

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

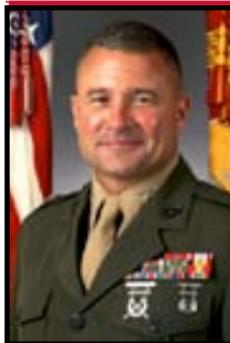
Courage is the mental, moral and physical strength ingrained in Marines. It carries them through the challenges of combat and helps them overcome fear. Likewise, it is the inner strength that enables a Marine to do what is right; to adhere to a higher standard of personal conduct; and to make tough decisions 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
Matthew T. Good**
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Colonel Good is a native of Texas. Upon graduating from Texas A & M University with a degree in Animal Science (Pre-Veterinary), he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in 1995.

Upon graduation from The Basic School and the Infantry Officer's Course, he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment. During this tour, and held the billets of Combined Anti Armor Platoon Commander, Heavy Machine Gun Platoon Commander, Weapons Company Executive Officer, and Alpha Company Commanding Officer. His deployments during this tour included participation as LF6F in support of the 22d MEU and a second deployment in support of the Unit Deployment Program to Okinawa, Japan.

Colonel Good was transferred to Weapons Company 1/23 in Austin, Texas where he served as Inspector-Instructor from 2000-2003. Upon his completion of his tour with 1/23, Colonel Good attended Expeditionary Warfare School in Quantico, Virginia.

Upon completion of Expeditionary Warfare School, Colonel Good reported to 3d Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion (LAR) aboard Marine Air Ground Combat Center, 29 Palms, CA where he served as Company Commander and Operations Officer from 2004 to 2007. While assigned to 3d LAR, he deployed to Okinawa, and in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom 2-2 and 5-7.1.

Upon completion of his tour of duty with 3d LAR, Colonel Good was assigned to Tactical Training and Exercise Control Group (TTECG), where he served as Maneuver Coyote and Operations Officer from 2007 to 2009. Upon completion of his tour of duty with TTECG he attended Command and Staff College, in Quantico, VA.

Following his graduation from Command and Staff College Colonel Good was assigned to the J5, Joint Task Force North where he served as Chief of Plans and Chief of Theatre Security Cooperation from 2010 to 2012.

Following his tour at Joint Task Force North, Colonel Good assumed command of 3d LAR in 2012, where he served as Battalion Commander until 2015.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

After successfully completing his tour as Battalion Commander of 3d LAR, Colonel Good attended Marine Corps War College in Quantico VA. He was then assigned to serve as the Ground Colonel's Monitor, Officer Assignments MMOA, MM, M&RA from 2018-2019, where upon he was selected to command 7th Marine Regiment.

Colonel Good has been married 22 years to the former Julie Ann Young of Andrews, Texas. Together, they have 4 children (Jacob 17, Chad 15, Josiah 11, Anna 8).

His personal awards include: Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 awards), Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3 awards, Combat Distinguishing Device), 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
Colonel Matthew T. Good

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 F. Cruz Jr.
Staff Sergeant M. T. Brock

THIRD RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel A. P. Bariletti
Major L. M. Stow
Sergeant Major G. L. Vega
Lieutenant B. J. McCreanor
Gunnery Sergeant A. Ansley

COMPANY K

Commanding Officer
Company First Sergeant

Captain K. P. Wiles
First Sergeant C. D. Ashley

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain T. S. Engel
Staff Sergeant F. J. Salas

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander
Chief Drill Instructor

Captain K. S. Bobby
Staff Sergeant E. Arteaga

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor
Drum Major

Staff Sergeant B. Z. Reed
Gunnery Sergeant J. W. Dempsey

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer
Rifle Bearer

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

PLATOON 3229

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT M. A. HERRERA

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. M. PHILIP

SERGEANT B. LUIS

SERGEANT J. V. VIVO

SERGEANT Z. E. BROWN

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. L. MARTINEZ (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. I. HERERRA (336)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT A. BENAVIDEZ

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS W. D. ROOD

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT D. M. EVERHART

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. H. MCCULLOUGH (340)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT B. WALLACE

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. A. WEINZLER

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT HAYDEN

PLATOON 3231

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT S. A. HERNANDEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT J. L. DUNN

SERGEANT S. P. HAMMAN

SERGEANT J. KETTER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. B. COLACION (289)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE F. MORENODIAZ (335)

INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL V. A. FRANCONZUETA

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. VASQUEZHERNANDEZ

RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT ROEMER

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. MERCADO (341)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. E. PESAK

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. M. OSMUN

RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT J. BRAGG

PFC J. AGUIRRE
PFC* C. B. APODACA IV
PVT J. J. AVALOS
PVT J. Z. BANANA
PVT A. F. BANQUIL
PVT J. M. BEAR
PVT A. F. BELLO
PVT C. BOOTH
PVT T. A. BOYD
PVT C. R. BURKE
PVT S. T. BURNLEY
PVT C. L. BUTLERRUBINO
PFC A. L. CALVO
PVT C. T. CHAN
PVT M. CORTEZ
PFC* A. H. CORTEZ
PFC C. V. CUNNINGHAM
PVT T. J. DELFINO
PVT J. M. DELOSSANTOS
PVT G. R. DESTEA
PVT J. EVENSON
PVT J. P. FLYNN
PFC M. J. FORREST
PVT M. R. HARKER
PVT J. D. HERNANDEZ
PFC* R. I. HERRERA
PVT S. G. HERRERA
PFC* N. A. LAYNE
PFC B. R. LEE
PFC N. S. LEWIS
PVT A. E. LOPEZ
PVT E. H. LOPEZ
PFC J. J. MAGOS
PVT C. MALDONADOORDUNO
PFC A. L. MARTINEZ
PFC S. J. MATTHEWS

PFC R. I. MEDINA
PVT A. S. MERRIMAN
PVT R. M. MONTOYA
PFC S. F. MOTT
PVT M. T. MOWER
PVT G. A. NAVARRO
PVT J. T. NEWTON
PVT S. A. PADILLA II
PVT A. M. PARRA
PFC A. A. PEREZ
PVT X. E. PETREE
PVT J. G. PONCE
PFC C. D. PORTER
PVT S. ROCA
PVT C. F. RODRIGUEZRODRIGUEZ
PVT A. ROJO
PFC W. B. ROOD
PVT A. SANCHEZ
PVT L. A. SANCHEZ
PFC A. SANDOVALCHAVEZ
PVT F. A. SAUCEDO
PVT T. D. SHAW
PFC M. SHUMAK
PVT S. T. SIMMS
PVT T. W. SLOCUM
PVT E. SOLIS
PVT J. D. STURGIS
PFC* Z. M. TUCKER
PVT I. R. VELAVALLADARES
PVT C. J. WHITMAN
PVT G. S. WILLIAMS
PVT J. B. WOODS III
PFC B. XU
PVT T. M. YANG
PVT K. S. ZEWUDIE

PFC R. J. AGUILERA
PVT J. ALVAHERRERA
PFC J. D. AVILA
PVT T. AYALA
PVT L. A. BAGNISHI
PVT B. A. BANDA
PVT K. L. BLAKEMAN
PVT J. D. CAMPBELL
PVT I. CANADA
PFC A. A. CANIZALES
PVT S. R. COLEMAN
PVT S. M. CORES
PFC D. M. CRADDOCK
PVT J. K. CURRY
PFC J. C. DAVISPARKHURST
PFC J. A. DIAMONON
PVT C. FLORES
PVT J. R. FRITCH
PFC K. E. FULTZ II
PFC A. GONZALEZ
PVT A. GUZMAN III
PVT D. T. JACKSON
PVT M. E. KINGADE
PVT T. J. KIRKMAN
PFC* M. A. KORNAK
PVT W. R. KUCZMARSKI III
PVT L. J. LAVIOLETTE
PVT K. A. LEWIS
PVT M. A. MALDONADO
PFC M. M. MALENGA
PVT B. S. MANASSE
PVT H. W. MANN
PFC* K. O. MARTIN
PVT M. L. MATTERNHALL
PFC R. A. MAYORGA
PFC* E. H. MCCULLOUGH
PFC N. R. MEDINA
PVT M. B. MILLER
PVT S. W. MITCHELL

Meritorious Promotion *

PFC J. L. MORALES
PVT M. A. MORRISEY
PFC C. G. MULL
PVT T. M. OLIVER
PVT J. G. PACHECO
PVT M. H. PATEL
PVT J. E. PERRY
PFC E. E. QUINTANA
PVT J. S. QUINTERO
PFC J. B. RAMIREZ
PVT O. N. REED
PFC* T. A. ROBISON
PVT J. M. RODRIGUEZ
PFC* E. RODRIGUEZ III
PFC F. H. SANCHEZORTIZ
PVT N. S. SETTLE
PVT A. J. SMITH
PVT M. A. SMITHVALENTINE
PVT R. L. SPANGLER
PVT P. C. STANTON
PVT W. J. STARKS
PVT A. J. STROUD
PVT A. P. SWORDS
PFC J. D. TANNER
PVT A. M. TAYLOR
PVT J. V. TOUCH
PVT L. D. TUTWILER
PVT K. A. URBINA
PVT Z. A. VILLASENOR
PVT M. K. WALDON
PVT J. B. WALKER
PFC* B. A. WEINZLER
PFC K. A. WINDERS
PVT T. M. WINGARD
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PFC J. YOON
PVT G. ZARCO
PVT H. J. ZENONI

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PVT K. A. ALBAYALDE
PVT P. ANDRADE
PVT B. C. AUSTIN
PFC F. J. BARAJAS
PVT T. B. BARNEY
PVT A. N. BARRANCO
PVT N. P. BATES
PFC J. J. BAXA
PVT D.W. BENGGE
PVT J. A. BONILLA
PVT L. K. BRADLEY
PVT C. M. CARDENAS
PFC* N. J. CHRISTENSEN
PFC* A. B. COLACION
PVT J. K. COLLINS
PVT W. J. CORDERO
PVT D. C. DEGENEFEE
PVT W. R. DIAZACOSTA
PFC* M. B. DIZON
PVT J. L. DONALDSON
PVT E. E. DUHANEY
PVT G. A. EADES
PVT P. S. GARCIA
PVT A. GARCIA JR.
PFC T. J. GRAHAM
PVT A. F. GOMEZ
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PVT T. J. GRAHAM
PFC J. I. GUERRA
PVT H. M. GUZMANGONZALEZ
PVT C. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT J. LUNA
PFC* L. S. MAISONET
PFC A. D. MCGOWAN
PFC G. D. MEHAN
PVT J. D. MELLNICK
PVT K. A. MICHELSON
PVT E. A. MORENO
PVT F. MORENODIAZ

Meritorious Promotion *

PVT D. A. MUNOZ
PVT O. A. NEVAREZ
PVT L. R. O'DONNELL
PFC G. ORTIZ
PVT J. J. PASILLAS
PVT J. PATRICIO
PFC G. D. PATTERSON
PVT A. PENA
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PVT A. N. PULIDO
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PVT J. S. BEJERANO
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PVT M. C. FITZGERALD
PVT K. L. FORGEY
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PVT D. E. GARCIA
PVT L. G. GARCIA
PVT A. J. GARZA
PFC B. A. GONZALEZ
PVT J. D. GRIMBERG
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Meritorious Promotion *

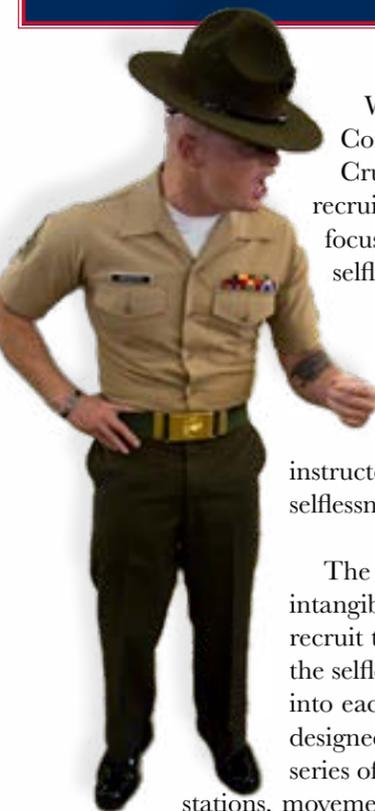
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PFC* R. M. MADSEN
PVT M. A. MARTINEZ
PFC* J. MERCADO
PFC R. E. MOORE JR.
LCPL P. J. MORELLHERNANDEZ
PFC* A. M. OSMUN
PVT M. J. OLSON
PVT N. A. PADILLA
PVT R. C. PARKER
PFC T. A. PATTON
PFC J. S. PEASLEE
PVT C. J. PETTY
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PFC M. E. SALAS
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PFC M. E. STAPLETON
PVT E. D. STORY
PFC P. A. TEPPE
PFC A. M. TIETHOFF
PVT B. J. TOTZKE
PVT M. TREVINOCAPERON
PVT I. VASQUEZ
PVT F. VICENTE
PVT R. VILLAVALENZUELA JR.
PVT A. A. WELLS

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 3234

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT M. D. HERNANDEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. D. MATOS

STAFF SERGEANT J. BARRERA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. A. ANYAPADILLA (291)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE A. G. MIRANDA (336)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL N. A. GOSSET

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. M. GALVIN
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT D. PUNKE

PFC A. ALMEIDA
PVT E. E. AMBRIZCALDERON
PFC M. A. ANAYAPADILLA
PVT A. I. ANDERMAN
PFC D. A. ARELLANO
PFC N. M. AUGUSTINE
PVT B. N. BAILEY
PVT H. B. BALINGIT III
PVT T. A. BEADLE
PVT L. A. BRANTMEIER
PVT A. G. CASTILLO
PFC M. Y. CUEVASRAMIREZ
PVT R. L. DAY
PVT E. J. DELAPAZ
PVT J. A. DELRIO JR.
PVT D. L. ESPINOZA
PVT C. J. FLORES
PVT S. A. FLORES
PFC J. M. GALVIN
PFC P. GASCAGASCA
PVT S. F. GAULDING
PVT W. S. GOLDBERG
PFC* R. GONZALEZ
PFC K. C. GORDON
PVT L. P. GROSS JR.
PVT J. R. GUERRERO
PFC* F. HERMENEGILDOHINOJOSA
PVT D. R. HERNANDEZ
PVT T. R. HORVATH
PVT A. K. HOUSTON
PVT C. E. KELLY
PVT P. R. KELLY
PVT D. LICHTENSTEIN
PVT B. J. LOFY
PFC A. R. LUJAN

PFC M. L. MATICORENA
PFC J. E. MCKEON
PVT J. W. MELLUM
PFC Z. D. MEYER
PVT G. K. MEYERS
PVT A. G. MIRANDA
PFC* A. M. MOORE
PVT C. L. PALERMO
PFC J. J. PARR
PFC J. J. PEAR
PFC* B. A. PERRY
PVT E. J. PETTIGREW
PVT R. D. REDINGER
PVT J. B. RHODES
PVT C. D. RICHARDS
PVT S. M. SAVAGE
PFC D. R. SCHOFF
PFC J. M. SCOVILLE
PFC L. SILVAMORENO
PFC J. R. SLAVIN
PVT A. A. SMITH
PVT J. D. SORIANOMARTINEZ
PVT M. B. SOSADAGDAGAN
PVT Z. D. STALLINGS
PVT N. W. STIRLEN
PVT T. R. STUMPF
PVT H. E. THOMPSON
PVT H. O. TOOLEY III
PVT J. P. VANWAGNER
PVT M. S. WALLANDER
PVT A. M. WARD
PVT D. P. WARE
PVT D. M. WEAVER
PFC* R. C. WHITEHEAD
PVT T. L. YANG
PFC T. YOU

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PLATOON 3235

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT J. A. SEGOVIA

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT E. J. IRIZARRY

SERGEANT E. VELAZQUEZCAMACHO

SERGEANT J. L. DUNN

SERGEANT J. FARRELL

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS Z. D. GOLDEN (295)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. R. PIER (340)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL M. M. LICANO

PLATOON HONORMAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. SILVA
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT L. R. SAINTPIERRE

PVT V. L. ALVARADO
PFC J. AUGUST
PVT T. L. BANKS
PVT A. K. BERNARDINO
PFC F. B. BONILLO
PVT P. D. BORCHERT
PVT Y. CHAI
PFC J. A. COLEBRODNAX
PVT J. A. COLOMA
PVT M. CUEVAS
PVT J. T. CUEVAS JR.
PFC J. J. DELGADILLO JR.
PVT J. G. DENNING
PVT D. K. DEREGOSOJOT
PVT H. M. DUARTE
PVT J. N. DUNCAN
PFC M. A. ELKHEIR
PVT N. A. ENGLESPEREZ
PVT J. J. ERVIN
PVT R. R. ESPARZA
PVT C. A. ESPEJO
PVT J. T. FERGUSON
PVT J. M. FERNANDEZ
PVT E. FLORES
PVT A. I. FLORES
PFC A. C. FLOYD
PFC A. FRANCO
PVT J. S. FREEMANWILLIS
PFC O. A. GAGNIER
PVT M. A. GARCIA
PVT C. A. GENTRY
PFC* J. L. GILBANE
PVT L. P. GLAZEWSKI
PFC* Z. D. GOLDEN
PFT S. GOMEZGIRALDO
PVT A. D. GUTIERREZMARISCAL
PVT A. T. HARRIS
PVT D. P. HAYEK

PVT C. HERRERA JR.
PVT C. R. HON
PVT C. K. HUGHES
PVT M. ISLAS
PVT J. B. JACALNE
PFC M. A. KIIHNL
PFC M. C. KNUTSON
PFC M. R. KNUTSON
PVT D. L. MAGEE
PVT M. E. MAHBOUB
PVT A. M. MALISHESKE
PFC* S. MANNY
PVT B. E. MEINERSHAGEN II
PVT C. P. MENDIOLA
PFC E. M. MINTZ
PVT A. T. MORRIS
PVT D. T. NOLAN
PFC J. M. OROZCOSOTO
PVT J. PARRA
PVT D. L. PHAN
PVT N. Z. PIEDRA
PFC S. R. PIER
PVT T. L. RANDEL
PFC A. J. REYES
PVT J. J. SANCHEZ
PVT E. W. SANTANA
PVT J. K. SAWAKED
PVT D. G. SCHUTTE
PVT R. L. SEALS
PFC* T. SILVA
PVT L. K. SOE
PVT B. K. TESTON
PVT F. J. VAZQUEZCASTILLO
PVT M. A. VEGAVILLALOBOS
PFC* T. D. WHITLOCK
PVT P. H. WILSON
PFC S. A. WINKLE

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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.