

**Bonnaire, Matthew**

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**From:** Patterson, Ken  
**Sent:** Monday, March 30, 2009 4:51 PM  
**To:** Bonnaire, Matthew  
**Subject:** Matt, Can you give a copy of this message to Maria W? Thanks, Ken

Maria,

Thanks for arranging for the Irish Pub to "adopt" my son in Afghanistan. We got our first mail from him and it doesn't sound quite as bad as we were first thinking (at least they have showers and hot food), but the conditions are still kind of rough. I know that Dave would appreciate any Care Package materials sent his way and he will be sure to share them with the other Marines in his unit.

Just in case you need any background information:

Dave is 24 years old and he joined the Marines about three and a half years ago at the Kalamazoo recruiting station. He is now a Corporal and his MOS (job) is Aviation Electronics --- He works on repairs to the jets and helicopters over there. He was on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific last year but now he is part of this 17,000 troop surge into (mostly southern) Afghanistan.

The address for sending mail and packages to Dave in Afghanistan is:

Cpl Patterson, David S.  
MALS-40 Unit 78369  
FPO AE 09510-8369

Maria, thanks for your support and for the support and good wishes from everyone down at the Pub.

Ken

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