





SOLDIERS

SPRING '18



KICKOFF EVENT



FALL

2018

Today was a fantastic day for all of us here in PEP. We had our 'Fall '18 Kickoff Event'. Today we got our first look at what is to come and let me be the first to tell you that we are all very excited. Today I saw men come together and share their ideas and the executives gave awesome pointers and awesome feedback. There was many speakers at the event most of which were at one point in time in the same spot as we are today. To all of us in the Fall '18 Class it gives us all hope for a much better future. All in all the event was well put together and the Servant-Leaders did an amazing job on their speeches on the 10



Driving Values which in turn has helped me realize how much we use the 10 Driving Values in our day to day life unconsciously. Good luck and god speed. I will see all of you at the finish line.

Anthony B.
(a.k.a. Snooki)

Electrifying! That's how I describe the Kickoff event. I felt like a rock star all day. The energy put off by the Servant- Leaders and executives was absolutely galvanizing. Being professionally photographed was the start of the party. Then we moved right into some Texas Two-Stepping. Heading towards the main event that alone should be depicted as pure greatness. I was welcomed through this gigantic tunnel of love orchestrated by the Servant-Leaders and these great executives. Just seeing how excited and joyful these wonderful people were to meet us was purely uplifting. I got to hear a little about each and every one of them and why they volunteer their precious time for us. The very best part, not just our small groups to talk individually



about what a person word is meant to them but the genuineness of their heart felt answers and responses. Most importantly I was left with the feeling of total empowerment after the event came to a close. Rock on fall '18.

Sage K.
(a.k.a. J-wow)



I stood in line with the other new members of Pep, not knowing what to expect. All we were told is that this was the first of many events, having just left my unit of nine and a half years. I was already filled with an uneasy mixture of anticipation and uncertainty but all of that inner turmoil evaporated as soon as I walked through the doorway of that gymnasium. I was greeted by a parted sea of my brothers in white. A series of welcoming smiles and pleasant greetings drew me deeper into a room of acceptance. When the scenery changed from prison whites to free world fashion I came very close to tears each volunteer looked at me as if I had come to deliver a long awaited gift. A greeting by name coupled with a firm hand shake is more than many of us feel that we deserve from a productive and law abiding member of society. Be that as it may it was

the sincerity in their facial expressions that affected me most of all. It was much more than simply conveying a sentiment such as, welcome, come join us. What those faces said to me was, in this room you are loved! That was the magic that made the rest of the afternoon memorable.

James R.

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SERVANT LEADER OF THE MONTH



TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF?

I'M FROM CORPUS CHRISTI TX. I AM 33 YEARS OLD, I HAVE A LITTLE GIRL. I AM VERY OUTGOING, A VERY POSITIVE PERSON. I WORK IN COMMISSARY. I AM ALSO COMMITTED TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS. I ALSO PLAY SOFTBALL. I AM A GRADUATE OF THE

WHAT WAS YOUR BURNING BUSH EXPERIENCE THAT MADE YOU

I WAS IN COUNTY FACING QUITE AMOUNT OF TIME. I FELL ON MY KNEES AND CRIED OUT TO GOD AND HE BLESSED ME, HE OPENED

WHO WAS THE SERVANT LEADER WHO IMPACTED YOU THE

THE PEOPLE WHO HELPED ME THE MOST WERE MY BROTHERS WHO I STUDIED WITH AND WORKED ON OUR PITCHES TOGETHER. WHICH WAS RYAN Y. AND CALVIN B.

WHAT ARE YOUR THREE KEYS TO SUCCESS?

STAY MOTIVATED, STAY FOCUSED, STAY DETERMINED.

WHAT IS A QUOTE THAT YOU LIVE BY?

DISCIPLINE IS DOING THE THINGS YOU HATE AS IF YOU LOVE THEM.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO A BROTHER WHO IS ON THE VERGE OF QUITTING?

WE WERE NOT CREATED TO BE QUITTERS AND IF YOU WOULD QUIT SOMETHING LIKE THIS, WHAT DOES THAT SAY ABOUT YOUR CHARACTER WHEN YOU GET OUT TO THE WORLD AND FACE

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY TO OUR READERS?

I JUST WANT TO ENCOURAGE MY BROTHERS TO CONTINUE THE PROGRAM AND STAY FOCUSED BECAUSE WE ALL WANT TO CHANGE BUT IT STARTS WITH THAT FIRST STEP AND THESE ARE THE STEPS THAT WE ARE TAKING RIGHT NOW. AND REMEMBER IT IS NOT ONLY ABOUT US ANYMORE BUT ALL THOSE WE COME IN CONTACT WITH NOT ONLY IN HERE BUT THOSE WHO ARE WAITING FOR US OUT THERE.

MICHAEL V.

(A.K.A. ROCKY)

