

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 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, CA, 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 around the world. The Depot has the responsibility to train male and female 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 at San Diego’s Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition.

Thirteen buildings have been named for famous Marines, such a Daly Barracks, Pendleton Hall, Lejuene Hall, McDougall Hall, and Day Hall. Today, the Depot has 388 acres and 25 buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment



On behalf of Brigadier General David C. Hyman, Commanding General of Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region, and the Marines, Sailors, and Civilian Marines of the Recruit Training Regiment, it is my privilege to welcome you to this morning’s graduation ceremony. Today, we come together to support your loved one and witness a milestone moment in their personal and professional journey.

The love and support you provided laid the foundation for their success and gave them the strength to take the first step in joining our all-volunteer force. Your presence today is a powerful expression of your ongoing commitment to your new Marine and to our Nation. We are honored to

welcome you into our Marine Corps family. This morning, we recognize your Marine’s extraordinary accomplishment in earning the title United States Marine. This is a defining moment and one they will carry with pride for the rest of their lives.

Marine Corps recruit training is the most challenging in the Nation, demanding the highest levels of discipline, endurance, and determination. Standing before you is a company of Marines who have risen to that challenge and earned their place in our ranks. To get to where they are today, these Marines has been trained physically, mentally, and emotionally through a time-tested process that transforms individuals into Marines. Many contributed to that transformation - families, mentors, coaches, teachers, and counselors - who shaped their character long before they arrived at the Yellow Footprints. Marine Corps Recruiters recognized their potential and helped them begin this journey. Their Primary Marksmanship Instructors aided in their qualification, which ensures every Marine a rifleman. No one, however, had a greater impact than the Marine Corps Drill Instructor. For 13 weeks, they have led with courage, humility, and resolve - demanding excellence and instilling our Core Values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment. They’ve forged the five essential Marine Attributes: exemplary character, toughness, warfighting skill, decision-making, and leadership. As a result, each Marine graduating today has passed the test, exceeded the standard, and earned their place in our Corps. I have full confidence in their ability to meet any challenge.

Thank you for joining us. Enjoy your visit. Best wishes for a joyful reunion and safe travels home.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracy A. Maese".

Semper Fidelis,
Tracy A. Maese
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 “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, and 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



Master Gunnery Sergeant (Ret.)
Edwardo Espinal
Transition Readiness Program Manager
MCCS, MCB Camp Pendleton

Master Gunnery Sergeant (Retired) Espinal, a native of Brooklyn, New York, honorably served in the United States Marine Corps from 1992 to 2020, completing a distinguished 28-year career across every element of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force.

From 2002 to 2004, he served as a Drill Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor, and Series Chief Drill Instructor with Company B, 1st Recruit Training Battalion at MCRD San Diego. He continued shaping future Marines from 2004 to 2006 as an Instructor at Drill Instructor School, Support Battalion, MCRD San Diego.

From 2006 to 2009, he served as the Supply Chief and Company Gunnery Sergeant for CLR-15, 1st Supply Battalion, Camp Pendleton, deploying twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His subsequent assignments included Supply Chief at Headquarters & Service Battalion, Quantico (2009–2010), and Faculty Advisor and SNCOIC for the Sergeants Course and Advanced Course at the Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Quantico (2010–2012).

From 2012 to 2015, he returned to CLR-15 as the Battalion Operations Chief and Deployed Support Unit SNCOIC, deploying in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He later served at Headquarters Marine Corps as an Enlisted Assignments Monitor with MMEA (2015–2018), and concluded his career as the Deputy Director of the SNCO Academy, Camp Pendleton (2018–2020).

Following retirement, MGySgt Espinal continues to serve the Marine Corps community as the Transition Readiness Program Manager with Marine Corps Community Services at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton.

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER



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 their superior performance during recruit training.

SERIES HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their 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 their superior performance during recruit training.

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their 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 they are the honor graduate of their 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 they are the high shooter in the company. The company high shooter also receives a certificate from the Company Commander denoting that they are 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 they are the most physically fit Marine in their 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	Brigadier General D. C. Hyman
Chief of Staff	Colonel C. R. Von Bergen
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major O. A. Leavy
Parade Reviewing Officer	Master Gunnery Sergeant (Ret.) Edwardo Espinal

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer	Colonel T. A. Maese
Executive Officer	Lieutenant Colonel W. Williams
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major R. K. Palmer
Regimental Drill Master	Gunnery Sergeant K. M. Wilton
Narrator	Staff Sergeant J. Anderson

FIRST RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant Colonel N. M. Lamb
Executive Officer	Captain V. P. Everman
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major J. Mejia
Chaplain	Lieutenant V. Stevens
Battalion Drill Master	Staff Sergeant D. T. Risener

COMPANY A

Commanding Officer	Captain S. C. Domke
Company First Sergeant	First Sergeant M. A. Basham

SERIES 1009

Series Commander	1st Lieutenant J. M. Kelly
Chief Drill Instructor	Gunnery Sergeant J. J. Thomas

SERIES 1013

Series Commander	Captain A. J. Anbar
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant G. R. Stowers

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor	Sergeant N. Jorge
Drum Major	Gunnery Sergeant W. Hayes

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer	Sergeant J. Hamlett
Organizational Color Bearer	Sergeant S. Perez Jr.
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant B. Lopez-Hernandez
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant C. Williams Jr.

PLATOON
1009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT A. R. SALEVAO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT B. GARCIA MARQUEZ
STAFF SERGEANT A. M. MADRIGAL
SERGEANT A. MUNOZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. C. CARDOZO (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. FRAIRE (332)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL I. J. ACEVES-HERNANDEZ

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

LANCE CORPORAL M. L. TORRES
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT J. A. ARREDONDO

PVT K. ALONSO FLORES
PVT A. A. ALVAREZ
PVT A. AQUINDE
PVT J. ARIAS
PFC Y. ARIZA
PFC* C. D. AYALA
PFC A. BANEGAS
PFC D. A. BARRERAS
PVT B. M. BLANCO
PFC B. C. CARDOZO
PFC E. A. CARRILLO BRAVO
PFC W. DOMINGUEZ
PVT E. C. ESCOBAR
PFC F. H. ESTRADA SEBASTIAN
PVT E. R. FORBES
PFC J. FRAIRE
PFC D. GARCIA
PVT J. P. GARCIA PASWATER
PVT G. GARCIA VALDEZ
PVT J. R. GARCIA VALLE
PFC R. C. GOSAINEZ
PFC L. R. GREENE
PVT J. J. GUERRERO
PVT I. N. GUEVARA
PVT M. GUIDO
PFC C. J. HARRIS
PFC J. G. HERRERA
PVT D. K. HOLBROOK

PVT K. E. HOWARD
PVT C. L. JOHNSON
PFC R. B. JOO
PFC K. A. KING
PVT M. K. LAWTER
PVT J. LEDEZMAGUEVARA
PVT J. LOPEZ
PVT L. LUQUIN
PVT C. G. MARTINEZ
PVT M. MARTINEZ
PFC* I. A. MOEN
PFC* K. B. MORGNER
PFC Z. M. MORRIS
PFC C. H. NAJERA AGUILERA
PFC A. M. NUNEZ
PVT E. T. OO
PVT J. PALMA
PVT S. D. PEREZ
PVT A. I. PEREZ
PFC N. J. PINTO CORTES
PVT E. V. RAMOS GARCIA
PVT M. L. RODRIGUEZ
PVT I. ROMERO
PFC A. V. RUBIO
PFC J. A. TAYLOR
LCPL* M. L. TORRES
PVT J. A. VALDEZ
PVT L. E. VILLAGRAN

PLATOON
1010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT R. SEDANO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT J. L. VENEGAS JR.
SERGEANT M. T. WILLIAMS
STAFF SERGEANT J. A. ALDABA
SERGEANT C. J. MORKEN

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. GORBIN (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE J. E. BARBOSA (329)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL RODRIGUEZ

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. GORBIN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT D. PANGALININ

PVT J. E. BARBOSA
PVT A. BAUTISTA PASCUAL
PVT J. M. BUIE
PVT C. M. CARTEE
PVT J. D. CASIANO
PVT J. R. CHIARITO
PVT M. M. COLEMAN JR.
PVT J. A. CORDERO
PVT M. C. CORRELL
PVT A. A. CORTEZ
PVT J. T. COTTIER
PVT F. DELVALLE HOLLAENDER
PVT C. M. FEEZOR JR.
PVT C. J. GALLEGOS
PVT W. A. GALLIANI
PVT B. GARCILAZO
PVT J. A. GOMEZ
PVT D. A. GONSALES BELASKI
PVT J. J. GONZALEZ PEREZ
PFC M. GORBIN
PVT R. E. GUERRA
PVT A. M. GUERRERO
PVT T. J. HARRIS
PVT C. L. HERNANDEZ
PVT A. M. HERSH
PVT A. L. HOLMES

O. T. HOLT
J. L. JEWETT
H. W. KOESTER
G. MARQUEZ
G. MATHEW
B. L. MATNEY
R. A. MEDINA
R. J. MILLEN
J. MONTES DE OCAMONTERO
J. F. MONTOSYASANCHEZ
D. J. NEW HOLY JEALOUS OF HIM
R. G. OLIVEROS
E. ORTIZ III
T. PALACIOS
R. S. RAMIREZ
E. T. RICKS
X. L. ROBERT
C. SANJUAN SOLANO
C. A. SCHROER
B. D. SENAR
T. V. STITES
J. V. SUNGA
T. C. SWIFT
R. S. SYPHER
A. J. THOMPSON
A. P. TRAN

PLATOON
1011

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT J. CABELLO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

GUNNERY SERGEANT J. BRABEC
STAFF SERGEANT J. REYES
STAFF SERGEANT E. BALTAZAR
STAFF SERGEANT A. AMBROCIO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. N. SANCHEZ (299)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. C. GOLAT (336)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT A. P. HALLOWAY

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS H. M. URIOSTEGUI
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J. ELLIS

PVT A. J. APIDONE
PVT S. A. ARMSTRONG
PFC H. J. AYALA
PVT L. G. BARNHILL
PFC J. G. BERMEOCUNIN
PFC D. A. BLACK
PVT Q. E. BREWER
PFC B. A. BRISCOE
PVT J. R. CANTERBURY
PVT C. J. CHAPPELL
PFC P. G. CONOLY
PVT N. M. COOPER
PVT M. O. COVARRUBIAS III
PFC D. O. DAWKINS
PVT L. M. DORRIS
PVT L. J. DURRETT
PVT T. R. ESPINOLA
PVT N. P. FELTY
PVT T. R. GALLIMORE
PVT J. V. GEORGE
PFC M. C. GOLAT
PVT I. A. GOMEZ
PFC A. R. HAGEN
PFC E. O. HERNANDEZ
PVT J. L. HORTON
PVT A. M. IACOBELLIS
PVT D. J. ISAAC
PFC J. I. ISAKARASIEMU

PFC G. O. JOHNSON
PFC G. W. JOHNSON
PVT B. A. JONES
PFC A. E. KNOOP
PVT L. M. LEE
PVT G. M. LOCKWOOD
PFC N. A. MACK
PFC J. A. MARIN
PFC J. E. MCCLAIN
PVT R. O. MEJARES
PVT O. U. OCHOA MARTINEZ
PVT Z. K. PARHAM
PFC J. O. PEREZ
PFC J. O. PHAM
PVT R. D. PICKARD II
PVT C. R. PLAKE
PVT D. L. PUNKE
PVT L. A. RAYMOND
PFC J. A. ROBLES
PFC A. O. RODRIGUEZ
PFC S. N. SANCHEZ
PVT T. E. SCHMIDT
PVT D. A. SIMUNDSON
PVT D. O. SUAREZ VILLEGAS
PFC B. T. THRASHER
PFC H. M. URIOSTEGUI
PVT M. A. WAGNER
PVT J. A. WINCKLER

PLATOON
1013

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT M. A. FUENTES

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT N. E. EVANS
SERGEANT L. E. LOPEZ
SERGEANT A. A. AMADOR
SERGEANT F. E. PADILLA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. C. BAKER (299)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. C. BAKER (341)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. T. MONAHAN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

LANCE CORPORAL T. T. GIESEMANN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT G. R. YOUNG

PFC D. C. BAKER
PVT H. J. BOX
PVT W. D. BRADY
PFC J. N. BROWN
PFC J. BUENO
PFC B. L. BURD
PVT N. G. CARLSON
PVT S. D. CATLIN
PVT B. D. CHAMBERS
PVT D. J. CHRISTENSEN
PVT J. K. CHUN
PVT G. M. COOK
PVT G. A. DAMEWOOD
PVT A. J. DIXON
PFC S. P. DONOVAN
PVT K. M. DRAKE
PVT G. C. ECKMAN
PVT F. R. ERNST
PFC M. M. FLANAGAN
PVT C. M. GALYEAN
LCPL* T. T. GIESEMANN
PVT A. S. GOMEZ
PVT C. R. JONES
PFC O. K. KEOMALA
PFC L. KING
PVT N. E. KUNZLER
PVT M. W. KURTH
PFC R. P. LAGATELLA

L. L. LARAGARCIA
PVT D. F. LOCKE
PVT S. R. MAKI
PVT A. D. MILLER
PVT J. J. MONTEALVO
PVT N. NAJAR
PVT A. A. NIED
PFC A. J. PEREZ
PFC A. PILLAI
PFC C. J. PIRILLO
PVT V. D. PONCE
PFC J. A. RIOS
PVT J. R. SHRABLE
PFC N. T. SMITH
PVT C. M. SOETAERT
PFC I. SOLIS CAMACENA
PVT K. A. TERRELL
PFC K. T. TOMASYK
PFC R. TRUJILLO
PVT P. VANHORN
PFC N. T. VU
PFC M. R. WALLER BRENNER
PVT J. K. WATTS
PFC A. F. WEGRZYN
PVT J. L. WHITE
PVT E. S. WHITE
PFC P. E. WHITFIELD

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 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.

PLATOON 1014

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT R. M. BROWN

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT K. SAYDEE
STAFF SERGEANT V. HERNANDEZ
STAFF SERGEANT H. LACANILAO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. E. CARILLO (280)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. C. WRIGHT (332)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT A. WADE

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. R. MITCHELL
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT E. WILLIAMS

PFC	S. J. ABBOTT	PVT	D. A. JETT
PVT	C. J. ALDERSON	PVT	A. LARAGARCIA
PVT	I. M. ALLEN	PVT	T. S. LEE
PFC	K. E. APARICIOISIDRO	PVT	D. J. LOPEZ
PVT	R. AYALAALVAREZ	PVT	D. LOPEZDIAZ
PVT	S. BASILIO	PVT	C. D. MANN
PVT	M. A. BEHILL	PVT	D. C. MARTINEZ
PFC	N. P. BLEY	PVT	J. C. MARTINEZ
PVT	K. J. BROESDER	PVT	J. R. MCBRIDE
PFC	A. E. CARRILLO	PVT	T. D. MEYER
PFC	L. G. CASTLEBERRY	PFC	L. R. MITCHELL
PVT	M. CAUICH	PVT	F. A. ONTIVEROSRAMOS
PVT	A. O. CHAVARRIA	PVT	K. R. PETERSON
PFC	A. R. CISNEROSHERNANDEZ	PVT	G. A. PINA
PVT	L. O. CORONA	PVT	J. T. PYLE
PFC	K. J. DAVIDSON	PVT	A. J. REYES
PVT	S. J. DELGADO	PVT	J. A. REYES
PVT	K. M. FAIRLEY	PFC	I. J. SAMUELS
PFC	A. M. FEIFAREK	PFC	R. D. SEPULVEDA
PVT	K. FLORESGONZALEZ	PFC	J. E. STEPHEN
PFC	P. GALLARZO III	PVT	J. L. SULLIVAN
PVT	D. A. GARCES	PVT	D. J. SWART
PFC	A. D. GRANILLOLOPEZ	PVT	M. M. VALLEJO JR.
PFC	B. J. GUINTO	PVT	A. VICTORIAARELLANO
PVT	J. D. HALE	PVT	J. R. WALLEN
PVT	B. C. HARRIS	PVT	A. M. WHITE
PVT	J. J. HICKS	PVT	C. B. WONG
PVT	A. T. HUNTER	PFC	M. C. WRIGHT
PVT	J. C. JACOBS		

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SERGEANT L. E. LOPEZ
SERGEANT M. T. WILLIAMS

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. MATA III (295)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. BECERRACHAVEZ (334)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. K. HEIHN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. D. DOWLING
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PVT	P. T. ALBRECHT	PVT	W. A. LANDAVERDEMEDRANO JR.
PVT	J. D. ALONZO	PVT	K. H. LE
PVT	R. R. ALTAMIRANO	PFC	A. A. LOPEZ
PVT	J. ALVAREZ	PVT	T. A. LOSTAUNAU
PFC	A. ANDRADE	PFC	D. MARTINEZ
PFC	B. S. ARELLANES	PFC*	C. MATA III
PVT	J. ARREDONDO	PVT	S. J. MCCLINTICK
PVT	A. ARREOLA	PVT	T. D. MCGLOTHEN JR.
PVT	H. A. AVALOS	PFC*	M. F. MCKENNA JR.
PVT	C. J. BARR	PVT	K. J. MCKINNEY
PFC	A. R. BARRIENTOSPALENCIA	PVT	C. A. MENDOZA
PFC	E. BECERRACHAVEZ	PVT	C. MERINOMARTINEZ
PFC*	G. A. BELL	PVT	J. A. MILEY JR.
PFC	K. M. BURNES	PFC	J. A. MIRAMONTES JR.
PVT	A. M. BUTIGAN	PVT	R. A. MOLINA
PFC	J. J. CAMPA	PVT	Q. P. MYERS
PFC	G. CARDOSO HURTADO	PFC	M. S. NEGRETE III
PFC	D. J. CERVANTES	PFC	C. NOVOAZAVALA
PVT	J. J. CHEW	PFC	D. S. OLIVASSALAZAR
PVT	M. C. COMPTON	PVT	R. L. PELL
PVT	C. CORNABY	PVT	A. PEREZ
PVT	A. CORTESCAZAREZ	PVT	T. S. PLATT
PVT	E. K. CRUTCHFIELD	PVT	Z. R. REEVES
PVT	Q. L. DAUGHTERY	PVT	C. A. RIVERA
PFC	N. D. DOWLING	PVT	J. A. RIVERA
PVT	C. M. DOXEY	PVT	J. C. RODRIGUEZ JR.
PVT	B. V. EILER	PVT	F. A. RODRIGUEZ
PVT	J. C. EVANS	PVT	L. D. RUIZ
PVT	R. FLORES	PFC	O. RUIZGARCES
PVT	L. A. FONSECA	PFC	J. SALAZAR
PVT	J. N. FOREMAN	PFC	M. I. SANDOVAL
PFC	F. R. GARCIA	PVT	L. SEGURA
PVT	A. B. GARCIAMONTANO	PFC	C. A. SOTELO
PFC	E. GARCIA RODRIGUEZ	PVT	B. W. SPRINGER
PVT	M. GOMEZ	PVT	D. R. TAPIA
PFC	W. J. GONZALEZ	PVT	M. A. TELIZ
PVT	E. D. GONZALEZGONZALEZ	PVT	C. L. TRULY
PVT	A. GRANADOS	PVT	A. T. UTT
PFC	D. GUZMANHERNANDEZ	PVT	H. VALBUENA
PVT	D. A. HANSEN	PVT	F. VELES
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PFC	N. J. HERNANDEZ	PVT	T. J. WALLIN
PVT	L. JACOBO JR.	PVT	A. D. WILLIAMS
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PVT	B. L. KIESZ		

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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 has committed 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: the determination to overcome any obstacle that stands in the 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

Teaching 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.