



# Battalion Newsletter

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# Spring Break Trip

This year's annual spring break trip took place at Camp Pendleton, California. We spent four days here and lived life like Marines in the barracks. On this trip, cadets were privileged to learn about, and get hands-on experience with AAV's, LAV's, and many of the weapon systems associated with these vehicles. The class participated in physical training along the coasts of Camp Pendleton's Del Mar Beach and in a land navigation course.



Cadets on a run at Del Mar Beach

Getting a hands-on experience with the various weapons for the LAV's



Playing and having a good time at the bowling alley with friends



Cadets experiencing what it is like to be under charge of a Marine Corps Drill Instructor



# JROTC Final Inspection

Each year, the JROTC class has an end of the year uniform and drill evaluation. In previous years, we have had Marine Drill Instructors conduct the inspection but due to changes in policy on support, they are no longer able to support our schools request. This year, we had a few local Marines, volunteer along with a few of the local recruiters from the Orange Recruiting Sub Station. We owe thanks to Sgt Miles and Cpl Smith from Ordnance Maintenance Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Battalion for their support. Both Marines were given letter of Commendation from CWO3 Southern



# 2012 Cadet Awards Ceremony

Near the ending of the school year, Orange High School's JROTC program hosts their very own cadet awards ceremony. During the awards ceremony we take the time to recognize each cadet who has completed a full year in the program, and the outstanding cadets who went above and beyond their limits, with awards, ribbons, and even medals. Parents, family, and even retired Marines gather in the audience to watch each cadet walk across the stage as their name is called to receive their awards.



# Leaving Seniors of JROTC

The JROTC seniors in the class of 2012 will be graduating and no longer enrolled as cadets in the OHS JROTC program. Most of them have dedicated four years into the program and have made it to the ranks of officers. This means that it will be time for their fellow ranking cadets to assume additional responsibilities for the coming school year.

This year, out of the graduating seniors in the program, we have six cadets and one junior cadet who have shown their true dedication and patriotism by actually enlisting into the military. Three of which enlisted into the Marine Corps, while the other three enlisted into the Army.

## **The following cadets have enlisted:**

Emely Ortega- Marine Corps Boot Camp date: June 18, 2012

Kevin Hernandez- Marine Corps Boot Camp date: September 4, 2012

Haley Salinas- Marine Corps Boot Camp date: September 24, 2012

Mariela Garcia – Marine Corps Boot Camp date: TBD

Connor Cheney- United States Army Boot Camp date: July 1, 2013

George Hopkins- United States Army Boot Camp date: June 23, 2012

Luis Murillo- United States Army Boot Camp date: August 18, 2012

# THE JAMES H. FEARN'S MARINE CORPS JROTC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2012 RECIPIENTS OF the Marine Corps JROTC Memorial Scholarship, established in honor of Jim Fearn - a combat Marine veteran who obtained the charter for the JROTC program at Orange High School.

Thank you for honoring the example set by MGySgt Fearn, and keeping faith with his commitment to both the Marine Corps and to education.

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The Fearn family would like to gratefully acknowledge the leadership provided by CWO3 Bill Southern and MSgt Ed Aguilar to the JROTC Program as well as the ongoing support of LtCol Joe Ruthenberg, Mrs. Kathy Moffat and Mr. Mark Wayland.

*Congratulations to the following  
three Marine Corps JROTC  
Scholarship Recipients:*



*Cadet Major  
Juan Santos*



*Cadet Captain  
Mari Garcia*



*Cadet 1st Lieutenant  
Mitchell Duncan*