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Front Cover:

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Members of the Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., Police Department fire the Berelli M4 shotgun during weapons qualification at the base firing range, Nov. 20. Police and service members use the range to qualify for a variety of weapons.

Back Cover:

Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow will be having Toys for Tots drives at the gates every Tuesday until Dec. 10. Marines will also be found collecting new and unwrapped toys at various locations around town. For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Jeffery Worley, Toys for Tots coordinator here, at 760-577-6494.



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The Army's 2916th Aviation Battalion stationed at National Training Center Fort Irwin, Calif., put on a simulated casualty training exercise at Barstow – Daggett County Airport in Daggett, Calif., Nov. 18. Personnel from Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow's fire and emergency services participated in the training exercise. The training exercise simulated a midair collision of two helicopters and the execution of the unit's emergency response plan. MCLB Barstow's role in the exercise was practicing its mutual aid response plan, assisting with patient triage, and moving injured victims to airlift.

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Spouse in the House: Help support your neighbor

Story and photos by
Pfc. Garrett White
Combat Correspondent

Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow's Marine Corps Family Team Building, held a Spouse in the House event at the base Family Restaurant, Nov. 13.

The purpose of the event was to let military spouses who live on base promote businesses or services they run in home, said Julie Wilbanks, MCFTB director.

"Since (MCLB) Barstow is such a small base it's important that we support each other," Wilbanks explained.

Additionally, since MCLB Barstow is home to different branches of service, it's a good way to build cross service camaraderie, Wilbanks continued.

"We had a good turnout; a lot of the other spouses and families came out to support each other," she added. "We also had a lot of support from the base staff."

The Family Restaurant was a good location to catch the attention of anyone coming for lunch, said Wilbanks.

Sandra Murray, military spouse, who runs a home based confectionery business, was able to raise awareness of her service, as well as sell some of her products.

Adrea Facio, military spouse, said it was great exposure for her business. She is a

sales representative for a company that sells nontoxic vinyl nail wraps, and was able to demonstrate how easy to use her product was.

More events like Spouse in the House should happen on base, said Carolina Harker, military spouse, who offers custom embroidery services. She would

attend an event like this every week during the holiday season.

While every week might not work out, MCFTB will definitely look into similar events in the future, said Wilbanks. MCFTB is always looking for ways to support military families; this event was a great way to do so.



Andrea Facio (right), military spouse on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., demonstrates her nail products to Cheryl Magorno, a multimedia specialist on MCLB Barstow, at Marine Corps Family Team Building's Spouse in the House event at the base Family Restaurant, Nov. 13. The purpose of the event was to let military spouses who live on base promote personal businesses or services they run from in the home.

News Briefs

Leave Share Program

The following is a comprehensive list of individuals currently affected by medical emergencies and are in need of leave donations:

Arvon Allen, John Alley Jr., Michael Bernal, David Buell, Johnny Davis Jr., Kerry Eaton, Eduardo Tintos Funcke, Christopher Gregory, Wilfred Tyrone Holt, Ernest Langford, Amy Loughridge, Lisa Lucero, Nicole Miller, Tulu Niusulu. Anyone desiring to donate annual leave under the Leave Sharing Program may do so by obtaining a leave donor application form from the Human Resources Office. Ensure completed forms are turned into HRO as well. For more information, contact Josie Marquez 4 at 760 - 577 - 6481.

Blood Drive

A blood drive is to be held at the Nebo Annex, Bldg. 375, and the Yermo Annex, Bldg. 574, Dec., 5, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Story Time & Crafts

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, the base library will be hosting a story time and crafts event, today, at 10 a.m. For more information, contact the Library at (760) 577-6395.

Trees for Troops

Beginning December 6, at 9 a.m., active duty service members can receive a free Christmas Tree at the Desert View Housing Community Center. Trees are given away on a first-come, first-served basis. Register at <http://trees4troops.eventbrite.com>. For more information, call (760) 511-6968.

Softball Tournament

MCLB Barstow will be hosting a Toys for Tots Softball Tournament, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m. DoD Employees, Public Safety, and Military Personnel are all eligible to enter, the entry fee is a new unwrapped toy to be donated to the Toys for Tots Program. To register, contact Paul Purdy prior to Dec. 12 at (760) 577-6099 or (760) 985 1817.

Energy Tip:

Recycle newspapers, aluminum cans, glass, and plastic bottles. An item made from recycled material requires less energy than producing brand new items from raw material.

Happy Thanksgiving from your base commander

The basic reasons for Thanksgiving festivities this year differ little from those that moved the Pilgrims to celebrate a bountiful harvest more than 400 years ago.

For the English Puritans who founded the Plymouth Colony in 1620, it meant traveling across dangerous and unknown waters in search of new freedoms in a hostile land to be blessed with an abundance of food.

For most Americans, Thanksgiving will mean traveling dangerous roads to arrive at their destinations safely, much like those early settlers, to join family and friends, and enjoy turkey, football and other festivities. Once there, it will be a time to reflect on the blessings, hopes, and dreams of the future.

Thanksgiving is also a special time to remember those separated from loved ones. Individually, and as a nation, we owe the men and women serving our Armed Forces around the world and in harm's way our utmost gratitude. It is to these selfless patriots, and the families who wait for them, that we are forever indebted for the preservation of liberty in the free world, and for giving to those who remain oppressed.

I am especially thankful to be serving at a command graced with talent, dedication and professionalism. I am also thankful for the knowledge that Marines throughout our Corps are superbly equipped. For those reasons, I am confident the future of our Corps will remain steadfast in this world of uncertainties.

Anne and I wish each of you, and your families, safe travels and a festive Thanksgiving and a joyous holiday season.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. L. Scaslise".

M. L. SCASLISE
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Turning less into more

Story and photos by
Pfc. Garrett White
Combat Correspondent

In a time where sequestration is cutting the government's budget, military units need to find ways to cut expenses while still accomplishing the mission with the same level of quality and precision.

The facilities maintenance department on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., is working to accomplish both of these things at the same time, said Peter Barela, facilities manager here.

Facilities maintenance, under the Public Works Division, is responsible for minor maintenance, repairs, and upkeep for MCLB Barstow, explained Barela. Typically facilities maintenance handles work orders that take between 16 – 20 hours to complete. They have several programs and contracts in place to help reduce operational costs and energy consumption while providing the same level of service to the base.

One way they reduce cost is through preventative maintenance, explained Barela. If worn parts can be replaced before a serious breakdown occurs, it will save on the time that piece of equipment is out of service, which can affect productivity.

"Right there that cuts the costs of every day breakdowns, (which lowers) work loss," he continued. "Time is money, so



Gus Lopez, maintenance mechanic on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., inspects building 218's fire sprinkler system, Nov. 20. Facilities maintenance has a preventative maintenance program in place to prevent serious breakdowns or malfunctions with equipment from occurring.

the less time lost from broken equipment means more money saved."

There are also contracts and programs in place to have replacement parts and supplies on hand, Barela added. When

something breaks or needs replacing, there is less time that piece of equipment is inoperable.

Another way facilities maintenance is improving its efficiency, is in the way it handles work orders with the use of USMC Maximo, said Stephen Cichoski, MCLB Barstow Yermo Annex maintenance supervisor.

USMC Maximo is a computer-based information sorting system, where the customer can easily submit a work order ticket, said Cichoski. Maximo then organizes the work orders for facilities maintenance to look through and prioritize them. This allows facilities maintenance to resolve work

orders quickly and efficiently, saving the base time and money.

Recently facilities maintenance contracted a resource efficiency manager (REM), said Anthony Mesa, energy manager with facilities maintenance. The REM can go into a building and can come up with a project for the whole building and see what can be done to save energy.

This can range from using different light bulbs, water heaters, air conditioning units, or even implementing the use of solar panels, Mesa explained. As long as he can ensure the change will reduce energy costs, a plan can be made to implement the change.

Sometimes savings can occur by accident, said Cichoski. As technology improves, so can its energy efficiency. For example, when changing out AC units on base, the newer units are simply more efficient than the old ones. It's hard not to take advantage of new hardware.

The bottom line is that facilities maintenance's goal is to reduce spending costs, while providing the same or better service to MCLB Barstow, said Barela.



David L. Davis, facilities maintenance and services assistant on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., reviews a work order at his desk, Nov. 20. Facilities maintenance works to keep buildings and equipment on MCLB Barstow in working order.

BARSTOW HEROES RECOGNIZED ON LOCAL STREETS

Story and photos by
Lance Cpl. Samuel Ranney
Press Chief

On Nov. 4, the city of Barstow kicked-off its 2013 Military Banner Program as more than 180 banners were unveiled.

The Military Banner Program is a city-wide attempt to recognize active duty service members from Barstow, said Anthony Riley, Barstow's public information officer. Upon request, active duty Barstow residents now have their names and their respected branch of service posted on banners throughout the community.

Riley further explained the banners are free and are going to stay posted year-round, until that Barstow resident is no longer on active duty.

"We are a military city and we have a strong military presence here," he said. "The city wanted to thank and honor those who serve and dedicate



A military banner honors an active duty Barstow, Calif., resident, on display on Main Street in Barstow. The Military Banner Program was put into effect throughout the city of Barstow on Nov. 14.



A military banner posted behind an American flag on Main Street in Barstow, Calif., Nov. 18. With a strong military presence in the community, Barstow honors active duty residents by posting their names and branch of service throughout the town.

their lives to protect this country and their fellow man."

The mayor of Barstow, Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre, further explained that with the Marine Corps Logistics Base in town and National Training Center Fort Irwin close by, Barstow truly is a military town.

"We think very highly of our service members and wanted to honor our Barstow residents on active duty," Hackbarth-McIntyre said.

Numerous families of the service members have said how much they appreciate the banners. It means a lot for them to see their loved ones names while they are away on duty, added Hackbarth-McIntyre.

Although not a Barstow native, Lance Cpl. Adrian Velasco, administrative clerk on MCLB Barstow, is honored in a similar way in his hometown, Monrovia, Calif.

"My city put up a banner with my name and branch of service after I checked into MCLB (Barstow)," Velasco said. "It makes me proud to know I'm one of the few people from

my city to enlist in the military."

The Monrovia native further explained that he is the youngest in his family and the first to leave home. His mother, Alicia Velasco, has told him numerous times how proud it makes her to see her son's name up in their town while he is away.

"It's (the Military Banner Program) a great way for communities to show their appreciation to local service members and their families," Velasco added.

Barstow is honored by the commitment and dedication of the men and women who have chosen this honorable profession, Hackbarth-McIntyre said. Through this program, the town extends its appreciation for the sacrifices made in protecting this great nation.

The city of Barstow recently finished displaying the more than 180 banners across the town; they can be found on local streets to include Main Street, Barstow Road, and Mountain View Road, concluded Riley.

MCLB Barstow to open Historical Display

Story and photos by
Lance Cpl. Samuel Ranney
Press Chief

Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow may appear to be a smaller, less essential base compared to others; however, there is more to it than meets the eye and its history runs deep.

Miriam Hemme, a volunteer curator on base, can tell you better than anyone. For several months, she has dedicated her time to sorting myriad photos and artifacts to be displayed in MCLB Barstow's Historical Display, tentatively slated to open Feb. 5, in Building 204 on base.

Hemme's artistic skill set led her to be interested in volunteering to set up the historical gallery. At first, the room was nothing more than piles of scattered items and numerous photos placed in dilapidated albums, she explained.

"My main focus at first was sorting through everything," she said. "I love looking through the photos and items while putting them on display and turning them into photo collages to hang up."

After months of organizing, the display is finally coming together, she added. Her goal is to have every section on base represented in the historical display. This way, base personnel can see what their job here was like in the past.

"(Artifacts and photos) from most sections are already here," explained the Waynesville, N.C., native. "However, we still have a lot of things coming in from different (parts) of the base."

Hemme encourages everyone on base to visit the display once it's completed.



Rob L. Jackson (right), public affairs officer on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., shows base personnel Marine Corps uniform items from the Korean and Vietnam War era, Nov. 21., at MCLB Barstow's Historical Gallery. The gallery is a work in progress, tentatively slated to open Feb. 5.

"They (base personnel) will be surprised to see where Barstow has come from and what it used to be like in the past," she further explained.

Hemme added that the display contains silver used in a previous base officer's club, bayonets, past Marine Corps uniform items, a copy of a base paper written in 1943, a photo of what the base looked like when it was first bought in 1942, photos of celebrities who have visited the base, along with numerous other items and photos.

"The most interesting thing I have seen so far is a fireman's mask we have on display, she explained. "It's from the early 40s and I've never seen anything like it."

Hemme further explained that people often stop by and look through some of the items; they are generally fascinated and excited for the display's finished product. Also, although the display has not been finalized, there have been a few tours given to show its progress.

Julie Wilbanks, the family readiness officer on MCLB Barstow, is among these first-time visitors.

"I was very impressed with the display," said Wilbanks. "The photos were fantastic and Miriam (Hemme) explained everything in detail."

Wilbanks added that her favorite part of the visit was looking through the photo albums and being able to see what base facilities looked like decades ago.

"The (gallery) has come a long way and I'm excited to see the finished product," explained Wilbanks.

Wilbanks further explained that the display is important because it re-emphasizes MCLB Barstow's mission. Marines can be seen doing the same essential mission back then that they are doing today: keeping equipment combat ready at all times and supporting the warfighter.



A bayonet and training grenade lie on display at Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow's Historical Gallery, Nov. 21. The gallery is tentatively slated to open Feb. 5. It contains myriad artifacts and photos telling the story of MCLB Barstow's history.

First female Marines graduate infantry

Courtsey story boy:
Pfc. Eric Keenan
Combat Correspondent

CAMP GEIGER, N.C. — During a crisp autumn dawn among the North Carolina pines, 200 panting, sweaty infantry students forged ahead on their route. Daybreak signaled the end of a 20-kilometer (12.4-mile) march out of darkness as it had for countless men before. On that morning, however, four women stood sharing the accomplishment.

Now three of those Marines — Pfc. Julia Carroll, Christina Fuentes Montenegro and Katie Gorz — have become the first entry-level enlisted women to complete infantry training as part of the Marine Corps' research effort toward integrating women into previously closed ground-combat assignments.

A graduation ceremony Nov. 21 for the 224 students of Delta Company at the School of Infantry East, Camp Geiger, N.C., marked the occasion. The women will not be taking on combat-arms roles and instead will continue to their assigned military occupational specialty school.

They will receive credit for completing infantry training in addition to satisfying the common combat-skills training required of every rifleman.

Their success allows the Corps to move forward since the Secretary of Defense's decision to rescind the 1994 direct-combat exclusion rule for women in January 2013. The Marine Corps gathered data on the women's performance as they executed existing infantry tasks and training events.

The Fiscal 2011 National Defense Authorization Act required the services to provide a review of laws, policies and regulations restricting the service of women in the Armed Forces. The Marine Corps along with the other services and Special Operations Command developed a deliberate plan to fully integrate women into newly opened positions no later than January 1, 2016.

The Corps' plan outlines the commandant's intent to adopt a deliberate, measured and responsible approach to ensure the highest levels of combat readiness are maintained and commensurate with the Corps' role as the nation's crisis response force while providing every Marine the opportunity to realize his or her potential, and posture them for success.

Marine Corps officials said any force-wide changes to be made will occur only after the Corps has conducted its research, determined the way ahead and set the conditions to implement recommendations.

Carroll, Fuentes Montenegro and Gorz are remainders of a group of 15 recruit-training graduates who volunteered and qualified for student assignments to the school's Infantry Training Battalion beginning Sept. 24.

The 20-km hike Oct. 28 was a milestone in the training. Some women dropped from the course and some, having completed combat training re-



Private first classes Katie Gorz, Julia Carroll, Christina Fuentes Montenegro have become the first entry-level enlisted women to complete infantry training as part of the Marine Corps' research effort toward integrating women into previously closed ground-combat assignments. A graduation ceremony Nov. 21, 2013 for the 224 students of Delta Company at the School of Infantry East, Camp Geiger, N.C., marked the occasion. (U. S. Marine Corps photos by Sgt. Tyler L. Main and CWO2 Paul S. Mancuso/Released)

quired for all entry-level Marines, began their paths to combat-supporting occupations. Seven women remained before the hike, and three were among a group of 29 Marines who fell out while hiking.

The hike kicked off patrol week, or what instructors consider the most challenging and important week of training in which students apply their newfound knowledge.

"Patrol week is crucial because it teaches the Marines how to efficiently take care of their bodies when in the field," said Staff Sgt. Billy Shinault, company gunnery sergeant for Delta Company.

Among performing other vital combat skills, the students demonstrated hand-and-arm signals, set ambushes and defensive positions, and simulated crossing danger areas — all designed to build confidence and show they can execute the fundamentals required of an infantryman.

"(The students) push themselves to the limit, and that's all we ask for here," Sgt. David Rogers, a Delta Company platoon leader. "They're so new. They want to taste the blood. They give everything they've got."

Beyond patrol week was a week firing the M27 Infantry Automatic Rifle, a final exam and a stress shoot designed to show the realism of battle.

Three of the final four remaining women held positions of leadership or authority: one squad leader, one fire team leader and one clerk.

"We (combat instructors) see leaders and put them in those positions," said Rogers, an infantryman with more than 10 years of service, including multiple combat deployments. "You don't just get that overnight; you have to be a leader."

MARADMIN 611/13

As of November, the Marine Corps' Tuition Assistance guidelines have changed, according to Marine Administrative Message 611/13.

The MARADMIN encourages Marines to participate in any appropriate and professional courses, to include the U.S. Military Apprenticeship Program, the College Level Examination Program, and the No-cost Federal Emergency Management Agency. The MARADMIN provides additional guidelines and regulations for Marines to participate in these programs while safe-guarding funds.

According to the message, Marines applying for TA for the first time must have at least 24-months on base and have completed the Marine Corps Institute Leadership course and the Personal Finance course. First time TA applicants will only be authorized one course unless that

individual Marine has an associate's degree or 60 credit hours with at least a 2.5 grade point average. All Marines applying for TA also must be eligible for promotion. First time applicants without a general technical score of at least 100 must complete the Adult Basic Education test and earn a score of at least 10.2. Enlisted Marines must have an EAS of 60 days beyond the completion date of the course for approval.

For more information on TA guidelines, visit <http://www.marines.mil/News/Messages/MessagesDisplay/tabid/13286/Article/154558/tuition-assistance-ta-guidelines-update.aspx>. Marines on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., can visit the base education office at the base library, McTureous Hall, for more information or assistance.

He's a Marine and he plays one in movies

Story by
Pfc. Garrett White

Combat Correspondent

'That guy' or 'that girl' is often a name given to actors or actresses who are better known for who they play, than who they are.

These thespians appear in several films, often playing the same kind of character. So while their roll is often familiar, the actor or actress themselves seem to go unknown.

Dale A. Dye is 'that guy.'

Dye has worked as a technical advisor and actor on T.V. shows and major motion pictures such as "Saving Private Ryan", "Platoon", "Band of Brothers", and most recently "Falling Skies." Dye, owns the company Warriors, Inc., which aids actors and directors in making military films more authentic.

His credentials: a 20 year career in the United States Marine Corps that spanned the ranks of enlisted, warrant officer, and officer.

Dye was born in 1944, in St. Louis. His mother served the war effort during World War II in the transportation industry, while his father was overseas with the military.

Dye's father, a liquor salesman and WWII veteran, would often take him on sale calls to the various bars in the area. During these visits, Dye became fascinated by the stories his father and other WWII veterans would share. It was then he became convinced he would join the military.

Wanting to attend military school, Dye convinced his parents to send him to St. Joseph's Military Academy near Chicago. Later, during his high school years he attended the Missouri Military Academy in Mexico, Mo. Unfortunately, his plans for further military education fell through when he failed the U.S. Naval Academy entrance exam twice.

In 1963, Dye fulfilled his childhood vision of life in the military and enlisted in the Marine Corps.

He was sent to Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego for boot camp. After graduating boot camp, Dye initially served as a mortarman, but after a year became dissatisfied with a life he said was too routine.

With prior experience writing for the MMA school newspaper, Dye was approved a lateral move into military journalism. It was also around that time U.S. involvement in Vietnam was ramping up, and by 1967, Dye was serving as a combat correspondent with the 1st Marine Division.

Over the course of the Vietnam War, Dye received several military awards; among those were three Purple Hearts, and a Bronze Star with a valor device.

After the war, Dye decided to remain in the Marine Corps. As an enlisted Marine Dye earned the rank of master sergeant and eventually became a warrant officer. After earning a Bachelor's of Arts in English Literature from the University of Maryland, Dye earned a commission as a Marine officer.

During this time, Dye noticed Hollywood's misrepresentation of military-life in films. He said that movies just didn't portray military

personnel correctly. It was then; the idea for Warriors, Inc. began to grow.

In 1983, Dye retired from the Marine Corps as a captain.

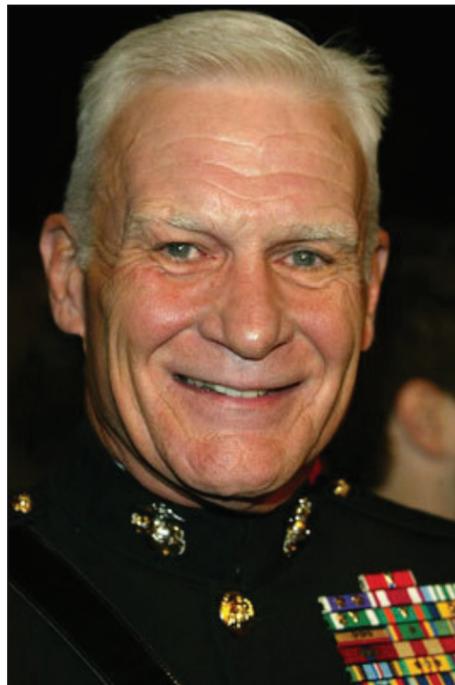
After his military career, Dye set out to forge his career in Hollywood. After being thrown off enough movie lots to know the security guards on a first-name basis, got his first break in 1986 when Tobe Hooper hired him to be a technical advisor for Hooper's sci-fi action film, "Invaders from Mars." It was also at this time Dye met director Oliver Stone, who was planning to make a Vietnam War movie called "Platoon."

Stone, also a Vietnam War veteran, agreed that "Platoon" had to be an accurate depiction of how soldiers in Vietnam lived and fought. Dye was hired to train the actors in a secluded area in the Philippines where the movie was being filmed. Charlie Sheen, Johnny Depp, Willem Dafoe, Forest Whitaker, and Tom Berenger drilled, trained and lived like soldiers for three weeks under Dye's watchful eye.

With the success of "Platoon," winning four Academy Awards including Best Picture, Dye's reputation as a technical consultant was set in stone. He then created Warriors, Inc., which trains actors for military roles in film and television. The skills and services of Warriors, Inc., recently have expanded to also include video games and reality television.

To this day, Dye remains deeply involved in creating movies and acting. Currently Dye is in preproduction on a WWII movie called "No Better Place to Die" that he wrote and will direct. He is also working on a 10-part mini-series about the Korean War called "The Forgotten War." Dye said he hopes with the help of Warriors, Inc., he can continue to promote an accurate and respectable view of the American warfighter.

Information for this article was gathered from <http://www.semmissourian.com/story/1978009.html>, <http://warriorsinc.com/>, and <http://www.imdb.com/name/nm0245653/bio>.



Chaplain's Corner: Thanksgiving is great unless you're the turkey!

By **Cmdr. Ray Bailey**
Deputy Command Chaplain
MCIWEST
Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton

For a significant number of folks Thanksgiving traditions center around turkey and football! Being from Nebraska enjoying the old rivalry of Nebraska and Oklahoma wasn't a bad way to spend the Thanksgiving Holiday. It's a great holiday for many because it simply means a couple of extra days off for an extended weekend. All in all, it's a great time unless you are the turkey!

In 2011, more than 248.5 million turkeys were raised. More than 219 million were consumed in the United States. It's estimated that 46 million of those turkeys were eaten at Thanksgiving, 22 million at Christmas and 19 million at Easter. In other words, holidays are great unless you're a turkey! On the other hand, as one thinks about these two great traditions of thanksgiving and football neither come without a sacrifice.

Likewise it takes around 3,000 cows per NFL season to supply the necessary footballs needed for the season. It's estimated that it takes one cow hide to produce approximately 20 footballs. Wilson Sporting Goods®, official supplier to the NFL, manufactures about 700,000 regulation footballs a year, which if you do the math, requires about 35,000 cow hides. NFL teams use about 11,520 footballs every regular

season, just for games, not counting practices. There are 450 balls used during the playoffs, and 76 balls are provided for each Super Bowl. It sounds like a lot more than 3,000 cows are necessary for a NFL season.

All of life is a matter of perspective and for great things to happen in life it requires sacrifice. First, we

better, for both our own enjoyment and the enjoyment of others. It's too easy to acquire an "entitlement" mindset thinking we deserve or are owed a wonderful life with no effort or responsibility on our part rather than being thankful for what we do have and being willing to work toward the betterment of others..

We are reminded of such thankfulness by the Apostle Paul when he writes to the people in Thessalonica.

He tells them that he is thankful for all of them and praying for them. A person's attitude and actions of thankfulness

may begin with thanking someone for the sacrifice they made

for your benefit and/or simply praying for someone. Paul also reminds

them to always be joyful...and give thanks in all circumstances. This

was not an easy task as the Thessalonians were being

persecuted for their faith. He

was thankful for them remaining faithful and encouraged them

in their faith. . Being thankful 'in' (not necessarily for)

our circumstances may begin and continue with a simple act(s) of sacrificing a moment of our time to help

someone. As you enjoy Thanksgiving and the throwing of the "pigskin" (rawhide) remember the sacrifice of the turkey and the cow. Thank

someone for their sacrifice because it has made your life better and more enjoyable! Give thanks to our Heavenly Father in your circumstances and decide what possible course of

action you need to take to improve your circumstances.



should be thankful for the sacrifices others have made on our behalf. Secondly, determine our perspective on life, will our perspective be one associated with an attitude of thanksgiving (thankfulness), or will it be an Eeyore "woe is me" attitude? Next, each of us must ask our self what sacrifice are we willing to make each day to help make both ourselves and the world around us

