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## DoD details base closure legislation

By Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – The Department of Defense has made changes to the base closure and realignment legislation and will send it to Congress shortly, DoD officials said August 2. DoD would like the legislation passed in fiscal year 2002.

The main instrument of base closure and realignment – the commission – remains, said Pete Aldridge, defense undersecretary for acquisition, technology and logistics. The “all-or-nothing” aspect of previous BRAC rounds also remains.

The effort – now entitled the Efficient Facilities Initiative – will address all U.S. military installations. The legislation pertains only to those in the United States and its territories. “Rec-

ommendations for closure or retention will be based upon future force structure needs to meet our strategy, and will emphasize retained military value,” Aldridge said. This was not part of deliberations in previous closure and realignment rounds.

Other changes include having nine commissioners rather than eight to avoid tie votes, and that there is a single round of closures and realignments rather than two as the previous administration proposed.

In addition to the stateside effort, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has tasked the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to examine overseas basing needs. Plans for closing overseas installations would be due to the department by March 2003.

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## NMCI may be missing a few good Marines

HQMC news release

On August 1, the House Armed Services Committee reported H.R. 2586, the fiscal year 2002 Defense Authorization Bill, out of committee.

Contained in a summary of major provisions on the National Defense Authorization Act, was the following in regard to the Navy Marine Corps Intranet contract.

“NMCI is an effort to create a single network for the entire Navy by transferring ownership and responsibility of its computers and associated equipment to a contractor who would own, operate and

maintain the communications system. Due to lengthy program delays and significant questions about the Navy’s funding and budgetary strategy for NMCI, the committee recommends releasing the Marine Corps from the program, excluding aviation depots and Naval shipyards, and authorizing \$527 million (\$120 million less than the President’s request) for NMCI.”

The Marine Corps remains in support of the Secretary of the Navy’s NMCI initiative and is working with Department of the Navy staff to develop information to satisfy the Committee’s concerns and move the program forward.

## MCLB Marine takes first-ever combined command meritorious promotion board

By Sgt. Brian Davidson

Press Chief

An MCLB Barstow Marine recently competed for the Materiel Command Meritorious Sergeant Promotion Board and won, beating out competitors from Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany, Ga., and Blount Island Command, Fla.

Meritoriously promoted August 2, Sgt. Michael A. Budabinmcquown has taken every opportunity to attain rank and responsibility and has been very successful. Budabinmcquown enlisted in the Marine Corps in September 1999 and has already achieved what most Marines earmark as a distant, but possible goal to accomplish before the end of their first enlistment.

“I’m really happy that I have been able to be promoted at this rate,” said Budabinmcquown, Military Working Dog Section dog handler. “It was one of the goals I wanted to complete before I leave the Corps, whether it be in four, eight or 12 years. I wanted to be a sergeant,” said Budabinmcquown.

This is the first time that Marines from all three subordinate commands within MATCOM have competed for a meritorious promotion. The candidates underwent competition at unit and base level boards before proceeding to the final



Photo by Sgt. Brian Davidson

Cpl. Michael A. Budabinmcquown, recently meritoriously promoted to sergeant, talks to youth during a base tour sponsored by the Drug Education for Youth program.

MATCOM-wide promotion board.

The final board convened using a teleconferencing format usually reserved for training and meetings when travel is not feasible or cost effective. Teleconferencing enabled senior enlisted leadership from all three commands to take part in the proceedings and to collectively choose the most qualified individual for the

promotion.

“Winning the meritorious board at the higher command level goes to show that between all three bases he set himself apart as having the potential to be an effective leader,” said Staff Sgt. Ralston A. Clarke, who was a member of the

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# THE CO'S CORNER

MEMBERS OF THE LOGISTICS BASE COMMUNITY,

It's time for a change!

No, this is not another reorganization of the base staff, but time for the baton of leadership to be passed on to the next runner. Those of you, who have served many commanders here at the Logistics Base, understand that the time comes for one commander to pass on to the next, the responsibility of carrying out the mission and taking care of you, the Barstow Team. That time comes next week when on Sorensen Field, I will pass the flag to Colonel Bergman. I believe the timing is right for this change in the base leadership.

In January of 1999, I presented a plan titled Barstow 2002. It was an aggressive, comprehensive plan for transforming the base's organization and way of doing business, to achieve greater effectiveness and cost efficiency. The plan targeted 1 October 2001, the beginning of FY 2002 as the date for completion. The plan included the use of the commercial activities study (A-76), consolidation of functions at the base level and realignment of traditional unit tasks back to the battalion. I have had the opportunity to be with you through those two and a half years of transition. As I promised, I would lead, walk beside, push, pull or use whatever motivation was needed to continue to stay the course and be in the position we are now. We have completed the A-76 study and set the standard for the Marine Corps. We have transitioned to the new organization and minimized the impact on the affected employees. We have realigned the base headquarters and battalion staff and now will focus on refining the procedures

The "CO's Corner" is a tool the Base Commander uses to open the lines of communication from the command deck to all personnel and to disseminate essential information as rapidly as possible.

that will institutionalize the progress we have made. The table of organization reflecting this transformation will be forwarded during August for implementation 1 October 2001. It is time to bring in a new command team to finalize this process and lead the base for the next three years.

I have used the analogy of Barstow "walking point" for the Marine Corps in installation reform and business reform, when we consider the tremendous progress made at Maintenance Center Barstow and Fleet Support Division as well as our [Defense Logistics Agency] tenants at the Distribution Center and Defense Reutilization Marketing Office. When you walk point for a patrol, you need to recognize when it's time to hand off to another Marine. When you have given your best shot, led the patrol and kept them safe, you know when it's time to let another set of eyes and judgment take the lead. And that time has come for the base. Colonel Bergman will take charge of this base, and continue the leadership role Barstow has set in the Marine Corps. She will bring a fresh outlook, a new energy and commitment to excellence that will serve you well. Yes, it is time for another change and I believe this one will serve you well. As for me, I will make a big change. I will take the next two years on active duty instructing, counseling and mentoring the future leaders of the Navy and Marine Corps. I will command the Naval ROTC unit at Norwich University in Vermont (quite a change).

As always, I ask you to stay informed and stay involved and continue be part of the Barstow Team that "walks point" for the Marine Corps.

THE C.O. SENDS.

## You're invited

Colonels Mark A. Costa and Ingrid E. Bergman invite you to their Change of Command ceremony on Sorensen Field August 16 at 7:30 p.m.

The Change of Command is one of the military's oldest ceremonies and is steeped in traditions dating back to the time of Julius Caesar's Roman Legionnaires.

During the ceremony, Col. Costa, current base commander, relinquishes control of the base and all its assets to Col. Ingrid Bergman, a Geneva, N.Y., native who recently returned from the United States European Command in Stuttgart, Germany, where she was assigned as the Chief, Joint Training and Exercise Branch.

After Costa passes the flag to Bergman, he is off to his next assignment as the Commanding Officer, Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, Norwich University in Norwich, Vt. Costa will also be further molding the minds of future military leaders at the university as a Professor of Naval Sciences.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas" go out to Colonel Costa, and a hearty "Welcome Aboard" goes out to Colonel Bergman.

May your stay here at Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow be as productive and pleasant as you wish it to be.

### Corrections:

On Page 1 of the August 2 edition of the BARSTOW LOG an editorial error was made. In the photo caption Cora Wais' name was misspelled.

Also, on Page 1, in the "MCB welders go expeditionary" story, Gregory Johnson was incorrectly identified as Gregory Wilson.

The BARSTOW LOG staff regrets these errors.

## Just doing my job ...



Photo by Sgt. Brian Davidson

Mark Gomez, a heavy mobile equipment mechanic at Maintenance Center Barstow, installs an electrical system into the cab of a MK-48 II. The vehicle was put together from the ground up here. A native of Victorville, Calif., Gomez is in now in his third year of service at MCB.

## The old man and the boy

By Lt. Cmdr. Tommie L. Jennings  
MAGTFTC Twentynine Palms, Calif.

A little boy decided he wanted to meet God. He knew it would be a long trip so he filled his backpack full of cookies and root beer. After walking a few blocks he sat down on a park bench next to an old man. He offered the man some cookies. The gift was accepted with a wonderful smile that made the boy feel good. Moments later he gave the man a root beer and was rewarded with an even bigger smile. They began to chat about anything and everything. It grew late and the boy said he had to go home. After a few steps he turned around, ran back to the old man, and gave him a hug. The old man gave him his biggest smile of all. When the boy got home his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did

you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied, "I had lunch with God, and he knows all about pigeons and baseball and chewing gum."

The mother was, of course, skeptical, and she asked, "Did he say he was God?"

"Oh no," the boy replied, "but I could tell because of the way his smile made me feel. And you know what else? He likes to be hugged too."

When the old man returned to his own home he was also visibly very pleased.

His son asked, "Why are you so happy today?"

His father replied, "I spent the afternoon in the park sharing cookies and root beer with God. He's alot younger than I expected."

"Dad," the son said indulgently, "What makes

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"News Briefs" is designed to disseminate information to the MCLB Barstow community. Submissions should include a point of contact and phone number, and be received by noon, Friday for the next issue. Submit news briefs via e-mail to [editor@barstow.usmc.mil](mailto:editor@barstow.usmc.mil).

## Childcare during Change of Command

The Child Development Center is providing childcare services for the change of command. There is no charge for this event. The CDC opens at 6:30 p.m and closes at 10. Dinner/snacks will not be provided. However, parents may bring a sack meal/snack for their children.

Children must be registered to use the CDC. The following documents must be provided to register.

- Emergency Contact Card;
- A copy of the child's immunization record;
- A copy of the sponsor's military ID card;
- Registration form.

There is no registration charge for this event. Register children no later than the close of business Monday. Reservations must be made no later than Wednesday.

For more info call the CDC, 577-6287.

## Wednesday Playmornings

Every Wednesday morning from 10-11:30 a.m. the New Parent Support Program hosts Play Morning at the McKinney Youth Center for parents with children ages six and under.

Among the numerous activities are crafts fun for children and parents alike.

For more information call June Treadwell, 577-6332.

## Olympics at Barstow?

Benny Finch - a fictitious character born and raised in Barstow - dreams of the 2008 Olympics being held in Barstow.

That's the concept of a comedy that an independent film company recently filmed on the street of the local community.

The premiere showing of the 89-minute feature is being held at Gil's Place, 235 E. Main Street August 11 to benefit the Cancer Resource Cen-

ter.

The Mojave Valley Volunteer Hospice sponsors the premiere which starts with a no-host bar at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 and the movie at 8.

For more info call 256-5706/252-5943.

## Route 66 Street Fair

The Barstow Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual Route 66 Street Fair and Market Festival began June 5 and continues through August 28.

This Tuesday is Community Night.

The fun starts at 6 p.m. on Main Street in Old Town Barstow, between Barstow Road and Second Avenue. Festivities and runs until 10 p.m.

Anyone interested in being a vendor call Cheryl Beardshear, 255-4834, or the Chamber of Commerce, 256-8617.

## Archery Practice

The base archery club wishes to remind readers that it's time to start practicing before the hunting season begins.

The base archery range is open Tuesday nights, 6-8 p.m. for general practice.

All military members and civilian workers from the base are invited to come down and visit the facilities at the old steam plant on Golf Course Road.

Note: Only people who are legally allowed to use MCCA facilities may use the range.

## Childbirth Preparation Classes

The New Parent Support Program offers assistance to expectant parents with childbirth preparedness classes. The classes are free and, best of all, they are taught in a one-on-one environment at home.

June Treadwell, a registered nurse, gives the classes and covers everything about labor and delivery, including how 'dad' can be actively involved during

the process.

To arrange appointments or for more info, call June Treadwell, 577-6332.

## Head Start/State Preschool

San Bernadino County Head Start/State preschool is offering a free comprehensive child development program to low income families, families receiving CalWORKS/TANF and children with special needs regardless of citizenship status.

The program is open to children three or four years of age for full-day or part-day sessions five days a week. The full-day program already began but is still accepting applicants. The part-day program is three-and-a-half hours a day in the mornings or afternoons and begins September 11.

Children will receive nutritional meals and there are individualized services for families.

Buses are running, so transportation is available to applicants who need it.

For more information stop by Barstow Head Start at 25757 Agate Rd., or call Lucille Stanson, eligibility worker, at 253-2957.

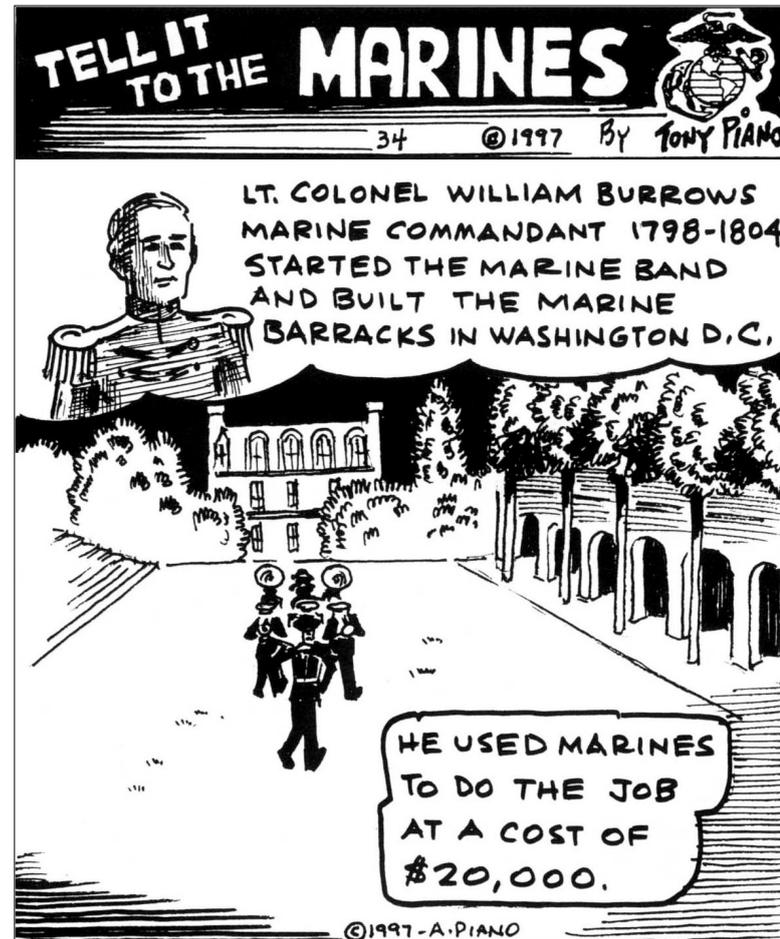
## Marine Mail

MARADMIN 031/01 recently released the third quarter calendar year "Question to the Corps."

The third quarter's question is "How can we further reduce time in training, time awaiting training, and/or time in transit without diminishing the quality of required Military Occupational Specialty training?"

Marine Mail is also open to suggestions containing any or all of the following four criteria: What aren't we doing that we should be doing? What are we doing that we should do differently? What are we doing that we shouldn't be doing? What new concept or idea should the Marine Corps investigate to improve its warfighting capability?

Submissions meeting the criteria for Marine Mail should receive a reply within 30 days of receipt. All sub-



missions that do not meet at least one of the criteria or respond to the "Question to the Corps" will be immediately returned without action taken.

Submit a "Question to the Corps" reply and/or Marine Mail response via e-mail at [marinemail@hqmc.usmc.mil](mailto:marinemail@hqmc.usmc.mil); postal mail to: Marine Mail (CMC), HQMC, 2 Navy Annex, Washington D.C., 20380-1775; or by FAX at (703) 614-5035.

## Enlisted to Officer Selection Boards

Headquarters Marine Corps released the deadlines and convening dates of fiscal year 2002's enlisted to officer selection boards.

Enlisted Commissioning Program and Meritorious Commissioning Program boards for FY02 are as follows:

The first deadline for package submission is October 1. The board convenes December 1, and the selected Marines attend Officer Candidate School from January 20 to March 29. The second deadline for package submission is February 1. The board convenes April 1, and the selected Marines attend Officer Candidate School from June 2 to August 6.

The third deadline for package submission is June 3. The board convenes July 29, and the selected Marines attend Officer Candidate School from October 6 to December 13.

Warrant officer selection boards for FY02 are as follows:

The deadline for regular warrant officer package submission is March 1, and the board convenes June 4. The deadline for reserve warrant officer package submission is April 3, and

the board convenes July 1. The deadline for warrant officer gunner package submission is May 1, and the board convenes July 23. The deadline for warrant officer recruiter package submission is June 1, and the board convenes August 8.

For more info see MARADMIN 312/01.

## Mounted Color Guard

The Marine Corps Mounted Color Guard is seeking members.

There are no prerequisites, other than being an active duty Marine. Previous experience with horses is not necessary. Mounted Color Guard Marines represent MCLB Barstow at parades and events throughout the country.

To join or find out more, visit the base stables at the rear gate of the Yermo Annex during normal working hours, or call Master Gunnery Sgt. Kim Ortamond at 577-7302 or 577-7003.

## Trailblazer Club

The Happy Trails Children's Foundation started by Roy Rogers and Dale Evans created a membership organization called the Trailblazer Club.

The existing Cooper Home houses 40 boys between the ages of seven and 15 with a waiting list to get in. The new home would increase the capacity to 60 beds.

Since 1997, more than 300 children have received help from the Happy Trails Children's Foundation located in Apple Valley.

For more info about becoming a member call 240-3330.

## Job Watch

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DEU-329-01-NR	Firefighter GS-0081-05	07-02-01	08-15-01	08-01-01	MCLB Barstow
DEU-353-01-NR	Electronics Worker WG-2604-08	07-13-01	08-10-01	07-27-01	MCLB Barstow

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**525 B Street, Suite 600**  
**San Diego, CA 92101-4418**

For more information concerning public job announcements visit the Self-Service, Bldg. 37, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or call the Human Resources Office, 577-6357.

If you have Internet access, browse to <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>.

For information regarding Open Continuous Merit Promotion announcements point your browser to <http://www.donhr.navy.mil>.

# VMET: Military experience and training is now online

By Sgt. Brian Davidson  
Press Chief

MARADMIN 352/01 was released last month to inform all Marines that DD Form 2586, Verification of Military Experience and Training, is now available on line at <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/vmwet>.

The DD Form 2586 is mandated by public law under Title 10 Chapter 58, Section 1143 and was implemented in 1991. The VMET document contains a catalog of all education, training and skills a service member acquired while serving on active duty.

The primary purpose of the document is to assist transitioning personnel in correlating their experience to that found in similar civilian occupations. It can also be used to assist in preparing resumés and

cover letters for post-service employment.

While Form DD2586 is not an official transcript for educational institutional credit, the SMART Transcript of ACE recommended college credits is. A SMART Transcript can be requested at <http://www.smart.navy.mil>.

The primary differences between the Smart Transcript and the VMET are in their purposes, according to Gunnery Sgt. Michael Claudio, Marine Corps Community Services personal financial counselor.

"The VMET translates your military billet and skills into the skills and jobs that people in the civilian sector are doing," said Claudio. "The SMART Transcript helps by translating your training and expertise into college credits. If a Marine brings their SMART Transcript to the Base Education Office, we can use it to help them map out a plan toward

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their college degree."

Field-testing of a prototype VMET Web site began January 2. The 10-year practice of the automatic distribution in paper format via mail has been discontinued as of July 1. The change is expected to return nearly \$250,000 in savings annually. Still, Marines, transition staff and career planners are able to obtain the document as needed via the Web site. Requests for the Form DD 2586 are processed on demand. Individual documents are immediately available for downloading and printing on-line. Currently, the documents are in HTML format, but plans are in the works to offer the documents in a PDF format.

Changes to the VMET must be made via

the Marine Corps Total Force System unit diary entries by the unit administration offices. The VMET data fields are automatically populated from MCTFS.

Any service member may request the document provided they have served 180 days of active duty. The documents are available for all Marines – active duty, reservist and those separated or retired from active duty after October 1, 1990. However, work experience goes back to Fiscal Year 1985 or earlier when available.

MCCS–Family Services Division Transition Assistance Program counselor and coordinator Leo Dumo, noted that many service members have incomplete training records on the MCTFS because all of their training information may not be entered into unit diary. However, "If they have maintained their own files of all of the training they have undergone, it makes it easier for them to include the information and give a more complete picture of their actual training and skills," said Dumo.

Retiring and separating service members are encouraged to give VMET a closer look.

# Being Marine hazardous enough, being negligent Marine is deadly

By Sgt. Brian Davidson

Press Chief

What we do as Marines is often hazardous. Each of us must understand the difference between taking a prudent risk, gambling and apathy, which amounts to negligence. If the prudent risk is taken wrong you can recover from it. If the gamble goes wrong, you probably cannot. If we are so apathetic that we do neither of these two, we are accountably negligent. Understanding the risk involved with the mission and taking steps to minimize them can save your life.

Semper Fidelis,  
J. L. Jones  
General, U. S. Marine Corps  
Commandant of the Marine Corps

During the month of June, five active duty Marines died because of ground-related mishap, two Marines and one Sailor died from suspected suicides, and 25 suffered significant injuries.

In on-duty fatalities, 14 Marines were in a 15-passenger government vehicle enroute from a Combined Arms Exercise at Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command Twentynine Palms, Calif., to Laughlin, Nev., when the vehicle rolled. Two Marines were killed in the accident, while 12 others were injured.

A Marine accompanied by her spouse died after her vehicle collided with another. Her husband also died in the accident.

While 13 Marines were seriously injured on duty in government automobile related mishaps, 11 others were injured in off-duty, private motor vehicle accidents.

A Marine sergeant died in a motorcycle accident. Another perished after his car overturned in a single-vehicle accident.

While on duty, two reserve Marines were burned when a fire broke out in their LAV after several rounds cooked off. One of the Marines received third-degree burns over 65 percent of his body.

Two Marines were cut off by a civilian vehicle, which caused the driver to overturn the HMMWV in which they were travelling. Both Marines were wearing flak jackets, Kevlar helmets and seat belts. Neither received significant injuries.

A Marine staff sergeant lost control of his motorcycle on a wet road, resulting in four cracked ribs and a broken collarbone. A Marine private first class skidded his motorcycle, resulting in a broken femur. Two Marines were involved in separate moto-cross accidents. One of them sustained multiple spinal injuries and possible paralysis. The other was injured as he attempted to avoid a vehicle that pulled out in front of him. He sustained multiple injuries and is

listed in grave condition.

In aviation, a CH-53E from Marine Air Group 16 developed flight control problems shortly after takeoff. The aircrew performed an emergency landing with the landing gear raised, resulting in a Class C flight mishap. There were no injuries.

A CH-53E from Marine Air Group 49 was externally lifting a HMMWV during a combined arms exercise when it inadvertently jettisoned its payload, resulting in a Class C flight mishap.

"At this same point in time last year, 86 Marines had died," said General James I. Jones, Commandant of the Marine Corps. "This year 51 have died. This is a tremendous improvement. However, it is imperative to use and understand Operational Risk Management.

"If actively using it now, continue to refine it for your unit and for your Corps."

In a three-week period five Marines have been lost in two separate 15-passenger van accidents. The first incident claimed the lives of two American Marines. The second claimed the lives of three Royal Netherlands Marines. There are known risk in using the vans. Using experienced drivers, obeying the posted speed limits, and ensuring all passengers wear their seatbelts will decrease the odds of an accident and, in the event of an accident, increase the chances of surviving.

"Fiscal Year 2001 continues to be a disappointing year for on-duty ground mishaps," added the Commandant. "In addition to the two van accidents, we lost an LAV when it sank during a river crossing. Fortunately, the Marines aboard got out. We were not so lucky with an LAV mortar variant aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico, which caught fire and numerous mortar rounds cooked off. One lance corporal was severely burned over 65 percent of his body."

# AROUND THE CORPS

## DoD protects service members from Ecstasy

By Jim Garamone  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – “Ecstasy” is the fastest-growing abused drug in the United States, and the military is taking steps to ensure it doesn't endanger service members.

Ecstasy – chemical name 3, 4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine—is also called “X,” “XTC,” “Clarity,” “Essence” “Adam,” “Lover's Speed” and “Hug Drug” on the street. A drug with no known medical use, its abuse has exploded among young people, especially those between 18 and 21. Federal authorities seized 49,000 Ecstasy pills in 1997 – but more than 900,000 just two years later.

Department of Defense officials said 1,070 cases of Ecstasy abuse in fiscal 2000 accounted for 5.6 percent of all positives in the DoD urinalysis program. This puts Ecstasy behind marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine as the most abused drugs in the military.

“This is a problem in the civilian world,” said Deborah Rosenblum, principal director for counternarcotics. “Anything that is as popular, in vogue – where there are misconceptions about

it – in the civilian world, we certainly take note of it from a recruiting and readiness perspective.”

Abuses in fiscal 2001 have slowed, officials said. Rosenblum said contributing factors are education efforts by the services and members' growing awareness that the urine test can detect Ecstasy use.

DoD plans changes in test protocols – weekend testing, for example, she noted. The services will also work together to see what messages resonate with service members and what tactics seem to work, she said.

Ecstasy is dangerous.

Findings of a primate study announced at a mid-July research conference in Bethesda, Md., indicated monkeys given the human equivalent of four daily doses of Ecstasy showed brain damage and behavioral changes two weeks and 18 months after the “binge.”

The effects noted are consistent with those observed in humans – memory loss and acute depression, among others.

Overall, the DoD counterdrug effort has been successful. In 1980, surveys showed 28 percent of service members said they had abused an

illegal drug in the last month. The 1998 survey put that number at 2.7 percent. The department currently tests for marijuana, cocaine and amphetamines, which include Ecstasy. It also tests

for opiates, PCP, barbiturates and LSD. The department will test for other drugs as the need arises, officials said.

### *XTC linked to death of Hawaiian Marine*

Compiled from press releases

A 22-year-old Marine died July 12 after using Ecstasy and LSD.

Lance Cpl. Kristofer Villanueva, assigned to 1st Alpha Battery, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, was declared dead by staff at Tripler Army Medical Center nine days after attending a “rave” at Hawaii Raceway Park.

Police said Villanueva became violent at the privately organized rave, and security guards, emergency medical technicians and police officers had to team up to restrain him so he could be treated.

Security officials and EMTs said Villanueva became combative, and police were called

when Villanueva, who was with several other Marines, started getting unruly.

“Everyone was kind of piled on top of him to restrain him from attacking the people trying to help him,” said Lt. Bill Kato, Honolulu Police Department.

The Marine experienced kidney problems, liver failure and swelling of the brain, leading to his death, said his father, Cristino Villanueva.

Villanueva's death comes as local police and military officials say they are seeing a surge in the use of Ecstasy.

Ecstasy increases heart rate, blood pressure and the possibility of dehydration, said Honolulu Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Kanthi Von Guenther.

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Provost Marshal Office in-house board, the first board Budabinmcquown had to compete on to proceed to the base level.

"He impressed me as being sharp, confident and articulate. His uniform appearance was immaculate, and he came into the boardroom with the attitude that he wanted to win the board," added Clarke.

Now that he has the rank, "the time for the real work has come," according to Budabinmcquown.

"As a sergeant, there is a lot of knowledge and information that I have to cover, and I have a lot to learn," said the New York native.

The legalities involved in working as a member of a Military Working Dog section are numerous because of the nature of the work they do. The unit is responsible for explosive ordnance and drug detection. In addition, dog handlers are also charged with the responsibility of ensuring the health and welfare of their canine partners, down to maintaining current logs of their dog's weight.

Recognizing that there is no learning curve for noncommissioned officers, Budabinmcquown is sparing no time in bringing his

military occupational specialty credibility online with that of the other sergeants in his unit.

"I'm studying as much as I can," he said. "I'm accountable just like the other sergeants here."

Military Working Dog Section Kennel Master Sgt. Shannon R. Nash said he believes that while Budabinmcquown may be younger and more inexperienced than the typical sergeant, he has all of the characteristics that anyone could ask for in a sergeant of Marines.

"I have never had to ask him for anything or to do anything more than once," Nash said. "Whatever it is that needs doing, he gets it done, plus one. He's always motivated and I couldn't ask for anything more ... he's just an outstanding Marine."

Budabinmcquown credits having a can-do attitude and supportive parents as primary factors behind his success. "My family supports me one hundred percent and it's definitely a part of what leads to my [winning boards]," he said. "I may be over confident at times. But you have to know that there are some things in life that you are good at."

Budabinmcquown has competed on numerous boards since arriving at the command, earning himself two meritorious

promotions, but not all of the boards have gone smoothly for him.

"I remember my first board, which didn't go very well," recounted Budabinmcquown. "I studied a lot for it and almost all of three days before it. I felt good about my preparation, but when it came down to the actual board I was nervous, I had sweat patches around my armpits - I forgot the answers to simple knowledge questions that I knew and had studied. I didn't do well at all."

"Now, I know that there is only so much preparation that one can do and I go into the board interviews like I'm there to win and the board is mine," he said. "I tell everyone that's what you have to do. Just go in there like it's your board and you're going to win."

As for future goals, he hopes to accomplish during his Marine Corps service, they are all MOS oriented. Budabinmcquown hopes to take part in cooperative missions with the U. S. Secret Service, as they employ assistance from



Photo by Sgt. Brian Davidson

Base acting commanding officer Lt. Col. Charles E. Bridgeman (left) and Provost Marshal Maj. Lawrence A. Casserly (right) pinned on Sgt. Michael A. Budabinmcquown's new chevrons August 2.

military working dog units. He also hopes to attach to a Marine Corps military policeman battalion.

# READY, FRONT

Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow

## Gunny: The go-to Marine

By Sgt. Maj. Stephen H. Mellinger  
Marine Forces Pacific

The ingenuity displayed by Marines, especially gunnery sergeants, never ceases to amaze me.

Gunnies, and particularly company gunnies, are the real experts in the Corps at making things happen to accomplish a task or mission.

Gunnies are the glue that holds the Corps together.

What everyone else may view as impossible, the old company gunny simply sees it as just another challenge to keep the unit running smooth. The

remarkable thing is that they can make things happen, or appear or disappear almost effortlessly. Gunnies are every leader's "Go To" Marine. Yes, when a unit is in need, they inevitably look to the gunny.

Now the important thing to understand, when you look to the gunny to make things happen, it's a no-no to come back to him after he "saves your bacon" to ask any questions!

Smart commanders never ask their company Gunny how they got the seemingly impossible accomplished. Nor do they ever ask the gunny where he came up with gear and supplies that the unit didn't possess the day before. And when your unit is co-located with other service units, don't be surprised if your gunny is heard saying something like, "this is like being a kid in a candy store." Again, don't ask what he meant. He or she would simply smile at you without offering any explanation.

I can't imagine how the Corps would ever accomplish a mission without having its gunnery sergeants. One of my fondest memories of a gunny's "magic" happened during the Gulf War.

About 20 Marines from my unit and I were in Saudi Arabia and needed to get back to Bahrain that evening! The plane scheduled to get us there was diverted to somewhere else. A handful of officers and I were standing around complaining to each other of how "gooned up" the situation was. We had no food, no water and nowhere to spend the night.

I didn't notice him missing, but our gunny had seemed to have vanished. "Great," I said to myself. Not only are we stuck in Saudi, but

also my gunny was lost. I should have known better. About 10 minutes had passed when a civilian bus pulled up and stopped right in front of us.

As its door flew open who do we see? It was our gunny with a big grin on his face. "Get on board everyone," he says. "And make sure you wipe your feet as you enter 'my' bus."

Knowing not ask any questions, all of us hurried onto the bus to begin our trip. About half way through the four-hour ride to Bahrain, my curiosity got the best of me. I had to know how the gunny pulled off this miracle.

I called him over and asked where the bus came from. Being that I once was a gunny, I have the right to at least ask how he performed this act.

He explained that as "the gunny" he needed to take care of his unit's Marines. To do that he zeroed in on an empty civilian bus being driven by a Saudi Arabia local, who hardly spoke any English.

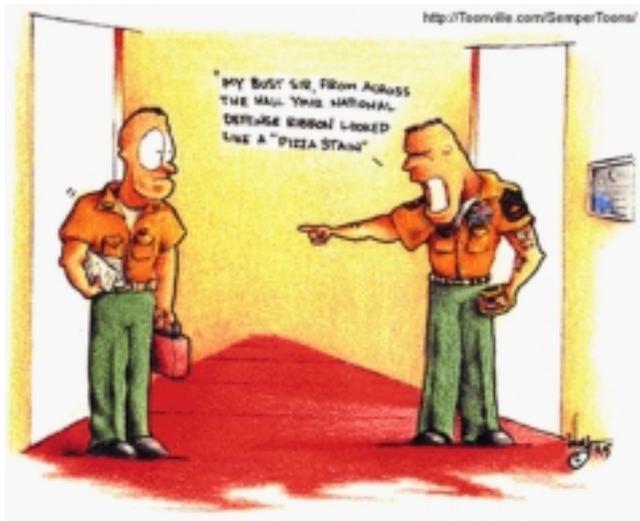
What the gunny did learn from the bus driver was that he was supposed to pick up a group of Air Force personnel and take them somewhere he (the bus driver) hadn't learned yet. Knowing that the Air Force group wasn't there yet, the gunny began working his charm and magic on the bus driver.

Although the gunny had no trouble convincing the unsuspecting driver that we were the Air Force group he was there to pick up, it took his best effort to convince the driver he was supposed to take us to another country! Once we arrived at our unit, we fed the driver a good meal and wished him well on his return trip back to Saudi Arabia.

Being the caring gunny he was (always concerned for personnel), I recall his last words to the bus driver. "Sir," he said to the bus driver, "I believe that there is yet another group of Air Force personnel waiting on you where you picked us up, who also needs you to take them somewhere.

Truly, our Corps' gunnery sergeants are our magical "go to" Marines. For you younger Marines, that is the ultimate rank you should aspire to be.

As we all know, regardless if we are subordinate or superior (in grade) to a gunny, we know who's really running the show!



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### BAH basing area changes

Congress added authority in the FY01 National Defense Authorization Act to base Basic Allowance for Housing on the old permanent duty station rates in certain situations.

The first authority allows continuation of the old station rate upon PCA. The logic for "protection" is that it is not equitable to reduce the member's BAH when the member has not made any change in housing.

The second change to using the old station rate addresses situations where family members reside separately from the member because of a Permanent Change of Station.

The most common application of this is when a member receives unaccompanied orders overseas, but their family members stay behind.

Under the previous law, a Marine assigned to Marine Corps Air Station Miramar (in San Diego) living in Camp Pendleton would receive the higher San Diego BAH rate. However, when the Marine received orders to Okinawa, the BAH would drop to the lower Camp Pendleton rate even though the family did not move.

The "protection" here is that it is not proper to reduce housing allowances when the member has not made a change in housing.

If the member uses the authority to move the family to a new location in conjunction with the assignment to the unaccompanied tour then the member has chosen to change his housing rate and there is no obligation to continue the old station rate.

For more info refer to MARADMIN 286/01.

### 'Up or Out' modified

Beginning October 1, Marine sergeants who were passed over twice for promotion but have not reached 13 years of service will be allowed to reenlist.

This is a change to the ages old policy that sergeants who have been passed over twice for reenlistment must get out at the end of their current contract.

This new policy provides five benefits to the Marine Corps and the Marine:

- It actively shapes the inventory of Marines by grade and PMOS ensuring the inventory of enlisted personnel is closely aligned to the requirement;
- It provides commanders greater authority in keeping quality Marines on active duty;
- Aids in retention efforts by standardizing promotion tempo across all enlisted skills;
- Broadens career opportunities for these Marines by allowing them to reenlist vice only being allowed to extend;
- Provides Marines a greater opportunity to recover from mistakes that may have been made early in their careers.

Under the new policy sergeants may reenlist up to their service limits of 13 years provided they are recommended for promotion by their commanding officer and meet all reenlistment standards.

For more info refer to MARADMIN 313/01.

### Military TSP

United States Marines and other military service members are now eligible to join in the civilian Thrift Savings Plan program.

A special 60-day enrollment period starts October 9 for interested personnel.

For more info log in to <http://www.tsp.gov/uniserv/index.html>.

## SALUTES

### Promotions

Sgt. Michael A. Budabinmcquown - Merit

Sgt. Santo N. Candelario Jr.

Sgt. Mohammed S. Huda

Sgt. Pete B. Martinez III

Lance Cpl. John A. Rios

Cpl. Thomas E. Walsh

Cpl. John B. Williamson

Lance Cpl. Travis P. Dilk

Lance Cpl. Clayton J. McAlees

### Awards

Gunnery Sgt. David S. Wersinger - Good Conduct Medal (6th award)

Staff Sgt. James M. Quinlan - Good Conduct Medal (6th award)

Sgt. Brian K. Davidson - Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. Jason D. Edmiston - Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. Forest J. Hill - Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. Adam M. Lannon - Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. Grayson B. Warbritton - Good Conduct Medal



Tyrell Brickhouse (front) and Eric Anderson intently play video games at Scandia.



Dalton Pope stretches out to bowl a ball at some pins in a bowling game as his friends look on.



Ashley Johnson (left) displays the string of tickets she won to Heather Essary who is also counting her stash.

# YAC takes field trip

Story and photos by Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt  
BARSTOW LOG staff

The Youth Activities Center has provided a place for base youth to hang out and learn new things this summer.

While school was out, the YAC provided a summer program to give youth a place to meet their friends and stay active in learning. From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. youths are at the YAC. Every Thursday, the YAC takes the children on a field trip. Sometimes the trip is educational, and sometimes it is just for fun.

On August 2, the YAC took a trip to Scandia in Victorville. There they played video games, raced go-carts, knocked each other around in bumper boats, and played classic games like Skee-Ball.

Some kids were content with staying inside at the controls of their favorite arcade, while others could not resist the chance to soak their friends

aboard a bumper boat, or try to out-race the competition at the wheel of a go-cart.

The chaperones for the event also had no problem taking part in the action by helping the smaller children keep up with the older ones.

There also seemed to be a race among one group to get the most tickets humanly possible. They obtained these by playing certain games like Skee-Ball, or Hot Shot Basketball. They had machines spitting out tickets left and right.

Overall the trip succeeded in its mission, which was to have fun. Other trips have educated the youths on the Native American culture of the High Desert, and other interesting educational sites in the area.

With school on the horizon, the program is coming to an end, but more will be starting up in coordination with school. After-school programs will continue to give youths a place to meet each other and hang out with their friends.



Blake Erceg flinches as he drives through spraying water in his bumper boat.



By Jim Gaines

MCCS Publicity

**Bargains in TVs and fashions**

On sale right now at the MCX Super Seven store: great buys in TVs; such as the Panasonic "Pana Black" 36" TV at \$699.99, a JVC 32" TV at \$499.99 and a JVC 27" TV at \$279.99.

Check this out: Selected men's and women's fashions slashed 10-50 percent off regular prices.

Plus, watch for summer giveaways and manager's specials throughout this month.

Movie Mania is coming to the MCX/Super Seven Store: If you're a movie fan you'll love this video special! More details to come in this column.

The Nebo MCX/Super Seven Store is open Mondays-Fridays, 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturdays 8 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sundays and holidays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

The Yermo MCX/Railhead Exchange is open Mondays-Fridays, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. During troop rotation: Mondays-Fridays, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information call 256-8974.

The MCX Gas station is open Mondays-Fridays, 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturdays, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sundays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Credit card purchases are available 24 hours.

**Lunch Menu**

*Today* - Chicken fried steak.

*Friday* - Catfish.

*Monday* - Salisbury steak.

*Tuesday* - Chicken teriyaki.

*Wednesday* - Prime rib.

*Thursday:*

Nebo - Soup/salad bar.

Yermo - Cornish game hen.

Lunch is served:

Nebo - 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Yermo - 11:30 a.m.-noon.

\$3 military, \$4.50 civilians.

**Family Night Menu**

*Tonight* - Mexican Night.

*Next Thursday* - Soul-food Night.

Family Night dinners are served Thursdays, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Prices: Adults \$4.50, children five to 11 years \$2.50, children under four years are free.

**Relief from heat: the water parks**

ITT has discount water park tickets: 22-33 percent off gate prices at Soak City, Hurricane Harbor, Wild Rivers and Raging Waters.

ITT is open Mondays-Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. ITT tickets are available after business hours at the Bowling Center.

Call 577-6541 for more information on tickets, trips and specials.

# You're invited to the Ceramic Hobby Shop's 9th annual Open House

It's not until September, but plan ahead for this great annual event.

**Sunday, September 23  
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
at the Ceramic Hobby Shop**

**Professionals from Ceramic and Crafts will be giving demonstrations  
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Learn new tricks and fresh ideas from the pros.**

**There will be drawings for finished ceramic pieces.  
Refreshments will be available.**

**Plan to attend. Mark your calendar.**

## CERAMIC HOBBY SHOP

**Wednesdays - Fridays, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
577-6228**



# Hobbies for hobbyists

## MCCS Shops have many projects for base busybodies

Story and photos by Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt

BARSTOW LOG staff



Diligently grinding her way from rock to semiprecious stone, Brittany Ramos finds lapidary work a rewarding hobby. Most of the stones used in the shop come from the hills surrounding the base.



Pat Castillo pays close attention to detail as she glazes a cookie jar in the Ceramics Shop.

The Marine Corps Community Services hobby shops provide a chance to get away and be productive at the same time.

The Ceramics Shop, Wood Shop and Auto Hobby Shop are located across the street from the Super Seven Day Store.

The Ceramic Shop offers Marines, civilian Marines and family members a chance to make pottery that can be given as a gift, or used to decorate a house.

The Wood Shop has tools to cut and shape wood to make tables, bookshelves and other similar items. There are also tools to polish stones there.

A person can do quite a bit of work to his car at the Auto Hobby Shop. They have tools to balance and rotate tires, do an oil change, and perform other minor maintenance work. They even have hydraulic lifts to take cars up and look underneath them.

The Ceramic Shop is a pretty inexpensive place to create a piece of art.

"You have to buy the piece itself, the paint and pay a firing fee for it to go in the kiln, and the piece is yours," said Marke Hutchens, who runs the Ceramic Shop. "There is no cost to work on the piece here, and all the stuff needed to finish a piece can be purchased here."

The Wood Shop is a lot like shop class in high school. "You have to buy the wood, and a small fee per hour to use the machines, but you can make a table pretty cheap," said Bob Izumi, who runs the wood shop.

For one dollar a day the Auto Hobby Shop will store vehicles while they are being worked on.

"You can store your car here, change your own oil, change a tire, or do minor work on your car here," said Glenn Wyatt, who runs the Auto Hobby Shop. "We supply tools such as socket wrenches and we even have some power tools to get the job done."

The hobby shops are something on this base that provides recreation and a chance to be productive during non-working hours. They are open Wednesdays through Sundays.



Butch Ferreo (left) and George Schuessler work on a U-joint at the Auto Hobby Shop.

### EFI from Page 1

DoD officials estimate the military has between 20 and 25 percent excess infrastructure. They said it is a drain on constrained resources better used in modernizing the force and transforming the military. Independent auditors estimate the military is now saving about \$6 billion a year from prior closure rounds. "We now estimate that after spending up-front costs, we will start to achieve savings in fiscal 2007 and will eventually reach a steady-state savings rates of over \$7 billion a year," Aldridge said. He estimated closure costs would be around \$10 billion total.

Here's how the legislation would

work. If Congress passes the legislation, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld would work with the services to begin a comprehensive review of DoD installations, emphasizing military value. He would recommend a revised infrastructure plan to the EFI commission by March 2003.

The independent commission would review the DoD list "and could make changes or accept the secretary's position or whatever," Aldridge said. The commission would send its recommendations to the president by July 2003.

Once the list reaches the White House, the president would have two weeks to accept or reject the recommendations on an all-or-none basis. If

he rejects the list, the commission shall provide revised recommendations back to the president by mid-August 2003. If the president rejects the revised recommendations the second time, the process ends, Aldridge said.

"If the president accepts the recommendations, they are forwarded to the Congress in early September 2003," he said. Forty-five days after the president's sends the list to Capitol Hill, the recommendations become binding unless the Congress enacts a joint resolution rejecting the recommendations on an all-or-none basis.

If the list is accepted the defense secretary "must initiate the binding recommendations within two years and complete them within six years,"

Aldridge said.

DoD has no list now on what installations may or may not close. Aldridge said this must wait on the results of the Quadrennial Defense Review in September. DoD will do

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you think you had lunch with God?"

The old man answered, "Because he reminded me to appreciate the simple joys of life, and that I am important."

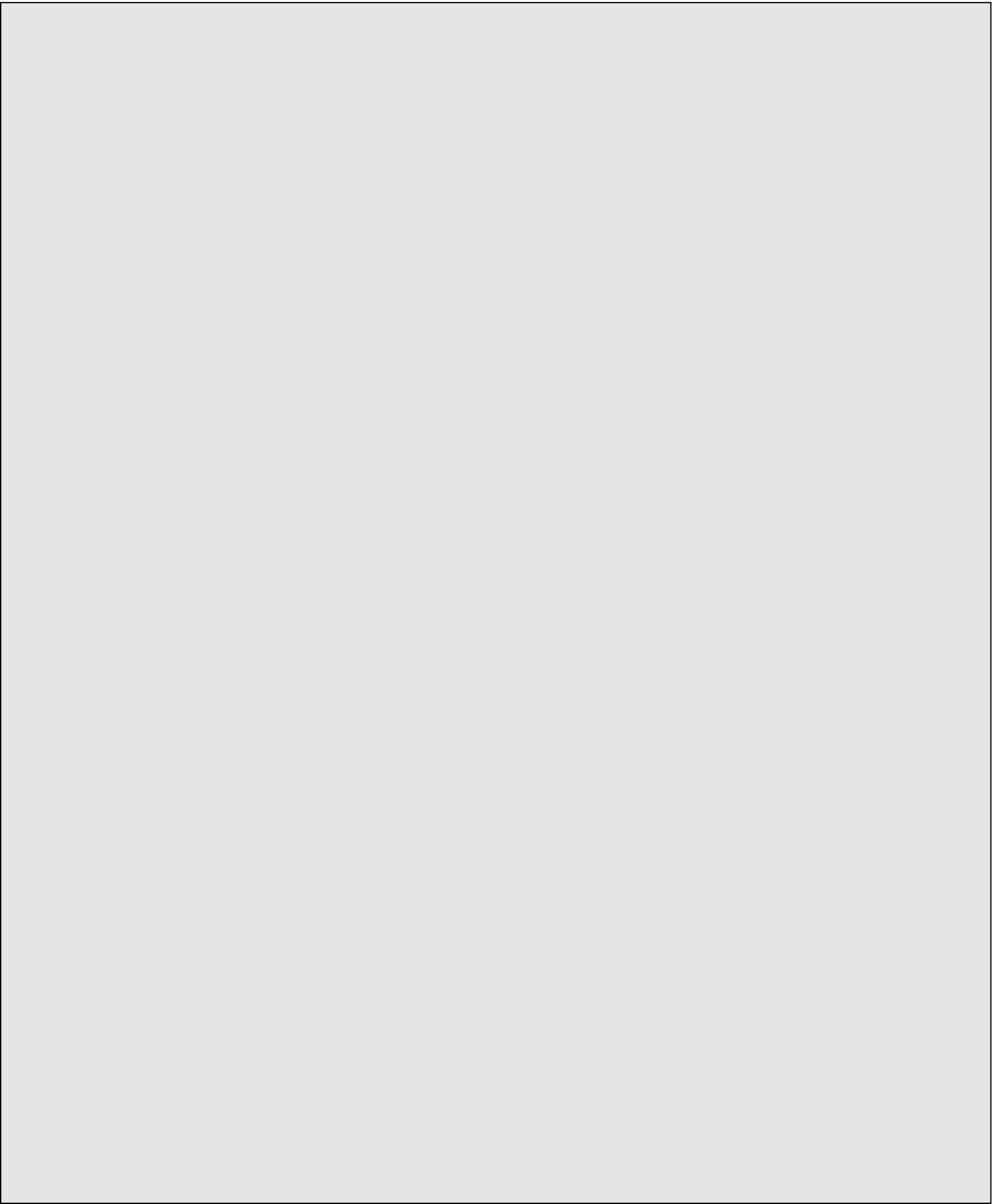
This wonderful story was sent to me by a friend. Thanks. It's worth remembering while we are here in the

an analysis that will line up force structure with infrastructure. Aldridge said DoD is asking for one round rather than two to get the pain of base closure over quickly. He said there is no sense in drawing out the process.

desert, no matter if you are here for the long haul or just passing through, that people usually forget what we say and often forget what we do, but they will never forget how we make them feel.

Remember, yours are the eyes, sears, hands and feet of the Lord.

Please use them to do good and shun evil. Peace.



# SPORTS

## *Bulldogs finish third*

By Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt

BARSTOW LOG staff

The MCLB Bulldogs finished in third place in the Barstow Community Softball League playoffs at the SPORTSPARK August 2.

After beating the Untouchables the week before, they took on CT Sales in the first game of the evening.

The Bulldogs looked horrible early as they made plenty of errors in the field. CT Sales jumped out to an early 6-2 lead after two innings.

MCLB refused to give up as they broke out their bats and mercilessly put runs on the board. The bats started rattling in the bottom of the second inning. The Bulldogs tied the score at 6-6 after getting behind early.

In the next couple of innings, the Bulldogs continued the hit parade. Michael Budabinmquown went 4-4 and was instrumental in scoring and knocking in runs.

Joshua Barnhardt was 4-5 with three triples and a double, including a triple with the bases loaded, which scored three runs.

The rest of the Bulldogs chipped in as well. In the bottom of the third, the Bulldogs claimed the lead from CT Sales.

Getting rid of the early inning jitters, the defense for the Bulldogs settled down and started making plays. Reginald Harris was a cog in the middle as he knocked down would-be base hits from his pitcher's position.

Peter Vegliante did his best impression of a major league center fielder by running down everything hit his way. CT Sales hung in the game however as they kept squeezing across runs to keep it close.

The Bulldogs managed to hold on and upset the top-seeded CT Sales team by a final score of 20-14.

In the semifinal game against

Sundance Roofing, the Bulldogs came out flat. They went down one-two-three in their half of the first inning.

Sundance Roofing, with the help of a three-run home run put the Bulldogs in an inescapable hole by going on top 7-0.

The second inning provided the same effect for both teams as once again the Bulldogs were held scoreless and once again Sundance Roofing put a ball over the fence.

Down 10-0 the Bulldogs managed to squeeze only one run across the plate on a sacrifice fly in the third inning. That would prove to be the extent of the scoring as Sundance Roofing moved to the finals with a final score of 14-1.

Since it was a double-elimination tournament, the Bulldogs had one more chance to make it to the finals with a rematch with CT Sales.

The second match-up proved to be as close as the first. The Bulldogs played solid defense and started hitting again.

In the third inning with the score 6-5 in favor of the Bulldogs, CT Sales was threatening. With a shot down the third base line, Bryce Catlett made a diving stop and threw out the lead runner at second base while sitting down to stop the rally.

Disaster hit the Bulldogs late though. With a four run lead in the bottom of the sixth inning, and with time running down, a ball was hit to Jason Grimes in the outfield. As he threw the ball in, he twisted his knee and was done for the rest of the game. After the delay for the injury, the Bulldogs had nothing left and with four seconds left on the time clock, CT Sales hit a single to score the go-ahead run. As time ran out, the game was called and CT Sales moved on, leaving the Bulldogs in third place for the tournament.



Bryce Catlett drives a pitch to left field in the first matchup with CT Sales.

# SPORTS

## Intramural basketball season opens at MCLB

By Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt

BARSTOW LOG staff

MCLB Barstow's Intramural Basketball season started August 1, with the Yermolites facing the Rite-Jus-Ones, and PMO taking on the Clinic Clippers.

In the first game of the night, the Rite-Jus-Ones tipped off against the Yermolites. The Yermolites looked sharp in their custom uniforms, but they didn't play sharp.

The Rite-Jus-Ones jumped out to an early lead and never looked back. Giovanni Valladeres scored five straight points to start the game for the Rite-Jus-Ones. James Hosey followed him with a three pointer.

Before they knew what hit them, the Yermolites were down double digits. The Rite-Jus-Ones came in with their second wave of play-

ers and added onto their lead. Leroy Fearon banged the Yermolites inside creating easy lay-ups and wide open three-point shots. Abel Chavez was one of the recipients of a wide open three and he drained it near the end of the first half to put the Rite-Jus-Ones up 25-6. At the end of the first half, the score was 30-10 in favor of the Rite-Jus-Ones.

The second half wasn't much better for the Yermolites. The Rite-Jus-Ones used their wave attack again to wear the Yermolites down.

Floyd Little and Darrell Givens put some points on the board for the Rite-Jus-Ones to start the second half. The Yermolites could get absolutely no offense going on their end of the floor.

The Rite-Jus-Ones ended up burying the Yermolites in a laugher, 50-15.

In the second game of the night, PMO faced

the Clinic Clippers. With only five players at the game, PMO was faced with a challenge of stamina against the Clippers.

Lack of reserves seemed to have little effect on PMO as they jumped out to a big lead. With a 12-0 start the Clippers already had to burn a timeout.

PMO did their best to get on the highlight reel when Michael Budabinmcquown bounced a ball off the backboard to give Jason Grimes an alley-oop dunk on top of a Clipper defender.

After getting a huge lead on the Clippers, PMO calmed down to conserve energy and cruised to a halftime score of 36-10.

In the second half, Grimes wasn't done with his high-flying acrobatics. He drove the baseline and went over two defenders to throw down a rim-shaking dunk. He also proved to be a force on the glass as a major rebounder for PMO.

Travis Dilk provided an outside threat as well as help on the boards to give PMO the edge. The Clippers on the other hand were turnover prone and did not hit their shots.

Antroine Smith, coach of the Clinic Clippers, provided the only excitement for his team. He was constantly getting frustrated by his team's play while coaching from the sidelines and while in the game, he went full tilt.

On one play, he chased a loose ball towards the out-of-bounds line. He caught the ball, jumped in the air, and called timeout before he landed in a heap on the ground to save possession for the Clippers.

The game mercifully ended with a final score of 56-28.

The Clinic Clippers take on the Yermolites and the Rite-Jus-Ones tip off against Fire on Wednesday.

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