

“The Oldest Post of the Corps”



## JULY IN NUMBERS

Joint and Marine Corps Color Guard Shots: 36  
Funeral Support: 41  
Honors Cordons: 5  
Silent Drill Platoon Shots: 5  
Tuesday and Friday Parades: 9

## PROMOTIONS

### **Lance Corporal:**

Andrew Alfred IV  
James Bailey  
Tyler Blattler  
Courtland Brooks  
Jarrod Crawford  
Jesus Flores  
Elijah Garrett  
Michael Jerde  
Samuel Minear  
Xavier Olivero

Joseph Olvera  
Ethan Phillips  
Jason Roth  
Ace Rurak  
Jonathan Springer  
Stefan Stasinopoulos  
Adam Sweckard  
Nola Wiley  
Mitchelsha Williamson  
Tanner Williamson

### **Corporal:**

William Back  
Wilson Brown  
Steven Dilone  
Matthew Evans II  
Roland Felder IV

Arthur Kearney Jr  
Austin Marshall  
Alexander Morais  
Kimberly Santiago  
Taylor Smith



## DID YOU KNOW?

The 57 mm field gun on the east side of the parade was captured by Marines in 1900 during the Boxer Rebellion in China. Another large field piece, facing the gun, was captured that same year. The Marines who captured both pieces were under the command of Maj. Waller participating in the international effort to restore order in China. Next to the field guns are two graves. In 1992, the Barracks lost three mascots. Two of them are buried there, the other, ran away.

## SPOTLIGHT

### H&S COMPANY

Corporal Bibiana Bocanegra is a fire and forget weapon system. Trusted with the management of the entire command's travel program, she has successfully helped move hundreds of Marines across the country ensuring that their travel arrangements were square and they were properly and timely reimbursed their entitlements. The Corps needs more Cpl. Bocanegas. Besides her outstanding work in DTS, she is a docent and often the number one "go-to" for VIP tours. The consummate professional, she consistently resolves issues before they escalate. A native of Arizona, Cpl. Bocanegra is value to any team!

### A CO.

Lance Cpl. Ryan Dowd, a "first-year" Color Guard Marine has been invaluable to Color Guard Platoon's success during the 2016 Parade season. He routinely serves as rifleman for various high-profile ceremonies throughout the national capitol region to include Joint Color Guard ceremonies, Marine Corps Color Guard ceremonies and Sea Service Color Guard ceremonies. LCpl. Dowd was selected to serve as Flag Breaker for various events at Marine Barracks Washington and the Marine Corps War Memorial. His superior performance has earned him the opportunity to serve as a Ceremonial Drill Instructor for the upcoming year, a position at which he will undoubtedly excel as a teacher and mentor for the inbound Color Guard Marines.

### ***Happy 218th Birthday, USMB***

July 11 was the 218th anniversary of the founding of the U.S. Marine Band. President John Adams signed an Act of Congress on that date that re-established the Marine Corps Under the Department of the Navy and also authorized 32 fifers and drummers to be enlisted. Thus began the USMB.

## Cpl. Chesty XIV Earns a Good Conduct Medal

The Marine Corps' very own mascot was awarded his GCM July 22, 2016!



Lt. Gen. Glenn M. Walters was promoted Aug. 3, 2016 and will serve as the newest Assistant Commandant to the Marine Corps.



## ASSISTANT COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

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# HIGHLIGHTS



## Honor Flight Chicago

Marines from the Silent Drill Platoon performed for Honor Flight Chicago Korean and Vietnam War veterans at the Marine Corps War Memorial during their day of honor, remembrance and celebration, July 13, 2016.



## Field Training—Guard Company

Marines from Guard Company executed field training consisting of live-fire maneuver and static ranges to hone their warfighting skills at Quantico Va., July 13, 2016.

In addition to supporting ceremonial events at the Barracks, these Marines consistently sharpen their tactics through exercises like this that challenge and improve their skillsets.





## **The Last to Let you Down**

Our Marine Corps Body Bearers prepare daily for their most important mission of laying fallen Marines to their final resting place. Their hard work and dedication is often out of the spotlight but their role in the Corps is invaluable.

## **Col. Harvey Barnum Ship Naming Ceremony**

This month the U.S. Navy's newest destroyer was named after Marine Medal of Honor recipient Col. Harvey C. Barnum Jr. during a Ship Naming Ceremony hosted by Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus at Marine Barracks Washington, July 28, 2016. Col. Barnum earned the medal for his actions in Vietnam when his rifle company was outnumbered 10-1. After his company commander and radio operator were taken out of the fight, 1stLt. Barnum assumed both roles and evacuated the wounded and lead a counterattack.



***“Look down here where I am standing. If I can stand here, by God, you can land here.”***

*1stLt. Barnum's radio message when evacuation helicopters could not find a landing zone.*

## **Battle Color Detachment performs at the U.S. Naval Academy**

On July 21 the Drum and Bugle Corps, Silent Drill Platoon and Color Guard traveled to the U.S. Naval Academy to perform a Battle Color Detachment Ceremony for the newest Midshipmen.





## Gen. John M. Paxton Retires

The Corps bid farewell to Gen. John M. Paxton Jr. during his official retirement ceremony held at the Barracks Aug. 4, 2016. Paxton was the only assistant commandant to serve three separate commandants and was the oldest active-duty Marine in the Corps. His passion for serving Marines and love of the Barracks will be missed here at the Oldest Post!

## FAREWELL AND FOLLOWING SEAS

(left) Outgoing Barracks Marines are bid farewell during a "CO's Social", July 28, 2016.



## WELCOME ABOARD

MSgt. Andrew Greenlee  
 MSgt. Meghann Viggiani  
 GySgt. Krystofer Rivers  
 SSgt. Nicholas Lanier  
 SSgt. Michael Kliment  
 Sgt. Jacob Parrett  
 Cpl. Chad Gaddis  
 Cpl. Matthew Holcomb  
 Lance Cpl. Samuel Minear  
 Lance Cpl. Michael Jerde  
 Lance Cpl. Kevin Klass  
 Lance Cpl. Tanner Williamson  
 Lance Cpl. Alexander Jones  
 PFC. Jasmine Duran  
 PFC. Brandon Novak  
 PFC. Cody Ryan  
 PFC. Christian Byers  
 PFC. Caleb Campbell  
 PFC. Christian Cervantez  
 PFC. Patrick John  
 PFC. Nicholas Mcnair  
 PFC. Nicholas Peck  
 PFC. Allan Silva  
 PFC. Blake Thomas



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