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Officer Garrett J. Fulmer, police officer with Marine Corps Police Department on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., provides cover for fellow officers during an active shooter simulation exercise, Oct. 28.



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On November 11, hundreds of High Desert citizens, veterans and their families gathered for a Veteran's Day observance at the Mountain View Memorial Park in Barstow. During the event, Maj. Gen. Theodore D. Martin, commanding general of the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Barstow Mayor Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre, Col. Michael L. Scalise, commanding officer of Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, and Col. Jonathan P. Braga, commanding officer of NTC Army Garrison, gave their remarks about Veteran's Day. The color guard from MCLB Barstow presented colors to open the ceremony. Following the ceremony, the crowd and the color guard visited the Veterans Home of California in Barstow for another observance and a lunch with fellow veterans.

On the web

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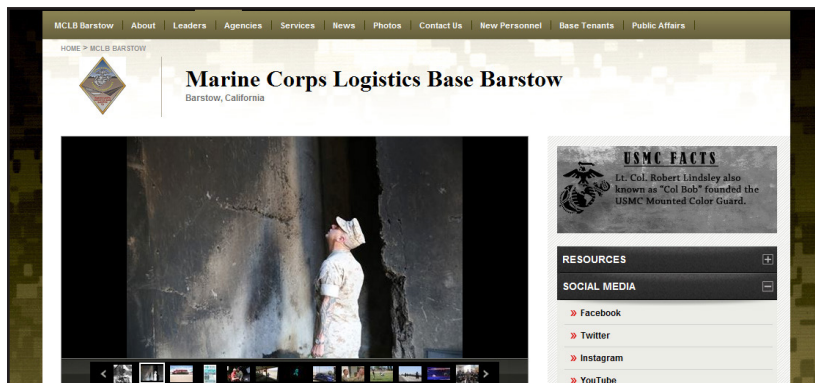




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(Left) Gunnery Sergeant Jeffery Worley, Toys for Tots Staff Noncommissioned Officer in charge with Headquarters Battalion on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., (middle right) Theresa Boylen, store director of Toys "R" Us in Victorville, Calif., and her employees, (far right) Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeffrey Archie, hospital corpsman here, pose with a \$10,000 check for the Toys for Tots Foundation in Toys "R" Us, Victorville, Calif., Nov. 1.

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Leave Share Program

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

Christopher Garcia, Amy Loughridge, Clarisa Matig-Smith, Charmaine Runne, and Konrad Miles, Jason Depue

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 Michelle Cunningham at 760-577-6915.

Career Resource

If you are looking for employment, check out the weekly employment listing provided by the Career Resource Center at www.mccsbarstow.com/career-resource.html. For employment job search, or resume writing assistance, call the Career Resource Program at 577-6533.

Smoke Out

The Great American Smokeout is held on the third Thursday of every November to encourage tobacco users to quit smoking for 24 hours. The American Cancer society hopes the decision to quit will last forever. The Single Marine Program will be handing out incentives at the front gate.

Knott's Berry Farm

The Single Marine Program will be taking a trip to Knott's Berry Farm, Nov., 22. If you are a single Marine or Geographical Bachelor and are interested contact Cpl. Natori Miller by e-mail at natori.miller@usmc.mil

Couples Workshop

There is a potluck slated for Nov. 18 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Toys for Tots

On Tuesdays, from 5:45 a.m. to 7 a.m., there will be a Toys for Tots collection drive at the front gates of the Yermo Annex and Nebo Annex. On Nov. 15, there will be a Toys for Tots drive at the Toy "R" Us in Victorville.

Holiday Christmas Party

The base Christmas party at the Maj. Gen. James L. Day Conference Center will be on Dec. 11, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Candyland begins at 6 p.m.

CDC Winter Performance

On Dec. 12 from 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. children from the Child Development Center will participate in a winter performance at the Maj. Gen. James L. Day Conference Center. Following the performance children will join their parents for lunch.

Recycle

November 15 is America Recycles Day

SMP

On Nov. 25, the SMP will serve single Marines dinner for Thanksgiving from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the community center. At 6 p.m., anyone who would like to attend is invited. Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert.

Softball Tournament

On Dec. 6, MCLB Barstow will be holding a softball tournament at Sorenson Field. The entry fee is a new unwrapped toy with the value of \$10 from each player \$10 cash. The rules of the game are, you start off with a one and one count, 15 run rule after three innings/ ten run rule after the fifth inning, and the tournament is restricted to DoD Employees, public safety, and military personnel/ identification cards will be checked. To register in the tournament, contact Paul Purdy by phone at 760-577-6099 or 760-985-1817, or email paul.purdy@usmc.mil before Nov. 28.

Car Show

Marine Corp Logistics Base Barstow will hold a car show on Dec. 13, to benefit the Toys for Tots Foundation.

Energy Tip:

Did you know if every household in the United States lowered its average temperature 6 degrees over a 24-hour period, we would save the equivalent of more than 570,000 barrels of oil per day?

MCLB BARSTOW WINS 7TH CONSECUTIVE SECNAV SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD

Story By:
Cpl. Samuel Ranney
Editor

On Oct. 20, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., received the Secretary of Navy's Safety Excellence Award during a ceremony at the Pentagon in Washington D.C.

Mr. Dennis McGinn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for energy, installations and environment, presented the prestigious award to Col. Michael L. Scalise, commanding officer of MCLB Barstow, and Ray Aguilar, base safety officer. MCLB Barstow received a written citation from the Secretary of the Navy, an award plaque, and the Secretary of the Navy's Safety Excellence Flag.

"This is Barstow's seventh consecutive year winning the award," said Scalise. "The flag is a point of pride ... not only for us as a base but for the Secretary of the Navy. He wants our base to be seen as having a superior safety program."

Once presented the flag, the base is authorized to fly it for one year, explained Scalise. However, because MCLB Barstow keeps winning, it has been flying here for the past seven years.

"It's a physical manifestation of the safety programs on this base," Scalise added.

The award is open to Marine Corps and Navy installations worldwide, explained Aguilar. For the most part, MCLB Barstow was competing against all of them.

"Before a (Marine Corps) base can compete for the award, they have to be nominated by Headquarters Marine Corps," Aguilar said. "They choose their best installations and submit them to the Navy."

Once nominated, winners are determined by whether or not they are providing all of the core safety services to all of its tenants and to what level. Also, aside from what the base does for themselves, evaluators look at how bases work to improve the safety of other bases and the Marine Corps as a whole.

"We are frequently recognized as a base for going above and beyond the standard," explained Aguilar. "We have gone to various bases to help make the Marine Corps a better and safer place ... we are by far the largest contributor to providing safety support outside of the wire."

Lieutenant General William Faulkner, deputy commandant of the Marine Corps for installations and logistics, stated the ultimate goal of these safety programs is to leverage best practices, conserve resources and, most importantly, significantly reduce injuries and death of our Marines and civilian Marines.

"(MCLB Barstow's) remarkable success is in part attributed to the earning and maintaining of (OSHA's) Voluntary Protection Program," stated Faulkner.

MCLB Barstow is the first and only Marine Corps installation to obtain OSHA's VPP Star Certification.

"The award simply means we are doing our job and we are getting the support we need from the leadership of the base to do our job," said Aguilar. "The employees and Marines here are working to protect themselves (and the people to the left and right of them)."

Aguilar added that it's about preserving resources, human and equipment, for the mission at hand.

The safety program here sustains itself, Scalise said. It's about the people who make things happen and keep each other safe.

"I see us continuing to win for countless years," he added.

Not only has MCLB maintained high standards here, the base has also helped other



Courtesy photo
(From left to right) Mr. Dennis McGinn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for energy, installations and environment, presents the Secretary of the Navy's Safety Excellence Award to Ray Aguilar, base safety officer on MCLB Barstow, and Col. Michael L. Scalise, commanding officer of MCLB Barstow, Oct. 20.

bases and organizations achieve higher safety standards. OSHA-certified Special Government Employees on MCLB travel across the U.S. to perform audits and assist other bases in achieving VPP status, explained Scalise.

"Since receiving this award, the senior leadership level in the Marine Corps, including the commandant of the Marine Corps, has acknowledged the importance of the program and the role Barstow plays in safety and in leadership," Scalise said. "We set the example for other bases."

Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus stated Barstow had zero Class A or Class B on-duty or off-duty mishaps, retained 13 OSHA-certified SGEs and supported other commands in their pursuit to obtain OSHA's VPP Star status.

"The safety efforts of Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow directly enhanced the Department of the Navy's warfighting capability. I commend (MCLB Barstow for their) commitment to safety excellence, to the nation, and to the sustainment of the Department of the Navy as a world class safety organization," stated Mabus.

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How do I link to Marine Corps COOL credentialing opportunities?

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Marine Corps Credentialing Opportunity On-line (COOL) is the newest awareness and information resource capability that assists active and reserve Marines in learning about certifications and licenses related to their Military Occupational Specialties (MOSs). Marine Corps COOL, launched on October 1, 2014, translates Marine Corps knowledge and training into civilian credentialing opportunities and links to education resources, transition readiness, and general career and professional development (such as the United Service Military Apprenticeship Program). The United Service Military Apprenticeship Program provides a tool to document skills acquired while on active duty in the Marine Corps which lead to civilian recognitions and journeyman status in a trade or skill. In addition, it positively impacts readiness by providing an opportunity to improve personal and professional performance and encourage continuing educational advancement for Marines whose abilities and interests are in trade skills.

Marine Corps COOL was developed in coordination with the Department of the Navy credentialing efforts and explains how Marines can meet civilian certification and license requirements.

“Credentials are a particularly important consideration for Marines transitioning from active service because they are recognized and valued indicators that our Marines have the knowledge and skills civilian employers need,” said Col. Lee Ackiss of Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Marine and Family Programs Division.

COOL is a web-based resource for:

- Marines who want to know what civilian credentials relate to their MOS and how to obtain them
- Marines who want to distinguish themselves through growth in their occupational field or enhance their transition readi-

ness

- Education, Career and Transition advisors providing guidance on education, personal and professional development, and career requirements and opportunities
- Marine Corps recruiters who want to show potential recruits the opportunities for professional growth and civilian career preparation available through military service
- Employers and credentialing boards interested in how military training and experience prepares Marines for civilian credentials and jobs

Most certifications and licenses have fees associated with them that are charged by the credentialing board or agency. The most common are application fees, exam fees, and renewal fees. Eligible Marines can use the Montgomery GI Bill to pay for testing fees for approved civilian occupational licensing and certification exams. Marines with questions about this credentialing information resource capability should consult their installation education service officer or contact the Marine Corps COOL Program through the website <https://www.cool.navy.mil/usmc>.

As of October 1, 2014, as written in Section 542 of the 2014 National Defense Authorization Act, an on-line credentialing opportunities capability now exists for each of the services. The Marine Corps and the Navy Credentialing Opportunities On-line (COOL) have a unique shared entry portal in the Department of the Navy's COOL. While perspectives and approaches may vary with Service cultures the translation of military knowledge and training into credentialing opportunities in support of Marines, Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen is a shared and ongoing all Services commitment. Marine Corps COOL is an embodiment of the Marine Corps' continuing dedication to serve our Marines well on active duty and as future veteran Marines pursuing civilian careers in our “return of quality citizens to our communities.”

For more information access the Marine Corps Administrative Message (MARADMIN) 518/14 titled Announcement of Marine Corps Credentialing Opportunities Online (COOL).



DINING HALL ABOARD MCLB BARSTOW NAMED FOR MARINE WHO MADE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE.

Story by:

Keith Hayes

Public Affairs Specialist

When employees of Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow eat at the Family Restaurant, they are dining in Stonesifer Hall.

Donald L. Stonesifer is a Barstow resident who died fighting for the freedom of America.

He was born in Long Beach, Calif., December 18, 1948, to Eugenia and Jack Stonesifer.

The Stonesifer family moved to Barstow so Jack could work as a heavy mobile equipment mechanic here. He held that job for more than 33 years before passing away in March 1994.

Stonesifer attended Saint Mary's School in Apple Valley, Adelanto Elementary, Del Rey Elementary, Victor Junior High in Victorville, and Kennedy High School in Barstow. After graduating high school, Donald worked for Southwestern Portland Cement Company in Victorville, prior to joining the Marines in 1967.

Private Stonesifer was assigned to B Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, and deployed to Vietnam March 9, 1968 as a machine gunner. On August 11, while engaged in combat with the enemy during operation Mameluke Thrust near Quang Nam Province, he was mortally wounded by enemy small arms fire. He was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously, the National Defense Service Medal for his active duty, the Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Medal in recognition of his service in Vietnam

The Dining Facility was renamed Stonesifer Hall, on June 18, 1996,

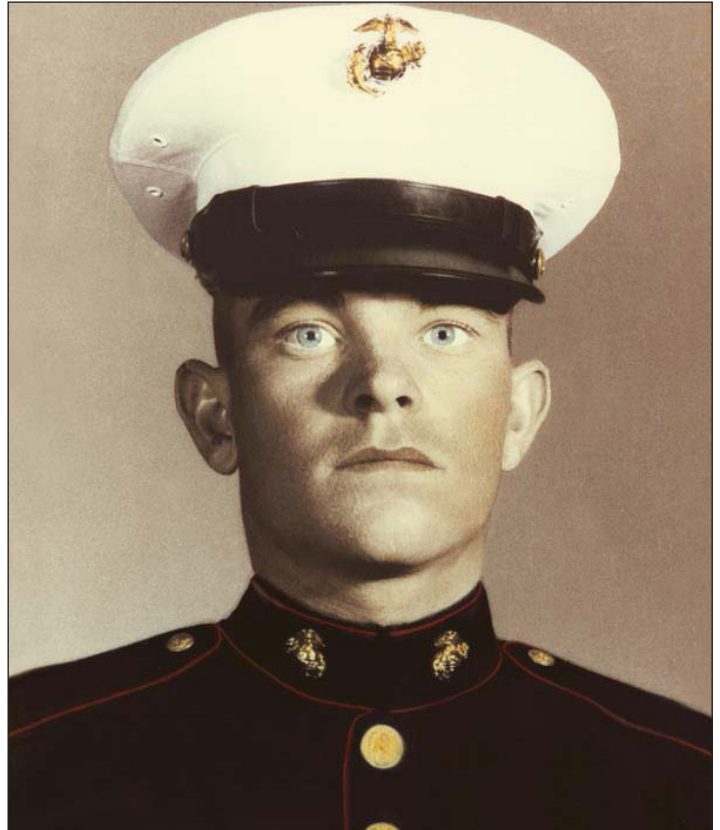


Photo by: Cpl. Norman Eckles

Mona Garcia, food service worker at the family restaurant on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., wipes a table clean for the incoming lunch crowd, Oct. 17.

to honor the sacrifice of this one-time resident of Barstow. His mother Eugenia and his brother Jack Jr., were in attendance.

Stonesifer's brother spoke to those assembled for the dedication. "Donald was a very generous, loving and loyal person. He joined the Marines to protect his family, friends and country from communism—a thing that would take all our freedom away. Freedom is a thing Donald and I grew up on, and if it were not for the choices and supreme sacrifices of all the Donald Stonesifers of America, our family, our friends and our country would not be able to live the American dream."

The portrait of Stonesifer and the dedication plaque can be found on the wall to the right after entering the front door of the facility.

Stonesifer's name is recorded on The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall on Panel 49W-Line 49. He is buried at Mountain View Memorial Park in Barstow.

AROUND THE CORPS

A look at the Marine Corps outside of Barstow



Cpl. Laura Y. Raga

November 6, 2014. USS Makin Island, U.S. 5th Fleet, At Sea - Marines with Golf Company, Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines, 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), conduct a live-fire range on an air cargo elevator aboard amphibious assault ship USS Makin Island (LHD 8), Oct. 31. The Makin Island Amphibious Ready Group (ARG) and the embarked 11th MEU provide a versatile, sea-based, expeditionary force that can be tailored to a variety of missions in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility.



Gunnery Sgt. Rome M. Lazarus

November 7, 2014. U.S. 5th Fleet, D'Arta Plage, Djibouti - U.S. Marines with the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), replace a M1A1 Abrams tank engine with the help of an M88 tank retriever during sustainment training at D'Arta Plage, Djibouti, Nov. 6. The 11th MEU is deployed as a theater reserve and crisis response force throughout U.S. Central Command and the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility.



Gunnery Sgt. Rome M. Lazarus

November 9, 2014. USS Comstock, U.S. 5th Fleet, At Sea - Marines with Echo Company, Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines, 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), transport a simulated casualty to an Army UH-60 Blackhawk from Charlie Company, 147th Aviation Assault Regiment during a vertical assault training event, Oct. 24. The 11th MEU is deployed with the Makin Island Amphibious Ready Group (ARG) as a theater reserve and crisis response force throughout U.S. Central Command and the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility.

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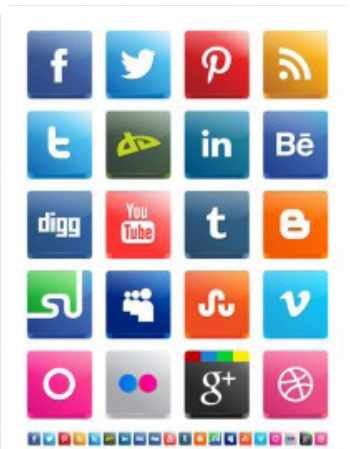
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SOCIAL MEDIA AND HELPFUL HINTS

What is Social Media and how does it affect me?

<http://www.socialmediadefined.com/what-is-social-media/.....> Social Media is the future of communication, a countless array of internet based tools and platforms that increase and enhance the sharing of information. This new form of media makes the transfer of text, photos, audio, video, and information in general increasingly fluid among internet users. Social Media has relevance not only for regular internet users, but business as well.



Platforms like Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn have created online communities where people can share as much or as little personal information as they desire with other members. The result is an enormous amount

of information that can be searched, promoted, disputed, and created.

Social bookmarking tools and news sites such as Digg, Delicious, reddit, and countless others make finding specific information, images, or websites increasingly simple by assigning or “tagging” individual sites with searchable key words.

Applications that have developed within and around these platforms, websites, and tools are endless in number and functionality, but all make online sharing and searching easier in some fashion, regardless of their niche. As nearly every type of business has an association in the non-digital world, so too does the internet offer an endless number of niche social communities where members can gather around a common topic. Topics both general and specific now have living homes on the internet; anything from colon and digestive health to security and compliance can and do have active social media communities.

The key question now being addressed by an ever growing number of social media “experts” is how to best utilize the unlimited amount of information available from social media sites for business advertising, social good, and who knows what else. One thing is for certain; personal data from social media usage will continue to be tracked and logged for the benefit of any business willing to pay for it, and any company that doesn’t invest in social media now will be playing catch-up in the near future.

