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## The GEB Shines at Cadet Summer Training



**Cadet Joseph Harvey receives the Armed Forces Services Corporation Award for demonstrating exemplary physical fitness and readiness (Basic Camp, page 8)**

The Golden Eagle Battalion saw a tremendously successful summer this year. Golden Eagles, Panthers, Raiders, Rangers, and Falcons impressed at their training events, collectively earning some of the best measurable scores throughout the country.

In numerous nations around the world, cadets spent time with foreign militaries at the Cultural Understanding and Leadership program while developing their cross-cultural competencies. Likewise, cadets enhanced their linguistic skills and broadened their knowledge of Omani culture and life at Project Global Officer.

**We want to thank you, the reader, for supporting the GEB. The alumni have established a legacy of excellence which the cadets hold themselves to. Family and friends actively give their support and encouragement, making for well-rounded future officers. Without you, this program would not be as successful as it has been.**

*Please enjoy this issue of Quedette Quarterly!*



**The 2017-2018 Golden Eagle Battalion in front of the St. Joan of Arc Chapel**

### **Studying Arabic in Oman for Cadets Machkovech and Plaza (page 2)**

Two cadets were immersed in a foreign land. They learned much more than just linguistic skills.



### **Cadets handle Advanced Camp with aplomb (page 7)**

The Golden Eagle Battalion posted some impressive numbers at Advanced Camp. The numbers speak for themselves!



### **Cadet Advanced Individual Training (start on pages 3-5)**

Air Assault, Airborne, SERE, Maritime Assessment Course... Skills learned in these courses will serve these cadets well throughout their careers.



**Cadet Walter looking around a Mongolian Tank (CULP, page 6)**

The Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program (CULP) is one of the most unique ROTC development opportunities.



**Cadet Young at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Washington (Internships, page 9)**

Cadets entering their MSIV year have the chance to work in the "real world" of the Army and gain invaluable on-the-job skills.



**An exceptionally productive summer for Cadet McKenna Sandberg (page 10)**

This cadet's performance over the summer was impressive, to say the least!



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# Project Global Officer: Oman

## *Cultural Immersion with Cadet Machkovech and Cadet Plaza*

*Project Global Officer (Project GO) is a collaborative initiative that promotes critical language education, study abroad, and intercultural dialogue opportunities for ROTC Cadets. Programs focus on the languages and countries of the Middle East, Asia, Africa, and South America. Summer 2018 saw Cadets Margaret Plaza and Douglas Machkovech studying at the University of Nizwa in Nizwa, Oman.*

*Fully immersed in a culture completely different from their own, Project GO provided them full exposure to the Arabic language. They gained a more comprehensive understanding of Omani culture, traditions, and their day-to-day lives.*

*“I was able to gain a much better understanding of the Middle-East and was also able to reflect on myself and American culture through this experience abroad. Overall the trip was well worth it, and I am so glad that I took advantage of the opportunity while I had the chance.” - CDT Machkovech*



# U.S. Army Air Assault School

*“U.S. Army Air Assault School is a 10-day course designed to prepare Soldiers for insertion, evacuation, and pathfinder missions that call for the use of multipurpose transportation and assault helicopters” (GoArmy.com). Here, students must have a keen eye for detail in order to have success. The Golden Eagle Battalion is proud to announce that 6 of its members graduated the physically and mentally straining course in the past 6 months.*

*Pictured here: CDT Manning (Honor Grad) after graduating*

## 2018 Graduates:

- Cadet Kevin Griffith; Fort Campbell, KY
- Cadet Sean Halverson; Fort Campbell, KY
- Cadet Jenna Harrington; Fort Campbell, KY
- Cadet Joseph Harvey; Fort Hood, TX
- Cadet John Manning; Schofield Barracks, HI (Honor Graduate)
- Cadet Per Peterson; Camp Dodge, IA

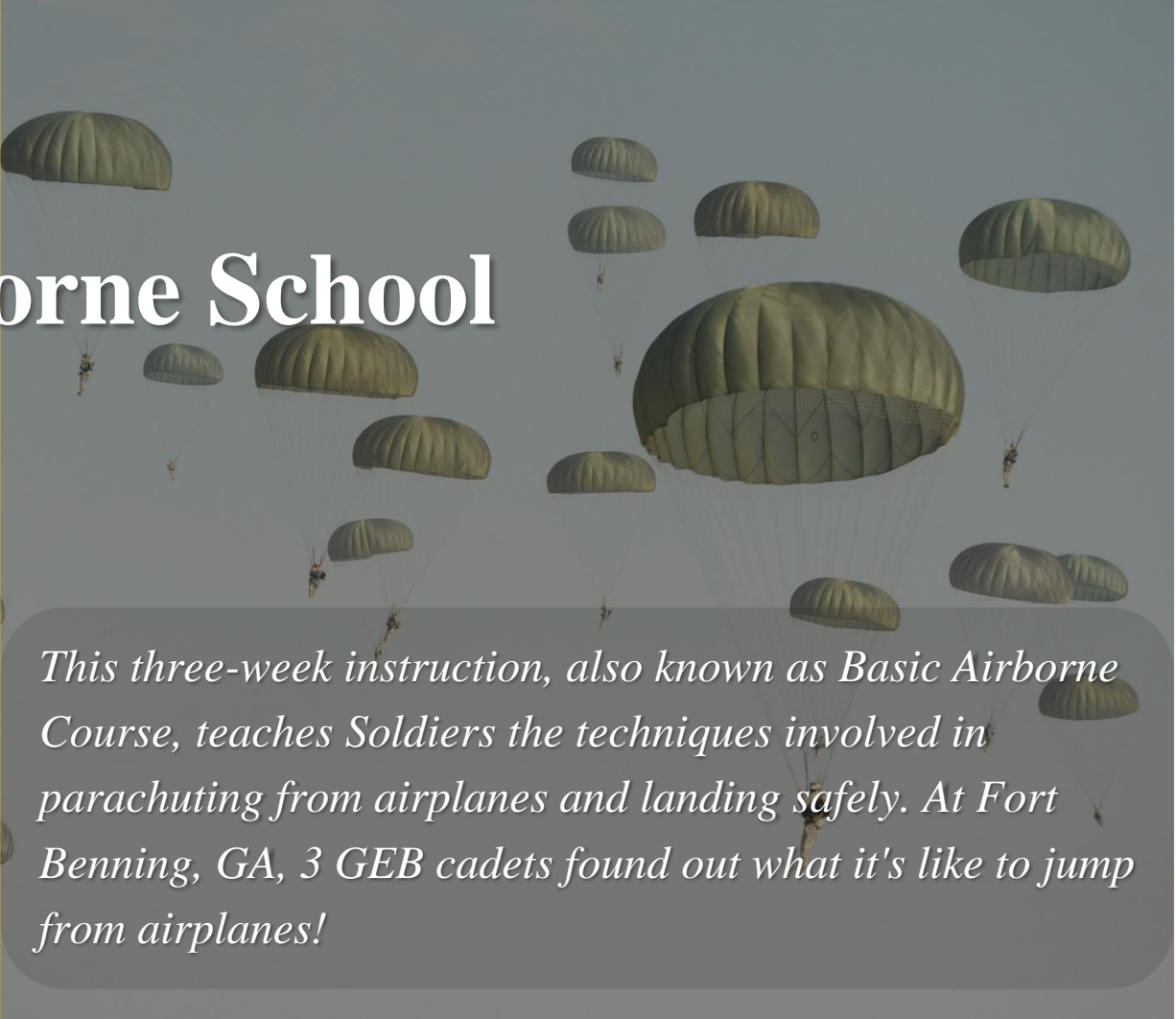
*The Air Assault Special Skill Badge*



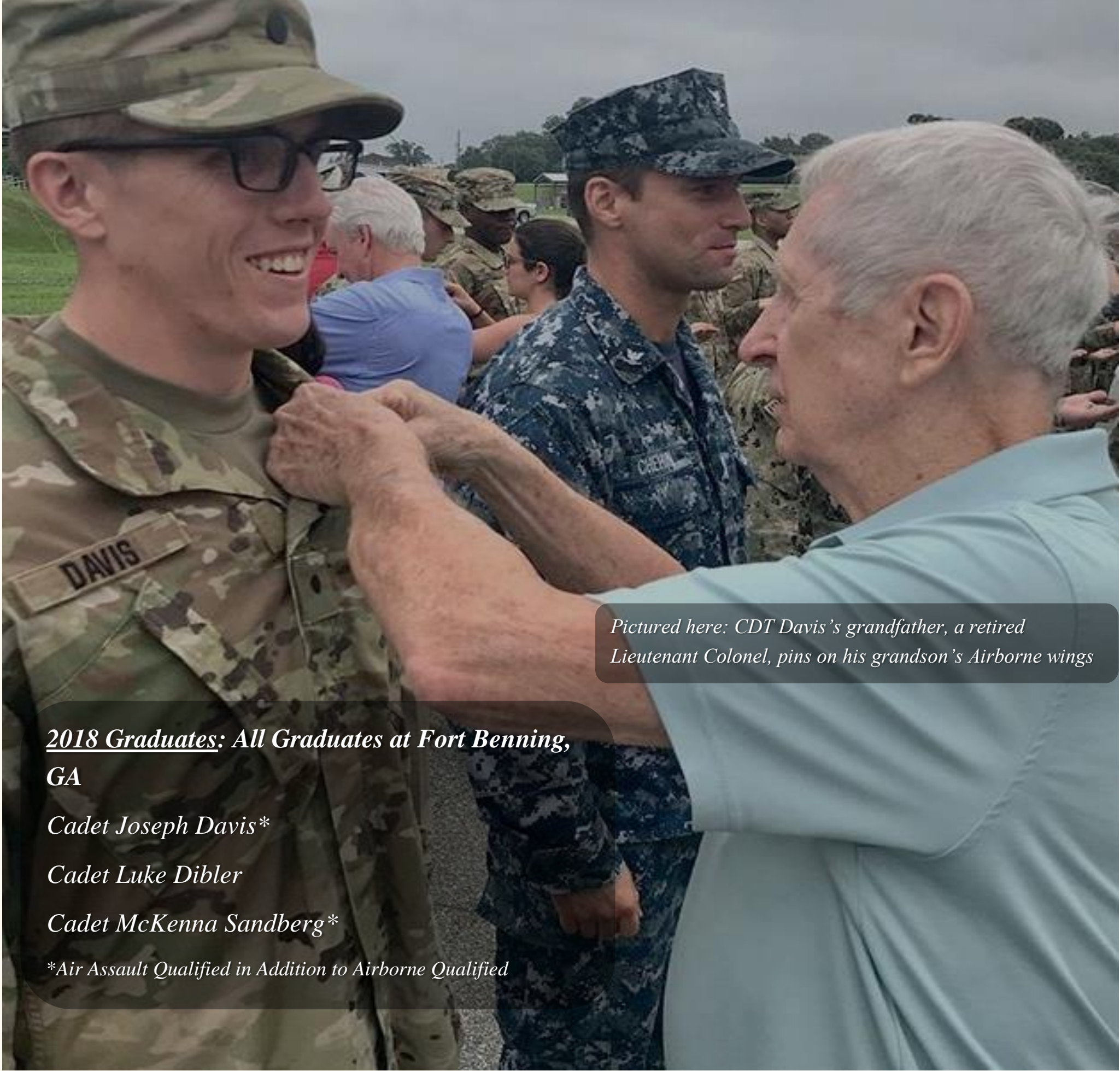
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# U.S. Army Airborne School



*This three-week instruction, also known as Basic Airborne Course, teaches Soldiers the techniques involved in parachuting from airplanes and landing safely. At Fort Benning, GA, 3 GEB cadets found out what it's like to jump from airplanes!*



*Pictured here: CDT Davis's grandfather, a retired Lieutenant Colonel, pins on his grandson's Airborne wings*

**2018 Graduates: All Graduates at Fort Benning, GA**

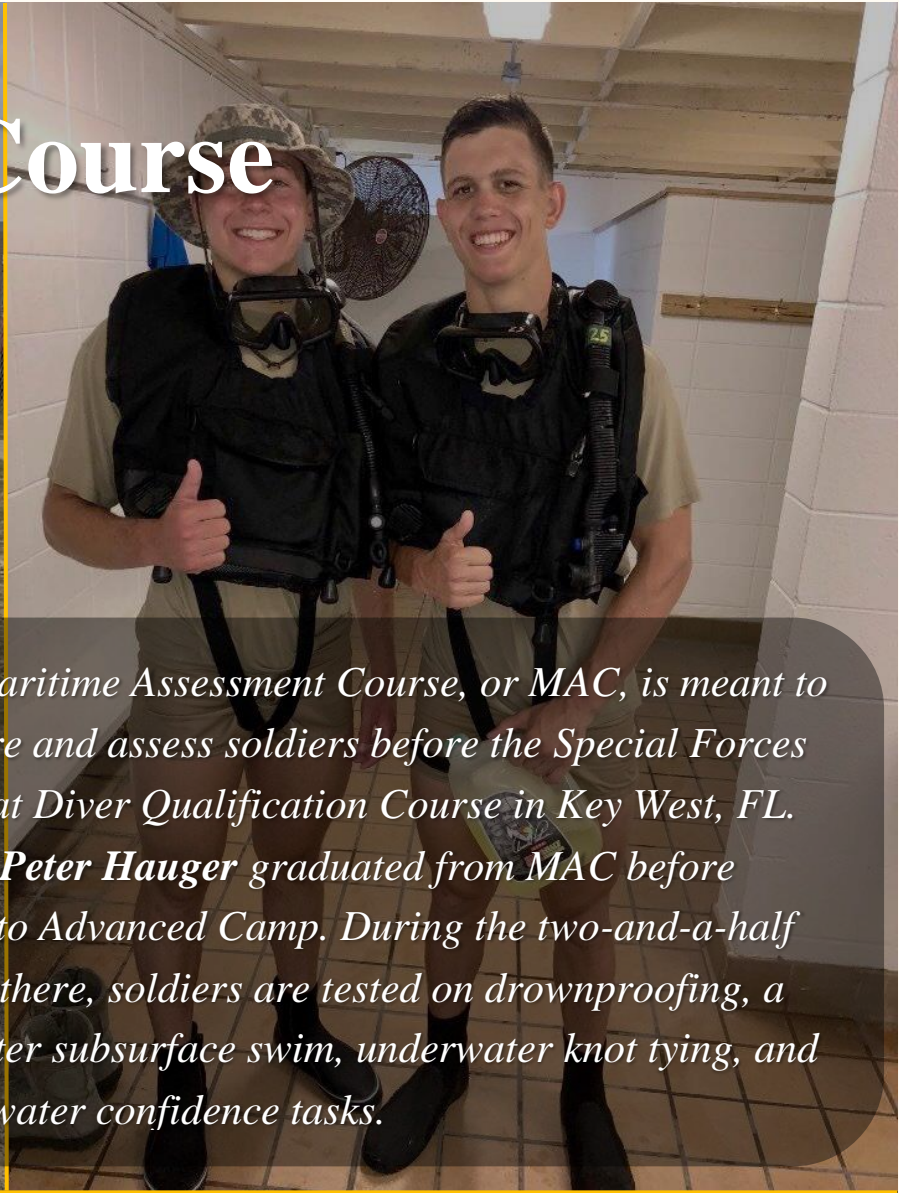
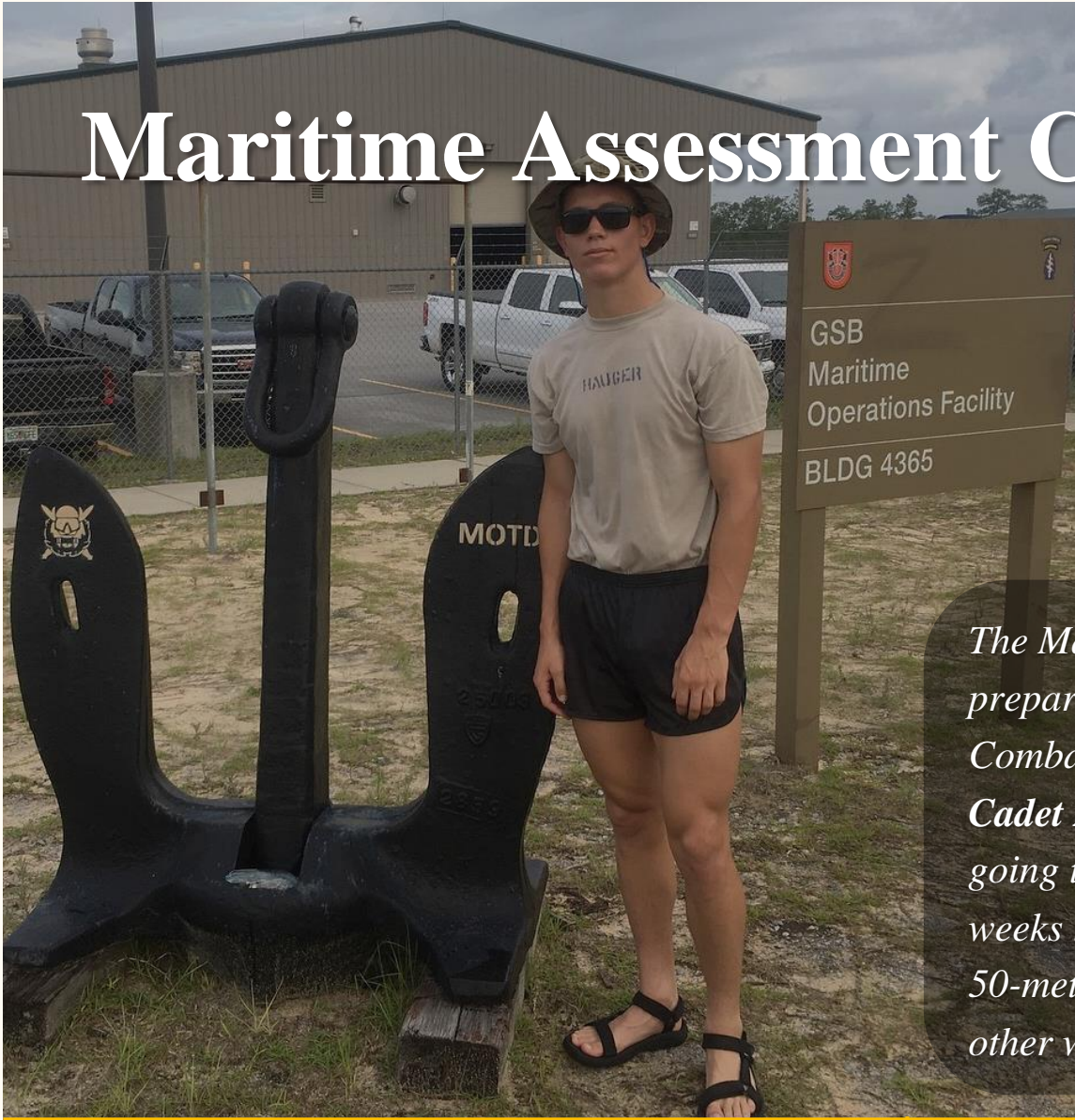
*Cadet Joseph Davis\**

*Cadet Luke Dibler*

*Cadet McKenna Sandberg\**

*\*Air Assault Qualified in Addition to Airborne Qualified*

# Maritime Assessment Course



*The Maritime Assessment Course, or MAC, is meant to prepare and assess soldiers before the Special Forces Combat Diver Qualification Course in Key West, FL. Cadet Peter Hauger graduated from MAC before going to Advanced Camp. During the two-and-a-half weeks there, soldiers are tested on drownproofing, a 50-meter subsurface swim, underwater knot tying, and other water confidence tasks.*

# Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Training

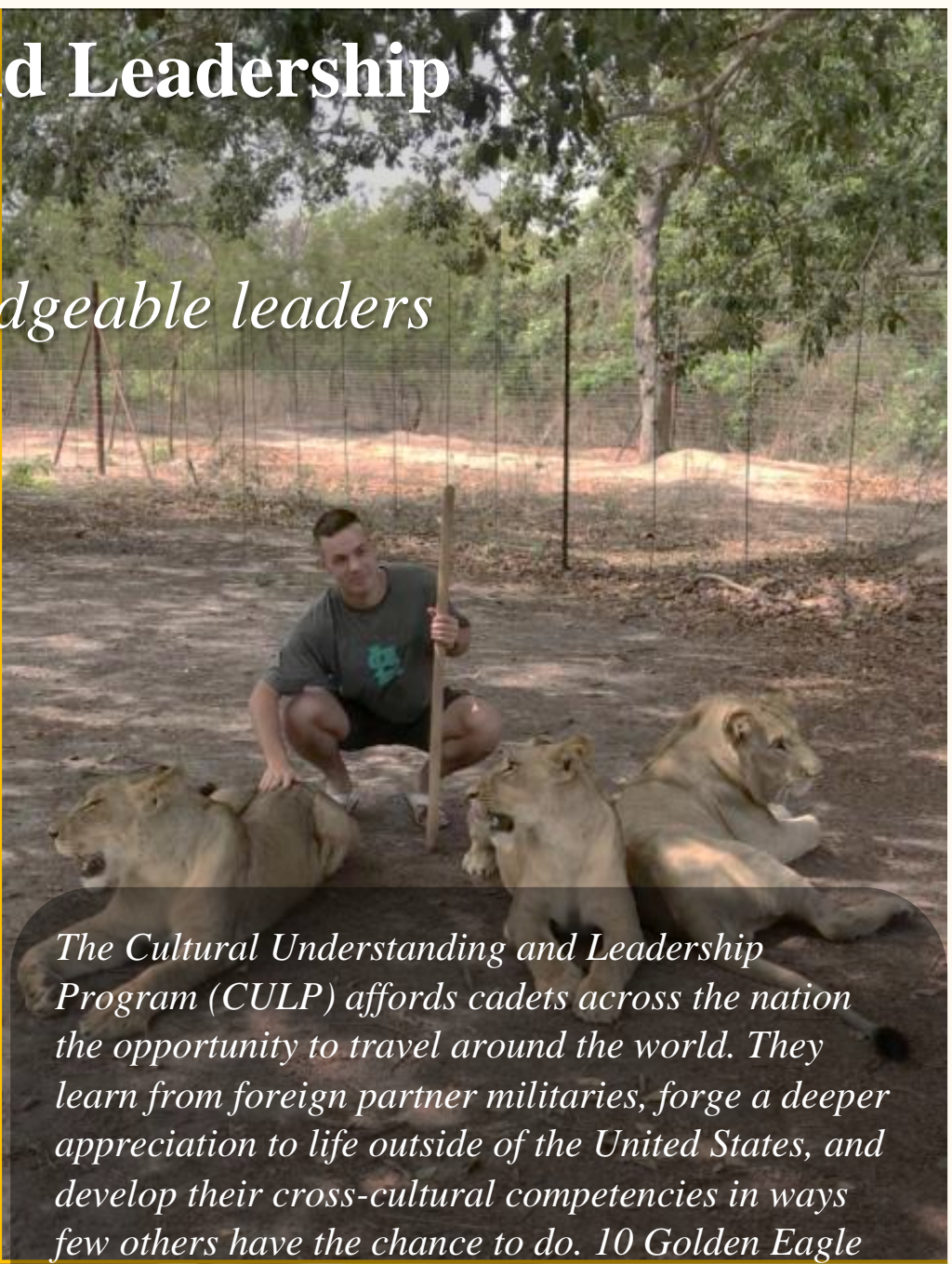


*Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) training develops leaders in their ability to function in highly stressful, minimally optimal environments. The training that students receive places an emphasis on putting stress on them in survival scenarios where the risk of enemy capture is high and isolation from friendly units is the reality. Cadet Bryce Dively attended this course at Fort Rucker, AL.*



# Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program (CULP):

*Developing culturally knowledgeable leaders*



*The Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program (CULP) affords cadets across the nation the opportunity to travel around the world. They learn from foreign partner militaries, forge a deeper appreciation to life outside of the United States, and develop their cross-cultural competencies in ways few others have the chance to do. 10 Golden Eagle Battalion cadets were selected to attend CULP based on their GPA and physical fitness scores.*



## CULP 2018 Participants:

- Cadet Brooke Tickler: Argentina
- Cadet Jacob Leonard: Indonesia
- Cadets Holly Earl and Lindsay Walter: Mongolia
- Cadet McKenna Sandberg: Mozambique
- Cadet John Manning: Romania
- Cadets Jeff Cooley and Jenna Harrington: Senegal
- Cadets Jerica Kotarak and Nicolas Dallgas: Uganda



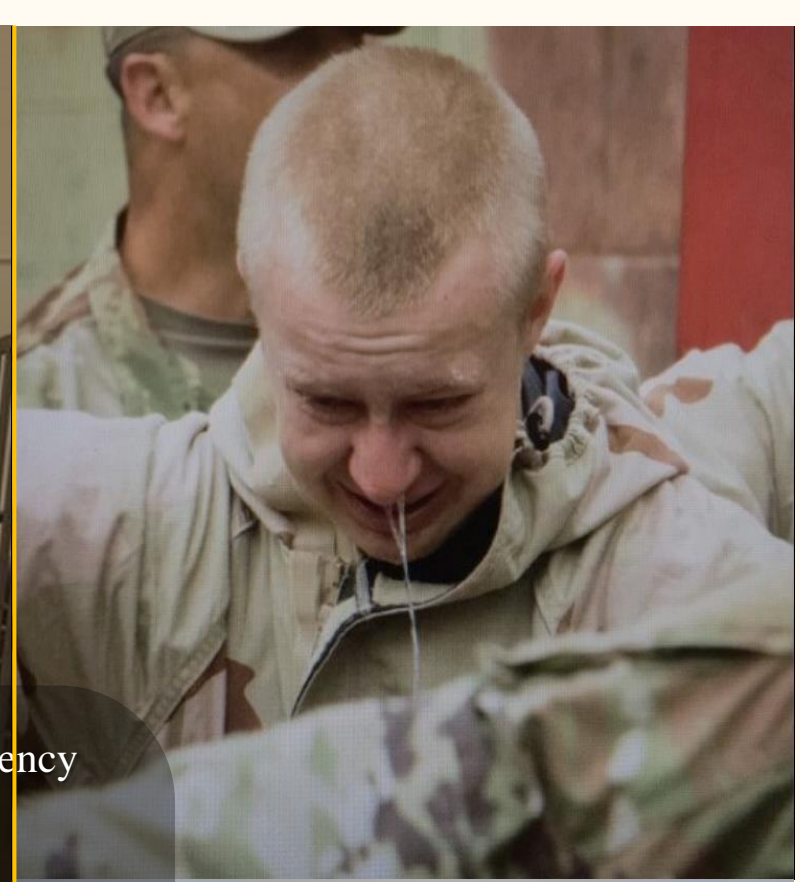
# Advanced Camp 2018:

*“With your shield or on it”*

The 31-day training event at Fort Knox, KY assesses cadets' proficiency in individual skills, teamwork ability, and leadership acumen.

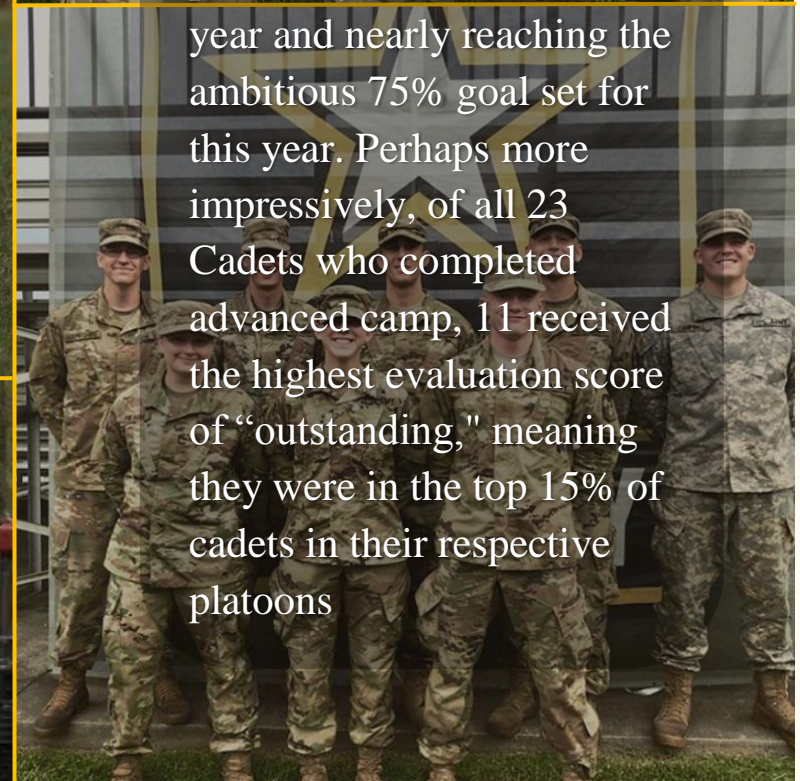
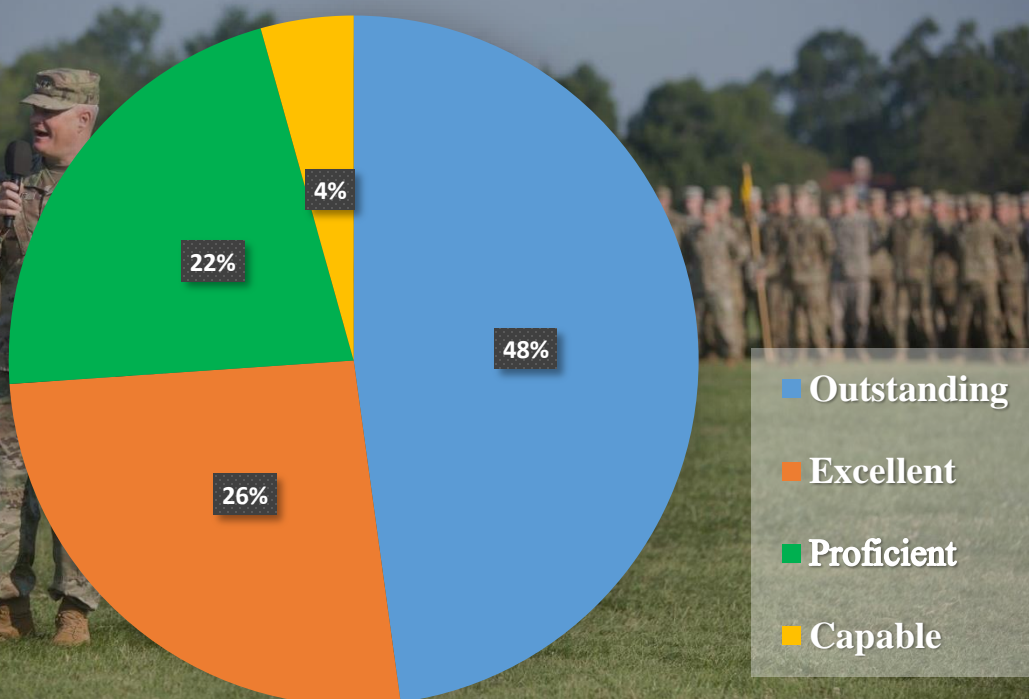
Marksmanship, calling for indirect fire, physical fitness, and land navigation are among the individual metrics that determine their performance.

Additionally, cadets are evaluated on their ability to lead at the squad and platoon levels, both in garrison and in tactical environments. Cadets have their leadership abilities tested primarily during a 12-day field training exercise in which they conduct platoon missions. This summer's motto, “with your shield or on it,” functioned as a challenge to the cadets to inspire an “all or nothing” performance, and they seem to have responded well.



The cadets who represented the GEB performed extremely well. 74% of all Cadets who completed AC received an "outstanding" or an "excellent" evaluation score, surpassing the percentage achieved last year and nearly reaching the ambitious 75% goal set for this year. Perhaps more impressively, of all 23 Cadets who completed advanced camp, 11 received the highest evaluation score of “outstanding,” meaning they were in the top 15% of cadets in their respective platoons

## Advanced Camp 2018 Performance

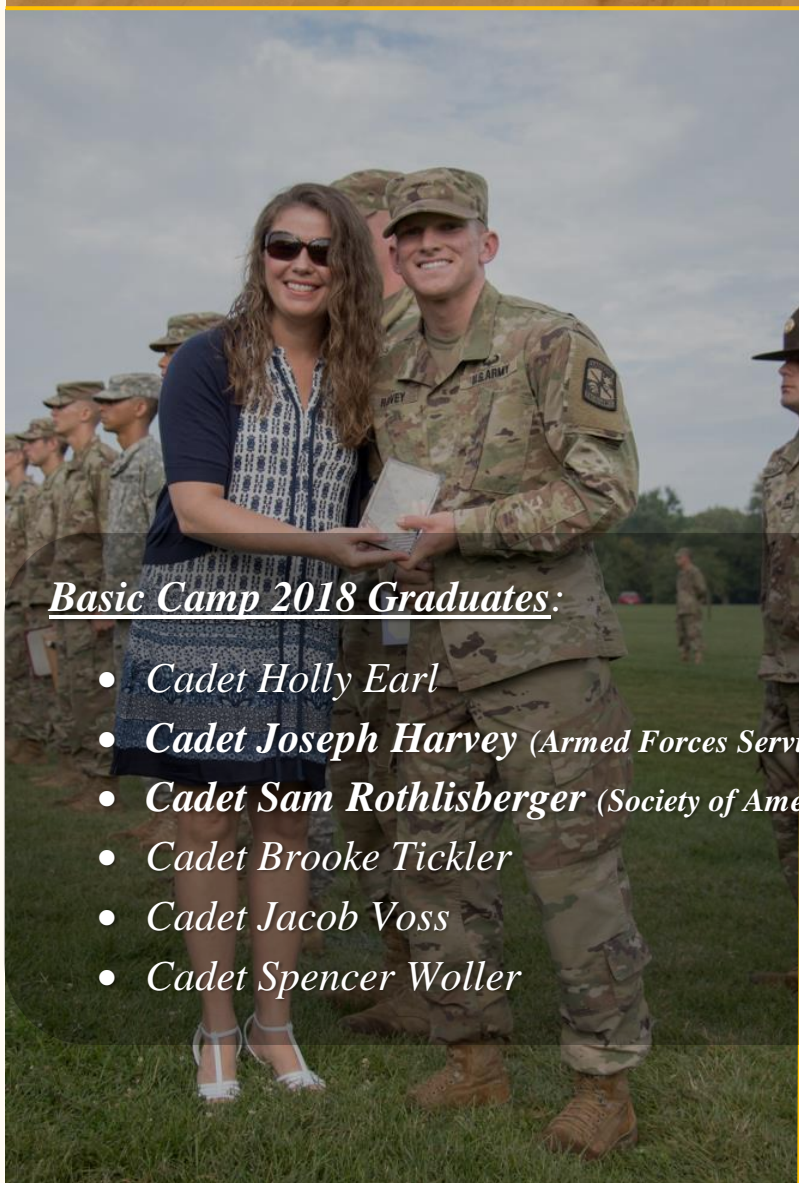


# Basic Camp 2018:

*Learning the fundamentals*

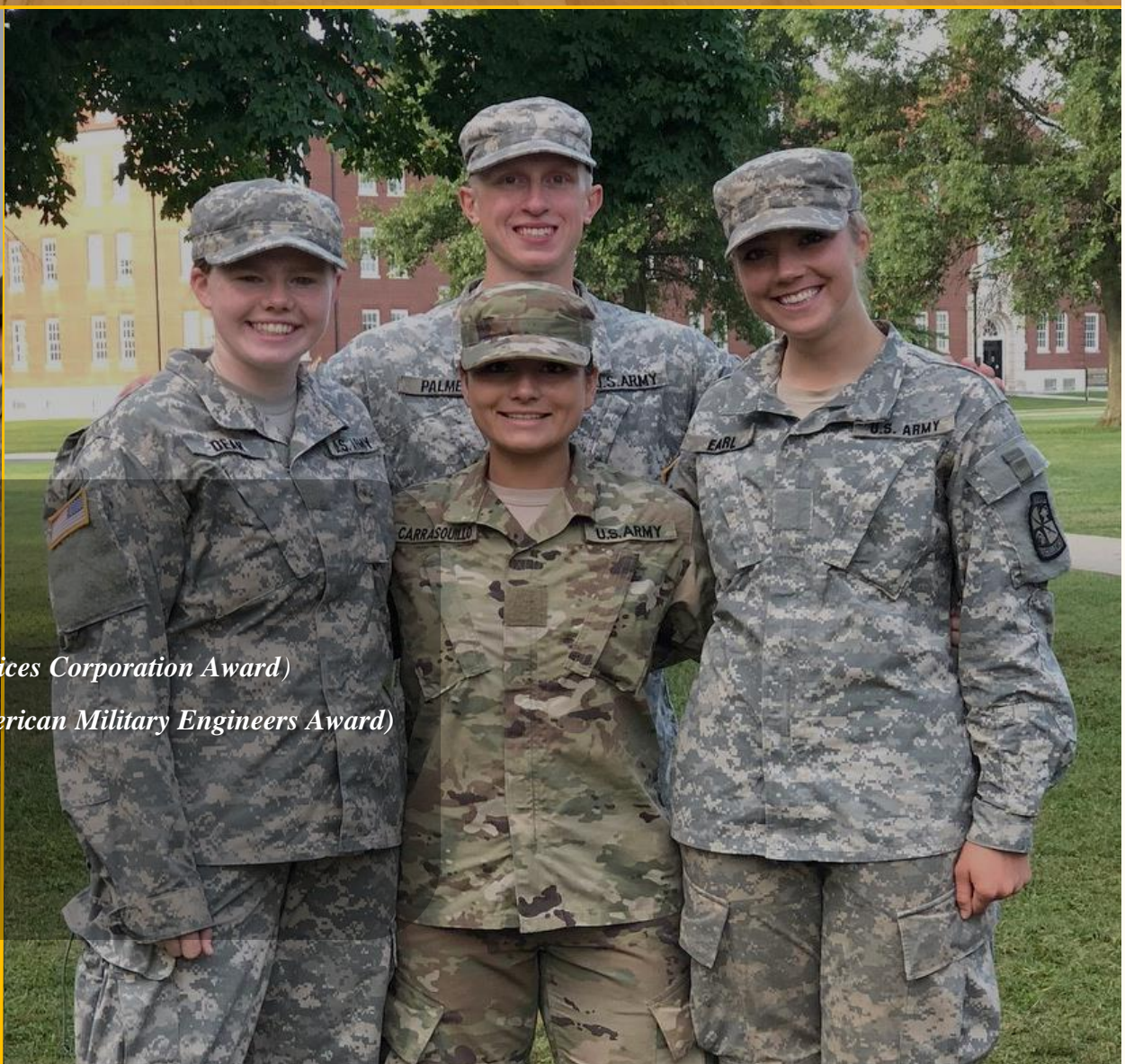


Basic Camp is a 31-day training event designed to introduce MSI and MSII cadets to the Army. Cadets are taught to lead at the team leader and squad leader levels. They come back with a greater ability to work in a team and a better understanding and application of the Army Values and Warrior Ethos. In 2018, 7 of our cadets familiarized themselves with the Army and training environments. Cadets Voss, Harvey, Earl, Woller, Tickler, Rothlisberger, and Oldendorf attended Basic Camp and are ready to bring their newly-acquired knowledge back to the battalion!



## Basic Camp 2018 Graduates:

- *Cadet Holly Earl*
- *Cadet Joseph Harvey (Armed Forces Services Corporation Award)*
- *Cadet Sam Rothlisberger (Society of American Military Engineers Award)*
- *Cadet Brooke Tickler*
- *Cadet Jacob Voss*
- *Cadet Spencer Woller*







# Nurse Summer Training Program



Nurse Summer Training Program (NSTP) is a special program designed for Army ROTC nurses between their Junior and Senior year of nursing school after Advanced camp at Ft. Knox. At NSTP, they are paired with an Army nurse and practice assessments, daily cares, clinical skills, medications, and much more.



## NSTP 2018 Cadets:

- *Cadet Vanessa Ramage (Keller Army Community Hospital, West Point, NY)*
- *Cadet Kayla Wolfrum (William Beaumont Army Medical Center, Fort Bliss, TX)*
- *Cadet Aileen Young (Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Washington, D.C.)*

# Army Internships

Army internships afford cadets the chance to work with Army and other Department of Defense personnel on specialized tasks ranging anywhere from assisting in cutting-edge equipment development to joint agency communications facilitation. GEB cadets found themselves at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland, the Patch Barracks in Stuttgart, Germany, and the Defense Forensic Science Center in Forest Park, GA.

Cadet Niemiec conducts DNA research



## 2018 Army Internship Cadets:

- *Cadet Margaret Bellinder (Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, MD)*
- *Cadet Timothy Bobeck (Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, MD)*
- *Cadet Lauren Niemiec (Defense Forensic Science Center, Forest Park, GA)*
- *Cadet Jenelle Lee (Patch Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany)*

# Spotlight: Cadet McKenna Sandberg

This UW Milwaukee cadet had an exceptionally productive summer. She went on CULP to Mozambique, earned her second special skill badge (Airborne), and went to Advanced Camp where she performed tremendously.

## Cadet Summer Training Highlights:

- #1 Cadet in her Advanced Camp Regiment out of over 600 cadets
- Attended CULP in Mozambique
- Became Airborne qualified in addition to prior Air Assault qualification

## ***What was the most rewarding part of your whole summer training experience?***

“The most rewarding part of this summer for me was interacting with the children of Mozambique. I am a Social Work major and so I definitely felt in my element. We spent a lot of the days walking through the villages and hanging out with the children in those communities. It has been a long term aspiration of mine to visit an orphanage in Africa, and this summer I got to visit one that hosts over 100 kids. I have always wanted to adopt my first child so getting to experience first-hand the adoption process was extremely rewarding for me. That experience definitely changed my outlook and I will remember that for a very long time.”

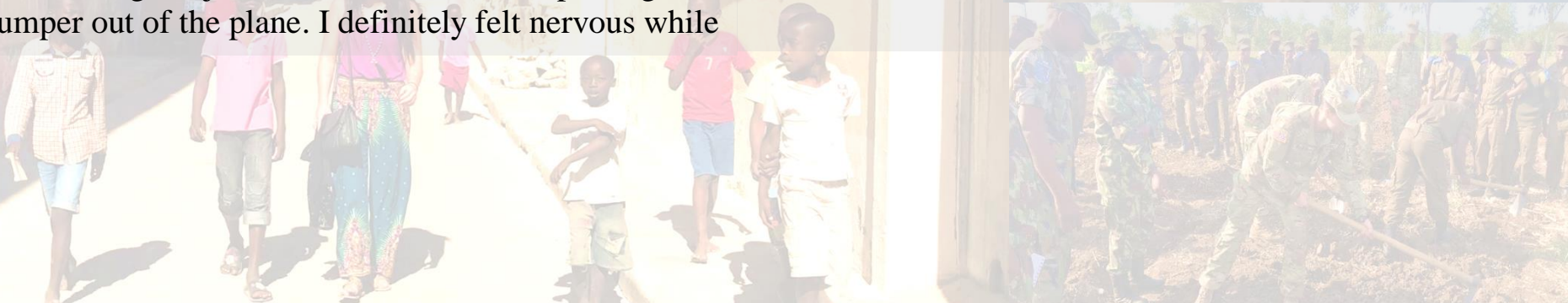
## ***Did any of your experiences take you out of your comfort zone?***

“There are not many instances where I have ever felt out of my comfort zone, but this summer at airborne school, I experienced it. I am extremely afraid of heights and no matter how hard I try to get over it, I just can't seem to. The days before jump week I was trying to prepare myself to not be nervous before jumping, and I thought I did a good job of that, until I ended up being the first jumper out of the plane. I definitely felt nervous while

I was standing next to the door but right before I just told myself to suck it up and jump, and I ended up having a great time on my next couple jumps”

## ***What are your branch preferences and why?***

“My branch preferences are Field Artillery and Military Intelligence. I use to be a 13M (Multiple Launch Rocket System Crew Member) in the National Guard and ever since then I just fell in love with FA. I want to be in a combat arms branch but I also want to branch something that could benefit my civilian career in the long run, which is why I chose Military Intelligence as well. Getting active duty Military Intelligence and a branch detail of Field Artillery would be a dream for me.”





# Words from the Professor of Military Science

## *Lieutenant Colonel Kiriazis*

### **Alumni, Friends and Family of the Golden Eagle Battalion Army ROTC,**

The 2018-2019 Academic Year is well underway, and our Cadets continue to validate this historically strong Army ROTC program. This summer, we sent our Cadets to several different programs and schools across the country and the world. Ten of our Cadets participated in the Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program (CULP) in Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Guatemala, Indonesia, Mongolia, Poland, Romania, Senegal and Vietnam. Their connections with strengthening our country's military to military relationships have strategic impact as they learned about foreign military structure and the culture of the countries in which they traveled. Eight of our Cadets attended and successfully graduated from Air Assault and Airborne School with one Cadet (CDT Dively) graduating from the U.S. Army's Survival Evasion, Resistance, and Escape Course. CDT Manning was also named as the Air Assault School Honor Graduate of his class at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii in June 2018. Our Cadet Nurses (CDTs Ramage, Wolfrum, Young) successfully completed their Nurse Summer Training Programs at Keller Army Community Hospital (West Point, NY), William Beaumont Army Medical Center (Fort Bliss, TX), and Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (Bethesda, MD) respectfully. Our program's Advanced Camp performance for our MSIII (Junior Cadets) was most impressive. Almost 50% of the 23 Cadets that completed Advanced Camp at Fort Knox, KY received an "OUTSTANDING" rating indicating that they were well within the top 15% of Cadets across the country!

That was the highest rate in our entire Brigade signature in the Midwest! CDT McKenna Sandberg was also recognized as the top Cadet in her Regiment of over 600 Cadets and in one in ten of over 5,500 Cadets recognized as such! After a very impressive 2017-2018 academic year, I look forward to what this year will bring. Our cadre continue to be committed to training our Cadets to the highest of standards. The incoming class of 2022 boasted 14 National Scholarship Winners and our collective program now consists of 133 x participating, enrolled, and contracted Cadets across our five campuses in southeast Wisconsin (MU, UWM, UWP, MSOE, Concordia). Best of luck to our Cadet Ranger Challenge participants for 2018. This year, our teams dedicated their Ranger Challenge run to CPT George Steinberg, a 1963 UWM alum who sacrificed his life in Vietnam and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for gallantry in action in Phuoc Tuy Province, Vietnam in 1966. We continue to honor our heraldry as the returning Marquette University Class of 1968 laid a wreath at our Wall of Honor and helped us commemorate our Ranger Challenge run to CPT Steinberg. For me, this job continues to be the best job in the U.S. Army. The small piece I play in watching Cadets achieve and mold into the future leaders of our U.S. Army force has been elating. I am so proud of our Cadets and encourage all of you to continue to support this fine Army ROTC program in Milwaukee.



# The Duke and Feifar Family Endowment

2LT Feifar with his parents, Tom and Kathy

It is with a great sense of appreciation and excitement that we are able to announce, on behalf of Tom and Kathy Feifar (parents of GEB Alumni and 2LT Brian Feifar), the establishment of the “Duke and Feifar Family” Endowment. Through the generous donations of the friends and family of the GEB, this unprecedented endowment had already reached its target of \$50,000. As the host program, Marquette University’s Army ROTC can utilize funds generated from the endowment to further prepare current and future Cadets in their training to become Second Lieutenants.

5% of the earnings collected from the endowment will be given to the GEB to enhance the equipment, facilities, recruiting/retention, and training of our Cadets. As the endowment grows, so too will the funds available to our Cadets. The collected earnings will directly finance additions to our Cadet study lounge, newer weight room equipment, and the perennially top-notch teams we send to represent the GEB in competitions including Ranger Challenge, Northern Warfare Challenge, the Ranger Buddy Competition, the Army 10-Miler, and the Flyin’ Irish Basketball Tournament.

Cadets of the GEB demonstrate a clear dedication to intrinsically higher causes, reflecting the exceptional quality of the homes they come from. In addition to their choice of serving the United States of America, our Cadets regularly engage in community service, both on an individual basis and through the GEB-sponsored Service Committee. They routinely participate in outreach to veterans, interact with our first-responders, and clean areas around Milwaukee.

Our highly motivated Cadets do their own fundraising. Through a newly-established working relationship with Delaware North, the concessions company serving the Milwaukee Brewers, our Cadets are projected to make over \$12,000 by working baseball games this season! They have already committed *at least* \$1,000 to the fund so that future members of the GEB may benefit.

Our new goal is to reach the \$75,000 mark before the end of 2019. We recognize and truly appreciate the selfless gifts of friends and family. Every cent donated to the Duke and Feifar Family endowment will be put to good use.

In our halls, a plaque commemorating this unprecedented endowment is inscribed with the following, “Established by Mr. and Mrs. Tom and Kathleen Feifar in December 2017, the ‘Duke and Feifar’ Endowment is the first of its kind for the Golden Eagle Battalion and Army ROTC in the Milwaukee Metro area. Funds and donations from the endowment will benefit present and future Cadets as they pursue excellence in their professional development. A great example of how the military service of those that precede our Cadets extends to benefit our current and future Cadets. The fact that two military veterans from separate services (U.S. Army and U.S. Navy) are forged together through this endowment effort is a lasting testimony to and symbolic of the cooperation of the joint services in the defense of our Nation.”

With your donations, this endowment will grow and benefit future Cadets in perpetuity.

Thank you

## How to Donate to the Duke and Feifar Endowment

### Checks Payable to:

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## The COL Edward Dey Fund

*Your generous contributions to the COL Edward Dey Fund have enabled the Golden Eagle Battalion to make incredible improvements to our facilities and support our Cadets. Unlike the "Duke and Feifar Endowment" that nicely focuses on exponential benefit of AROTC as the endowment grows through the years, the Dey Fund is an immediate impact fund with funding immediately accessible to our Army ROTC program. Your contributions will help continue the legacy of the Golden Eagle Battalion's Cadets as they train to become the future leaders of our Army. Please consider a donation to the Dey Fund.*

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