

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 Ryan P. Heritage, 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 and 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... and 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 and the San Diego area and that you will take some 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 and our best wishes for a happy stay and safe return home.

Gratefully,

M. J. Palma
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



COLONEL

DONALD R. WRIGHT

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Colonel Wright was born in Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. He was commissioned on 10 December, 1993 through the Officer Candidates Class program. Upon completion of The Basic School and the Infantry Officer Course he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Marines where he served as a rifle Platoon Commander, Company Executive Officer and Company Commander. In July of 1997 he reported to Marine Corps Security Force Battalion where he served as the Platoon Commander of 1st Platoon, 1st Fleet Antiterrorism Security Team Company. During this tour he deployed to the Pacific in support of United States 7th Fleet operations and was promoted to Captain.

In 1999 he attended the Amphibious Warfare School in Quantico, Virginia.

In 2000 Captain Wright reported to the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit for duty as the Assistant Operations Officer where he deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

In 2001 he reported to 1st Battalion, 1st Marines in Camp Pendleton, California for duty as the Commanding Officer of Charlie company. Upon promotion to Major he was subsequently assigned as the 1st Battalion's Operations Officer. During his time with the 1st Battalion he conducted multiple deployments, including participating in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and support to disaster relief efforts in Indonesia.

In 2005 Major Wright reported to the Expeditionary Warfare School in Quantico, Virginia for faculty duty, where he served as an instructor in the Expeditionary Operations Division and in the Ground Combat Arms Occupational Field Expansion Course. During his tour in Quantico he completed the Marine Corps Command and Staff College and was selected for Lieutenant Colonel.

In 2009 he reported to I Marine Expeditionary Force in Camp Pendleton, California for duty on the headquarters staff. He was subsequently assigned as the Commanding Officer, I MEF Headquarters Group.

In 2010 he was assigned to Regimental Combat Team-1 as the Executive Officer

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

and reported to Camp Dwyer, Afghanistan where he participated in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

In 2012 Lieutenant Colonel Wright was assigned as the Officer in Charge of the Wounded Warrior Detachment, Twentynine Palms, California.

In 2013 he assumed duties as the Commanding Officer, Inspector-Instructor Staff, 2d Battalion, 23d Marines.

In 2015 Lieutenant Colonel Wright reported to Quantico, Virginia for duty at the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, serving as a Joint Concepts writer and as the Field Testing Branch Officer in Charge.

During this tour, Lieutenant Colonel Wright completed the U.S. Army War College where he earned a Master's of Strategic Studies and was designated a distinguished graduate.

In 2017 he was promoted to Colonel and assumed duties as the Director of Operations for the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory.

In 2018 he was assigned as Chief of Staff for Marine Corps Base, Quantico.

Colonel Wright is married to the former Norma Hernandez of Mexico City, Mexico. They have two children, a daughter, Tamara, and a son, Greg, who is graduating today from the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.



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	Brigadier General Ryan P. Heritage
Chief of Staff	Colonel Daniel R. Kazmier
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major Abel T. Leal
Parade Reviewing Officer	Colonel Donald R. Wright

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer	Colonel M. J. Palma
Executive Officer	Lieutenant Colonel C. B. Kroll
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major M. R. Chabot
Regimental Drill Master	Gunnery Sergeant J. Cruz
Narrator	Staff Sergeant M. T. Brock

FIRST RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant Colonel A. Farsaad
Executive Officer	Major B. P. Sargent
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major M. D. Reese
Chaplain	Lieutenant J. D. Luckesen
Battalion Drill Master	Staff Sergeant A. P. Snyder

COMPANY C

Commanding Officer	Captain H. M. McShane
Company First Sergeant	First Sergeant L. D. Crumpton

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander	Captain D. Barnhart
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant R. E. Bascom

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander	Captain A. E. Wallace
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant J. D. Young

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor	Staff Sergeant B. Z. Reed
Drum Major	Gunnery Sergeant J. W. Dempsey

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer	Sergeant P. A. Hasick
Organizational Color Bearer	Sergeant W. Baskerville
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant L. Bates
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant A. D. Johnson

PLATOON 1049

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT I. L. MACARAEG

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. T. JOHNSON

STAFF SERGEANT M. S. PAVICO

SERGEANT M. CORONA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. K. BUXTON (291)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. I. RIVERA (345)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL C. FYFFE

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. A. FESTAG
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT G. M. STEWART

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. R. NOYOLA (338)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. J. KRUEMMER

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. E. PAK
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT R. E. HAMILTON

PLATOON 1051

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT E. I. TELONCALDERON

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. ESPINDOLADIAZ

STAFF SERGEANT M. GARCIA

STAFF SERGEANT F. RUIZ

SERGEANT P. D. HARRIS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. A. SANCHEZ (292)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. J. MUELLER (338)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT A. J. OWENS

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B.A. MORAN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT RUBISOFF

PLATOON 1053

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT D. E. GALLAGHER

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT M. C. GARCIA

SERGEANT P. G. BANDRIL

SERGEANT J. K. GREENE

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. R. VAZQUEZ JR. (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. D. ROLLINS (335)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT DELGADO

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. M. SOLOMON
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT S. LOPEZ

PVT B. A. ABREW
PVT J. ADAMS
PVT A. P. AFSHAR
PVT M. R. AMADOR JR.
PFC* A. R. ASHLEY
PFC K. D. AULTMAN
PFC B. A. BERNALQUINTERO
PVT C. A. BEY
PVT Z. M. BIGELOW
PVT C. J. BOWER
PVT R. K. BURKE
PFC C. K. BUXTON
PVT V. D. CAMPANA
PVT A. J. CASTILLORUIZ
PFC T. J. CRAIG
PVT J. DALUMPINIS
PFC D. C. DESAUTELLE
PVT L. J. DUTOIT
PVT T. G. EGGBRECHT
PVT E. J. ESPINOZA
PVT G. I. EVANS
PVT W. L. FELDNER
PVT A. FERNANDEZ
PFC C. A. FESTAG
PVT D. R. GARCIAMORAN
PFC S. GUTIERREZ
PVT M. G. HALL
PVT M. G. HENBEST
PFC T. HENDRICKSONPHILLIPS
PVT J. J. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. P. HOLLOWAY
PVT A. D. HOOKE
PVT H. D. HORTON
PVT B. W. HOUGHTON
PFC* C. P. JACKS
PFC* D. P. KARREN
PVT C. B. LEE
PVT D. C. LIBERTY
PVT A. T. LOWE
PFC* J. A. LUCERMONTES

PFC J. N. LUECKER
PFC J. C. MACOMBER
PVT R. M. MANALO
PVT C. J. MCNEELAN
PFC J. J. MEADE
PVT B. E. MEINERSHAGEN II
PVT T. I. MILLER
PVT J. A. MIRANDA
PVT J. P. MURPHY
PVT M. A. NIPPER
PVT J. ORTIZ JR.
PVT J. M. ORTIZ
PVT J. G. PACHECO
PVT A. PALMATOSCANO
PVT J. A. PASCUALCRUZ
PFC R. E. PENAGOMEZ
PVT F. E. PEREZ
PFC P. A. PEREZ II
PVT D. R. POMRENKEMEYER
PFC A. RAMIREZ
PFC B. RAMIREZ
PVT J. D. RAMIREZ
PVT I. D. RAWSON
PFC* D. I. RIVERA
PVT P. T. SANCHEZ
PFC* R. S. SELLNER
PVT R. M. SEPULVEDA
PVT V. K. SOKPOLI
PVT R. J. SOSAROQUE
PVT S. W. STACY
PVT D. W. STANGER
PFC P. TERCERO
PVT I. J. TERRAZAS
PVT B. C. THARP
PVT A. S. TORO
PVT J. B. TURNER
PVT B. J. VALENZUELA
PVT S. A. VRUVIDES
PVT W. C. WOOTTON

PFC A. ANDERSON
PVT S. A. ARADILLAS
PFC J. G. BAGSIC
PVT J. T. BARTEL
PVT R. BROWN
PFC E. A. CADENA
PFC R. CAMBEROS
PFC* H. D. CASTANEDA
PVT A. CASTANEDAACEVES
PVT E. J. CHERRY
PVT S. M. CLYDE
PVT S. L. COLLINS
PFC C. CONTRERASMARTINEZ
PVT J. C. COSSMAN
PVT N. N. CRAWFORD
PFC* A. CRUZ JR.
PFC P. N. DELANEY
PFC A. DELRIO
PVT J. B. DOYLEWILLIAMS
PVT T. M. DUKE
PVT M. I. DUNCAN
PVT C. DURAN
PVT J. F. GARCIA
PFC S. GARZA III
PFC C. A. GEIGERSMITH
PVT Z. M. GELLER
PVT N. L. GERADS
PVT G. G. GONZALEZ
PVT R. J. GORDON
PFC J. L. GRIGGS
PVT L. J. HABLE
PVT M. A. HARRY
PFC J. A. HERNANDEZ JR.
PVT A. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT A. HERNANDEZBELTRAN
PVT C. R. HILL
PFC N. D. HOEKSTRA
PVT T. J. HOURD
PVT O. D. HOUSKNECHT JR.

PFC* I. G. JARRELL
PFC N. A. LEAVITT
PVT B. A. LETENDRE
PFC A. B. MARTIN
PVT C. D. MCGEE
PFC C. J. MILLER
PFC W. T. MISENER
PVT J. R. MURRAY
PVT K. S. NAKHID
PFC* L. R. NOYOLA
PFC A. E. PAK
PVT G. M. POWERS
PFC M. L. QUARLES
PVT M. L. REDMAN
PVT O. W. RODERICK
PVT J. J. ROSAROSA
PVT D. C. RUEHLE
PVT S. SANDOVAL
PFC B. L. SELLS
PVT F. A. SHADDAI
PFC M. SHARMA
PFC D. G. SHOCK
PVT E. J. SINGLETON
PVT S. A. SOLIS
PFC C. J. SPARKS
PFC* A. L. THOMAS
PVT J. A. THOMPSON
PFC* E. J. UMANA
PFC E. T. VAHSHOLTZ
PVT C. N. VANDEWALLE
PVT T. D. VANDYKE
PFC Y. O. WALI
PVT B. J. WALKER
PFC X. WANG
PVT C. M. WAUGHTEL
PVT C. J. WERLEY
PVT G. H. WIECKEN
PVT L. E. WILKERSON
PVT I. C. WOLF
PVT P. D. WORKMAN

Meritorious Promotion *

PFC* C. G. ADAMS
PVT J. R. BENJAMIN
PVT A. J. BLACK
PVT C. L. BLALOCK
PVT E. G. BOLLIG
PVT J. CALDERONCANOVAS
PFC R. R. CARR
PVT I. A. CHAVEZGARCIA
PVT C. D. CHIRSTENSONVASQUEZ
PVT D. C. COOLEY
PFC D. CORREA
PVT J. L. CROFT
PVT J. H. DARGER
PVT D. G. DELORMEMARTINEZ
PFC* G. J. FLORA
PFC M. A. FOREMAN
PVT C. GALVAN
PVT J. GALVAN
PVT J. A. GODINEZ
PFC* M. I. GRACY
PFC R. G. GROGAN
PVT G. A. GUTERREZARANA
PFC C. GUTIERRESRODRIGUEZ
PVT J. GUZMANGNANADOS
PVT A. L. HARDING
PVT R. E. HAZZARD
PVT R. R. HERNANDEZ
PVT N. J. HIXON
PFC J. D. HOOFMAN
PVT J. P. HUERTO
PFC G. IBARRAMARTINEZ
PVT S. JAIMES
PVT P. JAWOROWSKI
PVT W. J. JENKINS
PVT E. U. JUAREZ
PVT Q. D. KING
PVT A. R. LEMUSMEDNA
PVT L. B. LOPEZ
PFC* S. A. MANCHA
PVT H. MARTINEZSEGURA

Meritorious Promotion *

PFC A. A. MELCHOR
PVT E. A. MENDOZA
PFC A. M. MILLANARCILA
PVT M. A. MILLER
PFC N. G. MIRANDA
PFC C. G. MITCHELL
PVT M. J. MORALES
PFC B. A. MORAN
PFC L. J. MUELLER
PFC B. D. NGUYEN
PFC C. P. NGUYEN
PVT C. J. OPACZEWSKI
PVT D. PACHECOROBLES
PFC C. A. PAREDESRECINOS
PVT E. D. PAYNE
PVT V. D. PIERSON JR
PFC A. T. PINCHBECK
PVT M. P. PLAN
PFC* A. A. QUINTERO
PVT F. RAMOS
PVT W. E. RAPPOLD
PVT H. ROSALES
PFC* L. A. SANCHEZ
PVT A. A. SANCHEZ
PVT J. F. SHERMAN
PVT D. J. SIMS
PVT N. E. TACHIQUIN
PFC N. E. TERRY
PVT M. T. TRAYNOR
PVT C. N. TSCHIRHART
PFC J. W. TURNER
PVT C. R. VALLES
PVT J. K. VENTURA
PVT D. M. VILLAREAL
PVT L. A. VILLASENOR
PFC S. E. WEDDLE LI
PVT G. L. YODER
PVT D. L. YODER
PVT B. ZARATE

PFC A. CHRISTOPHER
PVT C. J. ALLEN
PVT D. S. ALVAREZ
PVT K. M. ARCHER
PVT J. A. ARGUELLES
PFC G. BARRAGAN JR.
PVT L. BELTRAN
PVT C. E. BORG
PFC A. M. BRENEMAN
PVT J. S. BREUER
PVT G. BRITO
PVT N. R. BRITTAIN
PFC J. D. CARRILLO
PVT T. L. CASIANO
PVT D. M. COOK
PFC D. C. CRYMES
PVT R. A. DETERS
PFC R. N. EDWARDS
PVT H. ELIZONDO JR.
PVT S. M. ELLISON
PVT R. C. ESCOBARMONROY
PVT A. ESPINOZA
PFC M. I. ESPINOZA
PVT J. A. FLOREZ
PFC A. R. FRUEHLING
PVT L. G. GEENEN
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PFC* R. C. HERNANDEZ
PVT S. P. HERNANDEZ
PFC M. A. HERNANDEZSOLIS
PVT R. HERRERA
PVT G. R. KIRBY
PVT S. C. LEAL
PFC L. C. LEWIS
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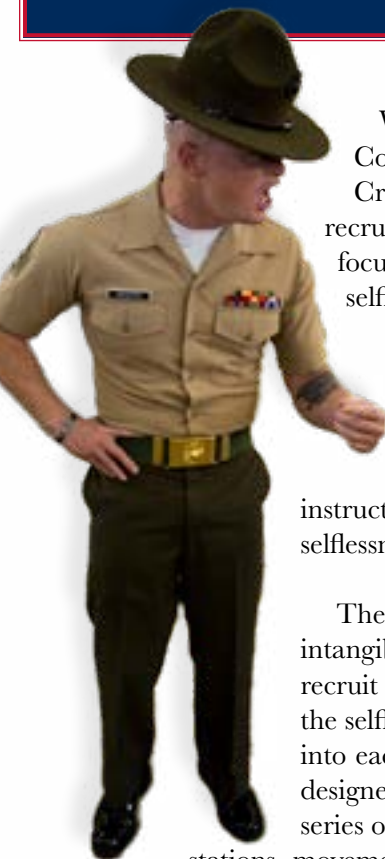
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PHASE II

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.

PLATOON 1054

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT M. A. BROOKS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT T. L. WOODIE

SERGEANT F. GALDAMEZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. A. BRADLEY (299)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. A. BRADLEY (340)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT C. R. APPEMEYER

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. A. BRADLEY
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J. GORDON

PVT B. J. AGUADO
PVT A. I. ALCALA
PFC V. M. ALVAREZ
PVT C. E. ARAIZARAMOS
PVT J. A. BARBARUIZ
PFC R. P. BARKENHAGEN
PVT C. D. BARKER
PFC M. B. BARRY
PVT S. BAUTISTA
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PFC* B. A. BRADLEY
PVT J. A. BREWER
PVT C. CALVILLO
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PFC J. E. CORONALOPEZ
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PVT I. J. GIBBS
PVT M. I. GLAZE
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PVT D. R. GONZALEZ
PFC R. J. GONZALEZ
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PVT W. G. HOOD

PVT Z. C. HOWARD
PVT Z. A. HUDNELL
PFC I. E. IBARRA
PVT M. L. IVEY
PVT B. M. JACKSON
PVT K. A. JOHNSON
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PVT C. T. KASTNER
PVT M. J. KUZIAN
PFC E. LOPEZCHAVEZ
PVT E. E. LUJAN
PVT K. T. MANDERS
PFC R. D. MCLAUGHLIN
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PVT A. PAEZ
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PVT F. W. PHILLIPS
PVT D. E. PHILPOTT
PFC D. J. PIERCE
PVT J. R. PRIGG III
PVT I. I. PRUDENCIO
PVT J. A. REYNOLDS
PVT T. D. ROBINSON
PVT B. J. SAPP
PVT K. X. SCHUMACHER
PVT K. N. SMITH
PFC S. A. STAFFORD
PVT D. F. STEFFAN
PVT L. R. THOMPSON
PVT A. R. TIDD
PVT C. TIPTON
PVT C. F. UETZ
PFC F. R. VILLALONA
PFC B. E. VILLARQUEL
PVT P. V. VILLOVCHIK
PFC A. C. WATTS
PFC* I. T. WILLIAMS
PFC* E. J. WIRTZ III
PVT S. D. WRIGHT
PVT S. A. WYANT
PVT C. A. YOUNGREN

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT J. A. HERNANDEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT E. D. HERNANDEZ

STAFF SERGEANT R. J. WELKER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE L. GARCIA JR. (287)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE E. L. SENORAN (342)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT W. C. ANDERSON

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. N. POTTER
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT W. LASHBROOK

PVT A. G. AYALA
PVT B. F. BASS
PFC A. CAMPUSANOJAIMES
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PFC* R. A. CASTILLO
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PVT R. DELIRA
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PVT L. A. DUNZIELLAS
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PVT J. S. FELKER
PFC D. R. FERGUSON
PFC* T. K. FERRACANE
PVT D. L. FERRER
PVT C. A. FINCANNON
PVT D. K. FRANKS
PVT E. J. GALLEGOS
PFC J. C. GAMBRELL
PVT L. GARCIA JR.
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PVT J. W. GRACYALNY
PVT M. GRANADOSCEJA
PFC L. J. GUERIN
PFC L. A. GUTIERREZ
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PVT D. D. JACOMEAVILA
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PFC M. LANDEROS
PVT L. G. LEE
PFC D. L. LEGASPI
PFC* A. E. LIMA
PFC J. P. MALIG
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PVT I. L. MONTES
PVT R. W. MOORE
PVT E. M. MORAIDO
PVT T. C. NELSON
PVT I. M. OCHOANERI
PVT B. M. POLASKY
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PVT B. G. REW
PFC H. H. REYES III
PFC A. ROCHA
PVT F. A. RODRIGUEZ JR.
PVT F. X. RODRIGUEZ
PFC M. O. RODRIGUEZ
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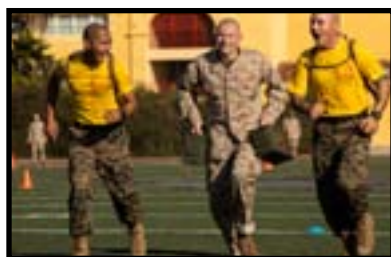
WHY THE TRANSFORMATION?

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.