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LEADERSHIP LABS

Cadets wrapped up the semester with their final tactical lab, executing lanes at both Dobie and Woodlot. Charlie Company carried out a raid at Dobie, Alpha Company conducted a patrol base operation, and Bravo Company completed a successful movement to contact. Great work by all cadets for their effort and commitment to mastering tactics this semester.



While MS3'S conducted a superlab, at Woodlot MS1 and MS2 cadets sharpened core land-nav skills by using protractors to plot precise grid points, shooting azimuths with their compasses, hand-railing along trails and ridgelines to stay on course, and pace-counting to track distance. This combination gave them a solid foundation for CST.

Cadets wrapped up their final lab of the school year by focusing on individual warrior skills—key tasks MS3s will be tested on at CST this summer. Training included donning and doffing CBRN gear, performing function checks on the M240B and M249 machine guns, learning the basics of Call for Fire, assembling and disassembling radios, setting up claymore mines, and running through a practice grenade course. A strong finish to a semester of hard work and preparation.



MS III SUPERLAB



SUPERLAB!! This past Month, MSIII cadets headed to Fort Custer with Ferris and CMU cadets to sharpen their skills for CST. They grouped and zeroed in, then had the chance to qualify - cadets needed to hit 23 out of 40 targets! They also tackled the obstacle course, threw grenades, and practiced CBRN procedures, donning full suits and gas masks. Overall, the cadets performed excellently and are better prepared for camp!

Congratulations to CDT Ross - for hitting the most targets and shooting a 35/40!

CLUB UPDATES

Marksmanship

Marksmanship sent 2 teams to Camp Atterbury to compete in the small arms Companionship. CDTs competed in M4 rifle and M17 Pistols both combat and long range. The team places first overall in rifle and second in both rifle and pistol.

Ranger Challenge

Ranger challenge prepared for Sandhurst military skills competition completing gas mask PT and practicing call for fire

Valkyries

CDTs prepared for end of the year meeting. and prepared for new leadership.

Color Guard

CDTs presented the National colors at the IZZO legacy 5k race.

Ranger One

CDTs participated in spring FTX at Camp Grayling, consisting of multiple small arms qualifications, rucking, and SQD STX lanes. CDTs are now shifting their focus to summer training and preparing for fall '25

Pathfinders

CDTs participated in Pathfinders annual spring FTX at woodlot. CDTs ran STX lanes and practiced small unit tactics.

Endurance Club

Endurance club continued to prepare Cadets for summer training, they also ran the IZZO 5K and collected end of the year AARs.

Drill Team

CDTs practiced flag detail as well as 15 count manueale arms. CDts participated in a doctrine class and deep dived into drill and ceremony doctrine.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT: MARKSMANSHIP

The marksmanship team went to compete in the U.S Army Reserve Small Arms Championship at Camp Atterbury Indiana. The ROTC Green team finished second overall out of all the teams and was the top team for rifle. CDT Stahlin placed first overall in rifle and CDT Kennedy placed third.



SPRING AWARDS



The spring awards ceremony took place during the final leadership lab of the spring semester. Spring awards celebrate our cadet's outstanding achievements, recognizing hard work, commitment and dedication that is demonstrated throughout the spring semester.



Congratulations to the Army's newest 2nd Lieutenants!



COMMISSIONEES



Brooks, Mallory
Saginaw, MI
Quartermaster corps
Army reserves
Mechanical engineering



***Duff, Jordan**
Spanish fort, AL
Nurse corps
Active Duty Army
nursing



Carlin, Cooper
Macomb, MI
Ordnance corps
Active duty army
Psychology



***Fitzgerald, Brian**
Livonia, MI
Military intelligence
branch detail infantry
Active Duty Army
Business management



Colley, Brendan
St. clair shores, MI
Military intelligence
branch detail Infantry
Active duty army
Psychology



***Horecki, Alicia**
Macomb, MI
Aviation
Active duty army
Kinesiology



Dean, Ethan
Portville, NY
Ordnance corps
Active Duty Army
Pre-law/humanities



Jackson, Scott
Palmyra, MI
Armor
Active duty army
Animal sciences



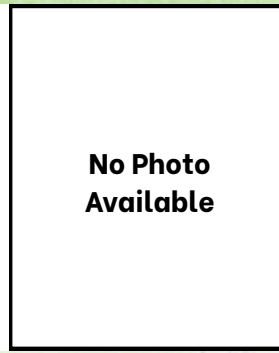
DeRocher, Jacob
Walled lake, MI
Educational delay
Law school
Finance



***Janhke, David**
Freeland, MI
Educational delay
Medical school
Nutrition sciences



***London, Jake**
West Bloomfield, MI
Military intelligence
Active Duty Army
Finance



Peterson, Teah
Mount Clemens, MI
Chemical corps
Active Duty Army
Chemical engineering



Martin, Samantha
Port Washington, MI
Medical service corps
Army national guard
Kinesiology



Pfahl, Bailee
Waterford, MI
Ordnance corps
Active Duty Army
Economics



***Montour, Chase**
Rochester, MI
Infantry
Active duty army
Mechanical
engineering



Sevel, Maggie
Macedonia, OH
Military police
Army national guard
Criminal justice &
Psychology



***Motowski, Vincent**
New Baltimore, MI
Infantry
Active duty army
Criminal justice



Shingles, Joshua
Okemos, MI
Military police
Army national guard
Criminal justice



***Peterson, Jack**
Grant, AL
Nurse corps
Active Duty Army
nursing



Stearns, Ainsley
Beverly Hills, MI
Nurse corps
Active duty army
nursing



Tucker, Hunter
New Baltimore, MI
Infantry
Army national guard
Pre-law/political
science

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military graduates are
ranked in the top 20%
of army rotc cadets in
the nation**

PHOTO RECAP



Alumni Updates

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We want to see what our alumni are
accomplishing!

Updated Alumni Contact
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MR. ROBERT H. SULLIVAN GRADUATED FROM THE CITADEL IN 2000 AND WENT ON TO SERVE IN THE 3RD BDE, 3RD ID DURING OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM IN 2003. ROBB DEPLOYED AGAIN IN SUPPORT OF OIF IN NOVEMBER OF 2007 WITH THE 4TH BDE, 10TH MTN DIV (LI). MR. SULLIVAN CAME TO THE SPARTAN BATTALION FROM VARIOUS CONTRACTOR POSITIONS WITH TACOM AND THE TSA. IN ADDITION TO HIS DUTIES HERE AT MSU, HE IS CURRENTLY A US ARMY RESERVE OFFICER ASSIGNED TO THE 406TH CSSB LOCATED IN ANN ARBOR, MI.



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SFC BOLES – MSU/ARMY ROTC NATIONAL GUARD CAREER LIAISON AND RECRUITER

SFC KYLE BOLES BEGAN HIS MILITARY CAREER IN 2010 AS AN INFANTRYMAN, SERVING IN VARIOUS LEADERSHIP ROLES ACROSS MULTIPLE UNITS, INCLUDING THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION AND THE NATIONAL TRAINING CENTER. HE TRANSITIONED TO ACTIVE DUTY RECRUITING IN 2017 AND CURRENTLY WORKS AS THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY NATIONAL GUARD LIAISON. BOLES HAS TWO DEPLOYMENTS TO AFGHANISTAN DURING OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM.



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SSG TANNER HITCHCOCK BEGAN HIS MILITARY CAREER IN 2015 AS A MILITARY POLICEMAN WITH THE 46TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY IN MI, SERVING UNTIL 2021. HIS ROLES INCLUDED AUXILIARY SECURITY FORCES IN TX, DEPLOYMENT TO GUANTANAMO BAY FOR OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AND PEACEKEEPING IN KENOSHA, WI. IN 2022, HE BECAME A SQUAD LEADER AND NON-LETHAL WEAPONS INSTRUCTOR WITH THE 1776TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY. SINCE 2024, HE HAS SERVED AS THE NATIONAL GUARD LIAISON AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.



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