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BE OUR GUEST



Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, and Delta are all united under one roof. Dead silence hangs in the air; there is no teasing, no taunting, nor any company rivalry...at least not today, and definitely not right now. Joining them are the League Cadets of Aviation and Leadership and the Sea Cadets of Medical Training. All together in the same room, facing a podium front and center, the cadets are all in for a treat – whether they know it or not.

“ATTENTION ON DECK!” is yelled, and those that are sitting scramble to their feet and stand at attention to welcome the incoming visitor.

“At ease, seats,” says the newcomer.

“Seats, aye aye, sir,” the cadets all respond in unison, their voices filling the crowded room.

One-star General Lebidine is now making his way to the center of the classroom, and his movements are followed by the expectant eyes of those within the perimeter of the general vicinity. He is easygoing in his speech to the cadets, and admires all of those in front of him.

“I salute all of you,” he begins. Then, he begins his story of how he decided to become a marine. During his speech, there are moments of laughter and seriousness. One thing he said that caught me the most was when he said, “You’ve

got time. You’ve got time to figure everything out. There is no rush.” Time is a stressful subject for anyone, and a great deal of the population seems to see nothing in their headlights but due dates and deadlines, and nothing in their rearview mirrors but “should-haves” and expiration dates.

Wrapping up his speech, he tells all the cadets that just by doing what they’re doing, they’re bound to have great futures. He begins to take questions from the audience: “What was it like in combat?” “What made you pick the Marines over any other branch of the military?” “Do you ever regret joining the military?” “How was Marine boot camp?” All these questions are answered with both sincerity and humor, which makes the cadets feel relaxed.

Even before he leaves the room, the nervous tension that filled the air previously is now gone. He’s made it clear that he is just a normal person, and the recruits, leaguers, and cadets appreciate it. . . A few more photos are snapped, and he is out the door, yet his words of wisdom are left behind in the hearts and minds of all.

SA Scott

ALPHA COMPANY

Today was a great day for Alpha, even though they messed up and went the wrong way to the chow hall. All is ok now, their ARPOC just made a little mistake. All is good again.



This is a picture of Alpha Company’s CC yelling at the ARPOC. The funny thing is that the CC was jumping up and down. Man was he mad! So mad I got scared. I bet the

ARPOC was scared as well. I feel Alpha’s pain. He was so scared he jumped.

They also did PT today. They had a lot of struggles with physical training. When they were doing flutter kicks most of them did not do it. The reason why is because some cadets weren’t hydrated. Also, they were too slow to get on their feet. So Petty Officer Fitzpatrick made them do more flutter kicks. After a while they got the hang of it, and they did wonderful! OOHRAH ALPHA!!



APR Ramirez, SA Lockmann

BRAVO COMPANY

On Wednesday Bravo Company had an extremely busy schedule: stepping off to chow early, going back to the barracks to change into their PT gear, only to march to the field to do a workout. Later in the day, all of the companies went to the classroom where their

knowledge expanded on the subjects of watch standing, military time, rendering courtesies while boarding a ship, etc. Bravo Company's Division Officer allowed two photojournalism cadets to interview him. All the companies looked sharper than usual, probably due to the motivation that the higher-ups gave them. Bravo Company is all about teamwork and determination, no matter how hard the task at hand is, Bravo Company will give it their all. Only time will tell which company succeeds as Honor Company



AN Culp, SA Bradbury

CHARLIE COMPANY



On 12 JUL 13, Charlie Company earned a marching meatball today, where it settled next to the ones from personnel, barracks, and the other marching meatballs that were earned yesterday. Charlie Company and the

other companies changed into their PT gear after coming back from their morning chow, marching to the field immediately after. PT was an extensive workout that was centered on the abs and legs, making the battalion work really hard. When the workout finished, the companies went (yet again) to the barracks, where the working uniforms were donned and the battalion headed over to the classroom, sheltered from the scorching heat of the sun. After an extensive period of time in the classroom, the companies went over to the chow hall, where the trainees hurriedly ate their food. Because RT is all about learning, achieving, and succeeding, the trainees went to the classroom only to study their notes taken earlier. Later that day, a marching drill ensued with Charlie Company proudly demonstrating their skills of staying in-step, their meatballs soaring proudly above the guide-on. Charlie Company (so far) has the most meatballs out of the whole battalion. The rest of the companies will continue to strengthen and improve their teambuilding skills, as well as their can-do attitude.



AN Culp

DELTA COMPANY

The Delta Company today did an amazing job in PT. They

did things like pushups, jumping jacks, and dog bombers. They were really motivated and we barely heard the other companies. We were amazed at how loud they were in PT.

The DIVO of Delta Company said this "You are the most athletic group I have ever met," to all the companies. You parents, make sure your recruits do at least a short exercise once a day, and then you can let them play video games. The recruits are really progressing from when they checked in. We think the recruits are more disciplined this summer.

PO2 Ferreria, RC Vayner



MEDICAL

Bodies Everywhere! Who goes to assess and triage them? That's right, Medical! Today they learned how to triage mass casualties. A few cadets were assigned an injury and some were chosen to go play dead. Then, another group



was chosen to go out and assess each patient, group them by how serious their injuries were, and treat them accordingly. Today, cadets and leaguers worked together to reach a common goal

and execute what needed to be done. What they learned today was important test material and they will be tested on it soon. Good luck Medical, and keep up the phenomenal work!

PO1 Janji, E2 Scott

PHOTOJOURNALISM



BEHIND THE CAMERA

It's time for the spot light to fall on someone not usually in front of the camera. "The photographers of Photojournalism". The photojournalism training has been keeping up with each training and companies since day one. They take the pictures of all the cadets, officers, staff, etc. so no one has to feel left out. Every day they report to the Division Officer of each company and follow them for the entire day taking pictures and notes. Then we report back to the classroom and write up what LTJG Cox calls Tidbits". Tidbits are the articles for our newsletter. These articles will then be a part of the newsletter which gets printed and posted all



around the barracks and to the website so that everyone will be kept up to date. At the end of each day the pictures are posted on the website and Facebook for friends and family to see. All this happens every day for the photographers.
SA Larkin

SAILING

As Seaman Apprentice Bradbury and Airman Culp arrived at Del Mar Marina, the leaguers were just arriving back into the docks to clean off their kayaks that they the entire morning.



After a couple of great photos of the leaguers in the kayaks, Bradbury and Culp ate some Subway with the wet leaguers who were excited about their fun experiences of this morning. When lunch finished, the leaguers retired to the classroom, where they went over complicated situations for sailing. The instructor finished up their lessons and got ready to set sail on the small sailboats. Bradbury and Culp followed the league-cadets in a small electric boat with the instructor. The leaguers used their knowledge of sailing to control the tiller and sails, gracefully completing two laps around the buoys set up inside of the water testing course. Unfortunately, Bradbury and Culp had to leave before the league-cadets set sail again. But tomorrow is the final test for these leaguers, we wish them the best of luck!



SA Bradbury, AN Culp

AVIATION



Aviation isn't just all planes. Helicopters are included too! Aviation went on a big field trip to marine core air Line Company. We witnessed the simulator. We all felt sick when first got out the boys felt better after chow. They were taught about the different kinds of air craft. We did hands on activities and in class activities they were all fun .I'm so sad to see them go so soon .They have done such an outstanding job in this past week!



ABC Agular, APR Ross

OPERATIONS (OPS)



Airman Culp and Seaman Apprentice Bradbury visited operations to interview Cadet Davey, Cadet Cartland, and Cadet Lockmann to get the inside scoop on what Operations do every day.

When asked what "OPS" meant, Cadets Davey and Cartland replied with a chortle, "Operations." Operations is actually the foundation for Recruit Training, they maintain the building, distribute and replenish supplies, receive and deliver emails, control the key distribution, and fix supplies and tools as well as many other actions that keeps everything in spotless condition. Lockmann works for the league operations and follows the officer's priorities, helping out whenever possible. Without the cadet and league Operations, every single training would not be able to run smoothly and function properly.
AN Culp

LEADERSHIP

Today leadership cadets presented an exam, and one of the things they tested on was the principle of BAMCIS. It is six



troop leading steps; Begin Planning, Arrange recon, Make recon, Command signal, Initiate plan, and Supervise. They learned the skills of communications using

email, phones, and radios. They formed a platoon and got graded on using drill cards. They discussed ways to overcome fear and types of feelings that cause fear, such as confusion. They talked about using motivation and proficiency to overcome fear. An important point they were taught was to pay attention to detail. One example of paying attention was on the exam they took today. One of the questions was "LCDR Franklin's favorite candy is....A) Oreos B) Jolly Ranchers C) Broccoli D) Apples" Many students didn't realize only one answer was a candy



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