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Sgt. Robert Siletzky, musician, Marine Band San Diego, foreground, plays taps with fellow musician, Sgt. Joseph McAdams, background, during the ninth anniversary Memorial Service of September 11, 2001 aboard the USS Midway Museum's flight deck, Sept. 11. "There's a whole gamut of federal, state and local civil service agencies here representing their respective branches, not to mention all the other people attending," said Dan Noonan, former New York City firefighter. "It's important that we do this ceremony every year because in the days after the attacks when we were performing rescue and recovery operations, we all promised not to forget the bravery and heroism that many Americans displayed on Sept. 11." Cpl. Matthew Brown/Chevron

DoD pays for saving ideas

BY JEFF ZACCARO
MCRD San Diego Public Affairs

With only one week remaining for submissions to the Department of Defense's Innovation for New Value, Efficiency & Savings Tomorrow Awards contest, the Marines are falling far behind other services for amount of submissions.

As of Tuesday, the Corps was in last place with a total of 378 submissions, well behind the next closest competitor, the Navy, at 1,080 submissions, and a very far cry from the Air Force's 7,644 submissions, according to the INVEST Web site.

The INVEST Awards contest has been running since Aug. 9, and encourages all uniformed service members and civilian employees to submit ideas for consideration to the DoD that will save money, avoid cost, reduce cycle time and increase agility.

"Within the department (of defense), we are launching an online contest for the purpose of soliciting and rewarding creative ideas to save money and use resources more effectively," said Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates.

According to the DoD, the goal of the INVEST Awards is to produce ideas that will yield savings while also improving the way in which the Department of Defense operates.

After the contest closes on Sept. 24, ideas will be reviewed by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and if selected, may qualify the submitter for a cash award between \$500-\$1000. Twenty-five final winners will be selected by a group of senior leaders and will be announced in October, according to the DoD.

The DoD also stated on the INVEST frequently asked questions page that some of the criteria for selection will be thoroughness, cost of implementation, effect on current DoD structure, length of implementation, risk, and savings and efficiency changes in other areas the idea could effect.

The INVEST initiative is part of the SecDef's five-year goal of saving \$100 billion of defense spending.

"The goal is to make sure that our fighting forces have the resources that they need today and in the future," Gates said during a video presentation to DoD employees.

Submissions to the INVEST initiative will be cleansed of personal identifiable information before presented for review to safeguard individual's privacy and encourage submissions. Contact information is required, however, in case money is to be awarded.

For more information on INVEST or to submit an idea, visit: http://www.defense.gov/home/features/2010/0710_invest/.

Military spouse career program extends money assistance deadline

BY ELAINE WILSON
American Forces Press Service

Effective Sept. 13, spouses currently enrolled in the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program, commonly known as MyCAA, will be able to request financial assistance for classes with a start date that is on or before Jan. 31. Previously, the start-date cutoff was Jan. 15.

Officials have extended a spouse employment program enrollment deadline in the hopes that more military spouses will be able to take spring semester classes.

Spouses, however, still must submit their financial assistance request by Oct. 21, officials said.

The change was based on feedback from spouses and schools. Many schools offer a later start date for the

spring semester, and extending the enrollment deadline will give more spouses the opportunity to attend courses, said Robert L. Gordon III, deputy undersecretary of defense for military community and family policy.

"We appreciate the feedback from military spouses currently participating in the MyCAA career advancement program," Gordon said.

MyCAA is active at this time only for currently-enrolled spouses who can participate in the program through Oct. 21. At that time, the program will ramp down in preparation for the Oct. 25 launch of a revamped program.

Earlier this year, officials reviewed the popular spouse employment program and decided to make changes to bring it back to its original intent of equipping spouses of junior servicemembers with portable careers, such as

real estate and home health care, that can convey from duty station to duty station.

Previously, MyCAA offered a lifetime benefit of \$6,000 to all spouses of servicemembers. But starting Oct. 25, financial assistance will be limited to spouses of active duty servicemembers in pay grades E-1 to E-5, W-1 to W-2 and O-1 to O-2. Spouses of Guard and Reserve members within those ranks can participate as long as they can start and complete their courses while their sponsor is on Title 10 orders.

Eligible spouses will be able to receive a maximum financial benefit of \$4,000 for up to three years from the start date of the first class, with a \$2,000 annual cap. The money can be used to fund associate's degrees, licenses and certification programs, but not higher degrees. The annual cap

can be waived if a license or certification's cost exceeds \$2,000.

Currently enrolled spouses who meet the new criteria will be able to continue with the program after Oct. 25, but under the new parameters.

Spouses who no longer will be eligible to receive financial assistance after Oct. 25 still will be able to access career and education counseling services. The new MyCAA program will include assistance in identifying and securing information on additional financial resources, employment readiness, and career exploration and counseling for all spouses of active duty servicemembers.

Military spouses can find more information about MyCAA on the Military OneSource website, at <http://militaryonesource.com> or by calling Military OneSource at (800) 342-9647.



Staff Sgt. Michael A. Saldana, left, senior drill instructor, Company D, 1st Recruit Training Battalion, and Sgt. Bakhit McBride, right, drill instructor, Co. D, 1st RT BN, salute the wreath they placed in front of the Drill Instructor Memorial Monument during the West Coast Drill Instructor Association's 11th annual Known Marine Memorial Service here, Sept. 10.

Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron

Depot DIs attend annual memorial ceremony

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN THOMAS
Chevron Staff

Retired drill instructors from the West Coast Drill Instructor Association came to the depot for the 11th annual Known Marine Memorial Ceremony, Sept. 10.

“The memorial ceremony first started after the Drill Instructor Monument was erected in September 2009,” said Gregg Stoner, secretary for the West Coast Drill Instructor Association.

While aboard the depot, the retirees ate breakfast at the Bay View restaurant, watched the Friday morning colors ceremony, experienced recruit receiving, attended Company C’s graduation, held their memorial service at the Drill Instructor Memorial Monument and had a barbeque before they departed.

“The Drill Instructor Association isn’t just for drill instructors on the West Coast; it also includes those from the East Coast, both male and female,” said Stoner. “Branches on the East and West Coast were created so that it was equal for all the drill instructors, not just one Coast versus

the other.”

The retired drill instructors then attended graduation.

After the new Marines were dismissed, the retirees made their way to the Drill Instructor Monument, shaking the hands of new Marines and congratulating them as they hurried by to meet their families.

When the hustle and bustle from graduation settled down, the drill instructors, retired and active duty, gathered under a canopy at the Drill Instructor Memorial Monument for their annual memorial service.

During the memorial service, the colors were marched across the viewing area, the National Anthem was played and several small poems and stories were read. After the drill instructor’s creed was recited, a wreath was presented, with the final roll call of names of drill instructors who passed on. A twenty-one gun salute and taps were sounded, the colors were retired and the Marines Hymn was sung.

The memorial ceremony while relatively quick, still touched many of the attendees.

“This ceremony was very well done,”

said Ed Miller, West Coast Drill Instructor Association. “It was very appropriate; it was good for the heart and soul.”

Active duty drill instructors had plenty to say about their retired guests after spending the day with them.

“It was humbling, intimidating actually,” said Staff Sgt. Jonathan Mogol-lon, senior drill instructor, Company B, 1st Recruit Training Battalion. “I look up to them. They are the ones I always tried to be like. I like to ask the retirees questions. I’m interested in how things were back then and how things have changed.”

While some changes to recruit training that have occurred over the years surprised the retirees, some of the information they passed on to the current drill instructors was also met with amazement.

“We see how the depot has changed greatly since we ended our tours,” said Stoner.

The West Coast Drill Instructor Association will be back again next year to memorialize those who have died, and to spend time with the drill instructors aboard MCRD San Diego.

BRIEFS

Career and Education Fair

Marine and Family Services will host a Career and Education Fair Wednesday from 10 a.m., to 1 p.m., at the depot Field House. More than 100 employers and educators will be on-site. Employment areas being represented are high tech, electronics, IT, law enforcement, Fortune 500, federal agencies, banking, colleges and universities, retail and city/county/state agencies, among others. The event is open to military active duty and Reserve, family members, military retirees, DoD civilians, and other personnel with access to military installations. For more information or updates, contact Mina Threat at mina.threat@usmc.mil or (619) 524-1283; or James Brooks at james.brooks@usmc.mil or (619) 524-8158.

Multi-Cultural Heritage Day

The depot and the Western Recruiting Region will host a Multi-Cultural Heritage Day event from 2 p.m., to 5:30 p.m., Thursday. The multi-cultural gathering will honor diversity and celebrate our common heritage: the American heritage, and is intended to serve as recognition of achievements, a venue for education, and a day of cultural celebration. For more information, contact Gunnery Sgt. Walker, equal opportunity advisor, at (619) 524-8730 or at timothy.b.walker@usmc.mill.

Annual Boot Camp Challenge

The Boot Camp Challenge will be held here Sept. 25 at 9 a.m. The three-mile course features more than 50 obstacles and is the only time that the course is open to the public. Runners will hurdle hay stacks, crawl through tunnels, maneuver fox holes, and navigate trenches, while stopping at DI-manned push-up stations. Participants can enter as individuals or as three or five-person teams where all members must cross the finish line together. The event concludes with a post-race party with vendor booths, activities, music, food and refreshments. Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each category and age group, and an official race T-shirt will be given to all entrants. Online registration is available at bootcampchallenge.com.

Whooping Cough vaccine

A Whooping Cough vaccine is available at NMCS D and branch health clinics. NMCS D beneficiaries can be vaccinated at their primary care clinic. State health authorities are reemphasizing the importance of vaccination to prevent the disease, and have broadened their recommendations for the vaccination. Call (619) 532-5358 for information about vaccination hours at NMCS D and its branch clinics.

Library On-line Tutor

The depot library is offering free resources and on-line tutors to active duty, reservists, retirees, DoD and their guests. Professional tutors are available to help with math, science, social studies and English from elementary to advanced levels. Each session is anonymous and one-on-one in a secure online classroom. Help with writing resumes and cover letters is also available. A personal username and password are needed to access this service. Visit the depot library to create an account. For more information, go to www.usmc-mccs.org or call (619) 524-1849.

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Cpl. Emma Velasquez, training noncommissioned officer, Service Company, practices a catching technique in motion during Powder Puff football practice, Sept. 13 on the Combat Fitness Test field. Practices are held Monday and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All women are welcome.

“All that is required are cleats and enthusiasm,” said Staff Sgt. Hector Alanis, team coach. “It doesn’t matter if you don’t know how to play the game. We will teach you. We have officer and enlisted, young and old, Marines and spouses out here.”

The first game begins Oct. 20. For more information, contact Dawn H. Williams, Battalion Family Readiness officer, at (619) 524-0160.

Cpl. Rebecca Lamont/Chevron





The crocodiles seen in the amphibious section of the hippo trail at the San Diego Zoo are just one group of the more than 4,000 animals and more than 800 species that call the zoo their home. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*

Military members monkey around absolutely free

BY CPL. FRANCES CANDELARIA
Chevron staff

After a long week at work, most Marines either want to relax, go out or do something with friends or their families. However, sometimes the price of a southern California outing can limit the choices available.

For military members and their

families, the San Diego Zoo can be a fun and inexpensive way to spend a day. The zoo is known for being the largest in the United States, and is only a ten-minute drive from the depot. Every day, the zoo offers free admission to all active military members with a valid I.D. and discounted tickets for their families.

The zoo doesn't just offer a walk in the park with a few animals

hanging out in their respective areas; there are plenty of opportunities for a fun-filled day. This includes shows featuring some of the zoo's furry, feathery and slippery residents and shops filled with souvenirs available for purchase to remember the day and plenty of opportunities for a fun-filled day.

"My girlfriend and I have had a blast so far today," said Sgt. Andrew Johnson, kennel master, Provost Marshall Office, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. "It's nice for the community to be so supportive and offer this for active duty military, especially since we're trying save up to go home for the holidays."

There are numerous exhibits such as the Polar Bear Plunge,

which brings the majestic bears of the Arctic to the backyard of San Diego, and the Elephant Odyssey brings the prehistoric ancestors stories back to life with the descendant elephants of today.

The zoo is also home to five giant pandas, including the newest cub, Yun Zi, born Aug. 5, 2009, in the deluxe Panda Canyon exhibit.

With more than 4,000 animals spread out over 170 acres of parkland, the zoo can be a great way to get out in the fresh air, do a fair amount of walking and get in some animal watching as well as a bit of people watching.

"It's funny to see the little kids get all excited when they see an animal," said Johnson. "Even though they just saw a monkey

in one cage, it's almost like they forget there's an animal in the very next cage, and as soon as it starts moving they start getting all worked up. It's pretty hilarious."

Though most may enjoy their walk through the park, some may feel like a set of wheels is the best mode of transportation.

"She doesn't want to get out of the stroller," said recent boot camp graduate, Pvt. Ryan Kirby, Company C, Platoon 1050, of his 3-year old daughter, Jaelyn. "We'll have fun today though. It's nice to spend time with my family again."

The zoo also features the Wild Animal Park near Escondido, Calif., which has the same free admission for military members and discounted admission for their families year-round.



Pink Flamingos share a habitat near the San Diego Zoo entry, and are among the first animal most visitors will see when walking through the park, a 170-acre piece of land that is home to more than 4,000 animals from the far corners of the world. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*



Many of the animals in the zoo go about their day as if they are not being watched by people. Some however, will come up to the glass and pose for their visitors. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*

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Recruit Kevan C. Carter, Platoon 2125, acts as a wounded Marine as he is fireman's style carried by Recruit Rick Luangrath, Platoon 2125, during the maneuver under fire portion of the CFT. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron

Co. F recruits tes

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN THOMAS
Chevron Staff

Recruits from Company F, dressed in their woodland camouflage utilities, waited anxiously on the morning of Aug. 26 to be tested once more before they earned the title Marine. This time, it is their combat fitness that is being tested.

The Combat Fitness Test is an annual test that complements the Physical Fitness Test.

“We do this so the recruits can get familiar with the training,” said Gunnery Sgt. Michael Zunino, drill instructor, platoon 2125, Company F, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion. “This way once they hit the fleet it’s not a foreign process.”

The CFT consists of three stages: an 880 meter movement to contact sprint, ammunition can lifts, and a maneuver under fire drill. For the first two

stages of the CFT, recruits are required to wear their combat boots and blouses to run the test.

During the movement to contact sprint, the goal is to run 880 meters as fast as possible.

When they finish the sprint, they must file out of the area before they file out of the area to begin the next stage.

The recruits are then required to lift 30-pound ammunition cans as fast as possible. The number of lifts a recruit can accomplish is recorded.

Once the recruits finish the lifts, they move to the maneuver under fire drill. They are required to run through lanes to begin the maneuver under fire.

“The maneuver under fire drill is the final stage of the CFT,” said Gunnery Sgt. Michael Zunino.



Recruit Daniel Zajack, Platoon 2128, receives words of encouragement from Gunnery Sgt. Michael Zunino, drill instructor, Platoon 2128, Company F, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, while running with ammunition cans during the third portion of the combat fitness test. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron



Company F recruits begin their combat fitness test by running 880 yards as fast as they can in their woodland combat utilities uniform here, followed by the maneuver under fire, which is a course consisting of several small stages such as the low and high crawl, sprint, buddy drag, carry, dummy drag, and maneuver under fire.

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a perfect score is 91.
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er under fire consists of a sprint,

low and high crawls, a zigzagging sprint, which
is a pattern made up of small corners at variable
angles, buddy drag, fireman's carry, ammo can run,
grenade throw and running the ammo cans again,"
explained Staff Sgt. Welner Diaz-Hernandez, drill
instructor, platoon 2127, Company F, 2nd Recruit
Training Battalion.
The CFT was implemented in mid-2008 as a com-
bat-oriented version and supplement to the physical
fitness test, said Zunino.
"The course was very good," said Recruit Nathan
Hernandez, platoon 2127. "I like it because it shows
me where I stand with my strengths."
At the end of the CFT, Company F recruits,
although sweaty and tired, can continue through
their stay here at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San
Diego knowing that their combat fitness is up to par
with Marine Corps standards.



m Sgt. Andrew
tation, as he runs



Sgt. Justin Park, drill instructor, Platoon 2128, Company F, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, motivates his recruits as they perform ammunition can lifts. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron



Recruit Rick Luangrath, Platoon 2125, performs a high-crawl during the maneuver under fire portion of the combat fitness test. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron



Recruit George Sanchez, Platoon 2126, acts as a wounded Marine as Recruit Aaron Valdez, Platoon 2128, performs a buddy drag during the maneuver under fire portion of the CFT. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron



Fig. 26. The CFT consists of three stages: the movement to contact, which is a sprint for 880 yards; the ammunition can lift for 2 minutes; and the grenade throw and ammunition can runs. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron

Baseball player turns down scholarship to defend nation

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN THOMAS
Chevron Staff

Many say that everything is bigger in Texas, to include dreams. One Texan baseball player's biggest dream, to become a U.S. Marine, has become a reality.

Pvt. Ben W. Reed, Platoon 2128, Company F, grew up in Graham, Texas, a considerably large town that was known for its baseball.

No one in Reed's family played baseball, but he shined at the sport among his peers in school, he said. He discovered his abilities like most kids, by just trying them out.

"My friends and I would always play baseball," Reed said. "It just seemed like a natural habit."

Reed had an early start with his baseball career, beginning with Tee Ball when he was 6 years old.

When he attended Kilgore High School, Reed played for the district champions, the Kilgore Bulldogs. He was awarded 1st Team All District, and was nominated to play on the North Texas High School Baseball Coaches' Association All Star Team.

"Being such a valuable baseball player paid off for me in my junior year of high school," he said.

Reed was offered a full ride scholarship to the Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, and the University of Texas, Fort Worth, Texas, to play shortstop, he said.

"I turned down the scholarship because I'd rather be a Marine," said Reed.

Many people were affected by the attack on the World Trade Center, and so was Reed.

"I found a higher calling in defending my nation," said Reed. "I found a way to do just that, and get a challenge

while doing it by becoming a Marine."

Reed had lost his aunt and uncle in the September 11 attacks on the Twin Towers, and wanted to honor their memory by defending his country against the War on Terror, he said.

"I feel like I'd somehow be doing them justice, to show that I did something for their pain," he said.

As well as honoring his family, Reed wanted to become a Marine for the training and educational opportunities, he said.

Reed said he feels that joining the Marine Corps is the best route he could have taken because of everything the Marine Corps has to offer.

"Even though I had set my mind on a new goal, I still have my passion to attend college during my Marine Corps career," said Reed.

Reed said he wants to go

to college to become a diesel mechanic, and chose a military occupational specialty of vehicle repair.

Reed said he feels that the Marine Corps would help him study more diligently and give him the discipline required to graduate from college.

"He will have anything and everything to offer the Marine Corps," said Sgt. Nicholas Robinson, senior drill instructor, Platoon 2128, Company F. "I

know he will be able to provide knowledge to those seeking a sports opportunity in the Marine Corps, and furthering himself and his fellow Marines to get educated and get their degrees."

Reed's career in the Marines is what he makes of it, whether it is with sports, education or training, Robinson said.

"I think he will be successful and guide those around him," he said.



Pvt. Ben W. Reed helps his fellow new Marines paint a gift for their drill instructors here, Sept. 13. The gift is a range flag that is designed around the drill instructors and their platoon, and is given prior to graduation. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron



Pvt. Ben W. Reed performs the last step of inspection arms with his M-16A2 service rifle in front of Maj. Leonard Levine, executive officer, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion here, Sept. 14. Inspection arms is a key element to the inspection, allowing the inspector to see the cleanliness of a Marine's rifle. Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas/Chevron

Retired Sgt. Maj. Enrique X. Hines

Parade Reviewing Officer

Retired Sergeant Major Enrique X. Hines was born in the Republic of Costa Rica in 1961, raised in the Bronx, New York, and entered the Marine Corps in June 1979. He graduated from Company F, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S.C. In September 1979, he was ordered to Company C, 8th Engineers Support Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, Camp Lejeune, N.C. His subsequent tours included serving as a squad leader, platoon guide, military policemen and cross-country chaser.

In April 1982, Hines was ordered to Company B, 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, Okinawa, Japan, where he was promoted meritoriously to sergeant, then transferred to Range Company, Camp Fuji, Japan.

In December 1984, Hines was assigned to Company B, 1st Combat Engineer Bn., 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif. His subsequent tours of duty include serving as a squad leader, platoon sergeant and platoon commander.

In April 1986, Hines returned to Company B, 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion,

Okinawa, Japan, where he participated in Operations Teams Spirit, Cobra Gold and Bear Hunt.

In March 1987, Hines served as a drill instructor and senior drill instructor in Company B, 1st Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, where he was meritoriously promoted to staff sergeant.

In June 1990, Hines was assigned to Company B, 1st Combat Engineer Bn., 1st Marine Division, where he was assigned as the company gunnery sergeant and platoon sergeant.

In August 1990, he was reassigned to Company A to serve with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit. He also served with 7th Regimental Landing Team Seven during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

In June 1991, Hines served as an instructor at the Noncommissioned Officers Basic Course and Sergeants Course.

In November 1992, he returned to Okinawa, Japan, where he served with Company B, 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd FSSG, where he was promoted to gunnery sergeant. His subsequent billets included platoon sergeant, platoon commander, operations chief, Sapper Course instructor engineer, staff noncommissioned officer Engineer Recon Course, company gunnery sergeant of 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit Service Support

Group and company first sergeant of Company A.

In November 1996, Hines was assigned to Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division. There he served as the operations training chief and staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge of the Sappers Leaders Course, and as company gunnery sergeant for Company C until he was promoted to first sergeant.

In June 2000, he was assigned as the H&S Company first sergeant for 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion, where he was promoted to sergeant major.

In February 2002, Hines was assigned to 9th Communication Battalion, where he participated in support of combat operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

In January 2004, he was assigned as the Support Battalion sergeant major for Recruit Training Regiment, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego.

Hines was then assigned to the 13th MEU-Special Operation Capable as the MEU sergeant major before retiring in April.

Hines' personal awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with Combat "V" device with gold star in lieu of second award, the Navy and Marine Corps

Achievement Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, the Combat Action Ribbon with gold star in lieu of second award, and the Good Conduct Medal, seventh award.





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Tirshio Walker, center left, administrative clerk, Consolidated Personnel Administrative Center, helps his goal keeper, John Lopez, left, Human Resources assistant, CPAC, by kicking the ball away from Capt. Kevin Harris, center right, series commander, 1st Battalion, and Sgt. Khanh Nguyen, right, drill instructor, first battalion, during the mid-season soccer tournament held Sept. 8 here. 1st Bn. was victorious in a 10-0 game against CPAC.
Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron



Goalie, Sgt. Fernando Pacheco, drill instructor, routing, 1st Bn. blocks an incoming shot from CPAC. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*

1st Battalion’s Kill Foot kicks CPAC to the curb

BY CPL. FRANCES CANDELARIA
Chevron staff

Marine Corps Community Services held a soccer tournament for Marines and sailors aboard the depot, here Sept. 8. The tournament was the sixth of twelve played so far this season for the Commanding General’s Cup. The season started with five games between 10 teams on Aug. 17.

Each game must be played with at least six players on each team. If a team does not have enough players to start the game, they must forfeit. Although played outside on the soccer fields behind the branch medical clinic, the goals and sideline dimensions are set to indoor standards. This makes the field smaller and challenges the teams to play strategically, which, to some, makes for a more interesting game.

“It’s been a great season so far,” said Rachel Dickinson, CG Cup Sports Coordinator, MCCS, MCRD San Diego. “Even with the games this morning, they were pretty evenly matched which made them interesting to watch.”

The tournament started at 10 a.m. with G-1 winning 4-1 against 12th Marine Corps District. Then Headquarters & Service Battalion triumphed 3-1 over Finance, while Service Company forfeited their game against Medical. On the last game of the day, 1st Battalion swept

the scoreboard 10-0 against Consolidated Personnel Administrative Center.

“I think we did very well today,” said Navy Lt. David J. Carlson, chaplain, 1st Bn. “We’re currently in third place behind G-1 for the CG Cup standings.”

Though humbly acknowledging a great performance by his team, Carlson and his fellow teammates know that winning comes with hard work.

“We show up thirty minutes before each game to warm up and go over the starting lineup and substitutes,” explained Carlson, team coach.

Carlson also clarified how, even though most of the team has played soccer in high school or college, they understand there are a few important elements he believes makes their team successful each game.

“I believe there are three key factors that make us the team we are,” he said. “One is teamwork; we all play well together. Also, competitiveness; the players always give 100 percent. And the third one is sportsmanship; we all know it’s in good fun.”

While building camaraderie among one another during some friendly competition on the soccer field, 1st Bn is hoping to take home the 1st Place trophy.

“Hopefully when all is said and done, ‘The Big Red 1’ will be number one,” said Carlson. “But we wish all the teams the best of luck.”



Staff Sgt. Paul Cubacaro, drill instructor, 1st Bn., executes a corner kick in order to bring the ball back into the game and over to his fellow team mates during the mid-season game between 1st Bn. and CPAC. The game was played on the soccer field behind Branch Medical Clinic and won by 1st Bn., 10-0. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*



Capt. Kevin Harris, right, series commander, 1st battalion, competes with Lewis Sheffield, left, administrative clerk, CPAC, for the ball during their mid-season game. *Cpl. Frances Candelaria/Chevron*