets and roadways.

– Workers operating bicycles in areas that require the use of ANSI-approved helmets (hard hats) can use those helmets instead of approved bicycle helmets.

The Commander's Forum

The "Commander's Forum" is a tool the Base Commander uses to hear and address the concerns of base residents, employees and others. To contact the Commander's Forum, call 577-6535 or send your concerns via LAN to COMMANDERSFORUM@HQTRS1.

Green in the desert

Q "Sir, Living in the desert as many years as I have, I'm aware of the difficulties in growing lawns, shrubs, plants and flowers. I must say, however, that I have never seen the lawns at MCLB look as beautiful as I've seen this summer, it's actually become a pleasure to drive to work each morning and enjoy carpets of plush, green lawns along the streets and in front of the buildings. It's contributed greatly to a better attitude before the start of a very busy, and often stressful, work day. The grounds maintenance contractor, along with the Base personnel responsible for administering the contract, should be commended for the wonderful job they are doing."

A "I agree that the grounds maintenance contractor is doing a good job aboard the base. The appearance of the base is very important to those of us who work at MCLB Barstow. Thank you for taking the time to send your comments to the Commander's Forum."

Safety: a moral imperative

By MGen. C. L. Stanley
MCAGCC 29 Palms, Calif.

The primary mission of the U.S. Armed Forces is warfighting; preparing for and conducting combat operations against our enemies, both foreign and domestic.

No one understands better the true costs of maintaining our Armed Forces than those who actually serve.

In times of war, servicemembers shoulder a layer of obligation not borne directly by the rest of society.

By the very nature of our profession, Marines and Sailors are ready to respond at a moment's notice to global threats in order to protect our Nation's vital interests. Our training allows us to effectively deal with uncertainty and adversity. Our duties often involve an element of risk, to include the

possibility of death.

Despite our best precautions, safety standdowns, and sincere concern for the safety and welfare of our servicemembers and our families, death is still a reality ... it takes no holiday, nor does it discriminate.

We must continually remind ourselves that the loss of a life isn't just about a person dying. It's more far-reaching than that: A man or woman who passed away was also someone's brother or sister; son or daughter; father or mother; uncle or aunt; or close friend, and the loss is irreplaceable.

What can we do to prevent the loss of life?

We, as leaders of Marines and Sailors, must continually stress safety

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Lighter shade of green

By Sgt. Matthew R. Weir
BARSTOW LOG staff

My coming to Barstow was a mistake, but not for the reason you might think. I wrote down the wrong Marine Corps Code on my dream sheet, MCC 019, and off I was sent.

All I heard on the way here was how miserable I was going to be, that I was going to the middle of the desert and I would hate it. But most of all I heard that this base was not *green* at all.

In the two months I have been here though, I have learned to like it here.

My first Friday was spent at a battalion field meet. It felt good to be part of a unit that could come together, have a good time together and then turn around and still address each other with pride and military bearing.

Since then I have been at every battalion PT session we have had.

When I look at what I was told about coming here I wondered what people were talking about when they said it was not *green* here. It is *green* here, just a lighter shade of *green* than most Marines are used to.

Becoming *green* is not hard, every Marine gets a transfusion of *green* blood in boot camp, staying *green* takes work.

As noncommissioned officers here, we are not afforded the opportunity to lead large numbers of Marines, because there are not many Marines here to lead.

What can we do to stay on top of our training so that if we find our way back into large commands, like the III MEF or on a MEU we will be on the same level as our counterparts.

We can request training like the Gunfighters Forum mentioned in last weeks copy of the BARSTOW LOG.

We can also watch out for one another. In a command as small as ours we should be able to correct each other before staff NCOs involved get involved.

Staying *green* is a task, but not a hard one. Marines can do it.

Editors note: If you want your voice heard, send your opinion to the editor at weirmr@barstow.usmc.mil.

God will let you know, when you need to know

By Lt. Michael Michener
Base Chaplain



Several years ago when I was a radioman in the Navy I had a top secret security clearance. Although I had the clearance, I very rarely saw top secret material. When a TS message came in, everyone was required to leave the room and only two people were permitted to see the message and process it. This was done because I did not have a "need to know" the content of the message. The only ones who had a "need to know" were those to whom the message was addressed and a minimal team for processing. I always found that a little frustrating because I am a very curious person. When I finally did get to see a TS message, it didn't make much sense to me. I couldn't understand it and it was really somewhat anti-climatic. Even when I did understand it, it didn't change anything. It didn't make any significant difference in how I was going to live my life.

Do you remember when your children were just learning to talk and think? Some kids inundate parents with all kinds of questions but the question that gets posed most often is, "why?" They ask the question because they are curious or because it has become habit. As parents, we don't always answer our kids questions. But we still love them. When we do engage their queries with an answer, there are a number of options. We may give a brief answer that just hits the high spots of reason or we may even offer a more detailed response depending on the ability of the child to grasp concepts. But we generally don't

give all the details of "why" until the children begin to approach the adolescent years because they wouldn't understand even if we told them.

As adults, we tend to ask "why" quite a bit as well. Our "whys" are generally directed to God. We want to know why someone else got the job we applied for. We want to know why a good person gets sick and even dies. We want to know why nations can't get along and live in peace. We want to know why we have to work so hard to just keep our head above water financially while so and so who is a dirty scoundrel wins the lottery. We want to know why God doesn't answer all our questions.

The reason is simple. We do not have a need to know. We think we need to know because we are curious but the answers may prove more complex than we are capable of grasping. The message most likely won't make sense to us even though we have a top secret clearance. God knows what we are capable of knowing. He knows what we need to know. It doesn't change His love for us. He is still attending to our needs. He is still caring for us. He is still there.

The apostle Paul recorded information that we do need to know. "Now we see but a poor reflection; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known" (1 Cor. 13:12).

The day will come when God will fill us in on all the details. That day will be when we have a need to know and when we are ready to grasp it. Until that day, God has revealed Himself to us in a way that gives us all we need to live this life. They are: "And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love" (1 Cor. 13:13).

The Chaplain will be gone from Aug 20 to Sept. 14. If you

have questions or concerns, contact Sgt. Karl Garrison at the Chaplains Office to be put in touch with Ft. Irwin's duty Chaplain.

Blessings,
Chaplain Michener

Chapel Hours

Protestant Sun. 8:30 a.m.
Catholic Mass Sun. 10:30 a.m.

**Confession services
before Mass**

Yermo Bible Study

Wednesday 11 - 11:30 a.m.
At the Colonel's Workshop

For more info call
Don Brooks at 577-7165.

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"News Briefs" is designed to disseminate information to the MCLB Barstow community. Submissions should include a point of contact, a phone number, and be received by noon, Friday for the next issue. Submit news briefs on Outlook to PAO@barstow.usmc.mil.

224th Birthday Ball

The 1999 Marine Corps Birthday Ball is just around the corner. Get a jump on your planning, and get your room early.

For room reservations at the Primadonna Casino call 1-800-386-7867. The cost of the stay is \$15 per night, per room.

Group code: SMC 1110

Tickets for the ball will go on sale soon. Watch for more info in future editions of the BARSTOW LOG.

Toys-for-Tots Poker Run

The 4th Annual Toys-for-Tots Poker Run will kick-off Nov. 13. Sign-in is from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. with a drawing at 2:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$15 per person or \$20 per couple, plus a new unwrapped toy or \$5.

All street legal vehicles are welcome. Registration and sign-in is on the day of the event only.

For more info call The Bank at 256-1448 or Hooz on First at 256-9523.

Georgia Bound

The City of Atlanta Police Department is currently seeking police officer recruits with military backgrounds.

Requirements:

At least 20 years old

U.S. Citizen

Valid driver's license

Lowest starting salary is \$28,783 per year. To find out if you qualify, visit MCCS Personal Services Division, Bldg. 129 or call 577-6265.

Volunteers needed for Lands Day

The Bureau of Land Management is looking for 150 volunteers to participate in a restoration project at the Odessa and Mule Canyon areas on Sept. 25.

The area is a scenic mining district that supports a variety of outdoor activities.

Volunteers will begin at sunrise and continue through the late afternoon.

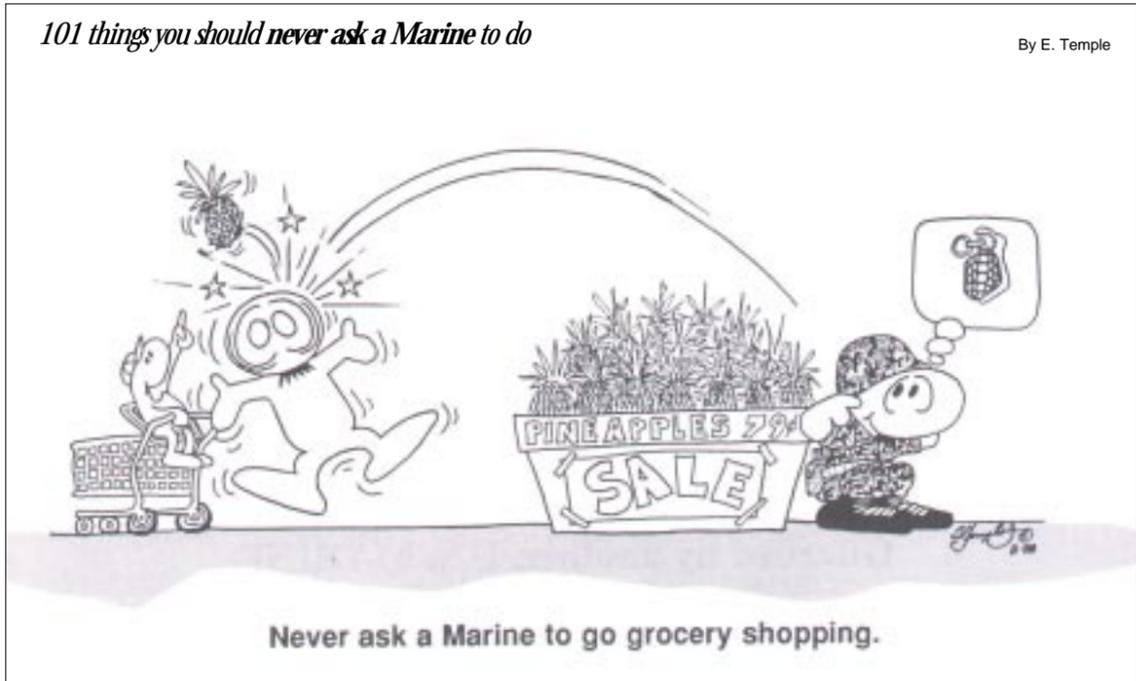
Local sponsors will provide a barbecue lunch, and the first 100 volunteers to check in will receive a free T-shirt and a free pass to Lake Delores.

For more info on the National Public Lands Days restoration project contact Rose Foster-Villegas at 252-6011 or on the web at <http://www.blm.gov/whh>.

Getty Museum Trip

The MCLB Barstow CWRA is sponsoring a trip to the Getty Museum in Los Angeles Aug. 28 at 6:30 a.m.

You'll enjoy this exceptional oppor-



tunity to see one of the world's largest collections of paintings, classical antiquities, bronze and marble sculptures, photography, and much, much more.

The collection includes works of art dating back from ancient history through more contemporary times and is considered to be one of the best and most diverse in the world.

A bus leaves Bldg. 44 at 6:30 a.m., stops in Victorville at the International

House of Pancakes parking lot at 7:30, and returns to Barstow by 10:30 p.m.

The cost per person is \$10 to cover the price of gas.

Contact the following CWRA committee members for reservations:

Name	Phone
Dan Keirn	577-6614
Frederico Molino	577-7210
Ed Guz	577-6183
Vince Chavez	577-7076

Barbara Kulseth	577-6771
Kay Servais	577-6233
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Bruce Rowe	577-7207
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By James H. Gaines

MCCS Publicity

Shop the Base Exchange

Check out these great buys: Cerwin Vega 12: 3-way floor speaker \$189.99. Save 40 percent off selected jewelry. Eureka vacuum cleaner for only \$54.99.

Use your MCCS Sand Dollars and make your savings even better.

The Exchange has all your back to school supplies at low prices – pencils, pens, erasers, notebooks and more.

The Main Exchange/7-Day Store is open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 256-8974 for more information.

Gas Station hours

The Exchange gas station is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed on Sunday.

The gas pumps are self service, pay in advance at the cashier's booth. Cash, check and major credit cards accepted. Debit and ATM cards are not accepted at the present time; this service will be operational in the near future.

Lunch menu for this week

This week's lunch menu at the Family Restaurant and Cactus Cafe offers a delicious variety:

Today– Open face roast beef sandwich, vegetable, roll/butter.

Friday, Aug 20 – Hoki fish or baked trout, rice, vegetable, roll/butter.

Monday, Aug 23– Beef-mac, vegetable, roll/butter.

Tuesday, Aug 24–Turkey a la King, rice, roll/butter.

Wednesday, Aug 25 – Chicken Cordon Bleu, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll/butter.

Thursday, Aug 26– Lasagna, vegetable, roll/butter.

All above meals served with coffee, tea or soft drink. Lunch is served Monday through Friday at the Family Restaurant from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunch is served Monday through Friday at the Cactus Cafe from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Price is \$3 military, \$4.50 civilian.

A La Carte available every day for your luncheon enjoyment:

Chicken sandwich \$1.95

Chicken tenders \$2.95

Two pieces chicken \$1.95

Fish sandwich \$1.95

Two pieces fish \$2

Shrimp (21 pieces) \$2.95

French fries \$1

Seasoned fries \$1.25

Coleslaw \$.80

Potato salad \$1

Hamburger \$1.95

Hamburger with cheese \$2.25

Hamburger with bacon/cheese \$2.45

Double hamburger \$3.45

Semper Subs also available

You may also order from Semper Subs for lunch. Select from hot or cold

sub sandwiches on fresh baked white or wheat rolls. Veggies on all subs include: chopped lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, green peppers, salt & pepper.

Family Night Dinner Menu

Tonight – Baked ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll/butter, dessert and beverage (coffee, tea or soft drink).

Thursday, Aug 26 – Fajitas, soft tacos, rice & beans, dessert and beverage (coffee, tea or soft drink).

Family Night dinners are served from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday. All you can eat \$4.50 adults, \$2.50 children 5 to 11 years, children 4 years and under are free.

Sewing and cooking classes

MCCS is setting up a series of classes to be held on base.

If you would be interested in either the sewing class or the cooking class call us. Your input will be helpful in determining the interest in these classes. If you would like to participate in one of these classes now or in the future – call today.

Ladies, have you ever wanted to make an outfit that fit just right, but didn't know how? What about a beautiful quilt to start a new tradition. Thought about it, but didn't know where to start – right?

Well, you can start right here with the new sewing class. Classes tentatively set for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Is your family getting tired of the same old meals?

Would you like to do something delicious and different for the upcoming holidays or your next potluck?

Now you can learn how to do this and have fun too with the new cooking class. Classes tentatively set for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

For more info call Vickie at 577-6896 or Kris at 252-7789.

Batting Cage is open

Brush up on your batting skills, the batting cage is now open. Drop by the Gym and check out all the equipment you'll need.

Don't forget all the great things you can check out at the Equipment Issue Room at the Gym:

All types of sport equipment from Badminton to Volleyball, and even such things as board games, dart boards and darts, horseshoe sets and bicycle helmets.

Charcoal grills, tables, folding chairs, canopies, party tents, and ice chests for your party or back yard dinner/get-together.

Camping tents, sleeping bags, rechargeable lanterns, camping stoves and backpacks with frames for you camping trip before summer ends.

It's all at the Gym's Equipment Issue Room. Call 577-6898 for more details.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons are held at the Oasis Club pool Tuesday through Friday from 8 to 9:15 a.m.

Lessons from 8 to 8:30 a.m. for children – ages 2 to 5 years. (Note: For children ages 3 and younger, parents will be required to be in the pool with their children).

Lessons from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. for children ages – 6 to 13 years.

The swimming lessons are free. Come to the Semper Fit office in bldg 44 to register your children prior to beginning of lessons. Classes will be ten days in length.

For more info. call 577-6971 or 577-6543.

Catalina Island

ITT has ticket vouchers for the *Catalina Express* shipboard transits to Catalina Island. Prices are \$33 for adults, \$27 for children (3-11 yrs.) with 28 daily departures from 3 terminals – San Pedro, Long Beach and Dana

Point.

Tickets are good any day of the week, but reservations are a must. Children two years and younger are \$2 at the terminal.

Catalina is a great place to visit this time of the year.

Before summer ends you must visit the wonderful water parks:

Hurricane Harbor at Magic Mountain

Wet n' Wild in Las Vegas

Raging Waters in San Dimas

Rock-a-Hoola at Lake Delores – just 15 minutes down the road in Newberry Springs

Enjoy the splash, cool off big time at these water parks. Tickets available at ITT.

ITT has tickets to just about anywhere in Southern California and nearby Nevada.

ITT is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 577-6541 for more info.

Golf championships

Saturday, August 21 the Base Golf Championships will be held at Tees and Trees Golf Course. This is a two day event with food, prizes and lots of fun.

Come out, enjoy this great two day event.

For more info call 577-6431. Tees and Trees Golf Course is open Monday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

MCCS HOTLINE

Did you know that MCCS has a hotline telephone number you can call to register a complaint, ask a question, make a comment, offer a suggestion for improvement or whatever.

You can call during business hours between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. and talk to someone. Or you can call between 3:30 p.m. and 7 a.m. and leave a message on the recorder.

Try it! Call 577-6390 and let us know what's on your mind. We want to hear from you.



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Sixto Granados 577-7424

Route 66 Market Festivals

The Barstow Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Fifth Annual Market Festivals Tuesday evenings from 6-10 p.m. at the Barstow Mall until Sept. 28. This year's theme is the Route 66 Market Festival.

The annual event features a variety of craft, food and produce vendors, children's rides and a variety of entertainment.

Weekly themes include Calico Night, Military Appreciation Night (*Fleet Support Center will provide a static display of military equipment*), Police and Fire Night and others. So come out and have a good time.

Look for these fun nights in the future:

Date	Event
Aug. 24	Military Apprec. Night
Sept. 7	Community Night
Sept. 14	Country Night
Sept. 21	Health & Fitness Night

For more info, call Tera Moore at 256-8400 or the Chamber of Commerce at 256-8617.

Did you know ...

Doctor and dental bills can break your budget?

No kidding!

But the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society may help pay those bills for medically necessary treatment at civilian clinics, doctors' offices and hospitals.

If you are on active duty and eligible, you must be enrolled in the Delta Dental Plan before the Society can assist with the cost of dental work.

If you or your family require financial help to defray the cost of essential medical care beyond the scope of military hospitals, or outside CHAMPUS and/or MEDICARE coverage, inquire at your local NMCRS office today.

For more info contact the Navy-

Marine Corps Relief Society at 256-1378 or 577-6627.

Y-102 Roofsit for MDA

The 10th Annual Y-102 Roofsit on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association will be held on the corner of Bear Valley Road and 7th St., in Victorville, September 2 through 6.

A Y-102 DJ will eat, sleep and broadcast from the roof at this location during the week to solicit donations while volunteers and firefighters

collect contributions from passers by. MDA supports local individuals and funds hundreds of research projects world-wide seeking the cause, treatment and cure for neuromuscular diseases.

For more info or to volunteer to support this event call 949-2935 or (909) 369-0720.

Military Mixer

The annual community-wide Military Mixer, co-sponsored by MCLB Barstow, the Barstow Area Chamber

of Commerce and Fort Irwin will be held at the NTC Fort Irwin Leaders Club Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Free transportation is available on NTC buses that will leave the Mercado Mall parking lot at 5:30 p.m.

Cost for the evening, which includes an ample array of hors d'oeuvres, is \$12 for E-6 and above and civilians, and \$7 for E-1 through E-5. Tickets are available at the Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 15.

For more info call 256-8617 before Sept. 9.

U.S. Naval Academy

The U.S. Naval Academy is accepting nominations for the Naval Academy Preparatory School.

Applicants must be between ages at least 17 and younger than 23 by July 1 of the year they would enter the academy.

Potential Midshipmen must also be U.S. citizens, have good moral character, be unmarried, not pregnant and have no dependents.

For more info, call the career planner at 577-6684.



DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Maintenance Center Barstow

From the Director ...

Packard Award given to the Marine Corps

By Col. J. Martin Jr.
Maintenance Center Director

The Honorable Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary of the Navy, presented the David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award to the Marine Corps Logistics Bases (MARCORLOGBASES) and Marine Corps Systems Command (MARCORSYSCOM) for their work on the Assault Amphibious Vehicle (AAV) Reliability, Availability, Maintainability/Rebuild to Standard (RAM/RS) Program in a ceremony held June 8 at the Pentagon. Malcolm Sims of the Heavy Mobile Equipment Business Center represented Maintenance Center Barstow during this ceremony.

The Marine Corps reduced the total ownership cost of the AAV more than \$550 million by using the engine and suspension systems from the Army's Bradley Fighting Vehicle. MARCORLOGBASES will upgrade 680 vehicles during the next four years. The cost to rebuild an AAV is \$451,000, significantly less than the \$2.3 million to purchase a new one. This

cost reduction allows the Marine Corps to continue to use the current model AAV another 15 years until the Advanced AAV is scheduled to come on line.

The Department of Defense gives the Packard Award to organizations, groups and teams making contributions which improve Defense acquisition practices in several categories including: program management, communications, computer systems, contracting, purchasing, industrial property management, systems planning, research development and engineering, test and evaluation manufacturing, production and quality assurance, acquisition logistics, business, cost estimating, and financial management and auditing.

Nominations are solicited yearly, and this year MARCORSYSCOM submitted the AAV RAM/RS Program. Each military department is eligible for the award, however both the Navy and Marine Corps fall under the Department of the Navy.

The Marine Corps received the Packard Award for its work in the program management category.

New Acquisition Program

The AAV RAM/RS Program with rebuild effort directed to the Marine Corps Maintenance Centers at Albany, Ga. and Barstow, Calif. was approved in June 1997 as a new start acquisitions program beginning in October 1998, with a four-year production duration.

The RAM/RS Team composed of responsible elements of the MARCORSYSCOM in Quantico, Va., and Camp Pendleton, Calif., and the MARCORLOGBASES, Albany, Ga., and Barstow provides a unified, management approach for this complicated and aggressive program.

The RAM/RS team implemented a number of innovative acquisition approaches and processes to centralize management of an upgrade program to be performed through U.S. Marine Corps depots and industry facilities, to increase the quality efficiency, responsiveness and timeliness of the acquisition process and to reduce Total Ownership Cost by more than \$550 million.

Consolidation of diverse functions and responsibilities within the government team, establish-

ment of a long term contractual relationship with industry to provide technical, engineering and management support for the remaining service life of the AAV, and extensive use of multiple command Integrated Product Teams (IPTs) with industry participation led to early development of quality products and an accelerated schedule.

Marine Corps Depots have improved processes and procedures for planning, controlling cost and producing quality products through implementation of new tools at the U.S. Marine Corps Maintenance Centers, i.e. Earned Value Management Systems (EVMS), ISO 9002 techniques and procedures, Cost as an Independent Variable (CAIV), detailed Work Breakdown Structures, Statement of Work and Rebuild standards development, a detailed integrated production plan, and sharing of industry production processes.

Congratulations to the Maintenance Center Barstow recipients of the David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award: CWO Jim Landry (retired), Dave Solano, Marty Ulibarri and Rick Gilmore who participated in the IPTs.

Helium Safety Racks delivered to 11th Marines

By Tim Sluder
MMS Project Officer

The first of two "16-bottle" Helium Safety Racks were recently turned over to the 11th Marines at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The Meteorological Platoon which is part of the Marine Artillery Regiment and has the responsibility to feed weather data into the Fire Support Computer.

That weather data is gathered from weather balloons. Weather balloons need helium to go up and gather information about temperature, humidity and wind direction. The air temperature and wind direction is critical just like the size of the charge or the type of round that is to be fired. All of this information is needed so rounds can be put on the target which is the mission of the Marine Artillery Battery.

The helium bottles are large and have to be transported to the field for extended field operations. There has never been a safe way to transport these large bulky bottles to the field. Previous methods include strapping them in the back of 5-ton trucks and laying them down in HMMWVs.

The Helium Safety Rack was designed at Maintenance Center Barstow and tested at the U. S. Army Aberdeen Test Center, Aberdeen, Md. It meets or exceeds all requirements by the Department of Transportation for transporting Class 2 (gases) cylinders material on and off highway.

Now the Artillery Regiment can carry enough helium and transport it safely to the field. These Helium Safety Racks will be shipped to all the Artillery Regiments including the Reserves.

Cost Work Center 737 installed the first "16 bottle" Helium Safety Racks and delivered it to MET Plt., 11th Marines, June 10.

Cpl. Miller accepts the first "16 Bottle" Helium Safety Rack from Tom Putman on behalf of the 11th Marines while PFC. Brown looks on.



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New mount symbolizes Corps, Nation, old West

Story and photos by GySgt. Frank Patterson

Public Affairs Chief

A struggle is unfolding at the base stables that is as old as the West but rather uncommon in the modern world. This battle is that of man versus nature, or, specifically, man versus horse.

The Mounted Color Guard here received a new addition to their family of show and exhibition horses recently – a 5-year-old wild mustang stallion from Palomino Butte in eastern Oregon.

“Freedom” as his former owner, Dennis Bright of Bright Ranch, named the 15.2-hand Palomino, was captured by the Bureau of Land Management in October 1998 and adopted by Bright in January. Bright then transported the animal to his ranch in San Martin, Calif.

Since Freedom, like the majority of the Marine Corps Mounted Color Guard mounts is a wild mustang, it will take much time and work to domesticate him.

Gunnery Sgt. David Cooley, staff noncommissioned officer in charge of the Mounted Color Guard, predicts at least a year of intense training before Freedom is ready to perform as a member of the Mounted Color Guard.

“And that all depends on the horse,” said Cooley, who has been involved with horses most of his life. He said the key to training a horse is understanding how it thinks and getting into its mind; the better their mind is, the easier it is to get into.”

“I could tell when I first went to evaluate [Freedom] that he had a good mind,” said Cooley. “When I visited Dennis several weeks ago, and he was working Freedom in the [training] pen, the first thing that impressed me was that I found this horse ‘ready to accept training’.

“Although there is fear – tremendous fear on his part – he is still willing to trust enough to take the next step [in training].”

Bright added, “One of the beautiful things about wild horses is that each one has a Ph.D. in herd psychology – they are really masters in socialization,” said Bright. “It really behooves a human handler to understand these horses are very adept in communicating with each other. We have to learn to think like a horse.

“We school, gentle and socialize the horses,” said Bright. “I use the term ‘starting a horse’ instead of ‘breaking’ because nothing good ever came of breaking something. I’ve never really got into the ‘might is right – I’m gonna knock this horse down’ frame of mind.”

“You can’t make a horse stand still,” Bright explained about his training philosophy. “All you can do is create a situation where the horse wants to stand still.”

But why the name ‘Freedom’?

“I was thinking of naming him ‘Trigger’ or ‘Patron,’” laughed Bright. “My dad said I should name him ‘Freedom’ because he ran free for a long time.”

“I think it’s only fitting that whatever quirk of fate . . . has brought him to the Marines as a color guard mount to represent freedom to our country,” added Bright.

Editor’s Note: The Mounted Color Guard is actively seeking participants. Beginners and advanced riders welcome, but must be Marines. Come join in the adventure that won the old West. Help us continue this magnificent tradition of honoring country and Corps.

For more information contact GySgt. Dave Cooley at 577-7302.



Horse trading – It’s a time-honored practice as old as the first domesticated horse. Dennis Bright (left) congratulates GySgt. David Cooley on taking possession of Freedom.



(Above) – The first step in building a working relationship with a horse is getting the animal’s trust. Untold hours of work can be spent just getting the animal to accept a human presence. Sgt. Adam Frederiksen, base stables, knows this as he cautiously approaches Freedom. Any quick or sudden movement will startle the animal so Frederiksen takes care to move slowly and deliberately.



(Left) “You can lead a horse to water...” – Sgt. Adam Frederiksen (left) and GySgt. Dave Cooley try to coax Freedom out of the trailer after a 400-mile trip from San Martin, Calif.

MC outlines injury, accident prevention

By Sgt. Matthew R. Weir

BARSTOW LOG staff

"No job in the world is worth the loss of a limb, an eye or anything," said Annie Minter, safety chief, Maintenance Center. "Safety has got to be first."

This statement comes from the Maintenance Center's safety chief two weeks after Fred Haskin's foot was run over by a forklift. Haskin's foot was saved because he was wearing steel-toed safety shoes; a policy set up by base safety and enforced at the Maintenance Center.

Safety policies for the Maintenance Center are driven by the Occupational Safety Health Administration, Federal Regulations for Safety in the Workplace and Operational Navy and Marine Corps orders.

Although these agencies set guidelines, new safety ideas to keep workers safe on the job are always welcome according to Randall Spencer, environmental and safety manager, Maintenance Center.

"These ideas can come from anywhere," he said. "They can come from us at the Maintenance Center, the Occupational Health Nurse, the industrial hygienist or base safety."

"Right now we are discussing a plan with the union to make the entire Maintenance Center a sight and hearing hazardous area," Spencer added. "You do not know what you have lost until you have lost it — like your hearing or an eye."

Setting up new policies for safety is only part of getting rid of injuries on the job, according to Minter. "It also comes from a strong enforcement of safety responsibilities starting from the top down."

The Maintenance Center has noted the same deficiencies during safety inspections and the same types of injuries year after year, according to Minter. Bringing the responsibility back to the workers is the key to getting rid of these

deficiencies and injuries.

Minter said she thinks two things are key in getting the work force more involved with their own safety — seeing more disciplinary actions taken when workers avoid safety regulations and counseling and training education for workers to show how they can prevent this type of injury.

When an injury happens on the job, two forms, the CA-1 and the 5100.30A must be filled out. According to Minter, the CA-1 is a basic injury form that goes to the Human Resources Office for filing, while the 5100.30A for Base Safety is routed through the Maintenance Center's safety office.

The supervisor is responsible for reporting safety violations. By routing this form through the safety office, they can see if the employee followed or violated the safety rules, according to Minter.

"We want to take part of the responsibility to ensure proper corrective measures are being taken," she said.

However, if the safety measures were violated when the injury occurred, it could result in the loss of pay or employment, according to Spencer.

"This is something we need to enforce," said Spencer. "But it has to start with the supervisor making the initial comments on the 5100.30A before we can take action."

Discipline is the last resort at the Maintenance Center, Spencer said he would rather see no one hurt at all.

"The average age of the of the Maintenance Center's workforce is 45 years old — they cannot do what they could when they were 25," Spencer said. A lot of injuries are sprains, strains and back injuries."

The Maintenance Center has turned to the help of the Wellness Committee to combat these types of injuries.

The committee, made up from people of all the base divisions, looks at and targets trends that decrease in-

jury.

Becoming physically fit is at the top of the list for resolving strain and stress related activities according to the group.

"Employees are interested in becoming more physically fit," said Spencer, "not necessarily bulking up or getting strong, but becoming healthier."

Because a healthy worker is worth more to the company than someone who cannot work, the Maintenance Center closed down one of the less used tool rooms and set up a place for the workers to exercise, complete with weights, treadmills and stairsteppers.

The Maintenance Center is also establishing an awards program that will get workers involved in their own safety and help them take responsibility for their actions.

According to Spencer, the current safety award program at the Maintenance Center is ineffective. Under the current incentive, if the workers go one year without injury, they receive a monetary award.

"Studies show this type of incentive does not work," said Spencer. "On-the-spot awards are much more appreciated because it is unexpected."

Minter said she likes to put a package together — nice safety glasses, head strap, lens cleaner — and give it to a worker she has noticed constantly following the safety guidelines. This practice has been well received throughout the Maintenance Center, she said.

According to Minter it makes the worker stand out from those around him, "and people want to look good when they work too."

Without the effort of the individual on the job, all the safety guidelines and rules in the world will not make a difference.

"Your livelihood depends on your working safe," said Spencer. "Not only yourself, but the person you work next to. You have to take responsibility for your actions and the actions of the employee next to you. Safety is a two-way street.

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tion.

"We had a few problems at first," admitted Hunt. "The PDC [primary domain control] kept crashing on us. It took another week but we eventually got going."

The ISO has migrated more than 60 percent of its computer network accounts in less than three months since beginning the project.

"Full migration is joining the domain, and loading Microsoft Outlook '98 and Internet Explorer 4.01. We also bring them up to the most current anti-virus program," explained Hunt.

Microsoft Outlook, which replaces the Banyan Vines network program, incorporates the Internet with interpersonal communication.

"It is a much better program," said Hunt. "It's easier to attach files. It's easier to view files. Under the Global Access List we can see everybody in the Marine Corps. It's easier for us to communicate with other bases."

There were 1,159 accounts that needed to be migrated at the project's beginning.

"The number goes up and down a little bit here and there," said Hunt. "We must migrate every account. There are systems on this base that we can't migrate because the system doesn't have enough memory. What we've ended up doing is put people's

Outlook profile on a system that does meet the requirement."

"We had a count of 487 systems fully migrated," said Hunt. "That was at the beginning of last week."

We've run into some systems that won't load Outlook. Sometimes we have to get back and work on it longer and longer."

"With a fairly newer system, we should be able to get in there and migrate it in under an hour," said Hunt. "You're looking at between 1000 and 2000 man hours. You have to make time for little things that happen."

"The other thing we've had a problem with is migrating accounts for the Maintenance Center," continued Hunt. "Some of them share systems but use different accounts. We are able to install multiple accounts on one system."

Hunt said that Outlook users could do their part in speeding the process along. "If you haven't been migrated, clean out your mailbox," she said. "If you don't, you can slow down the migration. You don't have to have it completely empty, but at least have as few messages as possible."

Not only does ISO migrate accounts, they train personnel to use the new program. As they do the migrations, the people from that work section are at a Microsoft Outlook class in Building 37.

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IRP uses capping, a presumptive remedy endorsed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and well suited for the high-desert and the base's situation, according to Cox.

The capping techniques used on base are ideal because they use readily available resources like concrete, sand and gravel, and can easily weather the annual rainfall in the Mojave without being compromised.

MCLB Barstow is using two types of caps. One uses a concrete pad to seal the contaminated area and may be enclosed by a chain-link fence to protect the pad from traffic that could degrade it.

The other method uses layers of clean, natural materials found in the vicinity of the site to cover it. Both methods use natural or man-made gradients to direct rainfall and groundwater monitoring wells to check the integrity of the caps.

"What we're doing at Site 7 is only a small part of a larger plan," said Cox. "We have classified all the areas on base that we know have problems and grouped them according to their past usage, content and location."

The materials for the 10-acre cap at Site 7 were obtained and graded into groupings of native soil and gravel. The native soil packed a minimum of three feet atop the existing cover, then a gravel armor layer six to eight inches deep is added. A 6-foot chain-link fence layered by a tortoise fence then finishes it.

"We are using these methods because they are effective and well suited to our dry environment,"

said Monahan.

"We still have some investigations taking place, but for the most part our landfills are in the implementation stage and the suggested remedies are underway," said Cox.

According to Cox, the natural cover caps are impervious to water saturation from typical high-desert rainfall and are a good alternative to manmade liners and clay designs.

The Institutional Restoration Program's job isn't as simple as burying hazardous waste and landfill specters that have come back to haunt the base from decades past.

The program has to maintain an important balance of correcting polluted areas and ensuring environmental health while making sure that the Marine Corps' mission is accomplished unhindered.

"One problem we were faced with was we needed a way to restrict property use [while implementing remedial action plans and after]," said Cox. "Only Congress has that power. No one else could, not even the base. So, we created the Institutional Controls Protocol and Base Master Plan language to support it."

What Cox and Monahan brainstormed was a precedent in the realm of environmentally related land management. It turned heads and drew attention from two major federal agencies - the U.S. EPA and the DoD.

According to Cox, the Institutional Controls Protocol in conjunction with the Base Master Plan allows for land-use restriction, environmental controls and concerns without condemning the base's potential for development.

"If someone decided they wanted to build something, the site choice would be referenced in the base plan and they would see that it was restricted what they could and couldn't do on it," said Monahan. "So they would know to come see us to get further guidance about it."

The protocol has been very successful on base and is under review for DoD wide implementation.

"Basically, the EPA was the first to buy into our concept and they decided to support it. Finally, the EPA proposed that it be expanded and adopted throughout the region. It's been reviewed by HQMC and is going to be much larger in scope than we'd anticipated," said Cox.

"We need to protect human health, the environment and adhere to all of the regulations, but we also need to come up with ways to ensure the Marine Corps' mission. Property has to be utilized," he added.

The team gave Building 573 as one example of their protocol. A concrete apron was placed at the site because soil found in the location contained hazardous materials.

The building could have been closed down for as long as five years if the protocol they created had not been in place; costing hundreds of jobs and lots of money.

Cox and Monahan are separated from the rest of the Environmental staff in an office filled with six-foot tall file cabinets and lots of reference books, some speculate to isolate the high levels of radiation or creativity that the two emit; whatever the case maybe it's a successful mix.

Col. Mark A. Costa, Base Commander, said



Photo by LCpl. Brian Davidson

Michael Cox holds the remnants of a glass bottle warped by heat from past fires at the Site 7 landfill.

that he believes that environmental laws aren't restrictions or reasons not to act, but boundaries in which we must find ways of doing things.

"It may take a great deal of effort and be a timely challenge for members of the command, but they have to see how to best accomplish our task with the expertise of the Environmental staff to show us to the best way to do things. We have to be creative."

Members of the base and surrounding communities can sleep tight knowing Environmental is on the case, but stay away from Radio Hill - at least until further notice.

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"It helps us by training you to begin with," said Hunt. "It cuts down on the calls we get to the help desk if we go out and actively train you."

Hunt said that the only expense paid by MCLB Barstow is manpower.

"The servers were provided to us by the Marine Corps," said Hunt. "The Marine Corps even built them for us. They purchased the software. All we're having is just the labor dollars to go out and train and having to migrate the system."

"When we briefed the CO about the migration back in April, he had a few questions. He was concerned about our dial-up. At that time you dialed into Banyan. If you were already migrated, how were you going to be able to dial-up if you were TAD?"

We've already resolved that. We connected our long-distance dial-up to our NT server. It's actually easier to dial into NT than it is to Banyan."

The dial-up system allows personnel to check their e-mail while away from their computer station.

"Part of the migration is that we leave the user access instructions at the system that gives you more informa-

tion than we cover in the class," said Hunt.

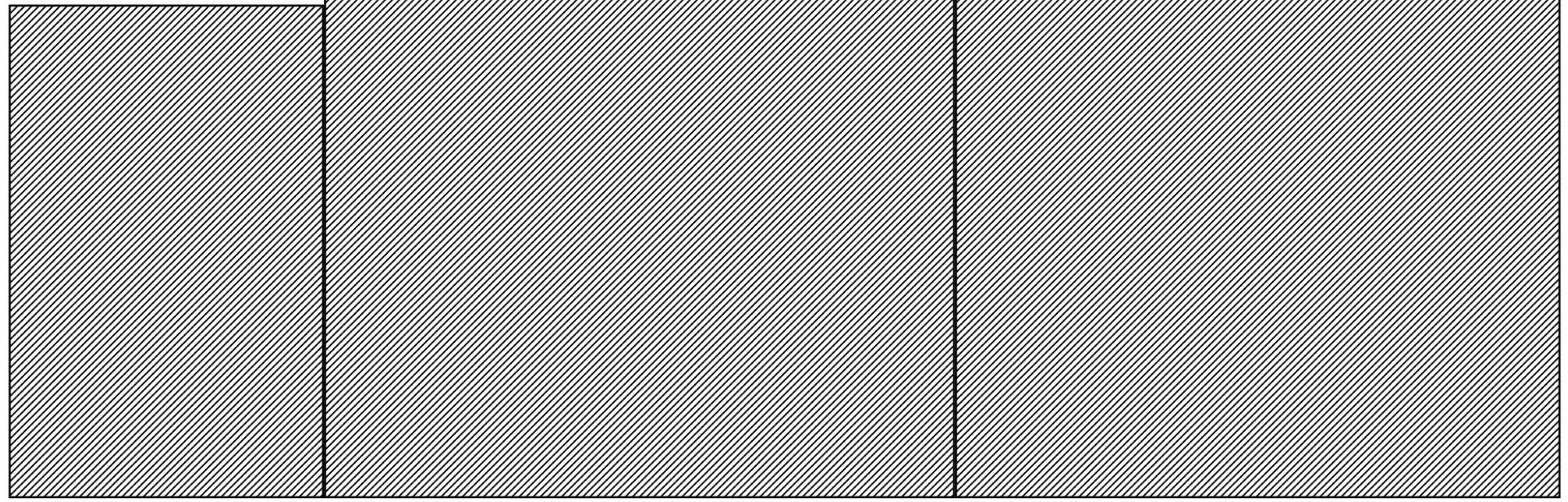
Included in those instructions is the way to check messages via Internet. The address is: <http://mail.barstow.usmc.mil/exchange>

The program will ask for the user's alias and password. Once entered, users can connect to their Outlook mailbox. If the user is accessing mail from

outside MCLB Barstow, the address is preceded by "https" vice "http" in order to penetrate the security firewall.

MARCORSYSCOM has passed a

Dec. 31 deadline for all systems to be migrated. Hunt claims the requirement will be met approximately three months prior to that date.



Job Watch

Ann No.	Title/Series/Grade	Open	Close	1st Cutoff	Location	Ann No.	Title/Series/Grade	Open	Close	1st Cutoff	Location
DEA-95-99	Crane Operator WG-5725-11	03-08-99	09-30-99	03-22-99	Calif., Ariz.	DEA-365-99	Sandblaster WG-5423-07 (Term NTE 366 Days)	08-18-99	09-15-99	09-01-99	Barstow
DEA-140-99	Firefighter GS-081-03/04/05/06	04-05-99	09-30-99	04-19-99	Port Hueneme	OTR-27-99	Motor Vehicle Operator WG-5703-08 (Temp NTE 1 yr.)	03-24-99	09-30-99	04-07-99	Calif., Arizona
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to our subordinates as they engage in activities during and after working hours, on-base and off-base.

Safety is a serious issue. It's not a minor matter to be relegated to a manual at the bottom of a

bookshelf. We must continually give safety the serious attention it deserves.

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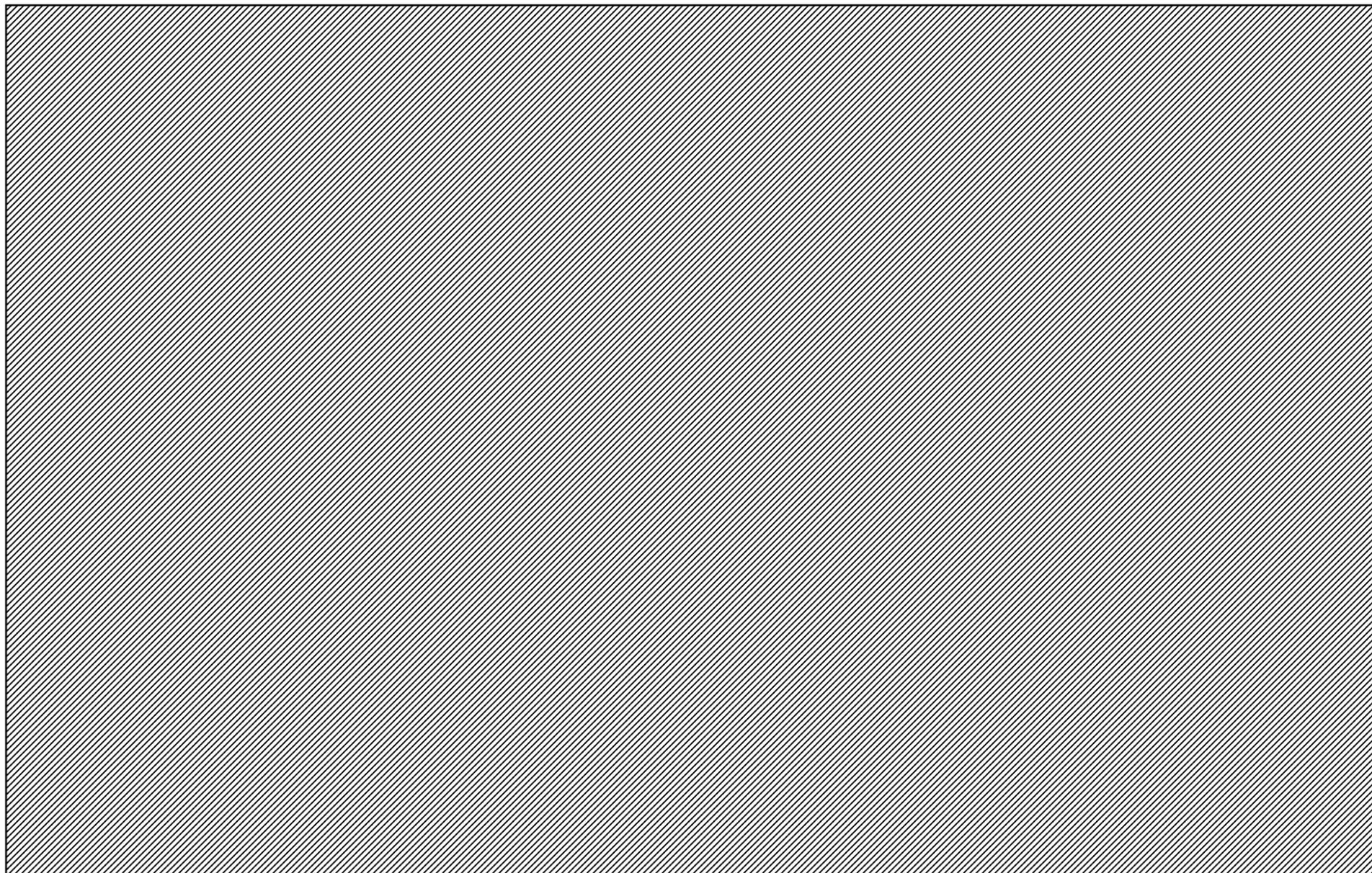
To lose a precious life anytime is tragic. To

lose a life when that loss could have been prevented is even more tragic.

We must provide a safe environment for our Marines and Sailors to work in, and impart in them the knowledge to take care of themselves whenever they're away from us.

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SPORTS

Serpents take home 16 wins from Desert Splash

By Cpl. Mike McQuillan
BARSTOW LOG staff

A team of military children from the base returned from the Desert Splash B-C championships at Apple Valley Middle School last weekend with 16 place-winning efforts.

The day of competitive and moral victory taught the group the rewards of hard work.

"When we first started, they couldn't even swim one length of the pool," said Mette Conrad, team coach. "I started from scratch with them. They've come so far because they show up to practice every day. There's no quit in them."

The team began practice in late May, working for two hours a day, five days a week, striving for a daily goal of swimming 200 meters.

"We had two months to practice before the first meet," said Conrad. "I was tough on them in the beginning, but they've come so far since then. Now, when they get out of the water

after two hours, they will have done 3,000 to 3,500 meters."

Practices now begin with a 600-meter warm-up, or 24 laps across the 25-meter family swimming pool. They compete using four strokes – freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.

"I wanted to teach them what competitive swimming was like," said Conrad, who joined her first swim team in Denmark at age seven. "You need to make it fun and at the same time give them a good workout."

Conrad coaches the 7-10 year-old team, while John Humbert coaches the 11-12-year-old girls relay team.

"I coached the same age for two years in Denmark," she said. "When you have the younger ones, you need patience. That's what coaching before has taught me."

Results from Desert Splash:
Annie Michener, Tara Putnam, Ashley Zautcke, Angela Zautcke: 4th place, girls 200M medley "B" relay.
Erin Putnam, Christina Anosike,



Photo by HMC Ugochukwu Anosike

Christina Anosike launches from the diving platform to begin her leg of the 200-meter medley relay.

Abby Michener, Ashley Mosier: 3rd place girls 200M medley "C" relay.

Otito Anosike: 4th Place, 25M Freestyle, 4th Place, 25M Backstroke, 2nd Place, 100M Individual Medley.

Ekene Anosike: 7th Place, 25M Breaststroke, 1st Place, Freestyle

Christina Anosike: 8th Place, 100M Individual Medley, 8th Place, 50M Butterfly, 6th Place, 50M Backstroke.

Twilight Golf ends in Day of Fun at Tees and Trees

By LCpl. Brian Davidson
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Twilight Golf League players ended 15 weeks of hard-nosed competition with a Fun Day at the Tees and Trees Golf Course.

Tee time for the league is normally 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday, but play got underway at 8 a.m. Saturday to accommodate all league players.

Instead of the teeing off in the six-man league groupings, players drew lots for partners in a recreational round of golf that included prizes for the longest strike and closest to the pin.

The day ended with a barbecue and awards.

Twilight golf League has come to a close, but league green fee rates continue until September 15, daily, from 1:30 p.m. till closing.



Photo by LCpl. Brian Davidson

Mark Costa and Joseph Martin set their sights on the pin at the league's fun day. Costa walked away with a win in the Closest to the Pin Contest.

GOLFING FUN

Tees and Trees is sponsoring a golf clinic for juniors with an interest in the sport.

The weeklong clinic starts at 9 and ends at 11 a.m. daily and is conducted by Oscar Valenzuela. Children ages 6 to 18 may participate. For more info, call the golf course at 577-6431.

**Base Golf Championship
Saturday!**

Twilight League top finishers

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Jeremy Brown	Greg Hug	J.C. Lovette
Brent Unferth	Tony Olvillares	Dick Milender
Jackie Moore	Mike Milander	Willie Masangcay
Ed Guz	Jeff Clawson	Adrian Crumb
E. Peralta	Richard Baca	Paul Church
Tony Cordova	George Mosier	Larry Bonner
E.C. Peralta	Mike Morris	Rick Breman
Dave Tillery	John Shrum	