

MCRD GRADUATION WEEK

- On Thursday and Friday all visitor vehicles **MUST** enter through **Gate # 5** (Washington Street exit off I-5). Vehicle inspections and ID checks will take place. All packages, handbags and luggage are subject to search prior to being admitted to the Depot. For quicker entry to MCRD, please keep those items at a minimum. Leave luggage and other bags at your hotel.

- Items such as knives, guns, etc. will be confiscated and not returned.
- Shuttles from hotels and motels **MUST** use **Gate # 5 ONLY**. Shuttles will be inspected each time they enter the Depot. You should be prepared to show a photo ID when entering the Depot. Keep your ID with you at all times.

- Occupants of vehicles attempting to enter MCRD must be restrained by his/her own seatbelt.

- Due to possible long lines at Gate 5, it is recommended that you arrive early each day at the Depot.

- **STROLLERS AND WHEELCHAIRS ARE NOT AVAILABLE.**

NOTE: There might be changes in the levels of security alert that alter scheduled events.

THURSDAY

Gate # 5 opens for visitors at **6:00 am**.
THE MCRD SHUTTLE BUS WILL BE AVAILABLE (Stops at Theater and Museum Courtyard) TO TAKE YOU TO BREAKFAST!

(NOTE: DO NOT WALK ACROSS THE ASPHALT PARADE DECK – PLEASE WALK AROUND IT.)

THURSDAY MORNING AT MCRD

- **Bay View Restaurant - BREAKFAST BUFFET - 6:30 am to 9:00 am (SHUTTLE STOP)**
- **MENU:** Fresh California Fruit Medley, Scrambled Eggs with Cheddar Cheese, Home Fries, Sausage Links, Apple Pancakes, Assorted Danish, Mini Muffins, Cinnamon-sugared Donut Holes, Butter & Fruit Jellies, Orange Juice, Coffee. **\$7.95 (\$4.00 Kids) Includes Gratuity. No Sales Tax .**
- **GROUP PHOTOS of YOUR MARINE** for sale Thursday morning at the Exchange Courtyard.
- **FOOD COURT** – approx. 1 block from drop-off point. Opens at 6:30 am. Fast food style breakfast.
- **COFFEE KIOSK** – Opens at 6:30 am. Specialty coffees, pastries.
- **USMC SOUVENIR AND GIFT SHOP** - (near the Food Court)
 Opens at 6:00 am Thursday 8:00 am Friday
- **MARKETPLACE** Opens at 6:00 am

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING - MUSEUM COURTYARD 9:00 am (SHUTTLE STOP) MOTIVATION RUN - 9:30 am - 10:00 am

A major event in your Recruit's final training days is the "Motivation Run", the final run for the company of recruits. You can observe your Recruit begin his company's Run at the visitors' area near the Museum courtyard.

10:00 am - 10:30 am Walk to nearby Depot Theater as a group.

10:30 am - 11:15 am WELCOME ORIENTATION in Depot Theater. Includes short movie, LINKS briefing and D.I. Introductions.

11:15 am - 11:30 am Walk to Reviewing Stand as a group.

11:30 am - 12:00 Noon EMBLEM CEREMONY

12:00 Noon LIBERTY STARTS! Meet your Marine!

VISIT WITH YOUR MARINE - LIBERTY 12:00 pm-5:00 pm

You may walk around the Depot. Certain recruit training areas are off-limits to visitors (see map). During liberty, graduating Marines may not leave the Depot.

TAKE THE FREE SHUTTLE TO LUNCH!

MCRD FAMILY PHOTOS

Join us at the Bay View Restaurant from 12 Noon - 3:00 pm Thursday for your family photos. Take advantage of the family's being together and have a portrait taken with your proud Marine. Family portraits are taken with state-of-the-art digital technology. Photos available instantly for preview with several digital backgrounds **you get to choose!** Best of all, high quality prints are ready to take home **in minutes!** **Credit cards accepted.**

THURSDAY POINTS OF INTEREST

MARINE FAMILY LUNCH at THE BAY VIEW RESTAURANT (SHUTTLE STOP)

LIBERTY BANQUET BUFFET from 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Meet your Marine's Drill Instructors at the Bay View
 12:30pm - 2:00 pm.

Shuttle to Bay View ceases pickups - 2:30 pm

Last Shuttle FROM Bay View - 4:00 pm

Relax with your Marine in a beautiful setting near San Diego Bay. Great view of the water, palm trees, MCRD marina. Dine early and visit the rest of the Depot for shopping, touring, etc.

BUFFET MENU: Garden Salad with 2 dressings, Baked Chicken Breast, Hand-carved Top Round of Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn, Rolls & Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee. **\$11.95 Includes Gratuity. No Sales Tax.** Credit cards accepted. Friendly staff and indoor/outdoor dining. Bar, Air-Conditioned, Restrooms, Pay Phones, Horseshoes. Shuttle service to and from Bay View Restaurant.
 (Get Bay View "Friday Bucks" coupons Thursday only.)

MARINE CORPS EXCHANGE & MALL USMC SOUVENIR AND GIFT SHOP

on the Exchange Mall opens 6:00 am Thurs, 8:00 am Friday.

Guests of graduating Marines are welcome to shop at the Exchange facilities on Thursday only if they are accompanied by their Marine.

RECRUIT EXCHANGE:

HOURS: Thursday: 7:30 am-5:00 pm Friday: 7:30 am-4:00 pm.
 (Located in training area. See map for off-limits training areas.)

FOOD COURT: On the Mall. Opens 6:30 am

A&W, Villa Pizza, Stars n Stripes Deli, Mongolian Barbecue, Specialty Coffees.

RECREATION CENTER: Opens 11:00 am

Air-conditioned, Bowling, Video Games.

THE DEPOT USMC MUSEUM

Thursday 8:00 am-4:30 pm Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

TICKETS & TOURS: Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Information and tickets to local attractions.

VISITING TIME CONCLUDES: 5:00 pm

Graduating Marines must be in their barracks by 5:00 pm.

HOTEL SHUTTLE pick up point for Thursday evening:

MCRD DEPOT THEATER

FRIDAY

FRIDAY MORNING AT MCRD

- **BAY VIEW RESTAURANT – BREAKFAST BUFFET 6:30am-9:00am (SHUTTLE STOP)** Bay View Shuttle picks you up at the Depot Theatre, takes you to breakfast, returns you to **COLOR CEREMONY or GRADUATION CEREMONY.**

- **BREAKFAST BUFFET MENU:** Scrambled Eggs with Cheddar Cheese, Sliced Smoked Ham, Buttermilk Biscuits, Country Sausage, Gravy, Breakfast Potatoes, California Fruit Medley, Assorted Danish, Mini Muffins, Cinnamon-sugared Donut Holes, Orange Juice, Coffee. **\$7.95 (\$4.00 Kids) INCLUDES GRATUITY. NO SALES TAX.**

- **FOOD COURT** – Opens at 6:30 am. Fast-food style breakfasts.

- **COFFEE KIOSK** – Opens at 6:30 am. Specialty coffees, pastries.

- **USMC MEMORABILIA & GIFT SHOP** – near the Food Court. Opens at 8:00 am.

GRADUATION CEREMONY – 10:00 am.

Reviewing Stands are located on Shepherd Field (Parade Deck).

Please be in your seats between 9:30-9:45 am. Snack Van located behind Reviewing Stands. (Bottled water, sodas, snacks.)

After graduation, you may stay and visit the Depot. You can dine at the Bay View (Lunch available 11:00 am-1:30 pm.) or the Food Court or do additional shopping at the Exchange.

NEWLY GRADUATED MARINES receive **FREE FRIDAY HOT LUNCH BUFFET** in the Bay View Dining Room, with **MINIMUM ONE** paid guest **PER MARINE.**

Hotel Shuttle Pick-Up location is THE DEPOT THEATER. CHECK with YOUR HOTEL for SHUTTLE AVAILABILITY.