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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Wrapping Party for Children's Christmas Party, 6 December, 5:00 pm in QRT Team room
- Children's Christmas Party is 8 December, 4:00 pm @ Fun-Fun-Fun
- JCU Holiday Party is 16 December, 6:00 pm @ Holiday Inn Bordeaux

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JOINT COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMANDER

Haemi, the kids, and I wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season. The unit is no less busy than any other time of the year, but we pause as often as we can to thank everyone in this great organization for the sacrifices made for all. While we prepare to gather to celebrate the season and all it stands for, others are without their families far from home. Thank you for all that you do, not only today, but all year long.

In addition to the normal heavy workload, unit members found the time to support the recent 10K run put on by the Special Operations Communicators Association. The run was highly successful thanks in large part to Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Godzialski, and Mrs. Kouw and many lunch hours dedicated to reaching an amazing 350+ runners this year. Numerous other folks were essential to the smooth operation in the weeks prior to the big event and on race day.

Delivering the Message

One of the promises I made this past summer after taking command, was to grow the size of the organization as quickly as possible while maintaining the same high standards. More people in the unit is the only way to extend the amount of time at home. We all need to thank Steve Long, Ken Willett, and Dietrich Rey for their efforts. They've stayed on the road around the world over the



past few months and have recruited the best communicators available from all services. To lure even more people, they've made unit members famous around the world on TV commercials broadcast on AFN.

God bless you and Merry Christmas to each and every one of you. Haemi and I hope to see many of you at the Holiday Party.

Jack Arnold

JFK 50 MILE ULTRA-MARATHON, WASHINGTON COUNTRY, MD

The 44th Annual JFK-50 Mile Ultra-marathon was held on 18 November 2006 in Hagerstown, Maryland. The JFK-50 is known as "America's Ultra-marathon".

It is the largest race of its kind in the United States. This year we had a huge turn-



out from JCU and of the 1,017 finishers, 13 of them were JCU members. Congratulations to all of them.

JCU's 50-Mile Finishers: Christian Martin, Jeremy Pinkelman, Robert Hopkins, Jack Nichols, Jay Pylman, Michael Kaloostian, Jake Higginbotham, John Horner (Carla supported), Deitrich Rey, James Slife, Lenin Castillo, Carlos Calvo, and David Lonack.

Todd Spencer

JOINT SPECIAL OPERATIONS 10K RUN AND 5K WALK

A HUGE SUCCESS! The 10th Annual Joint Special Operations (JSO) 10K Run and 5K Walk was held on 16 November and was our best to date. Like in past years, the weather was a factor and one of the reasons our run is the favorite on Fort Bragg. Through a torrential downpour, more than 360 hard core runners and walkers took to the hill. A special thanks is owed to Todd Petzel. He volunteered again to lead all run coordinations and successfully pulled together a great team of the volunteers and sponsors to make the JSO Walk/Run a 5-Star event. The excellent turnout was due to the selfless contribution by members of SOCA (Special Operations Communicators Association Inc.) spending many hours passing out flyers at the mini-mall and Sports-USA. The decision to change to the Dri-Fit shirts was a good one and many compliments were made about the shirts. The QRT and Motorpool sections did a great job of course setup and kept everyone on track. The Maintenance Section showed their professionalism while purchasing all the food, setting up the picnic area, and cooking for several hundred folks and making it look easy. We also want to give a special thanks to Arch

JCU AWARDS PRESENTED IN NOVEMBER

Not a days goes by that JCU Members aren't proving themselves on the battlefield in support of the Global War on Terror. JCU's accomplishments are too many to name and most are classified but just a few of those were recognized at recent awards ceremonies: Bronze Star Medal TSgt Harrison, SFC Perez, MSgt Stanley, CW3 Winkler Defense Meritorious Service Medal ETC Allen, ITC Hootselle, SFC Baker, MSgt Boulier, SFC Reed Meritorious Service Medal MSgt Rosario Superior Civilian Service Award Mr. Nicholson, Mrs. Trevino Air Medal TSgt Klynstra

Joint Service Commendation Medal

SGT Cross, TSgt Klynstra, TSgt Harrison, SSG Schaffer, SFC Schmidt Joint Service Achievement Medal

from the JMAU for providing medical

coverage for the event. We hope to see

you at next year's event.

John Sullivan

TSgt Higginbotham, SSG Schaffer, TSgt Castellanos

Longevity Certificate

Mr. L'Heureux (40 yrs), Mr. Tapio (25 yrs), Ms. Haymans (20 yrs)

COMMISSARY GIFT CARDS

We want to thank the JSOC Chaplain's Office for providing \$40 commissary gift cards to ten JCU families for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



ARMY'S MSG LIST RELEASED

Please congratulate SFC Jodi Plew (Command Group) and SFC Chad Peters (LNO Detachment) on their selection for promotion to Master Sergeant.

DOD'S FINEST AT THEIR FINEST (IT WORKED)

Yes... that is a belt to a bath robe, a chair from a hotel room and a state-ofthe-art satellite antenna system.

Photo submitted by Vic Kouw



NEW ADDDITIONS

Please join me in welcoming JCU's newest family member:

Sarah and Michael Williams welcomed their daughter Karah Williams, born on November 12th and weighed in at 7lbs

12oz.



WELCOME ABOARD

More class members have arrived for the January SOROC course. Please join us in welcoming the newest JCU families:

o Ramsey Brown, his wife Karen and their son Rowan (9 mos).

o Jeffrey Carlson, his wife Sondra, and their son Bailey (4).

o Jeffrey Huffman, his wife Amie, their daughter Zoe (2) and their son Noah (3 mos).

o Roy Campbell and his wife-to-be Alyce.

o Rudy Messex, his wife Pamela, and their daughters Samantha (16), Alessandra (11), Chiara (5), and their son Gabriel (1).

FAREWELL FRIENDS

They say that all good things must come to an end. This month we are forced to say farewell to some long time JCU members:

o SFC Mike Bost is PCSing across post to the a new USASOC Civil Affairs unit.

o TSgt Jose Castellanos and his wife Michele are moving to MacDill AFB and are expecting their 1st child May 30, 2007.

JSOC'S FAMILY READINESS GROUP COORDINATOR

JSOC's Family Readiness Group Coordinator, Agnes Adamczyk, does an incredible job of looking out for command family members. She heads up many volunteer opportunities and is always looking for ways to take care of the forward deployed service members and their families. She is definitely dialed into an email network that circulates many beneficial emails detailing useful tips, upcoming community events, spouse's social opportunities, Defense Department information that relates to service member's benefits and much, much more. To get on her email list, simply contact Agnes and let her know. Agnes M. Adamczyk FRG Coordinator 910-243-2626

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"Those Who Wait Also Serve"

John Sullivan

"...and is always looking for ways to take care of the forward deployed service members and their families. "



Linda Haymans is presented a Longevity Certificate for her 20 Years of Service to the Federal Government

JCU'S QUARTERLY AWARDS

Please join me in congratulating the winners from the 3rd Quarter CY06 Awards in the below listed categories:

USA NCO 3rd Qtr: USAF NCO 3rd Qtr: USN Sailor 3rd Qtr: USMC NCO 3rd Qtr: USAF Amn 3rd Qtr: USAF SNCO 3rd Qtr: USAF Maint Flt 3rd Qtr: USAF AIS Flt 3rd Qtr:

SSG Pablo Guerra SSgt Gary Rose ET1 Jake Carlsen SSGT Adrian Williams SrA Justin Zendrosky MSgt Christian Martin SSgt Derek Hollingshead SSgt Fabian Robles



Brian Schmidt is promoted to SFC by his wife Danielle



HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM THE JSOC CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Chaplain's Corner

We have an awesome Marriage Training Program called, "Building Strong and Ready Families." There are two components of the program. The first is three times a year in a two and half day Marriage Conference at a remote site like (Richmond, Ashville or Virginia Beach). These feature topical sessions like: Personality and Communication, Marital Intimacy, Parental Success and Military Family: Challenges and Rewards. The second is called the "Great Date" and meets locally at the beautiful (Pinehurst Carolina Hotel) for a

QRT NEWS

The QRT Detachment has been busy as usual with everything from deployments to JCU capabilities briefs for distinguished visitors. A large portion of November was taken up with the advanced computer network training classes with Learning Tree two day event. The conferences include all meals, lodging, child care and materials for each couple. I don't care how functional or dysfunctional your marriage may be these are events that you won't want to miss. We will publish dates and location in next months Newsletter.

Spiritual Thought of the Day

The course of your life is determined by...The relationships that you form, The decisions that you make, The actions that you take.

Unknown



International. We currently have 10 guys going through this training. Other detachment highlights

Upcoming Holiday Events

Chaplain's Holiday Meal -Tuesday, 12 Dec 06 ; 11-30 – 13:30 at the PPF (See Chaplain's Web Page for more details)

And Don't Forget..... Bible Study – every Tuesday 1200 Hrs in Bldg 3-2448, J1 Conference Room

Blessings Chaplain Tom Solhjem.

over the past two months are; Christian Martin graduated the U.S. Army Jumpmaster Course and Jesus Castro graduated Basic Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Scott Gozdzialski and Jeremy Pinkelman received a coin for excellence from Brigadier

"...Scott Gozdzialski and Jeremy Pinkelman received a coin for excellence from Brigadier General Bouchard, the Deputy Commander for the U.S. Army Signal Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia..."



Jerry Baker is promoted to Sergeant First Class by his cousin CSM Eric James

General Bouchard, the Deputy Commander for the U.S. Army Signal Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia for the outstanding brief they gave on QRT Staging Base capabilities. Pablo Guerra was selected as the JCU Army NCO of the Quarter and Christian Martin was selected as the JCU Air Force Senior NCO of the Quarter. I am proud of each and every one of my guys as they continue to fight the good fight and provide this command with the best

communications support to the warfighter and do it with less people and more heart than any other command. We ask a lot of our guys and they continue to produce outstanding results time and time again.

Todd Spencer

DELIVERING THE MESSAGE

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 8th, at 4:00 PM

This year's Children's Christmas Party will be held at Fun—Fun—Fun on Sycamore Dairy Rd (next to the Omni Theater). Children will receive many tokens for the countless video games and small rides. Santa has agreed to make an appearance for photos and to distribute some gifts. We will be serving Pizza, Cake and Soda so be sure to come hungry. RSVP with children's names, ages,

and gender to your section's Detachment Chief.



If you would like to volunteer to assist with any of the preparations, please contact Jodi Plew @ 243-2391 or email her at plewj@jdi.army.mil. The presents will be wrapped 6 December @ 5:00-7:00 pm in the QRT Team Room. Contact Marsha Spencer if you can assist. You might even get a chance to meet Santa while helping wrap presents.



THE JCU HOLIDAY PARTY

We will conduct a "Left-Right" gift exchange (\$10 or less) if you want to participate.

December 16th

Mark your busy holiday calendars now because you're not going to want to miss this one. JCU will hold our annual holiday party at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux on Saturday, the 16th of December. Planning is still ongoing but this year's party promises to be a good one. In response to requests from many of our spouses, unit members will wear their dress uniforms. 5-Star Entertainment will provide an opportunity to purchase professional photos of you and your honey (all dressed up). 5 Star will also provide the tunes this year and promises to keep you on the dance floor "all night long". The cost for JCU Activities Club Members is \$0. There will be an undetermined as of yet charge for non-members. There will be soft drinks for no charge. There will be an open bar until we reach our limit which will then turn into a cash bar. We will conduct a "Left-Right" gift exchange (\$10 or less) if you want to participate. There will also be gifts (in the past this included JCU engraved mugs, glasses, wine etc.) SOCA is sponsoring this event.

TELL US WHAT YOU WANT

Please feel free to send any corrections, items of interest or just anything that you'd like to see in future editions of the "Delivering the Message" newsletter to Sully @ sullivanj@jdi.army.mil or call @ (910) 243-0201. I would love to be able to add some pictures to the newsletter as well. We plan to use email for future distribution of the newsletter. Please pass current email address to your FRG "Key Callers" and/ or Detachment Chiefs.

Earle Allen's promotion to SFC w/ Penny and his wife Natalie



DECEMBER'S DATES OF INTEREST

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Frank and Beverly Perez	Dec 9
Jerry and Lisa Dover	Dec 23
Mike and Kimberly Adcox	Dec 23
Abey and Marcy Torrez	Dec 25
Kelvin and Melanie Pontoc	Dec 27
Leon and Jennifer Hamilton	Dec 28

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

WE'RE ON THE WEB WWW.JCUONLINE.ORG

IMPORTANT DATES

LEADERSHIP THAT CARES

Vic Kouw	Dec 6	Wrapping Party	Dec 6
Heidi Evans	Dec 10	Kid's Christmas Party	Dec 8
Dennis Smith III	Dec 11	Breakfast w/Santa	Dec 9
Lenin Castillo	Dec 13	Fayetteville's Christmas Parade	Dec 9
Darren Pallugna	Dec 21	Joint Meritorious Unit Award	Dec 15
David Lonack	Dec 21	Unit Holiday Party	Dec 16
Seth Smith	Dec 25	Retirement Ceremony	Jan 12
Brian Wanke	Dec 28	(for Rich McAlister)	
John Mills	Dec 28	JSOC Ball	Jan 19
Mike Beach	Dec 30		

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QRT Chief	1SG Spencer (Todd)	243-1321	423-5644
LNO Chief	1SG Adcox (Mike)	243-0115	499-2541
AIS Chief	ETC McKlveen (Mike)	243-4079	487-5004
MD Chief	SMSgt Wanke (Brian)	243-2301	960-8171
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