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LOCAL MARINE RETURNS HOME

LAKE ARROWHEAD— Residents driving past the San Bernardino County Fire Station near Lake Arrowhead Village this weekend should catch glimpse of what is sure to be a proud sight for a local hero returned from active duty.

Marine Lance Cpl. Jeff Brown, 22, of Cedar Glen returns on leave from Afghanistan this weekend to a welcome from both his family at home and from his fire department brothers and sisters, in the form of a large banner in front of Station 91 saluting his return. Brown, a 2007 Rim High graduate, served as a San Bernardino County Fire Dept. paid-call-firefighter from 2008 until 2011 before joining the service. Prior to that, Brown was a fire explorer with the local post at Station 94 in Lake Arrowhead.

Based in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, Brown has been deployed to Afghanistan since last winter.

While it was long his dream to join the Marine Corps, Brown states that his time with the fire department served him well as he transitioned to military life, claiming that as an explorer he learned about rank structure and the basic conduct of a new recruit.

San Bernardino County Fire Dept. welcomes home Jeff and all active duty military personnel this summer!

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