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Delivering the Message

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Message from the Commander

JCU Family- It is hard to believe that two years have gone by and I am about to relinquish command of the finest organization in the world. Jana and I will forever be grateful for the friendships and camaraderie found within JCU and it has truly been our honor to serve among you for these last two years.

We ask so much of JCU Members and their Families, and it never ceases to amaze me how the JCU Family always responds, always endures, and always finds a way to "get the message through". What makes JCU truly great is not in our equipment. resources, or even the mission we support. What makes JCU special is the PEOPLE. It is the PEOPLE that come together in the best of times and celebrate our accomplishments and it is the PEOPLE that bond together as a close knit Family in the most challenging times.

Each and every member of the Command (Unit Military Members, Unit Civilians, contractors, and Families) should be incredibly proud to be part of such a phenomenal organization. An organization that quietly goes about its business without fanfare (or in most cases without recognition). An organization that understands selfless service and works hard every day to uphold the traditions and "unique characteristics" that is JCU. An organization whose greatest strength is their unwavering commitment to those that they serve with.

Of all the tremendous experiences I have been a part of as I end my second assignment to JCU the experience I will miss the most is that sense of TEAMWORK that exists every day within the ranks and within the Families. I challenge each and every member of JCU to work hard every day to maintain that bond with your teammates and strive to integrate new members of the Team under the same values and culture that makes JCU the best place you will ever serve. LTC Wade and Ann Johnston are the newest members of that Team and JCU is fortunate to have such a caring and experienced command team that is ready to take care of JCU and JCU Families and take the organization to even greater accomplishments.

JCU has been the assignment of a lifetime for Jana and I and I will forever cherish the opportunity to have served amongst you and I could not be prouder to call myself a JCU Alumni. Thank you for everything you have done for me and for this Nation.

DOD's Finest!

-Sam Anderson

The NOSC started the summer off right by celebrating at the Carolina Ale House with my promotion party. There was plenty of participation from the NOSC and JCU, I think everyone had a great time. Thanks to everyone for coming out and supporting my big day. We also started summer by participating in the Annual SOCA Golf Tournament. Mike Lamb was relied upon to carry the official JCU Command team and helped the team shoot a 59, which tied for first place. Unfortunately, his team finished second due to a score card playoff. Well done Mike, maybe next year.

During May, we actually got a lot of work and training completed. Mike Williams and the AIS crew completed CCNP training, as well as Microsoft MCITP training. The AIS crew put in a lot of long hours and extra studying in order to complete these advanced certifications. There are some very advanced topics and will serve the unit and the individuals well in the upcoming training evolutions.

Not to be outdone, the Transmission Detachment spent a lot of man-hours working on satellite dishes on and off the compound. TJ's guys have been working to bring new solutions to the JTEP and the projects they are working to accomplish are nothing outstanding. short of In the meantime, they are also working a renovation project in the office to provide more workspace for the guys.

The NOSC as a whole recently participated in the JCU Skills week and performed very well. The official numbers aren't in yet, but our team did a great job. Additionally, we also had a great time being out of the office and getting back to the fundamentals of being Soldiers/ Sailors/Airmen and Marines.

I look forward to enjoying this summer and hope to see more of the NOSC families at our upcoming events, especially the JCU Change of Command on June 22nd. Please come by and show your support to LTC (P) Anderson as he concludes a great tour as our commander.

-Tom



Hello again B-Troop families. April & May are now behind us but I would like to take a few minutes to revisit some of the great things we have done. First we would like to say good-bye to SCPO Dave Kelly and Robyn. We truly appreciate your many years of dedicated service to this unit. I could come up with some witty Navy term like "Fair winds and following sea" but to be honest, no one including myself, understands it. "DING, DING, DING, Senior Chief Departing". Congrats on your Master Chief! Truly deserving! (You were still a Senior when I wrote this) On other notes, Scott

Eveler took advantage of the Air Force's draw down buy trying to recruit the entire 3rd Herd. Our own Ulysses Otero became a Vertical Wind Tunnel instructor which had some benefits for B-Trp since he needed students. Our families reluctantly bit the bullet and volunteered to help him out, thanks for the opportunity. Joe Yacopino decided he wanted to try out for the role of '5 Second Bob' in 50 First Dates by whacking his head during a night jump. He was trying to milk it for every penny by telling his wife he doesn't remember when she asked him to take care of things at home. The guys completed the Qualified Ethical Hackers course. Spouses, I am truly sorry if the guys go home and jack up your home network. Finally, B-Troop went 3 for 3 in the Unit's Service Member of the Quarter selection. Tony, Luis, and Chris... great job representing. As always, we could not do any of these great things without the solid support structure that you provide, thank you. ~Chuck

GREAT NEWS!!!

Just in time for the football tourney!

Champion Rings have been ordered!

Be the first of your friends to sport this "one of a kind" championship ring!

Don't act like you're not impressed!







Well, we are back at it. C Troop has turned over the reins and we have settled in at our respective sites. We would like to thank Christian Martin and all his guys for their preparation for the RIP, it sure made the turnover process smoother than we have ever seen. Thanks ya'll!

Already D Troop is making its presence known around the world, perhaps the galaxy, as we find ourselves in the mix of amazing challenges. It really is remarkable the impact this Unit has on a daily basis,



and I just want to say thanks for the hard work you guys (gender neutral) have put in already, as we embark on what I'm sure will be another rewarding rotation.

And no rotation would be complete without its "Deployment" Sagas, and this one is already proving to be epic. In keeping with tradition it's incumbent upon me to bring these legendary events to light for your reading pleasure and for the internal belittlement of those predisposed to such frivolity. On this trip we have already christened the first ever, inaugural, Antenna Tower Safety NCOIC, Ranger proofed said Tower, successfully negotiated the and release of a Gator from the throes of malevolent bureaucracy, thanks in no small part to the "Blood" (4 staples worth), sweat, pain, and laughter from all involved (names withheld to protect the innocent or guilty as the case may be). As the Saga continues, (sounds

like a bad soap opera) I will continue to unveil those events (PG-13 and under, sorry) found worthy of you time, or if I just need to take up space, so you can follow along with our exploits.

Big shout out to Jason Benavides and Mike Johnson on their recent selection to MSgt, welcome to the Senior NCO ranks! I know I share the sentiments of their families and the whole troop when I say we couldn't be more proud. Great things to come from these extraordinary warriors. Congrats Guys!

I'll wrap it up for now as we continue to mark time by the number of hard charging workouts, gastric challenging dining facility meals and mind-numbing AFN commercials as we remain ever so vigilant in continuance of our nations business. Rest easy America, D Troop has the watch.

> Get it Hot! ~ Del

Summer is finally here and it looks like it's going to be another busy season for the members of the Special Missions Troop. Although new missions and requirements come along, we remain poised to tackle those challenges.

We would like to officially welcome Ceven "German Chocolate" Epps and Mark "Krazy Eye" Krob to the family. Both have done wonders in their previous assignments and we know they'll continue to do great things with us. Newly promoted Marine MSgt Noel "Tigo" Santiago will be departing shortly. Tigo has been with the unit for 5+ years and has held numerous

positions. His services have been requested by some very important people and we are sure he'll continue to spread the JCU legacy. Also,. Heading out soon is SFC Lenin Castillo. Lenin, like Tigo, has been in the command for quite some time and has held some critical positions within the unit. He is taking his skills down south and will be enjoying the good climate down at SOCOM. Good luck to you both; we will surely miss you guys. Congratulations to Marcus Jett for successfully completing the Military Freefall Course. Good luck to Jory Mathis who is currently elevating his airborne capabilities in the same course. I bet you were glad you weren't deployed or in some school when SGM Nichols walked in asking who was ready to go huh Jory? Back in time for summer, we would like to welcome Howie and Chris back from their recent TDY. For the rest of the troop it's all the same. If the guys aren't out training or deploying they are on leave or standing by for any new support requirements. See you guys next month.

Stay safe-

-Jack



Hello everyone! We're back! It's been a long deployment, but the fellas and Becky did an excellent job and had a stellar deployment. We've all had our block leave and are returning back to duty getting ready for a good time on training cycle again. Everyone did very well on our qualification tests; we only lost 2 folks, Jimmy Wagner and Sean Mitcham. They did well, but the ruck got them.

With all return trips in JCU, there are folks that are moving on from C-Troop. We are saying farewell to Jimmy Bermudez and Larry Dennison as they move to the NOSC, Mike McGrath as he heads to B-Troop to provide some needed expertise for their next deployment, and Sean Mitcham as he heads up to the NCOIC position in the OPS shop. We also offer congratulations to the Mitcham's on their new boy, Harrison.

We also offer congratulations to Aaron Brunner and Tyler Nichols on their selection to E6; Petty Officer First Class! Good job fellas!

-Christian



I hope everyone was able to Hello! take advantage of Spring Break and enjoy time with your family and friends. Spring is upon us as we're all busy going through our annual routines. Yard maintenance is a constant undertaking which always seems to require more time than is available and the Honey- Do lists this time of year are also very time consuming. I wish I could get my hands on the individual who created it. Fortunately, this is also prime season for Bass fishing and there are many of us in M-Troop who take every opportunity we can to throw a lure in the water and await "the big one". This weekend, MWR kicked off the annual Warriors on the Water event and I was impressed at the turnout they had from our command. I didn't realize so many folks from JCU were fisherman.... (or maybe they just wanted a day off)... About the time the tournament was winding down, the leadership from JCU was heading out for the Semi-annual off -site, this time with their spouses at their side to discuss "Pressures on the Force" and participate in a few team building exercises.

Historically, this time of year also brought about the Summer Highland games in which most of the command would participate in good natured fun and laughing at each other's lack of coordination. This year, the Commander decided to forego the Summer Games in exchange for an All -American football tournament. The word went out and we immediately had responses from Andrew Bowman to be M-Troop's guarterback and Reggie Geter to fill the role of M-Troop's Team Captain. From what I've seen so far we'll need every bit of practice we can get between now and July 15th.

We just had a farewell luncheon for Mike Flynn (formerly LRS contractor) who is now providing logistical services to SOROC. He'll be missed, but will provide much needed support to the instructors. Also, this month we'll also be saying farewell to Shane (never let them see you smile) Simpson. Shane will be taking the lead over in the Force Mod section and has turned over the reins of EMS Det Chief to Clyde Anderson who has been performing like he's done the job for years.

We can all extend a warm "Welcome Home" to Olympia, Gabe and Jef who recently returned from their deployments. Congratulations on your accomplishments and we're glad to have you back....now get back to work. JR and Demario have gone forward to pick up where their predecessors left off and they're already in place doing great things.

On another note, take the opportunity to congratulate Toph, Clyde, Mike Larson (s), myself, and Jef (with one f) on their recent award of Enlisted Expeditionary Warfare Qualification. Great work all around!

Thank you all for your hard work and commitment to excellence. Keep up the good work.

As with most fun activities there comes a price. Please ensure that Safety is always at the forefront of your decision making process and take the necessary precautions when grilling, boating, bike riding and the many other outdoor activities that we enjoy this time of year. Take care and stay safe.

~Mike



Since the last newsletter the class of SOROC 1-12 has completed all requirements to graduate the course and stand among DoD's Finest Communicators. Thev have completed more than 607 academics training hours with an overall class average of 91.32%. The class improved their physical fitness test score average by 45 points from the initial test to the final. Their overall physical fitness class average is 426 points. The class also gave back to the Fort Bragg community by volunteering at "The Haven" animal shelter, working a combined 200 I would like to take this hours. announce the opportunity to awardees of the class. Honor Graduate with an overall GPA of 95.72 is Marine SSgt Daniel F. Cebulla. IRONMAN with a final unit PT test score of 519 is Army SSG This class will Derreck L. Martin. also see the newest SOROC award. the CSM Ronald Desjardins Leadership Award. The leadership

award is selected by their peers and is being presented to Army SFC Jonas I. Johnson. SOROC Class 1-12 has come together as a team and am confident that they will immediately contribute to the JCU mission and be a valuable asset to whatever team they may find themselves on. As for the TAC, I am inprocessing SOROC Class 2-12 students and we are currently scheduled for a class of 33 new communicators. This will be JCU's largest SOROC class to date. I am extremely excited to begin this new journey and teach our newest communicators to not only be tactically and technically proficient but be good teammates and live up to values and traditions that our unit was founded on. Until next time, I will continue the SOROC mission to develop better leaders and a more cohesive communications team!

-1SG Jon Woosley, SOROC TAC SOROC 1-12 is graduating NET+, SEC+ certified, and with all the accounts created to make their transition smooth (TACACS, -Z accounts, Meeting Place, EMIMS, Remedy, etc..). I would like to take this opportunity to mention that this is going to be Paul Shedlock' s last SOROC class. He has decided to take on a new opportunity and will be missed. Since the 01-08 class he continuously sought ways to move the course to the next level while keeping it true to its roots. Many of you reading this have experienced first-hand Mr. Shedlock's passion for teaching and his desire to produce "DoD's Finest Communicators". After SOROC 1-12 graduation we will be taking some needed recovery/ training time to prepare for the largest SOROC class to date 2-12. Until next time,

-D. J. Holly



Congrats to Seth and Amanda on the birth of Brock Hogan.

Hi!! Says Harrison Rex Mitcham Congrats to the Mitcham Family!!

Miscellaneous Pictures



This picture was sent to me from an unknown source. They said I had to post or lose my parking spot...so I posted. Sorry Josh S.



"That guy" Glad to see this table came in use



Super Hud getting pinned to GySgt

Suspect.....

More pics from the past month



A Troop is reduced to selling burritos out of the back of a mule....Times are tough! (BTW, muy bien!)



Dave Kelly getting pinned MCPO by his wife Robyn The winning Golf Tournament Team (below)



MSG Flaker getting pinned to SGM by his son, Christopher



Blake Schimmel getting pinned MCPO by his parents

The losing Golf Tournament Team receiving their bowling passes (below)



ANNIVERSARIES

Georgette & Charles Gill	1 JUN
Greg & Elizabeth Durr	1 JUN
Jonas & Kristi Johnson	1 JUN
Andre & Gladys Green	2 JUN
Derreck & Heather Martin	4 JUN
Chuck & Kris To	5 JUN
Rufus & Pamela Messex	5 JUN
Mark & Andrea Landez	5 JUN
Ulysses & Demarys Matias Otero	6 JUN
Harold & Rachel Shamblin	6 JUN
Steven & Nicole Overton	7 JUN
Luke & Kelly Blum	8 JUN
Alton & Chadra Seglund	9 JUN
Mark & Katie Krob	11 JUN
Ed & Megan Schlade	15 JUN
Paul & Suiatlona Trowbridge	15 JUN
Sam & Jennifer Prichard	15 JUN
Stan & Marlena Sweeney	16 JUN
Tom and Barb Rascon	17 JUN
Jeff & Sondra Carlson	18 JUN
Ian & Anna Sweeney	18 JUN
Joe & Jessica Cade	19 JUN
Philip & Mallory Mistretta	22 JUN
Jesse & Esther Casari	23 JUN
Justin & Jessica Thomas	25 JUN
Ken & Julie Garrison	26 JUN
Jim & Jenn Wagner	28 JUN
Vic & Meyvi Guerra	29 JUN
Bryant & Emily Locke	29 JUN
Clyde & Cheria Anderson	30 JUN
James & Michelle Lewis	30 JUN

BIRTHDAYS

Michael Foy	2 JUN
Daniel Paradis	3 JUN
Steven Mahon	5 JUN
Lauront Pepin	6 JUN
Charles Churchwell	7 JUN
Jonas Johnson	7 JUN
Ian Sweeney	8 JUN
Baron Jones	9 JUN
Dirk Shelton	10 JUN
Todd Spencer	10 JUN
Joshua Espersen	11 JUN
Jory Mathis	11 JUN
Cliff Varnadoe	11 JUN
Randy Amsler	12 JUN
William Cotten	13 JUN
William Tucker	14 JUN
Jason Benavides	14 JUN
Roberto Lopez	15 JUN
Glenn Staples	18 JUN
Linda Haymans	18 JUN
Edwin Robles	19 JUN
Michael Flynn	20 JUN
Victor Guerra	20 JUN
Todd Brown	22 JUN
Derek Thomas	23 JUN
Bernard Byer	25 JUN
Christopher Farr	25 JUN
Bryan Hargrove	29 JUN
Joseph Miller	30 JUN
Steven Powell	30 JUN
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SOCA Scholarship Reminder

Entries must be received by July 1, 2012. The winners will be notified by July 15, 2012 and announced in the August Edition of Delivering the Message.

2012 SOCA Scholarship Topic:

Describe the quality of life in the Fort Bragg and surrounding communities as a military dependent

Please check out www.thesoca.org to get the details

June Promotions, Awards & Special Occasions



SGT Joeryll Irchirl (SOROC) SGT Shaun and Jessie Mott (SOROC) IT1 Andrew and Leslie Swanson (SOROC) TSgt Harley and Heather Brydon (SOROC) SSgt Jeffery and Brittany Farmer (SOROC) SGT Delenor Wilson (SOROC) SGT Baron and Cristine Jones (SOROC) SPC Thomas and Amy Wedekind (SOROC) LTC Wade and Ann Johnston (CMD)

GOODBYE TO FRIENDS & FAMILY

ITCS Augie Marks and his three daughters, Brittany, Allison and Elaina (OPS) TSgt Dave Lonack and Marylee (B Troop) SMSgt Ray Hickman and Van (OPS) GySgt Danny and Kathi Knouse and children, Kaytelyn and Dayton (OPS-S&T) LS1 Mike and Becky Larson and children, Kaylee and Patrick (M Troop) **GySqt Walter "Troy" and Shani Zimmerman and children, Daniella and Hunter (NOSC)**

COL Sam and Jana Anderson and children, Greyson and Emma (CMD)

Maj Mike and Amber Medgyessy and children, Michael and Ryan (M Troop)

TSgt Ed and Megan Schlade and children, Josef and Charles (OPS)

1SG Frank and Bev Perez and boys (A Troop)

SPOUSES-

Please become a member of the JCU FRG group on Facebook. Information is passed through that channel also. I do not want anyone missing out on any opportunities that the unit/command has to offer. Contact myself or a FRG key caller to learn more. There will be quarterly drawings for goodies. This quarter the winner of the drawing is Mrs. Robin Lewallen. She has won a \$25 Jumpin Java giftcard and JCU shirt of her choice (dryfit, polo, etc.) The way we will do it is when the group is pulled up there is an order in which they appear. I will assign a number to each and then have Todd Spencer pick from a cup.



Please include Member's Name and number of immediate family members over the age of 2.

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR CLOSED-TOE SHOES!



The Nobel Peace Prize medal depicts 3 naked men with their hands on each others shoulders 111,111,111 x 111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321

Statistically you are more likely to be killed by a champagne cork than by a poisonous spider Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than Left-handed people do The human brain holds between 1 and 7 terabytes (1 and 7 million megabytes) of data



Maj Landez, MAJ MacDonald, SSG Mathis and GySgt Knouse win best dressed. MSG Prasse, SFC Lamb, CSM Long and LTC Anderson were in the running **until "someone"** showed up.



Quick note-

I have recently taken over as 1SG for JCU. My number is 243-0469. Call for anything. If you need to pass info to someone that is away, call me. Call/email for newsletter worthy news. Email pics of your spouses of when they were in highschool (Retro JCU). Any input you have, would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Vanessa







LEADERSHIP THAT CARES



Position	<u>Name</u>	<u>Work</u>	<u>Home</u>	
Commander	LTC Sam Anderson	243-0200	339-0108	
CSM	CSM Steve Long	243-0201	568-6408	
DCO	MAJ Andy Bender	243-8850	263-8161	
Unit 1SG	1SG Vanessa Moak	243-0469	988-4473	
OPS Officer	MAJ Ken Rutka	243-0524	706-587-8884	
Ops SGM	SGM Rob Flaker	243-2439	919-499-5570	
A-Troop SGM	ETCS Dave Allen	243-1321	639-1388	
B-Troop SGM	MSgt Chuck To	243-4079	644-5568	
C-Troop SGM	SMSgt Christian Martin	243-0115	919-498-1192	
D-Troop SGM	SMSgt Del Walker	243-4147	919-499-5710	
SMT Troop SGM	SMT Troop SGM SGM Jack Nichols		424-1805	
NOSC SGM	1SG Chris Leach	243-0991	480-1118	
NOSC Director	MAJ Tom Rascon	243-4075	973-2489	
M-Troop SGM	ETCM Mike Addaman	243-0439	487-0293	
S&T NCOIC	SFC Jeff Carlson	243-0577	352-263-3660	
XO Maj Mark Landez		243-2301	478-320-8869	
JCU FRC	Mrs. Gillian Long		624-7611	
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JSOC FRG	Mrs. Marie VanHeusen	396-7500		

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Mark your calendars for these important dates

SOROC Class 01-12 Graduation 14 June 15 June Inaugural JCU Flag Football Tournament 17 June Fathers Day 22 June JCU Change of Command 16 August Annual JCU Summer Picnic

1400: Parachute Packing Facility 0800-1330: Lake Rim Park All day and half the night 1330: Parachute Packing Facility 1000-1800: Camp Rockfish, Rockfish, NC