

WELCOME

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

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

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

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

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

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



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

BAND SERENADE

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER *

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

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM *

SOUND OFF

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE COMMANDER OF TROOPS

REPORT

PUBLICATION OF THE ORDER AND OFFICERS CENTER

BATTALION COMMANDER'S REMARKS

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE REVIEWING OFFICER

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

ANCHORS AWEIGH/THE MARINES' HYMN *

GRADUATES RETURN FRONT AND CENTER

RECOGNITION OF THE COMPANY STAFF

RETIREMENT OF THE PLATOON GUIDONS AND RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES

FINAL DISMISSAL

* PLEASE RISE

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment



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

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

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

Gratefully,

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

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

FLAG ETIQUETTE

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

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

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

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

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

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

MARINE CORPS VALUES

WHY WE SUCCEED.

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

HONOR

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

COURAGE

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

COMMITMENT

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



Parade Reviewing Officer



SERGEANT MAJOR
DARRELL L. CARVER
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Darrell L. Carver enlisted in the Marine Corps in March 1994 and completed recruit training at MCRD San Diego California. After completing the School of Infantry, he was assigned the MOS 0311. While at the School of Infantry he passed the reconnaissance screening.

In August 1994, Private First Class Carver reported to 1st Reconnaissance Company, Camp Pendleton, California. He served as a Point Man and Recon Team Leader. While there he was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

In March 1999, Sergeant Carver reported to Recruiter School MCRD San Diego California. He reported to Recruiting Station Salt Lake City, Utah. He served as a canvassing recruiter and SNCOIC of RSS West Valley, Where he was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant. During this time he was given the primary MOS of 0321.

In June 2002, Staff Sergeant Carver reported to 1st Force Reconnaissance Company, Camp Pendleton California. While there he served as Assistant Operations Chief, and Force Recon Team Leader. During this time he deployed in support of OEF/OIF and was involved in the initial phases of the War in Iraq, he also took part in the Battle of Najaf, and the second Battle of Fallujah. He was promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant.

In December 2005, Gunnery Sergeant Carver reported to the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center Bridgeport, California. He served as instructor and Team Leader for the Unit Operations section, and as the Chief Instructor for the Mountain Survival Evasion Course.

In August 2006, Gunnery Sergeant Carver Reported to Recruiting Station Salt Lake City, Utah. He was assigned to RSS East Salt Lake as the SNCOIC. In September 2007 he was reassigned as the Assistant Recruiter Instructor for RS Salt Lake City. Gunnery Sergeant Carver was selected for First Sergeant and frocked to the rank of First Sergeant in May 2008.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

In June 2008, First Sergeant Carver assumed the duties as Battery First Sergeant Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines, aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii. He deployed to AR Ramadi Iraq in support of combat operations.

In June 2009, First Sergeant Carver assumed the duties as the Headquarters Battery First Sergeant, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines.

In May 2010, First Sergeant Carver reported for duty as Company First Sergeant, Echo Company, Second Battalion, Third Marines, where he deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

First Sergeant Carver was selected to attend the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy at Ft Bliss, Texas from July 2011 to June 2012.

First Sergeant Carver reported to 1st Battalion 9th Marines in June 2012 for duty as Headquarters and Service Company First Sergeant.

In January 2013, upon his selection to Sergeant Major, he was Frocked and assigned to 2d Battalion 9th Marines as the Battalion Sergeant Major.

On April 29th 2015, Sergeant Major Carver was reassigned as the Battalion Sergeant Major of 2d Reconnaissance Battalion.

Sergeant Major Carver assumed his current billet as the 6th Marine Regiment Sergeant Major on October 6th 2016.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal with combat distinguishing device, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal 6th award with combat distinguishing device, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal 3rd award, and the Combat Action Ribbon 2d 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 his superior performance during recruit training.

SERIES HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

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

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

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

MARKSMANSHIP AWARD

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

PHYSICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

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

MERITORIOUS PROMOTION

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

MARINE

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

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

GRADUATION STAFF

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT/ WESTERN RECRUITING REGION

Commanding General
Chief of Staff
Sergeant Major
Parade Reviewing Officer

Brigadier General William M. Jurney
Colonel Jim G. Gruny
Sergeant Major Alex M. Dobson
Sergeant Major Darrell L. Carver

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator

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

FIRST RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel P. M. Rummler
Major G. C. Garlit
Sergeant Major C. W. Kenly
Lieutenant K. L. Johnson
Gunnery Sergeant J. A. Cargile

COMPANY D

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain M. C. Choate
First Sergeant K. D. Nelson

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain G. R. Smith
Staff Sergeant E. M. Hamilton

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain H. McShane
Gunnery Sergeant L. W. Livings

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Gunnery Sergeant F. M. Gaxiola
Gunnery Sergeant H. Wurts

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant D. Poganski
Sergeant D. Futral
Sergeant M. S. Hines
Sergeant M. A. Brooks

PLATOON 1069

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT R. D. LOSONGCO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT M. S. RODRIGUEZ
STAFF SERGEANT E. SHIVER
STAFF SERGEANT T. C. HASTINGS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. J. SALAIS (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. L. MONCAYO (332)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT R. S. HOLLAND

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. M. COSTELLO
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT R. WEBB

PVT A. ALDAPE
PFC P. J. ALVARADO
PVT S. J. BARAJAS
PVT J. K. BRATCHER
PVT M. J. BUSS
PFC R. CARDONA
PFC* N. M. COSTELLO
PFC J. C. CROASDELL
PVT W. A. DIAZ
PFC* L. D. DOW
PVT S. DUZIAN
PFC G. EALY
PVT E. ESQUIVEL
PFC K. M. FALLER
PVT T. G. FISHER
PFC J. A. FLETES
PFC A. G. FLORESGARCIA
PVT M. GARCIA
PVT D. A. GIL
PVT A. D. HALE
PVT Z. T. HARBISON
PFC S. A. HEPWORTH
PVT C. C. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. R. HETRICK
PVT K. D. MADSEN
PVT J. L. MEADS
PFC P. C. MITCHELL
PFC C. L. MONCAYO
PVT N. T. MONTALVO
PVT C. MORGAN JR.

PVT S. MUNOZ
PVT C. J. NELSON
PVT N. R. OERTEL
PVT E. I. PULU
PVT F. QUEZADA
PVT J. Z. REYES
PVT S. M. REYNOLDS
PVT H. W. ROLFE
PFC Q. S. ROSALES
PFC C. J. SALAIS
PVT A. SANCHEZ
PVT B. A. SARMIENTO
PVT J. S. SCOTT
PVT D. M. SILVA JR.
PVT E. F. SILVA
PFC F. P. SILVA
PFC J. M. SILVAS
PVT G. W. SPIRES
PFC* A. C. STRICKLAND
PFC* M. D. STRINGFELLOW
PVT D. W. THIERING
PVT J. A. VARELA JR.
PVT L. A. VARGASHERNANDEZ
PVT A. W. WISDOM
PFC T. T. PHAM
PVT M. A. TAYLOR
PVT B. HERNANDEZ
PVT B. D. DEHOOGH
PVT I. C. HAWKINS

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 1070

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT K. A. FORD

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT C. F. PEREZ
STAFF SERGEANT R. E. BASCOM
SERGEANT A. M. SWAN
SERGEANT E. J. A. O'NEAL

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE A. A. RISPOLI (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. R. HEPNER (337)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT A. R. DAVIS

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS H. G. HEINSOHN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT A. LUNA

PVT S. P. AMBROSE
PFC L. D. AYERS
PVT J. M. BANKSTON
PFC* J. CARRILLO
PVT M. CASTELLANOS.
PVT A. E. COHEN
PFC* L. A. DEEVERS
PVT K. J. ERICKSON
PVT J. D. FASANELLA
PVT J. A. FERRANDO
PFC P. C. GABBARD
PFC* C. O. GAGGERO
PVT M. GARCIA
PVT P. GASPAREDDO
PVT A. R. GOMEZ
PVT V. L. GONZALEZ
PVT R. GONZALEZVALENCIA
PFC H. G. HEINSOHN
PVT J. E. HELEN
PFC M. R. HEPNER
PVT R. W. HONG
PFC J. F. HUERTA
PFC P. M. JANSEN
PFC* A. C. KNOD
PFC J. K. KRUEGER
PFC N. A. LAPOINTE
PVT D. L. LAUGHLIN
PFC A. U. LOPEZSANCHEZ
PVT S. A. MADRID
PVT E. YMALDONADO FLORES
PVT A. B. MARIK

PVT J. J. MASONVAZQUEZ
PFC J. W. MATSON
PVT T. N. MCKEE.
PFC R. A. MENA
PVT O. G. MENDEZ
PFC J. K. MENDOZA
PVT J. A. MOORE.
PFC A. E. MUHAMMAD
PVT J. S. NODORFT
PVT T. A. NUTTING
PFC M. S. OCHOA
PVT K. A. PAYNE II
PVT R. P. PERRY
PVT A. D. RAMIREZLEON
PVT M. S. RAMOS
PFC A. A. RISPOLI
PFC J. W. ROTTER
PVT D. W. RUSSELL
PVT I. C. SAMPSON
PFC A. A. SANTANA
PVT V. SANTIAGO
PVT A. J. SATKIEWICZ
PVT S. J. SIXTOES
PFC A. C. SWEENEY
PVT M. J. TOWNSEND
PVT Z. L. TYLER
PFC T. T. VO
PVT A. K. VOLKMAN
PVT S. B. WARD
PVT L. J. WELLS
PVT N. A. WILSON

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 1071

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT D. C. PATRICK

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT J. V. ROBLEDO JR.
STAFF SERGEANT A. D. STRONG
SERGEANT N. J. CAMPBELL
SERGEANT D. E. GALLAGHER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. M. MILLER (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE A. J. WHITE (328)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL T. D. FRISBEE

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. M. MILLER
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J. NUNLEY

PFC* D. R. AGUILERA
PVT J. B. ANDERSON
PVT N. C. ARNHALT
PVT R. P. BAZELUK
PVT A. BRYANT
PFC R. J. CHALLENGER
PVT J. T. EYLANDT
PVT E. B. FORSHEE
PFC C. GONZALEZ
PVT W. GONZALEZ
PVT D. J. GROTHE
PVT J. M. GUZMAN
PVT E. D. HALE
PVT C. A. HARTER.
PVT K. W. HASS
PVT M. A. HAVILAND
PVT J. M. HERNANDEZ
PVT B. R. HOLLOWAY
PVT S. D. HUDSON JR.
PVT F. R. IGNAS.
PVT R. A. KEATHLEY JR.
PVT B. R. KELLER
PFC* N. R. KRUIT
PVT J. C. KUECHLE
PVT C. A. LAM
PVT D. F. LARA
PVT T. C. LAUTH
PVT C. J. LEWIS
PVT Z. T. LITTLEFIELD
PVT T. J. LITRELL
PVT T. T. LLOYD

PVT J. D. LOMBARD
PVT J. T. LOTT
PVT M. J. LOWREY
PFC* L. LUGOFLORES
PVT A. H. MANNING
PVT J. S. MATEO
PVT S. H. MCKINLEY
PVT C. M. MCMULLEN
PFC D. K. MECHSNER
PFC* S. M. MILLER
PVT J. W. MOORE
PVT M. S. MORTON
PVT E. L. OLIVARES
PVT D. S. PARKER
PVT E. J. PEREZ II
PVT J. A. PETERS
PVT D. W. SACHSLOOMIS.
PVT S. L. SANDOVALRODRIGUEZ
PVT D. R. SCHWEICH
PVT A. M. SESSIONS
PVT J. Z. SMALL
PFC* C. J. SMITH
PVT J. R. STECHER JR.
PVT C. M. THRONDSOON
PVT O. D. VILLEGAS
PVT J. A. WEAVER.
PVT K. L. WEBSTER
PVT A. J. WHITE
PVT J. A. WYCKLENDT
PVT M. T. WALLICK

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 1073

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. LAZOS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT B. D. DENGU
STAFF SERGEANT A. B. HAWKINS
SERGEANT T. L. GRESHIK

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. BENALLY (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. C. KIDD (335)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL T. D. FRISBEE

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. W. SHEEDY
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT M. S. VILLAREAL

PVT M. ACOSTAVELASQUEZ
PFC R. G. ARENDS
PVT J. D. AVITIA
PFC J. F. BARTSCHERER
PFC K. E. BRAINARD
PVT J. D. CABRAL
PVT P. A. CAVA
PFC* T. L. COKER
PVT A. J. CONNOR JR.
PVT C. A. DELAROSA
PVT L. E. DELATORRE
PVT E. A. DIAZ
PVT M. P. DUNNE
PFC B. J. GALLANT
PVT R. L. GALLARDO
PVT A. J. GARCIA
PVT C. W. GARRET
PVT K. X. GASSAWAY
PVT M. C. GILLIAM
PFC J. R. GODINEZ
PVT C. R. GONZALEZ
PVT S. A. GONZALEZ JR.
PVT S. D. GONZALEZ
PVT S. B. GONZALEZ
PVT J. GUTIERREZ
PFC C. C. HANLEY
PFC T. W. HILL
PVT C. A. HODGES
PVT J. S. KALLUS
PFC B. A. KEELLING
PVT J. J. KLINGLER
PFC J. D. LAMBERT
PVT D. D. LEMUSZAMORA
PVT J. W. LINDLEY
PVT B. J. LINGLE

PVT C. S. LOWE
PVT J. A. MACIASMEZA
PVT B. MARQUEZ
PVT T. C. MCMILLIN
PVT E. MENDOZA
PVT D. A. MILLER
PFC* D. K. MITCHELL
PVT C. T. MOORE
PVT G. A. NOAIN
PFC* J. T. PARNELL
PVT A. R. PATO
PVT N. B. PHILLIPS
PFC K. S. PIERCE
PFC A. J. POND
PFC C. C. POWELL
PVT C. L. REDDELL
PVT R. E. REQUEJO
PFC E. N. RIVERA
PFC E. SANCHEZ JR.
PFC K. W. SHEEDY
PFC* N. N. SIGULAS
PVT A. SILVA JR.
PVT C. J. SODERLING
PVT K. R. SOWA
PVT A. A. TESSEMA
PFC B. TREJOCORONA
PFC C. T. TWENTYFIVE
PVT C. T. VANZANT
PVT J. D. VELASCO
PVT R. E. VILLEGAS
PVT P. D. WILKINSON
PFC Z. J. WILLIAMS
PFC A. K. WILLMAN
PVT M. A. ZAPANTA

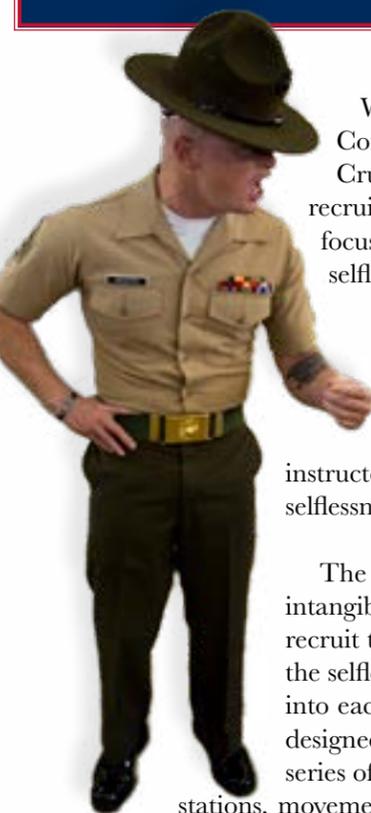
Meritorious Promotion *

PHASE II

PHASE II - RECRUIT TRAINING

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

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



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



PHASE III & IV

PHASE III - MOS SCHOOLS

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

PHASE IV - SUSTAINING THE TRANSFORMATION

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



THE TRANSFORMED AMERICAN

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

PLATOON 1074

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT E. A. CASTRO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT D. PERALTA
SERGEANT E. CALDERON
SERGEANT D. HARRISON

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
FIRST CLASS PRIVATE T. R. EDDINGS (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE J. R. WOLF (330)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. JUAQUIN

PLATOON HONORMAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. DELEON
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT M. J. URBANSKI

PFC L. T. BACOD
PVT E. BORDAYO
PVT M. J. BROOKSPRITCHARD
PVT L. J. CENTIFANTO
PVT S. J. CERVANTESHERNANDEZ
PVT Z. M. CLARK
PFC K. I. CLIBURN
PVT C. W. COX
PFC J. R. DAVIS
PFC* E. DELEON
PVT J. M. DENTON JR
PFC K. M. DOBROWOLSKI
PFC T. R. EDDINGS
PVT C. A. ENHOLM
PFC M. T. FLETCHER
PFC A. GARCIA
PVT B. R. GARCIA
PVT A. S. GARCIAMORALES
PVT C. D. GARINGER
PVT P. A. GARRETT
PVT A. GIL
PVT C. M. GRAEF
PFC* D. J. GROGAN
PVT A. E. GUIDOTTI
PVT A. F. HERNANDEZ
PFC L. D. HOWERTON
PVT E. M. LANGAN
PVT J. A. LOPEZ
PFC* N. J. LOPEZ
PFC A. E. MARTINEZ
PFC Z. J. MCLIMANS
PVT C. F. MENDOZADELATORRE

PVT H. D. MENDOZALEMUS
PVT C. MOLINA
PFC C. R. NYDAM
PVT K. J. PALMER
PFC D. B. PARTEN
PVT T. J. PESTRITTO II
PVT C. P. PRITCHARD
PVT R. RAMIREZ JR
PVT B. A. ROBINSON
PFC J. ROBLEDOGUERRA
PVT A. D. ROCHA
PFC J. M. RODRIGUEZ III
PVT A. E. RODRIGUEZ
PVT M. I. RUBIOMARTINEZ
PVT R. A. SEDANO JR
PVT Z. W. SKWERES
PFC* J. C. SPIKES
PFC B. T. STEINBERG
PFC P. E. THOMAS III
PVT J. THWAITES
PVT M. A. TORRES
PVT J. TREVINO
PVT J. VASQUEZ
PVT C. A. VILLAVALDEZ
PFC B. P. WHITLOCK
PFC J. R. WOLF
PFC J. L. YEAMAN
PFC V. J. YOU
PVT R. R. YOUNG
PVT D. E. ZENDEJAS
PVT A. ZUNIGA

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PLATOON 1075

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT R. W. MOORE

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT C. W. SHEN
STAFF SERGEANT A. C. NIETO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. L. CARVER (299)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE G. S. GOLLA (336)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. M. UNRATH

PLATOON HONORMAN
LANCE CORPORAL C. A. CLAIBORNE
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT E. JEFFERSON

PFC M. AJAMU
PVT A. ALCARAZ
PVT J. J. ALLSCHEID
PVT O. ANGEL
PVT J. L. AVILA
PFC J. R. BAHR
PVT D. A. BAIRD
PFC J. M. BASS
PFC G. J. BAUGUS
PVT J. T. BLACK
PVT A. W. BONNELL
PVT A. D. BRANDT
PVT C. W. BRUCE
PVT N. A. BRUZAITIS
PFC J. A. BURGOS
PVT B. J. BUSTOS
PFC A. A. CACHAZO
PFC* C. L. CARVER
PVT H. H. CAVILLO
PVT K. P. CHILDERS
LCPL* C. A. CLAIBORNE
PVT H. H. CONTRERAS
PVT S. J. CRAIG
PVT J. A. CSEREP
PVT K. M. DEALMONTE
PVT M. O. DELACRUZ JR.
PVT V. DEVERA
PVT J. G. DONAHUE
PVT T. C. EDGER
PVT M. K. EVERSON
PVT T. T. EVJEN

PVT J. L. FIGUEROA
PVT K. P. FISHER
PVT T. D. FISHER
PFC C. P. GALLEGOS
PVT A. GARCIA
PVT R. M. GARCIA
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PFC G. S. GOLLA
PFC D. A. GOTTINO
PVT C. J. GUNTER
PVT A. J. HAMPSEL
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PVT A. G. HUERAMO
PVT B. A. JACKSON
PVT D. I. JACQUEZ
PFC L. Z. KELBEL
PVT S. M. KINGSLAND
PFC C. J. LACANLALAY
PVT D. B. MILLER
PFC M. K. PARIZAL JR.
PVT J. N. PHUNGGLAN
PFC* J. W. PORTER
PFC* S. R. QUINTANILLA
PFC C. C. SIMS
PVT P. N. SONERHOLM
PFC J. U. STAATS
PVT P. M. STRAYER
PVT J. B. VAUGHN
PFC* K. Q. WEASELHEAD
PFC* M. R. WRIGHT
PVT J. C. WULFFCOCHRAN

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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.