

UCLA NROTC BRUIN BATTALION 2004-2005





MISSION OF THE NROTC:

To develop Midshipmen mentally, morally, and physically; and to imbue them with the highest ideals of duty, honor, and loyalty in order to commission college graduates as officers who possess a basic professional background, are motivated toward careers in the Naval Service, and have the potential in mind and character to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship and government.



CORE VALUES:

HONOR



"I will bear true faith and allegiance ..."

Accordingly, we will: Conduct ourselves in the highest ethical manner in all relationships with peers, superiors and subordinates; Be honest and truthful in our dealings with each other, and with those outside the Navy; Be willing to make honest recommendations and accept those of junior personnel; Encourage new ideas and deliver the bad news, even when it is unpopular; Abide by an uncompromising code of integrity, taking responsibility for our actions and keeping our word; Fulfill or exceed our legal and ethical responsibilities in our public and personal lives twenty-four hours a day. Illegal or improper behavior or even the appearance of such behavior will not be tolerated. We are accountable for our professional and personal behavior. We will be mindful of the privilege to serve our fellow Americans.

COURAGE



"I will support and defend ..."

Accordingly, we will have: Courage to meet the demands of our profession and the mission when it is hazardous, demanding, or otherwise difficult; Make decisions in the best interest of the navy and the nation, without regard to personal consequences; Meet these challenges while adhering to a higher standard of personal conduct and decency; Be loyal to our nation, ensuring the resources entrusted to us are used in an honest, careful, and efficient way. Courage is the value that gives us the moral and mental strength to do what is right, even in the face of personal or professional adversity.

COMMITMENT



"I will obey the orders ..."

Accordingly, we will: Demand respect up and down the chain of command; Care for the safety, professional, personal and spiritual well-being of our people; Show respect toward all people without regard to race, religion, or gender; Treat each individual with human dignity; Be committed to positive change and constant improvement; Exhibit the highest degree of moral character, technical excellence, quality and competence in what we have been trained to do. The day-to-day duty of every Navy man and woman is to work together as a team to improve the quality of our work, our people and ourselves.

BRUIN BATTALION SPRING COMMAND TERM 2005

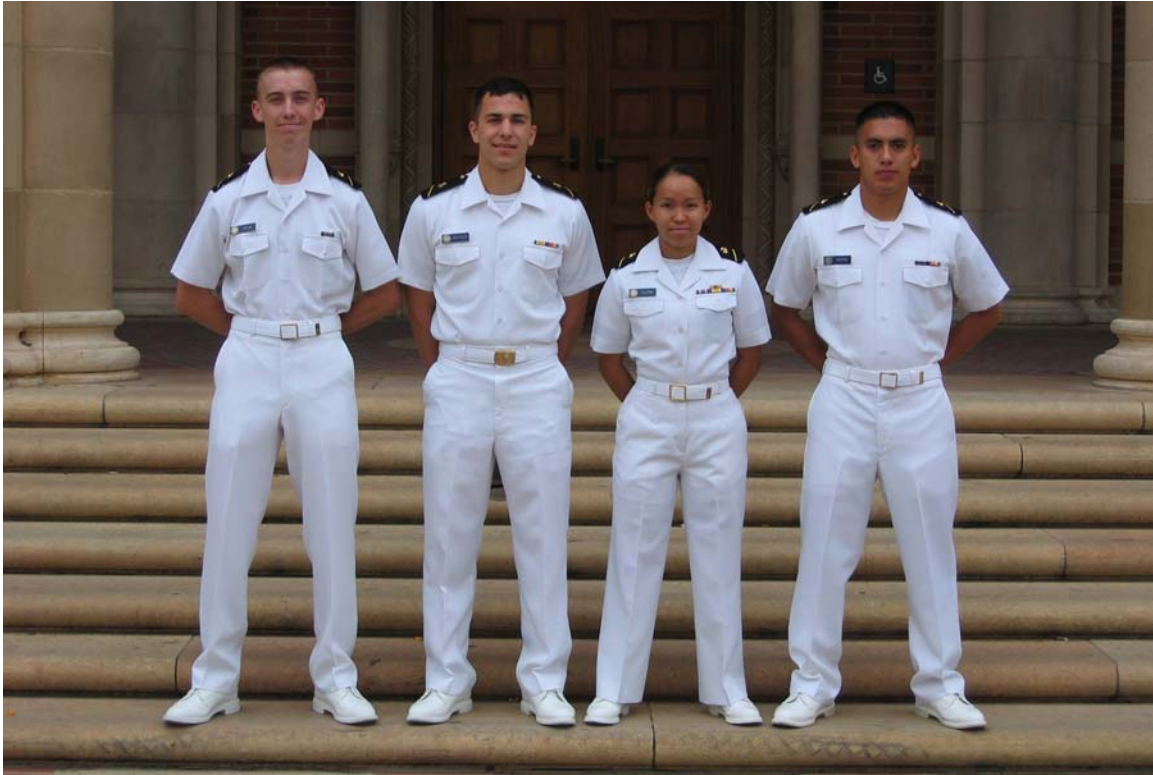


(Top to Bottom) *Row 1:* Alan Johnson, Sergio Sandoval, Robert Ortega, Jennie Barba, Francis Eclevia, Brian Page, Arturo Trejo, Ryan de Vera, Nicolas Gonzalez; *Row 2:* Leonardo Cuadrado, James DeFazio, David View, Marko Marbella, Jeffrey Ostrin, Meagan Fawcett, Nicholas Matcheck, Merrie Ekelund, Samuel Nickols, Robert Bohn; *Row 3:* Adam Vincent, Sean Gannon, Eric Hinojos, Raul Morin, Paul Velazquez, Ross Emerick, Yilei Liu, Benjamin Du, Sara Pickup, Michael Fields, Bradley Nott; *Row 4:* Rachel Webber, John Allen, Lauren Lasser, Kim Huynh, Yvonne Marengo, Diana Lopez, Brandon Comer, Allison Murphy, Daniel Chang

FOURTH CLASS



THIRD CLASS



SECOND CLASS



FIRST CLASS



A CLOSER LOOK AT THE SENIORS...

Jenny Lynn Barba

Cypress, California

Major: General Chemistry

Billets: Squad Leader, PAO Chief, Athletics Chief, Platoon Commander, Operations Officer

Service Selection: Marine Corps

Duty Station: Quantico, VA (The Basic School)



Ssgt. Leonardo O. Cuadrado

Los Angeles, California

Major: Anthropology & Chicana(o) Studies

**Billets: Squad Leader, Command Master Chief, Communications Officer, Platoon Chief,
Plans Officer**

Service Selection: Marine Corps

Duty Station: Quantico, VA (The Basic School)



Sean Frederic Davis

Culpeper, VA

Major: Political Science

**Billets: Squad Leader, Guide, Academics Chief, Public Affairs Officer, Platoon Commander,
Logistics Officer**

Service Selection: Surface Warfare

Duty Station: Ingleside, TX (MHC-Cormorant)



Mark Brian DeMann
Castro Valley, California
Major: Aerospace Engineering
Billets: Squad Leader, CGXO, CGCO, Platoon Chief, Finance Officer, Adjutant, MWR Officer
Service Selection: Aviation (Pilot)
Duty Station: Graduate School in the Officer Scholarship Program



Francis Ednave Eclevia, Jr.
Milpitas, California
Major: Asian American Studies
Billets: Squad Leader, Platoon Guide, Communications CPO, Academics CPO, Academics Officer, Adjutant
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: Norfolk, VA (USS Barry DDG-52)



Merrie Annette Ekelund
Sacramento, California
Major: Ecology, Behavior, and Evolution
Billets: Squad Leader, PAO Chief, Platoon Chief, Command Master Chief, Battalion XO
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: TBD



Michael James Fields
Pasadena, California
Major: Aerospace Engineering
Billets: Squad Leader, Plans Chief, Plans Officer, Communications Officer, Academics Officer, Logistics Officer
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: Graduate Education (UCLA)



Sean Anon Gannon
Danville, California
Major: Psychology

**Billets: Squad Leader, Guide, Communications Chief, Communications Officer, Plans Chief,
Sailing Officer, Platoon Commander**
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: San Diego, CA (USS Cleveland LPD-7)



Nicolas Alejandro Gonzalez
Santa Barbara, California
Major: Political Science

**Billets: Squad Leader, Platoon Chief, Communications Chief, Communications Officer,
Deputy Operations Officer, Logistics Officer**
Service Selection: Aviation (Pilot)
Duty Station: Pensacola, FL (Naval Air Station)



Eric David Hinojos
San Diego, California

Major: Psychology

Billets: Squad Leader, Finance Chief, Supply Chief, Platoon Guide, Athletics Officer, Plans Officer, Platoon Commander

Service Selection: Aviation (Pilot)

Duty Station: Pensacola, FL (Naval Air Station)



Daniel James Lefler
Napa, California

Major: Aerospace Engineering

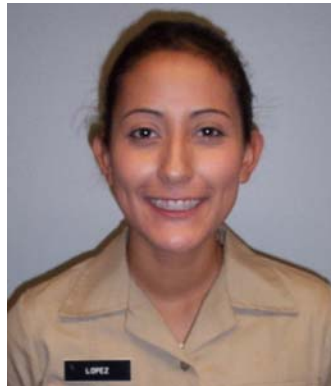
Billets: Squad Leader, Platoon Chief, Command Master Chief, Academics Chief, Alumni Affairs Officer, DAPA

Service Selection: Aviation

Duty Station: Pensacola, FL (Naval Air Station)



Diana Albarran Lopez
Galt, California
Major: Marine Biology
Billets: Squad Leader, Plans Chief, Finance Officer, Operations Officer
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: TBD



Nicholas Brandon Matcheck
Peachtree City, Georgia
Major: Political Science
Billets: Squad Leader, Guide, Academics Officer, Deputy Operations Officer, CGCO, Battalion Commander
Service Selection: Aviation (Pilot)
Duty Station: Pensacola, FL (Naval Air Station)



Sara Elisabeth Pickup

Midland, Texas

Major: Anthropology

**Billets: Squad Leader, Guide, Communications Officer, Finance Officer, Public Affairs
Officer, DTCO**

Service Selection: Surface Warfare

Duty Station: San Diego, CA (USS Dubuque LPD-8)



Sergio Lopez Sandoval

Pico Rivera, California

Major: Aerospace Engineering

**Billets: Squad Leader, Communications Chief, Finance Chief, Athletics Officer, Battalion
XO**

Service Selection: Marine Corps

Duty Station: Quantico, VA (The Basic School)



Arturo Trejo
El Monte, California
Major: Astrophysics
Billets: Squad Leader, Public Affairs Chief, Platoon Chief, Deputy Adjutant, Platoon
Commander, Battalion Commander
Duty Station: Sasebo, Japan (USS Essex LHD-2)



Paul Velazquez
Los Angeles, California
Major: History (Minor: Naval Science)
Billets: Squad Leader, Public Affairs Chief, Alumni Affairs Chief, Plans Chief, Supply Chief,
CGXO, CGCO, Alumni Affairs Officer, Adjutant
Service Selection: Surface Warfare
Duty Station: San Diego, CA (USS Curts FFG-38)



ACTIVE DUTY STAFF



COL. STEPHEN P. HUBBLE, USMC
Commanding Officer

“Your reputation is what people think you are; your character is who you really are.”

This is Col. Hubble's last year as the CO of the NROTC Los Angeles Consortium. His next command will be Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Tactical Systems Support Activity (MCTSSA) at Camp Pendleton. The command consists of both Marines and civil engineers, and they support and develop all Marine Corps communications and tactical connectivity systems.

We thank you, Colonel, for leading us these past two years. We wish you the best of luck at your new command.



CDR. ANGUS A. McCOLL, USN
Executive Officer

“Einstein once said: ‘Strive not to be a man of success, but rather a man of value.’ Others can inhibit your success but your value is intrinsic, and you always have the choice to enhance or diminish it. Love God, your country, your family, your neighbor, and your work. The love you choose to give is really the only thing you can control in life, and is the best expression of your character. You must learn from the ‘other guy's mistakes’ so you don't make them yourself. Finally, remember that if you are not having fun, you are probably not doing it right!”



MAJ. MATT PARKER, USMC
Battalion Advisor

“Good job ... and be cognizant that I am not longer Captain Parker.”

(Quote provided on behalf of the battalion.)



LT. ANDRE MANCL, USN
Officer Instructor

“Be where you are supposed to be, when you are supposed to be there. No matter what the situation, use common sense. Always, always, always have a good attitude, make the best out of every situation, and when you can ... try to have fun. Otherwise, what the hell's the point?”



LT. RONALD IBBETSON, USN
Officer Instructor

“If you ever have any questions, you can ask me ... I was ‘J.O. Of The Year’.”

(Quote provided on behalf of the battalion.)



GySgt. Greg O'Neal, USMC

“Is *that* right?”

(Quote provided on behalf of the battalion.)



SKC Ramil Domingo, USN

“If you drop the ball, pick it back up! – It is normal for someone to make a mistake. We are only human after all; the mistake is NOT learning from your error.”



YNC Jasper Houseal, USN

After 20 years of great service for the Navy, Chief Houseal will be retiring on 26 Aug 05. He came to the unit in the beginning of 2002 and has helped make things run efficiently for the battalion and staff. Thank you, Chief, for your dedication and service. Good luck!

INSPECTION



The Platoon Commanders' Inspection was conducted in Royce Quad.



Gunny O'Neal makes random checks.



MIDN Matcheck & MIDN Davis inspect a platoon.



Midn Sandoval corrects a salute.



Even the inside of a cover needs to be perfect.

MIDN de Vera has the perfect view to inspect Midn Huynh's cover.



This squad looks good to go in their uniforms.

BLOOD BOWL



This year's Blood Bowl team was led by MIDN Matcheck & Midn Morin. The team practiced hard and played harder, but unfortunately, USC won the game in the end. UCLA's effort was evident, and they still walked off the field with their heads held high.



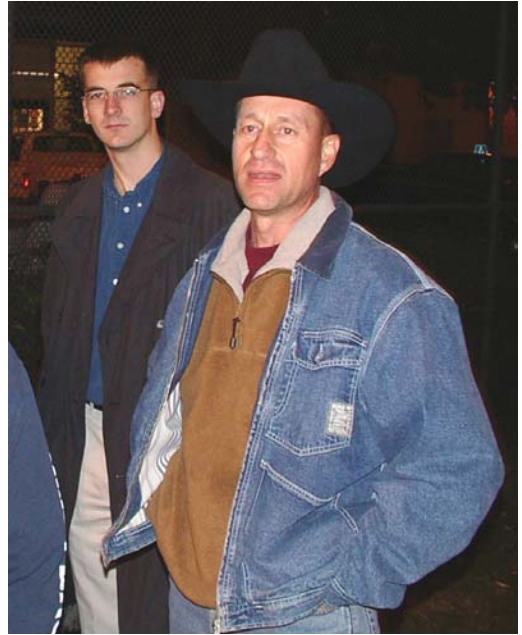
MIDN Lasser and Major Parker show off their Heisman Trophy poses during the game.

The UCLA Blood
call out the next play.



Bowl team huddles to

Colonel Hubble watches the game from the sidelines along with his bodyguard, Mr. Johnson.



Both of these men know how to put up a fight on the field.

During halftime, both midshipmen and OIs from UCLA and USC compete in a pie-eating competition.



BIRTHDAY BALL 2004



The Birthday Ball is a tradition for the NROTC Los Angeles Consortium. This year, the ball was held in Ackerman Grand Ballroom.

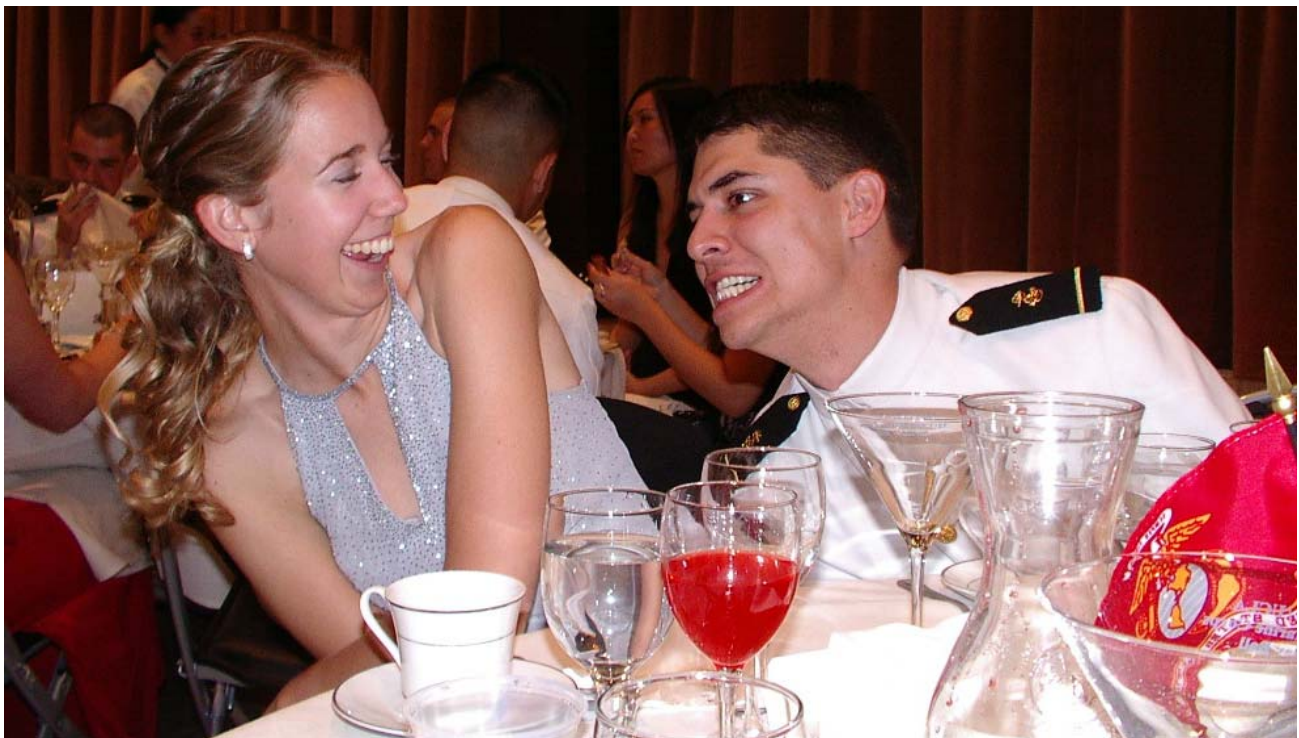


Several midshipmen of the Junior Class take moment to pose for the camera.



MIDN Hinojos and MIDN Nott ensure that their dates are having a great time...

... while MIDN Gannon demonstrates *perfect* gentlemanliness in front of his date.



CHANCELLOR'S CUP



Chancellor's Cup is the annual field day competition against the three ROTC units at UCLA. The Air Force, Army, and Navy compete in various games including basketball, flag football, tug-of-war, sit-ups and push-ups, and more. The Air Force hosted this year's meet.



MIDN Emerick gets down and dirty, allowing teammate MIDN DeFazio to head towards the goal.



The soccer team talks about their strategy.



Midn Morin dashes past the Army.



Midn Sandoval is able to focus on the game in three steps...



... while MIDN Gannon and MIDN Lefler hardly focus at all.



The Army and Navy/Marine Corps flag football teams get ready to go head-to-head.



Tug-of-war is the best time to see people's war faces.



Three little monkeys.



Army + Air Force + Navy = Purple Team

AROUND THE WARDROOM



The Wardroom is a place for activities for the midshipmen, and it serves as more than just a dining area for them. You can find them in the computer lab, during tutoring hours, and watching movies. In fact, MIDN Liu probably spends the most time in the Wardroom out of all the midshipmen.



(above): The Wardroom gets noticeably occupied on Tuesday mornings.

(top right): The computer lab is a great privilege for the battalion.

(bottom right): Midn View is amazed not by the creation that MIDN Fawcett has made, but at the amount of free time she has.

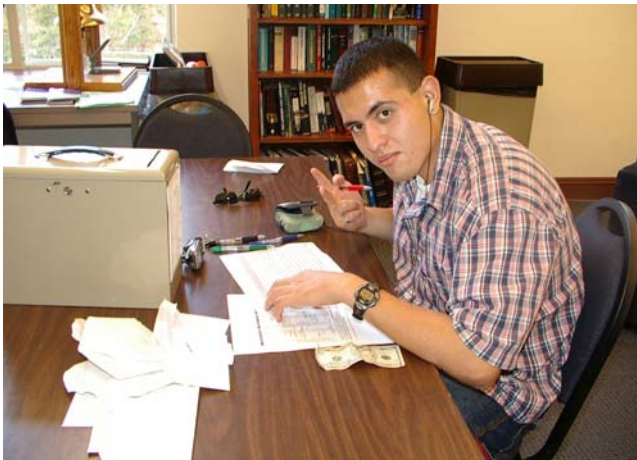




Trejo does his Navigation homework.



Lopez plays Allen a game of chess.



Ortega takes care of the geedunk dues.



Velazquez and Trejo love matching outfits.



Allen celebrates his birthday in the Wardroom.



View wishes he could really take a nap.

NAVIGATION FIELD TRIP



Commander McColl took his Navigation class to Marine Exchange Vessel Traffic Service where the students got to see up-close some of the equipment used in navigation. They were hosted by Capt. Dick McKenna (Ret.)



SQUAD COMPETITION



DRILL TEAM



COLOR GUARD



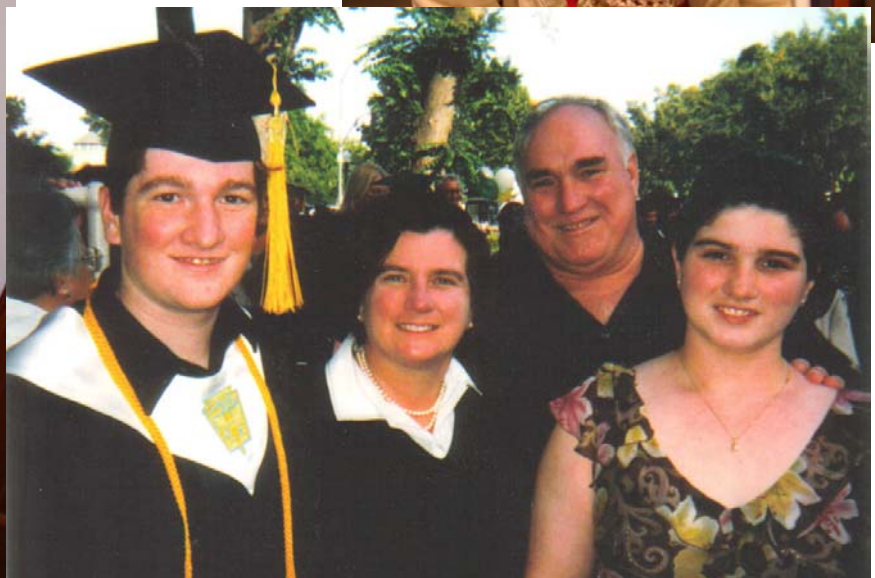
AVIATION CLUB

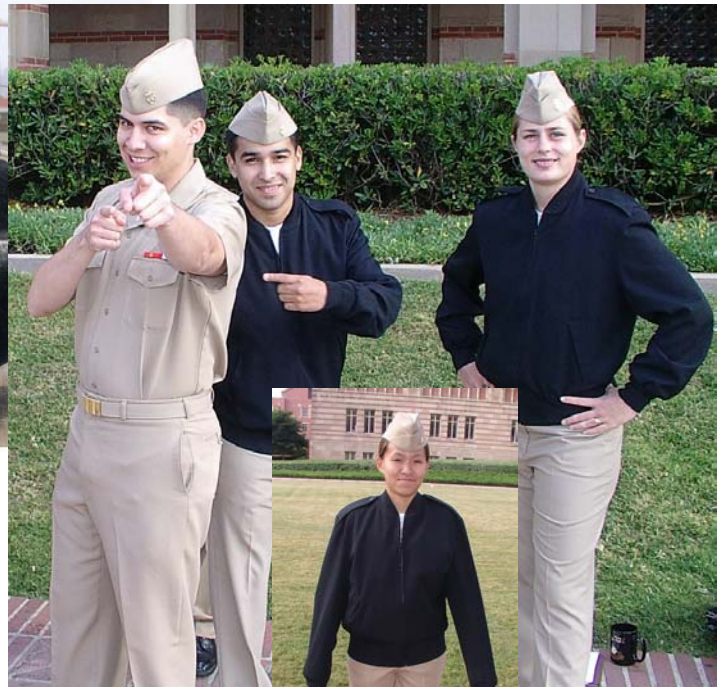


LIFE OUTSIDE AND AROUND THE BATTALION...













SPRING CHANGE OF COMMAND AND AWARD CEREMONY











MO FIELD TRIP TO MOUNT WHITNEY 03 Jun – 05 Jun



Maj. Parker and the MOs left for Mt. Whitney shortly after the Change of Command/Awards Ceremony; they wasted no time to start their motivating weekend.



Midn Morin: The poster child for adventure.



Ssgt. Cuadrado: The poster child for relaxation.



No mountain is too high for Midn Huynh. "Bring it on! Hoo-rah!"



Several MOs wait for Maj. Parker to finally catch up with them.



Sharing clean fresh air and a perfect view with your buddies – it doesn't get any better than this!

*Congratulations, Class of 2005!
We wish you fair winds and
following seas.*



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