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CROW HAS BEEN RETURNED! Thursday, July 7, members from the ITF Task Force and several of the devastated wives and those darling little old red hat ladies, who have been mourning the disappearance of Crow going on four months were tipped off that a package possible containing Crow was at the Post Office., They all caravanned to the Trinity Center US Post Office to collect a package measuring approximately 14X14 inches that was post marked as being sent from a San Diego and addressed to Mr. Clay McCracken, in care of Mrs. McCracken. Clay is our new recipient of the Eat Crow award. After collecting the package, the caravan continued to the home of the ITF Task Chief, Roger Chatterton, who, after bringing in his bomb sniffing dogs to dispel any chance a bomb could be enclosed in the box .Finding no existence of a bomb he then focused his interest on the outside of the box for possible clues such as a footprints, paw, fingerprints or any other evidentiary item that would help determine where and by who the box happened to be sent from. Detective Chief, Roger Chatterton Paid very close attention to the return address, as if he suspected it would be something other than on the box. And why it had been mailed from a different location? The mourning wives and red hat ladies found this very curious. The only reliable clue on the outside of the box was very large bird dropping deposited to bottom right corner of the box

After Mr. McCracken open the box, a letter from Crow and three pages of evidence items to back up his story. Crow completely cleared any responsibility to the wives and Red Hatter's from this traumatic bird napping and imprisonment of Crow. Even though he was blind folded, Crow was able to identify voices and men who handled him roughly. He heard most of their threats on how they would implicate the wives and red hatters.. Because of the efforts of the wives and red hatter's to locate Crows relatives, female crow came forward to stay with crow to help keep him company and make sure he stays safe,

Crow ends his letter with:"This is my story and I am sticking to it..If you would like to see all the letter's and documents concerning this crow-napping-caper.. send me an email at bettveyman@tds.com. I would be happy to send them to you.

The husbands and the wives are happy this has come to an end, and instead of dragging it through the court system, the men will take the high road, admit their involvement and accept the punishment meted out by the wives (who are mostly Red Hatters.) Keep watching for the punishment the wives and red hatters feel best to fit the crime.

In the mean time Clay McCracken was the recipient for only a few minutes before he had to turn Crow, and Crow;s new girlfriend over to Dick Eyman, who truly earned it this time by asking if it were his new dog, Dillon, or his not so new wife, that (would be me), that was creating a very obnoxious smell in the cab of his truck . REALLY Dick!

Be careful where you park you vehicles in Trinity Center. Dick Eyman parked his golf cart in the empty parking lot of the James Lucky Enterprises after the store was closed. After returning from a dinner out, he found a piece of paper in Bright Red block letters across the top announcing it was a PARKING TICKET. Under that it read ... "This vehicle is parked illegal. You must pay the owner of this business \$20.00 parking fee". And it was signed," The Golf Cart Police". Does this mean parking meters and stop lights are coming to TC soon? ... Probably not. And will Dick pay the parking fine? ... Probably not. But someone has a great sense of humor.

About 8 young Marines spent their July furlough at the home of Hal and Judy Pflueger's along with the Pflueger's 21 year old son, Lance Corporal Alex.. I went up to interview these young men, and the pflueger's and was very impressed at how courteous and happy they were to talk to the press. The main thing I noticed, (beings I have grandchildren ages 22, 21, and 18,) was how these people were all babies (in a mom's terms) but their bodies and minds and eyes were that of some one who have seen and experienced more than a lot of their fathers had in their lifetimes, or probably ever will.

All of these men have been in in Iraq at least once, more than a few have been there 2 times and some are returning for their third tour. The have been treated to all extremes of weather and conditions. Yet they return to us standing tall and proud with an attitude "we do what we have to do:. They all mentioned how much they love receiving letters. Most has access to computer email, but there are periods of time they do not have access for

days and days. Most of the boys try to answer all email and letters, but asks us to be patient if it is not done right away. There is no calendar to set days and times to meet with the insurgents. I am going to list the names, ranks, age, favorite snack, movies, and music. And will get their mailing address as soon as it has been decided.

1. Lance Corporal Alex Pflueger (21) has been in the Marines 3 years and has had two tours in Iraq. His favorite snack is Beef in any form (ie Jerky) He likes all sorts of music, and appreciated any kind of reading material
2. Corporal Greg Frank, 24, has been in the marines 2 ½ years and has one tour of duty in Iraq, he is returning for his second. Greg's favorite snack is also Beef. And he likes alternative punk, and would enjoy any movie or book.
3. Lance Corporal Jordan Borchardt, 21, has been in the marines 2 ½ years, and has had two tours of duty in Iraq and is returning to his third. tour, Jordon likes trail mix for a snack and any type of music or book
4. Corporal Brian Freeman, 25, has 3 years in the Marines and has spent 2 tours to Iraq and is returning for his 3rd. Brian likes any kind of snack, music or books.
5. Lance Corporal Levi Wayne, 19 has been in the marines 1 ½ years has been to Iraq once and is returning for his second tour. He likes trail mix, rock music and any kind of books
6. Barry Teeple, Lance Corporal, 21 has been the Marines 1 ½, has served one tour in Iraq and is on his way to his second. He likes instant coffee singles and any type of books or movies.
1. Kevin Schopen, Corporal, 21, 3 years in the Marines and has served 1 tour in Iraq and is on his way to his second tour. Kevin enjoys any kind of snack, book, or movie.
2. Jake Singleton . I don't have much information for Jake, but I will be following up with these boys and I will let you know then.

They said they don't need hard candy, because of the heat and humidity it is not easily eaten. They like Qtips and Baby wipes...(the large ones to clean themselves when there is no shower They said the Unit has a TV and can use Videos and CDs They also requested lots of letters and pictures from home. Beef Jerky and Dried Foods were the most often asked for.

These young Marines are the Crème of the Crème. They are all specialized in what they do, and only one or maybe two will be sent out in the same company. I will be following these young men and pass information to you as it comes in.

Any one else in the North 40 area with a love one serving in the military, no matter where, please let me know so we can all track them

We talked briefly on the success of the BBQ and there will be more to come. But we would be remiss if we let even one more day pass without giving all the kudos we can carry for Henning & Marion Behrens for all their effort, generosity and polite good nature to all who were involved in the BBQ