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Marines from Combat Assault Battalion train at Camp Schwab. See Stories , Pages 8 and 13.

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LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Don't look down

First Lieutenant Benjamin C. Robertson, 1st platoon commander, Company C, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines works his way across the two-strand rope bridge on the endurance course at the Jungle Warfare Training Center.

Beachcrest '00 gets underway

Staff Sgt. Michael T. Mink

Combat Correspondent

IE SHIMA — Marine Corps units from 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 3rd Marine Division, and 3rd Force Service Support Group, along with the U.S. Air Force's 18th Wing and the U.S. Navy's 7th Fleet began the annual training exercise Beachcrest '00 Monday.

This multi-service exercise will continue until March 9. More than 3,500 servicemembers on Okinawa and Ie Shima are participating in the exercise.

Beachcrest '00 will include air combat, air control, and air-ground combat support training in designated training areas, sea space and approved airspace on Okinawa and Ie Shima.

"Marine aviation is a force enhancer," said Col. Bradley E. Turner, commanding officer, Marine Air Control Group-18. "We require frequent training in order to keep our technical skills honed and expand interoperability between services."

Ie Shima is an island located approximately 2.5 miles off Motobu Point on the west side of Okinawa, and is the site for most of Beachcrest '00's exercises, ground and airfield training.

"Simple tasks in garrison are not so simple in the field," said Turner. "Marines possess a fair amount of technical skills that need constant training and refreshing."

Travel Card use mandatory March 1

Linda D. Kozaryn

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Starting March 1, with some exceptions, DoD personnel must use the government travelcard for expenses arising from official travel.

DoD issued new policies in mid-February to implement travel card requirements in an amendment to the Federal Travel Regulation published by the General Services Administration in the Jan. 19 Federal Register. The amendment implements requirements in the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998.

The Defense Department began using travel cards in 1983 to pay for lodging, transportation, rental cars and other allowable expenses. The current contractor is Bank of America VISA.

The new rules make the use of the travel card mandatory for most DoD military and civilian personnel. Government-wide exemptions include employees who have an application pending for the travel charge card; people traveling on invitational travel orders; and new appointees. The law authorizes agency-specific exemptions as well, and Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) William J. Lynn approved the following for DoD:

- Members of the ROTC and service members undergoing basic training or initial skill training prior to reporting to their first permanent duty station.
- Military and DoD civilians denied travel cards or whose cards have been canceled or suspended for financial irresponsibility or other reasons.
- Prisoners.
- Exemptions approved by heads of DoD components for military and DoD civilians during war, a national emergency declared by the president or Congress, or mobilization, deployment or contingency operations.
- Military or DoD civilians traveling to or in a foreign country where the political, financial or communications infrastructure does not support the use of a travel card.
- Military or DoD civilians whose use of the travel card due to operational, security or other mission requirements, would pose a threat to national security, endanger the life or safety of themselves or others, or would compromise a law enforcement activity.
- Direct and indirect hire foreign nationals.
- Individuals employed or appointed on a temporary or intermittent basis when the individual's supervisor or other appropriate officials determine the duration or other circumstances pertaining to the employment or appointment does not justify issuing a travel card.

DoD has authorized exempted personnel to use personal funds or a personal charge card, travel advances and government travel requests. Though individuals may be exempt from the mandatory use rule, those with cards in good standing may still use them voluntarily for official travel expenses.

While the travel card is to be used for such big-ticket items as hotel stays, transportation tickets and car rentals, government travelers are not required to use the cards for the following:

- Local transportation fares.
- Taxis.
- Parking.
- Laundry and dry cleaning.
- Expenses incurred at a vendor who doesn't accept the card.
- Meals in restaurants that don't accept the card.
- Group dining situations and other meals when use of the card would be impractical.
- Telephone calls, when a government calling card is available for use in accordance with agency policy.

In addition, DoD personnel need not use the card for expenses covered by any expense contained within the meals and incidentals portion of the per diem allowance or for local and long distance telephone calls.

The amendment also requires timely reimbursement of travel expenses. It requires agencies to pay interest to travelers whose travel vouchers are not paid within 30 calendar days.

The only exception is when the payment would be less than $1. Until travel payment systems can be modified to meet this requirement, the individual traveler must determine if an interest payment is due and request payment. Interest paid will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service as additional wages.

DoD must reimburse travelers for any late fees the travel card contractor would have charged had the traveler not paid the bill on time.

The new travel card rules will be included in Volume 9, "Travel Policy and Procedures," of the DoD Financial Management Regulation DoD 7000.14-R.

For more information on DoD's Travel Card Program, visit the Defense Finance and Accounting Service web site at www.dfas.mil or the www.bankofamerica.com/government Bank of America web site at www.bankofamerica.com/government.

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STAFF SGT. MICHAEL T. MINK

Dignitaries visit

Marines from 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, show a static display to Japanese officials and businessmen during the group's recent visit to Camp Hansen. The visitors were given a demonstration of a "fire mission" and looked at other components of the artillery unit.

Appreciation week recognizes value of Key Volunteers

Staff Sgt. Jason J. Bortz

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — During Key Volunteer recognition week Feb. 28 - March 3, volunteers were recognized for their efforts in serving Marine Corps families.

The week served as a reminder that the network is in place, providing a valuable service to the Marine Corps.

The Key Volunteer Network is a communications network, formed within a unit to keep families informed about the mission and its tasks. The network also assists in establishing problem solving at the lowest level possible.

To provide support, the network relies upon the experience of its advisors, coordinators and volunteers to assist family members.

"Each battalion has an advisor, coordinator and its own network setup," said 1st Lt. James A. Cooper, family readiness officer, 3rd Force Service Support Group.

The networks help assist family members with any concern, especially when the military spouse is deployed.

Over the past year, the Key Volunteer Network has orchestrated many activities to assist families.

The network welcomed newcomer spouses with luncheons and assisted with family functions in support of deployments to Thailand and East Timor.

During the holiday season the network provided a Thanksgiving dinner and gift bags for single Marines and Sailors.

In an effort to keep spouses informed, the network provides a monthly newsletter emphasizing training and Marine Corps Family Team Building activities.

"We are going to continue to help when families are gone and we are going to get more people involved," said Laurie Anderson, Key Volunteer coordinator for 3rd FSSG.

"The Key Volunteer Network is in place to support the families," said Cooper. "Servicemembers get a military sponsor when coming over here, but the families do not. The Key Volunteer Network is a support and informational structure for the command's families."

Force Master Chief visits Okinawa Sailors

Cpl. Jeff Womack

Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN — Sailors from 3rd Force Service Support Group, converged at the East Chapel here Feb. 28 to hear the words of a Sailor with mountains of military experience.

Command Master Chief Petty Officer Mark R. Weldon, force master chief for Navy corpsman and dental technicians, gathered the people under his charge to talk about the importance of operational support and naval medicine.

"I bounce every issue on my desk off of operational readiness," said Weldon. "I do that because you are not only on the tip of the spear, you're on the razor's edge. We have to be ready."

Additionally, Weldon emphasized career initiative in the Navy.

"Someone once told me, 'Your life is like a wheelbarrow,'" said Weldon. "'It's just going to sit there until you decide to pick it up.'"

Many Marines and Sailors agree that Weldon's visit was both an enlightening and motivating experience.

"I think it's great that he came to Okinawa," said Petty Officer 3rd Class Jessica L. Kirkpatrick, hospital corpsman, and Indianapolis, Ind., native. "Not too many people can say they got to meet their command master chief."

"You all have no idea how many compliments I receive about how great our hospital corpsman are. It's an honor to serve you as your enlisted advocate to the Surgeon General."

— Command Master Chief Petty Officer Mark R. Weldon

Weldon continued his visit of the island at Camp Kinser for another force call and observed the 3rd FSSG Sailor of the Year awards.

After spending an entire day on island, Weldon continues to believe that the Marines and Sailors of the 3rd FSSG are ready to tackle the trials of combat.

"You all have no idea how many compliments I receive about how great our hospital corpsman are," said Weldon. "It's an honor to serve you as your enlisted advocate to the Surgeon General."

CPL. JEFF WOMACK

Command Master Chief Petty Officer Mark R. Weldon speaks to Sailors from the northern camps of Okinawa about new and upcoming issues for Fleet Marine Force Sailors.

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Civilian Human Resources goes on-line

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — Servicemembers and their families now have a new, easily accessible tool to help them find jobs and training all over the world.

The Civilian Human Resources Office here opened a webpage recently that will enable the search for jobs and training to be conducted via the internet.

"This will help incoming Marines and their spouses," said Charles L. Byrd, director, Civilian Human Resources Office Pacific. "We're linked to a training site."

The website features worldwide job openings, training updates, and a resume builder to help job-seekers acquire employment.

"We do give you an opportunity to ask us questions," Byrd said. "In our business, if someone asks a question, it usually applies to a lot of people."

With individual links to employment in the United States and Japan, combined with links to organizations such as Marine Corps Community Services, CHRO's website proves to be a product of hard work.

However, this hard work wasn't done by CHRO alone.

"Our sincere thanks go to G-6, especially to Lance Corporal Virgili," Byrd said.

Lance Cpl. Brian R. Virgili, computer programmer, G-6, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, began building the site in November of last year and received a Letter of Appreciation for his efforts.

"I had to take all the information that CHRO provided me and display it on a webpage," said the 21-year-old.

"It took a lot of work, but it wasn't out of the ordinary," continued Virgili, a native of Virginia Beach, Va., and a graduate of Bayside High School. "All of the guys in the shop do this all of the time."

For more information, go to *www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil*, click on "CHRO" under "What's New."

LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Lance Cpl. Brian R. Virgili, computer programmer, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, displays the new Civilian Human Resources Office Pacific website.

Sexual advances without consent lead to trouble

Consolidated Public Affairs Office

A Marine enters a local dance club, the music is loud, men and women are dancing and the drinks are flowing. Some women wear long dresses, while others wear the latest fashion in mini-skirts. Everyone's laughing and having a good time.

Scanning the club, the Marine finds a young lady at a table sipping on a drink. He walks to her table and asks her to dance. The young lady accepts his invitation. For most of the evening, the Marine and young lady dance and chat together. While at a table together later in the evening, he believes she feels as affectionate to him as he does to her. The Marine thinks this may be his chance to make his move. He puts his arm around her and presses her for a hug and kiss. She recoils and says "Stop, take your hands off me!"

Disregarding her plea, he tries again. Whether he knows it or not, the Marine has just committed a crime and depending on the circumstances, possibly an international incident. What may seem to the Marine like an innocent mistake can be considered a sexual assault.

While this example was not an actual incident, it is not unrealistic. A Marine was recently apprehended at a local nightclub under similar circumstances and held in an Okinawan jail for almost two weeks on suspicion of sexual assault.

Similar incidents may also occur at a workplace or barracks environment.

Many sexual assaults occur because the perpetrator fails to realize when a person says 'no' they mean 'no'," said Navy Lt. Barry D. Adams, director, Counseling and Advocacy Programs, Marine Corps Community Services, Personal Services Branch. "There is still this pervasive idea out there that either 'no' really doesn't mean 'no' or that if you don't say 'no' that it means 'yes'."

"Marines must police themselves and be careful of their actions," said Capt. Michael F. Cardoza, a Japanese Jurisdiction officer for Marine Corps Base. "Sexual advances without consent is an assault, and the Marine Corps takes all allegations of sexual assault extremely seriously."

At all times, it is important that Marines adhere to our Core values. When men and women date, they should work the courtship so that there is no misunderstanding about 'yes' or 'no,' said Adams.

"I would always be positive to get a clear 'yes' every single time if I were ever approaching sex in a dating relationship," said Adams. "You don't ever assume from one day to the next, even with your spouse. Common human decency is not forcing yourself on somebody who just doesn't want it at that time."

Usually when sexual assault occurs, either one or both of the parties involved may have been drinking, according to Adams.

"The excessive use of alcohol can contribute greatly to a sexual assault by impairing judgment and the ability to think as a responsible mature adult," said Sgt. Maj. Harry E. Brown, sergeant major, Marine Corps Bases Japan. "If alcohol is present in a situation, both the male and female have to be responsible for exercising self-control and maintaining acceptable behavior. Drunkenness and sexual activity is only asking for trouble. It can result in an unforgettable, tragic mistake that will stay with you throughout your life.

A Marine who intentionally abuses or assaults another person goes against everything that our Corps stands for."

LINKS program offers benefits for Marines, Sailors

Staff Sgt. Jason J. Bortz

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — The Lifestyle Insights Networking Knowledge Skills Southern Team here hosted an open house Feb. 10 to introduce Katie Grindle, LINKS trainer from LINKS headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Grindle is visiting Okinawa to conduct annual training for the LINKS teams. "We'll be doing training on mentoring, mentor management and team training," said Grindle.

Grindle is a member of a team of LINKS trainers who travel to every Marine Corps Base to offer training and insight to the different LINKS teams.

There are three LINKS teams on Okinawa; one at Camps Courtney, Foster and here.

The mission of LINKS is to support spouses who may be new to the military life.

These three teams offer support to all servicemember spouses as well as to spouses of civilian employees.

The support that LINKS offers include deployment and separation issues, moving in the military, base services and balancing family life within the Marine Corps mission.

"The best part [of LINKS] is making a lot of friends," said Cmdr. Mitchell Schranz, 3rd Force Service Support Group chaplain.

"In the summer, we get a lot of Marines who haven't been married long. LINKS is an asset to Marine and Navy spouses," said Shranz.

"The LINKS program will continue to grow in the future," said Grindle. "Our goal is to build a resilient spouse."

For more information on LINKS, please call 645-3689.

Alcohol-related NJPs

III MEF/MCBJ

The *Okinawa Marine*, in accordance with the III MEF/MCBJ Liberty Campaign Plan, publishes the following alcohol-related nonjudicial punishments for Feb. 20 -26.

• Underage drinking

A lance corporal with Headquarters and Service Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking and using a fraudulent age identification wristband. Punishment: reduction to E-2, and restriction and extra duties for 45 days.

• Possession of hard liquor in BEQ

A private first class with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of possession of hard liquor in his BEQ. Punishment: forfeiture of $263 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

• Underage drinking, UA, drunk on duty

A private first class with III Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group, III MEF, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of underage drinking, unauthorized absence and drunk on duty. Punishment: restriction and extra duties for 30 days.

• Underage drinking, UA

A lance corporal with 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking and unauthorized absence. Punishment: reduction to E-2, forfeiture of $263 pay per month for two months, and restriction and extra duties for 45 days.

• Underage drinking

A lance corporal with 5th Force Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd MarDiv., was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: restriction for 10 days.

• DWI

A lance corporal with 5th Force Reconnaissance Bn., 3rd MarDiv., was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of DWI. Punishment: restriction for 14 days.

SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

Bottoms up

Sergeant Ronald G. Ford, instructor, Jungle Warfare Training Center, watches while Sgt. Michael C. Brown, field billeting engineer, Company L, 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, 3rd Marine Division, demonstrates what to do when a Marine gets turned upside down while rappelling.

Community Briefs

Golf Tournament

Kubasaki High School's Project Graduation is hosting a golf tournament at Awase Meadows Golf Course March 24, starting at 7 a.m. The tournament will use the Scramble or 'Best Ball' format. Come alone or pick your foursome. Make reservations by March 21 by calling Lt. Col. Paul Bennett at 622-7868/8402/9509 or email him at bennettpd@iiimef.usmc.mil.

University of Oklahoma

Enrollment begins on Monday for the University of Oklahoma's summer classes. Graduate level courses in Human Relations, Economics, Management and Finance are offered in one week sessions. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, call 634-1606

Academic scholarships

The Marine Officers Spouses' Club is sponsoring an Academic Merit Scholarship drive. These competitive scholarship awards are open to:

* Graduating high school seniors and dependent children of active duty or retired Marines pursuing undergraduate studies.

* Applicants must have SOFA status.

Applications are available at the Marine Gift Shop, Kadena and Kubasaki High School guidance offices and all Education Centers beginning tomorrow. Deadline to submit applications is April 22.

For more information contact Mary Anderson at 646-5471.

Kinser to host Cultural Day

Camp Kinser will be hosting a Cultural Day March 11 at Roberts Field from 2-7 p.m. The event will be followed by Tex-Mex night at the Surfside from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

For more information, call 637-2233.

DRMO hosts sealed bid sale

DRMO at Camp Kinser will have a local sealed bid sale at Building 600 March 9. Sales are open to all SOFA and non-SOFA status personnel. For more information contact 637-4323.

West Indian Association hosts a Carnival Mardi Gras

The West Indian Association of Okinawa will host a Carnival Mardi Gras March 26 from 3 to 6:30 p.m. at Camp Foster on 6th Marine Division Road and Stillwill Drive. The event is open to all military and private organizations. For more information contact 645-2556 or 645-7406.

Navy Officers Spouses' Club hosts art auction

Kadena's Art Auction benefitting the Navy Officers Spouses' Club will be held tomorrow at the Butler O'Club. The pre-sale for the auction will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the auction will start at 7. Bid blocks cost $5. The Butler O'Club will prepare a pasta bar for the evening. Serving begins at 5:30 p.m. and costs $12.95 for adults and $7.95 for children.

Help Line volunteers needed

Help Line volunteers are trained to provide immediate emotional support, crisis intervention and information and referrals to the appropriate agencies. Volunteer hours are flexible. If interested, call 634-0684.

POPs performs 'Brighton Beach Memoirs'

Pacific Okinawan Players announces its winter production "Brighton Beach Memoirs" by Neil Simon has been cast and is in rehearsal. The production will take place March 12-14 and 17-19 at the Butler Theater on Camp Foster. The box office will open at 6 p.m. and the curtain will go up at 7 p.m. Tickets will be $5 for adults and $3 for children.

Report off base traffic violations

To report off-base traffic violations call 645-3423/7441/3423/3887/7442 or e-mail tvr@mcbbutler.usmc.mil or go to the Marine Corps Base webstie at http://www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil, click on "Whats New" then on "Traffic Violation Report."

To submit a brief ...

The Okinawa Marine accepts briefs for non-profit organizations and groups only. Briefs are run on space-available and time-priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit to fit space. Submit briefs by faxing to 645-3803, or send an e-mail to angusrj@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Women's History Month

Women have history of noble service in Corps

It is rumored that the picture of Archibald Henderson, fifth Commandant of the Marine Corps, crashed to the floor the evening Lt. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, then a major general and CMC, announced his decision to recruit women Oct. 12, 1942. Although the idea was unpopular, it wasn't original or unprecedented. Women were already serving in the Army, Navy, and Coast Guard Reserves.

Legend has it the first female Marine was Lucy Brewer, who supposedly served disguised as a man on board the frigate *USS Constitution* during the War of 1812. While this may just be legend, the first recorded female Marine was Opha Mae Johnson. Johnson enlisted Aug. 12, 1918, in an effort to "free a man to fight" during the French Campaign in first World War I.

Early estimates called for an initial target of 500 officers and 6,000 enlisted within 4 months, and a total of 1,000 officers and 18,000 enlisted by June 1944. The rank structure would be the same as men's, but with one exception. There would be only one major and 35 captains with first and second lieutenants filling the remaining commissions. This was later amended to have the senior women serve in the rank of colonel.

In the beginning only 305, out of several thousand who applied, were accepted. These Marines were used to replace male Marines who held clerical positions in the Washington, D.C. area. The need was important for these new Marines to fill administrative positions immediately, and they had to meet strict qualifications, without training, which was why the number was so small. The Marines joined as part of the newly-created Marine Reserve (F) unit. The (F) was used to signify them as females to their new unit commanders. While their family members and friends might have been surprised or shocked, the women themselves were delighted and proud of their achievements.

The first director of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve, Col. Ruth Cheney Streeter, then a major, was selected for several unusual reasons. One of these reasons was that she didn't know any Marines. Streeter was convinced that not knowing the right people would disqualify her, but answered honestly she didn't know any Marines.

The Commandant was worried that, if the director knew some high-ranking Marines, she would circumvent the chain of command when it didn't go her way. After the interview, the recommendation was sent to be approved by the Secretary of the Navy. She was sworn in on Jan. 29, 1943.

With the help of the Navy, officer training began in February 1943. The MCWR shared the same facilities as the U.S. Midshipmen's School (Woman's Reserve) at Smith College in North Hampton, Mass. and later branched out to Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley. Enlisted women were trained at Hunter College in New York City. Marine Reservists (F) never received formal training, but spent every workday morning drilling and learning Marine Corps "Knowledge." Drill Instructors treated them no differently than any other Marines, and in return, the Reservists (F) responded with enthusiasm and energy. The women practiced hard under the critical eye of their instructors and soon found themselves regular participants in numerous parades.

"They are Marines. They don't have a nickname and they don't need one. They get their basic training in a Marine atmosphere. They inherit the traditions of the Marines. They are Marines."

— Lt. Gen. Thomas Holcomb
17th Commandant of the Marine Corps

The public was waiting for a catchy nickname for these women Marines. Lt. Gen. Holcomb, when bombarded with these questions, said "They are Marines. They don't have a nickname and they don't need one. They get their basic training in a Marine atmosphere. They inherit the traditions of the Marines. They are Marines." Even with the remarks of the Commandant, these female Marines could not avoid the public's desire to coin nicknames for them. Although Marine Reservists (F) was their official title, they also became known as, "Lady Hellcats, Skirt Marines and Marinettes." The women Marines who went through the training wanted equal recognition as their male counterparts.

Nicknames were not the only problems these Marine Reservists (F) had to deal with. There was a long delay in receiving uniforms, and some even made their own, modeled after the male's uniform. Assignments were slow, with the Marine Reservists (F) filtering into their jobs one by one, to provide them with the proper turnover.

Housing was another problem for these new Marines. Although the military maintained government barracks in the Washington area, these were used to house the overflow of permanent male personnel and a constant stream of transient Marines. Women were given an allowance for housing and substance, approximately $83.40 per month, and were assisted in finding suitable housing. Even with this assistance, housing was hard to find.

Although many wanted to stay together, most were forced to rent single rooms in private homes or boarding houses.

In time, women began to find their comfort zones in the roles predominantly held by men. The Marine Reservists (F) found uniforms that were satisfactory and suitable housing. They went to work with confidence and expanded into other fields not common for women.

Traditionally, women worked in offices, hospitals, classrooms and retail stores, but in the Marine Corps, they branched out and held jobs as drivers, mechanics, plumbers, and electricians. The women Marines broke new ground when they worked as radio operators, photographers, and aerial gunnery instructors.

The most receptive military units were aviation units. Presumably, because they were relative pioneers themselves, aviation leaders were less tradition-bound, and they enthusiastically asked for large numbers of women and were willing to assign them to technical fields. Eventually, nearly one third of the Women Reservists served in aviation.

Upon discharge from the Marine Corps, the women reservists were afforded full benefits, the same as their male counterparts. They were given coveted right to a military burial in Arlington National Cemetery alongside others who gave their life to preserve America's honor. They were also eligible for government insurance, World War compensation, and a bonus upon discharge, medical benefits and a five percent bonus added to civil service examinations for those who choose to remain in government service.

The phrase "Once a Marine, always a Marine" held true to these first female Marines. After their service in the Marine Corps, many of the women went back to the civilian sector as government employees. However, all of these Marines held a special remembrance of their time in the service. Private Mary Sharkey, Marine Reservists (F) stated, "I loved being a Marine. I loved helping our country. The feeling that the Marine Corps and I helped each other will always remain with me ... however, the scales were definitely tipped on my side. It was all in all, a wonderfully gratifying experience."

Compiled by Quantico Sentry Staff

STREET TALK

"Who do you think is the most influential woman in history?"

Pfc. Keenan R. Nesbitt, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG

"Sandra Day O'Conner, the first female Supreme Court justice, because she laid the groundwork for women's roles in prestigious positions in judicial offices."

Lance Cpl. Renee J. Prall, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG

"Barbara Jordan, because of her integrity. She worked with former Texas Governor Ann Richards and didn't fall on either side of party lines on issues. She did what was right and did her job with integrity."

Lance Cpl. Michelle M. Peeples, H&S Bn., MCB

"Princess Diana, because she helped anyone no matter what their problem was. That's how the world should be."

Lance Cpl. Michael R. Bennett, H&S Bn., 3rd FSSG

"My mom, because she taught me how to be a man even though she was a woman."

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On the way

Light Armored Recon gets down, dirty ...

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Corporal Aeron White, loader, loads 25 mm rounds in a Light Armored Vehicle during training at Range 10 on Camp Schwab.

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Corporal Arnulfo Rodriguez III, team leader, sits atop his Light Armored Vehicle during training at Camp Schwab.

Lance Cpl. Zachary A. Crawford

Combat Correspondent

CAMP SCHWAB — Marines of 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion temporarily changed their training scene from the desert sands of Southern California to the jungles on Okinawa.

The LAR Marines from Marine Corps Air-Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif., came here as part of the Unit Deployment Program. Under the program the unit became Light Armored Reconnaissance Company D, Combat Assault Battalion, 3rd Marine Division. These Marines practiced reconnaissance missions, tactical maneuvering and 25 mm and small arms firing at Range 10 here Feb. 21-24.

The training provided the company with opportunites to practice patrolling, setting up defenses and shooting in a dense jungle environment.

"It was definitely a different training experience compared to what we are use to in California," said Lance Cpl. Wyatt Smith, Light Armored Vehicle crewman. "It rained a lot and it was a little colder than we are used to."

While at Range 10, the Marines sharpened their gunnery skills by firing 25 mm rounds from their LAVs, moving to a new position and firing again. They used a silhouette on the inside of a tunnel as a target.

"We got in a lot of good shooting," said Cpl. Clifton R. Murphey, squad leader, LAR Co. D.

Along with the shooting, the Marines practiced maneuvering themselves and the LAVs through the dense and muddy terrain at Range 10.

"These Marines are trained to perform all kinds of missions," said 2nd Lt. Vincent A. Knapp, 3rd platoon commander, LAR Co. D. "We are trained to accomplish missions like tactical recoveries of personnel, noncombatant personnel evacuations and many other reconnaissance missions that use the LAVs and scout support."

"Our missions change all the time," said Staff Sgt. Jason B. Thompson, 3rd platoon sergeant, LAR Co. D. "We could be providing convoy security one minute and protecting a forward line of troops the next."

With the need to be prepared for any type of mission, the company also fired their mounted M-240G machine guns and M-249 Squad Automatic Weapons.

Once the smoke cleared and all the rounds had been spent, it was time for the Marines to perform preventive maintenance work on their weapons and vehicles.

"When we're not training, we're bustin' rust," said Lance Cpl. Matthew W. Barrington, LAV crewman, LAR Co. D. "We have to keep our vehicles and weapons in the best condition possible so we can provide support whenever needed."

Whether its sending rounds down range from an LAV or snooping around the jungle for reconnaissance purposes, LAR is maintaining its high state of readiness and is prepared to tackle any challenge presented to them.

LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Marines from Light Armored Reconnaissance Company D, patrol and set up defenses through the rough terrain of Camp Schwab's Range 10.

LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Lance Cpl. Miguel A. Martinez, Light Armored Vehicle gunner, gets into his position in the unit's 360-degree defense during training at Range 10.

... Shooting, patrolling, setting up defenses

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP SCHWAB — The patrol moved cautiously down the barren path as their bootprints turned to pools of mud and washed away.

Rain fell from the jungle canopy, casting a haze throughout the area as the Marines moved on.

As they patroled, their vehicles remained behind the treeline.

Marines from 3rd Platoon, Light Armored Reconnaissance Company D, Combat Assault Battalion, 3rd Marine Division set up a patrol base here recently.

The patrol base, a temporary encampment where Marines on the move can reorganize, rest, eat chow and perform weapons maintenance, is vital to the mission of a recon platoon.

"It's basically like going back to the rear for a day," said Cpl. K. C. Green, scout team leader, LAR Co. D. "If you want to survive, you don't want to run all your people on empty."

The patrol began down a treacherously steep incline, then formed a 360-degree defense.

After waiting several minutes, they received the signal to move out. The patrol snaked its way over hillsides,through dense vegetation and across creek beds to the patrol camp.

Once there, they again set up a 360-degree defense with their two squad automatic weapons facing the avenues of approach.

This training provided the Marines with the experience to handle real-life situations relating to their combat missions.

For devildogs that normally cruise in Light Armored Vehicles, this training could save their lives if they have to leave the vehicles behind.

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Second Lieutenant Vincent A. Knapp, platoon commander, 3rd Plt., fires a M-240G machine gun at Range 10 targets on Camp Schwab.

"If those vehicles ever break down in combat, you've got to put your pack on, grab your M-16 and go," said Pfc. Carter R. Larkin, LAV crewman, LAR Co. D. "You've got to keep your edge."

Keeping that edge is attained with an opportunity to get them out in the field. according to 2nd Lt. Vincent A. Knapp, 3rd platoon commander, LAR Co. D. "Skills get rusty when they're not used, just like the vehicles," he added.

Ultimately, the training maintained LAR's ability to meet mission accomplishment during a combat mission.

"That's what LAR does," Knapp said. "We do patrol reconnaissance. Patrols are one of our primary means to perform that mission."

After setting up the defense, the platoon settled and waited silently atop the hill as they stared out into the jungle.

No rolling thunder. No blaring cannon.

On that day, LAR got dirty – steppin' it out with a pack, not a LAV.

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

(top) Marines from 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines sit through the Jungle Survival Class at the Jungle Warfare Training Center. Marines attend the Jungle Survival Class as part of their jungle warfare training package.
(left) Marines from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines make their way through the 'Pit n' Pond' obstacle at the Jungle Warfare Training Center.

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Marines from 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines hasty rappel down rough terrain at the Jungle Warfare Training Center.

JWTC shows Marines ...

How to survive in the jungle

Sgt. Nathaniel T. Garcia

Combat Correspondent

CAMP GONSALVES — The mission of the Jungle Warfare Training Center instructors is to train Marines in the art of survival. Marines at JWTC learn how to survive in a jungle environment.

During the class, students listen patiently to such subjects as psychological requirements for survival, the seven enemies of survival, criteria for the survival kit, natural navigation, universal testing and making primitive tools and weapons.

"The purpose of this class is to teach Marines how to make it back alive," said Sgt. Adam H. Fullilove, instructor, JWTC.

During the psychological portion of the class, Fullilove teaches that making decisions, whether good or bad, is essential.

"If you get separated from your squad in a firefight and decide to leave the last spot you were at to find your group, another friendly group may come by that spot and pick you up," said Fullilove. "But then again, if you stay there, your group may have cleared the area to call down fire from the air, or more enemy units may be coming by. So, whatever you decide to do, stick to it."

Fullilove also teaches how to overcome fear and panic.

Besides fear and panic, there are seven enemies of survival a Marine must overcome; pain, temperature, thirst, hunger, fatigue, anxiety and boredom/loneliness.

A Marine must decide whether the pain is just discomfort or injury. One can live with discomfort, but an injury could be fatal if not treated, according to Fullilove.

Temperature can also play a factor in a Marine's survival if he is not properly equipped with appropriate gear for the climate. Keeping the gear dry and as clean as possible is also important.

Thirst and hunger can make a Marine panic. "When you're really hungry, you'll wish you had those extra chicken nuggets you threw out years back," said Fullilove.

Marines can overcome anxiety, boredom and loneliness by keeping busy and always trying to improve the situation they are in, according to Fullilove.

During the class, Fullilove described the criteria of a survival kit Marines should carry to help overcome various obstacles of survival. Two essential elements to the survival kit are the ability to signal for help and keeping the kit small.

"If a man is able to survive in the jungle for two years, that's great," said Fullilove. "But if another man is lost in the jungle for two hours and able to signal a vehicle driving by and get out, who is better off?"

According to Fullilove, some of the more common items found in a survival kit are materials for signaling: like mirrors, flashlights, strobes, smoke grenades, flares and a whistle.

They must also carry materials for food gathering like dental floss,a knife, 550 cord and a medical scalpel.

In addition, they will need materials used for water gathering like tin foil, plastic bags,a non-lubricated condom and canteens.

For fire-starting materials, they will need matches, lighters, a magnesium block and a magnifying glass.

The purpose of these items is to help Marines stay alive and get out of the jungle, according to Fullilove.

For Marines to survive in the jungle, they must know where they are and where they are going. Fullilove instructed the Marines on ways to use natural materials for navigation.

Using the shadow method, a pocket navigator, or by watching the sun during the day, Marines can tell which direction they are heading.

At night Marines were taught how to use a stick and string to find the North Star, the Big Dipper and the Little Dipper.

Even though a Marine may be able to find which way he is heading, once separated from the rest of the unit, his food supply is limited and living off the land may become the only resource.

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In order to find which plant life is safe to consume and which is dangerous, the universal test must be applied.

The test is applied by sampling a small portion of plant life after not eating for 24 hours.

The portion should be chewed for 15 minutes before swallowing, checking for signs of poison, sickness or rashes.

After that, larger portions are consumed every eight hours making sure there are no signs of poison. If there are signs of poison, the test must be started again with another plant from the beginning.

Fullilove also discussed ways to make primitive tools and weapons for hunting purposes. Tools like slings, fishing spears, yoke sticks, mallets, locking snares, bows and knives made from foreign objects could be used to hunt.

"The mission may be accomplished," said Fullilove. "But the mission isn't over until we make it back alive."

John Wayne joins recon battalion

Cpl. Jeff Womack

Combat Correspondent

CAMP SCHWAB — Rhythmic, booming taps occupy the air of the 5th Force Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine Division's, main office hallway as a large creature makes its way to the training and operations office.

Its body is covered with black, coarse hair on top with a sharp white blotch on its chest. He weighs 95 pounds and exudes confidence. This animal is known throughout the base as Private First Class "Big Duke Six," 5th Force Recon Bn's. pit bull mascot.

Duke, respectfully named after John Wayne, is four years old and has been with Recon since May 1999.

"We believe he was a Japanese fighting dog before we picked him up at the Karing Kennel," said Gunnery Sgt. James B. Smith, training chief and caretaker for Duke. "He was originally the platoon mascot for 1st platoon, Company A. He picks up his official orders as the battalion mascot this week."

The Duke's daily routine is almost equal to a Recon Marine's schedule.

"He'll run physical training with us and go the whole three miles," said Smith. "He'll even sit out in front of the office and wait for another platoon to run by. He'll even chase some units down the road."

With all of the exposure to different Marines each day, he even tries to mimic humans.

"He'll sit in chairs, thinking he's a person," said Smith. "He even sleeps on a cot at night."

One of Duke's accomplishments is recon swim qualification with a hopeful spot at getting jump wings.

"We gave him a 'doggy' swim qual test," said Smith. "We're also trying to get him to come jump with us."

With Duke's new billet as battalion mascot, new things await him.

"We're building him a six-foot wide, seven-foot tall and eight-foot deep doghouse," said Smith. "We're even putting a love seat in it which he likes to sit on."

CPL. JEFF WOMACK

Private First Class "Big Duke Six," battalion mascot, 5th Force Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, stands tall in front of his unit's sign.

Duke may have his comical moments, but still stands as a pillar of pride for the battalion.

"He's a very loyal dog," said Smith. "If you mess with him, he'll align you."

CPL. JEFF WOMACK

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(top) Private First Class "Big Duke Six," respectfully named after John Wayne, and battalion mascot, 5th Force Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, struts down the sidewalk after chasing a football in front of the battalion office. (right) Gunnery Sgt. James B. Smith, training chief, 5th Force Recon Bn., 3rd Marine Division, plays with Pfc. "Big Duke Six," in front of the battalion office.

Carrying on tradition

Third generation Marine brothers protect and serve

Lance Cpl. Scott Whittington

Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN — The Marine Corps has been called a "band of brothers." Today the idea is still the same, but for some Marines the relationship is through blood and the brotherhood of the Corps.

Two brothers from Springfield, Mo. followed family tradition by joining the Marine Corps and are currently serving together as military policemen here.

Lance Cpls. W. Michael, 24, and Kristopher M. Magill, 21, followed in the bootprints of their grandfather, father and three uncles, when they became Marines.

While other children were learning to sing nursery rhymes, these brothers sang to a different tune.

"The first song we knew the words to was the 'Marines Hymn'," said Michael a former professional bull rider.

Michael and Kristopher said their Marine family members have all become very successful after getting out of the Corps.

Their grandfather was an Episcopal preacher for the Denver Broncos. Their father is a doctor with his own practice, one uncle is a warden at a federal prison, another uncle is an attorney and the third uncle owns a contracting business.

"Once you leave San Diego, Parris Island or Quantico, you know there's not much of anything you can't accomplish," said their father.

STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

Lance Cpl. W. Michael Magill, military policeman, inventories rifles at the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit's Armory on Camp Kinser.

"I always wanted to see what my family talked about," said Kristopher, a former cadet for the Republic Police Department in Missouri.

After three years of college, the brothers decided to join the Marine Corps.

"Everyone has a college degree these days," said Michael. "The Marines will give us a step ahead of everyone else."

Growing up, football was a major part of the brothers' lives, playing at Kickpoo High School. Both brothers attended Southwest Missouri State where Kristopher continued his football skill as a tight end. Michael went on to Bethany College, where he played quarterback. After college, both brothers played for the Springfield Rage, a semipro team. On the team, Michael was quarterback and Kristopher, played tight end.

"We work as hard as we play," said Michael.

Both shared a love for football in addition to law enforcement.

While at college, both were studying to have minors in criminal justice. Michael majored in psychology and Kristopher in criminal psychology.

LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Lance Cpl. Kristopher M. Magill, military policeman, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, performs a radio check before going on patrol.

The former Marines in the Magill family are proud of their service in the Marine Corps.

"The Marine Corps is a fraternity of America," said their father. "Thirty years down the road, you will not see someone with their college fraternity represented on a bumper sticker, but you will see a Marine's."

After their service in the Marine Corps, Michael wants to work with the FBI and Kristopher wants to do the same or join the highway patrol.

Another brother has appeared on the Marine Corps scene. Travis, 19, graduated boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C., in December.

He too has aspirations of becoming an MP, according to the brothers.

"Our family is very family-oriented and very close," said Kristopher.

"Being here together, if anything, has made our relationship stronger," said Michael. "Family is the only thing that will be around forever."

Those who observe the Magill brothers see the closeness shared between the brothers.

"The Magill's are tight brothers and they project their brotherhood to the rest of the Military Police Department of the North District," said 2nd Lt. Giuseppe A. Stavale. "It is unique to have two brothers serving in the same unit with the same MOS. Their presence literally adds the word 'family' to our organization. We truly are a band of brothers."

Growing up together, joining the Corps at the same time, becoming MPs at the same duty station and having the same days off does not hurt their brotherly love, the brothers say. Both brothers said they love experiencing life here together.

Not only do they share these commonalities, they are also roommates at the Provost Marshal's Office barracks here.

"Life is a lot easier sharing a room with someone you can trust," said Michael.

These brothers shared almost everything since childhood. Whether it's an ice-cream cone or a boot band, they will always have a strong relationship.

The "Band of Brothers" has been around for more than 224 years and with dedicated families like the Magills, the Corps will be around many years to come.

Marine first amphibious landing 224 years ago today

Sgt. Nathaniel T. Garcia

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — Marines forward deployed are often referred to as the "tip of the spear." Throughout history Marines have proven time and time again to be a force in readiness, lending their firepower and lives in the nation's defense.

The first Marines were also forward deployed during the nation's fight for independence in the Revolutionary War. Convinced that a force of Marines could both fight at sea and mount military operations ashore, Congress decided on Nov. 10, 1775, to raise two battalions at Continental expense not only for the Nova Scotia expedition, but for subsequent service.

The two battalions of Marines raised consisted of one colonel, two lieutenant colonels, two majors, and other officers as usual in other regiments of the time. Also, they consisted of an equal number of privates with other battalions.

It was March 3, 1776, 224 years ago today, when approximately 230 Marines and 50 Sailors landed on New Providence Island, Bahamas, marking the first amphibious landing by Marines and the bloodless capture of two British-held forts and New Providence Town.

In February 1776, the companies of Marines boarded five vessels of the Continental Navy for their first taste of war. The five vessels, commanded by Commodore Esek Hopkins, were ordered by congressional leaders to clear the southern American coast of British warships and return north to do the same off New England's coast.

Hopkins, however, skirted past the southern states and headed toward the Bahamas with a force that now numbered eight vessels, six of which carried Marines.

In the Bahamas, there were rumored to be 600 barrels of British gun powder.

Those first 230 Marines rowed ashore in whaleboats at 2 p.m. that historic Sunday and landed without opposition approximately two miles east of Fort Montagu. Lt. John Trevett led a company of Marines to the fort. The defenders of the fort resisted only with a few 18-pound shots fired before surrendering.

Early the following morning, Capt. Samuel Nicholas led his Marines one mile to the edge of New Providence Town and demanded the keys to the second fort, Fort Nassau. The Marines captured the fort and pulled down the British colors without any further resistance.

Although the Marines had taken the forts with little effort or resistance, the mission was not a total success. During the night, the British governor shipped off 162 casks of gunpowder to safety in Florida.

The Marines only found 24 casks of gunpowder, 46 cannons, 12 smaller guns and 15 mortars. The Navy ships sailed off on March 17, taking three ships recaptured from the British, Governor Montfort Browne and two other officials as prisoners.

Nevertheless, the Marines showed much intensity and a reasonable degree of discipline during their short occupation of New Providence and embarked in high spirits from the first amphibious landing made by American Marines, according to J. Robert Moskin's book, "The U.S. Marine Corps Story."

STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

Kadena head coach Bill Mierzejewski tries to rally his players during the closing minutes.

Faith knocks off defending Far East champs 68-62 during tournament play

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

KADENA AIR BASE — The Philippines' Faith Academy Vanguards avenged last years' loss to the defending champion Kadena Panthers with a 68-62 victory in the finals of the Far East High School Boys Class AA Basketball Tournament at Kadena High School here Feb. 26.

Seniors Matt Castagna, who poured in 32 points to lead all scorers, and the tournament's Most Valuable Player, 6-foot-7 center Joe Saunders, who chipped in 15 points, led the Vanguards to a hard-fought victory over the favored Panthers.

The victory completed the swan song to Vanguard head coach Tine "the Legend" Hardeman's final season, giving him his seventh Pacific-wide championship in four different levels of tournaments throughout an illustrious 42-year coaching career.

"It feels wonderful," said Hardeman. "It's a great way to end your high school career, not only for my seniors, but for the coach. It wraps up a nice year."

The Vanguards dedicated the tournament to Hardeman, telling everyone in the gym with every break of the huddle exactly how much it meant to send their coach out with a championship.

"It meant a lot," Castagna said. "When we huddled in as a team we went 'one, two, three - coach' instead of 'Faith' like we usually do."

Both teams started the ballgame pushing the ball up the court. However, it was Faith who took advantage of Kadena's full-court pressure on their way to a 25-16 lead late in the second quarter, after sophomore forward Steve Krueger nailed a 15-foot jump shot from the baseline.

Kadena hung tough behind the hard-nosed play of sophomore forward Anthony King, who battled the boards for 10 first-half points, with the majority coming from offensive rebounds.

With 2:30 left in the first half, senior guard Rico Beard's steal and layup capped a 7-1 Kadena run that prompted a quick timeout by Faith, while the home crowd erupted with cheers.

STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

Kadena's Dan Spottsville challenges a defender from the Philippines' Faith Academy during the finals of the Far East High School Boys Class AA Basketball Tournament at Kadena High School.

Faith quickly regained control due to the unbelievable performance from Castagna. The 6-foot-4 forward scored five of his 19 first-half points during the final two minutes of the first half, then drilled a three-pointer to open up the second half, swinging the momentum back to Faith with a 34-26 lead.

"When the big man got in foul trouble, I figured I had to step it up a little," said Castagna.

Castagna stepped up by continually hitting big shots, such as a four-point-play to start the fourth quarter, giving Faith a 55-46 lead.

With less than five minutes to play, Faith gained their biggest lead of the ballgame, 60-50, when Kadena's 6-foot-9 Tom Penner was whistled for goaltending.

But Kadena had one run left. With about 18 seconds left to play, junior guard Kelvin Smith dropped in a three-pointer from the wing, cutting the lead to three, 65-62.

However, senior guard Young-Bin Kim hit three free throws in the final seconds to ice the game for the Vanguards, giving Faith the 68-62 victory.

"I thought my team was well disciplined," Hardeman said, referring to the way his team fought off tough defensive pressure from the Panthers in a hostile gym. "That's not easy to do."

"Kadena was a fine ball club," said Hardeman. "They represented their school well."

STAFF SGT. JASON J. BORTZ

Faith forward Matt Castagna led all scorers with 32 points versus Kadena in the finals.

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Sat The Beach (R);6:30; 9:30
Sun The Omega Code (PG13); 1:00
Sun Sleepy Hollow (R); 4:00, 7:00
Mon Sleepy Hollow (R);7:00
Tue Flawless (R); 7:00
Thu The Whole Nine Yards (R); 7:00

Courtney (622-9616)

Fri End of Days (R); 7:00
Sat The World is Not Enough (PG13); 7:00
Sun The Whole Nine Yards (R); 6:00
Wed Music of the Heart (PG); 2:00
Wed Bring out the Dead (R); 6:00

Futenma (636-3890)

Fri Messenger: Joan of Arc Story (R); 7:30
Sat The Omega Code (PG13); 7:30
Sun The World is not Enough (PG13); 7:30
Mon The Tigger Movie (G);7:30
Wed The Beach (R); 7:30

Hansen (623-4564)

Fri The Omega Code (PG13); 6:30, 9:30
Sat The Omega Code (PG13); 6:30
Sun Sleepy Hollow (R); 5:30, 8:30
Mon Sleepy Hollow (R); 7:00
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Wed Bring Out the Dead (R); 7:00
Thu Bring Out the Dead (R); 7:00

Keystone (634-1869)

Fri The Tigger Movie (G); 6:30
Fri The Omega Code (PG13); 9:30
Sat The Tigger Movie (G); 1:00
Sat The Omega Code (PG13); 4:30, 9:00
Sun The Tigger Movie (G); 2:00
Sun Sleepy Hollow (R); 5:00, 8:30
Mon The Whole Nine Yards (R); 2:00, 7:00
Tue Flawless (R); 7:00
Wed Flawless (R); 7:00

Kinser (637-2177)

Fri The Whole Nine Yards (R); 7:00
Sat Pokemon (G); 3:00
Sat The Whole Nine Yards (R); 7:00,11:30
Sun Sleepy Hollow (R); 7:00
Tue Flawless (R); 7:00
Wed Sleepy Hollow (R); 7:00
Thu Flawless (R); 7:00

Schwab (625-2333)

Fri Messenger: Joan of Arc Story (R); 7:00
Sat The World is not Enough (PG13); 6:00, 9:00
Sun American Beauty (R); 7:00
Mon The World is not Enough (PG13); 7:00
Tue The Whole Nine Yards (R); 7:00
Wed The Whole Nine Yards (R); 7:00
Thu The Omega Code (PG13); 7:00