

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



FIRST SERGEANT Cornell S. Cornish

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

First Sergeant Cornell S. Cornish was born on 8 September 1983 in Manhattan, New York. He enlisted in the Marine Corps on 16 October 2001 and attended Recruit Training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot (MCRD) Parris Island, South Carolina.

Upon completion, First Sergeant Cornish received training at Marine Combat Training (MCT) Camp Geiger, North Carolina. Then he reported to Engineer Equipment Instruction Company (EEIC) Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri where he subsequently received the MOS of 1345, Engineer Equipment Operator.

First Sergeant Cornish has spent time with MWSS-171, MCAS Iwakuni, Japan, MWSS-372, Combat Logistics Regiment 1, Combat Logistics Regiment 15, Combat Logistics Battalion 5, and Combat Logistics Battalion 4 before becoming a drill instructor at MCRD San Diego. While he was a Drill instructor, First Sergeant Cornish was assigned to 3d Recruit Training Battalion.

Following a successful tour as a Drill Instructor, First Sergeant Cornish was assigned to 1st Maintenance Battalion, Camp Pendleton. Then he was sent to I MEF, G-7 where he served as the Exercise Operations Chief. On 14 March 2018, Gunnery Sergeant Cornish was frocked to the rank of First Sergeant and executed orders to 3d Battalion, 4th Marines, Twenty-Nine Palms, California.

There he was assigned as the Company First Sergeant for Company L and Weapons Company. On 2 March 2020, First Sergeant Cornish received orders back to MCRD San Diego, CA where he currently serves as the Company First Sergeant for Company G, 2d Recruit Training Battalion.

First Sergeant Cornish's deployments include service in Operation Enduring Freedom II, Operation Enduring Freedom 5-7, WESTPAC-82 with the 15th MEU, Operation Enduring Freedom 12.1 and Operation Freedoms Sentinel, and the Southwest Border Mission (El Centro).

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

First Sergeant Cornish's military education includes the Basic Engineer Equipment Operator Course, Corporals Course, Sergeants Course, SNCOA Career Course, Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, Martial Arts Instructor Course, Drill Instructor School, Senior Drill Instructor Course, Chief Drill Instructor Course, SNCOA Advanced Course, Basic Instructors Course, Senior Instructors Course, Engineer Equipment Chiefs Course, Unit Readiness Planning Course, Senior Enlisted Legal Course, First Sergeants Course and E8 Western Regional Seminar, Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I, and Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II.

First Sergeant Cornish's personal decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with Combat conditions C device and two gold stars in lieu of third award, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with one gold star in lieu of second award, the Combat Action Ribbon, and the Good Conduct Medal with 1 silver star in lieu of sixth 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 Ryan P. Heritage
Colonel Daren J. Erickson
Sergeant Major Abel T. Leal
First Sergeant C. S. Cornish

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator

Colonel M. J. Palma
Lieutenant Colonel C. B. Kroll
Sergeant Major P. F. Agan
Gunnery Sergeant E. L. Gantt
Staff Sergeant Z. J. Aguon

SECOND RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel D. R. Myers
Major A. E. Mack
Sergeant Major A. N. Smith
Lieutenant Commander R. J. Keener
Staff Sergeant W. C. Samuel

COMPANY F

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain C. A. Murphy
First Sergeant F. Flores

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain D. J. Humpries
Gunnery Sergeant J. Lopez

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

First Lieutenant J. K. Lee
Staff Sergeant A. R. Malszycki

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Chief Warrant Officer 2 A. J. Panos
Gunnery Sergeant J. W. Dempsey

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant P. A. Hasick
Sergeant S. T. Schreyer
Sergeant C. W. Blais
Sergeant D. T. PrallePeterson

PLATOON 2121

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. L. KAUTH

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT A. A. AMBOL
STAFF SERGEANT K. B. HIRSCHMANN

SERGEANT J. M. HERNANDEZ
SERGEANT M. R. VIELBAUM

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. D. GOODRICH (296)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. M. OVERACKER (336)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. J. KRUEMMER

PLATOON HONORMAN

LANCE CORPORAL J. SOLORZANO JR.
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT SWAYZEE

PVT D. J. AGUILAR
PFC B. A. ALONSOHAM
PFC E. E. ANDERSON
PVT T. S. ASANO
PVT B. J. BARNHART
PVT P. C. BESAS
PVT L. H. BLANDON
PFC* G. W. CAMPBELL
PFC J. R. CAOAGDAN
PVT J. C. CARRILLO
PVT S. R. CHALONER
PFC X. I. CONTRERAS
PFC J. M. DESOUSA
PVT L. B. DIMAPILES
PVT R. M. FUNDERBURK
PFC R. N. GARCIA JR.
PFC J. N. GOLDMAN
PFC* T. D. GOODRICH
PFC K. P. GRIGGS
PVT I. J. GUERRERO
PVT O. HERNANDEZ
PFC* P. HO
PVT I. A. HUSBAND
PVT L. J. KENNINGTON
PVT C. A. KITCHIN

PVT J. P. LOQUIERE
PFC R. A. LOREDO
PFC H. D. MAI
PVT S. L. MIRAMONTES JR.
PVT O. MORALES
PFC A. R. NAVAS
PFC T. Q. NGUYEN
PFC C. M. OVERACKER
PFC Z. T. PATTERSON
PFC A. PERALTAFIGUEROA
PVT M. PEREZ
PVT J. QUESADAGONZALEZ
PFC J. L. REDFORD
PVT D. D. ROBERTSON
PFC A. J. ROSALES
PFC D. J. ROSS
PFC F. R. SAGUINSIN
LCPL* J. SOLORZANO JR.
PVT I. N. STEWART
PFC J. C. SUMMERVILLE JR.
PVT J. A. TRETO
PVT A. D. VARGAS JR.
PVT A. J. VILLALOBOSJIMENEZ
PVT E. W. ZOET

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2122

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. T. BAKER

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT G. DELGADO

STAFF SERGEANT J. M. SQUIREWELL

SERGEANT D. L. HILL

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. Z. LIN (294)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. A. BANDY (340)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT M. J. MENDEZ

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. Z. LIN
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT U. B. DELA

PVT E. M. AGITAN
PVT J. K. ANGLIN
PFC* E. A. BANDY
PVT A. BARRIOS JR.
PVT C. E. BECKER
PFC N. A. BICKERSTAFF
PVT J. D. BOLES
PVT M. A. BRISENO
PVT W. R. CAMPION
PFC B. L. CARAKER
PFC* A. CARRASCOGARFIA
PFC J. D. CHATOM
PFC* J. W. CHRISTIANSON
PVT D. A. CRUMLEY III
PVT A. CUEVAS
PFC M. F. DOLASH
PVT J. K. EMI
PVT S. B. FARWELL
PFC M. W. FIDLER
PVT R. P. GLENER
PVT D. J. GOTTSCH
PVT D. M. GUNTHER
PVT D. P. HARVEY
PFC B. A. HERNANDEZ
PFC D. L. HIGHBAUGH
PFC M. D. HIMES
PVT A. HU
PVT J. J. JENSON
PFC C. J. LAWRENCE
PFC J. Z. LIN

PVT B. S. LITE
PVT A. P. LOPEZ
PFC S. LOPEZPAULINO
PVT C. A. LOZEARAZO
PVT J. LUCERO III
PVT J. A. MARTINEZ
PVT S. MARTINEZOROZCO
PFC* I. D. MASON
PVT D. M. MEJIA
PVT D. J. NEAL
PVT J. NELSON
PFC J. A. OLIVASOLANO
PVT I. M. PAVIA
PVT A. A. PEREZ
PFC J. B. PORRAS JR.
PVT J. PRECIADOHERNANDEZ
PVT P. J. RIOS
PVT D. S. ROSASSANCHEZ
PVT J. W. ROWDEN
PVT B. M. SANTOS
PFC N. A. TAYLOR
PVT J. M. THOMPSON
PVT E. J. TOVANICHE
PVT A. TREJOGARRIDO
PVT R. M. VANRAALTE
PVT R. L. WALZ
PFC A. WARNER
PFC B. R. YATZECK
PVT E. K. ZUEHLKE

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2123

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
GUNNERY SERGEANT J. FLORES

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

GUNNERY SERGEANT M. CARDENAS

GUNNERY SERGEANT J. M. GARRISON

STAFF SERGEANT L. ENCARNACION

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. N. KOMBE (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. R. BRITTING (341)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT C. GARCIA

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. P. DIAZ
RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT PETERSON

PVT T. S. AITES
PVT M. ALVARADO
PFC K. ALVAREZ
PFC C. G. BANNING
PFC* G. P. BELTRAN
PVT C. A. BOLLMANN
PFC A. J. BOWKER
PVT J. BRISENO RODRIGUEZ
PFC D. R. BRITTING
PVT T. B. CASTILLO
PVT S. COSTILLA
PFC I. E. DELGADILLO
PFC T. P. DIAZ
PFC* C. I. FERNANDEZ
PVT J. GAYTAN
PVT A. N. GILDEHAUS
PFC M. D. GONZALEZ
PVT C. T. HARDIN
PFC A. L. HENDERSON
PFC C. R. HILL
PVT A. G. HOYLE
PVT X. HUANG
PVT C. E. JENKINS
PVT L. E. KOERNER
PFC D. N. KOMBE
PVT M. J. KURKOWSKI
PVT M. G. LANDAGAN
PVT M. S. LIBARIAN
PVT D. A. LOPEZ
PVT J. MACADANGDANG
PFC J. I. MEJIA

PFC E. T. MOSES
PFC D. OLIVAS
PVT M. R. ORTEGA
PVT W. L. OWINGS
PVT J. P. PALACIOS
PVT J. Z. PASCUAL
PFC D. E. PATAKY
PFC E. PERALTA
PVT C. T. PHAN
PVT S. E. PICKERING
PFC K. QUINTERO
PVT K. J. RAMOS
PFC P. T. RODRIGUEZ
PVT S. C. RODRIGUEZ
PFC J. A. ROSENDOHERNANDEZ
PVT C. F. SALGADO
PFC* J. O. SANGSTER
PVT L. W. SCHMIDT
PVT G. T. SKYESJONES
PVT C. F. SMITH
PVT A. D. TEJADAGUTIERREZ
PVT D. K. THOMPSON
PVT E. D. VEGA
PVT A. VELAZQUEZ
PVT E. VERA
PVT M. VILLALPANDO
PFC C. L. WALTERS
PVT G. C. WEAVER
PVT N. V. WRIGHT

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2125

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT C. H. MUSKETT

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT Y. J. BARZOLA

STAFF SERGEANT J. PINEDA

STAFF SERGEANT A. M. SALAYON

SERGEANT T. I. PEETE

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE N. J. MISIEWICZ (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. T. YANKO (336)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. C. JUNG

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. ZAMORA
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT TELLEZ

PFC B. A. ANDERSEN
PVT D. J. ARNETT
PVT B. T. BAKER
PVT E. E. BARROSO
PFC E. D. BETANCOURT
PFC C. R. BUTLER
PFC T. E. CARROLL
PVT J. R. CORIZ JR.
PVT M. J. COURNIA III
PVT M. H. CRIST
PVT A. D. DANG
PVT K. L. DETERS
PVT J. L. DOAN
PFC G. T. FREEMAN
PVT B. C. GOLDEN
PVT P. E. HENDRIX
PVT D. A. HOOVER
PVT E. C. HUMPHREY
PFC A. A. JAHN
PVT T. C. KELLER
PFC L. KLACSMANOVICS
PVT A. T. KRUSCHKE
PFC* J. C. LANDINGIN
PVT G. LEYVAJUAREZ
PFC J. J. MANJARREZARAGON
PFC F. MANRIQUEZ
PVT J. K. MATTICE
PVT S. A. MEISINGER
PVT M. J. MEYERS
PVT N. J. MISIEWICZ

PVT G. R. MORTON III
PFC A. MUNOZ JR.
PFC Z. T. NEN
PVT S. A. NISKANEN
PVT H. L. OVERSHINER
PVT M. R. PASCH
PVT G. S. REVELL
PFC E. J. SANCHEZ JR.
PVT A. N. SANCHEZRINCON
PVT L. S. SAUDER
PVT D. L. SAYAOVANG
PFC B. A. SERNA
PVT L. E. STEAGALL III
PFC K. D. SUAZO
PVT M. S. TREXEL
PFC L. J. TUECKE
PFC E. J. VALERIANO
PVT A. R. WILLIAMS
PVT A. J. WILLIAMS
PFC M. P. WORKMAN
PVT J. O. WRENN
PFC* J. T. YANKO
PFC* J. ZAMORA

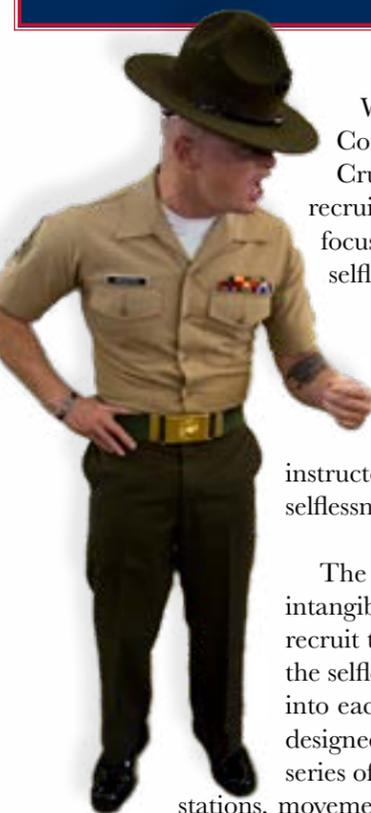
Meritorious Promotion *

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 2126

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT E. MARTINEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT J. W. BULATOLEE

SERGEANT M. W. BOWIER

SERGEANT H. RAMIREZMOTA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. J. PERRY (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE N. A. BJERK (337)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT H. A. BLANKENSHIP

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. M. HILL
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT MORENO

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PFC D. A. BARRON
PFC D. J. BAXTER
PVT N. A. BJERK
PFC* M. J. BRAUHN
PVT B. C. BRIMAGE
PFC Z. R. BURLESON
PVT N. D. BUSTER
PVT M. A. CARMICHAEL
PVT D. Z. CAVAZOS
PFC E. C. CAZARES
PFC* I. B. COLLA
PVT J. E. DANIEL
PVT J. R. DOOLITTLE
PVT D. V. GALIZA
PVT J. GARCIAGAMEZ
PFC I. J. GONZALES
PFC W. M. GRUBERT
PVT A. T. HAGN
PFC L. F. HERRERA
PFC J. M. HILL
PVT T. A. HORVATICH
PVT D. I. HUGHES
PFC A. HUIZAR
PFC E. K. HUNTER
PFC J. H. JENSCHKE
PVT I. B. JOHNSON
PVT J. M. KEENE
PVT I. D. KERLIN

PFC M. A. LAWHON
PFC R. R. MARTINEZELIZONDO
PVT L. R. MAZIKOWSKI
PFC J. M. MITCHELL
PVT J. S. MONZINGO
PVT N. M. MOSELEY
PFC M. T. MOYER
PVT E. C. MUSGRAVE
PVT R. NUNLEY
PVT D. L. PERKINS
PFC K. J. PERRY
PFC J. RAMOS
PFC S. RAYOSALGADO
PFC E. G. RICHARTE
PFC I. L. RODRIGUEZ
PVT B. A. RUEDA
PFC B. S. SAHUT
PFC* A. A. SANCHEZ
PFC D. SANDOVAL
PVT J. L. SCHMIDT
PFC C. A. SHORT
PFC J. V. SOOTER
PVT S. L. STROMMEN
PVT R. J. SUMMERS
PFC F. T. TINDUGAN
PFC J. J. TOVAR JR.
PFC T. D. TUCKER
LCPL B. M. VALLOT
PVT H. J. ZINGGSALAVERRIA

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STAFF SERGEANT S. DOEUNG

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT R. J. SCOTT

SERGEANT N. T. TILLMAN

SERGEANT J. B. ELEGADO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. S. KOENIG (286)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. R. PIKE (335)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. T. CHILES

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. A. JORDAN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT MORALES

PFC* B. T. AHRENS
PFC M. C. ALTMAN
PVT J. V. ANAYA
PVT B. P. AUMILLER
PVT J. D. BARNHART
PFC K. D. CACERES
PFC J. P. CALUYA
PFC* E. J. CASTROGUERRA
PVT J. A. CELORIO
PVT C. M. CRUZ
PVT G. A. DODGE
PFC L. F. ESQUIVELCERVERA
PVT E. C. FANKHAUSER
PFC C. H. FAULKINBURYJONES
PVT D. S. FEGURGUR
PFC J. R. GATTOAN
PVT Z. D. GINTER
PFC B. W. GOODWIN
PVT M. G. GRIMAUDBEGAY
PVT C. M. HARTL
PVT B. C. HARVEY
PFC D. L. HERNANDEZ
PVT L. Q. HILL
PVT J. A. HOLLANDER
PVT S. J. HOWES
PVT I. Z. HUSTON
PVT B. J. IGNASZEWSKI
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PFC A. F. LINARES
PVT Z. S. LOYD
PFC T. R. LUCAS
PVT A. MACZMENDOZA
PFC K. M. MONTEMAYOR JR.
PVT M. M. MOSS
PVT D. M. NGUYEN
PVT A. R. NORTHQUEST
PVT C. R. ODUM
PFC A. J. ONG
PFC J. J. PADILLA
PFC D. R. PIKE
PFC V. E. PITTELKAU
PFC W. D. RAMIREZRAMOS
PFC P. A. RIPPERTAYLOR
PFC C. P. SCHERER
PFC E. R. TAWWATER
PFC M. TLATENCHIZAMORANO
PFC E. D. TREAGAN
PVT J. J. VASQUEZ
PVT J. M. VASQUEZROJAS
PVT P. VINH
PVT K. A. WALT
PVT D. R. WATT
PFC J. A. WEAVER
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PVT E. A. WELDESELASSIE
PVT L. R. WELLS
PVT C. A. WHITE

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.