

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.

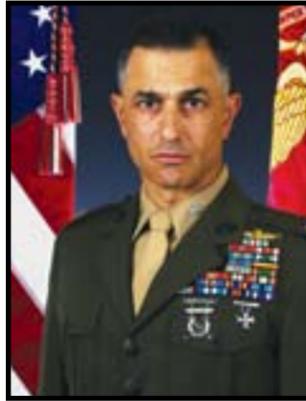
The base now consisted of approximately 388 acres, of which some 367 acres had been reclaimed tidal area. Throughout World War II, the principal activity of the base, recruit training overshadowed all other functions. After the war, the recruit training detachment remained the principal tenant. Marine 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



SERGEANT MAJOR

HAROLD OVERSTREET

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Sergeant Major Harold G. Overstreet assumed the post as 12th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps on 28 June 1991.

Sergeant Major Overstreet was born December 1944 in Houston, Texas. He entered the Marine Corps in June 1966 and completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California, followed by Basic Infantry Training School at Camp Pendleton, California.

Upon completion of school, he reported to Staging Battalion at Camp Pendleton, for further assignment to the 1st Military Police Battalion, 3d Marine Division, Republic of Vietnam. Returning to the states, he was reassigned to the Infantry Training Regiment at Camp Pendleton.

Sergeant Major Overstreet subsequently completed successful tours on the Inspector-Instructor staff, Wichita, Kansas; recruiting duty in Des Moines, Iowa, and Detroit, Michigan; and returning to Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, as a junior drill instructor, senior drill instructor, Series Gunnery Sergeant and Chief Instructor, Reassigned to Drill Instructor School, he was an Instructor, Drill Master, and Chief Instructor.

After completing First Sergeant School, he was assigned to Special Projects at Drill Instructor School, where he undertook the enormous task of completely transferring the Drill Manual onto video tape for a more optimal use during instructional periods. His promotion to first sergeant in February 1979 led to his second assignment on Okinawa as the First Sergeant, Headquarters and Service Co. 8th Engineer Battalion.

Upon his return from overseas, he was the First Sergeant of both Company B and C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, California.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

Promoted to his present rank in October 1983, Sergeant Major Overstreet became the Inspector Sergeant Major, MCAGCC, Twentynine Palms. Returning to Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, he served as a Battalion and Regimental Sergeant Major in the Recruit Training Regiment. Transferring to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, he served as the 6th Marines Sergeant Major. This assignment was followed by duty as Regimental Sergeant Major, 12th Marines, Okinawa.

On 6 April 1990, Sergeant Major Overstreet was posted as Depot Sergeant Major at San Diego. He was selected as the 12th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps in April 1991, and assumed the post on 28 June 1991.

Sergeant Major Overstreet's personal decorations include: the Meritorious Service Medal; Navy Commendation Medal; Navy Achievement Medal; and the Combat Action Ribbon



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 Ryan P. Heritage
Colonel Daniel R. Kazmier
Sergeant Major Abel T. Leal
Sergeant Major Harold Overstreet

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator

Colonel M. J. Palma
Lieutenant Colonel C. B. Kroll
Sergeant Major M. R. Chabot
Gunnery Sergeant J. Cruz
Staff Sergeant M. T. Brock

SECOND RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel D. H. Webster
Major A. E. Mack
Sergeant Major A. N. Smith
Lieutenant Commander R. J. Keener
Gunnery Sergeant B. J. Nolan

COMPANY E

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain J. P. Turek
First Sergeant G. S. Hernandez

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

First Lieutenant L. M. Leonard
Gunnery Sergeant E. L. Gantt

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain C. A. Murphy
Sergeant B. R. Williams

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Staff Sergeant L. T. DeValder
Corporal M. Hong

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant P. A. Hasick
Sergeant A. M. Evans
Sergeant B. R. Ayerdis
Sergeant J. P. Stanley

PLATOON 2109

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT P. A. SANTIAGO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT A. G. BAJADA

SERGEANT K. D. PADGETT

SERGEANT D. D. SENA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE G. D. LEE (288)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. J. SHRIVER (341)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. S. KING

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. J. KOHL

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT A. C. ESTERON

PFC* S. M. ADAMS
PVT J. R. AGUILAR
PFC* R. E. ALAMILLO
PVT D. M. ANSBACH
PFC R. S. AREVALO
PFC J. M. AYALALUPERCIO
PFC S. W. BAKER
PFC F. BECERRA
PVT V. S. BENALLY
PVT E. J. BENNETT
PFC I. BENSMAN
PFC J. E. BLACK
PVT C. D. BROOKSHIER
PFC N. J. BULLOCK
PVT J. G. CAMPOSADILLO
PVT L. D. CARRANZA
PVT B. M. CHEN
PVT R. P. CLOUD
PVT B. G. COOK
PFC F. W. CUNEO
PVT A. G. DAVID
PVT J. D. DUCOMMUN
PVT C. M. FARMER
PFC S. O. FEDDEMA
PFC G. M. FENG
PFC J. FIELDS, JR.
PVT C. E. GARCIA
PFC L. E. GARCIAMONTOY
PFC R. R. GREEN
PVT T. J. GRIMES
PVT E. GUITERREZ
PVT C. E. HAGGARD
PVT S. C. HEGGLUND
PVT E. S. HIETT
PVT J. C. HOUFEEK
PVT A. S. JENSEN
PVT K. C. KELLUM
PVT C. A. KESSINGER

PVT G. R. KING
PFC* A. J. KOHL
PVT G. D. LEE
PFC A. E. LEIVAGARCIA
PFC* M. A. LITZLER
PVT E. LOPEZ
PVT J. M. LOPEZ JR.
PVT N. A. MACK
PVT X. R. MARTINEZ
PVT T. A. MCKINNEY
PVT J. B. MILES
PVT C. W. MILLER
PVT N. H. RICHARDSON
PVT P. A. RODRIGUEZARIBAY
PFC D. R. ROONEY
PFC A. R. ROSE
PFC W. ROXASPOWERS
PVT C. M. SANDIFER
PVT A. F. SANDRESGARCIA
PFC J. T. SEDDON
PVT J. D. SEGOVIA
PVT E. K. SHEM
PFC T. J. SHRIVER
PVT K. C. SMITH
PFC G. SOLISFERNANDEZ
PVT A. B. SWANSON
PFC N. T. TRUONG
PFC P. S. TUMMONGE
PFC M. E. VALENECIA, JR.
PFC D. A. VU
PVT C. R. WHITEHEAD
PVT N. S. WHITMAN
PFC N. K. WILCOXHO
PVT J. S. WILLEFORD
PVT N. YANG
PFC* P. D. ZELANICK

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2110

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT L. RODRIGUEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT A. RIVERA

SERGEANT N. MARTINEZ

SERGEANT R. MARTINEZ

SERGEANT C. MOSBEY

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. VEGAARAGON (290)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE A. J. VARELA (331)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. WILSON

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. S. MAGEE

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT C. AGUILAR

PFC A. A. ALBERTO
PVT A. M. AMACHER
PVT M. A. ANTUNEZ
PVT A. O. ARVIZU
PVT M. M. BALDERAS
PFC A. B. BARRAGAN
PVT D. BENALLIE
PVT C. S. BRAUN
PVT J. M. BRITTIAN
PVT B. J. COOK
PVT R. J. EHLERS
PFC D. J. EMANUELSON
PFC* M. D. ESPINOZA
PVT R. J. FISCHER
PVT E. FLORES
PVT D. A. GALLAGHER
PVT E. GALLEGSPORRAS
PFC C. A. GARCIA
PVT P. J. GARRICK
PVT B. G. GAYHART
PVT V. A. GIRARDI
PVT E. GOMEZ, JR.
PFC R. D. GOULET
PFC C. S. GRINNELL
PVT U. O. GUTIERREZ
PVT N. A. GUZY
PVT S. T. HAWKINS II
PFC T. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT F. A. HERNANDEZCARRERA
PFC B. W. HESS
PFC A. V. HORSLEY
PVT C. A. HUBBARD
PVT R. L. HUBBART
PVT B. HUNTER
PVT E. IZQUIERDO, JR.
PVT B. P. JOHNSON
PVT J. M. KABAMBA
PFC D. U. KAHN
PVT B. L. KIRCHER
PFC J. A. LANDWEHR
PFC M. J. LOPEZMORAN

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2111

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT R. W. LIEBIG

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT A. CAJERO

SERGEANT R. P. MALLOY

SERGEANT I. J. PRATER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. B. SHAW (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. D. PLUMLEY (333)

INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL A. D. FRANCO

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. G. THORNTON

RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT J. VILLEGAS

PFC J. A. ALANIS
PVT A. D. ARTERBURN
PFC J. A. AUTRY
PFC A. W. BALENTINE
PFC E. M. BARNEY
PVT J. I. BATZ
PVT C. C. BEHSELICH
PVT R. BERNAL
PVT M. T. BERRY
PVT A. T. BILLINGS
PFC K. M. BRUNER
PVT T. E. BUNTING
PVT J. A. BURCH
PVT R. N. CARR, JR.
PVT B. A. CARR
PVT S. CARRILLO
PVT V. D. CATALANAVILA
PFC N. Z. CAZARES
PVT J. S. CRAUNWESTERGREN
PFC* D. A. DAVID
PVT M. A. DAVIS I
PVT L. R. DOMINGUEZ
PFC T. J. GUTHRIE
PVT N. P. HAMMER
PVT A. HERNANDEZ
PFC C. M. HORTON
PVT C. S. HOWARD
PFC E. O. IKPEFUA
PFC E. L. IMAN
PVT D. J. JONES
PFC* J. A. JONES
PVT J. JUAN
PVT A. K. KASPARIE
PVT M. T. KHOTPANYA
PVT W. A. KINGSBURY
PVT A. J. KIRKMAN
PVT A. J. KWON
PVT J. D. LANGELE
PFC E. A. LARA
PVT B. A. LAWSON

PVT S. A. LEPORINI
PVT L. R. LOBO
PVT S. E. LOWE
PFC B. J. LYTLE
PFC A. D. MACIEL
PVT C. R. MARLOW
PVT C. A. MEDRANO
PVT M. J. MILTIMORE
PVT A. E. MIRANDA
PVT M. E. MORANVILLE
PFC D. H. NGUYEN
PFC N. NIGO, JR.
PVT I. D. OLIVAS
PFC R. OROZCO, JR.
PFC J. J. ORR
PFC I. L. PAULI
PFC J. D. PLUMLEY
PFC A. D. PORTICOS
PVT D. B. RAMAGE
PVT B. J. ROSE
PVT C. J. ROSE
PVT R. J. RUEGER
PVT C. E. SANCHEZ
PVT J. J. SHAFER
PFC* M. B. SHAW
PVT C. D. SMITH, JR.
PVT I. A. SMITH
PVT Y. SOHN
PVT C. J. SPENCE
PFC M. D. STARNES
PFC A. G. THORTON
PVT V. M. TORRES, JR.
PVT A. VALDEZ
PFC B. A. VELAZQUEZ
PFC J. F. VENTURA
PFC* T. J. VILORIA
PFC J. A. WARNER
PVT L. M. WATKINS

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2113

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT A. R. MALSZYCKI

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT D. REYES

SERGEANT S. A. ROSS

SERGEANT T. J. SUTTON

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE A. L. ROJAS (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE P. SVALDI (341)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. E. PESAK

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. K. ELLIOTT

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT T. VICTOR

PVT A. ACHJIAN
PVT J. AGUIRREMUNOZ
PVT M. S. ALFAROMONTEJO
PVT B. M. BENAZA
PFC J. BRITO
PFC C. CAO
PVT T. A. CAREY
PVT J. D. CARLSON
PVT J. A. CARRILLO
PVT C. E. CASTANEDA
PFC C. CASTANEDA
PVT J. I. CASTANEDA
PVT B. S. CASTILLO
PFC E. CHAVEZ
PVT J. D. COCKRUM
PVT M. A. CORBIN
PVT C. J. CORNS
PVT O. A. CORTEZ
PVT K. B. DANIEL
PFC S. DONA
PVT C. T. DYER
PFC* T. C. ELLERBROCK
PFC* C. K. ELLIOTT
PVT R. ESCAMILLA
PFC E. O. ESPITIA
PFC* J. M. GASSAWAY
PFC L. L. GOODRICH
PVT B. A. GREEN
PVT D. S. GUTIERREZ
PVT E. GUITERREZ
PVT A. J. HASSAN
PVT J. HERNANDEZ
PVT D. J. HIGGINS
PFC E. A. HODGE
PFC H. T. HUTCHISON
PVT D. JACOME
PVT C. M. JOHNSON
PVT J. J. JONES
PVT A. M. KEELING
PVT T. E. KELLEY

PVT C. J. KORTE
PVT R. E. KROEGER
PVT A. T. LAVERY
PVT M. R. LEACH
PVT W. LEE
PVT J. K. LIVELY
PFC A. J. LUCERO
PVT C. J. LUCERO
PVT R. K. MACDONALD
PVT O. MADRILES
PVT T. L. MURRAY
PVT R. A. NEEFE
PVT L. PALUZZI
PVT K. O. PAZESCOLERO
PVT B. A. PURDUN
LCPL L. A. RAMIREZ
PVT R. A. RAMIREZ
PVT J. R. RAMIREZGUZMAN
PVT J. D. REID
PVT E. RESENDIZ
PVT L. J. RIHERD
PVT J. M. ROGERS
PVT A. L. ROJAS
PVT E. M. RUANO
PFC C. A. RUSSELLCOWAN
PVT B. A. RUTT
PFC M. A. SOTODELAROSA
PFC C. J. SUAW
PFC* M. R. SUTTONU
PVT P. SVALDI
PVT J. G. TYSON
PFC D. N. ULICKI
PVT S. H. VELASCO
PVT A. O. WEHAB
PFC* A. P. WEHAB
PVT L. L. WATSON
PVT T. B. WEST
PVT M. G. WILLIAMS
PFC C. A. WILSON
PFC C. M. WOODS

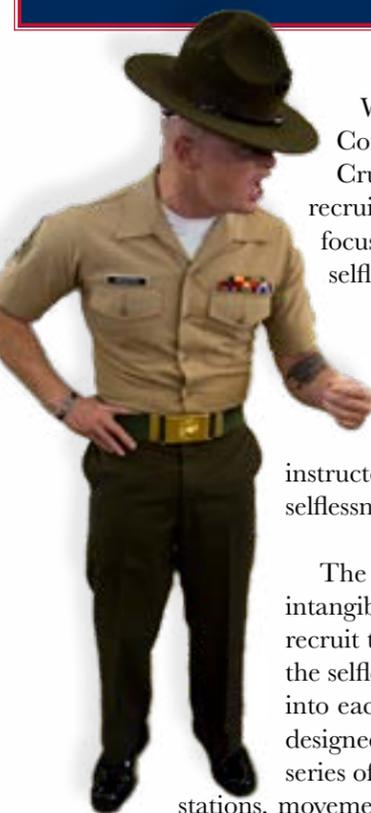
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PHASE II

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 2114

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT W. C. SAMUEL

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. L. SCOTTBARBOSA

STAFF SERGEANT C. E. HEFFNER

SERGEANT A. ANDRADERUBIO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. G. ZEPEDA JR. (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. R. SALINAS JR. (333)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT APPELMEYER

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. G. ZEPEDA JR.
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PVT A. A. AGUILERA
PVT L. ALCOSER JR.
PFC B. R. ANCIRA II
PFC H. G. ARELLANO
PFC J. A. BENAVIDESRIOS JR.
PVT G. K. BRYAN
PVT T. J. BUCHHOLZ
PFC* C. A. CARPENTER
PVT C. H. CARROLL
PVT D. D. CASTRO
PFC K. CHAVEZNORIEGA
PFC N. J. CLOSAS
PVT A. D. COLLINS
PVT D. S. COLLINS
PVT T. D. COSBY
PFC S. CUELLAR
PVT A. R. DODGE
PVT M. D. DONJUANMARTINEZ
PVT D. L. ESPINOZA
PVT R. J. FEDERICO
PVT X. GALLEGOS
PVT G. S. GARCIA
PVT K. T. GARNICAMADRIGAL
PVT F. B. GONZALEZ
PVT C. H. GRAHAM
PVT M. C. GUERRERO
PVT M. R. GUEVARA
PVT O. GUTIERREZ
PFC B. HERRERA III
PVT D. JOSEPH
PVT C. M. JUAREZ
PVT R. N. JUAREZ
PFC J. R. JUSTICE
PFC M. T. KNUTSON
PVT S. J. KRALL IV
PVT A. A. KUCK
PVT T. C. LAMBERT
PVT J. H. LEE
PFC B. LIM
PVT L. A. LINVOG
PFC* A. LOMELI

PVT M. A. LOPEZ JR.
PFC I. LOPEZARZATE
PFC P. S. MARTINEZ
PVT B. R. MELTON
PFC* W. A. MILLER
PVT D. B. MORENO
PVT J. P. MORRIS
PVT C. NAJERA
PVT T. M. NAM
PFC C. A. NEGRETE
PVT F. A. ORTADIAZ
PFC D. OSPINA
PFC J. A. PEREZ JR.
PFC C. PONCELOPEZ
PFC L. A. RAMIREZ
PFC J. I. RIVAS
PFC M. A. RODRIGUEZ
PVT M. RODRIGUEZMALDONADO
PFC N. M. ROTH
PFC D. R. SALINAS JR.
PVT J. M. SANDOVAL
PFC D. F. SAUCEDORODRIGUEZ
PVT B. N. SCHEIBLE
PFC C. E. SCHUPPAN
PFC* S. E. SECK
PFC A. SERNA JR.
PVT A. Q. SHEPHERD
PVT B. K. SKAGGS
PFC* N. K. TILA
PVT T. A. TREVINO
PFC J. M. VALADEZ
PFC A. J. VANHOUTE
PVT B. G. VILLALOBOS
PFC R. M. VORTHERMS
PVT L. C. WEBER
PVT D. J. WINSLOWBENEDICT
PVT D. J. WISENER
PVT J. M. WISNIEWSKI
PVT I. A. ZAMUDIO
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT R. D. LOMELI

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT R. E. MANGOLD

SERGEANT M. A. SCOTT

SERGEANT D. L. YONKINGS

SERGEANT K. A. VOLKOFF

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE A. L. HERBST (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. M. MILES (333)
INSTRUCTOR: STAFF SERGEANT ALVARADO

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. W. KLEIMAN
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT N. JOSHUA

PVT L. BASSAN
PFC T. H. BRIGNONE
PVT T. D. BROCKENBUSH
PVT R. F. BRYANT
PVT E. E. BUTLER
PVT S. M. CARTER
PVT C. B. CASTILLO
PVT J. M. CHAVIRA
PFC M. V. COLON
PVT T. DAO
PVT H. S. DEANDA
PFC J. N. DEASIS
PFC* H. DUARTE
PVT A. X. DUFRANE
PVT C. R. EASTWOOD
PFC J. M. EDLIN
PVT B. E. ERAZO
PVT T. R. EVENSON
PVT D. A. FATONE
PVT N. J. FEDERICO
PVT K. R. FEIEREISEL
PFC C. FLORES
PVT B. J. FONNER
PVT M. E. FOX II
PVT H. C. FRIANCO
PFC M. N. GEORGE
PVT L. A. GEORGES
PVT W. D. GERMANO III
PVT R. GONZALEZ
PVT E. D. GOODWIN
PFC J. A. GREEN
PFC T. J. GREENE
PFC B. J. HA
PVT A. R. HAESE
PFC* A. L. HERBST
PVT J. C. HILL
PVT D. B. JOBE
PFC A. L. KINGSBOROUGH
PFC* S. W. KLEIMAN
PVT Z. T. LAIR
PVT L. S. LOWDER

PVT S. L. MARKOVICH
PVT I. A. MARTINEZ
PVT A. D. MCGUIRE
PFC L. M. MCKNIGHT
PFC A. MEDINAPRESAS
PFC* C. M. MILES
PVT C. D. MILES
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PVT C. MIRANDA
PVT D. W. MITCHELL
PVT F. MONJEMANRIQUEZ
PFC G. MORENO JR.
PVT J. T. MOTHERSHED
PVT R. J. MURRAY
PVT S. K. NDUNGU
PVT J. R. NICKERSON
PVT B. D. OLIVER
PVT N. P. OLSON
PVT P. ONKHAM
PVT D. A. PALMA
PVT Z. D. PARKER
PVT A. F. PASTRANA
PVT R. W. PAUGH III
PVT M. L. PAULSEN
PVT J. L. PEACH
PFC M. A. PEARCE
PVT K. H. PHAM
PFC N. A. PULIDO
PVT A. S. QUIERREZ
PVT V. M. RAMIREZ III
PFC I. N. RANGEL
PVT V. G. RANGEL
PFC* E. A. RUCSHNER
PVT J. G. SANTAMARIA
PFC J. F. SEGURA
PVT R. L. SENTER
PFC D. L. STILLMAN
PFC G. J. STRONG
PVT S. N. TIUETI
PVT A. R. VASQUEZPINEDA
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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.