

# Tiger Tales



Tiger Tales is the official newsletter of HMM-262

#### January 2007

## A message from the Commanding Officer

Fellow Members of the Flying Tiger Family,

As I am writing this, we are in the final stages of preparation for our upcoming deployment. Twelve aircraft are broken down and ready to be loaded on cargo aircraft for their transport to Iraq. The Marines have packed their gear, prepared their families and are anticipating their day to leave. The Squadron is ready to go.

It was less than 90 days ago that the Tigers were tasked to deploy. In that time; we completed Exercise Talon Vision 07 and redeployed from Clark AB, Philippines with a four day boat ride. We completed the entire Operation IRAQI FREEDOM predeployment training package, and deployed the squadron to/from Yuma, Arizona for exercise Desert Talon 07. All while attending the Marine Corps Ball and taking some time off to celebrate Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years. These are outstanding accomplishments. I am very proud of our Marines and Sailors.

The next few days will be filled with anxious moments and tough good-byes as the Flying Tigers head to war for the first time in over 30 years. Rest assured that the Tigers are well prepared for this undertaking. We go forth knowing that we are part of the finest fighting force on this planet and have received the best training available. The flood of support that we have received

from the family and friends of the Tigers has been tremendous and will continue to be a source of strength for every member of the Squadron. Thank you for everything you have done for us so far. The upcoming months will be trying, and your letters and e-mails will be a source of strength for us.

I would like to take the opportunity to again thank our Key Volunteers. Their efforts have been fantastic and they provide us a great service. These volunteers have dedicated their personal time to help support our families and they have spent a significant amount time doing so. You guys are great!

We are planning on providing at least one (sometimes more) family support events, here on Okinawa, while the Squadron is deployed. You can read about these events later in this newsletter. These events are designed to bring our families together, to provide support to each other, recognize our spouses and assist in anyway we can. We need some help in putting some of these events together. If you would to volunteer to assist in planning any of the events please contact your KV and she can point you in the right direction. Thanks in advance for your participation.

We all watched the President's speech earlier this month, and we understand how important the next few months will be to our country, our military and the people



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of Iraq. We are honored to take part in such an important undertaking and to carry the Flying Tiger legacy into a new era. Sincerely, LtCol Mike Farrell Commanding Officer





"Please posture yourselves for a successful evolution."

## From the Desk of the Sergeant Major

Now that Christmas is behind us, the New Year is in full swing and we begin to clean our houses of all the wrapping paper and spilled drinks and throw out all the leftovers, I hope it was a joyous time for everyone. I know some of you traveled thousands of miles to visit with family, friends and loved ones and you are still recuperating from the jet lag, but don't rest on your laurels too long because the pace for the Squadron has increased.

As the Squadron prepares to go forth and write new chapters in the history of the Tigers, please posture yourselves for a successful evolution. Do not take for granted that things will fall into place with the departure of your service member, be proactive in your planning. This is the first extended stay the Squadron has participated in for quite some time, so please take the time to ensure you have formulated a plan that will sustain the duration of the

deployment.

The pre-deployment brief was a great success and I hope it provided everyone with the answers or at least a direction for resolution of concerns regarding the deployment. If there are new or any unanswered questions, please ask them before the Squadron departs and we will do our best to acquire the appropriate response or put you in touch with the duty expert. Family members leaving the island for an extended period of time or permanently should ensure they have the appropriate documents and have made the necessary arrangements for the care of their quarters and or pets. It is not the command's responsibility to provide personal servitude, but we will provide advice.

Semper Fidelis,

# **Sergeant Major Thornton**

Communication: "Do not assume someone knows, but tell them and make it known"



The Squadron's Gear is packed in Quadcons like these

## S-4 Gets the Squadron Ready to Deploy

Happy New Years to our family and friends from the Flying Tigers S-4 shop. We have been keeping pretty busy in preparation for our upcoming departure

This month, we assisted the Marines in the advance party by moving their personal items out of the barracks and into temporary storage. Additionally, the S-4 coordinated the storage of the

Marine's vehicles. We also packed the Squadron's gear into Quadcons and prepared them for shipment

These upcoming weeks will bring our Squadron's first deployment to OIF and we in the S-4 shop are looking forward to a smooth transition to our new home in Al Taqaddum.

First Lieutenant Topher Koreis **Assistant S-4A** 

#### **Blue Stars**

Show your local community your family's commitment to our nation and to liberty. Parents, spouses, and children of Flying Tigers are entitled to display a Service Flag in a window of their residence. By an act of Congress (Title 36, USC, Section 901) immediate families of those in the U.S. Armed Forces may display a Service Flag while our nation is engaged in hostilities.

The history of the Service Flag dates back to 1917. Today, this patriotic display is again gaining popularity with the people of the United States. The Service Flag transcends all Armed Services and shows the world your family has a member who is proudly serving our nation. One blue star on a field of white surrounded by a red rectangular Flag share your mutual bond. If you frame conveys the simple message your family's dedication. Families with multiple service members may display a flag with additional blue stars, one star per family member.

Family members of a Flying

Tigers may also display their pride by wearing a small Service Flag lapel pin or broach. Very soon, the Flying Tigers will be in Iraq helping our fellow Marines and soldiers in a personal and tangible way. You should be proud of what your Marine is about to accomplish in support of others. You deserve to show your local community what your family is contributing to the advancement of stability and liberty in our rapidly changing world.

If you choose to purchase a Service Flag for display I would encourage you to purchase from a vendor who contributes to a Gold Star Association. Gold Star Service Flags are solemnly reserved for families who have made the ultimate sacrifice. If vou see someone displaying a Service see someone displaying a Gold Star Service Flag, please recognize their special sacrifice and provide words of appreciation and heartfelt thanks.

#### **Lieutant Colonel Damien Marsh Executive Officer**



"The Service Flag... shows the world your family has a member who is proudly serving our nation."

## **Ops Never Stops**

The Flying Tigers' focus during December was the execution of Desert Talon (DT) 1-07 and continuing to prepare for deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). Desert Talon was executed 1-15 December in Yuma, Arizona. Though it was a major muscle movement to get all aircrew and required maintainers there and back

to Okinawa, the exercise was outstanding and gave all involved the necessary skills to safely and effectively fly and maintain aircraft in the desert environment. Desert Talon was the final phase of the Headquarters Marine Corps directed Pre-deployment Training Program (PTP) for all units deploying to OIF.

The day prior to the



Capt Minihan explains next week's schedule to Maj Sweginnis and Maj Spangenberger over a cold Orion

"After...the Christmas 96...we rolled right back into flying"



Capt Savage and Cpl Ouelette discuss the upcoming deployment

completion of DT, the Squadron sent Major Ferry, Capt O'Connor, Capt Horton and Captain Taggart back to Okinawa to conduct transfer maintenance flights to prepare the final lineup of aircraft for deployment to Iraq. The remainder of the Squadron left Yuma on the 18th and arrived the night of the 19th. Following a day off for the returning personnel, we continued preparation and coordination for the deployment.

After having the opportunity to spend the Christmas 96 with all of you, we rolled right back into flying the 27th through the 29th to finish up some High Light Level (HLL) NVG training for our newest pilots and Aerial Observers. Though it was only three days, we made significant money by completing six out of seven required training flights for two pilots and four observers.

Most of you already know where our focus lies for January.

With that said we look forward to bringing you our next newsletter from Iraq, and again, Ops wants you to know that we appreciate your support and would like you to know that the sacrifices you and your Marines make on a daily basis do not go unnoticed. **Major Darren Brown** 

Major Darren Brown Assistant Operations Officer

#### **Operations Personnel:**

Major Dimicco
Major Brown
Captain Fimiani
Captain Savage
Captain Minihan
Captain Malavenda
Captain Sanchez
First Lieutenant Heintz
Sergeant Hill
Corporal Ouelette
Private First Class Bergholz
Private First Class Pulliam



The Squadron's Remain Behind Officer (RBO) Capt Jason Barnes

### Family Readiness "Sets the Bar"

It is down to the wire, and HMM-262 is finally getting our chance to show the world what we are made of. In a few short days, the Squadron will be established in Iraq, ready to support the Grunts on the ground, and assist the people of Iraq with establishing a stable and peaceful Iraq. Before we do that, however, it is important that our families be ready to face the challenges of having their Marine or

Sailor deployed.

As the Family Readiness
Officer, I would like to thank
Katrina Farrell, Sheila Williams,
Adrienne Taggart, and all of the
KVs for all of the hard work they
have done to ready Squadron families
for this deployment. I would also like
to thank 1stLt Fohn for all of his
hard work and dedication throughout
the pre-deployment period. Rest
assured that Squadron families will

be well taken care of while the Squadron is deployed. **Capt Barnes** is ready to take on the rewarding challenge of working with the Squadron families to ensure that they have the right information and resources to see them through this challenging time.

The HMM-262 Family Readiness Program, together with the Key Volunteer Network, has accepted that challenge, and the Key Volunteers have been armed with the tools and training they need to steer Squadron families in the right direction when help is needed. Major General Trautman, the Commanding General of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, recently stated that HMM-262 has set the bar for Family Readiness. We are ready!

Captain Ben Taggart Administration Officer/Family Readiness Officer "Rest assured that Squadron families will be well taken care of while the Squadron is deployed"

## Communications and Intelligence play a vital role

Things have gotten off to a busy start to the New Year for the Intelligence (S-2) and Communication (S-6) departments. We've more than doubled in size by adding Corporal Amber Dickison, Corporal Jeffery Neil, and Lance Corporal David Long to the S-2 and **Lance Corporal Joseph Lesnefsky** to our S-6. We look forward to the help those new Marines will provide as we deploy for Iraq. SSgt Whited, Cpl Neil and Cpl Carr will be leaving first to pave the way for the rest of us that will be arriving two weeks later.

The S-2 will be busy gathering every bit of information possible and ensuring the Squadron is up to speed on the latest developments in Iraq. We also will ensure the Squadron has access to classified material as needed.

Our S-6 will also be busy setting up e-mail accounts and getting network access for the Marines. We anticipate having access to e-mail shortly after arriving, and you should

hear from your loved ones within days. Our e-mail addresses will change, but any e-mail sent to our address here will automatically be forwarded to our address in Iraq. There are also internet cafés in Iraq so personal e-mail will also be available as well, although your Marines may not be able to check it every day. We should also be able to make phone calls home.

The CO will be recording a weekly message that you can download from the 1MAW HMM-262 website in MP3 format. The address to the website is: <a href="http://www.1maw.usmc.mil/index.asp?unit='HMM-262">http://www.1maw.usmc.mil/index.asp?unit='HMM-262</a> or just type <a href="http://www.1maw.usmc.mil">www.1maw.usmc.mil</a> and follow the links to HMM-262.

Additionally, check the website for pictures of the Squadron in action.

Thanks for all your support; we'll be in touch.

Captain Adam Johns Intelligence Officer/Communications Officer "The Ocho" "The S-2 will [ensure] the Squadron is up to speed on the latest developments"

"I will continue to pray for those deployed and please know that my time is your time."

### Chaplain's Corner

Author J. Allan Petersen tells about a flight he took on a 747 out of Brazil. He was awakened from sleep by a strong voice announcing, "We have a serious emergency." Three engines had quit because of fuel contamination and the fourth was expected to go at any second. The plane began to drop and turn in the night, preparing for an emergency landing.

At first the situation seemed unreal to Peterson, but when the flight attendant barked, "Prepare for impact, "he found himself-and everyone around him praying. As he buried his head in his lap and pulled up his knees, he said, "Oh, God, thank you. Thank you for the incredible privilege of knowing you. Life has been wonderful." As the plane approached the ground his last cry was, "Oh, God, my wife! My children!"

Petersen survived. As he wandered about the airport in a daze, aching all over, he found he couldn't speak, but his mind was racing, what were my last words? What was the bottom line? As he remembered, he had his answer: relationship. Reunited with my wife and sons, he found that all he could say to them over and over was, "I appreciate you, I appreciate you!"

Hello, my name is Scott Morton and I am the MAG-36 Chaplain. My wife Melinda and our two boys Garrett and Ethan are excited about this opportunity to serve you here on Okinawa. In 1998 when our tour with the Marines Corps ended in 29 Palms, CA, we kept reminding ourselves that one day we would be able to serve with the Marines again. Well now that we are here with you we are ready to make each day count. Live each day to the fullest. The bottom line for me is relationships. People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care. Well I do care and I want to make myself available to you and your family. Let me have the opportunity to be your chaplain, pastor and friend. My office is located right on FUTENMA in building 511 and my work number is **636-3016**. My sole purpose for taking these orders to Okinawa was to be available to meet you and or your family's needs.

In closing, this upcoming "New Year" brings about some excitement as well as some anxious moments to the Marines and sailors and their loved ones of HMM 262. As much as I wish I could deploy with the Marines and sailors my primary job this time is to remain behind here and support the loved ones of those that deployed to IRAQ. I will continue to pray for those deployed and please know that my time is your time.

Yours Because I'm His,

**Chaplain Morton** 

#### **Eye on Safety**

Happy New Year from the Flying Tigers Department of Safety and Standardization(DOSS).

Traditionally Marines and Sailors usher in each new year with an Operational Pause / Back-in-the-

Saddle (OBITS). The OBITS is a time to take a break from fixing and flying aircraft for a day or so, so we can step back and focus on safety. This year was no different, so on January 8th the Flying Tigers put down their flight gear, their wrenches and their computers to gather in the Base Theater and in the Semper Fit Gym where they participated in a day of presentations designed to heighten awareness of the various hazards we face on and off the job, and hopefully prevent those hazards from causing any harm. The OBITS included a thorough review of risk management strategies complete with a practical application exercise where Commanding Officer LtCol Mike "Sluggo" Farrell and Sergeant Major Leon "Chappy" Thornton went head to head in a blindfolded tricycle riding and coffee drinking competition. Presenters mixed levity with serious topics such as aircraft mishap lessons learned and electrical safety in order to maintain the audience's attention and prepare them for a successful deployment to Iraq.

In the spirit of preserving human and material assets while safely and effectively accomplishing our assigned missions in Iraq, 3 Marines from the DOSS shop departed Okinawa ahead of most of the Flying Tigers. NATOPS Officer Capt Bill "Drag" Morrow is currently in Pensacola, Florida attending courses that will qualify him to be a Cockpit Resource Management Instructor and Aviation Safety Officer. He will join the

Squadron Iraq in February immediately following course graduation. Aviation Safety Officer Capt Alex "Kush" Kushnir and Ground Safety Officer 1stLt Jon **"Pookie" Spencer** departed to Iraq with the Flying Tiger Advance Party (ADVON) whose mission is to complete a safety site survey of the places the Tigers will live and work for the next 7 months. The ADVON's efforts will help ensure that the Flying Tigers can operate safely and effectively once the rest of the Squadron arrives in Iraq and begins to operate in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Congratulations are in order for the Flying Tigers' newest Aerial Gunner/Observers, (AG/O). **Sergeant Justin Keith and Corporal** Matthew Burgess earned their coveted "Wings of Gold" in December and January respectively and will be flying as combat aircrewmen on helicopter missions in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom shortly. Also to be congratulated are our newest Helicopter Aircraft Commanders, Captains Adam "Peetie" Johns and Bill "Drag" Morrow; our newest Section Leaders Captains Mike "Jethro" McClendon, Austin "Crack" Sewell and Chris "Nuke" Yanity; and finally our newest Division Leader, Captain Alex "Kush" Kushnir. These Marines have worked hard to improve themselves and advance for the benefit of the entire Tiger team. Major Bob "Wedge" Sweginnis Director of Safety and Standardization

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Capt Kushnir and Maj Sweginnis discuss safety

## **Maintenance Photo Essay**



















#### Russian Invasion of Okinawa Imminent

The majority of the Flying Tiger aircraft will be transported by Russian AN-124 "Condor" cargo jets. The German Government led a recent diplomatic effort to lease these aircraft for NATO strategic airlift requirements, and the aircraft have performed superbly.

The Condor is the largest aircraft ever mass produced. It was designed by the Soviet aerospace companies Aviastar and Antonov in the late 1970s and conducted its first test flight in 1982. The Condor began flying for the Red Air Force and Aeroflot in 1986.

It is capable of hauling 300,000 pounds of cargo and 88 passengers. It holds the world record for extended flight, covering a distance of 20,151 kilometers. It has a maximum airspeed of over 450

knots and a maximum range of 2,900 nautical miles between refueling stops.

The United States Air Force will transport the remaining CH-46Es to Iraq in C-5 "Galaxy" aircraft. The Galaxy can transport 270,000 pounds of cargo and 73 passengers, has a maximum range of 3,300 nautical miles between refueling stops and a maximum airspeed of 500 knots.

Of the two aircraft, the Condor is the more reliable and has a better safety record. The Galaxy is know to its' crews affectionately as "FRED".

Captain Andy Tyson Adjutant/S-5 Officer



Interior view of the Russian AN-124 Condor



A tractor-trailer drives out of the nose of a Russian AN-124 Condor

## The "Old Tiger Iraq Project"

The Flying Tigers are going to war. At this time, we are the only Phrog Squadron that has not deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom. While we do not relish the thought of going to war, we are anxious to do our duty, and serve with our fellow Marines from across the Corps.

This is the first time HMM-262 has gone to war since the War in Vietnam. Those Flying Tiger veterans of the Vietnam War remember all too well the pain of being away from home, missing loved ones, and living in a war zone. They are members of an eternal brotherhood of helicopter flyers and maintainers and they have taken it

upon themselves to give us what they did not have in Vietnam.

The HMM-262 Vietnam Veteran's Association is soliciting donations from people who care so that they can provide us with some



"We have someone covering our backs"

"The 'Old Tigers' had nothing like this in Vietnam"



The newest member of the Flying Tiger medical team, HM1 Sayers



1stLt Schierling from the S-4 inspects a medical Palcon as LT Moore and HM1 Sayers look on



SSgt Hjorten hard at work

comforting items while we are deployed. What every member of this Squadron needs to recognize is that this effort is more than just about providing us with magazines and shaving cream. This effort is the way that these "Old Tigers" express their support and concern for us "New Tigers."

The "Old Tigers" had nothing like this in Vietnam. We should count ourselves very fortunate to belong to a fraternity of warriors that stretch back to Vietnam, and we have

someone covering our backs. Please help these "Old Marines" help us by helping them. Get the word out about these guys to your family and friends. The "Old Tigers" are heroes and they deserve our respect and gratitude. For more information about how you can help, check out the HMM-262 Vietnam Veteran's Association website at <a href="https://www.hmm-262vietnam.com">www.hmm-262vietnam.com</a>. Semper Fi!

Captain Ben Taggart

Administration Officer/Family

## Keeping us "In the Fight"

Hello from Camp Pendleton! I realized after reading the final copy of the last newsletter that I didn't introduce myself or my department and just rattled on about anthrax, etc. The medical department consists on myself and three hospital corpsmen: HM1 Savers, HM3 Ehrhardt and **HM3 Miles**. Our primary responsibilities include taking care of the routine medical needs of our Marines to include sick call and physicals, keeping immunizations current and providing our Squadron with all the medical supplies and equipment necessary to ensure a safe and successful deployment. To aid in that, we're currently in Camp

Pendleton, California taking the Operational Emergency Medical Support course with the goal of honing our field skills and expanding and our knowledge base and experience in handling the critically injured or ill. An essential course, since we have also been asked to support the evacuation and treatment of casualties while in Iraq.

It is my personal goal and that of my department to provide the best possible care to your Marines and to ensure a safe and healthy return next summer.

**Lieutenant Meg Moore MC USN Flight Surgeon** 

#### Admin Marines cover all the bases

Iraq is looming over the Horizon. On 15 January the Squadron advanced party departed for Iraq, and when this newsletter is published more Flying Tigers will be taking to the skies to head off to war.

Leading the charge for the S-1 is **1stLt Rich Fohn**. He is a recent and valuable addition to the S-1. Accompanying 1stLt Fohn are **Cpl Arriaga** and **LCpls Starks**. LCpl Tomlinson will be departing with the

main body shortly thereafter. You can find these warriors in the S-1 forward with K-bars clenched in their teeth as they hover over their computers, waiting for the enemy.

Recently, the S-1 gained Capt Barnes, who will remain behind in Okinawa to assist the Squadron families. 1stLt Olmstead, who is pulling his weight to help with Squadron readiness, joined us while we were in Yuma. We also added PFC McIver, a former New York City bus driver.

The guy behind the guy is **SSgt Hjorten**. He is the backbone of the S-1. If he doesn't know about it, it probably hasn't happened yet. The S-1 is a flurry of activity as we administratively ready the Squadron for our upcoming deployment. We are ready to manage that chaos, and provide the CO with the situational awareness he needs to effectively manage his Squadron.

Captain Ben Taggart Administration Officer/Family Readiness Officer

## **Buy Squadron Gear Through the Mail!**

The S-5 department recently teamed up with Gmail, PayPal and the United States Postal Service to give you the opportunity to easily purchase Squadron gear from anywhere in the world. Here's how it works:

- Send an email with your request to <u>FlyingTigerSales@gmail.com</u>
- That email will be automatically forwarded to the military email accounts of all the Marines in the shop.
- I will verify that we have the item you requested in stock.
- If we have it, I will reply to your email with your total (including shipping costs) anda PayPal payment button.
- When you click on the payment button, it will direct you to the PayPal website where you can pay for the gear using your credit card – you don't need a PayPal account.
- Once your payment posts, I will ship your item Priority Mail through the USPS.
   Additionally, I will provide

- you with a tracking number so you can follow the progress of your package.
- If we don't have the item on hand, I will let you know when we get them in stock.
- The shipping fees will start at \$5 for items less than one pound to cover a Priority Mail Stamp and Delivery Confirmation.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please me at <a href="mailto:FlyingTigerSales@gmail.com">FlyingTigerSales@gmail.com</a>
I look forward to hearing from you!

Captain Andy Tyson

Adjutant/S-5 Officer

#### On the Horizon:

Stickers
Ceramic Coffee Mugs
Glass Beer Mugs
T-Shirts
Zippo Lighters
Your suggestions!



Hats - \$10



Visors - \$10

"We are ready to manage the chaos"



Can Coozie - \$2 each



Patches - \$5 each



**Coins - \$5** 



Travel Mugs - \$10

## **Calender of Family Events**

#### **FEBRUARY**

**10TH** 

HMM-262 and HMM-265 Joint Valentine "Pity Party" for All Spouses from 1800-2100 (no kids). RSVP by 2 February to your KV

**11TH** 

MALS sponsored Valentine Brunch for MALS Marines and Spouses at Butler O-Club at 1500. Kids are welcome. RSVP with your KV required.

**17TH** 

HMM-262 Kids and Deployment Workshop 1500 to 1700 (teens and middle and elementary school-aged children discuss deployment-related issues interactive with Parent.)

**HMM-262 ALL-SPOUSE LEARNING SERIES** 

Learn about the Iraq War and current happenings from experienced combat leaders at the Futenma USO (Monthly dates to be determined for the duration of the deployment)

#### MARCH 21ST

HMM-262 and HMM-265 All Family Easter Party (simulated White House Easter Egg Roll)

Details to come.

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## **APRIL**

TBD

HMM-262 Karoke Night and/or Mothers Appreciation BUNKO Details to come.

17TH

MAG-36/HMM-262 KV Appreciation Lunch

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#### MAY TRD

HMM-262 "In the Midst" Workshop (Halfway through deployment)

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JUNE TBD

HMM-262 and HMM-265 Kick off the summer BBQ "Olympic Style" at Torii Beach. )Kids participate in various races/games)

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JULY TRD

HMM-262 Sign-Making Party/Spouse Appreciation Day at the HMM-262 Hangar

## **Calender of Family Events(continued)**

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## AUGUST TBD

HMM-262 "Return & Reunion" simultaneous with "Kids& Reunion" HMM-262 ALL-SPOUSE LEARNING SERIES

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## Please welcome the following MALS-36 personnel to the Flying Tiger Family!

First Lieutenant Clint J.

Burbach

Gunnery Sergeant Danny M.

Murphy

Gunnery Sergeant Michael

S. Williams

Staff Sergeant Charles S.

Hays

Staff Sergeant Brian S.

Oliver

Staff Sergeant Daniel I.

Vasquez

Sergeant Jeremy A. Bland

Sergeant Daniel G. Jagears

Sergeant David A. Sola

Sergeant Hannah Yi

Corporal Serge H. Baptiste

Corporal Jimmy D. Cothren

Corporal Preston T. Davison

Corporal Gregory A.

Eggenberger

Corporal Matthew D.

Holcomb

Corporal Andrew J. Lippert

Corporal Christian J. Lopez

Corporal Joseph A. Nichols

Corporal Jacob B. Page

Corporal German

Pliegoflores

Corporal Brain S. Rotkowski

Corporal Michael D. Shaner

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Almaguer

Lance Corporal Matthew C. Howell

Lance Corporal Christopher

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Lance Corporal Armado

Mesa

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Silvers

Lance Corporal Thomas N

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