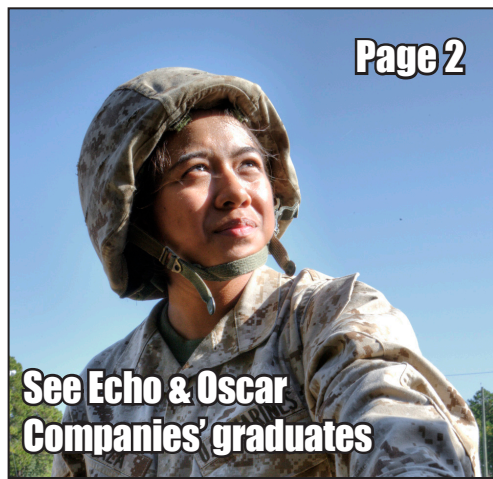


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Photo by Lance Cpl. Caitlin Maluda
Rct. Aaron Barnard, of Platoon 2062, Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, responds to commands given by instructors before rappelling down the 47-foot tower at Parris Island on June 12. Barnard, a 19-year-old from Jeromesville, Ohio, graduates today.

Oscar and Echo inhale victory after gas chamber



Photo by Lance Cpl. MaryAnn Dunn

Recruits from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, rush out of the gas chamber on Parris Island to clear their eyes and noses of the tear gas June 12.

Lance Cpl. MaryAnn Dunn
Staff Writer

Surviving the gas chamber is one of the many challenges of recruit training and, for some, the most frightening.

Yet, once recruits from Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, and Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, emerged from the gas chamber on June 12, they knew how to use the gas mask and gained confidence.

Tear gas has several effects on the recruits. It agitates the skin, especially accessible pores, such as the ones on the neck and hands, said Sgt. Christopher Proffitt, a nuclear, biological and chemical specialist. The gas also causes burning, watering and irritation of the eyes. It can also aggravate the respiratory tract if breathed in.

"I haven't had a gas chamber go by yet without having a recruit scream, 'I can't breathe,'" Proffitt said.

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Photo by Lance Cpl. MaryAnn Dunn

Recruits from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, climb across the monkey ropes, focusing on balance and speed during the combat endurance course at Page Field on Parris Island on July 14.

Oscar embraces physical endurance

Lance Cpl. MaryAnn Dunn
Staff Writer

Recruits from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, ran through the combat endurance course on Parris Island to familiarize themselves with the physical hardships of combat July 14.

The course stretches more than two miles of Page Field and has different obstacles that force recruits to not only

give all their individual physical and mental strength, but work as a team to successfully complete it.

"I always stress endurance during this course," said Gunnery Sgt. Sigrid Rivera, a drill instructor of Platoon 4020. "From being deployed three different times, I know that in combat, you have to be able to work under stress, and endurance is one thing that

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Notice to boaters

Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island is scheduled to conduct extended live-fire training Monday through Wednesday from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. The marsh and waterways in the range impact area to include Archers Creek, Ribbon Creek and Edding Creek will be closed to boater traffic.

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Recruits from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, walk across logs while focusing on balance and awareness of their environment at Page Field on Parris Island, S.C., on July 14. Oscar Company is scheduled to graduate today.

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helps with that.”

The course has many challenges within it, including climbing over rope walls, crawling through sand and mud under barbed wire and walking across a beam, practicing balance and being aware of immediate surroundings.

The course may only be a simulation of what combat will be like for some of the recruits, but it is a reality check for most of them.

“I really liked the course,” said Pfc. Latisha Chambers, Platoon 4020.

Chambers, an 18-year-old from Orlando, Fla., said she has wanted to go to combat ever since she got to recruit training because her drill instructors have motivated her with their stories.

“The course showed me that even if people say females can’t go to combat, we can,” said Chambers. “We have to be ready for it, just like the males are.”

Physical endurance is something all recruits practice during training, but not all recruits are on the same level

of physical readiness, causing some of them to struggle on the course.

“When I see a recruit struggling during the course, I add stress to their situation as well as instruction,” said Rivera, a 29-year-old from West Palm Beach, Fla. “I do this so that they move faster and work on their decisiveness because it is something they will need later on.”

Mental endurance is also a key aspect in this course. Physical pain is only as bad as one lets themselves think it is.

“The course was not so much physical strength as it was physical and mental endurance,” said Chambers. “It was only physically challenging if you let yourself think it was.”

Physical strength and endurance is something practiced all around the Marine Corps, not just in recruit training because Marines never know when they are going to be in combat, said Chambers.

“You have to be stronger than your enemy at all times,” said Chambers. “You never know how strong they are going to be.”



Recruits from Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, crawl through the combat endurance course at Page Field on Parris Island, S.C., on July 14. Oscar Company is scheduled to graduate today.



Photos by Lance Cpl. David Bessey

Rct. Paige Ingram, 20, of Platoon 4021, Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, checks her compass to ensure she is following the right coordinates to her objective during the day land navigation course at Elliot's Beach on Parris Island on July 10. Ingram is from Waverly, Ohio.



Rct. Marisol Cabrera, 20, of Platoon 4021, Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, looks to her compass to change her position on the day land navigation course at Elliot's Beach on Parris Island on July 10. Cabrera is from Panorama City, Calif.

OSCAR COMPANY FINDS ITS WAY

Lance Cpl. David Bessey
Staff Writer

The recruits of Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, plotted their way through the day land navigation course at Parris Island's Elliot's Beach on July 10.

Recruits learn basic land navigation to prepare them for future situations when modern technology fails, said Cpl. Stewart Richardson, 27, a land navigation instructor.

Instructors teach recruits land navigation using low-tech tools such as maps and a compass to practice plotting points. Recruits receive classes on how to read a map, plot points on a grid map and how to use a protractor to find an azimuth, which is the respective direction they must head using the compass.

"They will have an early

understanding of land navigation," said Richardson.

Recruits also learn how to find and use their pace count and apply it. A pace count tells a person their natural distance to walk 100 meters, said Richardson.

Recruits receive compasses, maps and the coordinates to several locations on the course. They must record the number labeled on an ammunition can that represents point markers before they return their answers to a course instructor.

The course only teaches recruits to use eight-digit grid maps to transition better into the more advanced land navigation they will learn later in their Marine Corps career, said Sgt. Javares Taylor, 25, a land navigation instructor.

The course at Elliot's Beach covers more than one square mile, which provides recruits with plenty of space to prac-

tice, said Richardson.

"I liked being out in the woods and trying to find our way back," said Pfc. Susana Alvarez, of Platoon 4020, from Elryia, Ohio. "It was fun for me."

If recruits fail to find the proper points, instructors will help them recalculate their azimuth and send them back into the course, said Richardson.

The course is not a graduation requirement. However, recruits will be tested on the material during the practical application test to ensure basic understanding.

When recruits graduate and go to Marine Combat Training or the School of Infantry at Camp Geiger, N.C., they will have the foundation for the more advanced land navigation classes, Richardson said.

When these Marines leave, they have the necessary knowledge to carry out the mission even when all electronics fail.

Echo Company takes PLUNGE

Lance Cpl.
MaryAnn Dunn
Staff Writer

Recruits from Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, overcame one of the toughest parts of recruit training in order to prove to both themselves and their drill instructors they deserve to be a U.S. Marine.

Swim qualification is one of many tests recruits must pass before graduating as a Marine and one of the hardest challenges for some due to past experiences or never learning how to swim.

"The recruits that do not pass their first attempt at the swim qualification don't for one of two reasons," said Staff Sgt. David Perry, a 29-year-old swim instructor at the pool. "The recruit either never had the knowledge of swimming or they had

a bad experience and are now afraid of the water."

There are five different events in the swim qualification. Recruits must swim 25 meters, jump into deep water from a 10-foot tower, tread water or inflate blouse, swim with a pack, and take gear off under the water in 10 seconds or less.

Pvt. Justin Brantley, Platoon 2058, said the most important thing he learned during the swim qualification was how to stay afloat using just his blouse.

The hardest event for Brantley, a 19-year-old Hernando, Miss., native, was the 25-meter swim.

"It was really hard to not touch the bottom of the pool with my feet. It was only four feet deep," said Brantley.

"The most important skill we teach the recruits, I think, is staying on top of the surface,"

said Perry, a Hulbert, Okla., native.

U.S. Marines are amphibious warriors. The recruits have been taking a new swim qualification, implemented Nov. 10, 2010, that requires them to wear combat gear during parts of the test. The recruits need to be able to do this to earn the title Marine, Perry said.

One of the most daunting tasks in the swim qualification is the conduct a "self-rescue," said Perry. The recruits cross their arms over their chests and jump into deep water then swim back up to the surface and 25 meters to safety without help from the swim instructors.

"I was really nervous ... but as soon as I hit the water, it wasn't that bad," said Brantley. "This event looks scary, but isn't as bad once you actually do it."

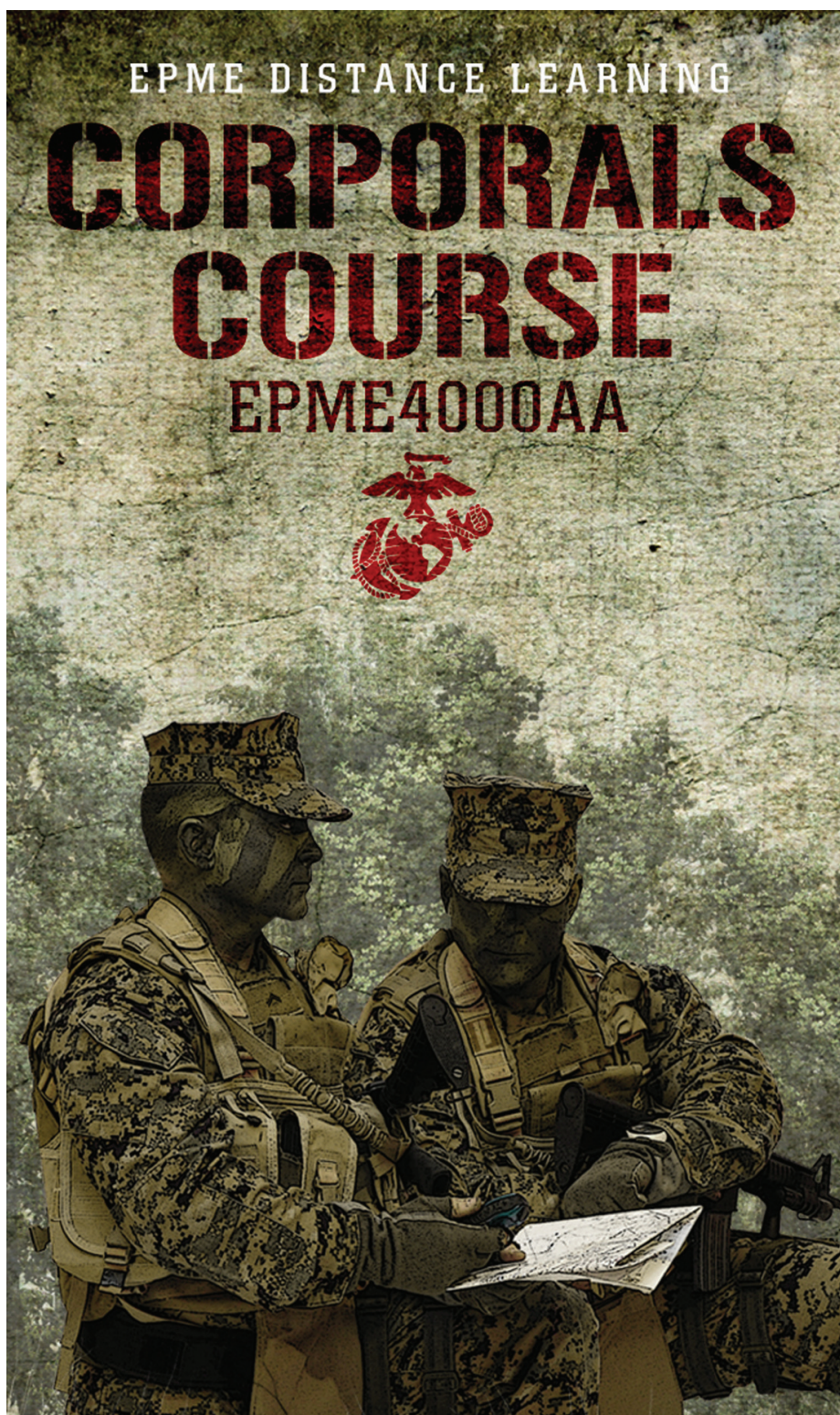


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Rct. Jordan Daais, 18, of Platoon 2060, Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, looks to his swim instructor for guidance as he tries to stay afloat during the swim qualification at the recruit training pool at Parris Island on June 5.



Recruits of Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, swim with a pack under their arms to the end of the recruit training pool at Parris Island on June 5.





Photos by Lance Cpl. Caitlin Maluda

Recruits from Echo Company, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, and Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion are given instructions on proper rappelling techniques and safety. Afterward recruits climbed the stairs up the 47-foot tower and rappelled down at Page Field on June 12.

ECHO, OSCAR TAKE ON TOWER



Rct. Allison Kruse, of Platoon 4020, Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion, checks over her right shoulder to ensure that the wall is clear for her to rappel down June 12.

Lance Cpl. Caitlin Maluda
Staff Writer

Recruits from Echo Company and Oscar Company found the courage to leap past their fears as they descended the rappel tower at Parris Island and took another step toward the coveted title of Marine on June 12.

Rappelling down the tower is not a requirement to graduate. Still, the recruits must climb the steps of the 47-foot tower and, using a rope and harness, make their way down, whether they want to or not.

For recruits with a fear of heights, this step in recruit training came with a personal challenge.

"I am naturally scared of heights," said Rct. Ashley Bland, Platoon 4020, Oscar Company, 4th Recruit Training Battalion.

Before swim qualifications, she had never been forced to jump off of anything high, said Bland, a 22-year-old from Orlando, Fla.

The transition from civilian to Marine is more than qualifying on the range and passing a physical fitness test. It is also about building confidence in themselves.

Recruits must face their fears, said Sgt. Timothy Clark, an instructor for the rappel tower. If these recruits become Marines and go off into the operational forces, and their fear of heights impedes a mission, the lives of other Marines are on the line.

Looking up at the tower

or down at the ground can cause recruits to play mind games with themselves.

"Most recruits have never done something like this, and their perception of the tower is that it is taller than it really is," said Clark, a native of Belgrade, Mont.

Recruits tend to shy away from the ledge after looking down at the drill instructors below.

Once the recruits are instructed to lean backward over the edge, they become suspended in the air, feet on the wall or step bar, and are eye level with the tops of the surrounding pine trees.

"I was afraid of falling. I've never been that high," said Pfc. David McIntosh, a 22-year-old from Maple Shade, N.J., of Platoon 2060, Echo Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion. "It's the uncertainty of where you're going to land. Is the harness going to hold? Being that free in the air, it's scary."

After Bland made it down the tower she was herded along with other recruits to the end of a line and told she was going back up.

Bland said the prospect of going down a second time did not scare her as much. She said she had found confidence in her ability to handle heights.

Seven weeks ago, the recruits conquered their fear of heights. Today, they graduate as U.S. Marines.



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Marine Boxer Fights for Team U.S.A.



Photo by Pfc. Trevon S. Peracca

Sgt. Jamel Herring raises his arms in victory after a hard-fought contest against Air Force Senior Airman Adan Hassan at the 2012 Armed Forces Boxing Championships at Paige Fieldhouse on Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif., on Feb. 3. Now Herring is in London to represent the United States at the 2012 Olympic boxing competitions and is the first Marine to box in the Olympics in 20 years.

Gary Sheftick

Army News Service

LONDON – After leading the U.S. boxing team in warm-ups July 26, Sgt. Jamel Herring demonstrated the unique style and speed that may earn him an Olympic medal.

“I’m definitely an underdog here,” said Herring, a light welterweight who surprised several opponents at the U.S. Olympic Team Trials with quick footwork and his ability to dodge punches. “It’s like a hit and run. It’s like a game of tag – I’m hitting, and I’m gone. The minute you get frustrated, I’m right back on you.”

Herring will be the first Marine Corps boxer to

climb into an Olympic boxing ring in 20 years. He said coaches sometimes compare him to “Sugar Ray” Leonard, who won Olympic gold at the 1976 games while fighting in the light-welterweight division. He said Leonard danced like Muhammad Ali – avoiding punches and coming in for the knock-out.

“Speed creates power,” Herring said.

Brazil’s Everton Lopes, however, is the reigning world champion in the light-welterweight division and England’s Thomas Stalker is the division’s No. 1-ranked boxer.

“The odds are definitely not with us,” said USA head boxing coach

retired Army Sgt. 1st Class Basheer Abdullah, who added that all of his athletes have a fighting chance in London.

“You can’t bet against this guy,” Abdullah said. “There were a lot of people who didn’t think he was going to win in the trials, and he proved them wrong.”

The coach said Herring demonstrates good team leadership and is one of the squad’s three team captains.

“You’ll see Jamel out front most of the time,” Abdullah said. “That’s a good [noncommissioned officer].”

July 26, Herring led the team in warm-up exercises before participating

in a number of agility and sparring drills around the mats with trainers such as U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program assistant coach Staff Sgt. Joseph Guzman, who also boxed for Abdullah.

“Jamel’s a good mover,” Guzman said. “He has good, strong legs. He boxes on the move. At times, he frustrates his opponents with the movement because his opponents never get a chance to set. By the time they want to throw a punch, he’s already over here on the other side.”

Herring said the Marine Corps has immensely helped him, in terms of discipline.

“I try to bring that

Corps’ discipline to the athletes,” Herring said. “Some of them are only 18 or 19 years old.”

Herring, 26, said the Marine Corps helped him mature and that he has the respect of other boxers on Team USA. He said the Corps instilled him with a determination to “never give up,” and that may be what takes him past the hurdles of the coming week.

Whatever happens, it won’t be as tough as the fight in Fallujah, said Herring, who served in Iraq during 2005 and again in 2007.

Herring has been boxing for about 11 years, but he realizes that he’s still a relative unknown

in the ring.

“People don’t think I have enough international experience, and they don’t give me a chance,” Herring said. “It actually takes the pressure off me. I’d actually like to just come out of nowhere and win it all.”

The day of the Olympic opening ceremony in London marked the third anniversary of the death of Herring’s daughter, Ariyannah, who died of sudden infant death syndrome. Her memory, he says, will be his inspiration for the London Games.

Editor’s note: Herring lost his opening bout to Kazakhstan’s Deniyar Yeleussinov with a score of 19-9 on July 31.

GAS

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Although many recruits are frightened by the sight of the gas chamber, some are not. Some recruits are intrigued to try something new.

“I was kind of excited to do the gas chamber because I had never experienced it,” said Pfc. Christina Scolieri, Platoon 4020, Oscar Company.

“It was a lot harder than I thought it would be,” said Scolieri, a 21-year-old native of Pittsburgh. “It was a good simulation of a stressful situation.”

The recruits enter the small, concrete room 25 at a time, and the doors are shut. The recruits then perform a variety of exercises to show that the gas masks will stay on, even during strenuous activity.

After the supervised exercises, the recruits are then told to open their masks and let the gas in. They are told to hold their breath and close their eyes to minimize reactions.

Scolieri said when she saw other recruits starting to panic, she knew she had to keep calm in order to experience as little discomfort as possible.

However, Scolieri said she took a breath after opening her mask and immediately started coughing.

The instructors check every recruit’s mask to make sure the seal is broken - a process lasting about 30 seconds. When finished, recruits are ordered to re-seal and clear them out.

“It felt like eternity before he told us we could put the mask back on,” said Scolieri.

By unsealing and resealing the mask, it gave them confidence in the equipment and showed the recruits the masks work. By overcoming their fears, recruits showed they had what it takes to be Marines.

“After getting out of the chamber, I had a lot more confidence not only in the masks but in myself as well,” said Scolieri.

MCRD PARRIS ISLAND EXPANDED FAMILY DAY SCHEDULE

MCRD Parris Island has expanded the events and activities available to families who are coming aboard the Depot to see their son or daughter graduate and become a Marine. The adjacent schedule outlines the events that are now offered to our new Marines' families and loved ones. The times and locations of these events are subject to change. For the most current information, please visit <http://www.mccs-sc.com/recruitfamilies>.



Wednesday

Welcome to Family Orientation Day at Parris Island

- 6AM-10PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Open
- 6AM-6PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Food Court Open
- 7AM-5PMEngraving Shop open
- 7:30AM-4PMDouglas Visitors' Center open - please register upon arrival
Java Café (9AM-11:30AM)
Graduation Station (8AM-4PM)
- 9AM-4PMFamily Check-in at the Douglas Visitors' Center; Java Café open 9AM-12PM
- 10AM-12:30PM.....Marine Corps 101, including a "Behind the Scenes" tour, at Douglas Visitors' Center
- LUNCH.....Traditions (Officer/SNCO Club), Food Court, Subway, Golf Course, Back Yard Burgers
- 1:30PM-3:30PMFamily Orientation Brief at the Lyceum
- 5PM-8PM.....Steak Night at Traditions (Officer/SNCO Club).
Reservations required

Thursday

Welcome to Family Liberty Day at Parris Island

- 6AM-4PMDouglas Visitors' Center open - please register upon arrival
Java Café (6AM-2PM)
Graduation Station (6AM-4PM)
- 6AM-10PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Open
- 6AM-6PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Food Court Open
- 7AM-5PMEngraving Shop open
- 7AM.....Motivational Run - Peatross Parade Deck
- 8AM.....Depot Museum Opens
- 8:15AMAll Weather Training Facility (AWTF) Opens
- 9:30AM-10AM.....Battalion Commander's Brief to Families & Liberty Ceremony (AWTF)
- 10AM-2PMMarksmanship Training Unit Open House
- 10AM.....Liberty Begins
- 10:30AM-1PM.....Family Day Buffet at the Lyceum - new Marines eat for free!
- 2PMWarrior's Prayer at the Recruit Chapel
- 3PMLiberty Ends
- 3PM-4PM.....Marine Corps 101 at Douglas Visitors' Center
- 5PMMeet & Greet with Depot Command at Traditions Lounge
- 5:30PM.....Welcome from the Command
- 5:45PM.....Family Day Dinner with Depot Command at Traditions (Officer/SNCO Club)
Advance reservations guarantee admittance

Friday

Welcome to Graduation Day at Parris Island

- 6AM-2PMDouglas Visitors' Center open
Java Café (6AM-12PM)
Graduation Station (6AM-12PM)
- 6AM-10PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Open
- 6AM-6PMMarine Corps Exchange (MCX) Food Court Open
- 7AM-5PMEngraving Shop open
- 7:45AMMorning Colors at Barrow Hall
- 9AM-10AM.....Graduation at Peatross Parade Deck (weather permitting)
- 11AM-1PM.....Lunch Buffet at Traditions (Officer/SNCO Club)

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