

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 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, CA, 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 around the world. The Depot has the responsibility to train male and female 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 at San Diego’s Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition.

Thirteen buildings have been named for famous Marines, such a Daly Barracks, Pendleton Hall, Lejuene Hall, McDougall Hall, and Day Hall. Today, the Depot has 388 acres and 25 buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT



On behalf of Brigadier General James A. Ryans II, Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Western Recruiting Region, and the Marines, Sailors and civilian Marines of Recruit Training Regiment, welcome to this morning’s graduation ceremony. Your presence here today is greatly appreciated. As we recognize your Marine’s significant accomplishment, enjoy this special day in their 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 Marines who have succeeded in that challenge. Your Marine has been prepared physically, mentally and emotionally in a time-tested process whereby they have 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. They have 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.

Semper Fidelis,

P. M. Rummler
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 “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, and 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



Major General
Robert C. Fulford
Commanding General
1st Marine Division

Major General Fulford was commissioned in 1992 after graduation from the United States Naval Academy.

A career infantry officer, his assignments in the Fleet Marine Force include Rifle Platoon Commander and Combined Anti- Armor Team Platoon Commander in Battalion Landing Team 1/4 including deployments with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) and 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable); Rifle Company Commander in Battalion Landing Team 2/8, deploying with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable); Operations Officer, 2/8, deploying with Task Force Tarawa / Amphibious Task Force-East in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM 1; Commanding Officer, Battalion Landing Team 3/2 deploying twice with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit; Commanding Officer, Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force – Crisis Response – Africa deploying in support of U.S. Africa Command; and Commanding Officer 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, deploying in support of U.S. European Command and U.S. Central Command.

Other assignments include tactics instructor, staff platoon commander, and instructor at the Infantry Officer Course, The Basic School; Commanding Officer, Recruiting Station Baltimore, Maryland; Senior Aide de Camp to the 35th Commandant of the Marine Corps; Division Chief, Joint Staff, J5 Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate; and Director, Expeditionary Warfare School.

As a General Officer, he has served as the Legislative Assistant to the 38th Commandant of the Marine Corps; as the Deputy Director of Operations, U.S. European Command; and as the Deputy Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force.

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

Major General Fulford is a graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry Officer’s Advance Course, the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, the School of Advanced Warfighting, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Major General Fulford’s personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (3), Bronze Star with Combat Distinguishing Device, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Army Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and 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 their superior performance during recruit training.

SERIES HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their 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 their superior performance during recruit training.

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their 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 they are the honor graduate of their 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 they are the high shooter in the company. The company high shooter also receives a certificate from the Company Commander denoting that they are 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 they are the most physically fit Marine in their 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	Brigadier General J. A. Ryans II
Chief of Staff	Colonel C. R. Von Bergen
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major O. A. Leavy
Parade Reviewing Officer	Major General R. C. Fulford

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer	Colonel P. M. Rummler
Executive Officer	Lieutenant Colonel C. E. Kesler
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major J. J. Miller
Regimental Drill Master	Gunnery Sergeant K. M. Wilton
Narrator	Staff Sergeant D. F. Gomez

THIRD RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant Colonel M. M. Phelps
Executive Officer	Major S. P. Kierman
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major V. I. Kholodov
Chaplain	Lieutenant K. Chur
Battalion Drill Master	Staff Sergeant J. E. Landis

COMPANY M

Commanding Officer	Captain N. A. Listro
Company First Sergeant	First Sergeant C. N. Bates

SERIES 3269

Series Commander	Captain J. A. Regan
Chief Drill Instructor	Gunnery Sergeant E. I. Teloncalderon

SERIES 3273

Series Commander	Captain M. E. Michael
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant J. S. Wallace-Sipp

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor	Staff Sergeant R. Ponsor-DeChant
Drum Major	Gunnery Sergeant W. Hayes

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer	Sergeant E. Juste
Organizational Color Bearer	Sergeant S. Smith
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant E. Banlaoi
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant J. Rubio

PLATOON
3269

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT D. DEMPSEY

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT E. MORALES
SERGEANT A. DOMINGUEZ
SERGEANT A. PARK

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. M. WILSON (289)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE J. LIM (328)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT P. A. SANSBURY

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. HERNANDEZ DIAZ
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT LAYTON

PFC* M. ARIAS
PVT A. G. AVILAMAYA
PFC* Y. I. BECERRA
PVT J. J. BENSON
PVT L. N. BORD
PVT S. BRYANT
PVT K. I. CARRENORUIZ
PVT C. E. CASENAVE
PVT E. A. CHAPARRO
PVT L. G. CHIGUILCRUZ
PFC K. J. DAYTON
PFC R. C. DEGUZMAN
PFC G. I. DIEGUEZ
PVT C. D. ESCOBAR
PFC M. D. FLANIGAN
PVT J. GARCIA
PVT R. GARCIATERRON
PVT H. R. GIBSON
PVT D. GOMEZ
PFC* V. F. GONZALEZ
PVT A. GONZALEZCASTILLO
PVT R. GONZALEZPEREZ
PVT D. P. GUEL
PVT J. R. GYORFI
PVT A. L. HALLAND
PFC M. M. HEARNE
PFC M. I. HERNANDEZ DIAZ
PFC* K. G. HONGEVA
PFC A. E. JONES
PVT J. A. JONES
PVT C. I. JUAREZ
PVT J. E. KEO
PVT S. M. KIRK
PFC A. N. KRANZ
PFC J. L. LAFAYETTE

PFC N. M. LAKINS
PVT A. H. LEAL
PVT S. K. LEMUSCANAS
PVT J. LIM
PVT L. L. LOPEZ
PVT Y. LOPEZALAVEZ
PVT A. E. MARCOS
PFC M. J. MCBRIDE
PFC M. R. MERODIOGARCIA
PVT W. N. MONROY
PVT E. J. NORMAN
PVT A. I. POSADAS
PFC C. E. PULLER
PVT A. RAMOSANGUIANO
PVT D. E. RANGEL
PVT C. L. REID
PFC F. RODRIGUEZ
PFC L. J. ROJAS
PFC E. C. ROOS
PFC C. N. SEXTON
PVT J. SHEEWAKARN
PVT E. G. SOLIS
PFC* I. J. SPEARS
PFC S. TEODORO
PFC E. L. THOMPSON
PVT A. A. TRAN
PVT K. S. TYLER
PFC M. K. ULBERG
PVT M. S. VALLE
PFC K. M. VAZQUEZ
PVT V. VELASQUEZMEX
PFC Y. VILLANUEVAVILLARREAL
PVT N. A. WALLACE
PFC* E. M. WILSON

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON
3270

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. S. DUENAS

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT T. S CHAGNON
SERGEANT R. R GARCIA
SERGEANT J. PACHECO
SERGEANT J. LEE

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. H TONGE (286)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE W. E. HAYES JR. (344)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT S. M. HATTON

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS M. I. ANDRADE
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT RODRIGUEZ

PVT M. A. ADAMS
PVT A. J. AGUONSANTOS
PVT K. L. ALEXANDER
PVT M. R ANDERSON JR.
PFC M. I. ANDRADE
PVT J. H. APODACACASTILLO
PFC D. A ARANARONCAGLIOLO
PVT D. M. BELDON
PFC P. M. BERG
PFC* C. R. BLEDSOE
PFC J. M. BLUE
PFC W. J. BODNAR
PVT M. R. BURTONEEMISSE
PFC* X. J. CAMACHO
PFC M. C. CAMARGOCORONADO
PVT K. T. CANZLER
PFC D. S. CEKARMIS III
PVT S. A. CISNEROS
PFC K. R. CLARK
PVT J. A. CONTRERAS
PVT J. CORTINA
PVT S. I. DELACRUZ
PVT M. A. DELGADO
PVT H. E. DICKERSON
PVT N. M. DUVEN
PVT R. I. DUANTE
PVT M. D. FANNING JR.
PFC N. T. FICHTEL
PVT J. A. GONZALEZ
PVT B. M. GOODIN
PVT J. K. GRIFFIN
PVT A. N. GUILLENVARGAS
PVT M. D. HAMBLIN
PVT W. E. HAYES JR.
PFC N. W. HEBERT
PVT E. J. HERNANDEZ
PVT M. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT O. HERRERADUBON
PVT B. JOSEPH
PFC* P. J. KANSANA III
PVT A. C. KING
PFC J. A. KLOSINSKI
PFC F. LAAUPESE
PFC E. F. LACISTE

PVT D. W. LAFFERTY
PVT B. LALIMO
PFC O.W. LEE
PVT P. C. LOCKE
PFC A. LOPEZSANCHEZ
PVT J. O. LOWDERMILK
PVT T. M. LUXFORDREID
PFC E. E. MARCIAL
PVT A. MARTINEZ
PVT K. B. MCCUTCHEON
PFC* P. R. MCMAHON
PVT P. D. MILLER
PFC E. S. MLESCHNITZA
PFC E. G. MORALES
PFC E. D. MORAN
PFC P. J. MURPHY
PVT L. NGUYEN
PFC T. T. NGUYEN
PVT M. L. PALMA
PFC E. M. PEREZ
PVT M. J. PEREZ
PFC J. M. PLENCNER
PVT E. J. RANGEL
PVT J. L. REYES III
PVT C. C. REYES
PFC J. SAGARIO
PVT I. E. SCOTT
PVT N. S. SEKHON
PVT C. P. SHOOK
PVT K. D. SIMINAK
PFC X. D. SLATER
PVT M. SOTOREZA
PVT S. T. STALEY
PFC D. E. STANTON
PFC* M. SYLLA
PFC J. S. THEODORE
PVT A. D. TILLMAN
PFC L. H. TONGE
PVT D. S. WAY
PVT M. R. WEHRI
PVT Z. C. WIEGERT
PVT A. P. WORHATCH
PFC H. J. ZAMBRANOALVAREZ
PFC* T. J. ZELT

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON
3271

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
GUNNERY SERGEANT O. MARSHALL

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

GUNNERY SERGEANT Y. ZUNIGA
STAFF SERGEANT F. MEJIA
SERGEANT J. LEE
SERGEANT J. SALAZAR

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. T. AMMUNDSON (291)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE C. P. MCCORMICK (334)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL EGGEN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. J. VENTURA
RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT QUEVEDO

PFC E. T. AMMUNDSON
PVT V. M. ANDRADEMATA
PVT B. M. ANOUMA
PVT J. ARELLANOVEGA
PVT J. A. ARROYOS
PFC T. R. BAILEY
PVT A. T. BALDWIN
PVT Z. L. BARTON
PVT A. C. BOLTZ
PFC C. J. BOWEN
PVT J. A. BRAVO
PVT C. A. BROWN
PVT C. W. BROWN
PFC* B. A. CAMERON
PVT I. J. CANO
PVT E. CERVANTES
PFC B. CHAVEZLOPEZ
PVT M. A. CISNERSSANDOVAL
PFC J. R. CORDOVA
PVT A. C. COSTANZA
PVT A. R. COTA
PFC* D. M. DALHOVER
PVT I. C. DEJESUS
PVT M. J. DELGADOFELIPE
PVT S. ELIZARRARAZ
PVT J. EVANGELISTA JR.
PFC C. D. FELTZ
PVT H. R. FLETCHER
PVT C. GAMBOA
PVT E. GARCIA
PVT J. C. GOLLRAD
PFC S. C. GORDON
PVT E. GUERRERO
PVT K. A. HARRIMAN
PVT J. A. HARRIS
PFC L. A. HUDSON
PVT A. J. IHDE
PVT R. JAVALERA
PVT A. B. JOHNSON
PVT N. S. KEZIOS
PVT N. A. KOVACH
PVT P. N. LARA
PVT M. D. LEYEN
PFC* T. J. WILSON
PVT I. O. LONGORIA
PVT E. L. LOPEZ
PVT S. T. LOVELAND

PVT A. LOZOYA
PVT Y. J. LUBAG
PVT A. E. MARQUEZ JR.
PVT J. J. MARTINEZ
PVT S. M. MARTINEZ
PVT R. J. MARTINEZSOLIS
PFC J. R. MATHERSHED
PVT S. M. MAURER
PVT C. P. MCCORMICK
PVT T. P. MCKAY
PFC A. J. MENDOZA
PVT J. A. MENDOZA
PVT C. R. MILLER
PFC A. D. MORALES
PVT A. M. MULLEN
PFC J. S. NOVAK
PVT S. M. NUNEZ
PVT R. J. OTTABERRY
PFC M. R. OVIEDO
PFC A. M. PERRY
PVT H. E. POULIVAATIPARESI
PVT R. K. REEDER
PVT E. REYES II
PVT A. REYEZMARQUEZ
PVT C. L. RIPPERGER
PVT S. A. RUIZ
PVT A. D. RUSSELBROWN
PVT K. SALAZAR
PFC A. D. SANCHEZ
PVT S. D. SANTIAGODEJESUS
PVT A. SAUCEDO
PVT N. R. SCHARN
PFC R. C. SCOTT
PFC* J. D. SMITH
PVT D. TAMEZ
PFC J. A. TESCHENDORF
PVT D. M. THORTON
PVT K. M. TOTH
PVT I. VALDIVIA
PFC* B. J. VENTURA
PVT A. J. WALTER
PVT J. D. WHITE
PVT G. T. WILLIAMS
PVT M. J. JIMENEZ
PVT B. O. JOHNSON
PVT P. YANG
PVT J. R. ZAKKA
PFC* G. J. ZUNIGAGARCIA

Meritorious Promotion *

PLATOON
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT S. O'KEEFE

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT K. GUMIRAN
SERGEANT H. HICKEN
SERGEANT N. ESTRADA
SERGEANT J. MONTELONGO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. J. LOPEZ (292)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS I. A. VIGIL (338)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT KELLY

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS G. H. SOLOMON
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT BUSTAMANTA

PFC R. J. ACOSTA
PVT J. O. ALVARADO
PFC F. AMAYA
PFC H. ARELLANO
PVT L. D. ATIENZA
PVT I. AVENDANO
PFC U. BAEZ
PFC M. S. BAPTISTA
PFC V. C. BARTHEL
PVT R. BASURTO
PVT D. C. BERTIE
PVT I. G. BROWN
PVT C. S. CARRIZALES GONZALEZ
PVT D. Y. CEBALLOS
PVT J. CEBALLOS
PVT C. CENDEJAS
PFC A. CONTRERAS
PFC C. M. DEES II
PVT D. I. DELOCKROY
PVT B. A. DILES
PFC* J. J. DOYLE
PFC J. D. ESCOBEDO
PFC E. ESTRADA
PVT J. V. FERRARI
PFC* R. A. FISHER
PFC K. L. FLOYD JR.
PFC T. A. GALATI
PVT J. C. GARCIA
PVT I. M. GARCIAGARZA
PVT E. K. GARCIAGUERRERO
PFC J. GARZA
PVT M. R. GOMEZ
PFC L. A. GONZALEZ
PVT B. GONZALEZSALAZAR
PVT J. J. GUITRON
PVT M. M. HERNANDEZ
PVT C. U. HERNDON
PVT E. P. HURLEY
PVT L. JAIMES
PVT C. M. JERPSETH
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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 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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DRILL INSTRUCTORS
SERGEANT M. RAMIREZ
STAFF SERGEANT B. LETTER
SERGEANT T. POE
SERGEANT Z. STRADER
SERGEANT COOPER

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. I. HAYES (289)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. L. QUAKENBUSH (330)
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL C. RODRIGUEZ

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PVT L. F. CORONADO
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PVT A. CRUZJUAREZ
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PFC W. G. FLOWERS JR.
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PVT O. S. GOMEZ JR.
PVT E. GONZALEZ
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PFC N. J. GOODWIN
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PVT N. F. HUTCHISON
PVT D. M. JACKSON
PVT M. T. KERMODE
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PVT P. W. MIESZALA
PVT J. J. MILLER
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PVT A. R. OLALLEYYE
PVT A. A. ORTA
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PFC F. A. ROMEO
PVT A. I. ROMEROSANCHEZ
PVT M. J. RUD
PVT D. C. RUDOFSKI
PVT B. D. RUSHING
PVT R. SANDOVAL
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PVT J. R. TIJERINA JR.
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PFC L. A. CARVAJALXAMBA
PVT J. C. CASTRO
PVT C. I. CHAVEZ
PVT B. S. CHIRSTINA
PFC J. N. COVARRUBIAS
PFC C. E. COVARRUBIASHERNANDEZ
PVT J. R. COX
PVT L. R. DARNEAL
PVT T. C. DUKES
PFC C. J. DUNN
PFC B. F. EDER
PFC B. C. FRIAS
PVT A. W. GALINDO
PVT A. GARCIAVILLAVICENCIO
PFC G. J. GARZA
PFC T. J. GIFFT
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PFC O. A. HOWELL
PVT A. D. IBARRAPELAYO
PFC B. L. JEFFERY
PFC P. J. JIMINEZ
PFC V. A. KAMBOURIAN
PVT L. N. KEENER
PVT T. T. LE
PFC M. A. LEDEZMA
PFC E. A. LEE
PFC F. LIZARRAGA
PFC J. A. LOPEZ
PVT S. Y. LOPEZGARCIA
PVT M. LOPEZGRANDE
PVT J. T. MADRID

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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 has committed 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: the determination to overcome any obstacle that stands in the 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.