'Grease Lightning' keeps HMH-466 flying

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Marines from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 466 remove used grease and apply new grease to a swash plate of an aircraft here July 7. The swash plate allows stationary flight controls to rotate. The new grease decreases friction when in the flight controls are in motion.

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Savannah, Ga., native. "I personally like answering all the questions the children can come up with about the aircraft."

Marines and their families with 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing made up a large number of the approximate 600 guests in attendance.

"I always check the website for Open Cockpit Days, and I really wanted to let my son sit in the planes to see what it was like," said Sgt. Andrew Blanchette, a communication and navigation technician with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 11 and a San Diego native. "Today's event was his first time to see the planes up close."

The museum is free and open to the public six days a week. It offers more than 45 aircraft, thousands of artifacts, books and photographs that can be enjoyed by patrons. In addition, it is the only official Marine Corps Aviation Museum in the country. Similar Open Cockpit Days are held throughout the summer every year and can be found on the website *www.flyingleatherneck.org*.

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The Bell AH-1J Sea Cobra is displayed with a shark paint job during the Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum Open Cockpit event here July 9. The Cobra is one of 45 aircraft available for viewing at the museum, which is open Tuesday through Sunday.

H&HS welcomes Sgt. Maj. Sisneros

Sgt. Maj. Gary T. Bow
Outgoing Sergeant Major

Sgt. Maj. Karyl J. Sisneros
Incoming Sergeant Major

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Sgt. Maj. Gary T. Bow relinquished his post as the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron sergeant major to Sgt. Maj. Karyl J. Sisneros during a relief and appointment ceremony at the parade deck here July 14. Sgt. Maj. Bow has completed multiple deployments, which include supporting Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Sgt. Maj Sisneros came to H&HS after helping Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165 transition to Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 165 earlier in the year with the introduction of the MV-22B Osprey.

PMO civilian officers awarded

Pfc. Kevin Crist

Maj. Daron Mizell (center), the provost marshal, presented James Gallenberger (right) and Duane Blake (left), Marine Corps civilian police officers, with the Commendation for Meritorious Civilian Service Award here July 13. The officers earned the commendation for their actions in apprehending an armed individual using minimal force here earlier this week.