

Greetings Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Below is the Combat Center Weekly Speedcall for 18 May 2023. Please see any attached flyers for amplifying/additional information. Of note, if departments do not provide updates to the Communication Strategy and Operations Office or confirm that their information is correct by 1000 on Thursday, no message will appear for that respective department.

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**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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REGIONAL CONTRACTING OFFICE (RCO)

Effective June 1 2023, the RCO customer service office hours are changing to 0730 to 1530, Monday through Friday.

RECREATIONAL FIRING AT RIFLE AND PISTOL RANGE

The Combat Center rifle and pistol range is now offering recreational firing on the first and second Friday of every month.

The range will be open to active duty, retirees, authorized dependents (12 years of age and older), DoD employees and law enforcement.

PAYROLL CUSTOMER SERVICE

Due to limited staffing, the payroll customer service office hours are temporarily changing to 9am to 2pm Monday through Friday.

PWD CIVILIAN HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE JOB FAIR

Visit the HRO Website for more information or take a look at the attached flyers (<https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Civilian-Human-Resources/>)

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LONG TERM FRONT GATE LANE CLOSURES- EXPECT DELAYS STARTING 15 MAY 2023

A PWD contractor will be working on the vehicle barricades at the MCAGCC front gate. The work began on 15 MAY 23 and will last several months. One inbound and one outbound lane will be closed at a time. PMO will be working to lessen the impact of this, but please expect delays entering base and plan accordingly.

CATHOLIC CHURCH BUILDING UNDER RENOVATION

All Catholics services will be held at the Protestant Chapel, BLDG 1541. Mass will be held from 0800-0930 and 1700-1800 on Sundays, as well as a Catholic Bible study help on Tuesday from 1730-2030.

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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-COMBAT CENTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY SERVICES NUMBER: Due to recent upgrades to the 9-1-1 answering system aboard the Combat Center, along with some unforeseen issues with those upgrades, it is recommended, that when calling for Emergency Services you use the 760-830-3333 number. This will reduce any possibility of a delayed response to your call.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER MONTHLY CHECKLIST: This Guide presents the step-by-step instructions for conducting the required monthly fire extinguisher inspections.

FIRE WARDEN/FIRE SECURITY OFFICER MONTHLY CHECKLIST: The Fire Warden Program is a crucial role for every building. The Fire Warden ensures that the assigned building poses no threats to life and or property. Conducting these monthly checks on fire protection equipment is critical in protecting occupants/fire responders. This is a Marine Corps directed program as outlined in MCO 11000.11A.

-PROVOST Marshal’s Office

Follow our Social Media on <https://www.facebook.com/people/Marine-Corps-Air-Ground-Combat-Center-Provost-Marshals-Office/>

For questions regarding crime prevention material, briefs, and special events contact the Physical Security Department at (760) 830-4561 or via email at [david.tenbrook1@usmc.mil](mailto:david.tenbrook1@usmc.mil). If you have any questions on crime reporting contact the Desk Sergeant at (760) 830-6800

DBIDS APPOINTMENTS: The Visitor Center is now scheduling DBIDS appointments. Walk-ins are still available. Please visit the updated Visitor Center page for more information or call 760-830-6734/6794.

VISITOR CENTER PAGE: <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Installation-Support-Directorate/Provost-Marshal/Visitor-Center/>

VEHICLE REGISTRATION PAGE: <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Installation-Support-Directorate/Provost-Marshal/Vehicle-Registration/>

#### -SAFETY OFFICE

DRUG SAFETY AWARENESS: As we enter spring and festival season, The Safety Office, in an effort to help bring attention to drug awareness has created informational guidance in order to help prevent the loss of life to those that live and operate aboard the Combat Center.

DRIVING AND MOTORCYCLE SAFETY COURSES REGISTRATION: All personnel will register for driving and motorcycle safety training courses using ESAMS (Enterprise Safety Application Management System) in accordance with CCO 5100.22C. If you are not signed up through ESAMS, you will be redirected back to your S-3/Motorcycle President, to be registered for the next available class. If the S-3 or Motorcycle President does not have an ESAMS account, please have them contact the Safety Office at 830-5065 to have an account established. Course Registration Links:

[https://esams.cnic.navy.mil/ESAMS\\_GEN\\_2/Login](https://esams.cnic.navy.mil/ESAMS_GEN_2/Login) or <http://www.hgwllc.com>. For additional information or questions, please contact the Safety Office at 830-5065.

SUPERVISOR AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE (CDSO) TRAINING: Per the MCO 5100.29C, Supervisors, and Safety Representative (CDSO) must be trained in the performance of their duties. The Safety Office is currently providing training on a monthly basis. All classes are conducted in Bldg. 1523N and will start at 0730 sharp.

Those attending the Safety Representative (CDSO) training must have a copy of their appointment letter at the beginning of class. For additional information or questions, please contact the Safety Office at 830-7262. Classes will not be scheduled more than one month out secondary to high no show rates.

\*\*The Safety Office will be conducting Safety Representative (CDSO) Quarterly meetings for those that are appointed as CDSO's. For additional information or questions, please contact the Safety Office at 830-4752/7262.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PROGRAM: Per the MCO 5100.29C (29 CFR 1910.134), All employees assigned/required to the wear a respirator due to being on the Respiratory Protection program or work in a Confined Space must be fit tested and trained in the performance of their duties. The Safety Office is currently providing training and fit testing on an appointment basis. All fit test and training will be conducted in Bldg. 1523 N. For additional information or questions, please contact the Safety Office at 830-6154.

#### MCCS

##### GRADUATE RECOGNITION CEREMONY – 8 JUNE

The MCCS Education Center is inviting anyone who completed (or will complete) academic degrees and/or certificate programs between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2023 to participate in the 8 June Graduate Recognition Ceremony, which will be held at the Protestant Chapel. This is an opportunity for local graduates to be recognized for their accomplishments in front of family, friends, and colleagues. Participation in the ceremony is open to all eligible Combat Center personnel – active duty,

retirees, veterans, family members, and base civilians. All participants must be registered by 1 June. To register, or for more information, please call the Education Center at 760-830-6881.

### CENTER LOGISTICS DIVISION

#### LIBERTY MILITARY HOUSING

Are you looking for a vibrant Neighborhood? Liberty Military Housing is currently offering home for Civilian Applicants, Retirees, Veterans, GS Employees, Single Service Members receiving BAH! If you would like more information, visit [LiveLMH.com](http://LiveLMH.com) or Call 760-368-4500 or visit Location: Palm District Bldg. 1003 Cottontail Rd, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277

For more information, please contact us at [29palms@livelmh.com](mailto:29palms@livelmh.com)

#### PWD

#### GAS LINE REPAIRS IMPACTING MCAGCC HEATING AND POWER GENERATION

If you are having heating problems, or you have a requirement for an electric space heater, please submit a work ticket to PWD. Electric space heaters are NOT authorized without an electrical analysis as these may overload electrical circuits and cause safety hazards.

POC: ENS Parker Bagshaw, [parker.bagshaw@usmc.mil](mailto:parker.bagshaw@usmc.mil), 760-830-6562

PWD Trouble Desk/ Night Emergency #: 760-830-6271

#### PLEASE FLUSH ONLY TOILET PAPER!

#### DO NOT FLUSH:

1. Paper Towels or Napkins
2. Diapers or Baby Wipes
3. Cleaning or Sanitary Wipes
4. Feminine Products / Tampons
5. Trash
6. Needles or Medication

PWD has been seeing an increased number of wipes and other items in the sewer system that are causing damage to pumps and backups in the system. This applies to porta-potties which also end up in our sewer system! Please flush only toilet papers and place all other items in the trash!

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### **4. AC/S COMMUNICATIONS**

#### G6 ASSISTING IN CAC PIN RESETS

G6 is happy to announce that they are now able to assist you with CAC PIN resets.

To reset your CAC PIN please contact 760-830-7140 or 760-830-7145.

### **5. GOVERNMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

The Johnson Valley Shared Use Area will be temporarily closed to the public beginning Friday August 18 through Monday August 28, 2023 while the Marine Corps conducts critical military training in the area.

All upcoming closures of the Johnson Valley Shared Use Area are listed below:

August 18-28, 2023  
February 15-27, 2024

For additional information and updates, including a map of the area depicting Combat Center and Shared Use Area boundaries, please visit [www.29palms.marines.mil/johnsonvalley/](http://www.29palms.marines.mil/johnsonvalley/).

The MAGTFTC/MCAGCC COMMSTRAT Photo Studio will be closed June 2nd due to operational commitments. If you have any questions call (760) 830-6224.

- 6. INSPECTOR GENERAL**
- 7. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE**
- 8. PROTOCOL**
- 9. LEGAL SERVICES SUPPORT TEAM**

Legal Service Support Team-29 Palms DSO Closure

Normal walk-in hours resume from 1300 – 1600 beginning on 16 May 2023.

## **10. ROBERT E. BUSH NAVAL HOSPITAL**

COVID BOOSTER

NAVAL HOSPITAL TWENTYNINE PALMS VACCINE INFORMATION UPDATE:

Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms is offering the Pfizer bivalent COVID-19 vaccine to eligible beneficiaries 6 months-4 years of age. **Vaccines available by appointment only** in the hospital, **Clinic D**, Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. To make an appointment, call (760) 830-2654. If unable to reach a staff member at the above number, please leave a detailed voicemail for a return call.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends children aged **6 months–4 years** who completed 2 doses of the Pfizer primary series get an updated (bivalent) Pfizer 3<sup>rd</sup> dose at least 2 months after the 2nd dose. Children 6 months to 4 years who have already completed the Pfizer three dose primary series are not recommended to repeat the third primary series dose using the Pfizer bivalent vaccine.

For more information on COVID vaccine booster dose recommendations, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>

## **11. COMMISSARY**

DeCA Deputy Director and COO, Dowling retires after 44 years of service Institutional memory. That's how Michael Dowling, former Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) deputy director and chief operating officer (COO), was referenced by Pentagon leadership during his retirement ceremony April 27 at Fort Gregg-Adams, Virginia.

Danet appointed DeCA's acting deputy director, COO Dr. Theon Danet has been appointed acting deputy director and chief operating officer (COO) of the Defense Commissary Agency by Grier Martin, acting director and CEO, effective April 28.

Sidewalk sales offer extra savings on everyday items at stateside stores during Military Appreciation Month Stateside commissary customers can stock up on their favorite items while enjoying deeper savings during the Defense Commissary Agency's "Hometown Heroes" Sidewalk Sale event happening

now through May 29. "The title of our sidewalk sale event, 'Hometown Heroes,' is appropriate during Military Appreciation Month in May as we celebrate our service members and their families by offering even greater savings on their favorite products," said Marine Sgt. Maj. Michael Saucedo, senior enlisted advisor to the DeCA director. Read the entire news release online.

DeCA rolls out Freedom's Choice milk, eggs to select West, Pacific stores The Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) is rolling out a new line of Freedom's Choice milk and eggs to select West Coast and Pacific area commissaries. The new line is priced below national brands. This supports the DOD's Taking Care of Service Members and Families initiative. The new line of Freedom's Choice milk includes whole, 2 percent, 1 percent and skim milk. Freedom's Choice eggs are available in 12- or 18-count large or extra-large cartons. and is scheduled to roll out to select stores April 15. Read the entire news release online.

Commissaries improve shopping experience with new Sales Flyer link To improve the shopping experience and reach a higher level of savings, the printable version of the sales flyer has moved to Store Flyer - Defense Commissary Agency (<https://shop.commissaries.com/store-flyer>). To print or download a copy, simply select the PDF icon on the top right corner of the flyer. New users may need to select their store location before viewing the flyer.

If you are a new online shopper, visit <https://shop.commissaries.com/my-account#!/create> to create an account. It's simple, free and gives you full access digital coupons, Click2Go curbside order pickup or delivery, shopping lists and more.

#### 'Hometown Heroes'

Sidewalk sales to offer extra savings on everyday items at stateside stores during Military Appreciation Month in May. Commissary customers stateside can stock up on their favorite items while enjoying deeper savings during the Defense Commissary Agency's "Hometown Heroes" Sidewalk Sale event May 1-29.

Weather permitting, most commissaries will have one two-to-three-day outdoor weekend sidewalk sale event in May, featuring extra savings on a variety of everyday items. Event dates are subject to change, so patrons are encouraged to check the sidewalk sale webpage for their store's sale dates and check their commissary webpage or talk to their store manager for more details or updates.

Customers have a variety of options to choose from. Sale items may include products such as cold cereals, snacks (nuts, chips, candy), coffee products, flavored water and juices, energy drinks, beverages, pet food, international foods, baking goods, canned goods, non-food items (paper towels, toilet paper, wipes, cleaning products), baby products, and health and beauty products.

Overseas customers should contact their local stores to see what specific promotions are occurring in their community.

Throughout May, stateside commissaries will have a Hometown Heroes Sidewalk Sale offering great deals on their favorites in bulk. Event dates are subject to change, so patrons are encouraged to check the sidewalk sale webpage for their store's sale dates and check their commissary webpage or talk to their store manager for more details or updates.

Customers can also further their commissary savings through the new and improved Your Everyday Savings (YES!) Program. YES! offers extra savings and value on products customers buy most. Look for the orange YES! label on store shelves.

More opportunities to save are available through the Pathway to Savings - "Instant Savings and Buy One, Get One (BOGO) Free" deals and Commissary Rewards Card digital coupons. Customers can save over \$65 through these deals. Many more digital coupons are available at <https://shop.commissaries.com/digital-coupons>. Pathway to Savings "BOGO Free" is not available at overseas stores; however, overseas customers can still enjoy instant savings by visiting their stores for specific selection and pricing.

DeCA has made shopping even easier with its Commissary CLICK2GO mobile app. Customers can access DeCA's Commissary CLICK2GO online payment, curbside pickup, digital coupons, the sales flyer, dietitian-approved recipes and much more. The mobile app is free for download through the Google Play and IOS app stores.

\* "Freedom's Choice Price Slash." Throughout April, CONUS commissaries are slashing the price of Freedom's Choice Chicken Wing Sections Party Pack, 5-pound bag, regular \$13.34, now \$6.99.

\* Monster Energy. Commissary customers at participating stores can enter for a chance to win a Kawasaki motorcycle by scanning a QR code on in-store posters and displays. Contest ends Nov. 30.

\* Commissary Store Brands. DeCA's private label inventory of Commissary Store Brands include an assortment of items spanning the entire store to include Freedom's Choice food, HomeBase non-food, TopCare health and beauty, Full Circle Market natural and organic food, Wide Awake ready-to-drink coffee products, Tippy Toes baby products, Flock's Finest wild bird food and Pure Harmony pet food.

\* "Box Tops for Education." General Mills is offering customers an opportunity to save money while supporting their local schools through the "Box Tops for Education" promotion. See store displays and high-value coupons for participating General Mills brands. This campaign is ongoing throughout the year.

\* "Military Pet Club." The club offers high-value coupons only valid at the Commissary, welcome gifts, sweepstakes opportunities, pet tips and articles. During April, Pet Club members have an opportunity to win a \$250 Commissary Gift Card. To enter go to <https://www.militarypetclub.com/contests>.

\* "Purina Military Cat and Pro Plan Pet Club." Military Pet Club members receive high value coupons (only valid at the Commissary), sweepstake opportunities, pet tips and articles. Throughout April, Military Pet Club members can enter to win a Roomba vacuum or \$250 Commissary Gift Card. To participate go to <https://www.militarycatclub.com/contests>.

### **Social Media Sites**

- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/thecombatcenter>

- Instagram: @thecombatcenter

- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/combatcenter29>

- Official Website: <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/>

- MCCS Website: <https://29palms.usmc-mccs.org>

- MCCS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/MCCS29Palms>

- MCCS Instagram: @mccs29palms

- MCCS YouTube: <https://bit.ly/youtubemccs29palms>

- MCCS Flickr photo sharing: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/mccs29palms/>
- MCCS Life in 29 Sign Up: <https://bit.ly/lifein29>
- Public Works: <https://www.facebook.com/PWD.MCAGCC>