

WELCOME

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

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

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

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

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

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



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

BAND SERENADE

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER *

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

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM *

SOUND OFF

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE COMMANDER OF TROOPS

REPORT

PUBLICATION OF THE ORDER AND OFFICERS CENTER

BATTALION COMMANDER'S REMARKS

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE REVIEWING OFFICER

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

ANCHORS AWEIGH/THE MARINES' HYMN *

GRADUATES RETURN FRONT AND CENTER

RECOGNITION OF THE COMPANY STAFF

RETIREMENT OF THE PLATOON GUIDONS AND RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES

FINAL DISMISSAL

** PLEASE RISE*

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT

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

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

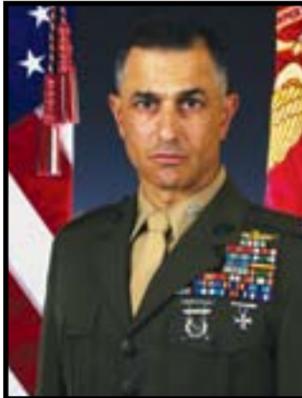
The base now consisted of approximately 388 acres, of which some 367 acres had been reclaimed tidal area. Throughout World War II, the principal activity of the base, recruit training overshadowed all other functions. After the war, the recruit training detachment remained the principal tenant. Marine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

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

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

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

The Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment



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

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

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

Gratefully,

M. J. Palma
Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

FLAG ETIQUETTE

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

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

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

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

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

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

MARINE CORPS VALUES

WHY WE SUCCEED.

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

HONOR

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

COURAGE

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

COMMITMENT

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



Parade Reviewing Officer



**COLONEL
THOMAS M. FAHY**
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Col Fahy was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1965. He was commissioned through the Platoon Leaders Class in 1992, and after completing The Basic School he was assigned to BSSG-1 (re-designated CSSG-3/CLB-3), MCB Hawaii, where he served as an Engineer Platoon Commander from 1993-1994. Immediately following his time as a Platoon Commander, Col Fahy became the Executive Officer (XO) of Landing Support Company, CSSG-3. During the final 18 months of his first tour, Col Fahy served as the Commanding Officer of CSSD-B, where he supported the 3rd Marine Regiment's deployment to the Pohakuloa Training Area, and Commanding Officer of Headquarters & Service Company, Combat Service Support Group-3.

During June 1996, Col Fahy was assigned to the Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Salt Lake City, Utah where he served as the Operations Officer, and was subsequently promoted to Captain. In 1998, he was transferred to the 12th MCD Headquarters where he served as the Quality Control Officer. In June 1999, Col Fahy was transferred to the Amphibious Warfare School as a student. Upon graduation and augmenting OCS as a Platoon Commander, he was transferred to 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, where he served as the S-4 Officer, and Company Commander.

In May of 2002, Col Fahy was promoted to Major and transferred to MCB Camp S. D. Butler, Okinawa Japan. While serving as the Deputy Operations Officer for Facilities Maintenance Division, he volunteered for an IA billet, and deployed with the Marine Logistics Command (2nd FSSG) in support of OIF-1. Col Fahy's final year on Okinawa was spent as the Operations Officer for H&S Battalion, MCB Camp S.D. Butler. In June of 2005 Col Fahy was transferred to the Marine Corps University where he was student at Command and Staff College. Upon graduation, he was transferred to the 1st MLG and assigned as the Executive Officer of 7th Engineer Support Battalion. Col Fahy was then designated to deploy as a Team Leader on a Border Transition Team. Deploying to Iraq in March 2007, he was a Transition Team Leader charged with advising and mentoring the Iraq Department of Border Enforcement in Western Al Anbar Province as part of Task Force 1/4.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

Upon returning from Iraq, he served as the XO of CLR-1 where he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. In December of 2007 Col Fahy received orders to the 12th Marine Corps Recruiting District where he served as XO. In July of 2009 Col Fahy assumed command of Marine Wing Support Squadron 373 at MCAS Miramar. While in command, he deployed his squadron to Helmand Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Upon successfully completing his command tour, Col Fahy attended the Naval War College. In July of 2011 Col Fahy was transferred to U.S. Pacific Command where he served as a Branch Chief in the Strategic Plans Division (J54) and the Operations Officer for the Strategic Planning and Policy Directorate (J5). Col Fahy was then transferred to 3d Marine Aircraft Wing where he was promoted to Colonel and served for 2 years as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Aviation Ground Support.

Upon completion of his second tour at 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, Colonel Fahy assumed command of Combat Logistics Regiment-4 in July 2016 where he successfully completed 2 years in command. In August 2018 he assumed the duties as Assistant Chief of Staff, G4 at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, CA.

Col Fahy holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from San Diego State University and a Master's Degree from the U.S. Naval War College. His personal military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star with Gold Star, Meritorious Service Medal with Gold Star, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with 2 Gold Stars, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and he wears the Marine Corps Recruiting Ribbon. Col Fahy is married to the former Suzanne Baker of Ocean City, New Jersey, and they have 5 children.



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
Colonel Thomas M. Fahy

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 E. O. Hidalgo
Lieutenant Commander R. J. Keener
Gunnery Sergeant B. J. Nolan

COMPANY H

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain J. J. Hilt
First Sergeant D. R. Navrestad

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

First Lieutenant D. J. Prater
Staff Sergeant C. M. Ditch

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

First Lieutenant P. R. Shaw
Gunnery Sergeant N. E. Burrell

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Staff Sergeant J. E. Tutor
Corporal B. T. Bingham

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

Sergeant B. M. Hall
Sergeant D. C. Rife
Sergeant I. Bates
Sergeant A. D. Johnson

PLATOON 2161

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT A. GREGGS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT D. LEWIS

SERGEANT B. FRANCO

SERGEANT S. SCHRYER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. J. CAPPS (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. G. HORNE (335)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. S. KING

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS H. H. BILLINGS

RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT C. BIBIAN

PVT C. A. ANDRUS
PVT O. C. ARMSTRONG
PVT T. L. ASKEW
PVT B. S. AVELINO
PVT E. AVILES
PVT P. J. BAUER
PVT B. G. BIEGLER
PFC* H. H. BILLINGS
PFC C. L. BRYANT JR.
PVT T. C. BUERGER
PVT E. N. CAMADDO
PFC J. J. CAPPS
PFC B. B. CARIAGA
PFC* M. A. CHERAMIE
PVT D. O. CLARIDY
PVT S. T. COMSTOCK
PVT E. CONTRERASRIOS
PVT J. C. DEPAZ
PVT C. C. DIAL
PVT S. R. DOBBERTIN
PFC H. C. DULATRE
PVT J. S. DULAY
PVT S. P. EOFF
PVT G. J. EOFF
PVT I. J. ESCALON
PFC M. E. FLORESROJAS
PFC J. L. GARCIA
PVT C. G. GIVENS
PFC G. GUTIERREZ
PVT S. GUZMAN JR.
PVT N. W. HANCOCK
PVT C. A. HANSON
PFC J. J. HOERMAN
PVT A. J. HOLM
PFC* K. G. HORNE
PVT A. C. HUGHES

PVT M. LIM
PVT T. D. LIMPY
PFC J. H. LLANTO
PVT D. M. MARCUZZI
PFC D. A. MEIERCHAPMAN
PFC L. J. MOHR
PFC J. E. MOODY
PVT J. D. MORENO
PFC T. T. NGUYEN
PVT C. W. NOLAN
PFC* S. T. ODEA
PFC M. T. PANDEL
PFC M. D. PEACOCK
PVT A. C. PEELSALAZAR
PVT I. Z. PEREZ
PFC A. M. PEREZ
PVT G. M. PRATER
PVT E. RAMIREZ
PFC N. J. RIPLEY
PVT D. S. RIVERA
PFC J. RIVERA
PVT J. R. ROMANELLO
PVT S. S. SALAMANCA
PFC E. A. SANCHEZ
PFC S. SIEU
PFC T. H. SNYDER
PVT Z. J. SWATFIGURE
PFC S. L. TALOSA
PVT K. J. TAPIA
PVT C. TREJO
PFC J. S. WALDICK
PVT J. D. WILLIAMSON
PFC D. B. WOLFGRAM
PFC A. C. WRIGHT
PFC J. ZAMORA

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2162

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT R. DRAYTON

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. ALVIS

SERGEANT D. MAHAMMITT

SERGEANT R. SANTIFER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. G. WRIGHT (292)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. S. CONLEY (334)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT T. W. WILSON

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. ARZATE JR.

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT E. ROSADO

PFC G. R. ABNEY
PVT N. L. AGUIRRE
PVT S. J. ARCHER
PFC E. ARZATE JR.
PVT M. P. JORGENSON
PVT T. J. LARSEN
PFC J. G. MAURER
PFC J. K. MAURICIO
PVT J. MEJIA
PVT R. A. MISRA
PVT M. A. MORALES
PFC J. C. MORRIS
PVT D. L. NEZ
PFC M. J. NICKEL
PFC A. M. PEARSON
PVT H. M. PENNINGTON
PVT C. A. PLYMALE
PVT S. A. REISINGER
PVT S. RODRIGUEZ
PVT T. ROSAMOND
PVT A. J. ROSS
PVT A. M. RUBLE
PVT B. SANTANA
PVT A. M. SHIELDS
PVT L. J. SMITH III
PFC J. M. SPAETH
PVT A. TAPIASALINAS
PVT D. M. THAI
PVT M. V. THOMAS
PVT F. TORRES
PVT R. C. TORRES
PFC T. TRUAX III
PFC X. VALENZUELA
PVT J. J. VANHOOSEN
PVT J. VASQUEZ
PVT C. VAZQUEZRAMOS
PVT J. R. VEGA JR.
PFC* N. G. WRIGHT
PFC* J. L. YEE
PVT A. B. ZWIEG

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2163

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT T. K. SCHILLING

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT T. M. PORTER

SERGEANT J. JOHN

SERGEANT S. PRALLEPETERSON

SERGEANT A. THOMAS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE R. W. MCKAVANAUGH (294)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. A. ARRENDONDO (337)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. E. PESAK

PLATOON HONORMAN

LANCE CORPORAL J. R. MARGIOTTA

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT BEEBE

PFC F. M. ARMAS
PFC J. A. ARMENTA
PFC J. A. ARRENDONDO
PVT F. J. BALOCCA
PFC P. A. BANDY
PFC G. B. BARBA
PFC A. BORJAGOMEZ
PFC A. S. BRAGG
PFC* N. A. BRUNICK
PVT J. L. BRYAN
PVT S. H. CHAFFIN
PVT J. C. CHEE
PVT R. CORDERO JR.
PVT H. E. DANCEL
PFC T. R. FOGARTY
PVT C. R. FRAZEE
PVT A. GALLEGOS
PFC J. P. GALLINAT
PVT B. A. GARCIA
PVT C. N. GARCIA
PFC* N. M. GEVING
PFC G. M. GRIZZLE
PVT J. A. GUARDADO
PFC J. L. GUTIERREZROBLES
PVT G. W. HAMILTON
PFC O. E. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. A. HERRERA
PVT E. J. HIDALGO
PVT J. T. JOHNSON JR.
PVT A. S. JUAREZ
PVT E. JUAREZ
PFC J. P. LANG
PFC* T. Q. LE
PFC H. J. LEWIS
PVT L. K. LOLEY
PFC C. M. LUCERO
PVT T. W. LYON
PVT N. W. MACKIEWICZ
LCPL* J. R. MARGIOTTA
PVT J. D. MARTINEZ

PVT D. A. MCCOMBS
PVT R. W. MCKAVANAUGH
PVT L. J. MCMATH
PFC G. MEJIA
PFC C. A. MERCER
PFC C. H. MITCHELL V
PVT R. A. MONGRAIN
PVT D. B. MOORE
PFC W. M. MOSES
PVT A. MUROACOSTA
PVT N. T. MGHIEM
PFC F. M. NUNEZHUERTA
PVT E. A. OLGUIN
PVT A. PEREZ
PFC* J. Z. PIKE
PVT E. M. PLEDGER
PVT R. RAMIREZ JR.
PVT J. REYNA
PVT J. G. RODRIGUEZ
PVT D. J. RUTLEDGE
PFC D. SALAS
PFC F. M. SALAZAR
PVT R. J. SANCHEZ
PVT J. R. SANCHEZ
PVT E. M. SEWARD
PVT M. W. SHELTON
PVT D. M. SHIELDS
PFC L. A. SIFUENTES
PVT S. SIRISOM
PVT J. R. SMITH
PVT B. K. SPAULDING
PVT D. A. SPENCER
PVT D. B. STIDHAM
PVT G. A. SUAREZ
PFC E. B. TAPP
PVT B. T. TOWNSEND
PFC R. D. WARE
PVT J. A. WHITLOCK
PFC A. L. WU

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON 2165

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT T. H. KASTRUP

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT C. A. MALVEAUX

STAFF SERGEANT I. J. JERNIGAN

SERGEANT D. LUEA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE A. A. MALONE (298)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. G. BYROM (339)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. D. WOODS

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. T. SIMS

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT H. MCCAY

PVT S. ARCIGA
PVT E. O. ARELLANO
PVT M. A. ARROYO
PVT E. P. BALDWIN
PFC N. B. BARNUM
PFC* J. L. BARTON
PVT N. E. BLANK
PVT D. C. BOSWELL
PFC B. T. BROCK
PFC G. C. BUTTON
PFC K. G. BYROM
PVT M. D. CANNON
PVT I. CARDENAS
PFC J. V. CASAS
PFC D. R. CHARBONNEAU
PVT S. I. CHARLES
PVT D. H. CRAIGMILE
PVT J. M. ECKSTINE
PVT B. W. FELT
PFC J. L. FLEENER
PFC P. S. GALVAN
PVT J. N. GARCIAARAGON
PVT C. M. GAYLORD
PVT G. M. GODWIN
PFC B. C. GOMEZ
PVT E. GONZALEZ
PVT J. R. GOODSOLE
PVT M. J. GRAVES
PFC* J. D. HELTON
PVT T. T. HENNIGAN
PVT C. L. HENSLEY
PFC L. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT A. J. HOKANSON
PVT L. M. HOUSH
PVT M. J. KNOLL
PVT M. G. KOMINKIEWICZ
PVT T. J. LAWLER
PFC A. R. LESNAR
PVT J. A. LOPEZ III
PFC C. I. MACEDOCASTELLON
PVT A. A. MALONE

PVT E. M. MARTINEZ
PFC I. R. MARTINEZ JR.
PVT I. B. MATHISON
PVT M. R. MCCARTY
PVT F. S. MCDANIEL
PVT E. J. MEDINA JR.
PVT M. L. MIKLANCIC
PVT J. H. NGUYEN
PFC W. NUNEZDIAZ
PVT E. R. ORTIZSANCHEZ
PVT J. P. OSBORN
PVT J. OSTROVSKY
PFC J. I. PINEDAFIGUEROA
PVT I. ROA
PVT K. D. RODRIGUEZ
PVT E. T. ROEHRIG
PVT A. ROSALES
PVT J. G. SANCHEZ
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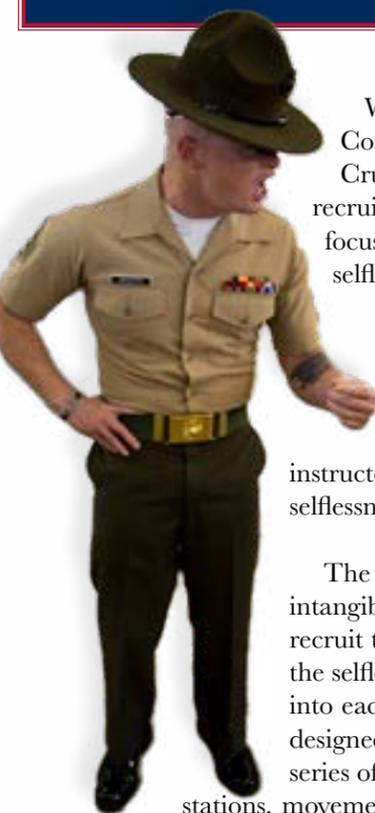
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PHASE II

PHASE II - RECRUIT TRAINING

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

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



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



PHASE III & IV

PHASE III - MOS SCHOOLS

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

PHASE IV - SUSTAINING THE TRANSFORMATION

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



THE TRANSFORMED AMERICAN

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

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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE D. K. HOLBROOKBLAIR (337)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. APPELMEYER

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. A. NORFORK
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PFC D. V. DAVILA
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PVT D. K. HOLBROOKBLAIR
PVT T. S. HONG
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PFC D. L. JENSEN
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PFC C. I. JONES
PFC A. W. KIRKWOOD
PFC A. S. KLORMAN
PFC T. A. KUMP
PFC D. L. LAWVER
PVT Y. D. LITTLE
PVT D. I. MALEEV
PFC C. A. MARQUARDT JR.

PFC V. M. MATIASCARDOZA
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PFC A. F. MILLS
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PFC S. C. REED
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PFC J. C. VEGAJORDAN
PFC B. Q. VUONG
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PVT A. M. WHEELER
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DRILL INSTRUCTORS

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STAFF SERGEANT J. OCHOA

STAFF SERGEANT D. CASEY

SERGEANT A. E. VELASQUEZCASTAGNON

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. R. TRUGON (290)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. A. JAROSZEWSKI (337)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. LOPEZ

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS P. J. OSTRY
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PFC J. ANAND
PFC D. A. ARENASGRUBE
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PFC J. M. BELT
PFC M. BETANCOURTMORALES
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PFC T. W. BROWNING
PVT S. J. BRYER JR.
PFC Z. R. BUSH
PFC N. E. CARLSON
PVT J. R. CENDEJAS JR.
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PVT R. E. DELSIE
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PFC A. E. FLORES
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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.