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AND THE WESTERN RECRUITING REGION



## Depot spouses take on yellow footprints



Lance Cpl. Crystal Druery

Angela Nishnic finishes the rappel tower while her husband Sgt. Robert Nishnic a 2nd Battalion drill instructor, yells at her like a recruit. The Depot Battalions gave their wives a chance to walk in recruits shoes and see how demanding their husbands days are.

BY LANCE CPL. CRYSTAL DRUERY  
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Three battalions from the Recruit Training Regiment put their wives on the yellow footprints May 21 in hopes of giving them a small taste of recruit training.

Jane Wayne Day gives wives the opportunity to appreciate the work their husbands put into training the next generation of Marines. The billet of drill instructor is one of the most demanding positions a Marine can hold.

"They leave with a better understanding of why their husbands are gone all day and understand the intensity of recruit training," said Michelle Pritchard, Recruit Training Regiment family readiness officer.

The wives were divided into one of three groups 1st, 2nd, and Support Battalion. Each battalion had a four-woman team who was scored on each event to determine the winner. Scored events consisted of a combat fitness test, flexed-arm hang and final drill.

The wives arrived in the

Command Museum courtyard at 7 a.m. for check-in and breakfast. Some wives came with their husbands and children for support.

"We both enjoyed having this day to spend time together," said Angela Nishnic, wife of Sgt. Robert Nishnic, a drill instructor for 2nd Bn.

Here the wives met their receiving drill instructors who marched them to the yellow footprints. Once they arrived drill instructors came out yelling at them, attempting to give the wives the culture shock recruits receive. The wives were taken through the receiving process but had the luxury of being explained what happened after being yelled at for several minutes.

"This gives her an idea of what the recruits go through," said Capt. Raymond D. Galbreth Jr., Company F series commander, whose wife Sarah participated in Jane Wayne Day as a part of the 2nd Recruit Training Battalion group.

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## Empowerment workshop aims at helping women master strengths

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The majority of women earn on average about three-fourths of the pay of males for the same work, according to the Department of Public Information, New York. Some women run themselves ragged without pausing to think about themselves, and may need some help to step back and focus on themselves.

Marine Corps Community Services sponsored a free, interactive workshop for women entitled, "Empower Yourself and Those Around You," at the depot museum, May 25. The workshop was open to all women; active duty, retired, civilian employees and dependents 18 years and older.

"It's difficult for us in the real world to feel empowered," said one attendee. "We, as women, tend to think outside the box, but sometimes we hit this wall and just give up."

According to guest speaker, Dr. Jennifer Gunsallus, empowerment is being able to step into one's strengths and own them. It also means inspiring others. Women are generally seen as nurturers, but they don't take care of themselves; they need to do that to be better nurturers.

Attendees were first asked to introduce themselves and state the first word that came to their mind regarding empowerment. They came up with a list that Gunsallus considered pretty accurate. Attendees were asked to make a small list of strengths and weaknesses, then use those strengths to figure out how to

improve their weaknesses.

"It's good to ask yourself, 'what strength can I pull on right now,' when you are in a negative spiral because it allows you to realize you have more positives in your life," said Gunsallus, an intimacy and relationship counselor.

According to Gunsallus, women should try to recognize and embrace opportunities they didn't see before. Women learn to back down because of their nurturing abilities. They don't want to make people uncomfortable or hurt their feelings.

Gunsallus gave her attendees eight easy tips to immediately help empower women.

Gunsallus said, when people see others smile, they smile as well. Smiling releases endorphins from the brain and leads other to believe one is happy.

She recommended writing down three to five things to be grateful for at the end of each day.

"We all see those 'random acts of kindness' bumper stickers around," said Gunsallus. "They are right. Simple acts like that allow us to connect to others and push ourselves forward. Being truly present for a person is the best gift we can give."

She recommended a positive flip switch. When feeling down, focus on something positive. Do not focus on negative things.

Living with integrity is another tip, which comes down to living with one's morals intact. Make a list of these morals and be accountable for them.

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Colonel Michael R. Bowersox, assistant chief of staff, Marine Corps Recruiting Command, addresses the attendees of the National Recruiter Instructor and Recruiting Officer Conference, June 7, aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. The conference was held to complete the skill sets need to train, mold and mentor the recruiting force.

## Depot hosts recruiter instructor and officer training conference

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN THOMAS  
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The National Training Team held the National Recruiter Instructor and Recruiting Officer Conference June 6 through 10, aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego.

The conference consisted of Train the Trainer sustainment modules. These modules were used to complete the skill sets needed to train, mold

and mentor the recruiting force.

"We have recruiter instructors and recruiting officers here from all over the nation," said Master Gunnery Sgt. Kelvin Jackson, National Training Team chief, Quantico, Va. "They are here to maintain training proficiency of training and sales in recruiting," he added.

All recruiter instructors and

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Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

**Jesuit High School's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, New Orleans, visited Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego June 7 as part of their annual leadership camp. Forty-nine members of the JROTC were in attendance. They had the opportunity to learn close order drill from a drill instructor and will attend the graduation ceremony today, as well as get a chance to go through the Confidence Course. According to their JROTC Instructor, retired Master Gunnery Sgt. Johnny Piseno, the intent of the visit is to familiarize the students with the military by giving them hands-on experience. During their trip to San Diego the JROTC will also be visiting Marine Corps Air Station Miramar and Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif.**

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recruiting officers were required to attend this conference as well as region training officers and chiefs, and district contact team officers and chiefs.

"We hold the conference at the depot to see the purpose of what we do: making Marines," said Jackson. "The whole perspective really comes full circle right here with the recruiter schoolhouse. Some of the men going through boot camp right now were the product of these instructors."

The National Recruiter Instructor

and Recruiting Officer Conference is held every year and is a way to cover training techniques, procedures and ideas.

"The conference is necessary to maintain the level of proficiency to obtain our mission," said Jackson.

Every year they meet for a week for one day of briefs from the Marine Corps Recruiting Command Staff and four days of training. It allows the staff to discuss any new ideas they may have regarding recruiting.

"When we meet it gives them a chance to discuss ideas from all across the nation," said Jackson. "A recruiter instructor from New York can see

what is working in California, and vice versa."

This year's conference is the culmination of a completely revamped sales package and is the introduction of two new modules to their annual training.

"The outlook for recruiting is positive right now because of the quality of trainers we have," said Jackson. "The commanding general sees the training as a high priority to bring every recruiter instructor from their stations to be here for a week. It is a true testament to his dedication to recruiting and it staying proficient in training."

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Women should find out what they are passionate about, find something that lights them up and tap into it. Encourage others in their talents and passions as well.

"Support other women," said Gunsaulus. "Don't be catty to other women; we need to be good role models to the next

generation," she added.

Lastly, she recommended 'loving kindness meditation.' Sit quietly, listen to a meditation tape and focus on something or someone loved unconditionally. It is used to promote kind, loving thoughts.

Gunsaulus closed with a quote from Mahatma Gandhi to inspire her attendees, "You must be the change you want to see in the world."



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flexed-arm hang they were offered the opportunity to go down the rappel tower.

"The events are really hard," said Nishnic. "Marines have to go through a lot. I have a lot of respect for both the male and

female Marines," she said.

The wives ate lunch before moving to the last event, final drill. Each battalion was accompanied by the same drill instructor. The wives were scored on the basic drill movements they learned throughout the day.

After completing final drill, scores were

calculated and 2nd Bn. will remain the winning battalion the second consecutive year. The trophy will be displayed in the 2nd battalion office until next year's event.

"Just being able to see what our spouses have to go through makes us appreciate what they do. It would be nice if everyone could experience this," said Sarah.

## BRIEFS

### Marine Corps Embassy Security Guard

This year's Marine Corps Embassy Security Guard Visit and Brief will be held in the Visitor Reception Center in the Command Museum (Bldg. #26) from 8 a.m., tomorrow. Closing time is dependent on the number of Marines interested in interviewing. Representatives will conduct briefs and interview individuals to assist MCESG in selecting Marines for Marine Security Guard. Marines interested in finding out more about security guard duty are invited to attend. For information, contact the depot career planner office at (619) 524-8818.

### Sponsor Orientation on line

Marines who have been assigned the sponsorship of an in-bound Marine, be aware that Marine Corps/ Depot Order requires that sponsors receive an orientation and information brief. For convenience, the Sponsor Orientation Brief is now available online and is located at the Relocation Assistance Program webpage of the mccsmcrd.com website. **Important Note:** After viewing the orientation presentation be sure to have the date recorded by the unit sponsorship coordinator for tracking purposes. This is a Commanding General Inspection Program/Inspector General inspection item. Sponsors may obtain additional assistance by contacting the RAP office at (619) 524-5298.

### Freedom Run

The June 24 5K Freedom Run begins at 1 p.m., at the Boathouse and Marina. This year an optional 1 mile fun walk will be included for strollers and kids. Barbecue grills, flat screen TV, beach bike, and padre tickets are among the prizes awarded to post race raffle participants. All race finishers will receive a free T-shirt, food and beverages. Register online at mccsmcrd.com. Show ID at the time of bib pick up. The race is free for all authorized patrons. For information contact Dominique Gary at garydj@usmc-mccs.org.

### Women's sports series

A coaches meeting for the upcoming softball tournament will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m., in the Fitness Center, Bldg. 13. Participants should submit rosters at this mandatory meeting. The tournament will be held June 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Beeson Field. Contact unit Family Readiness Officers or Dominique Gary at garydj@usmc-mccs.org for more information.

### Martial Arts & Men's Health Fair with the MMA Fighters

Join Health Promotions for the Martial Arts & Men's Health Fair Wednesday from 11 a.m., to 1 p.m., on the Fieldhouse lawn. The event features info booths, demonstrations by local dojos, men's health resource booths and screenings, a barbecue by the Single Marine Program and sumo wrestling suits! Special appearances by Brandon Vera and Renato "Babalu" Sobral are scheduled at 12:30 p.m., followed by an autograph signing from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Marine Corps Exchange. This is a 101 Days of Summer event - earn points for your command! For information call Andrea Callahan at (619) 524-8913 or, via e-mail at callahanAL@usmc-mccs.org.

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## Around the depot

**This week's Chevron asks: "What was your favorite event at Summer Fest and why?"**



**"The swings and bounce house because I finally get to see my kids having fun."** Staff Sgt. Christopher Maginnis, senior drill instructor, Company H



**"The bounce slide because it was fun."** Pfc. Chris Wright, Basic Marine platoon



**"The tanks. My kids want to be Marines when they get older and they liked exploring them."** Dolce Perez, spouse of a Company B drill instructor.

# Ceremony marks agricultural innovation

BY LANCE CPL. KATHERINE M. SOLANO  
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**CAMP LEATHERNECK, Afghanistan** — As much as 85 percent of Afghanistan's economic activity is made up of agricultural enterprises in the Helmand and Nimroz provinces. This impressive economic stature makes these areas attractive opportunities for coalition forces to develop and promote independent agricultural growth.

With the help of the local government and co-operative members, mostly farmers, coalition forces have begun the planning needed to develop better agricultural processes. It began in Marjah, with a ground-breaking ceremony for a packing facility, May 29.

Marjah is an ideal place to begin sustainable agricultural projects, the primary reason being its extensive irrigation system, fed by the Boghra Canal. Equal dispersion of water resources allows for double cropping, or the harvesting of winter and summer crops on the same land.

"The process we have in this area is too old," said Abdul Mutalib, the district governor of Marjah. "We need a modern approach, and the international community is helping us with this."

This modern approach includes using the available water resources, as well as relying on the resiliency and will of the local population to thrive.

"The people requested this building to make a better market... it will definitely help the community," Mutalib added.

The Afghan people have relied on agriculture for hundreds of years to support their families and their country, but it

has not been easy.

"Farmers are hampered by adversities," said Capt. Mike McDowell, the civil affairs team leader with Regimental Combat Team 1. "There is a lack of road systems and there is no distribution system."

The packing facility will allow farmers to expand and manage their own business.

"This building represents a chance for local farmers to control their business, creates jobs, and gives them an opportunity to sell their own fruits and vegetables at a good price," said McDowell, a LaGrande, Ore., native.

The building process also includes a plan to develop more roads in order to expedite the

distribution process. Without the roads, the farmers will remain unable to sell all of the produce they harvest because they cannot get it out of the local community.

"Now, all the crops are harvested and sold at the same time," McDowell stated.

The excess supply versus the demand means the leftover produce rots, he said.

With a packing facility in the community, the farmers will be able to sanitize and wash, crate and pack, then ship the produce to farther reaches of the country.

"Farmers can, and will, produce more knowing they have a market beyond the locals," said Maggie Rhodes, a United States Department of Agriculture representative. "This

increased capacity for long-term agricultural growth and production will equal long-term stability."

It is the eventual wish of the project's investors and participants to be able to sell Afghan produce in the international market.

More buildings and plants are scheduled to be built in the near future.

"The success is the result of the contributions of the Afghan leaders sitting here today," said Maj. Gen. John A. Toolan, commanding general of Regional Command Southwest. "If it wasn't for (their) courage and hard work, things like today wouldn't be happening in Marjah."



Sgt. Mallory Vander-Schans

**Maggie Rhodes (right), a United States Department of Agriculture representative, and Maj. Gen. John A. Toolan (second from right), commanding general of Regional Command Southwest, break ground at the site of a new agricultural packing facility during a ceremony in Marjah, Afghanistan. The facility will give local farmers the ability to pack and distribute their produce to a larger area.**



Lance Cpl. Katherine M. Solano

**Maj. Gen. John A. Toolan (right), commanding general of Regional Command Southwest, speaks with local farmers and members of the Afghan government during a ground-breaking ceremony in Marjah, May 29. A packing facility for local agriculture is being built on the site over the next few months, eventually allowing farmers to sell their produce to a larger customer base throughout the country.**

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# Depot car



Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

Marine Band San Diego gets ready for the Summer Concert. Summer Fest was the kick-off show for Marine Band San Diego's Summer Concert Series. Their next concert is slated for Escondido, Calif., on Independence Day.



Dominic, 2, goes down the bounce slide activities and rides for children of all ag



Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

A concert by the Marine Corps Band San Diego, static displays, pavilions sheltering information booths, games and activities for all ages, face painters, rides and a barbecue providing food for all, were the attractions at Summer Fest. The event is the depot's annual celebration of the coming summer. Summer Fest took place on the Honor's Lawn in front of Pendleton Hall.



Children enjoy the spinning swings at service members and their families a ch day with free carnival rides, music and



Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

Chaelin, 8, throws a ping pong ball into fish tanks to win a goldfish at Summer Fest June 4 aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. Summer Fest provided carnival-style games and prizes to children for free.



Nathaniel, 7, throws a baseball trying to knock the depot could play carnival-style games to win

# Carnival, concert gives fun start to summer

BY LANCE CPL. ERIC QUINTANILLA  
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Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego celebrated the coming summer with carnival-like entertainment and a concert by Marine Band San Diego, June 4.

Summer Fest was a free event aboard the depot open to all service members and families. It was also the kick-off for the band's summer concert series. Although normally two separate events, it was decided to combine both family day and the Summer Concert into one exciting extravaganza.

"I wanted an event that focused on families," said

Maj. Gen. Ronald L. Bailey, commanding general, MCRD and the Western Recruiting Region. "For them to totally enjoy the events in the afternoon, evening and have it summed up by a concert."

Activities included carnival rides, games with prizes, laser tag, a clown, a bounce house and much more. Booths were also

set up for military spouses to showcase their individual businesses.

"(We were) extremely honored to participate in the Family Fun Day at MCRD," said Amanda Thompson, owner of Sweet Cheeks Photography. "We were very excited to have the opportunity to let so many wonderful families at this event know about our services."

Aside from activities, there was a cookout for all the guests that included hotdogs, hamburgers and chicken. To complete the scene, carnival snacks such as cotton candy and ice cream were available.

"They can enjoy a day of BBQ and games," said Capt. Timothy Kent, the assistant enlisted operations officer. "They get to

have a good time at no cost to them."

Marine Band San Diego provided rock band style entertainment throughout the day and ended the night with their annual Summer Concert.

"We're making sure the depot is engaged in the families," said Kent. "It provides an opportunity to showcase Marine Band San Diego."

MCRD also received support from other units that included military static displays for guests to climb inside and see the different types of equipment Marines use on a daily basis.

"It helps build family ties, especially for drill instructors," said Staff Sgt. Christopher Maginnis, a senior drill instructor for Company H. "We can spend quality time with our families and strengthen those family bonds."

The next concert in the summer series will be held in Escondido, Calif., July 4.



Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

at Summer Fest. Summer Fest provided



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down stacked bottles. Children aboard



Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

Marine Band San Diego gets ready to perform the Summer Concert June 4 at Summer Fest aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. This is the first year that both the Summer Concert and Family Day has been combined into one event.

# Dogs find haven in sand, surf, freedom from the leash

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN THOMAS  
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According to the California Court of Appeal, whatever may be said about the affection which mankind has for a faithful companion, modern city conditions no longer permit dogs to run at large. "Leash laws" generally require dogs to be on a leash and under control whenever they are off their owners' property, unless a specific area is designated for unleashed dogs.

In city areas like San Diego, where concrete grows in city parks, it is difficult to let dogs be dogs. Luckily, amongst the hustle and bustle there are places where owners can take their pets and let them play off-leash. These rules also apply to Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's famous mascot, Lance Cpl. Belleau Wood.

While she is allowed to go virtually anywhere on base, as long as she is on a leash, performing the same routine over and over can wear on even a dog's morale.

On weekends, Belleau and her handler load up and head to the dog beach to enjoy some personal time. This gives Belleau a chance to be a dog and get accustomed to other people and dogs. Her duties make it necessary to be around people and animals.

Tucked in the corner of Ocean Beach, Calif., is a beach designated just for man's best friend and his owner. On sunny days the beach is crowded with people and their pets playing in the sand and surf.

"I love the dog beach," said Aly Smith, a San Diego resident. "I bring my Siberian Husky, Dakota, here all the time. It's neat because the surrounding town is very dog friendly as well. They have places where your dog can sit and eat with you outside," added Smith.

Ocean Beach is a place where dogs have their own menus, pet stores and groomers on almost every corner, when normally taking a dog to a beach or restaurant

could turn some heads and get owners unpleasant stares, maybe even a quick and stern request to leave. But, it's in a dog's nature to be with others of their kind.

"Dogs are pack animals," said Sgt. Andrew Johnson, kennel master, Provost Marshall's Office. "They want to run, chase and play with other dogs. Dog beaches and parks give them the perfect opportunity."

According to Johnson, if a pet is kept away from those pack instincts it could become aggressive to other dogs and even people.

"Owners should take their dogs everywhere," said Johnson. "Any time you bring

a dog into a new place it helps them to be around other people and animals, and it gets them accustomed to it."

The dog beach and dog park, both located within 5 miles of the depot, can be a great start for depot Marines to venture out their own dogs.

"Dog parks are amazing," said Johnson. "I take my own dog all the time and I think that everyone who has a dog should go. It's a good way to spend time with man's best friend, plus it's free. It gets both of you out of the house, helps your pet in so many ways and you don't have to pay for it. How cool is that?" added Johnson.



Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas

Lance Cpl. Belleau Wood runs in the sand with two new friends while she was at the dog beach, June 5.



Lance Cpl. Katalynn Thomas

Lance Cpl. Belleau Wood shakes off water after playing in the surf with another four-legged friend at the dog beach, June 5. Belleau goes to the beach with her handler on the weekends for a change of scenery and to make new friends.

## Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr. Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps

### Parade Reviewing Officer

General Dunford was promoted to general and assumed the duties of Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps on October 23, 2010. A native of Boston, Massachusetts, General Dunford graduated from St. Michael's College and was commissioned in 1977.

General Dunford's assignments in the operating forces include Platoon and Company Commander, Co K, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines; Company Commander, Co A, 1st Battalion, 9th Marines; and Company Commander, Co L, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines. He served as the operations, plans, and training officer in 2nd Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company and the regimental executive officer, 6th Marines. He commanded the

2nd Battalion, 6th Marines and the 5th Marine Regiment. He served as the chief of staff, 1st Marine Division.

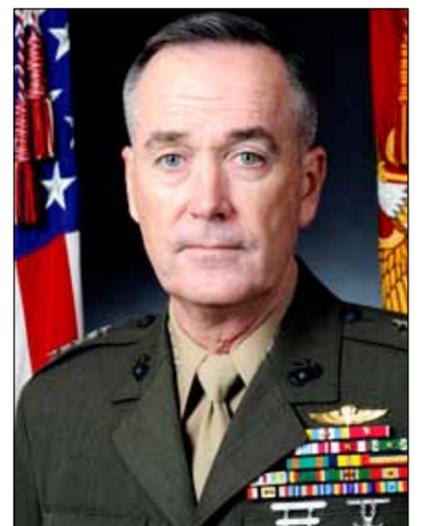
Other assignments include aide to the commanding general, III Marine Expeditionary Force and a tour in the officer assignment branch, Headquarters Marine Corps. He has also served as the Marine officer instructor, College of the Holy Cross; as a member of the commandant's staff group; and as the senior aide to the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Joint assignments include service as the executive assistant to the vice chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; chief, Global and Multilateral Affairs Division; and vice director for operations.

As a flag officer, General Dunford has served as the assistant division commander, 1st Marine Division; the director, Operations Division, Plans, Policies and Operations, HQMC; and the deputy commandant for Plans, Policies and Operations. Most recently he has served as commanding general, I MEF and commander, Marine Forces Central Command.

General Dunford is a graduate of the U.S. Army Ranger School, Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, and the U.S. Army War College. He holds a Master

of Arts degree in government from Georgetown University, and an M.A. in international relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

"Marines - I join your fellow Marines and your families in congratulating you on a significant accomplishment. You are now among the elite few who have earned the title United States Marine. As you depart the recruit depot and prepare to join your new units, remember that the Marine Corps is now YOUR Corps. You have inherited the proud legacy your predecessors earned at places like Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima, Hue City, Fallujah, and Sangin. I expect you to carry the colors high on your watch and maintain our proud traditions. Remember to always look out for your fellow Marines and attack the challenges ahead with courage, honor, and commitment. Once again, congratulations Marines!"





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- \*Pfc. D.K. Irions
- Pfc. W. K. Johnson
- Pvt. A. M. Mason
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- Pvt. D. A. Ortiz-Sanchez
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- Pvt. J. F. DeLeon-Guerrero
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- Pvt. J. B. Draper
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- Pfc. J. H. Euchner
- Pvt. B. A. Ferry
- Pvt. Z. Francis
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- Pvt. G. P. Gifford
- Pfc. J. F. Green-Taylor
- Pvt. C. A. Gregory
- Pvt. K. T. Hall
- Pvt. S. M. Hardcastle
- Pvt. T. C. Harris
- Pfc. E. R. Hawes
- Pfc. M. A. Hudson
- Pfc. G. S. Ide
- Pvt. S. W. Kimball
- Pvt. K. R. King
- Pfc. B. K. Malone Jr.
- Pfc. B. J. Morgan
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- Pfc. J. C. Patlan
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- Pfc. J. R. Stangeland
- Pvt. R. Starr
- Pvt. C. R. Stinson
- Pvt. J. A. Vazquez-Godinez
- Pfc. P. A. Viers
- \*Pfc. A. Villareal
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- Pfc. R. T. Bassett
- Pvt. C. A. Bills
- Pvt. J. R. Brune
- Pfc. R. Cavin
- \*Pfc. D. Conway
- Pvt. R. J. Dertz
- Pfc. E. C. Donelson
- Pvt. C. J. Guilianelli
- Pvt. G. Gutierrez
- \*Pfc. J. A. Gutierrez-Machuca
- Pfc. J. L. Gutschmidt
- Pvt. M. D. Guzman
- Pvt. S. H. Hammer
- \*Pfc. Z. N. Harral
- Pfc. D. E. Hasbun
- Pvt. D. Hebert
- Pvt. M. E. Hernandez
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- Pvt. Z. S. Ivey
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- Pfc. C. Johnson
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- Pfc. K. K. Kelley
- Pvt. D. M. Kilgo
- Pvt. D. M. Killen
- Pvt. D. J. Logan
- Pvt. A. A. Mora
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- Pvt. D. J. Neverson
- Pvt. S. Nunezjaime
- Pvt. A. R. Palumbo
- Pfc. K. A. Petrus
- Pvt. C. Rogge
- Pvt. G. Smith
- Pvt. J. M. Steward
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- \*Pfc. S. A. Bailey
- Pvt. L. S. Beaudin
- Pvt. E. Becerra
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- Pvt. M. K. Bowe
- Pvt. M. R. Becerra
- Pfc. D. K. Busker
- Pvt. R. E. Drey
- Pvt. A. S. Gaba
- Pvt. I. W. McGillivray
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- Pvt. B. S. Monterroso
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- Pfc. L. H. Moneypenny
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- Pvt. B. E. Nerstrud
- Pvt. D. E. Nettles
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- Pvt. D. A. Reyes
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- Pfc. J. E. Robles
- Pvt. D. J. Rollins
- Pvt. M. C. Rom
- Pfc. K. T. Rudd
- Pfc. M. H. Schack
- Pfc. S. M. Searfus
- Pvt. T. A. Wallum
- Pvt. A. J. Walters
- Pvt. D. L. Watson
- Pfc. M. C. Webb
- Pvt. C. A. Weldy
- Pvt. T. Wellman
- \*Pfc. S. B. Wiley
- Pfc. C. D. Winebrenner
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- Pvt. J. C. Woodward

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- Pvt. M. J. Bearden
- Pvt. A. T. Beek
- \*Pfc. S. M. Behm
- Pvt. M. J. Beinhauer
- Pvt. J. Benavides
- Pvt. J. E. Bradley
- Pfc. K. C. Leprozo
- \*Pfc. R. D. Lindsey
- Pvt. J. W. Link
- Pvt. R. D. Lopez
- Pfc. D. J. Mann
- Pvt. F. M. Martin
- Pvt. Z. S. McMahan
- Pfc. J. M. Midence
- Pvt. B. S. Mills
- Pvt. D. N. Rojas-Revueltas
- Pvt. J. D. Ross
- \*Pfc. D. R. Roten
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- Pvt. K. A. Soares
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- Pvt. K. L. Tellez
- Pvt. J. A. Timmermans
- Pvt. J. Torres
- Pvt. R. Trevino
- Pvt. R. H. Tritt
- Pvt. J. N. Trujillo
- Pfc. C. A. Wise
- Pvt. J. I. Wright
- Pfc. L. D. Yetter

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- Pfc. A. M. Cruz
- Pvt. E. M. Cumbess
- \*Pfc. J. R. Drayer
- Pvt. N. G. Edict
- Pvt. M. I. Eng
- \*Pfc. C. A. Folck
- Pvt. P. A. Galvan
- Pvt. M. I. Garcia
- Pvt. J. Garcia Jr
- Pvt. R. C. Gommert
- Pvt. B. J. Gonzales
- Pvt. M. E. Gonzales
- Pvt. F. J. Gonzalez
- Pvt. J. Gonzalez
- Pfc. E. Gonzalez Jr.
- Pvt. T. J. Goralski
- Pvt. R. M. Gould
- Pvt. S. M. Graves
- Pfc. S. B. Hinton
- Pfc. J. R. Klipp
- Pfc. N. J. Lara-Gilmore
- Pvt. D. M. Lomonaco
- Pvt. E. F. Lopez Jr.
- Pvt. L. A. Lopez
- Pvt. A. R. Lucas
- Pvt. N. C. Lyons
- Pvt. K. E. Nelson
- Pvt. C. B. Noud
- Pvt. J. L. Nunez
- Pvt. T. L. O'Brien
- Pvt. A. Orozco
- Pvt. C. J. Stoltenberg
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Lance Cpl. Eric Quintanilla

**Sgt. Maj. Wayne Pedersen, Support Battalion, spikes the ball past Sgt. Benedict Baclig, orders chief for 12th Marine Corps Recruiting District, June 7, during a volleyball game at the Field House aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. The 12th District defeated the Recruit Administration Branch in the Commanding General's Cup intramural sports season.**

## 12th Recruiting District spikes CG's Cup competition

BY LANCE CPL. ERIC QUINTANILLA  
*Chevron staff*

The 12th Marine Corps District volleyball team defeated the Recruit Administration Branch June 7 in a game at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's field house.

Twelfth District got an early start with an eight point lead and kept a strong defense.

"We thought we weren't going to

be as competitive," said Gunnery Sgt. Carlos Crespo, logistics chief, 12th District. "It was a confidence booster," he added about winning the first game. "We were more confident about going into the second game."

The first game ended 25-16, giving 12th District a 1-0 lead in the best-of-three format.

The teams switched sides giving RAB the chance to serve first. The second game started with a back and

forth battle, neither team able to dominate. It wasn't long before 12th District once again was able to pull away and maintain a small lead against RAB.

The second game, while closer than the first, came to a close with a score of 25-21, giving 12th District an early win without forcing a third game.

"We did better than last time, so we are improving," said Sgt. Maj. Wayne Pedersen, Support Battalion player for

RAB. "We're out here to have a bit of fun."

The 12th District team prepares for each game by practicing once a week at the MCRD Boathouse's sand courts. The win on Tuesday brings their current record to 4-1, and are preparing for the CG Cup volleyball playoffs slated to begin June 22.

Commanding General Cup intramural sports are open to everyone aboard the depot, including families.

## MCRD varsity soccer takes championship after nine years

BY LANCE CPL. CRYSTAL DRUERY  
*Chevron staff*

Marine Corps Recruit Depot's varsity soccer team put an end to its nine-year championship slump against Fleet Readiness Center, who played an undefeated season until June 7.

FRC soccer teams from Naval Air Station North Island played a tough game, but didn't quite reach their goal.

"We came in motivated, it has been the best season we've had," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Edwin Rodriguez, aviation support and coach of FRC. "We thought we had this team, but this is the best I've seen from Marine Corps Recruit Depot," he added.

No doubt about it, FRC started off strong. Minutes into the match the unbeaten team scored first. However, depot goalie, Seaman Adrian Mejia, denied three consecutive scoring opportunities that undoubtedly kept MCRD in the game.

Just before the halftime whistle sounded, MCRD received a penalty shot after a foul in the penalty box. Petty Officer 3rd class David Barrientos, dental technician, capitalized and tied the score 1-1.

"I wanted to make that shot really bad so we could come back," he said. "I felt a little

pressure but kept my composure, afterwards I felt relieved and it gave the team a little energy to feed off of," he added.

At halftime Cpl. Kofi Agyeman, the team captain, finance, Headquarters and Support Battalion, saw the need for a little motivation and gave a pep talk to make sure his team kept their heads in the game.

"We feed off each other's energy, so at halftime I tried to pump everyone up a little since we weren't playing as well as normal," said Agyeman.

Gunnery Sgt. Marvin Hernandez-Garcia, combat cargo, USS San Diego, spoke to the team and reset their strategies for offense and defense.

"We were a little shaky in the beginning but by changing strategies I feel it gave us more chances to score," he said.

As the second half began, neither team was able to become the front runner. A battle filled the atmosphere with intensity and the teams' desire to be titled champions.

MCRD nearly sealed the victory just prior to the end of regulation. A hand ball in the penalty area resulted in yet another penalty shot. But with the pressure rising and the game at stake, he missed the goal.

In the final seconds of the game, neither team was able to

get past each other's defenses, resulting in a tie.

A heart-pounding shootout followed the end of the game. Each team chose five players for penalty shots to determine a winner. Still neither team could prevail.

To close the match, teams alternated penalty shots until Maj. Phillip Peche rifled the game-winning goal just out of the reach

of the FRC keeper.

"I play defense, so I'm just glad the coach let me score that goal," said Peche, operations officer, Recruit Training Regiment.

Hernandez-Garcia commented to Peche, "You had the composure for it."

The coach explained how Peche and Mejia really made the difference for the team this year. Both brought different assets to

the team. Mejia walked away as most valuable player of the season.

"You need a good defense and offense. Having that backbone helps out a lot," Hernandez-Garcia added.

Now MCRD's varsity soccer team will be preparing for regionals starting in September.

"We plan to take home a trophy for (the depot)," said Hernandez-Garcia.



Lance Cpl. Crystal Druery

**Marine Corps Recruit Depot's goalie, Adrian Mejia, blocks a penalty kick. The championship game between MCRD and Fleet Readiness Center ended in a tie, resulting in five players from each team taking penalty shots. That ended in an other tie, having both teams yet another player. MCRD walked away champions after a nine year slump.**