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## Clothing issue implements radio frequency ID

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The Retail Clothing Branch and the Defense Logistics Agency implemented new technology, Aug. 25, that will change the way recruits are issued uniforms upon entering training. Radio Frequency Identification is new equipment to the depot that will shift incoming recruits from handwritten inventory to an electronic issue.

The RFID system uses smart labels that talk to a parent network, instantaneously updating inventory as products enter or leave the warehouse. Scanners read these labels to ensure the product that's given is recorded properly.

Time management is one of the Marine Corps' most-stressed attributes. Nothing seems more important than accuracy and achieving it as quickly as possible. The Defense Logistics Agency recognized the value of time and implemented RFID technology to accomplish quick and precise clothing issue to recruits.

Before RFID was implemented, recruits were given a two-page checklist of items they were being issued. On that checklist, they would write in their sizes and quantities received. Before they were permitted to depart, multiple inventories and verifications of their distribution were conducted.

“The process was tedious and time consuming,” said Staff Sgt. Winford Morris, 34, Meridian, Miss., chief drill instructor, Receiving Company, Support Battalion. “The new method is getting recruits in and out, and has been a lot quicker than usual.”

Company G was the first set of recruits to go through the RFID method. Improvement was immediately noticed.

“Usually we have the recruits scheduled from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.,” said Brett Guenther, supervisor, Retail Clothing Branch. “It's only 7:30 and they should be finished within the next 30 minutes.”

Aside from time management,

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Sgt. Whitney N. Frasier

Recruit Bryan Lopez from Company G, gets his first uniform issue with newly implemented technology. The Retail Clothing Branch and the Defense Logistic Agency implemented radio frequency identification technology to issue uniforms. This technology will improve time management and save money, giving training time back to the recruits and drill instructors.

### Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps reviews new Marines



Cpl. Kristin E. Moreno

Sgt. Maj. Michael P. Barrett, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, left, and Sgt. Maj. James McCook, Recruit Training Regiment sergeant major, salute the colors during the pass in review at the 1st Recruit Training Battalion, Company C graduation here Aug. 19. Sgt. Maj. Barrett visited as the parade reviewing officer for the graduation ceremony and spent time interacting with visiting families and Marines aboard the depot.

## MCRD helps kick off a new school year

BY LANCE CPL. ERIC QUINTANILLA  
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Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's School Liaison Program hosted its annual Back to School Resource Fair for service members and their families Aug. 27.

The resource fair provided information for parents with children enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade that may otherwise be unknown to them before their children begin school this fall.

“(The fair) presents an opportunity to connect

our military and civilian communities together and share the many Marine Corps Community Service programs that help promote and sustain the best quality of life possible for military families,” said Elfredia Hines, MCCS school liaison for MCRD and the Western Recruiting Region.

According to Hines, the military has approximately 60,000 students in the city schools of San Diego. Principals and counselors from local schools came to speak with families about

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## Communications test evaluates procedures

BY CPL. KRISTIN E. MORENO  
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Designated personnel participated in a Mass Notification Communication Exercise Wednesday to test Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's mass notification procedures in the event of an emergency.

The purpose of the exercise was to evaluate current procedures in order to improve emergency communication measures in the future.

The planning for the exercise first consisted of meeting with the operations and training assistant chief of staff, Provost Marshal's Office, public affairs and family readiness officers of all tenant commands, to discuss their capabilities, what their current procedures were and what changes could be implemented to best support the depot. These procedures were then proposed and approved prior to commencing the exercise.

According to Craig Hunnewell, Mission Assurance Division emergency management analyst here, there were several new concepts implemented this year.

In the past, information was disseminated over the depot's WAVES Mass Notification System, or loudspeakers; however, with developing technology, the depot is now incorporating

other avenues of distributing information into their procedures.

In case of an emergency, information will also be posted to the depot's official Web site and social media sites, a mass e-mail will be sent out to all personnel including non-Navy Marine Corps Intranet accounts, family readiness officers will send out a message via Marine On-Line and an emergency information hotline will be taking phone calls.

“The prior policy was you were supposed to let people know within 10 minutes what was going on, and we could do that,” said Hunnewell. “We were within guidelines and standards, but now standards have changed. Because of all the incidents, like Fort Hood and active-shooter attacks across the country, the Department of Defense said ‘Let's not just rely on mass communication but use other avenues, too.’”

Hunnewell said the exercise is important because many individuals are uneducated about what to do and what not to do during a crisis. This exercise not only tests current procedures but shows all individuals what's available during these hectic times.

The involved personnel will be completing after-action reports and providing feedback on how the exercise went to determine

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# Congressional staffers visit depot



Lance Cpl. Katalynn Rodgers

Colleen Gaydos, professional staff member, Senate Appropriations Committee, and Lt. Cmdr. John Collins, navy congressional liaison officer, Appropriations Matters Office, visited Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego Aug. 23. She and her staff gained an understanding of the requirements and challenges to process, train, and transform recruits into Marines. After being briefed about the depot's facilities Gaydos toured the base, observed recruit training and inspected recruit squad bays. "It's good to see where our dollars are going," said Gaydos. "We're checking out the training first hand. Seeing it makes it more real." The United States General Services Administration and five base closure and realignment commissions determined Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego AS a vital national asset.

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the educational opportunities they provide their students.

"We love to have military kids in our school, we are right in the neighborhood," said Jonathan Ton, principal of Montgomery Middle School. "We are a safe school that is passionate and dedicated to teaching to the 21st century child."

Approximately 250 guests gathered information from the 47 booths represented. Organizations like Girl Scouts and MCRD's New Parent Support Program gave families information about new programs and classes they offer.

"The Back to School Event brings awareness to the support services and programs throughout San Diego County that are available to Kindergarten through 12th grade military school-aged children and

their families," Hines added.

Booths offered before and after-school activities to help parents who are looking to provide a little more than the average school experience. It also helps parents who haven't established childcare and need a little extra time at work.

"We know child care is a priority and that's where before and after-school programs can help," said Hines.

These activities can also help parents who are new to the area and looking to start their kids in sports or who are putting their children in a new school. Additionally, the event helps those with children who will be starting school for the first time.

"This is a great resource for the families. They have a lot of information here you wouldn't normally find," said Sgt. Hugo Frausto, drill instructor, Receiving Company, Recruit Training Battalion. "It brings a lot of resources out to one place."

The resource fair was not only for adults – booths full of fun and games were available for children. While parents talked about school necessities, children were busy watching a magic show and learning tricks from local magician Alfonso Vazquez, or playing bean bag and ring toss games. Children could also get face paintings and balloon animals or swords to play with.

At the end of the fair, eight new printers donated by the American Legion were raffled off to remaining guests. Every family also walked away with a new backpack filled with basic school supplies donated by Operation Homefront.

"It is our hope that when the many resources, programs and services are presented that our families will be encouraged to participate and utilize these wonderful tools that will create a recipe for educational success," said Hines.

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this mechanism is also expected to ensure accuracy and save a significant amount of manpower, said Guenther, 44, Casper, Wyo.

The computerized register of inventory not only works for the recruits receiving clothing, it also performs efficiently for the employees of the branch.

"When gear arrives at the

warehouse, it comes in on pallets. Those pallets also have smart labels, the boxes on the pallets have smart labels and the products inside the boxes have smart labels," said Army Lt. Col. Michael Dove, acquisition officer, DLA. When the forklift brings the pallet inside, the readers automatically scan the quantity and update the inventory in real time.

This could be an extremely proficient change to the pre-

vious method of breaking pallets down and manually inspecting every piece.

Everything comes with a price, but the Marine Corps didn't pay for this one. DLA spent an estimated \$50,000 providing this equipment to the Marines with plans to put it into practice for the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Another advantage of the new technology is that it's saving the Marine Corps

money on paper and ink.

The first issue using RFID was a successful experiment with only minimal errors to iron out. In the end, both staff from MCRD and DLA were pleased with the result.

"It's a win-win for the Marine Corps and for DLA," said Dove, 44, Carmel, N.Y. "It provides inventory accuracy in real time and it eliminates lost training time for recruits."

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what further steps need to be made. They will continue to train on their emergency plan throughout the year.

Hunnewell said plans are being made to perform exercises

quarterly to ensure depot personnel are confident and able to stay calm during a real-life scenario.

For additional information and continuous updates during an emergency, monitor the depot's Web site, <http://www.marines.mil/unit/tecom/mcrdsandiego/Pages/welcome.aspx>, and Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/mcrdsd>.

## BRIEFS

### Labor Day gate hours

#### Gate 2:

Today - closes at 6 p.m., and reopens at 6 a.m., Sunday.  
Closes at 4 p.m., Sunday and reopens at 6 a.m., Tuesday.

#### Gate 5:

Today - closes at 6 p.m., and reopens at 6 a.m., Tuesday (subject to being open upon request over holiday period for deliveries/large vehicles by calling the Desk Sergeant at (619) 524-4202.)

For more information, call the POC, 2nd Lt. Clayton D. Harris, PMO Operations Officer, at (619) 524-8268.

### Auto skills master workshop

The next MCCS MCRD Auto Skills Center Master Workshop Series will focus on the brakes of the automobile. The workshop will discuss how brakes functions, fluid, preventive maintenance, trouble shooting and garage environment safety. Attendees should dress in comfortable clothing and wear closed-toe shoes. The workshop will take place at Bldg. 142, September 10 from 11:30 a.m., to 2:30 p.m. There is no charge for the workshop. Lunch will be provided. Register at (619) 524-5240. Walk-ins are welcome.

### FY11 tuition assistance cut-off

Tuition Assistance requests for FY11 will be processed until Sept. 15 only. The course(s) start date must be no later than Sept. 30, 2011. Submit TA request prior to the start of the term to avoid paying out of pocket tuition cost.

Call (619) 524-1275/8158 for information.

### Boot Camp Challenge

The 2011 Boot Camp Challenge, a three-mile obstacle run on the depot, is scheduled for Sept. 24, 9 a.m. Participants in the event are encourage to use public transportation. Participants may register at <http://www.bootcampchallenge.com>.

### MyPay access

Military members and federal service employees can now access their personal MyPay accounts using the Common Access Card (CAC). To access the MyPay website with a CAC card go to the MyPay web page at <https://mypay.dfas.mil/MYPAY.ASPX> web address. Click on the "DOD CAC Login to MyPay" link. First time users must enter their social security number.

All MyPay customers will still be able to access MyPay using a login ID and password. For more information, contact Tom Garcia at (619) 524-6102.

### Emergency preparedness: Safe & Well

After a disaster, letting your family and friends know that you are safe and well can bring your loved ones great peace of mind. There is a website called Safe and Well, which is designed to help make communication easier and eliminate overloaded telephone systems. It can be found at <https://safeandwell.communityos.org/cms/index.php>.

If you have any questions, call the Mission Assurance Office at (619) 524-8432.

### A Journey through Boot Camp

Follow Sgt. Whitney N. Frasier as she follows Golf Company and blogs about the boot camp experience at [www.transformationofmarines.wordpress.com](http://www.transformationofmarines.wordpress.com)

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## Around the depot

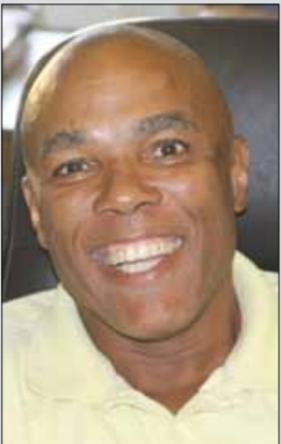
**This week the Chevron asks: "What are your plans for the Labor Day Weekend?"**



**"I'm going to barbecue and watch football, hopefully in peace and quiet."** *Lamont Davis, laborer, Marine Corps Community Services*



**"(I'm) going to Vegas to get away and meet up with family and friends."** *Cpl. Janeisha D. Taylor, administrative clerk, Headquarters Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion*



**"I'm going to play poker to supplement my income and have fun."** *Lewis K. Sheffield, human resources lead, Recruit Administration Branch*

# Navy Imam ministers to Muslims at during annual Ramadan celebration

BY CPL. BRYAN NYGAARD  
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**CAMP LEATHERNECK, Afghanistan** — The month of Ramadan is observed by Muslims all over the world as a time to purify the soul, refocus attention on God and practice self-sacrifice. During this occasion, Muslims abstain from food, drink, and other physical needs during daylight hours.

Once night falls, an Azan, or call to prayer, is made, breaking the fast. Muslims then gather together to enjoy a meal with family and community and engage in prayer and spiritual reflection.

It is important to all Muslims that an Imam, the Islamic equivalent of a priest, be present during the evening prayer, and several Muslim Marines had asked chaplains aboard Camp Leatherneck if there was going to be an Imam present during Ramadan in the weeks leading up to the holy month.

Within Regional Command Southwest's area of operations in Helmand and Nimroz provinces, there are currently 47 chaplains. However, none of them are Muslim.

Lt. Asif I. Balbale has traveled to Helmand province all the way from Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., to help fill the spiritual needs of Marines and Afghans during Ramadan. In California, Balbale is the chaplain for Assault Amphibian School Battalion, and is one of only three Muslim chaplains in the Navy Chaplain Corps.

Balbale was born and raised in Kuwait and immigrated to the U.S. for higher education 11 years ago. After receiving a degree in petroleum engineering from the University of Montana, he found it hard to find work. In September 2004, Balbale enlisted in the Navy and became a machinist's mate.

"I wanted to prove that Muslims can be a part of America and be constructive citizens of the nation," said Balbale.

Three years later Balbale started looking into commissioning programs. It was during this time he became aware of the shortages of Muslim chaplains in the chaplain corps.

"There was a need," said Balbale who finished the chaplain candidacy program in March 2010. "I felt that this is where God is calling me to."

Although he does not encounter many Muslims at Camp Pendleton, he guides and counsels all service members under his charge.

"The most rewarding part of this job is being able to help a Marine," said Balbale. "When one of my Marines comes up to me and says, 'Sir, thank you for helping me,' — that is the most satisfying moment for me. Nothing tops that."

Balbale spent his first two weeks in Afghanistan at Camp Dwyer in southern Helmand province. He then spent seven days at Kandahar

Air Field before coming to Camp Leatherneck, where he has led Muslims in nightly prayer sessions, or Ishas, and breaks fast with them after the sun sets. Additionally, he has been visiting hospitals, holding shuras and ministering to any coalition service members who are Muslim.

"It's a very unique experience for people from different nations to see a person in a U.S. uniform being a Muslim, being an Imam. . . it comes out as a surprise to many," said Balbale. "Sometimes people come across and say, 'I never knew the United States could do that or have

an Imam in uniform.' It's a very positive experience for them."

Wali, a linguist with RC(SW) that works at Camp Leatherneck, is very thankful for Balbale being here during this sacred month.

"It's very important for Afghan linguists and people here that we have the Imam to lead us and pray with us," said Wali. "All of my friends. . . we prayed before Ramadan that God would bring someone to lead us and to be an Imam. Everybody is happy that we have an Imam to lead us and pray with us."

Having a Muslim chaplain

among coalition troops not only helps minister to their needs during Ramadan, but it also sends a message to the people of Afghanistan, said Capt. Steven Brown, the chaplain for RC(SW).

"It demonstrates that we are a nation of tolerance," said Brown, a native of Clawson, Mich. "We also demonstrate to the Afghan people that we have Muslims in our ranks and that we are tolerant of all religions. Not only are we tolerant, we peacefully coexist."

This has marked Balbale's first deployment as a chaplain. He hopes it is the first of many to come.



Cpl. Bryan Nygaard

**Lt. Asif I. Balbale, the chaplain for Assault Amphibian School Battalion at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., leads Afghans in Taraweeh, which is the last prayer of the day for Muslims, at the Afghan Cultural Center aboard Camp Leatherneck, Helmand province, Aug. 17.**



Cpl. Bryan Nygaard

**Afghans and coalition service members enjoy a meal after breaking fast at the Afghan Cultural Center aboard Camp Leatherneck, Helmand province, Aug. 17. During the Islamic holy month of Ramadan, Lt. Asif I. Balbale, the chaplain for Assault Amphibian School Battalion at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., ministered to Muslims throughout the provinces of Helmand and Kandahar.**

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Lance Cpl. Crystal J. Druery

A member of the Golden Lion Chinese Acrobats shows off her skillful footwork by spinning a large flowerpot with her feet. The acrobat also spun a table followed by a stick balancing two people.

# Zoo offers affordable, c

BY LANCE CPL. CRYSTAL DRUERY  
*Chevron staff*

Many Marines are in search of something new and exciting to do during their free time that won't break the bank. Active duty members stationed in San Diego are provided a free, ever-changing, themed experience just down the street.

The San Diego Zoo offers free admission to active duty service members year-round, giving them a chance to spend time with family, learn more about different species, and relax. Performances for all ages are available daily, making this free experience fun for everyone.

"The San

Diego Zoo has a history with the military since the early nineteen hundreds," said Rick Schwartz, the San Diego Zoo Ambassador. He explained many Navy ships have been coming through San Diego ports since around 1916; one in particular acquired a bear as a mascot. Once the captain didn't want the bear any longer, he donated it to the San Diego Zoo.

"We also recognize what the military is doing currently and try to support them," said Schwartz.

Throughout the seasons different themes are incorporated throughout the San Diego Zoo. This makes for



Nighttime Zoo is an annual event featuring a specific theme. This year, the



One of the acrobats from the Power and Air show puts on a captivating p

# cultural experience – and animals

a constant desire for guests interested in new shows and learning things about animals.

One particular event is the annual Nighttime Zoo going on each evening until Monday. This year's theme is a China celebration, with magical performances that set off the introduction of the Panda Trek grand opening, a new exhibit where guests can explore the wonders of China. Giant panda bears and other wildlife located in the forests of China can be found there.

Diego Zoo, music fills the ears of the animals and guests while Chinese acrobats captivate the audience with their enchanting aerial performance.

At the opening of the zoo during this China celebration, the Steam Powered Giraffe, a simulated robot pantomime band plays original music and puts on improvised comedy to start off guests' magical experience. Front Plaza Street also features the Surfin' Safari Bush Band, which plays music from different eras to satisfy everyone's musical tastes.

During the evening events Professor Fred Featherstone is awaiting guests in the Asian Passage to help point them in the right direction. Nearby, tall monkeys walk around guided by their leader, Sun Wukong, the monkey king.

The main attraction is a performance by the Golden Lion Chinese Acrobats. These skilled acrobats came all the way from China's Hebei Province to provide a spectacular performance of "Tales of the Mandarin Forest." This includes more than just acrobatics though;

they also perform martial arts, dancing and more.

As the dark of the night prevails all are bid farewell by the flexible acrobats, stilt-walking monkeys, and the musicians during the 'entertainment extravaganza.'

The many exciting and colorful performances aren't the only free opportunities at the zoo for active duty members. There are many attractions available year-round. A complimentary bus tour is available to show guests around the zoo.

There is also a new animal show. The renovated Wegeforth Bowl hosts the unveiling of the Camp Critters, where the audience can earn their camp counselor badge while being trained by Harry the sea lion and several other animal species.

"One of the big things is finding unique and different ways to teach people about the animals," said Schwartz. "This can be done through Doctor Zoolittle or through laughter and musical groups."

Shortly after the Chinese Celebration ends, a new theme will be unveiled. The zoo will be hosting a Festival of Flight starting in November. Until then, families with children can enjoy Kids Free Days throughout October.



Lance Cpl. Crystal J. Druery

The China Celebration theme presented multiple performances including juggling, martial arts and acrobatics.



Lance Cpl. Crystal J. Druery

performance, displaying her strength and flexibility. The Power and Air show is available for guests daily.



Lance Cpl. Crystal J. Druery

Guests watch with amazement as acrobats make an extraordinary human pyramid. These acrobats came to perform at the San Diego Zoo all the way from China's Hebei Province, providing a spectacular performance of "Tales of the Mandarin Forest."



Lance Cpl. Crystal J. Druery

The Steam Powered Giraffe, a simulated robot pantomime band, plays original music and puts on improvised comedy at the entrance of the zoo during the China celebration to start off guests' magical experience. Also on Front Plaza Street is the Surfin' Safari Bush Band playing songs from different eras to satisfy everyone's musical tastes.

## Dinner, dancing affordable at the Bayview

BY LANCE CPL. KATALYNN RODGERS  
Chevron Staff

**N**owadays it can be difficult for those looking for an affordable dinner or place to dance without paying an outrageous cover charge.

Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's Bayview Restaurant hosted the Sultry Summer Swing Aug. 19 as part of its monthly themed dinner and dance series.

Each month the Bayview hosts these events with different themes to coincide with holidays and seasons, from the food to the decorations. Each event features an all-you-can-eat buffet, a live band and an open dance floor for an affordable price.

Patrons of the Sultry Summer Swing were treated to a variety of music courtesy of the Cradit Union Band. The local musicians play cover music from different genres and eras, and are more than happy to take requests from the attendees.

"We play here because it's fun," said Candy Silva, a singer with the Cradit Union Band. "They are serious dancers; the tempo has to be just right. They want all different types of music."

The Cradit Union Band has provided musical entertainment at these monthly events for as long as Eisermann can remember.

No matter what type of music was playing, from the samba, to the foxtrot, to the waltz, the

Bayview's dance floor was full.

"It's wonderful," said Pat Kent, an attendee of the Sultry Summer Swing. "We enjoy it; we meet a group of friends here and dance."

The only thing that kept some attendees off the dance floor was the chef's food line-up.

The summer-themed menu consisted of assorted rolls, house salad and soups were served as appetizers. Narragansett succotash and cheddar-mashed red potatoes, amber ale-braised beef short ribs, broccoli and cheddar chicken, and fire-roasted citrus tilapia were the main course selections. The chef also prepared an assortment of desserts.

"This was money absolutely well spent," said Donna Gega, an attendee of the Sultry Summer Swing. "It's the best bargain in town."

The dinner dance series began when a group of dance enthusiasts wanted a place to dance the night away. Since the Bayview has a ballroom floor, the events were held there. The dinner dances are still enjoyed by active duty personnel, retirees and civilians.

Pat Kent, a regular attendee of the Bayview's dinner dances, explained why she keeps coming back.

"We like the socialization it provides," said Kent. "There aren't many places to (ballroom) dance in San Diego."

The Bayview will host their next dinner dance, themed "Enjoy Autumn's 1st Day" Sept. 23.



Lance Cpl. Katalynn Rodgers

**A couple dances enthusiastically during the Bayview Restaurant's Sultry Summer Swing Aug. 19. The couples who attended were treated to a summer themed all-you-can-eat buffet, the Cradit Union Band and an open dance floor.**



Lance Cpl. Katalynn Rodgers

**Couples dance happily at the Bayview Restaurant's Sultry Summer Swing Aug. 19. Once a month the Bayview holds a dinner dance themed to match the seasons and upcoming holidays. Between the live band and the all-you-can-eat buffet, the couples have an affordable outing.**

## Sgt. Maj. Antonio N. Vizcarrondo

### Parade Reviewing Officer

Sergeant Major Antonio N. Vizcarrondo completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S.C., in 1982. After completing the Assault Amphibian Basic Crewman Course, he was assigned to Company C, 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

During this tour he served as an instructor aboard Landing Force Training Command, Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Norfolk, Va. He deployed as an AAV crew chief with Battalion Landing Team 3rd Bn, 8th Marines, and he participated in security operations in support of the American Embassy Beirut, Lebanon.

In late 1986, Vizcarrondo reported to 3rd Assault Amphibian Bn., 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif. In February 1988, he deployed with BLT, 2nd Bn., 1st Marines aboard ship to the Western Pacific, and again in April 1989 with BLT, 1st Bn., 9th Marines. In August 1990 he deployed to Kuwait and participated in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Upon returning to the United States, he earned the designation as a Marine

combat instructor of water survival.

In 1992, Vizcarrondo received orders to Drill Instructor School, MCRD San Diego. He served with Company M, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, as a drill instructor, senior drill instructor and the 3rd Bn., drill master.

In 1995, he returned to 3rd AAV Bn. During this tour he deployed twice to Okinawa, Japan. During a second unit deployment to Okinawa, Japan he served as the AAV platoon sergeant aboard ship as part of BLT 1st Bn., 5th Marines, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable).

In 1997, he returned to MCRD San Diego where he served as a chief drill instructor, Company A, 1st Recruit Training Bn., Company first sergeant, Special Training Co., Support Bn., and as the regimental operations chief.

In 2000, assigned to 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton. During this tour he served as a first sergeant in Headquarters and Service Co., 1st Supply Bn., and as first sergeant in Communications Co., H&S Bn., and deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Following this deployment he was assigned as a first sergeant in Maintenance Co., Transportation Support Bn.

In 2003, he was selected to the rank of sergeant major and assigned to HMM(T)-164, MAG 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Camp Pendleton, and subsequently as sergeant major for VMFA(AW)-121, MAG

11, Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif. He deployed to both the Western Pacific and to Iraq, OIF 06-08 with the Green Knights of VMFA(AW)-121. In 2007 Vizcarrondo was selected and posted as the sergeant major for the Recruit Training Regiment, MCRD Parris Island.

In January 2010, Vizcarrondo was assigned as the 1st Marine Logistics Group sergeant major in preparation for the unit's deployment to Afghanistan.

Vizcarrondo's decorations include the

Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, Combat Action Ribbon with gold star in lieu of second award, Sea Service deployment ribbon with one silver star and four bronze stars in lieu of tenth award and the Drill Instructor ribbon with two bronze stars in lieu of third award.

*"Marines... Congratulations on earning the title United States Marine. Always remember the hard work and sacrifice that went into earning that title. As you depart on much deserved boot leave please do so safely and keep yourselves in fighting shape. There are many challenges that lie ahead for you. With the foundation your drill instructors have built within you, you're more than up to any challenge that may come your way. Congratulations Marines and Semper Parati."*





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Pvt. C. A. Lindley  
Pfc. L. K. Loe  
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Pvt. T. T. Lor  
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Pfc. O. Pachuca  
Pvt. C. E. Pardini  
Pfc. A. Paredes  
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Pvt. A. J. Pfennig  
Pfc. S. T. Philp  
Pfc. S. R. Philpot  
Pfc. R. R. Pipes  
Pvt. J. R. Pociask  
Pvt. A. R. Popp  
Pvt. A. Ramos-Romero  
Pvt. S. B. Reiser  
Pvt. A. S. Rex  
Pvt. S. C. Reyes  
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# H&S, 12th MCD claim top spots in summer challenge

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The 101 Days of Summer Drug-Free Challenge concluded with a fight, giving Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego commands one last chance to finish on top.

The Fight Gone Bad command competition, named by UFC fighter B. J. Penn, who after completing the workout said it felt like a "fight...gone bad," consisted of five functional fitness exercises performed in one minute intervals before moving immediately to the next.

Each command was able to submit one team of five to compete in the Fight Gone Bad, but that didn't stop Marines and sailors from starting teams of their own. There were nine total teams that included one from Marine Corps Air Station Miramar and Naval Base Point Loma.

"This is one of the most grueling workouts I've ever done," said Capt. Tyler Quinn, series commander, Co. F, 2nd Battalion.

After each participant cycled through the five exercises, teams were given one minute of rest. This was done three times, giving the same time restraints as an Ultimate Fighting Championship fight. The five exercises were rowing, wall ball, push press, box jumps and sumo dead lift high-pulls.

"Probably the beginning of the second round I started to feel the exercise," said Quinn. "I pushed myself too hard in the first round because I underestimated how rough this would be."

Judges kept count of each repetition for the teams to add up their total scores. Team InVictus scored the most points in the competition with a total of 1,356 repetitions. Team InVictus consisted of three Marine for

H&S Bn., and two sailors who train together at the same gym.

"They came here and rocked it," said C.J. Martin, Team InVictus sponsor.

Once a score was determined, it was added to their current standings in the Ooh Rah Challenge portion of the 101 Days of Summer Campaign to determine a first place winner. The first place prize of \$500 was awarded to Headquarters and Service Battalion.

In addition to the Ooh Rah Challenge portion of 101 Days of Summer was the Honor Challenge which encouraged commands to submit regular urinalysis each month and deducted points for any alcohol related incidents. 12th Marine Corps Recruiting District was awarded first place for this challenge and received a bonus for their perfect score earning them \$700.



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Staff Sgt. Duane P. Commiato, Instructor Training Center, Support Battalion, performs push presses for his team during the Fight Gone Bad competition. Each participating command was able to field one team of five individuals to compete in the final event of the 101 Days of Summer Drug Free Challenge. Headquarters and Service Battalion won the \$500 first place prize.



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Capt. Tyler Quinn, series commander, Co. F, 2nd Bn., pushes out as many wall balls as possible for his team's score during the Fight Gone Bad command competition, Aug. 26. The competition consisted of five exercises performed in one-minute intervals. The teams competed for the grand prize of \$500.

## Three-pitch softball teaches young players teamwork



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Players on the Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego three-pitch youth softball team, the Red Socks competed against the Murphy's Canyon Dodgers Aug. 25. Youth softball focuses on teaching kids the fundamentals rather than winning and losing.

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Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's three-pitch youth softball team, the Red Socks, competed against the Murphy's Canyon Dodgers in their third game of the season Aug. 25 at Murphy's Canyon Model Field.

Three-pitch softball is a slow-pitch game for young players, ages 8 to 10. In this league the pitcher and batter are on the same team, promoting a less competitive environment so athletes are more concerned about learning rather than winning and losing.

"We don't keep score because it's all about teaching the kids how to play," said Cindee Cullors, the Red Socks coach and spouse of Staff Sgt. Tyrone Cullors, drill instructor of Support Battalion.

Players on the field are coached almost constantly, even by the umpire, who occasionally gives instructions to batters.

"Where's the play Red

Socks?" said Cindee, waiting for her team to yell out which base to throw the ball to next.

There was a volunteer at first and third base for the batting team to assist their team while batting and running the bases. For the Red Sock that was two drill instructors yelling out when to run to the next base.

The players on the Red Socks had a lot of support from their families. Many of their parents came out to cheer the team on, even though they had busy schedules.

Cindee had used this opportunity of assisting her husband at coaching their daughter's softball team to get more family time. Unfortunately, he hasn't been able to do much coaching, leaving his wife in charge.

With four games left, the Red Socks continue to practice once a week for an hour to continue improving.

"The most important thing is just getting the kids to learn how to work together as a team and understand the basics of the game," said Cindee.