

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



Sergeant Major
Tricia M. Smith-Leavy

Sergeant Major

Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was born and raised in Kingston, Jamaica and enlisted in the Marine Corps and underwent recruit training at Parris Island South Carolina. Upon graduation of recruit training, she reported to the School of Infantry for Marine Corps Combat Training in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. She remained at Camp Lejeune where she attended Personnel

Clerk's Course. Upon completion of MOS School, she was transferred to Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. While serving with Headquarters Battalion S-1 as a Personnel Clerk, she was meritoriously promoted to Corporal. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was transferred to Inspector Instructor Staff, Bronx, NY, where she served as Unit Diary Chief. She was transferred to Manpower Management Branch (MMSR-3), Quantico VA, where she served as a Unit Diary Chief and Platoon Sergeant.

She received orders to Drill Instructor School and successfully completed Drill Instructor School (DISC). Upon graduating from DISC, she reported to Close Combat Instructor Course and graduated. She was then assigned to Oscar Company 4th Recruit Training Battalion (4th RTBN) as a Drill Instructor. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was promoted to Staff Sergeant. After completing four platoons she was assigned to Instructional Training Company Support Battalion, Martial Arts Section. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was transferred back to 4th RTBN where she completed her tour as a Senior Drill Instructor.

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy reported to Officer Candidate School, where she served as a Sgt Instructor, Physical Training Instructor, Martial Arts Instructor and Platoon Sergeant. While serving at Officer Candidate School, she was meritoriously promoted to rank of Gunnery Sergeant. She completed her second tour as a Drill Instructor at OCS and was transferred to 1st Marine Division. In August 2008, Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy reported to 1st Marine Division, where she was assigned to the G-1 as the Operations Chief. While serving in 1st Marine Division, she held numerous billets. She was selected to serve as Company First Sergeant for Communications Company. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was selected to serve as an Individual Augment in Baghdad, Iraq, where she served as the Linguist Manager and Marine LNO for Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq (OIF). She deployed as the Operations Chief and Linguists Manager for 1st Marine Division (OEF).

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy was frocked to the rank of First Sergeant and transferred to 1st Intelligence Battalion, 1st Marine Headquarters Group, where she was assigned to the Counterintelligence/Human Intelligence Company. During her two-year tenure with 1st MHG, she served as the Headquarters Company First Sergeant, and acting Sergeant Major.

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy transferred to Headquarters Regiment, 3d Marine Logistics Group Okinawa, Japan. During her two-year tenor with 3d MLG, she served as the Service Company First Sergeant and Food Service Company First Sergeant. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy transferred to Marine Wing Communication Squadron 18, where she was later frocked to the rank of Sergeant Major and served as the Battalion Sergeant Major.

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy transferred to 4th RTBN, where she served as the Battalion Sergeant Major and was transferred. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy assumed the duties as the Battalion Sergeant Major for 1st Supply Battalion, 1st Marine Logistic Group and was transferred. Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy assumed the duties as the Group Sergeant Major for Marine Aircraft Group 11, 3D Marine Aircraft Wing and was transferred to Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division. She then transferred to Marine Corps Air Station Camp Pendleton to serve as the current Marine Corps Air Station Camp Pendleton, Sergeant Major.

Sergeant Major Smith-Leavy's personal decoration includes Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with Gold Star in Lieu of third award, Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal with Gold Star in Lieu of third award, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal with Gold Star in Lieu of third award.



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
Chief of Staff
Sergeant Major
Parade Reviewing Officer

Brigadier General D. C. Hyman
Colonel C. R. Von Bergen
Sergeant Major O. A. Leavy
Sergeant Major T. M. Smith-Leavy

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator

Colonel T. A. Maese
Lieutenant Colonel W. Williams
Sergeant Major R. K. Palmer
Gunnery Sergeant M. A. Scott
Staff Sergeant D. M. Plummer

FIRST RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel N. M. Lamb
Major M. E. Harris
Sergeant Major J. Mejia
Lieutenant Commander V. Stevens
Staff Sergeant K. M. Grunder

COMPANY C

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain M. Ramirez
First Sergeant R. G. Ayala

SERIES 1049

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain J. J. Greenberg
Staff Sergeant T. M. Wesley

SERIES 1053

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain P. A. Gianopoulos
Staff Sergeant D. M. Mayberry

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Staff Sergeant H. Ford
Sergeant C. Goodman

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant Q. Russ
Sergeant F. Rodriguez
Sergeant D. Johnson
Sergeant S. Perez Jr.

PLATOON 1049

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT R. CAMACHO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT A. S. DOWDNEY

STAFF SERGEANT S. D. SHERMAN

STAFF SERGEANT M. B. OCAMPO

SERGEANT J. S. SAUCEDO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. N. BROECKEL (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE R. L. OBRIEN (315)

INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL S. M. HATTON

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. MAMAHUA

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT M. D. HARSHBARGER

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. HUBER (273)

INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL N. C. EGGEN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. MOORE

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT L. DICKTON

PLATOON 1051

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT J. R. WILLIS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. W. BROWN

SERGEANT R. A. CRUZ RAMOS

SERGEANT K. T. BALTAZAR

SERGEANT A. P. CRAWFORD

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE T. A. CHARLES JR. (289)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE D. I. DEAKINS (340)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT T. J. HERMESMAN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE J. M. GAMBOACOLTS

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT M. N. GOINS

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. M. COLGLAZIER (328)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT N. D. WEIR

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. M. COLGLAZIER

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT T. THETFORD

PLATOON 1053

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

SERGEANT A. L. DE VERA

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT D. INDUCTIVO

SERGEANT C. R. WHEELER

SERGEANT M. A. GONZALEZ

SERGEANT A. S. LOPEZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE Q. ALPOUGH (280)

PFC J. E. AGUILAR
PFC J. ANSELMOTINOCO
PVT S. L. BOUGHNER
PVT J. N. BROECKEL
PFC J. CASTANEDAVALLE
PFC J. J. CERVANTES
PFC P. C. CHINAKA
PVT A. N. DANG
PVT A. DAVILA
PVT J. J. ENRIQUEZ
PVT A. A. FELIX
PVT M. A. FITKA
PVT C. R. GIBBS
PFC C. T. GILLEN
PFC H. F. GUTIERREZ
PVT I. T. HANSEN
PFC M. H. KOLANDER
PVT J. A. LOEAK
PVT C. M. LUNDMARK
PFC D. MACIAS
PFC A. MAMAHUA
PVT A. T. MARTINEZ

PVT W. J. MATTILA
PFC G. E. MENDOZAVERVERDE
PVT S. R. MERABOKIN
PVT I. N. MIKE
PVT A. G. MINJAREZ
PVT B. A. MONTES
PVT M. W. MOSMANPETTIBONE
PVT E. MOUA
PVT R. L. OBRIEN
PVT I. L. ORELLANA
PVT N. V. PACHECO
PVT Z. P. PADILLA
PVT A. E. PRUITT
PVT L. PUJA
PFC N. H. ROWLEY
PFC G. L. SAPANZA
PFC Z. J. STEAD
PFC B. R. THIEDE
PVT D. D. TODORA
PVT J. M. VERNAL
PFC M. A. VILLARREAL
PVT A. K. WEBSTER

PVT S. ALANIZ
PFC E. N. ARCOSGUTIERREZ
PFC A. M. ARDAUGH
PFC A. ARVIZUCARDENAS
PVT W. K. BEASHA
PVT K. E. BUNMANNYANN
PFC K. S. BURCH
PFC D. CASTILLO
PFC D. DURANPEREZ
PVT A. I. GARCIA
PFC V. I. GARCIA
PFC J. GONZALEZ
PVT J. M. GONZALEZ
PVT J. M. GUZMAN
PVT J. E. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. A. HERNANDEZYNZUNZA
PFC D. J. HUBER
PFC I. S. KESTER
PFC B. KEY
PFC H. M. LAMPERT
PFC S. LARASERNA
PFC B. LAZOCASTRO
PFC E. F. MAGALEI
PVT N. S. MALAUULU

PFC K. J. MARTINEZ
PFC M. R. MCCOSLIN
PFC A. C. MENDOZA
PFC D. T. MOORE
PFC A. L. MURRELL
PFC J. S. ORTEGA
PVT D. J. ORTIZ
PVT J. A. PEREZ
PFC V. T. PHAM
PFC F. N. REESE
PFC M. J. RODRIGUEZ
PFC E. H. ROMERO
PFC E. J. ROSALESCASTILLO
PFC M. RUIZ
PVT A. A. SCOTT
PFC A. R. SMITH
PFC S. R. SOLIS
PFC C. B. TAMAYO
PVT S. M. TEJADA
PVT S. TORRES
PFC E. M. VANDERSDOES
PFC A. VAZQUEZ
PFC A. M. VILLASANAHERNANDEZ
PVT T. T. WOODWARDMINNIFIELD

PFC M. G. ALEMAYEHU
PVT M. T. BECK
PFC G. A. BOYD
PVT J. M. CASTROAMAYA
PVT T. A. CHARLES JR.
PVT G. J. CHAVARRIALOPEZ
PVT A. B. CHAVERA
PVT A. D. COREAS
PVT G. D. CRAN
PFC D. C. CUEVASLAGUNA
PVT D. I. DEAKINS
PVT T. J. DIAZ
PVT T. M. FRANCIS
PVT J. M. GAMBOACOLTS*
PFC A. U. GAMEZ
PFC C. GONZALEZ JR.
PVT P. M. HARRISON
PVT A. C. HERNANDEZ
PVT C. D. HUNTER
PFC M. A. JASSO
PVT X. J. LINDSAY
PVT T. LOZANO

PVT D. P. LUNDY
PFC W. C. MARTINEZRODRIGUEZ*
PVT K. L. MAZZIOTTA
PVT J. R. MOTE
PFC L. S. OBIE*
PVT T. J. PITON
PVT C. J. PORTILLO
PVT B. G. RASMUSSEN
PVT F. E. REYES JR.
PVT M. RODRIGUEZ JR.
PFC A. E. ROMAGNOLI
PVT R. C. SABATKA
PVT R. SAIZ
PVT J. SALAZAR
PVT C. M. SCHANUTH
PVT A. T. SEVEREID
PVT B. L. TRIPP
PVT A. D. VATIN JR.
PFC K. P. WALL
PVT G. R. WOLF
PVT B. L. ZUNIGA

PVT I. H. ALLEN
PVT Q. ALPOUGH
PFC K. K. BENNETT
PVT C. K. BETU
PVT G. B. BISER
PFC E. G. CABALLERO
PVT T. COBIX
LCPL B. M. COLGLAZIER*
PVT N. G. COX
PVT J. W. DENNIS
PFC C. A. ELJURI
PFC M. A. ERAZOMORENO
PVT M. ESQUIVEL
PVT K. J. ESTEBAN
PFC M. R. FACER
PFC A. FLORES
PFC C. D. GARCIA
PFC D. T. GARCICASILLAS
PFC A. A. GOMEZ
PFC R. D. GOMEZ
PVT J. J. GONZALEZ

PFC C. A. GONZALEZVARGAS
PFC S. A. GRAHAM*
PFC D. J. GULLY
PVT M. L. HENDERSON
PFC C. I. LOPEZ
PFC A. MARTINEZ
PFC S. M. MATHESON
PFC C. MICHEL
PVT L. D. MILLS
PVT J. I. PORTILLO
PVT A. S. RICE
PVT A. H. SALDANASARMIENTO
PFC E. SANCHEZ
PVT J. S. SELMAN JR.
PFC A. J. SERRANO
PVT B. P. SHEPPARD
PVT J. M. SMITH
PFC J. S. STONE*
PVT M. S. THRASH
PVT M. E. TIERI
PFC N. L. VALLERA

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 1054

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT P. W. CLAYTON

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT E. B. RAMIREZ

STAFF SERGEANT L. O. AGUIRRE

STAFFZ SERGEANT A. J. VELASQUEZ

STAFF SERGEANT E.B. SOTELO CALDERAS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. C. RICHMOND JR. (283)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE J. ORTIZ VALENCIA (289)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL J. W. WORTHY

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. C. RICHMOND JR.
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT D. WELL

PVT V. AGUILERABUTANDA
PVT S. A. CALDERON
PVT V. M. CANCINO
PFC S. M. CARDOZAVEGA
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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.