

WELCOME

Today's graduation ceremony recognizes the successful transition from civilian to basic Marine and consists of a traditional military parade followed by special recognition for those who have excelled while in Recruit Training and final dismissal.

After the graduation ceremony, we encourage you to visit the Command Museum across the parade deck. For your dining convenience, we offer the bowling alley, snack bar, and the individual food vendors at the Marine Corps Exchange.

Due to security concerns, our guests are not allowed into the recruit training areas to include the recruit barracks and physical training areas.

The mission of the Recruit Depot and the Western Recruiting Region is to exercise operational control of enlisted recruiting operations in the 8th, 9th, and 12th Marine Corps Districts; to provide reception, processing, and recruit training for male enlisted personnel following initial entry into the United States Marine Corps; and to produce a basically trained United States Marine embodied with the fighting spirit, core values and esprit de corps which have ensured our Corps' success for over 240 years.

The unique relationship between the Marine Corps Recruit Depot and San Diego is the result of almost 150 years of mutual support, assistance and growth. This relationship is reflected in the history of the Marine Corps in San Diego, the Depot as a post of the Corps, and the heritage of San Diego itself.

Above all else, **We Make Marines.**



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

BAND SERENADE

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER *

"ATTENTION", "ADJUTANT'S CALL" AND MARCH-ON

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM *

SOUND OFF

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE COMMANDER OF TROOPS

REPORT

PUBLICATION OF THE ORDER AND OFFICERS CENTER

BATTALION COMMANDER'S REMARKS

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE REVIEWING OFFICER

PASS IN REVIEW (PLEASE RISE WHEN THE AMERICAN FLAG PASSES)

ANCHORS AWEIGH/THE MARINES' HYMN *

GRADUATES RETURN FRONT AND CENTER

RECOGNITION OF THE COMPANY STAFF

RETIREMENT OF THE PLATOON GUIDONS AND RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES

FINAL DISMISSAL

* PLEASE RISE

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT

A few weeks after establishing Camp Howard on North Island in San Diego, Col. Joseph Pendleton, on September 6, 1914, was the guest speaker at the U. S. Grant Hotel in downtown San Diego. The subject of his speech was “San Diego”, an ideal location for a Permanent Marine Corps Base.” The drive behind his lecture was the unsatisfactory conditions and the less than convenient location of his men and staff at Camp Howard. About this same time, Col. Pendleton wrote to the Commandant of the Marine Corps at Washington D. C. about the deplorable conditions at Camp Howard and presented the idea of the possible establishment of a permanent Marine Corps base in San Diego.

The Navy General Board approved the establishment of a base on January 8, 1916 and the Marine Corps’ base on the bay tidelands called the Dutch Flats was authorized by a Naval Appropriation bill of August 29, 1916, in large part due to the efforts of Congressman William Kettner. Groundbreaking on 232 acres took place on March 2, 1919. Construction and occupation of the base took place from 1919 through 1926. On December 1, 1921, Pendleton (now a General), placed it into commission as the Marine Advanced Expeditionary Base, San Diego. In 1923, the Marine Recruit Depot for the west coast relocated from Mare Island Navy Shipyards in Vallejo, California, to its new home at the San Diego Marine Base. On March 1, 1924, the base that had been developed as a result of the vision and efforts of General Pendleton became, officially, Marine Corps Base, San Diego, and would be known by that name for the next twenty-four years.

The base now consisted of approximately 388 acres, of which some 367 acres had been reclaimed tidal area. Throughout World War II, the principal activity of the base, recruit training overshadowed all other functions. After the war, the recruit training detachment remained the principal tenant. Marine Corps Base San Diego has been home to the 4th, 6th and 10th Marine Regiments, the Fleet Marine Force and the 2nd Marine Division. However, the main focus of the base has always been training and “the making of Marines.” On January 1, 1948, Marine Corps Base, San Diego was officially renamed Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego. The Recruit Training Command grew from three to eight battalions to handle the troop requirements for the Korean War. More than 700 Quonset huts were erected to handle the influx of recruits, some of which are still standing today. The Vietnam War caused the next period of major expansion. A 100-tent cantonment had to be erected to handle the overflow of recruits. Five new recruit barracks, a new dining hall, new bowling alley, a new Regional Dental and Medical Clinic were constructed on the depot. In the 1970’s the focus increased to include the recruiting effort and the Depot became Headquarters, Western Recruiting Region.

Today the Recruit Depot provides its nation’s Corps with basically trained Marines to fight in the current conflicts in both Iraq and Afghanistan. The depot has the responsibility to train all male recruits who reside west of the Mississippi River to serve at the call of the nation.

Known for its unique Spanish colonial revival style appearance, the overall site and specific building plans were developed by renowned architect, Bertram Goodhue, who also designed the buildings built in San Diego’s Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition.

Thirteen buildings have been named for famous Marines, such as the Dan Daly Barracks, Pendleton Hall, McDougall Hall, and Day Hall. Today, the depot has 388 acres and twenty-five buildings listed on the national register of historic places.

The Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment



On behalf of Brigadier General William M. Jurney, Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Western Recruiting Region, and the Marines, Sailors and civilian Marines of Recruit Training Regiment, welcome to this mornings graduation ceremony. Your presence here today is greatly appreciated. As we recognize your young mans significant accomplishment, enjoy this special day in his life.

Marine Corps recruit training is the most difficult recruit training in the nation and a tough undertaking for all who accept the challenge to become a United States Marine. Before you this morning is the latest company of young men who have succeeded in that challenge. We are here to celebrate with you their twelve weeks. Your young man has been prepared physically, mentally and emotionally in a time-tested process whereby he has been transformed from civilian to Marine. Many are responsible for this significant transformation to include the families, loved ones and teachers who provided the basic values and character as a foundation to include the Marine Recruiter who saw the potential and desire to excel. But the person most responsible for the changes is the Marine Corps Drill Instructor. He has labored intensively for the past three months, personally sacrificing much in the process, to ensure each new Marine is instilled with the essential fitness, character, and values, necessary on and off the battlefield. Each of the new Marines recognized today has passed the test, exceeded the standards, and earned the title Marine. The lessons learned in recruit training, coupled with our core values, will serve them well for their time in the Marine Corps; for the rest of their lives. I am confident in their ability to meet any challenge that confronts them.

Thank you for being here. I trust you will enjoy the rest of your visit to MCRD, the San Diego area, and take time to tour the Recruit Depot to relive some of your Marine’s experiences. Please accept my thanks for your love and support for your Marine. I wish a happy stay and safe return home.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. R. Kazmier".

D. R. Kazmier
Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

FLAG ETIQUETTE

The United States Marine Corps has long established a tradition of rendering proper honors and courtesies to the American Flag with ceremony and decorum. If this is your first visit to a military installation, we would like to acquaint you with the “Flag Etiquette” and welcome you to join us in showing courtesy to our Flag as defined by U.S. Code Title 4 and 36, and as observed aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

In observance of U.S. Code Title 4 and 36, individuals in uniform, members of the armed forces not in uniform, and military veterans may render a military salute to the American Flag while it is being hoisted, being lowered, passing by. The same courtesies should be rendered while the National Anthem is played.

Gentlemen wearing hats who do not render a salute to the flag should remove their head gear and on the first note of the National Anthem, place their right hand over their heart until the last note of the National Anthem.

Ladies are not required to remove their headdress. On the first note of the National Anthem, ladies should stand, face the flag, and place their right hand over their heart until the last note of the National Anthem. All present should remain standing until the last note of the National Anthem is played.

If the Flag is not visible during the National Anthem, please stand and face the sound of the music. If driving during Morning or Evening Colors, persons in vehicles within sight or hearing of the ceremony should halt the vehicle at the side of the road, and remain inside the vehicle until the final bugle call “Carry On” is sounded.

When Honors are being rendered to the Flag, or while it is passing in a parade of review, it is considered disrespectful to smoke, talk, to take pictures, or to be involved in boisterous or noisy activity. If you are in doubt ask the military personnel about appropriate courtesies at any time, or look around. The immediate vicinity will guide your actions.

MARINE CORPS VALUES

WHY WE SUCCEED.

Generation after generation of American men and women have given special meaning to the title United States Marine. These men and women live by a set of Core Values, which forms the bedrock of their character. Core Values give Marines strength and regulate their behavior; they bind the Marine Corps into a total force that can meet any challenge... and succeed.

HONOR

Honor guides Marines to exemplify the ultimate in ethical and moral behavior; to never lie, cheat or steal; to abide by an uncompromising code of integrity; and to respect human dignity. It is the quality of maturity, dedication, trust and dependability that compels Marines to act responsibly; to hold themselves and each other accountable for their actions; and to fulfill their obligations.

COURAGE

Courage is the mental, moral and physical strength ingrained in Marines. It carries them through the challenges of combat and helps them overcome fear. Likewise, it is the inner strength that enables a Marine to do what is right; to adhere to a higher standard of personal conduct; and to make tough decisions under stress and pressure.

COMMITMENT

Commitment is the spirit of selfless determination and dedication found in Marines. It leads to the highest order of discipline for individuals and units. It is the ingredient that enables 24-hour a day dedication to Corps and country. It inspires the unrelenting determination to achieve a high standard of excellence in every endeavor.



Parade Reviewing Officer



BRIGADIER GENERAL
WILLIAM J. BOWERS
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Brigadier General Bowers was commissioned in 1990 after graduating with distinction from Virginia Military Institute with a B.A. in History. After completing The Basic School and Marine Corps Engineer School, he served in a variety of assignments in the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade on Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii from 1991-1994, deploying to Southwest Asia and locations in the Pacific. In June 1994, he reported to Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego and served as a Series Commander, Company Commander, and Regimental S-3A. After graduation from the U.S. Army's Engineer Officer Advanced Course in May 1997, he reported to 7th Engineer Support Battalion at Camp Pendleton, California and served as S-3A, Charlie Company Commander, Operations Officer, and Executive Officer.

In June 2000, he reported to Recruiting Station Lansing, Michigan and served as Commanding Officer until July 2003. In August 2003, he reported to the Naval Command and Staff College at Newport, Rhode Island, then attended the School of Advanced War-fighting at Quantico, Virginia. He checked into III Marine Expeditionary Force on Okinawa, Japan in 2005 and served as the Operational Planning Team Branch Head for G-3, Future Operations. From Okinawa, He deployed to Iraq and served as a Plans Team Leader for Multi-National Force Iraq.

He assumed command of Marine Wing Support Squadron 273 in Beaufort, South Carolina in May 2007. He relinquished command in May 2009 and reported as a student to the National War College in Washington, D.C. In June 2010 he reported to the Joint Staff, J-5 Directorate as the Strategy Concepts Branch Chief.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

From 2012-2015, he commanded the 6th Marine Corps District at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, South Carolina. From 2015-2017, he served as the Military Assistant to the 33rd and 34th Assistant Commandants of the Marine Corps.

Brigadier General Bowers' personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with oak leaf cluster), the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (with two gold stars), the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and the Humanitarian Service Medal. He was named "Combat Engineer Officer of the Year" in 1998 and has received several writing awards.



AWARDS

COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in the company who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps is presented with a plaque from the Marine Corps Association denoting that he is the number one Marine in his company. The company honor graduate also receives a Certificate of Commendation from the Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment recognizing his superior performance during recruit training.

SERIES HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in his series who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps is presented with a Certificate of Commendation from the Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Battalion recognizing his superior performance during recruit training.

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in his platoon who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps will receive a plaque from the Marine Corps Association denoting that he is the honor graduate of his platoon.

MARKSMANSHIP AWARD

The one Marine in the company who fired the highest score on the Rifle Range is awarded a plaque from the Marine Corps Association stating that he is the high shooter in the company. The company high shooter also receives a certificate from the company commander denoting that he is the company high shooter.

PHYSICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

The one Marine in the company that receives the highest score on the Physical Fitness Test is awarded a certificate from the company commander denoting that he is the most physically fit Marine in his company.

MERITORIOUS PROMOTION

Those Marines who have demonstrated a high degree of proficiency and have shown exceptional leadership ability may be promoted meritoriously to the grade of Private First Class or Lance Corporal. **The Marines noted in this program with asterisks by their names have been promoted meritoriously to their present grade.** (EX.) PFC* C. M. COLBURN

MARINE

"Among all the honors, among all the postings, promotions, medals, that have been awarded me, the one in which I take most pride is to be able to say, I am a Marine."

-Major General John A. Lejeune,
13th Commandant of the Marine Corps

GRADUATION STAFF

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT/ WESTERN RECRUITING REGION

Commanding General
Chief of Staff
Sergeant Major
Parade Reviewing Officer

Brigadier General William M. Jurney
Colonel Jim G. Gruny
Sergeant Major Alex M. Dobson
Brigadier General William J. Bowers

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator

Colonel Daniel R. Kazmier
Lieutenant Colonel Samuel K. Howard
Sergeant Major Chasen E. Getty
Staff Sergeant Christopher Merrill
Staff Sergeant Paul Snyder

SECOND RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel J. L. Sjoberg
Major N. A. Teach
Sergeant Major J. C. Gallardo
Lieutenant Birch
Gunnery Sergeant J. L. Saunders

COMPANY E

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain J. F. Helms
First Sergeant F. Lopez

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain L. T. Crumpton
Gunnery Sergeant S. A. George

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain A. Aguirrecardenas
Gunnery Sergeant C. R. Daly

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Gunnery Sergeant F. M. Gaxiola
Staff Sergeant B. R. Williams

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant D. Poganski
Sergeant B. A. Schell
Sergeant I. H. Madrigal
Sergeant J. W. Alvis

PLATOON 2109

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
GUNNERY SERGEANT S. L. MACIAS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
SERGEANT C. M. DITCH
STAFF SERGEANT A. M. MIRANDA
STAFF SERGEANT M. A. DOSS
SERGEANT L. RODRIGUEZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. L. EMS (296)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE C. J. GOICH (329)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. W. BASS

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. J. WIESNER
RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT V. M. FLORES

PFC C. M. ANDERSON
PFC T. L. BANNING
PVT J. E. BERRY
PVT Z. T. BLASDELL
PVT T. M. BREWER
PVT N. R. BURDICK
PVT T. A. CEARLEY
PVT F. D. CORDOVA
PVT Z. D. DESHON
PFC A. N. DUONG
PVT M. S. DWIGHT
PVT R. L. EMS
PVT J. J. ESCOBAR
PVT R. ESQUEDA
PVT L. K. EUDY
PFC K. T. FEATHERSTON
PVT D. P. FOLEY
PVT H. GARCIA JR
PVT L. A. GODOY
PVT C. J. GOICH
PVT S. A. GONZALEZ
PVT D. J. GREENUP
PVT A. J. GURROLA
PVT R. A. GUTIERREZ
PFC J. J. GUZMAN JR
PFC T. S. HADLEY
PVT E. T. HOENE
PVT R. M. HUMPHREY
PFC H. D. JORGE
PVT W. B. KNUXTSON
PFC K. J. KOLB
PVT I. L. LARNEY
PVT M. A. LOPEZ
PFC B. T. LOWTHER
PVT I. M. MANKIN
PVT A. MARTINEZ

PFC I. R. MASONER
PFC R. E. MCKINNEY
PVT R. MELENDEZMARTINEZ
PFC* B. M. MIRELES
PVT A. E. NEGRETE
PVT B. G. NELSON
PVT J. A. NOLAND
PVT J. D. NUNEZ
PVT R. A. PARTIDA
PVT A. A. PENA
PFC N. B. PUCKETT
PVT K. W. RAY
PVT J. C. RAZO
PVT B. C. REAFLENG
PVT R. A. RECANDEZ
PFC* B. H. REYES
PFC C. E. RINGO
PVT D. E. ROBERSON JR
PVT R. A. RODRIGUEZ
PVT J. W. ROHAN
PVT D. H. ROMERO
PVT K. T. SANDERS
PVT J. C. SCHAEFER
PVT Z. R. STEIN
PVT A. I. SUESUE
PVT C. A. SWEARINGEN
PVT L. D. TERRELL
PFC T. T. TRUONG
PVT N. J. TULLYFERN
PVT B. B. USRY
PFC N. J. VANHOOK
PFC O. VERDUZCOVASQUEZ
PFC* E. J. WHARTON
PFC* K. J. WIESNER
PFC* J. D. WRIGHT

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2110

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT A. TORRESESPINAL

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT W.E. BAUMANN III
SERGEANT J. F. DIAZORTEGA
SERGEANT I. H. MADRIGAL
SERGEANT J. W. ALVIS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. W. CLARK (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE J. K. JERNEGAN (327)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT L. DONOVAN

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE J. D. MCCLAIN
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J. D. PAREDES

PFC C. W. BRADFIELD
PVT C. A. CARROLL
PVT I. V. CASTILLO
PFC D. W. CLARK
PVT S. J. CORTEZ
PVT T. K. CRAWFORD
PVT C. A. DAVIS
PFC D. L. DELEON JR
PVT T. G. DELGADO
PVT B. Z. DEVORE
PVT N. B. DEWITT
PVT T. J. DUPEE
PFC J. A. EFFLE
PVT J. M. ENGVAL
PVT T. J. FAUST
PVT N. F. FINICUM
PVT C. V. FOTI
PFC J. R. FURCHES
PFC E. R. GANNON
PVT W. J. GONZALEZ
PVT M. T. HALL
PVT R. G. HERNANDEZMELGAR
PVT T. G. HOLM
PVT J. H. HOLT
PFC L. HTOO
PFC* E. C. HUNTER
PFC D. IBARRA
PFC* N. A. IZQUIERDO
PFC W. E. JACKSON IV
PFC J. K. JERNEGAN
PVT C. M. JONES
PFC B. C. LANHAM
PFC A. F. LOPEZ
PVT T. J. LUTZ
PVT J. B. MAGNAOS
PFC A. MARTINEZ
PVT F. D. MARTINEZHERNANDEZ

PFC* J. D. MCCLAIN
PVT D. A. MCCULLOUGH JR
PFC J. T. MCNIVEN
PVT M. D. MEYLE
PVT L. I. MILLS
PVT D. B. MOE
PVT J. MORALES CANDELA
PVT A. J. MORALES GAITAN
PVT C. A. OLIVER
PFC D. J. ORTEGA
PVT M. PANIAGUADIAZ
PVT C. O. PARRA
PFC* L. M. PFEIL
PVT M. C. PHELPS
PVT J. B. PINEDA
PVT A. R. ROJAS
PFC* J. L. ROMANS
PFC L. M. ROOT
PVT J. D. ROSS
PVT I. A. RUNYON
PVT S. T. SAMION
PVT K. J. SCHAEFER
PVT F. G. SENDEJAS
PFC P. S. SHARKEY JR
PVT C. M. SHIMENETTO
PVT S. B. SLOAN
PFC* B. D. SMITH
PVT D. A. STRIZIC
PVT B. B. TEMUULEN
PFC S. TROEKUROV
PVT O. N. TSHIBWABWA
PVT C. T. VANSICKEL
PFC J. L. VASQUEZ JR
PFC J. A. VELLADAO
PVT E. D. WATERS
PVT J. Z. WOODARD
PVT E. ZERMENO

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2111

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. D. GRAY II

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT D. A. JARVIS
SERGEANT M. A. BARRIOS
SERGEANT S. J. SCHUTTER
SERGEANT A. R. MALSZYCKI

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. P. LEE (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE Q. A. GENGLER (333)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT B. E. RAULSOME

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. A. FARMER
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT S. L. CLIFTON

PFC* J. BRICENO JR
PFC* D. A. BUGHTEL
PFC* J. E. CARLSON
PVT J. S. CASIAS
PVT A. CHOLULAORTIZ
PVT M. COETO
PVT C. CRUZSANCHEZ
PVT A. J. DELANEY
PVT A. A. DELAVEGAZARAZUA
PVT J. M. DELGADILLO
PVT D. A. DUCHARME
PFC* C. ELLIOTT
PVT B. N. FAIRBANKS
PFC* T. A. FARMER
PFC* C. L. FINLEY
PVT J. L. GARCIA
PVT E. J. GARCIA GAMERO
PVT J. L. GARDNER
PVT Q. A. GENGLER
PVT M. A. GOMEZ
PVT T. A. GONZALEZ
PVT T. A. GOWANS
PVT J. J. GUTIERREZ
PFC* B. D. HENSON
PVT J. M. HERBES
PVT A. L. HOKE
PVT R. P. ISHIMARU
PVT A. E. JANSSEN
PVT C. P. JONES
PFC* D. S. JONES
PFC* R. J. JONES
PFC* C. C. KAUTZ
PFC* J. M. KEMP
PFC* J. P. KNODELELDRIIDGE
PVT J. M. LAWRENCE
PVT B. P. LEE
PFC* M. C. LEUM
PVT J. A. LOPEZ

PVT R. LOZANOARRIAGA
PVT T. J. MADRIGAL IV
PVT M. J. MEDINA
PVT E. L. MONK III
PVT M. C. MOONEY
PVT G. J. MORENO
PFC* R. B. MORENO
PVT D. A. NAULT
PVT H. N. NGO
PVT J. R. NUNEZ
PVT O. J. OLADUNJOYE
PVT J. OVIEDO
PVT E. I. PADRON
PFC* D. R. PARKER
PVT J. M. PORTER JR
PVT J. PURECO
PVT A. L. PURK
PVT A. B. RECENDIZ
PVT D. D. RESCHKE
PFC* J. RIZOZARATE
PVT R. C. RODRIGUEZ
PFC* N. ROMERO
PVT M. V. SANCHEZ
PVT R. SANTOS
PVT A. C. SCARPA
PVT I. M. SIMMS
PVT T. S. SMOOT
PFC* G. SOLORIO
PVT G. V. TAPIA
PVT R. J. TEODORO.
PFC* C. J. THOMAS
PVT R. E. VALDEZ
PFC* T. A. WAY
PVT P. J. WEADOCK
PFC* J. W. WILES
PVT P. D. WILSON
PVT N. L. WINTRONE
PFC* R. A. ZASLAWSKI

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2113

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT S. J. FOLLETT

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT J. L. RIVERA
SERGEANT I. SIFUENTES
SERGEANT T. SUTTON
SERGEANT D. LEWIS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE G. PINO (298)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. P. SCHWAB (338)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. SCARBOROUGH

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. J. WONG
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT F. CHAVARRIA

PVT E. C. AGUILAR
PVT A. J. AGUILLON
PVT J. C. AILLS
PVT Z. M. ANDERSON
PVT E. ARAGON
PVT A. M. ARCHERDA
PVT J. A. BACCOCH
PVT J. A. BARTOLOTTA
PVT J. R. BLAIR
PVT A. C. BUSH
PVT J. E. CERVANTESBERMUDES
PFC D. M. DEATON
PFC C. B. DECKER
PVT M. D. DEJARNETT
PFC P. C. DEVERS
PVT A. D. DOREN
PVT A. DOUGLAS
PVT L. G. DRISCOLL
PVT Z. A. EASUM
PVT I. S. ENTERLINE
PFC J. R. ESCORPISO
PFC D. W. ESTES
PVT N. M. ESTES
PVT C. M. FAVER
PVT D. C. FURNESS
PVT J. J. GARMAN
PVT J. GRAMAJO
PVT D. A. GRAMAJO
PVT A. A. GRIJALVA
PVT S. D. HAREMZA
PVT C. G. HENLEY
PVT J. A. HENRIQUEZ
PVT D. A. HERNANDEZ
PFC* M. HERRERA
PFC A. HERRERAROSALES
PVT M. L. HUGHES

PVT S. T. INGRAHAM
PVT J. F. JIMENEZ
PVT S. A. LARAGARCIA
PVT H. T. LEE
PVT J. E. LEE
PFC L. LI
PVT S. W. LUEHM
PFC N. R. LUND
PFC D. M. MACIEL JR
PFC M. K. MADRONA
PFC M. L. MCMILLIAN
PVT C. J. MILLS
PFC* O. A. MOLE
PVT C. R. MORLAND
PVT J. A. MORPHIS
PVT T. L. NGUYEN
PFC R. NUNEZ JR
PVT M. H. OREST
PFC* H. S. PARK
PVT A. A. PARRAJIMENEZ
PVT H. U. PELAYO
PVT G. D. PIERACHINI
PFC* G. PINO
PVT C. RAMIREZQUINTERO
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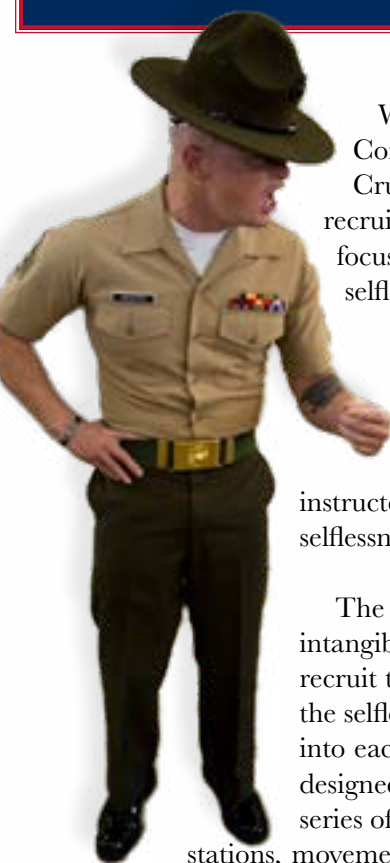
Meritorious Promotion *

PHASE II

PHASE II - RECRUIT TRAINING

We have enhanced recruit training by amplifying Core Values instruction and introducing The Crucible. A key element to the recent changes in recruit training is more time for the drill instructors to focus on character development with an emphasis on selflessness and teamwork.

There are 28 hours of programmed instruction on Core values; however, the most powerful values exchange may very well come from the increased one-on-one time with the drill instructors who teach and demonstrate values such as selflessness, determination, loyalty and integrity.



The Crucible, in part, is the manifestation of the intangible values training that have taken place earlier in recruit training. It permeates the entire evolution, forging the selflessness, teamwork and Core Values concepts deep into each recruit. The Crucible is a 54-hour event that is designed to test a recruit's mind, body, and spirit. It is a series of eight events revolving around obstacles, warrior stations, movement courses, and reaction problems tackled over a grueling 40-mile course. Sleep and food deprivation add to the rigor of the course, which is primarily designed to develop teamwork and camaraderie through shared hardship. Each warrior station is named after a Marine Corps hero whose actions epitomize the values we want all Marines to internalize. As a touchstone, this experience in values and hardship can be drawn upon in any challenge they might face.



PHASE III & IV

PHASE III - MOS SCHOOLS

After graduating from recruit training, and taking a well deserved ten days of leave, the new Marines report into the School of Infantry (SoI). SoI and consequent follow-on schools give the new Marines the technical expertise they need to excel in their Military Occupational Specialties (MOS) and the Fleet Marine Force (FMF).

PHASE IV - SUSTAINING THE TRANSFORMATION

All muscles atrophy without exercise; so too with character. Once started on a path of character development, there is no stopping. We are always developing our character until the day we die. The sustainment process continues Core Values training within units and is incorporated in all that we do as Marines, complementing a renewed emphasis on warfighting, combat leadership, and the concepts of responsibility and accountability.



THE TRANSFORMED AMERICAN

The Corps has a long established pattern of Marines who have left the active duty ranks to become strong leaders in their communities and for the nation and we will continue to send men and women of strong character and values back to society. These Marines will carry the legacy of high character, like those Marines who are presently doing great things for our nation. We have received countless letters from influential public leaders who are former active duty Marines. They give testimony to the direct connection between the character traits they forged in the Corps and their success and fulfillment in life. End result: We will continue to provide society with people of great character, whether they do four or forty years in the Marine Corps.

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DRILL INSTRUCTORS
GUNNERY SERGEANT A. Z. TORRES
STAFF SERGEANT A. CHARLES
SERGEANT L.P. MARTINEZ II

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE J. R. MUILENBURG (298)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE O. A. CRUZ (333)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL T. D. FRISBEE

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. VENABLE IV
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J.A. MEJIA

PVT H. D. ABNEY
PVT O. AGUSTIN JR.
PVT S. ALCARAZ
PVT J. ARIASHERNANDEZ
PVT N. P. AVALOS
PFC E. A. BLAIS
PVT B. E. BRAMWELL
PVT B. G. BUHMEYER
PVT K. G. BURRUS
PVT T. L. CAHILL
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PVT I. M. GARCIA
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PVT B. F. GONZALEZ
PVT A. M. HANNULA
PVT L. L. HART
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PVT S. I. HERNANDEZ
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PFC* S. V. JADAV
PVT T. W. JOHNSON
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PFC* S. L. KLEIN
PVT Z. R. KNIGHT
PVT T. S. KROGH
PVT S. T. LASSEN
PVT D. M. LENGYEL
PVT A. LIMON

PFC J. P. LONG
PFC R. A. LOPEZ
PVT X. M. LUJANO
PVT M. A. MORENO
PVT J. R. MUILENBURG
PVT J. L. MUNOZ
PVT T. J. NELSON
PVT ONEILL, TYLER J.
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PVT A. N. PAGDILAO
PFC J. B. PAREDES
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PVT N. L. PEREDA
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PVT J. R. RODRIGUEZ
PVT C. R. RUIZ
PVT J. M. SALAZAR III
PFC C. A. SANCHEZ
PVT D. P. SHMIDT
PVT C. R. SHOWN
PVT M. A. STANTON
PVT B. J. STAUFFENBERG
PFC M. J. SWAN
PFC K. A. TEAGER
PFC P. W. TUCKER JR.
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PFC C. J. VANCLEAVE
PVT J. M. VASQUEZNINCO
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PVT D. C. VINES
PFC C. D. WHITEMAN
PVT P. E. WIGGS
PVT L. K. WORTHINGTON
PFC A. G. WYATT

PFC J. C. ABERNATHY
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PVT C. P. AGNER
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PFC D. ANIEN
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PVT J. B. AUSTIN
PVT C. T. BACK
PVT S. C. BACOS
PVT J. L. BADON
PVT B. T. BANKS
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PVT K. V. BARRACK
PVT D. W. BASSETT
PFC C. W. BAUMGARTEN
PVT L. P. BECERRAGARCIA
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PVT T. J. BOX
PVT T. E. BRADSHER
PVT B. R. BRANCH
PVT J. A. BRENCHELY
PVT C. J. BUEL
PFC D. CAMACHOCERVANTES
PVT I. CAMARILLOSANCHEZ
PVT P. L. KROGILL
PVT I. S. CERVANTES
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PVT B. M. DEWEESE
PVT J. D. DIAZ
PFC A. R. DUMLAO
PVT M. L. ELMORE
PVT S. J. FITZWATER
PVT J. T. GABLER
PVT C. E. GRAF
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PVT J. W. HUNT
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PVT J. H. NOBLIN
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PVT C. H. ROSE
PFC* J. E. ROWELL
PVT B. M. TEJERO
PFC C. M. TIMMS
PVT J. D. TIMMS JR
PFC T. V. TRAN
PFC T. T. TRAUTMAN
PFC R. J. VALDEZ
PVT J. R. VELASQUEZ JR
PVT B. S. WAREN
PFC H. M. WESTERKAMP
PFC N. J. WHITMAN
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WHY THE TRANSFORMATION?

The most important things the Marine Corps does for our nation are to make Marines and win battles. The Corps is a versatile, force-in-readiness prepared to handle a variety of missions. We continue to be a force rich in history and traditions, ingrained with the highest values of honor, courage and commitment.



At the very time when a host of factors is tending to undermine individual character development in society, Marines are facing an operational environment which requires stronger character and moral virtue. We live and operate in a world that is proving to be increasingly complex and interconnected. As a result, the Corps is in the midst of an evolution of the uses of force that are not quite war, not quite peace, not quite conventional peace, not quite conventional military operations, and not quite operations, and not quite civil police duties.

The nation is committing Marines to a wide range of scenarios, from peacekeeping operations in Somalia to non-combatant evacuation operations in Liberia, to more conventional conflicts like Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq. Operations such as these involve independent units confronted by situations that have operational and strategic implications. The battlefield is becoming so technologically advanced that weapon systems will be able to kill by smell, sight or sound. In order to ensure success in these situations, we have looked to the Marines of the past to see what made them successful in battles like Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima and the Chosin Reservoir.



The answer was strong character and a fighting spirit that overcame all obstacles. This is what will allow us to dominate the high tech and diverse battlefields of the future. This will allow us to win America's military battles and to send transformed Americans home to strengthen the very fabric of our society.

Quite simply, we are continuing to focus on and to enhance the root source of a Marine's indomitable fighting spirit: his determination to overcome any obstacle that stands in his way, fueled by unshakeable honor, courage, and commitment.



PHASE I

HOW WE ARE DOING IT.

We believe that new Marines need to be forged in a furnace of shared hardship, mutual commitment, and teamwork. This common, intense experience creates bonds of comradeship and cohesion so strong that Marines will refuse to let each other down. This forging of character, discipline, and fitness will continue to be the basis upon which we make Marines. Holding onto the high character of the Marines of the past, we look for ways to inculcate the strong values that have become synonymous with the Marine Corps. We are attacking the character development challenge in four phases: Recruiting, Recruit Training, MOS Schools, and Sustainment.

PHASE I- RECRUITING

Inculcating these character traits starts in the recruiting process. Recruiting duty is a vital assignment in the Marine Corps. Marine recruiters take it seriously and feel a great responsibility to fulfill the job to the best of their ability. Many Marines say that recruiting duty is among the most rewarding assignments they have had as a Marine, because they are helping to ensure the high standards and future of our Corps.



Most Marine recruiters have earned the rank of sergeant or above, which means they have had four or more years of experience in the Marine Corps serving in one of several hundred Military Occupational Specialties (MOS). They know what it means to serve as a Marine. Meeting a Marine recruiter gives you personal access to someone who has lived and served in the Marine Corps. No matter where you are in the decision-making process, talking to a recruiter can give you more information. You are under no obligation when speaking to a Marine Corps Recruiter, as he or she knows the importance of the decision, and will help determine if you are right for the Marine Corps—and if the Marine Corps is right for you.

First, we recruit young men and women who have demonstrated potential and commitment. Then we prepare them through physical fitness and ready them for the intense forging they will experience in recruit training. Most enlistees spend up to 12 months in the Delayed Entry Program preparing to undergo recruit training and become Marines.



Their preparation includes physical conditioning, study guides, introduction to Marine Corps history and tradition and, most importantly, introduction to Core Values. The bottom line is we are paying more attention to a prospective Marine's character and fitness during screening.