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In service



BILES

Specialist training

Marine Corps Private First Class Lance E. Biles has completed training as a communications specialist at Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif., and has received orders to report for duty in Okinawa.

Biles is the son of Mrs. Deborah B. Morgan of Long Beach and Joe A. Biles of Oregon, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bedford of Winston-Salem.

A 1991 graduate of Reynolds High School in Winston-Salem, Biles joined the Marine Corps in May.

Basic training

Airman Terrance V. Stanley has graduated from the Air Force basic training course at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Ethel B. Stanley of Rt. 3, Shallotte, and is a 1992 graduate of West Brunswick High School.

Leadership training

Tech. Sgt. Mark A. McCracken has graduated from an Air Force major command non-commissioned officer academy, having received advanced military leadership and management training.

McCracken is a personnel specialist with the Air Force ROTC at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

He is the son of Herman E. and Saundra J. McCracken of Southport. McCracken graduated from South Brunswick High School in 1979, and from St. Leo College, Fla., in



Byerly deployment

1988.

Navy Scaman William M. Byerly, son of William M. and Judy F. Byerly of Long Beach, recently returned aboard the dock landing ship USS Fort Fisher, homeported in San Diego, Calif., from a sixmonth deployment to the Western Pacific and the Persian Gulf.

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The 1990 graduate of South Brunswick High School joined the Navy in 1991.

Pittenger returns

Patricia A. and Paul N. Pittenger, Jr., of Southport, recently returned aboard the aircraft carrier USS Independence, forward deployed to Japan, from a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf and Indian Ocean.

11 major exercises, including Operation Southern Watch which enforced a no-fly zone over southern

A 1982 graduate of St. Mary's College, St. Mary's City, Md., he joined the Navy in 1982.



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