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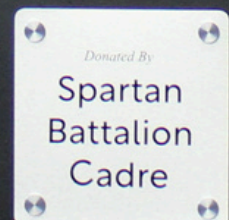
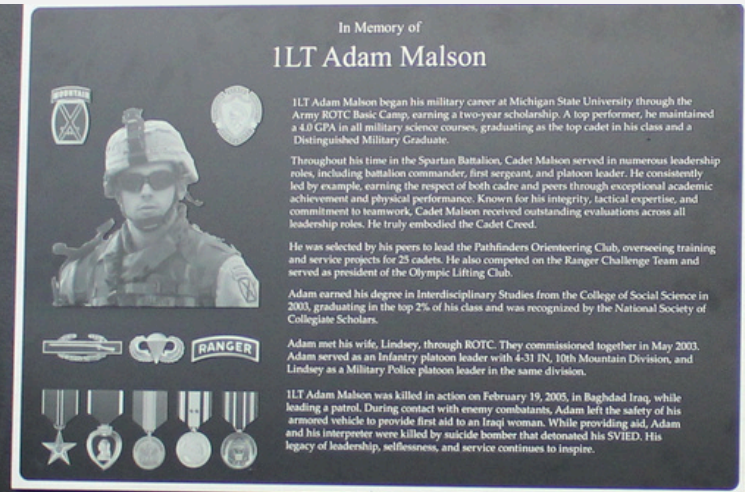
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Lt. Adam Malson Gym Rededication

The Spartan Battalion extends it's deepest thank you to the Durham and Malson Family for their donation and continued support of the newly renovated Cadet Gym and our cadets' physical readiness.



Cadets of the Week



These cadets have all expressed exceptional leadership and commitment to ROTC this month:

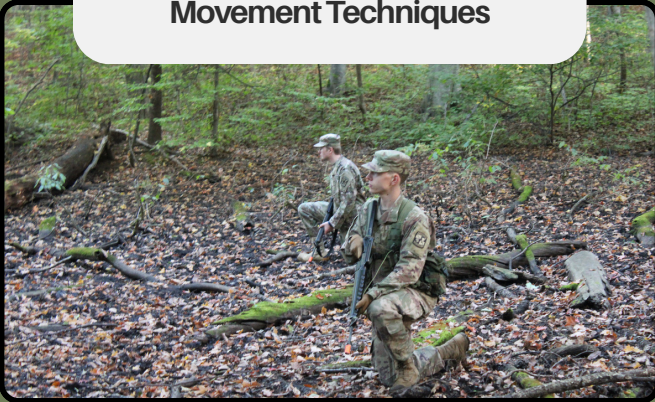
Alpha Company: Frank Pappalardo, Madelyn LoPorto

Bravo Company: Fatou Dieng, Izzahan Isman

Charlie Company: Bennet Staneart, Gregory Miller, Tyson Becker

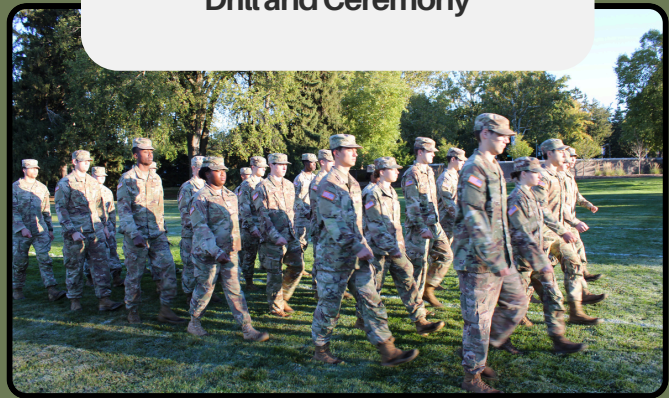
Leadership Labs

Movement to Contact and Movement Techniques



Spartan BN kicks off October with MSIII Cadets conducting a Movement to Contact to familiarize themselves with STX Lanes, while MSIs and MSIIIs familiarize themselves with movement techniques at the individual and squad level.

Drill and Ceremony



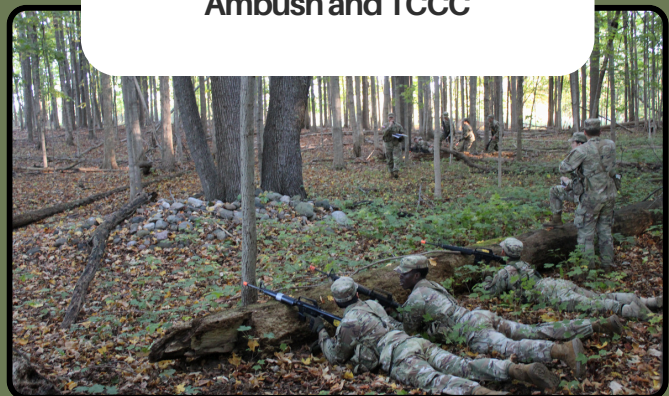
Spartan BN in preparation for the Homecoming Parade familiarizes themselves with proper drill and ceremony. Cadets practiced marching and MSIIIs had the opportunity to practice cadence calling.

Attack and FieldCraft



Spartan BN cadets face the cold with MSIs and MSIIIs getting introduced to field craft, learning how to apply face paint, fighting positions, ruck packing and how to build hooches . While MSIIIs tackle their second STX Lane, familiarizing themselves with how to conduct an Attack.

Ambush and TCCC



Spartan BN MSIIIs successfully conduct an Ambush, utilizing their skills from previous weeks and improving their leadership skills. While MSIs and MSIIIs got the opportunity to practice their TCCC skills with various exercises.

Club Spotlight: Drill Team



The Michigan State University Army ROTC Drill Team proudly represented the Spartan Battalion at this year's MSU Homecoming Parade, presenting the colors with precision and professionalism.

Their performance showcased the team's discipline, pride, and dedication to upholding military customs. As they continue on, the Drill Team will perform color guard detail at the highly anticipated annual Michigan State vs. University of Michigan football game, honoring both the nation and Spartan spirit.



New Equipment Purchased Through Alumni Donations

Thanks to the generous support of our ROTC Alumni, we recently acquired new training and uniform equipment to support up to 30 incoming Cadets in the program! These additions help ensure every Cadet is properly outfitted and mission-ready filling critical gaps in gear not available through CIF or the National Guard.

They donated over \$3,000 to the program that was used to buy patrol caps, t-shirts, rigger belts, APFU t-shirts, APFU shorts, and fleece caps to keep our cadets warm for PT and lab during the winter!



Army Ten Miler



On October 11, Cadets Alexander, Nesom, Jeurgens, Poppalardo, Lagrou, Adam, Byrne, Weiss, and Lloyd participated in the Army Ten-Miler race in Washington, D.C., alongside CPT Sarychev and Mr. Enterline. Great job to everyone who took part, and a special shoutout to Cadet Jeurgens for finishing the race in an impressive 63 minutes! During the trip, the cadets also had the opportunity to explore Washington, D.C., and visit the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.





Homecoming Parade

The Spartan Battalion proudly took part in the annual MSU Homecoming Parade, leading the way this year. Many of our MSIII cadets had the chance to call cadences as we marched across campus, adding to the event's spirit and camaraderie.

Alex's Great State Race



Alex's Great State Race is an annual run between Ann Arbor to East Lansing, where both MSU Cadets and U of M Cadets run the football for the rivalry game. It is a unifying event to honor Alex Powell who unfortunately passed away from cancer his first semester at MSU. On October 24th, Our amazing cadets all ran a minimum of 10 miles in 5 mile increments but many did even more.



Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

For the first time since 2008, the Michigan State University Army ROTC inducted 3 new members into our hall of fame.

Our inductees are:

- **Harvey "Hank" Cook**,
Class of 1940
- **COL Sandra Wanek**,
Class of 1990
- **Rosanne Kruger**,
29 years of service as
administrative
professional for the
Spartan Battalion



PHOTO RECAP



Spartan Battalion Contact Information



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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 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 Hitchcock- MSU/ARMY ROTC NATIONAL GUARD CAREER LIAISON AND RECRUITER

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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