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Special Events

Vietnam War Commemorative Parade

More than 100 Vietnam War survivors attended the Marine Military Academy Vietnam War Commemorative Parade March 5. At the parade, the veterans joined Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill during ceremonial pass in review. The MMA cannon was also fired in their honor.

According to Col Hill, the parade was to express gratitude to those veterans who unselfishly served in one of the most controversial wars in U.S. history.

"During the Vietnam War, the public's dissatisfaction with the war was often reflected in the treatment of the men and women who served there," Col Hill said. "Fortunately, over time, we have come to recognize that the men and women of our armed services should be honored for their sacrifices."

In May 2012, President Barack Obama proclaimed May 28, 2012 – Nov. 11, 2025 to be the Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War. Col Hill said MMA decided to hold a Vietnam War parade the same year the school celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The Vietnam War was a civil war between communist North Vietnam and non-communist South Vietnam. It endured nearly 20 years, from Nov. 1, 1955 to April 30, 1975.

In March 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson made the decision to send U.S. combat forces into Vietnam to support South Vietnam. On March 8, 1965, 3,900 Marines waded ashore China Beach, which marked the beginning of the American ground war. The U.S. stayed involved until March 29, 1975.

More than 100 Vietnam War veterans line up to be honored during the parade pass in review.

A Vietnam War veteran holds a "young" photo of himself.

Sophomore Christian Morse of Converse, Texas, performs a rifle spin at the parade.

A female Vietnam War veteran joins her "brothers" on the MMA Parade Ground.

Texas 170th Anniversary

The STAR DAY Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving Texas history, held the State of Texas 170th Anniversary Ceremony at Marine Military Academy Feb. 19. Texas, which was a republic, was inducted into the United States Dec. 29, 1845, but the transfer of power did not occur until Feb. 19, 1846.

At the event, STAR DAY Foundation President Dennis Kulvicki not only announced the anniversary of the state of Texas but also read a Texas proclamation declaring Feb. 19 as Iwo Jima Day. MMA's founder the late Capt William "Bill" Gary was then the first of several Texans to be inducted into the Pioneers and Leaders of the State of Texas Hall of Fame.

The award-winning Floreseville High School Air Force Junior ROTC Chorale also participated in this event and performed "Texas Our Texas" and other state songs.

Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill approaches the podium to receive the official Iwo Jima Day state proclamation.

Special Events

Iwo Jima Parade

Ten Iwo Jima survivors attended the Marine Military Academy Iwo Jima Parade Feb. 19, and nearly 350 people turned out to honor them. This year marks the 71st anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima during World War II.

This annual event is a tribute to the courage and sacrifice made by The Greatest Generation to preserve freedom around the world. Because of the subtropical climate of South Texas, MMA is the only organization in the country that holds a battalion-size parade on the actual anniversary (Feb. 19, 1945) of the Battle of Iwo Jima.

Since April 1982, MMA has been home to the Iwo Jima Monument. The magnificent statue depicts five Marines and one Navy Corpsman raising the American flag on Feb. 23, 1945, during the Battle of Iwo Jima. Cpl Harlon Block, the Marine depicted at the base of the flagstaff, was a native of Weslaco, Texas.

The MMA Color Guard presents the flags for the national anthem.

With a helping hand, an Iwo Jima veteran stands for the parade pass in review.

Ten Iwo Jima survivors gather in front of the Iwo Jima Monument after the parade.

Special Events

Introductory Training Graduation Parade

Thirty-two plebes graduated from their four-week introductory training and became official members of the Marine Military Academy Corps of Cadets Feb. 6.

At the Introductory Training Graduation Parade, in front of proud family members, the young men took the MMA cadet oath and subsequently pinned the Marine Corps insignia to their covers. The new cadets then joined the battalion and marched in the pass in review. The reviewing guest officer for the parade was Norton "Trey" Colvin III, Class of 1996.

After the parade, the young men enjoyed their first weekend of liberty with their relatives and/or friends.

Sophomore Andrew Laube of Richmond, Texas, affixes the Marine Corps emblem to his cover.

Norton "Trey" Colvin III, Class of 1996, accepts a gift from Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill and Battalion Commander Jack Newbury of Richmond, Texas.

Sophomore Chikemefola Umeorah of Sugar Land, Texas, (front) marches with his company for the first time as a cadet during the parade pass in review.

Recent Events

Fire Safety

The Boy Scouts of Marine Military Academy's Troop 22 spent several weeks earning their Fire Safety Merit Badge. By the time the program wrapped up March 29, the cadets had an excellent understanding of preventing, extinguishing and escaping fires.

The firefighters of the Harlingen Fire Department taught the cadets about fire safety both on MMA campus and at the actual fire station. The young men not only listened to lecture, they were able to try on fire gear, climb into fire trucks and use some firefighting equipment with supervision. Among the numerous things they learned were the "Stop, Drop, Roll & Cool" technique, proper storing of combustible products and chemicals, effective use of a portable fire extinguisher and developing a fire escape plan.

Eighth-grader Ignacio Osorio Jr. of Sugar Land, Texas, uses a fire extinguisher.

Astronomy Night

Delta Company journeyed to Resaca de la Palma State Park in Brownsville, Texas, for its first Astronomy Night Feb. 13.

The Marine Military Academy cadets first had the privilege of learning about gravitational waves from one of the discovering scientists! Dr. Mario Díaz, who gave the classroom presentation, was one of the key physicists who announced the discovery of gravitational waves from Washington, D.C., on Feb. 11, 2016. The discovery is being called the single greatest scientific breakthrough of the century. Dr. Díaz is the father of drill instructor SSgt Alejandro Díaz.

A team of astronomers from the Center for Gravitational Wave Astronomy at the University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley then took the cadets outside to look at the cosmos for themselves through a state-of-the art telescope.

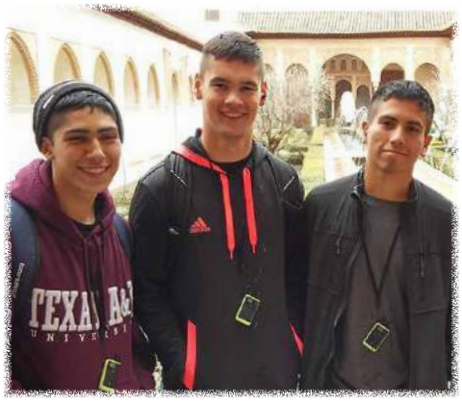
Senior Ryan Barnard of Cypress, Texas, gets a close-eye view of the galaxy.

Recent Events

Spain Trip

Three Marine Military Academy cadets spent their Spring Break (March 14-18) traveling throughout Spain with Spanish teacher Ana Galván.

Seniors **Mark Cruz** of Houston; **Michael Nikitins** of Portland, Ore.; and **Charles Sanchez** of Miramar, Fla., practiced their Spanish-speaking skills as they visited seven Spanish cities. Mrs. Galván took the young men to Madrid, Toledo, Granada, Costa del Sol, Sevilla, Córdoba and Segovia. The boys also spent one day in Tatouan, Morocco, and New York City.



Seniors Charles Sanchez of Miramar, Fla. (left) Michael Nikitins of Portland, Ore. (center); and Mark Cruz of Houston visit the Alhambra fortress in Granada, Spain.

Blood Drive

Sixty-one people from Marine Military Academy, mostly cadets, answered the call to donate blood during the Spring Blood Drive Feb. 23. MMA donated enough blood to save up to 183 lives from the Harlingen area. The National Honor Society holds a blood drive each semester in partnership with United Blood Services.

Sophomore Maxim Pepper of Austin, Texas, relaxes as the phlebotomist preps his arm.

3.0 Luncheon

On Feb. 9, 112 Marine Military Academy cadets were treated to a Subway sandwich lunch for earning a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the second academic quarter. After lunch, the young men received an afternoon of liberty. Even with a 3.0 GPA, a cadet must pass all of his classes to be eligible for this reward.

Senior Haoyang Li of Beijing has his hands full at the moment.

Recognition

Academic Awards

Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill presented 39 cadets with a Gold or Silver Wreath for their academic achievement in the first semester at the Academic Awards ceremony held Feb. 5.

The Gold Wreath is given to cadets who make the Superintendent's List, which requires a GPA of 3.75 or above. The Silver Wreath goes to cadets who make the Dean's List, which requires a GPA of 3.5 to 3.74. The cadets wear the wreath on their uniform until the end of the school year.

The 24 cadets who accepted the Gold Wreath were:

- Senior **Zachery Alexander** of Georgetown, Texas
- Sophomore **Aiden Berg** of Rollingbay, Wash.
- Sophomores **Giancarlo** and **Giovanni Betti Hernández** of Huixquilucan, Mexico
- Junior **Carlos De León** of Rancho Viejo, Texas
- Senior **Brooks Dickerson** of Golden, Colo.
- Sophomore **Huan He** of Shanghai
- Sophomore **Brice Kolle** of Sugar Land, Texas
- Sophomore **Harrison Kunneman** of Spring, Texas
- Senior **Max Kutschinski** of Norderstedt, Norway
- Senior **Chaunce Lee** of Pasadena, Calif.
- Senior **Haoyang Li** of Beijing
- Sophomore **Zihao Liu** of Jinhua, China
- Sophomore **Christopher Lucas** of Dallas
- Senior **Michael Lucas** of Dallas
- Sophomore **Cameron Montgomery** of Key Largo, Fla.
- Senior **Michael Nikitins** of Portland, Ore.
- Sophomore **René Rodríguez Ehrli** of Mexico City
- Senior **Jordan Sartor** of La Porte, Texas
- Junior **Xiaolong Tong** of Beijing
- Junior **Paiwen Wang** of Yorba Linda, Calif.
- Sophomore **Shawn Wu** of San Diego
- Senior **George Zenner** of Houston
- Sophomore **Yuhan Zhou** of Beijing

Senior Michael Lucas of Dallas accepts the Gold Wreath from Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill.

Eighth-grader Pablo Guemez García of Huixquilucan, Mexico, accepts the Silver Wreath from Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill.

The 15 cadets who accepted the Silver Wreath were:

- Senior **Chukwuemeka Atuma** of Abuja, Nigeria
- Senior **Ryan Nadolski** of Cypress, Texas
- Sophomore **James Beamon Jr.** of Missouri City, Texas
- Eighth-grader **Yosef Devany** of Katy, Texas
- Senior **Karl Fischer** of Colfax, Wash.
- Senior **Patrick Gallagher** of San Pedro, Calif.
- Eighth-grader **Pablo Guemez García** of Huixquilucan, Mexico
- Sophomore **Yu Chen Khew** of Shanghai
- Eighth-grader **Vikram Makker** of Brea, Calif.
- Senior **Grant Meisner-Moore** of The Woodlands, Texas
- Eighth-grader **Chidalu Muanya** of Sugar Land, Texas
- Senior **Jack Newbury** of Richmond, Texas
- Freshman **Benjamin Reading** of Katy, Texas
- Freshman **Trevor Roberts** of Fairbanks, Alaska
- Sophomore **José Salazar Medina** of Puebla, Mexico.

In addition to the Gold Wreath, four cadets received a Gold Star for making the Superintendent's List for two consecutive semesters. The recipients were: Giancarlo Betti Hernández; He; Kolle; and Rodríguez Ehrli.

Three cadets earned a Blue Star for making the Dean's List for two consecutive semesters. They were Atuma, Fischer and Zenner.

MCJROTC Inspection

Alpha Company took the honor of Best Inspected Company at the Marine Corps Junior ROTC Inspection Feb. 26. Delta Company received the highest score in Unarmed Drill as did Alpha Company in Armed Drill.

All five Marine Military Academy companies were inspected as well as the MMA Battalion Staff and the MMA Color Guard. Though Alpha was the overall victor, all companies and units earned high scores. Commandant of Cadets SgtMaj Ford Kinsley led the 2016 inspection.

During this annual evaluation, every cadet is meticulously examined on his grooming and uniform. He is also drilled on his knowledge of U.S. government and Marine Corps history, regulations and leadership traits.

Senior Zachery Alexander of Pflugerville, Texas, and drill instructor CWO3 Edward Harris accept the honor of Best Inspected Company on behalf of Alpha Company.

Recognition

Eagle Scout Project

Junior **Carlos De León** of Rancho Viejo, Texas, gave the Pendleton Park swimming pool facilities a much-needed facelift for his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project.

De León and his team of Marine Military Academy Boy Scouts painted the men's and women's shower rooms/restrooms over a period of three weekends. De León, a Life Scout, finished his service project March 5 and left the lavatories looking practically brand new.

A valuable member of De León's team was alumnus Capt David "Trae" Miller III, USMC, Class of 2006. Capt Miller, a 2010 United States Naval Academy graduate, is also an Eagle Scout.

Junior Carlos De León of Rancho Viejo, Texas, applies fresh paint to a dark wall.

Order of the Arrow

Three Marine Military Academy Boy Scouts were inducted into the Order of the Arrow Feb. 20. The young men were: senior **Christopher Ballance** of Houston; sophomore **Harrison Kunneman** of Spring, Texas; and senior **Jack Newbury** of Richmond, Texas.

The Order of the Arrow is commonly known as the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America. The society uses Native American traditions and ceremonies as well as "safeguarded" symbols and handshakes to impart a sense of community.

(Left to right) Sophomore Harrison Kunneman of Spring, Texas; senior Christopher Ballance of Houston; and senior Jack Newbury of Richmond, Texas.

Recognition

CyberPatriot Finalists

Marine Military Academy's CyberPatriot Team 1 is heading to Baltimore, Md., to compete in the CyberPatriot VIII national competition April 10-14. MMA Team 1 advanced to the finals after placing second in the Marine Corps division in CyberPatriot Round IV and placing first in Texas in Round III. The results were announced in February.

The Team 1 members are: sophomores **Giancarlo** and **Giovanni Betti Hernández** of Huixquilucan, Mexico; senior **Karl Fischer** of Colfax, Wash.; senior **Patrick Gallagher** of San Pedro, Calif.; senior **Ryan Nadolski** of Cypress, Texas; and senior **George Zenner** of Houston.

Though it will not advance, Team 2 — a team with only one veteran player — finished third in the Marine Corps division. Team 2 is composed of: sophomore **Zihao Liu** of Jinhua, China; sophomore **Aiden Berg** of Bainbridge Island, Wash.; sophomore **Yu Chen Khew** of Shanghai; and junior **West Lataille** of DeLand, Fla.

Team 4 (Middle School) scored high in its first CyberPatriot, placing second in the state and eighth nationally. The eighth-graders on Team 4 are: **Ignacio Osorio Jr.** of Sugar Land, Texas; **Vikram Makker** of Brea, Calif.; **Pablo Guemez García** of Huixquilucan, Mexico; and **Chidalu Muanya** of Sugar Land, Texas.

CyberPatriot is a national cyber defense competition designed to give secondary students hands-on exposure in the field of information technology security. It teaches students how to protect computer systems from "hackers." In every event, teams are subjected to a series of challenges. The more Internet and computer vulnerabilities a team can spot and fix, the more points it will earn.

CyberPatriot Team 1: (Left to right) Coach Bill Beckman; sophomore Giancarlo Betti Hernández of Huixquilucan, Mexico; senior Karl Fischer of Colfax, Wash.; senior George Zenner of Houston; senior Patrick Gallagher of San Pedro, Calif.; Giovanni Betti Hernández of Huixquilucan, Mexico; and Superintendent Col R. Glenn Hill. Not pictured: Senior Ryan Nadolski of Cypress, Texas.

Volunteer Luncheon

Bob Bloedorn of Brownsville, Texas, and Gary Betts of Weslaco, Texas, were named the 2016 Volunteers of the Year at the 29th Anniversary Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Feb. 24. Bloedorn, an Iwo Jima survivor, has volunteered for the Iwo Jima Museum & Gift Shop since 1985 while Betts, a Marine veteran, has volunteered since 2011.

Marine Military Academy holds the event each year to thank and honor its volunteers for their vital role in promoting the historic Iwo Jima Monument and sustaining the Iwo Jima Museum & Gift Shop.

After the luncheon, the guests gathered at the museum to remember and honor the lives of deceased volunteers. In the 2015-16 school year, the museum lost Dorothy DeLong and Joseph "Joe" Kight.

Bob Bloedorn (left) and Gary Betts are recognized as the 2016 Volunteers of the Year at the 29th Anniversary Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

London Reunion

Homer Gonzalez III and Jacien Carr, both Class of 1988, met for dinner in London Feb. 4. Mr. Carr is currently a graduate student in the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London. Mr. Gonzalez, a principal at Amazon in the global business department, was in London on business. Like most Marine Military Academy alumni, they still keep in touch.

Homer Gonzalez III (left) and Jacien Carr, both Class of 1988, meet in London.

Baby Brother

The Marine Military Academy family has a new "brother." Jake Thomas Díaz, Class of 2034, was born March 8 to Delta Company Drill Instructor SSgt Alejandro Díaz and his wife Claudia.

Jake Díaz, Class of 2034

Alumni Affairs

Honoring MSgt Q

Several alumni returned to Marine Military in February and March to pay their respects to the late MSgt Efren Quilit, assistant drill instructor for Alpha Company.

On Feb. 19, six alummi reunited at the Iwo Jima Parade. They were back in Harlingen to attend the Feb. 21 funeral service of MSgt Quilit, or MSgt "Q." They were: William Bood, Class of 2013; Daniel De La Garza Morales, Class of 2012; Michael McGraw, Class of 2012; Alfonso Moya Castillo, Class of 2012; Ryan Reed, Class of 2011; and Caleb Reynolds, Class of 2012.

On March 7, five Alpha Company alumni returned to their alma mater for the brick paver dedication ceremony in honor of MSgt Quilit. The men were: Cody Brown, Class of 2012; Michell Reyes Méndez, 2013-15; Phillip Spingola, Class of 2007; Kellen Stuhlmiller, Class of 2007; and Meng Yu Wang, Class of 2015.

(Left to right) William Bood, Class of 2013; Alfonso Moya Castillo, Class of 2012; Daniel De La Garza Morales, Class of 2012; Michael McGraw, Class of 2012; Caleb Reynolds, Class of 2012; and Ryan Reed, Class of 2011.

(Left to right) Phillip Spingola, Class of 2007; Cody Brown, Class of 2012; Kellen Stuhlmiller, Class of 2007; Meng Yu Wang, Class of 2015; and Michell Reyes Méndez, 2012-15.

Farewell

MSgt Efren Quilit

MSgt Efren Quilit, USMC (Ret)

Alpha Company Assistant Drill Instructor MSgt Efren Longboy Quilit, USMC (Ret), passed away in mid-February at age 55. MSgt Quilit, or MSgt "Q", was known for his sunny and positive personality, sense of humor and loyalty to the Marine Military Academy cadets.

MSgt Quilit was born March 4, 1960, in Baay, Batac Ilocos Norte, Philippines, to Eufemia and Felix Quilit. He moved from the Philippines to Guam at age 16. He joined the Marines in 1979 and served faithfully for 23 years. MSgt Quilit joined MMA in June 2003 as the assistant drill instructor for Alpha Company.

Loved and respected by all who knew him, a huge number of MMA staff, cadets and even alumni turned out for MSgt Quilit's funeral service Feb. 21. MMA also dedicated a brick paver in his honor March 7. The brick paver lies in front of the Alpha Company barrack, on the sidewalk facing Battalion Avenue. Several Alpha Company alumni also traveled from afar to attend the brick paver ceremony.

MSgt Quilit is survived by his sister, Florida Caluya; two brothers, Benito Quilit and Alex Quilit; nieces; nephews; and extended family. He is remembered as a loving brother and uncle by his family. He will be remembered as a loyal colleague, mentor and drill instructor by his friends and MMA family.

MSgt Efren Quilit's brick paver lies in front of Alpha Company.

Echo Company releases balloons in honor of MSgt "Q" after the brick paver dedication.

Announcements

Summer Camp

Marine Military Academy is now accepting applications for its two summer camp programs: MMA Summer Camp; and SAT Prep at MMA. MMA accepts campers on a first-come, first-served basis.

MMA Summer Camp is open to young men ages 12 to 17 and age 18 if not yet graduated high school. It is a military adventure camp that packs in four weeks of constant physical activity. As they have fun participating in challenges and other military exercises, campers improve their fitness, learn to focus and build their confidence. The camp runs June 25 to July 23.

To apply or for more information, visit MMA-TX.org/Summer Camp or call (956) 423-6006, ext. 861.

SAT & ACT Prep at MMA is a weeklong summer day camp open to young men who are entering Grades 9-12 in the 2016-17 school year. The camp is designed to help students boost their scores on the SAT and ACT college entrance exams. Campers study intensively in the classroom Monday through Thursday. On Friday morning, they zipline, rappel and rockclimb at the MMA Tower. The camp runs June 13-17.

MMA does not provide housing for this day camp, only lunch. To apply or for more information, visit MMA-TX.org/SATPrep or call (956) 423-6006, ext. 861.

Cadet of the Month - February

Sergii Gura of Cherkasy, Ukraine - Alpha Company

Rank: Cadet Private
Grade: Post-graduate, Activities: Weightlifting & Youth Physical Fitness Team
Future education goals: I would like to attend the Royal Military College of Canada.
Career goals: I plan to own a successful engineering firm.

Tyler FayConsolo of Hampton Bays, N.Y. - Delta Company

Rank: Cadet Private
Grade: 11, Activities: Basketball & baseball
Future education goals: I wish to gain acceptance to the State University of New York at Cortland.
Career goals: I will study fitness development and then become a physical trainer.

Juan Carlos Carmona Villarreal of Cancun, Mexico - Echo Company

Rank: Cadet Gunnery Sergeant
Grade: 10, Activity: Soccer
Future education goals: I will attend Universidad de Monterrey and major in architecture.
Career goals: I plan to become an architect.

Austin Riley of Tucson, Ariz. - Fox Company

Rank: Cadet Sergeant
Grade: 10, Activity: Tennis
Future education goals: I will probably attend the University of California, San Diego.
Career goals: I will earn a degree in marine biology and become a marine biologist.

Philipp Slivko of Moscow - Golf Company

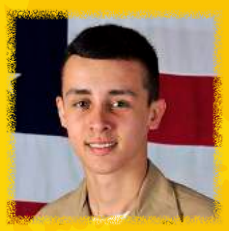
Rank: Cadet Staff Sergeant
Grade: 11, Activity: Soccer
Future education goals: I will study business at Plekhanov Russian Unversity of Economics.
Career goals: I plan to start my own real estate business.

Joshua Williams of Dallas - Leatherneck Band

Company: Alpha, Rank: Cadet Second Lieutenant
Grade: 12
Future education goals: I will major in criminal justice at the University of Texas at San Antonio.
Career goals: I intend to work for U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Shane Dix of Larkspur, Colo. - Drill Team

Company: Fox: Cadet Private First Class
Grade: 10
Future education goals: I will first enlist in the Marine Corps or Air Force.
Career goals: I will earn a bachelor's degree in electronic engineering and work in that field.



Cadet of the Month - March

Xiu Yang Chen of Shanghai - Alpha Company

Rank: Cadet Sergeant
Grade: 10, Activity: Tennis
Future education goals: I will attend an American college and study business administration.
Career goals: I plan to run a major business.

Jeshua Podliska of Orangevale, Calif. - Delta Company

Rank: Cadet Private First Class
Grade: 9, Activity: Football
Future education goals: I plan to attend medical school at Johns Hopkins University.
Career goals: I am going to be an oncologist and treat cancer patients.

Charles Chandler of Newport Beach, Calif. - Echo Company

Rank: Cadet First Lieutenant
Grade: 12, Activity: Weightlifting
Future education goals: I plan to attend Santa Barbara City College.
Career goals: I will become a fireman.

Luis Álvarez Quintana of Santiago de la Monclova, Mexico - Fox Company

Rank: Cadet Sergeant
Grade: 11, Activity: Soccer
Future education goals: I will major in petroleum engineering at the University of Houston.
Career goals: I am going to be a petroleum engineer.

George Zenner of Houston - Golf Company

Rank: Cadet Captain
Grade: 12, Activities: CyberPatriot, Rifle Team & Youth Physical Fitness Team
Future education goals: I wish to study computer & network security at the Air Force Academy.
Career goals: I will be an Air Force officer in the cybersecurity field.

Cameron Potts of Cookson, Okla. - Leatherneck Band

Company: Delta, Rank: Cadet Sergeant
Grade: 11
Future education goals: I would like to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for aviation.
Career goals: I plan to become an Army aviation officer and fly Apache helicopters.

Christian Morse of Converse, Texas - Drill Team

Company: Echo, Rank: Cadet Private
Grade: 10
Future education goals: I will major in criminal justice at the University of Texas at San Antonio.
Career goals: I plan to become a Marine Corps officer in Special Operations Command (MARSOC).

Important Dates

- **May 7**: SAT, 8 a.m.
- **May 13, 16-18**: 2nd Semester Exams
- **May 20**: Eagle Scout Ceremony, 10 a.m.
- **May 20**: Annual Awards & 2nd Semester Academic Awards, 1:30 p.m.
- **May 21**: Class of 2016 Graduation Parade & Military Awards, 9 a.m.
- **May 21**: Graduation Ceremony, 11 a.m.
- **June 21**: Cadet Instructor Check-in, by 6 p.m.
- **June 25**: Summer Camp Registration, 8 a.m. - noon
- **July 22**: SC Field Meet, 5 p.m.
- **July 23**: SC Parade, 9 a.m.
- **July 23**: SC Graduation, 10 a.m.
- **Aug. 7**: Football Camp Check-in, by 3 p.m.
- **Aug. 7**: Leadership Camp Check-in, by 6 p.m.
- **Aug. 13**: Plebe Registration, 8 a.m. - noon
- **Aug. 14**: Returning Cadet Check-in, by 6 p.m.

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Flag Football Champions

Delta Company took home the Flag Football Intramural Championship trophy Feb. 27.

Marine Military Academy encourages its cadets to play recreational and/or competitive sports. Sports promote health and fitness, and teach teamwork and sportsmanship.

The five MMA companies will battle for the intramural soccer trophy in May.

The Delta Company flag football team poses with the championship trophy.

Giving

Recent Donations

In Honor

- Mrs. Gwendolyn Carson
- Col Robert R. Grider, USMC (Ret)
- LtCol Robert G. Hill, USMC (Ret)
- Col Tom A. Hobbs, USMC (Ret)
- Mr. & Mrs. Gordon D. Homme
- Patsy Johnson
- MSgt & Mrs. Michael G. Krauss, USMC (Ret)
- GySgt Frank Martinez, USMC (Ret)

In Memory

- Jack H. Brouse – VMF 422 »»
- »» • Jonathan Dedrick "Jack"
- Mildred G. Gilmore "Millie"
- William Norman Kennedy
- Maj Edward T. McGee, USMCR (Ret)
- Tom Morton
- MSgt Efren L. Quilit, USMC (Ret) / MSgt "Q" – MMA A Co.- ADI
- Austin P. Roberts
- Arnold Tamez, "Arnold -N- Junction Band"
- Pfc Brian A. Thornton, USMC, KIA, ROK 1951
- Jose Hector Vasquez, Sr.