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Marine Corps Athletes of the Year Announced

HQMC (MR) QUANTICO, VA – Capt. Robert Hillery and GySgt. Quiana Scott have been selected as the U.S. Marine Corps Male and Female Athletes of the Year for 2009.

The pair will be honored at the Marine Corps Sports Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon Ceremony at the Clubs at Quantico in Quantico, Va., on August 6, 2010, at 11 a.m.

Captain Hillery, Commanding Officer of H&S Company, Weapons and Field Training Battalion, Camp Pendleton, CA, competed in over 37 running and triathlon events throughout Southern California during 2009. Events included 19 half/full marathons, 7 triathlons, 3 Ironman/Half Ironman competitions, 3 Ultra Marathons, and 5 other events such as fun runs and 10k's. Capt Hillery ranked in the top five in the grueling events he competed in. Camp Pendleton named Capt Hillery as the 2009 Camp Pendleton Male Athlete of the Year.

GySgt Scott, a personnel chief currently deployed to Afghanistan, was a key member of the Camp Pendleton Varsity Women's Basketball Team. She participated in a number of tournaments while averaging 12 points, 10 rebounds, and 4 blocks per game. GySgt Scott was featured in the base paper four times based on her performance and leadership while playing for Camp Pendleton. GySgt Scott was selected to the All-

Marine Women's Basketball team and was named the team captain. Her performance and leadership on and off the court earned her a spot on the Armed Forces Basketball Team that was scheduled to compete at the Conseil International du Sport Militaire World Basketball Championship. However, she had to decline as she was scheduled to deploy to Afghanistan. GySgt Scott was also featured in the August 2009 Leatherneck Magazine addition while playing for the Marine Corps Basketball Team. She was selected as the Camp Pendleton Female Athlete of the Year.

For more information about the Athlete's of the Year program or the Marine Corps Sports Hall of Fame, please contact Steven Dinote, HQMC Semper Fit, 703-784-9542, or email: steven.dinote@usmc.mil. www.usmc-mccs.org/sports