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New year brings new life to V-22 Osprey

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Marine Corps officials are encouraged by the Department of Defense's decision to resume test flights of the V-22 Osprey early in 2002.

The decision, announced Dec. 21 by Pete Aldridge, defense undersecretary for acquisition, technology and logistics, outlined a flight test program designed to resolve questions about the Osprey's suitability, effectiveness and safety.

While expressing some doubts in the V-22, Aldridge said that the only way to resolve those issues is to put the aircraft through a rigorous test program. Senior Navy and Marine Corps officials have pledged to do that.

The new flight test program is set to begin in April 2002.

The scheduled tests will further explore the phenomenon called vortex ring state, which led to the April 2000 crash of a V-22 in Arizona that killed 19 Marines.

The tests will also explore the Osprey's shipboard compatibility and ability to operate in low-speed hover and landing conditions, when the prop-rotors blow up dust and debris. The testing will also include combat maneuverability and formation flying, including aerial refueling.

Marine Corps and Air Force plans to buy 360 and 50 V-22s, respectively,



Petty Officer 3rd Class Jerry Lowe directs an MV-22 Osprey in for landing on the flight deck of the USS Essex (LHD 2) off the coast of Southern California on Feb. 26, 2000.

Photo by Petty Officer 3rd Class Jason A. Pylarinos

were put on hold following two accidents in April and December 2000.

Several independent study groups that investigated those accidents and the V-22 program have recommended a number of changes.

Marine Corps officials welcomed DOD's recent decision as a means of implementing a detailed plan to correct the aircraft's deficiencies and resume flight testing.

"Our efforts will take time, but we will do what we must to improve both the aircraft and the management of the program," said Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. James L. Jones. "As always, we are guided by our commitment to do what is right for our Marines and the nation."

Aldridge said he and Secretary of the Navy Gordon England would assess the testing programs at various posts along

the way. He said the flight-test hurdles would be event-driven rather than schedule-driven. Tests will not move to new areas until engineers fully understand the results of earlier testing.

In an effort to minimize the changes required in future production aircraft, DOD has slowed production of the V-22 to the minimum level required to sustain the program. Aircraft already built will be retro-fitted.

Graduate starts new course

By Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt
BARSTOW LOG staff

Cory Martin, supply technician at Warehouse 401, graduated from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Aspiring Leader Program in October.

She has used what she learned in the course to help her to be more understanding of co-workers and to sharpen her career goals.

"I'm trying to get in the safety arena, mainly public safety," said Martin. "I am going to an online college to get a bachelor's of science degree in occupational safety, and I want to be a GS-09 in the safety field."

The six-month course had her doing many tasks, including a month spent working with the MCLB Fire Department.

"As part of the course, I had to do a 30-day developmental assignment," said Martin. "I went

to the fire department and trained with the base fire inspector, Chief (Mary Jane) Ackley and her team."

The training became interesting after Martin suffered an injury, but she kept pushing to finish the course.

"I used to be a volunteer firefighter and I fractured my ankle on a call, but the fire chief still took me everywhere," said Martin. "It was a trip, and she did a real good job with the situation."

Part of her time spent with the fire department was spent dealing with policies.

"I got to help with rewriting the base fire regulations, which is something I had never done before," said Martin.

Still, the hardest part of the course for her was upcoming.

"The toughest part of the course for me was asking a manager for an interview," said Martin.

"It is very hard to ask someone you don't know if you can interview them."

Doing hard things is what the course is designed to do, and is what made it rewarding for Martin.

"This program makes you step outside your comfort zone in order to graduate from this program," said Martin.

As part of the course, Martin traveled to the East Coast to take part in group sessions. These sessions were designed to hone the leadership skills of everybody in the groups. Martin was put in a nine-member group.

"I went to Harrisburg, Pa., Williamsburg, Va., and Timonium, Md. for the trips where we worked in our groups," said Martin. "We were a very culturally diverse team."

Martin enjoyed the time she spent with her

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Know the value of Semper Fi *'Always a Marine' slogan still rings true*

By Michael E. Williams

Special to the BARSTOW LOG

The following is a letter written from retired Col. Michael Williams to his brother John-Boy.

To the Corps' younger Marines, in hopes that this will give them a greater appreciation of the deep bonds existing in so many different and unexpected places that will always be there to support those who serve in 'The Gum Club' with honor.

John-Boy served in our Corps for six years and was a sergeant of Marines. Denny, my second brother, attended the University of Dayton a year behind me. He was a fraternity brother and served in the Army just as Joe Zucalla had.

John-Boy,

Good to hear from you. I imagine current events are a hot topic in your classroom. As you can imagine, your brothers at Camp Lejeune are biting at the bit to receive a mission in the first war of the 21st Century. It will come, but not until around Thanksgiving/Christmas time from the tea leaves I'm reading. It will kill me to see them go, leaving me back to guard my driveway!

I went to New York City recently for a memorial service for my college roommate (Joe Zucalla) who was lost in the World Trade Center. You should remember Joe coming to the house with Sal Lentene to pick me up for the drive to the University of Dayton. Attending Joe's memorial service quickly became an extremely moving and profound event.

Denny and I walked from Penn Station down 5th Avenue to 50th Street to get to St. Patrick's Cathedral. We saw everything from missing posters hanging everywhere to the letters from school children all over the United States. It was the most emotional "hump" I was fortunate enough to participate in.

The change in the people in the "Big Apple" is simply amazing. Red, white, and blue everywhere. Everyone being courteous and polite, not knocking anyone down as they walk the Manhattan sidewalks – I had to keep looking around to assure myself I had not been transported to Dublin or Madrid.

The cathedral was packed with fraternity brothers, the rather large "Familia de Zucalla" friends of Joe from all over the city and Long Island and just good Americans who did not

know Joe, but responded to Mayor Guiliani's request for all available New Yorkers to show the many grieving families that they care.

After the funeral mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, about 20 of the fraternity brothers went to Callahan's Irish Pub and Grill. After two hours of liquid courage and intelligence, Denny, four other fraternity brothers and I went down to pay our respects at ground zero.

One of my frat brothers, Jerry Simpson, is a retired Nassau County police officer. He tried to use his badge to get us through the barriers, but to no avail.

I then decided to use the only trump card I had. I broke out my retired military ID, went up to the cop and said, "I'm Col. Williams of the USMC, and my old friend who was a soldier died in there. I'd like to go in and pay my respects."

The cop read the ID card and then snapped to attention, rendered a hand salute, and said, "Semper Fi, Sir."

Turns out this proud member of the NYPD had been in the First Marines. The cop next to him turned and said, "Joe, I didn't know you were a Marine. I was a Marine too in 2nd

Tanks. Semper Fi!"

Joe then took me over to his watch sergeant and told him who I am while handing over the ID card. The watch sergeant read the card, looked at me and said, "Semper Fi, Sir."

After shaking hands and finding out he was in the 9th Marines, he hollered over to a young cadet, "Hey rookie, get over here. Take the colonel and his men anywhere they want to go."

After clearing the barricades and acknowledging the salutes of the National Guardsmen who had now figured out who I was, the rookie looks at my U.S./USMC flag lapel pin on my suit coat and asked me if I was a Marine. When I answer the affirmative, he responds just as the other three did, "Semper Fi, Sir."

It turns out he was in the 6th Communications Battalion up until a year ago. As you can imagine, my normally over-inflated Marine ego was even more inflated given this most recent affirmation of the power of the Marine Corps Mafia and a simple Latin phrase that means so much to a very special band of brothers.

To sum up this event, being at the WTC,

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Keeping the spirit without the tree

By Lt. Cmdr. Elmon R. Krupnik

Base Chaplain



I have noticed a lot of Christmas trees being thrown out recently. The tree is one of the symbols that remind us of the holiday season that has just passed us for another year. For me, the holiday season goes by too quickly.

The season of hope and giving should continue all year in our lives.

In my life, as I believe in many of yours, we experience highs and lows throughout the year. We need to be reminded of that hope and giving spirit. We can provide that hope and giving spirit to each other by encouraging each other through the challenges that life gives us.

We can also keep that spirit going by attending places of worship, studying the scriptures and offering our prayers before God. We do this because it is necessary for us to be faithful.

Psalms 31:21-24 tells us, *"Blessed be the Lord, for He has shown me His marvelous kindness in a strong city! For I said in my haste, 'I am cut off from before Your eyes; Nevertheless You heard the voice of my supplications when I cried out to You. Oh, love the Lord, all you His saints! For the Lord preserves the faithful, and fully repays the proud person. Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the Lord.'"*

By maintaining the hope and the giving attitude through faithfulness, we gain strength to overcome the challenges we face. We are not alone even when we think we are. God is with us. Let us keep the hope and giving going all year.

Blessings to all,
Chaplain Krupnik

Just doing my job ...



Photo by Sgt. Anwaar AlMoribat

Tree trimmer Alfonso Lozada shears away overgrowth from a pine tree in front of Building 129 Tuesday afternoon. Lozada is one of many tree trimmers employed by Mowbray's Tree Company. The Company is responsible for the tree removal and trimming project underway on base. The command urges drivers and pedestrians to move with caution through areas undergoing tree removal as workers, specialty vehicles, and falling limbs and debris present hazards.

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

Confession services before Mass

Catholic Rosary

First Saturday of every month.
3 p.m. at the **Base Chapel**.

For more info call 577-6849.

Nebo Bible Study

Wednesday Noon-1:30 p.m.

At the **Chapel Office**.

For more info call 577-6849.



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New NMCI site

The Marine Corps recently launched its newly developed Navy/Marine Corps Intranet Web site, <http://www.nmciinfo.usmc.mil>.

The new Web site is now the single, authoritative source of information on NMCI for the Marine Corps, according to MARADMIN 608/01. The new site replaces the NMCI information sites hosted by both the NMCI program manager and Headquarters Marine Corps Command, Control,

Communications and Computers.

The new site will provide up to date information on all areas of interest from program documentation to points of contact and frequently asked questions.

For more information visit the Web site, <http://www.nmciinfo.usmc.mil>.

Prayer breakfast

The Black Employment Program Committee is having a prayer breakfast in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., at the Oasis Club Jan. 17

from 7 to 8:30 a.m.

The guest speaker will be Lt. Cmdr. Elmon Krupnik, command chaplain. The tickets to the breakfast cost \$6.75 per person and include scrambled eggs, sausage/bacon, hash browns, biscuits and coffee/hot tea. The cut-off date for tickets is Friday.

For tickets or for more information contact one of the following Black Employment Program Committee members:

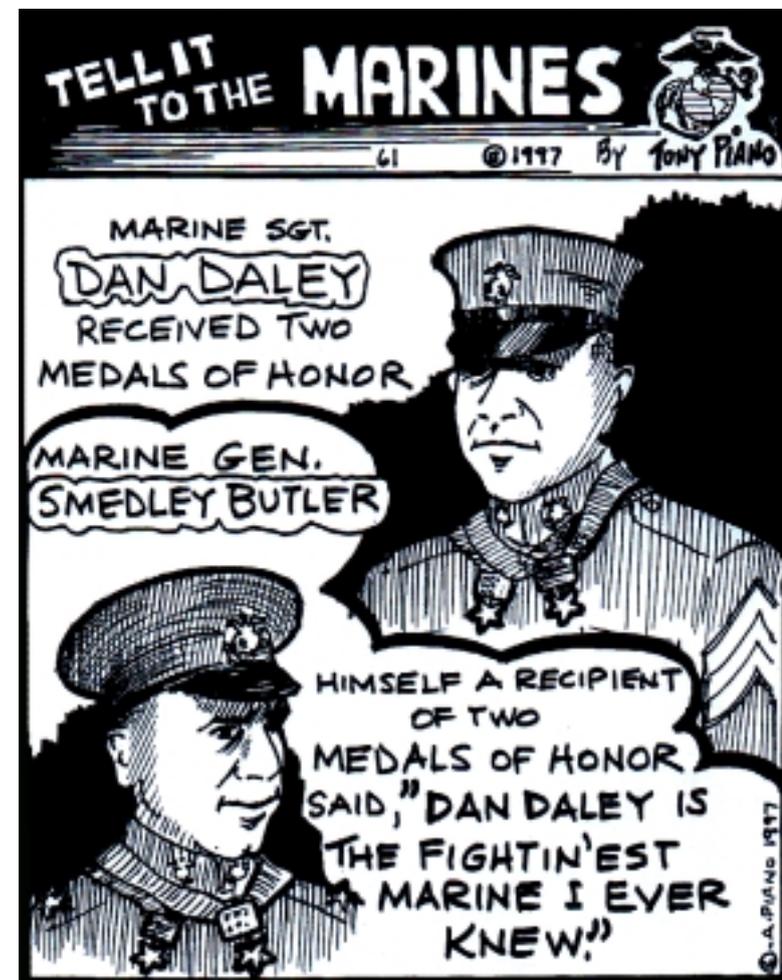
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DeCA scholarships

Applications and fact sheets for the 2002 Scholarships for Military Children program are now available at the commissary and at <http://www.commissaries.com>.

The deadline for filing completed applications for the \$1,500 scholarships is Feb. 5. The \$1,500 scholarships are funded through industry donations, and the program is administered by the Fisher House Foundation through a professional scholarship evaluation company. Fisher House is known for building and donating fully furnished comfort homes near military medical facilities where families of patients receiving medical care can stay at a reasonable cost.

Sons and daughters of U.S. military ID card holders, to include active duty, retirees, and guard and reserves, may apply for the scholarships. Eligibility of applicants, including survivors of deceased members, will be determined using the DOD ID card directive. Applicants may be college-bound high school seniors, or students already enrolled in a four-year un-



The Commandant's Marine For Life program is poised for final development and on-the-ground operational capability by summer 2002.

Marine For Life will assemble and develop the already existing "Marine Corps network" to support and improve assistance to the 27,000 Marines leaving active service each year, sponsor them upon their return to civilian life, keep them in the Marine Corps family, and reemphasize the value of honorable service.

"Once a Marine, always a Marine" is part of the Marine Corps ethos inextricably linked to the official motto of *Semper Fidelis*. Marine For Life will strengthen and advance that ethos and ensure that no Marine who honorably wore the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor is lost to the Marine Corps family.

By harnessing the civilian skills, business contacts, and personal net-

works of veteran Marines into a self-perpetuating resource for assisting transitioning Marines, recruiting future generations, and promoting the Marine Corps as an institution, Marine For Life will help provide tangible evidence of the intangibles of being a Marine.

Upon required funding, the first year of implementation will stand up Hometown Links at 50 sites across America as well as the Web-based database. This electronic network will be the backbone enabling the smooth functioning of the human network, and transitioning Marines will be provided a free e-mail account to use through their transition period.

The Hometown Links, Marine Forces Reserve drilling reservists, will nurture their local Marine and Marine-friendly connections and stand ready to assist the transitioning Ma-

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dergraduate program.

Students must have at least a 3.0 grade point average and write an essay that describes how his or her activities have enriched the community. A military ID is no longer needed as proof of eligibility when the application is turned in at the commissary. Applicants will be checked through the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System prior to the awarding of scholarships, so sponsors should ensure that their children are enrolled in DEERS prior to applying.

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Application packets for academic year 2002-2003 scholarships through the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation are now available.

Sons and daughters of present active duty and reserve Marines; former Marines and reservists who have received an honorable discharge, medical discharge or who were killed while in the service; and active duty, reserve, or former Navy corpsmen who are serving or have served with the Marine Corps are eligible for scholarships.

Also, those applying must fall into one of the following categories: a high school senior, a high school graduate, currently enrolled as an undergraduate in an accredited college or university, or currently enrolled in a post high school accredited vocational/technical school.

Family income must be \$49,000 or less.

The application deadline is April 1. For an application packet write to:

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 3008, Princeton, N.J., 08543-3008, or e-mail a request to mcsf@aosi.com, or visit <http://www.marine-scholars.org>.

Disney honors Armed Forces

Disney's Armed Forces Salute Program honors the men and women in active military who are fighting for freedom today by offering complimentary seven-day admission into Disney's U.S. theme parks, as well as ticket discounts for family members and friends January 1 to April 30, 2002, by all four of the Walt Disney World Resorts - Orlando, Florida, Anaheim, Calif., Paris, France, and Tokyo, Japan. Honored men and women will also receive a packet of special offer tickets.

The complimentary seven-day admissions passes and special offer tickets can be obtained only at the four Walt Disney World Theme Park ticket windows.

These tickets cannot be obtained at Shades of Green or military base ticket offices. For more information about tickets for shows or other theme parks call the Information Ticket and Travel office, 577-6541.

Mustangs

The Marine Corps Mustang Association is accepting applications for membership.

Membership is open to Marines who, after having served on active duty in the enlisted ranks of the U.S. Ma-

Job Watch

Ann No.	Title/Series/Grade	Open	Close	1st Cutoff	Location
DEU-566-01-NR	Mechanical Engineer GS-0830-11	12-12-01	01-14-02	12-31-01	MCLB Barstow
DEU-572-01-NR	Braker Switcher WG-5736-07	12-19-01	01-17-02	01-03-02	MCLB Barstow
8255	Pneudraulic Systems Mechanic Helper WG-8255-05 (temp NTE one year)	01-04-02	01-16-02	N/A	MCLB Barstow

Applicants interested in announcements beginning with DEA or OTR should submit their résumé to:

Human Resources Service Center, Southwest
ATTN: Code 522 (announcement number)
525 B Street, Suite 600
San Diego, CA 92101-4418

For more information concerning public job announcements visit the Self Service Center, Bldg. 37, Mondays through Fridays 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.donbr.navy.mil>.

This is not an official list. Please see the Web sites listed for a complete list.

20-year-high military pay raise averages 6.9 percent

By Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Service members will see an average increase of 6.9 percent in their January pay.

“It’s the largest pay increase in 20 years,” Navy Capt. Chris Kopang, DOD director of compensation, said in a recent American Forces Information Service interview. In general, of-

ficers will see their pay increase 5 percent, he said, and enlisted service members get a 6 percent boost in their pay beginning Jan. 1.

Several pay grades will see significantly larger increases.

“We have chosen to target the pay raise to certain pay grades that we feel need an extra boost because of reten-

tion needs,” Kopang said. For instance, officers in grades O-3 and O-4 will receive 6 and 6.5 percent increases respectively.

Non-commissioned officers are also receiving larger raises, Kopang said, with the highest increases — up to 10 percent — going to the highest enlisted grades. Enlisted members in grades E-5 and E-6 will see an average 7.5 percent increase, E-7s an average increase of 8.5 percent, and up to 10 percent

for E-9s.

Certain lower-ranking grades also will see increases that have nothing to do with percentages or retention, but to fix inequities in the pay table, he said.

For instance, on the 2001 pay table an E-3 with under two years of service would make more money by going over two years in service as an E-3 than by getting promoted to E-4.

“We thought that sent the wrong

signal,” Kopang said. “We wanted to send the signal that people should strive for promotion quicker.”

President Bush in February 2001 pledged an additional \$1.4 billion to go toward pay raises for service members. He signed the 2002 National Defense Authorization Act, which included the extra money, Dec. 28, 2001. Without this money, Kopang said, members would have gotten a 4.6 percent across-the-board increase at the New Year.

Higher raises for NCOs reflect the changing demographics of a more-educated force. Kopang explained the military pay tables are based on the premise that enlisted members are high school graduates. Most of today’s enlisted members have some college under their belts. The services strongly encourage members to further their education.

Kopang estimated that up to 40

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Cumulative Years of Service*																
Pay Grade	Under 2	Over 2	Over 3	Over 4	Over 6	Over 8	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 24	Over 26	
O-10 ^{1/1 & 2/1}												11,601.90	11,659.20	11,901.30	12,324.00	
O-9 ^{1/1 & 2/1}												10,147.50	10,293.60	10,504.80	10,873.80	
O-8 ^{2/1}	7,180.20	7,415.40	7,571.70	7,614.90	7,809.30	8,135.10	8,210.70	8,519.70	8,608.50	8,874.30	9,259.50	9,614.70	9,852.00			
O-7 ^{2/1}	5,966.40	6,371.70		6,418.20	6,657.90	6,840.30	7,051.20	7,261.80	7,472.70	8,135.10	8,694.90				8,738.70	
O-6 ^{2/1}	4,422.00	4,857.90	5,176.80		5,196.60	5,418.90	5,448.60		5,628.60	6,305.70	6,627.00	6,948.30	7,131.00	7,316.10	7,675.20	
O-5 ^{2/1}	3,537.00	4,152.60	4,440.30	4,494.30	4,673.10		4,813.50	5,073.30	5,413.50	5,755.80	5,919.00	6,079.80	6,262.80			
O-4 ^{2/1}	3,023.70	3,681.90	3,927.60	3,982.50	4,210.50	4,395.90	4,696.20	4,930.20	5,092.50	5,255.70	5,310.60					
O-3 ^{2/1}	2,796.60	3,170.40	3,421.80	3,698.70	3,875.70	4,070.10	4,232.40	4,441.20	4,549.50							
O-2 ^{2/1}	2,416.20	2,751.90	3,169.50	3,276.30	3,344.10											
O-1 ^{2/1}	2,097.60	2,183.10	2,638.50													
O-3E ^{2/1 & 3/1}				3,698.70	3,875.70	4,070.10	4,232.40	4,441.20	4,617.00	4,717.50	4,855.20					
O-2E ^{2/1 & 3/1}				3,276.30	3,344.10	3,450.30	3,630.00	3,768.90	3,872.40							
O-1E ^{2/1 & 3/1}				2,638.50	2,818.20	2,922.30	3,028.50	3,133.20	3,276.30							
W-5 ^{2/1}												4,965.60	5,136.00	5,307.00	5,478.60	
W-4 ^{2/1}	2,889.60	3,108.60	3,198.00	3,285.90	3,437.10	3,586.50	3,737.70	3,885.30	4,038.00	4,184.40	4,334.40	4,480.80	4,632.60	4,782.00	4,935.30	
W-3 ^{2/1}	2,638.80	2,862.00		2,898.90	3,017.40	3,152.40	3,330.90	3,439.50	3,558.30	3,693.90	3,828.60	3,963.60	4,098.30	4,233.30	4,368.90	
W-2 ^{2/1}	2,321.40	2,454.00	2,569.80	2,654.10	2,726.40	2,875.20	2,984.40	3,093.90	3,200.40	3,318.00	3,438.90	3,559.80	3,680.10	3,801.30		
W-1 ^{2/1}	2,049.90	2,217.60	2,330.10	2,402.70	2,511.90	2,624.70	2,737.80	2,850.00	2,963.70	3,077.10	3,189.90	3,275.10				
E-9 ^{2/1 & 4/1}							3,423.90	3,501.30	3,599.40	3,714.60	3,830.40	3,944.10	4,098.30	4,251.30	4,467.00	
E-8 ^{2/1}							2,858.10	2,940.60	3,017.70	3,110.10	3,210.30	3,314.70	3,420.30	3,573.00	3,724.80	3,937.80
E-7 ^{2/1}	1,986.90	2,169.00	2,251.50	2,332.50	2,417.40	2,562.90	2,645.10	2,726.40	2,808.00	2,892.60	2,975.10	3,057.30	3,200.40	3,292.80	3,526.80	
E-6 ^{2/1}	1,701.00	1,870.80	1,953.60	2,033.70	2,117.40	2,254.50	2,337.30	2,417.40	2,499.30	2,558.10	2,602.80					
E-5 ^{2/1}	1,561.50	1,665.30	1,745.70	1,828.50	1,912.80	2,030.10	2,110.20	2,193.30								
E-4 ^{2/1}	1,443.60	1,517.70	1,599.60	1,680.30	1,752.30											
E-3 ^{2/1}	1,303.50	1,385.40	1,468.50													
E-2 ^{2/1}	1,239.30															
E-1 4mos+ ^{2/1}	1,105.50															
E-1 <4mos ^{2/1}	1,022.70															
Cadets/Midshipmen	734.10															

Notes:

1. While serving as JCS/Vice JCS, CNO, CMC, Army/Air Force CS, basic pay is \$13,598.10 (See note 2).
2. Basic pay for an O-7 to O-10 is limited by Level III of the Executive Schedule which is \$11,516.70. Basic pay for O-6 and below is limited by Level V of the Executive Schedule which is \$10,133.40.
3. Applicable to O-1 to O-3 with at least 4 years & 1 day of active duty as a warrant and/or enlisted member.
4. For the MCPO of the Navy, CMSgt of the AF, Sergeant Major of the Army or Marine Corps, basic pay is \$5,382.90. Combat Zone Tax Exclusion for O-1 & above is based on this basic pay rate plus HFP/IDP.

Editors Note:

For more information about the new pay charts, including basic allowance for housing and subsistence changes visit <http://www.usmc.mil>. To instantly calculate one's pay, check out CinCHouse Web site's military pay calculator at, <http://www.cinchouse.com/finances/estimator/index1.html>. CinCHouse.com's military pay calculator, based on the 2002 pay scales, calculates everything from special duty pay to basic allowance for subsistence simply and quickly.

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percent of senior NCOs are college graduates. "We can't pay them as much as a college degree holder right now," he said of the senior enlisted grades. The idea, he said, was to bring their earnings closer to civilian counterparts who are high school graduates with some college.

Housing allowance rates have increased as well. In 2001, military members not living in government-provided quarters paid an average 15 percent of their housing costs out of their own pockets. DOD is working to ensure the basic allowance for housing covers all of a member's housing costs by 2005.

In 2002, for instance, members will pay 11.3

percent of their housing costs out of pocket on average. Housing allowances are tied to actual housing costs in a given geographic area, so some areas are getting larger rate increases than others.

No rates are going down, though. Kopang said DOD has implemented individual and geographic rate protection. Even if housing costs decrease in an area, the rates won't go down.

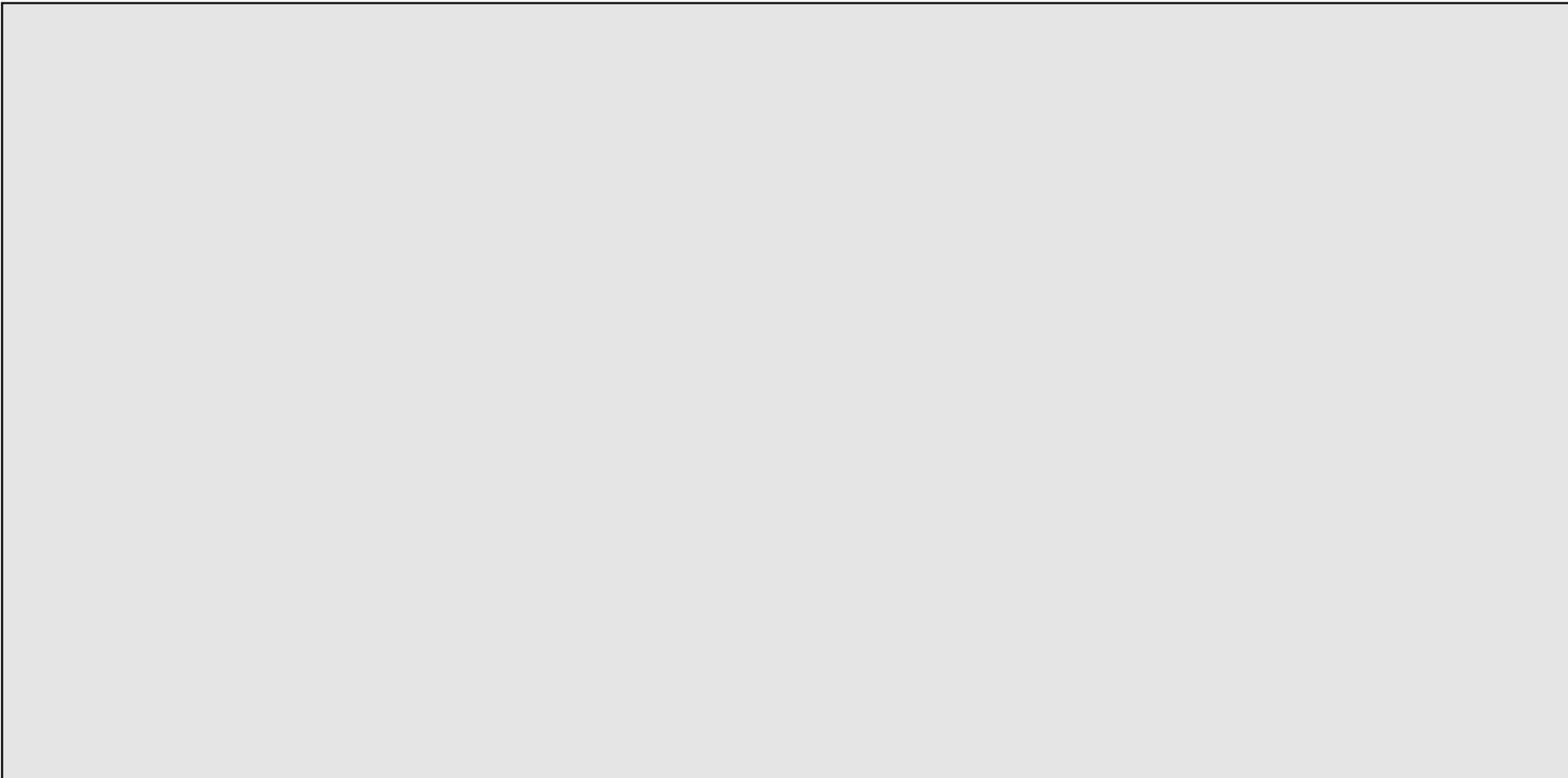
Members will not get a lower rate in 2002 than they did in 2001 as long as they stay at the same duty station, and members moving into an area won't get a lower rate than individuals who live there already, he said.

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Wage grade/leader/supervisor hourly rates by grade and step

Hourly wage table for the Los Angeles, Calif., area

WG		WG-Rates										WL-Rates				WS-WD-WN Rates				WD-WN
WL-WS	Grade	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	Pay Level			
	1	8.66	9.02	9.38	9.74	10.10	9.52	9.92	10.32	10.71	11.11	14.37	14.97	15.57	16.17	16.77				
	2	9.81	10.22	10.63	11.04	11.45	10.79	11.24	11.69	12.14	12.59	15.52	16.17	16.82	17.46	18.11				
	3	10.96	11.42	11.88	12.33	12.79	12.06	12.56	13.06	13.56	14.07	16.68	17.37	18.06	18.76	19.45	1			
	4	12.12	12.62	13.12	13.63	14.13	13.32	13.88	14.44	14.99	15.55	17.83	18.57	19.31	20.06	20.80	2			
	5	13.27	13.82	14.37	14.93	15.48	14.59	15.20	15.81	16.42	17.02	18.98	19.77	20.56	21.35	22.14	3			
	6	14.42	15.02	15.62	16.22	16.82	15.86	16.52	17.18	17.84	18.50	20.10	20.93	21.77	22.61	23.45	4			
	7	15.53	16.18	16.84	17.48	18.13	17.10	17.80	18.51	19.23	19.94	21.19	22.07	22.95	23.83	24.72	5 1			
	8	16.63	17.33	18.02	18.70	19.40	18.29	19.06	19.81	20.58	21.34	22.29	23.21	24.13	25.07	26.00	6 2			
	9	17.72	18.45	19.19	19.94	20.67	19.49	20.31	21.12	21.93	22.75	23.37	24.34	25.33	26.29	27.27	7 3			
	10	18.82	19.60	20.38	21.16	21.95	20.69	21.55	22.41	23.29	24.15	24.47	25.48	26.51	27.52	28.54	8 4			
	11	19.84	20.68	21.49	22.32	23.17	21.84	22.76	23.69	24.60	25.49	24.93	25.97	27.02	28.05	29.10	9 5			
	12	20.61	21.47	22.31	23.17	24.04	22.68	23.64	24.58	25.55	26.47	25.55	26.61	27.68	28.75	29.81	10 6			
	13	21.36	22.30	23.17	24.06	24.95	23.53	24.52	25.49	26.48	27.47	26.32	27.42	28.52	29.62	30.72	11 7			
	14	22.11	23.04	23.95	24.87	25.81	24.28	25.31	26.32	27.36	28.37	27.23	28.36	29.49	30.63	31.76	8			
	15	22.89	23.81	24.78	25.79	26.72	25.16	26.23	27.24	28.33	29.37	28.17	29.34	30.51	31.69	32.86	9			
												WS-16	29.24	30.46	31.68	32.90	34.12			
												WS-17	30.45	31.72	32.99	34.26	35.53			
												WS-18	31.79	33.11	34.43	35.76	37.08			
												WS-19	33.24	34.63	36.02	37.40	38.79			



High Expectations

MCB Commander revisits goals for doers in FY 2002

By Sgt. Anwaar AIMoribat
Press Chief

In October, Col. Ervin Rivers held an all-hands shareholders' meeting at Building 573 to communicate Maintenance Center Barstow's successes in the past fiscal year and to convey the command's goals for continued success this fiscal year.

Now, at the onset of the second quarter and the beginning of the new calendar year, Rivers revisits the goals for his command and renews the pledges he made to the MCB workforce. Many of the promises made have become a reality in the commander's tenure in the form of people-oriented programs designed to benefit those Rivers calls his critical mass of doers.

Leadership implemented and supports numerous quality of life improvements and issues at the maintenance center to include people-oriented initiatives like the Partnership Council composed of members of management and labor, which makes collaborative recommendations and decisions, the Civilian Wellness Program, Individual Development Plans, and Lunch and Learn sessions conducted by the American Federation of Government Employees, Local 1482.

And, incentive awards are available for those who strive to go above and beyond in effort. Sustained Superior Performance Awards, Safety Awards, Time-Off Awards and numerous other award programs serve to reward and foster achievement.

According to Rivers, beyond creating an environment fertile for success, he set high aspirations for his management team, for MCB's critical mass of doers and his command as a whole.

From the commander

The mission of Maintenance Center Barstow is to provide depot level maintenance support to the armed forces of the United States to enable them to perform their training, operational, mobilization, and emergency requirements without impediment. Said another way, we work hard and smart each day to improve the equipment readiness of our customers.

During 2001, MCB excelled at mission accomplishment. Our efforts to produce high quality products, achieve financial growth, and satisfy our customers were highly successful and recognized by many. City and County officials commended MCB for its environmental stewardship and good neighbor policies and actions.

Customers and supervisors recognized MCB employees for their outstanding work and we celebrated our achievements at our annual free MCB picnic despite the climate of terrorism. The operational performance of 2001 definitely goes in the books under the "win" column, so congratulations to the critical mass of doers that

keeps getting it done well for God, Corps, and Country. Now that we are well in to the new fiscal year, which began in October, and 2002 has come in with a bang, it's time to re-dedicate ourselves and make today's challenges tomorrow's successes.

Above all, we must continue to be courageous and do the things that make a positive difference; small or large, it doesn't mat-

ter as long as we participate and stay involved. We must be flexible and embrace positive change because not to do so invites complacency and stagnation that turns into regression.

We won't regress, but rather we will continue to move forward with confidence, pride, and dedication. We know well that success is not inherent in the sword, but rather in the swordsman. Our individual effort when part of the team effort makes it all work. The three things we must do in 2002 are as follows:

-We must accomplish the mission.

-We must recover our costs of operations and.

-We must take care of our people.

To accomplish the first two objectives we must stay customer focused and continue to excel in our competitive priorities of throughput or speed to market, quality, cost, and workplace flexibility.

To accomplish the third objective, we must all work hard to become better leaders and improve in our communication skills. We have initiated programs and improved processes to aid us in these challenges and none is more important than our effort to create a safe working environment, but again it boils down to each and every one of us taking on the responsibility to contribute in a positive way.

We have done this in the past and we must do more of it in the future and we will.

I am inspired by the special effort each of you has put forth during the current national emergency and war against terrorism. Some months ago, I asked you to expedite our production efforts in the small arms arena and that effort is progressing very well.

We are working to produce quality products faster and at less cost and that is improving the equipment readiness of our customers and supporting the war effort in a very tangible way.

I am very proud to be a part of the Barstow team. Let's take the 2002 challenge and move closer to our vision to be the maintenance provider of choice located west of the Mississippi.

Together, let's leave a legacy of service for others to emulate.

Col. Ervin Rivers,
MCB Commander



Semper Fit has new health coordinator

By Sgt. Anwaar AIMoribat
Press Chief

The newest addition to Marine Corps Community Services, Semper Fit Division is Rhea Daniels, Semper Fit health promotion coordinator, who joined the division in December.

Daniels is an experienced physiologist with a bachelor's of science degree in biology from Tennessee State University and a master's of science degree in Exercise Science awarded by the University of Mississippi.

Before coming to MCLB Barstow, Daniels was the Exercise Physiologist for the Nevada Nuclear Test Site, Las Vegas, Nevada for two years.

Here, Daniels has the intent to begin her duties at full stride.

"If there is anything that I want to give importance to, it is the need to have an active lifestyle," noted Daniels. "I want to urge everyone to do some type of cardiovascular exercise at least three to four days per week."

According to the Health Promotion coordinator, there are no excuses or obstacles to prevent one from doing so. "If you have a young child, get the stroller out and go for a walk or include a brisk walk in your day," said Daniels.



Rhea Daniels

"Aside from increasing activity levels, people need to take a closer look at how they eat and their diets; take time to read what's on the box labels."

Citing the numerous fast food signs lining main street, she also noted that it's not easy to eat healthful in Barstow.

"There aren't a lot of very healthful alternatives for cuisine around town, so to make it easier we are conducting a healthy cooking class with a dietician from Fort Irwin to teach attendees what to look for when shopping and to give them a better understanding of what the products they choose are made of," said Daniels.

Daniels is already hard at work and reminds all that she is ready to assist them in meeting their wellness goals.

Civilian Wellness Program underway

By Rhea Daniels
Health Promotions Coordinator

It happens to almost all of us: we set weight-loss goals and make promises to ourselves especially at New Year's only to find a month or two later that we have gotten nowhere. Changing our habits can be extremely difficult, whether we are trying to eat right, get in shape, or both. Luckily, here at MCLB Barstow there is a wellness program in place to support your healthy aspirations.

The MCLB Wellness Program is open to civilian employees at MCLB Barstow and Fleet Support Division. Civilian Marines are encouraged to discuss with their supervisor their interest to participate in this program. Upon approval from their supervisor, the participant will be able to attend health education training as well as participate in physical activity on base three hours a week, for a total of 72 hours within six months. Physical activity will be permissible with the base gym, tennis courts, racquetball courts, walking groups and the swimming pool during specified hours.

Health education and training courses will be offered in nutrition, stress management, smoking education/cessation, back injury prevention, ergonomics, weight management, health management, and physical activity. For more info call Rhea Daniels at 577-6817.

Healthy Cooking Habits Class

MCCS, Semper Fit is conducting a healthy cooking class Jan. 23 in the Aerobics Room of the Base Fitness Center from noon to 1 p.m.

The class features a lecture by a certified dietician. All are invited to attend. The class is free and attendees are encouraged to bring lunch. For more info, call Rhea Daniels at 577-6817.

SMALL ARMS

Story and Photos by
Cpl. Cory Kelly
Editor

In the last three months America's world has changed. The economy has shifted. The flag that reminds many Americans of the freedom it represents is flown more widely. The voices of pride for the nation seem louder then before and more noticed than ever. Even the focus of many television broadcasts has changed.

More and more the focus of America is drawing toward the mission at hand and to the support of that mission.

The small arms cost work center at

Maintenance Center Barstow is no different, and in the past weeks has been gearing faster and harder than in years past to meet a mission more present than ever.

Augmented with personnel from around the maintenance center and with Marines from Camp Pendleton, small arms is handling an increased workload with indescribable ease.

"These guys saw the predicament and immediately began working around it," said Douglas Van Dyke, artillery and small arms supervisor.

Jeff Donovan, artillery repairman, said it's a team effort that makes the small arms shop run so smoothly. "We work together ... and we get it done," an equation he said, "... is as simple as that."

Many of the small arms employees admit that a large part of their success with the increased workload has been the new indoor test fire range.

The new range allows the weapons to be tested in multiple areas, whereas in the past the weapons were only able to be function fired (make sure they send the round down range).

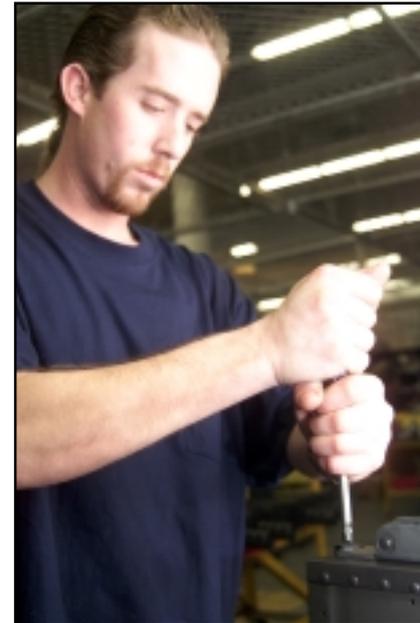
A series of sensors catch the actions of the rounds the weapons send down range and feed the information to a computer allowing weapons testers to see the velocity of each round, the rate of fire on the weapon and the accuracy of each weapon.

The new range makes it easier to pinpoint malfunctions with the weapons and speeds up the firing process as a whole.

But Van dyke isn't solely convinced the new facility is what is helping the shop put out the same quality product in a greatly increased quantity. "They' have the drive. They know what needs to be done and they make it happen. We couldn't ask for anything more."



Jeff Donovan, artillery repairman, makes some final adjustments to a M2 50 caliber machine gun before doing a function fire with it in the maintenance center's new indoor range.



James Alley pieces together the rear sight mount for a M2 50 caliber machine gun.



Lubing the weapon before test firing, Jeff Donovan makes sure the M2 50 caliber machine gun is secured to the firing stand. The weapon fires through a series of sensors strategically located to measure velocity of the round, the rate of fire and the accuracy of the weapon.



Secured in a virtually sound proof room, Jeff Donovan extends his arm and hand through a rubber appendage to test fire the weapons. The indoor range facility is ventilated so that operators are not exposed to harmful amounts of the gasses produced when firing weapons.

General schedule employee annual rates by grade and step

Salary table 2002-LA incorporates the 3.6 percent increase and a locality payment of 16.05 percent for the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County area.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
GS-1	\$17,125	\$17,696	\$18,266	\$18,833	\$19,404	\$19,739	\$20,299	\$20,867	\$20,890	\$21,418
2	\$19,255	\$19,711	\$20,349	\$20,890	\$21,122	\$21,743	\$22,364	\$22,985	\$23,606	\$24,227
3	\$21,009	\$21,708	\$22,408	\$23,108	\$23,808	\$24,507	\$25,207	\$25,907	\$26,607	\$27,307
4	\$23,584	\$24,369	\$25,155	\$25,941	\$26,726	\$27,512	\$28,298	\$29,083	\$29,869	\$30,655
5	\$26,386	\$27,266	\$28,146	\$29,025	\$29,905	\$30,785	\$31,664	\$32,544	\$33,424	\$34,303
6	\$29,412	\$30,392	\$31,373	\$32,354	\$33,334	\$34,315	\$35,295	\$36,276	\$37,257	\$38,237
7	\$32,684	\$33,774	\$34,864	\$35,953	\$37,043	\$38,133	\$39,223	\$40,312	\$41,402	\$42,492
8	\$36,197	\$37,404	\$38,611	\$39,818	\$41,025	\$42,232	\$43,439	\$44,646	\$45,853	\$47,059
9	\$39,980	\$41,313	\$42,645	\$43,977	\$45,309	\$46,642	\$47,974	\$49,306	\$50,638	\$51,971
10	\$44,028	\$45,496	\$46,964	\$48,432	\$49,900	\$51,368	\$52,836	\$54,304	\$55,772	\$57,241
11	\$48,374	\$49,986	\$51,598	\$53,210	\$54,822	\$56,434	\$58,046	\$59,658	\$61,270	\$62,882
12	\$57,977	\$59,910	\$61,842	\$63,774	\$65,706	\$67,639	\$69,571	\$71,503	\$73,435	\$75,368
13	\$68,944	\$71,242	\$73,540	\$75,838	\$78,135	\$80,433	\$82,731	\$85,029	\$87,326	\$89,624
14	\$81,473	\$84,188	\$86,904	\$89,620	\$92,335	\$95,051	\$97,766	\$100,482	\$103,197	\$105,913
15	\$95,834	\$99,029	\$102,224	\$105,419	\$108,614	\$111,808	\$115,003	\$118,198	\$121,393	\$124,588

NOTE: Locality rates of pay are basic pay only for certain purposes--see "Salary Tables for 2002" cover sheet.

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rine Corps, or Marine Corps Reserve, have risen to the officer ranks and served as commissioned or warrant officers in the Corps. It includes men and women, active duty, reserve, retired and honorably discharged Marines.

For more information send an e-mail to topmustang@aol.com, write to MCMA Inc., P.O. Box 1314, Delran, N.J., 08075-0142, or call (856) 786-4400.

TRICARE Dental

The office of the Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs has authorized a premium deduction rate increase for the TRICARE dental program.

The increased dental premium deduction amount will be effective in January for February coverage. The rate for active duty and reserve single dependent enrollment will increase to \$7.90 and the rate for family premiums for active duty will increase to \$19.74.

The premium deduction amounts will automatically be adjusted to reflect the new rates, which will appear on the January Leave and Earnings Statement.

Additional information about the premium increase can be found at <http://www.ucci.com>.

Preschool starting

Pre-Kindergarten class will be held at Montara Elementary School beginning January 23 and ending June 13.

Class will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Students must be five years old after December 2, 2001, but before April 1, 2002.

Registration will be Jan. 14 and 15 at Montara from 1 to 3 p.m. Parents must bring a birth

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lines on the issues facing them when they leave active service. For example Marine For Life will provide information to transitioning Marines on significant issues such as employment, housing, schools for children, adult education for themselves, and more mundane issues such as registering a ve-

hicle and obtaining a driver's license in their new hometowns. Simply put, Hometown Links will sponsor Marines home on their last set of PCS orders.

In addition to the benefits to the individual transitioning Marine, Marine For Life will be the key component in our connection with society and benefit the Total Force Marine Corps as a whole. With its established

two-way communication network of Marines, Marine-affiliated organizations, and Marine-friendly individuals and businesses in communities throughout America, Marine For Life will be a force multiplier across the Marine Corps on issues ranging from improving morale and welfare to recruiting and retention to mobilization and homeland defense.

Editors Note:

For more information about the Marine For Life program, visit the Web site <http://www.MarineForLife.com> or contact the project officer, Major Gary Dean at MarineForLife@MarineCorps.com.

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group.

"The team I was on still remains close," said Martin. "We first started out not being able to agree and became really good friends."

Overall, the course has been a benefit to not only Martin's career outlooks, it has also helped her become a better person.

"My attitude has changed," said Martin. "My perspectives on a lot of things have changed, and I am a more positive person."

Her mentor through the course, Linda Kay, program analyst in the business performance office, was very impressed with her performance.

"(Martin) did a great job and took initiative throughout the course," said Kay. "She went further than what was required by



Photo by Cpl. Joshua Barnhardt

Cory Martin, supply technician at Warehouse 401, proudly displays her plaque she received for graduating from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Aspiring Leaders Course.

the course, and I am very proud of her."

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with the smoke, acrid smell, and total devastation, and looking in the 1,000 yard stares of the rescue workers who refuse to give up – all of this imparts an entirely new appreciation for the goodness in most of human kind and a total revulsion for the damage that was done to our fellow citizens and country in the name of God.

It also fills your eyes with tears and your heart with pride to see how the New Yorkers and so many volunteers from all around the nation have joined together and refuse to be beaten.

Finally, it makes you appreciate even more the true meaning of our beloved Corps – it is a family, and the words, "Once a Marine, always a Marine" are as vivid today as they were when first spoken.

My best to Kerry and the kids. Rest easy tonight John – your brother Marines are on the watch and ready as always to serve God, Country and Corps.

Love and "Semper Fidelis," Mike.

GUNNY'S PICKS**Playoffs**

This week turned out to be a tie between Rick Wiley and Jacque Fadeley. Both winners had the same amount of games right, picked the same Monday night winner, and the same point spread. For the first time in Gunny's Picks history, we are going to include the playoffs. Contestants must pick the winner and total points for each game.

To submit your choices for Gunny's Picks, fill out this section of the newspaper and drop it off at the Public Affairs Office in the Red Wing of Building

15, or e-mail who you think will win each game to editor@barstow.usmc.mil.

Playoff Games

Tampa Bay at Philadelphia _____

NY Jets at Oakland _____

San Francisco at Green Bay _____

Baltimore at Miami _____

Name, work section and phone number: _____

GOT NEWS?

If you think you've got something newsworthy, call the public affairs office at 577-6430 or e-mail to editor@barstow.usmc.mil.

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certificate and immunization records when registering their child.

Transportation for Pre-Kindergarten students is the parents' responsibility.

All-Marine bowling

The All-Marine bowling trials will be held April 7 through 13 at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

Marines will be chosen to participate in a 36 game rolloff. The top six men and women finishers will proceed to the Armed Forces Bowling Championship April 14 through 20 at Fort Jackson, S.C.

The top four men and top four women, regardless of service affiliation, will qualify to compete at the Team USA Bowling Championship in Reno, Nev. Dec. 9 through 13. Marines interested in competing must submit resumes through the Semper Fit coordinator no later than Feb. 1.

Resumes must include proof of current average and results of tournaments entered in the last two years. Men must have a 195 average, and women must have a 165 average.

For more information, contact Gunnery Sgt. David Wersinger at 577-6971.

Mounted Color Guard

The Marine Corps Mounted Color Guard is seeking members.

There are no prerequisites, other than being an active duty Marine. Pre-

vious 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.

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 6 and under.

Among the numerous activities are crafts fun for children and parents alike. For more information call June Treadwell, 577-6332.

Trailblazer Club

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

With a donation from \$25 on up, you can become a member and help raise funds for a new home for abused children.

The existing Cooper Home houses 40 boys between the ages of 7 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.

Recycling reminder

All glass, plastic, paper products, and small pieces of cardboard should be placed in the blue 95 gallon containers or the green metal bins, and all cardboard should be placed in the cardboard collection containers located throughout both the Nebo and Yermo Annexes.

There are several green, 3 cubic yard bins located throughout the base for the collection of recyclable materials.

Use of these containers is encouraged to help reduce the amount of material being sent to the landfill.

The containers are located at the commissary parking lot at Nebo, on the north side of Building 15, and at the Yermo Annex on F Street in front of the Roundhouse (locomotive repair building).

To request more recycling bins or to have unused bins removed or for more information about recycling contact Carmela Gonzalez, 577-6744, gonzalezcj@barstow.usmc.mil.

Barstow Servmart

The Barstow Servmart allows employees aboard MCLB Barstow to shop online for all of their office and workplace needs.

The servmart has administration supplies, cleaning supplies, hardware, tools, and even parts for the Maintenance Center Barstow production

line.

To get started, go to <http://mcsd4.ala.usmc.mil/mclbbarstow/servmart>.

MCI Exam Advisory

Recent events involving the U.S. Postal Service have affected the delivery of official mail in the National Capital Region.

Since Oct. 19, the Marine Corps Institute has not received any exams mailed through the USPS. MCI anticipates continued interruption in regular mail service for the next month.

To alleviate the problem with the USPS, alternate means for submitting exams have been established.

Express mail services, such as Federal Express should be used for submitting time-sensitive exams. Mail them to 912 Charles Poor St. Southeast Washington Navy Yard, Washington D.C. 20391-5680.

MCI will temporarily receive examinations by fax. However, submissions by fax requires hand-grading and slows the number of exams MCI can grade in a day. The use of fax should only be used if the other alternate submission means are unavailable.

The temporary fax numbers are, (202) 685-7651/7652/7653, or DSN at 325-7651/7652/7653. MCI will discontinue the fax capability when mail delivery returns to normal.

Donation Leads

In response to public inquiries re-

garding donations in support of the relief and recovery efforts in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks on the Pentagon, the following organizations have established assistance funds or programs.

Monetary donations to victims and/or their families may be made to one or more of the relief societies or funds below:

— The Air Force Aid Society, Suite 202, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Va., 22202. Call (703) 607-3134 or visit <http://www.asaf.org>.

—The Federal Employee Education & Assistance Fund, Littleton, Co. Send checks or money orders to: FEEA World Trade Center/Pentagon Fund, 8441 W. Bowles Ave., Suite 200, Littleton, Co., 80123-9501 or call (800) 323-4140 or (303)933-7580 or visit <http://www.feea.org>.

For donations of building equipment and materials contact the Pentagon Renovation/Emergency Operations Site at (703)528-9524.

To donate volunteer services at the emergency site (e.g., rubble removal) contact the Arlington County (Virginia) Emergency Operations Center, (703) 228-7506.

To donate information technology support contact Gen Loranger at the Network Infrastructure Services Agency - Pentagon, (703) 695-3934.

Additional information regarding donations is available at the Federal Emergency Management Agency Internet Web site, <http://www.fema.gov>.



By Jim Gaines
MCCS Publicity

White sale in progress at MCX

Save on towels and sheets - towels 10 percent off (all sizes and colors), sheets \$16.99 to \$24.99 (all knit Jersey).

Plus winter-wear sale with 15 percent off. Come in and look over the selections.

The Exchange/Super Seven Store is open Mondays through Fridays from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays and holidays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Yermo Exchange is open Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (during troop rotations open Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.) and Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lunch menu

Today - Family Restaurant: Baked potato and salad bar. Cactus Cafe:

Chicken tenders, coleslaw, and french fries.

Friday - Cajun catfish with steamed rice.

Monday - Breaded pork chops, mashed potatoes and gravy.

Tuesday - Lasagna and garlic bread.

Wednesday - Open-faced turkey sandwiches and mashed potatoes.

Family Night menu

Tonight - Spaghetti, lasagna, tossed green salad, vegetable, rolls/butter, assorted beverages, dessert.

Next Thursday - Chili con carne, hot dogs, hamburgers, french fries, tossed green salad, assorted drinks, dessert.

Family Night Dinners are served Thursday evenings from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Family Restaurant. Prices: adults \$5.50, children 5 to 11 years \$3.50, children under 5 years are free. Prices are the same for military and civilian personnel.

Wild Bill's Extravaganza

ITT invites everyone to experience two hours of all-American fun at Wild Bill's Wild West Dinner Extravaganza! The dinner show hosted by Wild Bill, Miss Annie and Miss Annie's saloon girl dancers features trick roper Bonnie West, the Wild West Indian Dancers, hilarious comedy and lots of audience participation.

During the show there will be an "all you can eat" four-course dinner served to the table family style. Dinners will include tossed green salad, beef barley soup, buttermilk biscuits, southern fried chicken, Barbeque beef ribs, and corn on the cob. Beverages range from beer and wine to soft drinks. Then it's all topped off with delicious apple pie a la mode.

Buy two adult tickets through ITT through Jan. 31 and get a third ticket free. Tickets must be purchased at ITT prior to arriving at Wild Bill's.

Wild Bill's Wild West Dinner Extravaganza is located in Buena Park, roughly less than a two hour drive from Barstow.

Call ITT at 577-6541 for more details. ITT is open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ITT tickets are available after business hours at the Bowling Center Mondays through Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Call the Bowling Center at 577-6964 for more information.

MCCS Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Schedule January 21

What's open

The Super Seven Store and the Gym will be open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tees n' Trees Golf Course will be open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Family Restaurant will be open holiday hours 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with menu service.

What's closed

The Railhead Exchange (Yermo) and the Cactus Cafe (Yermo), the Barber Shop, the Oasis Club, the NCO/Enlisted Club, ITT, the Library and Personal Services Division.

The hobby shops (Auto, Ceramic & Wood/Rock) and the Bowling Center normally closed Mondays will be closed Jan. 20 to celebrate the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

Have a safe holiday!

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2000 MUSTANG GT: 5 Speed, performance Red, 59k miles, 16k miles remaining warranty, very, very good condition, asking \$13,500 OBO. Call Wyatt, 843-0665 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.

1998 WINNEBAGO: 27 ft. motor-home, fully loaded, tons of accessories, 48k miles, \$19,000 firm. Call 253-5118.

1993 MERCURY COUGAR: Xr7, 2 door, leather int, loaded, 3.8Lt eng. and trans., driver side qtr panel damage, \$1,200 OBO. Call 240-3234 OR 240-2236 AWH lv msg.

1992 TOYOTA TERCEL: New engine, gas saver, \$3,000 OBO. Call Paul 252-8659.

1983 EL CAMINO: 305 eng., A/T, A/C, P/W, PDLK, rear air shocks, C/C, camper shell, good tires and wheels, body in good cond., \$3,500. Call 255-4205 AWH.

1988 GMC, S-15 PICK-UP: Full bed, new tires and water pump, tool box, runs great, 2002 tags, good transportation, \$1,695 OBO. Call 240-3234 or 240-2236 AWH lv msg.

MISCELLANEOUS: Shopsmith woodworking combination tool includes 10-inch band saw and 4-inch jointer, \$3,200 new, only \$695. Call 252-5417 AWH.

MISCELLANEOUS: Dresser and two nightstands, good cond. hutch with class doors, make offer and take them off our hands. 252-7198.

MISCELLANEOUS: Pool table, full size, great cond., make of composite material (not real slate), new set of balls, chalk and racks, must see, new house too small for table. \$450. Call 252-7788.

MISCELLANEOUS: Antique Oak sewing cabinet with treadle and 1900s Singer sewing machine \$150; drum coffee/end tables \$250. Call 256-0595.

MISCELLANEOUS: Exercise equipment, Ab-Doer Pro, \$60; Ultra Glide XL \$60; Ultra Total Gym \$20, all new condition. Call 256-0595.

MISCELLANEOUS: Meat slicer, electric, \$40; grill and waffle baker, \$25; stereo radio cassette recorder (boom box), \$40. Call 242-8839.

LOST AND FOUND: Two pair of prescription glasses found in government vehicles. One pair tinted. Can be claimed at Dispatch Desk, Building 322, between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

