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Greetings from MSU ROTC!

As we have kicked off another amazing year at the Spartan Battalion, we welcome all new Cadets and parents into the ROTC program! Our first priority is to ensure our cadets are successful with their schooling, physical fitness, and making a difference among Spartan Battalion as well as in the community. With completing our Fall Field Training Exercise this past week, we continue to plan excellent training for our Cadets which will be highlighted in our newsletters. So stay tuned! Spartans lead the way!



Upcoming Events:

- Alex's Great State Race
- LEADS
- Homecoming Parade
- GAFB
- Army Ten-Miler

Summary from the Cadet Battalion Commander

Here in Spartan Battalion we are developing purpose-driven, humble, and adaptive leaders in all aspects of life. In just the first month of school this year we have formed tight-knit cohesive teams through daily physical fitness, weekly training, and various extracurricular activities. Our extracurricular activities have been hard at work creating a positive reflection of our program within the University, our local community, the Army, and our nation. Spartan Battalion Running Club is prepared to run the Army Ten Miler in Washington D.C. this weekend. MSU Army ROTC will also be taking lead in Alex's Great State Race where Cadets from MSU and U of M join together in running the Michigan vs. Michigan State Football game ball on a 60-mile route from East Lansing to Ann Arbor to raise money and awareness for MSU's Resource Center for Persons With Disabilities. Our Bold Warrior Military Competition team is also gearing up for the 7th Brigade Bold Warrior Competition that includes 38 Universities throughout the Midwest. We thank you for your support and will continue to develop leaders of character for a lifetime of service to our nation. GO GREEN! GO WHITE!



Spartan Staff School

A week before classes even started, our MS III and MS IV Cadets started our Spartan Staff School. As a new semester begins our leadership needs to understand the Cadet responsibilities required to operate a Battalion. Cadets attended classes on subjects, taught by the cadre members, on subjects such as Leader/Staff Duties and Responsibilities, Command Supply Discipline, and Leadership Philosophy. We are lucky to have such a great team of seniors to guide and mentor our Cadets!



“A true leader has the confidence to stand alone, the courage to make tough decisions, and the compassion to listen to the needs of others. He does not set out to be a leader, but becomes one by the equality of his actions and the integrity of his intent.”

-Douglas
MacArthur

Operation Move-In



Operation Move-In was a great success! All of our incoming Cadets arrived to East Lansing and their belongings were moved into their assigned dormitories. On top of that, Spartan Battalion assisted more than 200 other Michigan State students move-in! One of the few many ways we help out the community.

Physical Training



A huge part of being a Cadet is maintaining physical fitness. Hence why we conduct PT every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 5:50 a.m. to better ourselves. Staying in shape, not only is a great way to start off the day; it is also there to prepare cadets for the Army Physical Fitness Test. The test is broken down into three parts: 2-minutes of push-ups, 2-minutes of sit-ups, and then a 2-mile run. Scores are assigned “x” amount of points based on the quantity/time for a total of 300 points. Every Spartan Cadet strives to attain a perfect score.

Weekly Labs

We conduct our labs every Thursday and train on an array of key tasks. So far we have covered basic soldier functions such as: Land Navigation, Marksmanship, Individual and Squad Movement Techniques, and Assembly/Disassembly of the M4, M9, and M249 weapons. We train in a variety of locations in East Lansing, often home station (Dem Hall), but other times it is at Woodlot, or on a designated field on campus. Labs are often instructed by our knowledgeable cadre members while our seniors provide mentorship.



“The quality of a leader is reflected in the standards they set for themselves”

-Ray Kroc

Fall Field Training Exercise



Every semester we plan a full weekend of fun training that everyone enjoys. This semester we included events such as Combat Water Survival Training, Rappelling, Marksmanship, and even a Squad Competition! The water survival training had our Cadets doing 15-meter swim, 3-meter drop, an Equipment ditch, and more. All while in their uniform and with designated equipment.

Welcome Picnic



The day of move-in we hosted a picnic where we introduced our new freshman Cadets with the Spartan Battalion. They were introduced to our cadre members as well as our new line of senior leadership. The new Cadets also had the chance of learning about some of the great extracurriculars offered such as: Pathfinders, Ranger One, Marksmanship, and Color Guard.

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Spartans Lead the Way!

Mission

The U.S. Army Cadet Command partners with universities to recruit, educate, develop, and inspire Senior ROTC Cadets in order to commission officers of character for the Total Army; and partners with high schools to conduct JROTC in order to develop citizens of character for a lifetime of commitment and service to the nation.



Awards

Dean's List (3.5-4.0):

Argo, Joseph
Allen, Jack
Arturi, Aaron (PLA)
Baker, Justin (PLA)
Bassett, Ethan (PLA)
Crown, Terra (PLA)
Daley, Brandon (PLA)
Dawood, Naomi
Denny, Amanda (SIL)
Dunker, Drew (PLA)
Fanko, Matthew
Fergle, Matthew (SIL)
Garnder, Joe (SIL)
Gischia, William (GOL)
Hickey, Jim
Keurejian, Conrad
Kurt, Matthew (BRO)
Martin, Lane
Martin, Lucas (SIL)
Meyer, Anthony
Meyer, Thad (SIL)
Mink, Dalton (PLA)
Pryg, Lucas (GOL)
Rattan, Ankit
Richardson, Derrah
Roney, Justin (SIL)

Ryan, Douglas
Schulman, Paul (PLA)
Sloan, Connor
Stass, Michael (PLA)
Stevenson, Connor (GOL)
Sullivan, Connor (BRO)
Wertheim, Eric
Woodard, Cameron (PLA)

Honor's List (3.30-3.49):

Abell, Bryan (BRO)
Burley, Eric
Dean, Zuri
Deorio, Austin
DeVitto, Allison
Friend, Jackson (SIL)
Gilmore, Emily
Hocevar, Brady (PLA)
Medema, Charles
Meldrum, Dominique
Osaer, Zac
Pasternak, Nathan (PLA)
Simon, Andrew (GOL)
Tremblay, Margaret (SIL)
Woodard, Nick (GOL)

Scholar's List (2.90-3.29):

Arciniega, Erica
Baker, Morgan (SIL)
Bisson, Kirsten
Carter, Perry (PLA)
Cosgrove, Joby (PLA)
Hagar, Alexandria (SIL)
Holihan, Ethan (SIL)
Lewis, Kristina
Meyer, Jake (SIL)
Monaghan, Enrico (GOL)
Montellano, Brandon
Pelkey, Jon (PLA)
Pozanc, Jenn

Platinum (PLA) 300+ on APFT:

Brandes, Jacob
Dinverno, Steve
Foley, Maria
Wright, Tristan
Obermeyer, Stockton

Gold (GOL) 290-299:

Crown, Torre
Delfrate, Joseph
Kares, Kolton

Silver (SIL) 280-289:

Walker, Deborah

Bronze (BRO) 270-279: