Reminder: Main Gate construction began

Did you know... that women make up six percent of the total force in the United States Marine Corps (Source: Training and Education Command.)

Cycling pros race through Downtown Beaufort ■ 5



Friday, April 27, 2007

"The noise you hear is the sound of freedom.

Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, S.C.

AN AERIAL SALUTE



Lance Cpl. Jason D. Mills

The GEICO Skytypers fly a Missing Man Formation during the opening ceremony of the MCAS Beaufort Air Show Sunday as Taps plays for Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis, the Blue Angel pilot who

lost his life in a crash Saturday. Davis served as the opposing solo pilot for the F/A-18 Hornet squadron. This was his first year as a demonstration pilot.

Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis



ieutenant Commander Kevin J. Davis was a native of _Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and graduated from Reading Memorial High School in 1992 where he played football and was active with the Civil Air Patrol. He attended Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical Science with honors in 1996.

Davis reported to Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida, for Officer Candidate School and aviation indoctrination in September 1996. He completed primary flight training at NAS Corpus Christi, Texas, and transferred to NAS Meridian, Mississippi, for intermediate and advanced flight training. While there, he flew the T-2C Buckeye and TA-4J Skyhawk, and received his Wings of Gold in June 1999.

Davis reported to Fighter Squadron 101 at NAS Oceana, Virginia, for training in the F-14 Tomcat and was the Top Stick, which is an award given to the best pilot in a squadron, in his class. In July 2000, he reported to the VF-11 Red Rippers where he completed deployments aboard the aircraft carriers USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and USS John F. Kennedy. While with the Red Rippers, Davis served as the airframes/corrosion branch officer, air-to-ground training officer and head landing signals officer. His deployments included extended operations in the North Arabian Sea and Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

In July 2003, Davis transitioned to the F/A-18 Hornet through Navy Strike Fighter Squadron 125 at NAS Lemoore, California, and then reported to the Fighter Composite Squadron Omars, stationed at NAS Oceana, Virginia. While at VFC-12, Davis served as a Navy adversary pilot providing valuable air-to-air training for fleet squadrons.

In December of 2004, Davis graduated from the Navy Fighter Weapons School, or TOPGUN, as an adversary pilot. During his tour at VFC-12, Davis worked as the schedules officer, legal officer, FRS/SFARP officer and assistant opera-

Davis joined the Blue Angels in September 2005. He accumulated more than 2,500 flight hours and 200 carrier arrested landings. His decorations included the Air Medal, two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and various personal and unit awards.

Lowcountry mourns loss of fallen Blue Angel

LANCE CPL. MONIQUE SMITH JET STREAM STAFF

In the final moments of the last performance during day one of the 2007 MCAS Beaufort Air Show, tragedy struck when the Blue Angel # 6 jet from the Navy's Flight Demonstration Squadron crashed.

The pilot, who did not survive, was Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis, a second year member of the team.

At approximately 4 p.m. Saturday, Davis was joining the Delta formation for the final maneuver of the aerial demonstration when the mishap occurred. The other five Blue Angel jets were not involved in the incident and landed safely moments later.

Davis served as the opposing solo pilot for the F/A-18 Hornet squadron. This was his first year as a demonstration pilot and for his parents, who were in the crowd watching their son, it was their first Air

"Our squadron and the entire U.S. Navy are grieving

in the loss of a great American, a great Naval Officer and most of all, a great friend," said Lt. Cmdr. Anthony Walley, the right wing pilot for Blue Angel # 2.

The crash occurred approximately three miles outside of the Air Station and was quickly responded to by both civilian and military emergency services.

"We established an incident command team responsible for coordinating all activities and responsible for both cleanup and debris," said William Winn, the Beaufort Management director.

"From my vantage point, the response was phenomenal," said Col. Robert Lanham, the

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Lance Cpl. Jason D. Mills

Smoke rises above the tree line just moments after Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis' jet fell out of view Saturday. Davis was flying Blue Angel #6 for the Navy's Flight Demonstration Squadron during the 2007 MCAS Beaufort Air Show. At approximately 4 p.m. Saturday, Davis was joining the Delta formation for the final maneuver of the aerial demonstration. The other five Blue Angel jets were not involved in the incident and landed safely moments later.

Behind the scenes: 2007 MCAS Air Show

Compiled by The Jet Stream Staff

Dozens of Fightertown Marines, sailors and Civilian Marines worked many extra hours over the past several months, and especially last weekend, to ensure the 2007 MCAS Beaufort Air Show ran efficiently

and safely for spectators to enjoy. Although Air Show planning became much more apparent as months drew closer, actual preparation for the event began approximately two years ago.

"Planning started years in advance time," said Gary Cassevah, the because an Air Show has many dif- Marine Corps Community Services ferent aspects that you have to organize and coordinate all at the same

BEHIND, page 8

At a glance

- 1,800 chairs • 25 tents
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- 53 bleachers
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Commentary Fightertown comes together amidst tragedy

COL. ROBERT LANHAM

COMMANDING OFFICER MCAS BEAUFORT



As the Blue Angels were wrapping up their performance Saturday and the first day of our Air Show was coming to a close, I

remember remark-

ing how great a day it had been. The weather was picture perfect and every one from vendors to performers and spectators who I spoke with and approached me had only glowing comments to make about the Air Show and the performance of our Fightertown Marines, sailors and Civilian Marines. I was proud of my staff and their respective shops and was already making mental notes of those I needed to make a point to pat on the back once the Air Show was over.

It wasn't but seconds later when I

saw the smoke rise above the trees saw there were only five Blue Angel jets in the air and assumed the worst.

From that moment on I watched in awe as staff members in every unit on this installation from the Marine Aircraft Group 31 staff and squadrons, the Air Station staff and even tenant commands immediately took action and started to respond to the situation.

Amidst the tragic news that the pilot, Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis, had been killed in the crash every single person I had the opportunity to observe and work with kept their heads, resisted the urge to panic and dealt with the tragedy with the utmost professionalism and sense of urgency.

As the Commanding Officer of the Air Station, I provided guidance when necessary and made decisions, but the primary staff members already had the situation well in hand and the personnel within those

I have received countless phone calls, e-mails and comments from members of the community commending the performance of the entire Air Station in the aftermath of the crash...

shops were busy executing and taking care of business. I watched in awe as every one put aside rank and the self-imposed territorial boundaries that often times exist between the various staffs on the base. Every one came together and personally saw to it that their individual responsibilities were taken care of with dignity and respect – from lance corporals directing traffic and dealing with the public in a firm, but polite manner as they attempted to direct emergency vehicles to members of Marine Corps Community Services who focused on getting everything ready to go again for Sunday's show.

I have received countless phone calls, e-mails and comments from members of the community commending the performance of the entire Air Station in the aftermath of the crash and I'd like to share the comments of one local reverend: "When Blue Angel Six went down;

your folks went into emergency mode and as is expected, the 'house was locked down.' Traffic leaving the fields was horrible. Don't get me wrong, I am not complaining at all. In fact, it was to be expected considering the circumstances. The visitors began to get insulting and disrespectful to some of the Marines who were making every attempt to move traffic as best they could. It was a 'zoo' over there. ... I just wanted to convey to you, in spite of the angry folks walking up to the troops and speaking disrespectful because they couldn't get out, they kept their military bearing and professionalism. .. Outstanding representation for the United States Marine Corps!'

Since the day I took command, I have always been impressed and proud of the Marines, sailors and Civilian Marines stationed here. But I can tell you after living through this weekend side-by-side with all of you, I am left humbled by your selfless dedication to duty, commitment to professionalism amidst a horrible tragedy and your ability to employ common sense and good judgment with very little direction. You have made our Corps and the entire Naval Service proud this weekend.

Col. Dave Beydler, the MAG-31 commanding officer joins me in these sentiments. Please accept our sincere thanks and recognition for your phenomenal performance. Semper Fi,

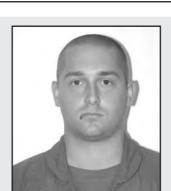
Col Robert Lanham, MCAS **Beaufort Commanding Officer**

Word on the

Street

"How did your training help prepare you to respond during last weekend's tragedy?"

Posed to the Marines of Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting



"(Physical training) and fire training helped my fellow firefighters and I to be mentally and physically prepared."

Cpl. Garrett Benton



"Our continuous training allowed me not to get tunnel vision and to safely respond to do my job in a professional manner."

Cpl. Brandon Berry



"The intensive training we go through made this tragic event run smoothly and without thinking of what had to be done."

Lance Cpl. Jesse Butler



"Training helped me to be very familiarized with our equipment that we had to use."

Cpl. Jason Creveling

Sky Pilot

Grief: moving from hidden anger to inner peace

NAVY LT. AMMIE MILLER AIR STATION COMMAND CHAPLAIN



Over the past couple of days, we all have experienced acute stress, sorrow, grief and loss. These experiences, as they relate to emotional suffering, are often part of the grieving process.

We all express our grief in difference ways, and we must remind ourselves that our process may be difference from others. It is normal to grieve, but what is normal for you may not be normal for someone else.

Grieving occurs when someone is exceedingly sorrowful or distressed over violence, death, misfortune or personal loss. The recent massacre at Virginia Tech, the nine paratroopers killed, and the deaths of countless military men and women who served our country has impacted and changed the lives of many.

The untimely death of Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis, a Blue Angels pilot, will always be indelible in our minds and our hearts.

Many people have attempted to explain grief and certain stages of grief. In the book "On Death and Dying," Elizabeth Kubler-Ross identified five stages that a dying patient may experience. Some people believe that these stages are experienced by others who have either lost a loved one, witnessed death or experienced a traumatic event as a first responder. The stages Kubler-Ross identified are denial, or the sense that this isn't happening to you; anger, why is this happening to me; bargaining, I promise I'll be a better person if I can get past this; depression, I don't care anymore; and finally, accep-

tance, I'm ready to deal with this. Grief is as individual as those of us who feel it, and as varied as the traumatic circumstances which may surround it. Even though the event may be over, we can still experience physical and psychological reactions to the traumatic incident.

Emotional suffering does not imply that an individual is either weak or crazy - it only means that the traumatic event was overwhelming. Keep in mind that some of us have dreams or flashbacks, which are normal; no one is immune from these reactions.

Coping strategies are a must for acute stress and grief management. If we do not address the acute stress, this unmanaged stress can lead to depression and grief, and then we will find ourselves facing Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

We can avoid this by engaging in a lifestyle that includes some of the following: physical activity balanced with relaxation, structured time - keep busy, don't label yourself crazy, don't numb the pain by overusing drugs or alcohol, talk to people, get plenty of rest and eat a well-balanced diet.

Let's move our grief to hope and our hope to faith. In the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, we are reminded to walk in faith.

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for

Church Schedule

Due to construction, services will be held at the Hard Corps Cafe

> **Catholic Mass:** Sunday 8 a.m. Religious Education 9:30 a.m.

Catholic Confession: Before Mass or by request

Protestant Service: Sunday Church School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 5 p.m.

> Base Chapel: 228-7775

Chaplain after hours: 228-7121

We do not always see the very thing we hope for, such as happiness, peace and understanding. We need to move away from that acute stress and introduce ourselves to that inner peace.

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8th ESB: A COP in five days or your money back

CPL. WAYNE EDMISTON 2ND MARINE LOGISTICS GROUP (FWD)

AMARIYAH-FERRIS REGION, Iraq - Building a combat outpost is no easy task. Marines may have to turn buildings that were insurgent safe houses days earlier into places where coalition forces can help protect their Iraqi neighbors.

The Marines of 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward) are not only up to the task, but specialize in it and are materializing the plans of commanders on the ground.

"The way ahead will be neither quick nor easy, and undoubtedly, there will be tough days. We face a determined, adaptable, barbaric enemy. He will try to wait us out," said Army Gen. David H. Petraeus, the commanding general of Multi-National Forces Iraq during a press conference with the Senate Armed

Services Committee. Petraeus explained controlling terrain would give a window of opportunity for Iraqis to get on their feet and completely take over their nation's security - the key to the strategy being combat outposts.

Major Bruce Erhardt, the commanding officer Engineer Support Company, 8th ESB, explained the purpose of building such out-



Cpl. Wayne Edmiston

Two Marines from Bridge Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward) set up wire on the outside of Combat Outpost Blackhawk Amariyah-Ferris Region, Iraq, April 16. The Marines build these outposts to establish an American and Iraqi presence in the area of operations.

"It's to establish an American and Iraqi presence in this area of operations and we do that by building these (Forward Operating Bases) and (Combat

Marines put in force protection measures, perform earth moving, install water, electrical, sanitation and construct billet-Cpl. Steven M. Daniels, a water treatment technician and

Outposts)," Erhardt said. "My

operations specialist with 8th ESB explained the most important goal is making sure their fellow brothers-in-arms have a safe place to stay. In this particular case, U.S. soldiers assigned to Regimental Combat Team 6 will use the

"The important part is force protection and making sure all the Army personnel are safe and can still do their job," Daniels said. "We build so they can get their vehicles and people in here and keep terrorists out."

Building the outpost is not the time consuming part. The the first piece of gear leaves for the work site.

"This site will take about a week, but the planning was a lot longer than that," Daniels continued. "Getting everyone here safely and keeping track of all the people are the hardest parts."

Building the combat outpost may be difficult, but is nothing new to many of these Marines.

(Operation Freedom I) we built bases like this in Kuwait," said Sgt. Robert C. Topper, a heavy equipment mechanic with 2nd Maintenance Bn., 2nd MLG (Fwd). "It was a similar process of putting up berms,

observation posts and a wire." However, Topper said this operation is very different

because of the imminent danger of enemy attack, which is much closer than it was in 2003 in Kuwait. "You have Iraqi civilians

around. That makes it a lot more dangerous and a totally different process," Topper The Marines put up wire,

plumbing, barriers and operate heavy machinery all while wearing full personal protective equipment, adding about 50 pounds to their body weight. They also work 12 to 15-hour shifts to get the job done.

Erhardt, who supervised the operation, was up day and night with his Marines, but said they fared well in the operation.

"They are doing a good job and are working hard," he said. When they get the opportunity, they sleep, eat and take some time to relax, which is limited.

For these Marines, knowing the magnitude of the mission makes it all worthwhile.

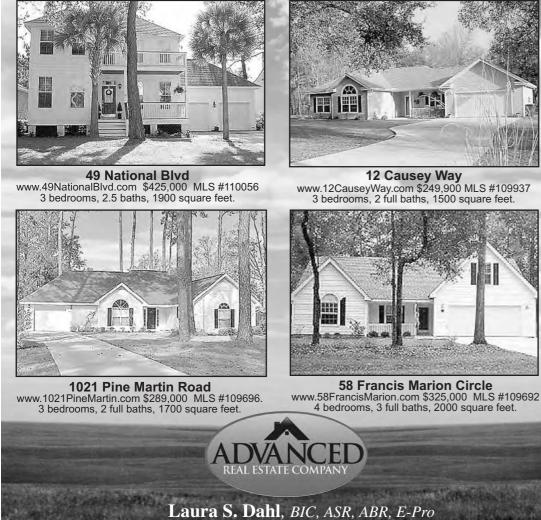
"It's nice getting away from base and seeing how the Iraqis live," Daniels said. "It feels really good to help the Iraqi



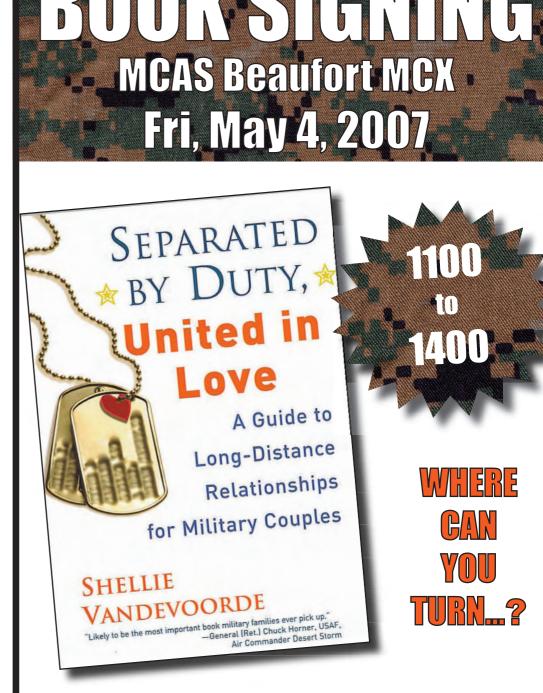
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Lance Cpl. Pal S. Sebestyen from Bridge Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward) sets up wire on the outside of Combat Outpost Blackhawk Amariyah-Ferris Region, Iraq, April 16. The Marines build these outposts to establish an American and Iraqi presence in the area of operations. Sebestyen is a combat engineer with the company.





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Shellie Vandevoorde is a military veteran who served her country for six years and continues to be a devoted Army wife and mother. Ms. Vandevoorde was inspired to write this book after years of experience as a military wife and mother

who continues dealing with the challenge of being in a long-distance

relationship with her soldier husband. During her own Army

career, she was named "Division Soldier of the Month" at the

101st Airborne Division. She is currently involved in a range of volunteer work and has spoken for "National Women's History Month" in her local area. She lives in Savannah, GA.

"Well-written and -conceived, something of value not just to military couples

but everyone in a relationship trying to balance family and career.'

-Mark Bowden, author of Black Hawk Down

News Briefs

Construction to the Air Station's Main

Gate and Pass and Identification center began this week. During construction, traffic will be rerouted, which may cause delays entering and exiting Fightertown. Both inbound lanes will be closed, and construction could take 8 months.

Inbound traffic coming from downtown Beaufort will use the small gate near the Beaufort Readiness Center, and inbound traffic from the Laurel Bay and Grays Hill areas will use the Truck Gate, located north of the Main Gate off Highway 21. At least one outbound lane at the Main Gate will continue to be open during construction.

to be held

A meeting for the 2007 American Legion Baseball season is scheduled to be held for children 14- to 18-years-old at 1831 Ribaut Rd. in Port Royal in the AmVets banquet room Monday, at 7 p.m. At least one parent, along with a birth certificate, must be present for each individual child. Those who are interested in being a manager for the Junior Program and assistant coaches for both Junior and Senior Programs are asked to please attend the meeting.

For more information, contact George Miller, the athletic officer, at 470-0928.

Laurel Bay School Happenings

Reminder: Teacher Appreciation Week May 7 - 11

Wednesday - Dental Health Program for Elliott

May 16 - Laurel Bay School Board Meeting at 3:30 p.m.

May 18 - Arts Day and Parent Teacher Organization Carnival Night at Galer and Elliott

May 28 - Holiday - No school for the Laurel Bay Schools



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11 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Dinner** 5-7 p.m.

menu includes creamed beef, bacon, turkey or beef sausage links and ham slices.

The daily breakfast

Saturday (Brunch) -Bacon burgers, cheeseburgers and hamburgers

Sunday (Brunch) -

Bacon burgers, cheeseburgers and hamburgers

Monday -Stuffed pork chops and braised liver with onions

Jambalaya shrimp and beef cordon bleu Wednesday -

Teriyaki chicken, el rancho stew and buttered noodles Thursday -

Dijon-baked pork chops and salisbury steak

Friday -Herbed-baked chicken, crab cakes and ginger rice

Dinner

Saturday -Savory lamb roast and spaghetti with meat sauce

Prime rib, roast turkey and

baked potatoes

Monday -Southern-fried catfish, yak-

isoba and Chinese egg rolls

Italian veal steaks and

baked turkey with noodles

Wednesday -

Barbeque spareribs and

Yankee pot roast

Thursday -

Veal parmesan, chili con carne and grilled cheese

Cajun-baked fish and peppered steak

Retirement Spotlight



Name: Master Sgt. Rose M. Cole

Hometown, State: Phoenix, Ariz. Family: Son, 15, and daughter, 9 **Current Billet/Job Title:** Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort Operations Chief

Unit: Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron

Future Plans: Get a job and further education

Favorite Quote: "Whenever you are asked if you can do a job, tell 'em, 'Certainly I can!' then get busy and find out how to do it."

Date/Place of Enlistment: Sept. 15, 1986, at Portsmouth, Va.

Retirement Date: Ceremony to be held on May 18

In Memory of...



Mary A. Wiles, 44, died Monday, April 23, 2007, in Candler Hospital, Savannah.

Wiles was born on Dec. 2, 1962.

She was a lifetime resident of Beaufort. She had earned her Bachelor's Degree and Masters Degree in accounting and had been employed at Marine Corps Air Station

Ćorps Community Services for the past 15 years. Wiles will be greatly

sponsorship for Marine

missed by MCCS and the entire Air Station.

Memorials may be made to the Trust Fund for Hollie Wiles, MCAS BFCU, P.O. Drawer 1227, Beaufort. SC, 29901.

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Beaufort



Premiere cyclists scheduled to race through downtown at the Beaufort Memorial Cycling Classic Tuesday At a glance

LANCE CPL. JAMES M. MERCURE

JET STREAM STAFF

owntown Beaufort will be a whirlwind of activity as the world's premiere cyclists are scheduled to race through the streets Tuesday, during the Beaufort Memorial Cycling

Southeast Cycling Tour and is free and open to the The race is scheduled to showcase approximate-

The event is part of eight races in the USA Crits

ly 15 professional men's teams and approximate-

speed.

ly 10 professional women's teams, comprising more than 200 cyclists total. The cyclists, who come from all over the world, are chomping at the bit for their chance to win thousands of dollars in prize money once the

eight-race tour concludes. Cycling has grown in popularity in Beaufort, which is why the community wanted to host the race, according to Donald Veitch, the race director. The criterium-format race is different than the

Tour de France, or other long-distance races, in that it is shorter and much faster.

The women's race consists of 50 laps and is

scheduled to begin at 6 p.m., while the men's race consists of 75 laps and is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Both races will take place on an approximately one-kilometer track through the streets of downtown Beaufort.

It's a good time from a spectator's standpoint because these competitors are the upper echelon of the racing community, according to Hall Sumner, a member of Lowcountry Velo, a local cycling

Several events are scheduled throughout the day for spectators and children. A bike rodeo, which is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. at the Henry C. Chambers Waterfront Park, will teach children how to be safe while riding a bike.

Also scheduled is a children's bike race. The

This race will be so exciting it will be like a

race is scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m. and will tractor-trailer barreling past you at topemphasize bicycle safety and the health benefits for **Donald Veitch** regular exercise. If the race director a child does not have a helmet, one

will be provided prior to the start of the race. In addition, many vendors and restaurants will

be open and available during the children's events and the bike races. Beaufort Memorial Hospital, who signed a three-

year contract as the title sponsor for the event, wants to emphasize healthy living as part of the "One of our goals as a healthcare provider for

this community is to promote wellness, and that Lance Cpl. Mercure at 228-7203

- 4 p.m. children's (3-12) bike rodeo at Henry C. Chambers Waterfront Park
- 5:15 p.m. children's (3-12) bike race on Bay St.
- 6 p.m. Women's pro bike race on Bay St.
- 7 p.m. Men's pro bike race on Bay St.

The event is free and open to the public

includes an active and healthy lifestyle," said Jeff White, the Beaufort Memorial Hospital Interim

ested spectators may watch from these areas. This family-friendly event will show the Beaufort community professional cycling up close

"This race will be so exciting it will be like a tractor-trailer barreling past you at top-speed," Veitch said.

• To comment on this story, contact

Streets downtown that will be closed, or partially closed, to traffic for the race are Newcastle St., Craven St., Scott St., and Bay St.; however, inter-

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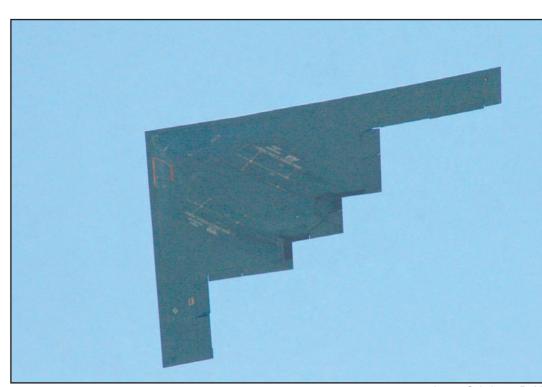








The Blue Angels preform one of their last maneuvers together before Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis lost his life in a tragic crash Saturday. The Blue Angels, who fly several different choreographed maneuvers, sometimes only 18 inches apart, were one of many performers at the 2007 MCAS Beaufort Air Show Saturday and Sunday.



Lance Cpl. Jason D. Mills

The B-2 "Spirit" bomber soars through the skies during its only performance for the Air Show Saturday. The B-2, commonly referred to as the stealth bomber, comes from a combination of reduced acoustic, infrared, visual and radar signatures making it difficult to detect, track and



The GEICO Skytypers soar through the air Saturday, during the Air Show. The Skytypers fly six vintage World War II airplanes and are the only existing World War II civilian squadron flying today.



Lance Cpl. Charles M. Groff

In commemoration of more than 50 years as a separated branch of service, an Air Force F-16 and F-86 fly together in a Heritage Flight during performances both Saturday and Sunday. Heritage Flights reflect Air Force air power from past to present.

2007 MCAS BEAUFORT AIR SHOW



Fightertown SNAPSHOTS

Editor's note: The Fightertown Snapshots this week feature the efforts and actions of those who made the 2007 MCAS Beaufort Air Show, Lowcountry Blues Festival and the 4th Annual Soft Shell Crab Festival possible.



Military policeman from the Air Station's Provost Marshals Office conduct a security check on incoming Air Show spectators Sunday. PMO was on scene to make sure weapons and other hazardous items were not brought in to the event. PMO also provided traffic control, bike patrols, boat patrols and conducted several other security operations to ensure safety during the Air Show.



Lance Cpl. Dane M. Horst Stunt pilot Jim Leroy of the Tinstix of Dynamite checks his plane's smoke oil level at Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 251's hangar before his performance during the Air Show here Sunday. Clear weather this past weekend allowed approximately 90,000 people to attend the Air Show



Lance Cpl. Nikki M. Fleming

A Fightertown Marine, who was part of the event staff at the Air Show, tests his strength in pullups at the Marine recruiting tent Saturday. Depending on the number of pull-ups or the length of a flexed-arm hang achieved, participants were able to earn posters, hats, shirts and more.



Corporal Tyler Groft plays jazz piano as part of a jazz trio band during the 4th annual Soft Shell Crab Festival in the Village of Port Royal Saturday. Groft is a piano player for the Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island Band. After his band played, the Soft Shell Crab Festival transitioned into the Lowcountry Blues Festival, which featured a live performance by the Equinox Jazz



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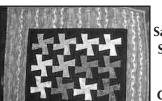
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Air Station's commanding officer. "All of the coordination exercises that we do with the Beaufort County first responders paid off, because the coordination with them at the accident scene was superb. Emergency responders were where they needed to be immediately and began to work to contain the situation and handle the emergency. I was very proud of everyone."

A special tribute was made to honor Davis Saturday night by personnel at the crash site.

"As a tribute, (Saturday evening), the emergency services removed the American flag from the Burton Fire Department and placed it over the stretcher carrying the pilot from the scene," Winn said. "Full honors were rendered at that time by emergency services personnel and by military authorities."

The decision was made to continue with the second day of Air Show performances, and the day began with a moving opening ceremony paying tribute to Davis by observing a moment of silence, an aerial missing man formation performed by the GEICO Skytypers and the playing of

"We put a lot of thought into (continuing with the Air Show) for a few reasons," Lanham said. "One is that's what we do and even the Air Show performers wanted to go ahead with it because that's how we've always done business in aviation. As tragic as it is, it's part of our business. We accept those risks and we have to go on with the mission. And going on with the Air Show is symbolic of how we handle the dangerous aspects of



The two Navy Blue Angels solo jets, Blue Angel #5, Lt. Cmdr. John Allison, lead solo pilot and Blue Angel #6, Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis, opposing solo pilot, perform a belly-to-belly maneuver during their performance Saturday. This was one of Davis' final maneuvers before his fatal crash. This was his first year as a demonstration pilot and for his parents, who were in the crowd watching their son, it was their first Air Show.

our mission. The other aspect is the solid support we got from the community to go along with it. At the opening ceremony we had Mayor (Bill) Rauch, County Council Chair Weston Newton and Vice-Chair Skeet Von Harten. There was a lot of solidarity between the military and the civilian community to go ahead

In the wake of Saturday's tragic event, many critics have begun voicing their opinions, saying that Air Shows are dangerous and perhaps shouldn't be flown over cities.

"It's not Air Shows that are dangerous, it's flying," Lanham said. "The flying business can be dangerous. Air Show's are done for specific reasons to provide community relations for us, to assist in recruiting, and to a great show. I received feedback demonstrate aviation and air power to a public that largely doesn't know a lot about what we do. So I think it's worth the risk that we take."

"We are entirely committed to safety in our historical organization and in Naval Aviation," Walley said.

While the second day of Air Show events continued, the death of Davis affected the entire county.

"Beaufort County is very saddened by this incident," Winn said. "We're sorry to lose one of our Naval heroes."

"It was a tragedy that the Blue Angel mishap occurred," Lanham said. "I think other than that it was a flawless effort on both days. The whole Marine Corps and Navy community at MCAS Beaufort turned out from the performers that it was one of the better-organized shows that they attended and everybody I talked to was having a really, really good time. And even when we were challenged by tragedy, Team Beaufort responded very well. I was very proud of the effort and it doesn't diminish the level of teamwork and professionalism that the sailors and Marines demonstrated

The family has asked that any donations be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation in Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis' name. The cause of the accident is currently under investigation.

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A spectator at the Air Show Sunday

wears a decorated Navy shirt in memory of Lt. Cmdr. Kevin J. Davis the Blue Angel # 6 pilot who lost his life in a crash the day before. Several attendees came to the Air Show with shirts and signs honoring Davis.

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director. "The last six to seven months before the Air Show, you start honing in on the specifics and nailing down the details." Air Show spectators had the opportunity to see several

different aerial demonstration performances, static displays, as well as enjoy food from several different vendors. While these things made the Air Show entertaining, the Marines, sailors and Civilian Marines made it all pos-

"Getting the performers here took a lot of coordination and effort on the part of a lot of people," said Mark Hamilton, the Air Show coordinator. "There were a lot of different aspects involved in putting on this event – sponsorship, recruiting, marketing and partnering with the Soft Shell Crab Festival were all things that took a lot of dedication and hard work from a lot of people."

One work section that helped make the Air Show run

smoothly was the Air Station's Provost Marshals Office. PMO provided traffic control, bike patrols, boat patrols, security checks and conducted several other security operations to ensure safety during the Air Show.

"All of PMO was tasked out for the Air Show," said Lance Cpl. Gregory Walrath, a military policeman here. "All of our preparations for this event were taught to us in school, which is why I feel everything ran smoothly."

Approximately 80 Marines and sailors from Marine Aircraft Group 31, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 31, and Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron worked with members from Air Station Public Works, Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting and Supply during the laborintensive setup and tear down of countless tents, tables, chairs and fencing on the Air Station's flightline.

"The volunteers stayed positive and enthusiastic despite

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hard labor," said Capt. Scott Benninghoff, the Air Station's assistant S-4 officer. "And though the aircraft were the main focus of the show, the Air Show wouldn't have gotten off the ground without the help of so many Marines and sailors from here and other installations."

The Air Show required support from almost every shop and unit aboard Fightertown, and in the end every one came together to make this year's Air Show possible.

"Without the support of the Marines and sailors, this year's Air Show would not have happened," said Staff Sgt. Stephanie Wenrick, the Air Station's S-4 chief. "All of the Marines and sailors came together like they were from the

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