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Advanced Camp Summer 2019

CDTs are given a grade for their performance at CDT Summer Training. An O means outstanding performance, indicating that this individual is in the top 20%. An E means excellent performance. Of the 33 CDTs the GEB sent to Advanced Camp, 67% received an O or an E.

APFT was conducted to measure a CDTs physical fitness, with 300 being the maximum score. The GEB had an average 282, the highest average in the brigade.

Additional activities at Advanced Camp includes land navigation, qualifying with the M4 rifle, grenade throws, call for fire, rappelling, CS chamber, and a six mile, eight mile, and twelve mile ruck march.

CDTs went through three phases of tactical lanes where CDTs are evaluated on their leadership in a tactical environment.

Advanced Camp is a CDT summer training event lasting 37 days at Fort Knox, KY, location of CDT Command HQ. Advanced Camp is a requirement for commissioning, and CDTs are evaluated based on their leadership abilities, military bearing, and physical fitness.





Cadet Orientation Fall 2019 MARQUETTE GYMNASIUM

Cadets were welcomed to Incoming Cadet Orientation with a barbeque with their families. Another event that fostered Esprit de corps was a trip to the Annex's bowling alley.

That day, Cadets were introduced to the Army Physical Fitness Test, which is comprised of push-ups, sit-ups, and a two mile run. Biswurm and Cadet Morton were recognized by having the highest PT scores of the test. ICO cadets were taught many basic soldier skills, from Drill and Ceremony, Customs and Courtesies, and how to properly wear the Army Uniform.

During the leaders reaction course, Cadets learned how to work together. The purpose of this course is to develop cadets into critical thinkers and teach them how to work together in teams.

ICO ended with a one mile ruck march around Marquette University.

Incoming Cadet Orientation is an event that introduces new cadets to the Golden Eagle Battalion. At ICO, cadets learn basic skills that encompasses the Army profession and begin to work as a cohesive team.







GIB Fall FTX Fall 2019

On the rifle ranges, Cadets had the opportunity to zero and qualify with M4 rifles. MSIs and IIs continued weapons training, firing the 9mm pistol as well. During training all cadets received some great practice in the field conducting tactics. MSIs and IIs practiced the basic infantry tactics to prepare them for their MSIII year. The MSIIIs were physically and mentally pushed to lead and execute planned tactics in the field. Their training was focused on improving leadership and their ability to succeed at Advanced Camp.

All cadets were required to complete a Land Navigation Course. The training consisted of cadets navigating to points on a map using a compass an terrain association



The 4-day FTX furthered cadets knowledge in tactics and leadership to prepare them for summer training both Advanced camp and Basic camp. This years Fall FTX included some great training!







Cadets conduct training through tactics, land navigation, and familiarization with different weapon systems on the firing ranges Cadets use team work to complete the assigned tactical missions. Leaders are tested and communication is necessary for all team members to succeed.





Contracting Ceremony Fall 2019

On the morning of November 8th, The Golden Eagle Battalion honored Veteran's Day as well as having a Contracting Ceremony for newly contracting cadets! CDT Halverson, the Cadet Battalion Commander presented Mrs. and Mr. Feifar with a check to go toward the Feifar Endowment. This endowment helps with purchases that the Golden Eagle Battalion uses for training. A special thank you to LTC (R) Wendy Cooper for being our inspirational speaker this morning. HOOOAH!!

During the cermony, Cadet Mach-kovech recieved the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross for Achievement Award. The award, consisting of a bronze cross and certificate, is given to outstanding Cadet for achievement of scholastic excellence in military and academic subjects, which is an ward only recived by one cadet in each ROTC Brigade!!









Ranger Challenge Fall 2019

Congratulations to both of our teams who spent the weekend at Fort Leonard Wood, MO for the 3rd Brigade Ranger Challenge competition. Our 5 Co-Ed team took 1st place! Our 9-man team took 2nd place, which advances them on to the international military competition Sandhurst at West Point for the second year consecutively this coming spring! Our Co-Ed team took 1st place for the following team challenges:

- One Rope Bridge Challenge- Commander's Challenge- Hand Grenade Assault Course Challenge-Marksmanship Challenge



The GEB 5 Co-Ed team took 1st place and he 9-man team took 2nd place at Brigade Ranger Challenge! They will be advancing to the international military competition Sandhurst at West Point to compete for the second year consecutively this coming spring!



GEB Recondo Mission Fall 2019

Cadet Oldendorf demonstrated his leadership as the squad leader during the air assault mission. He recognized how important the training he conducted is and really took it seriously. He was very thankful to have the opportunity to train with helicopters and share his knowledge

Cadet Dempsey got to live out her dream to fly in a Black Hawk and jump into the action. She felt the training was important for the Golden Eagle Battalion and expressed her strong allegiance to the United States in her interview with the local news station.

Cadet Samalis exclaimed her excitement to finally get to ride in an Army helicopter. She has always wanted to ride in one and being able to conduct an air assault mission out of an aircraft meant a lot to her.



Air Assault Mission: Golden Eagle Battalion's Recondo platoon conducted an air assault mission to save a prisoner of war code named Viking and capture or kill the high value target code named Three Stripes. The training exercise was a great oportunity to coordinate training between Recondo cadets and Blackhawk Hellicopters.



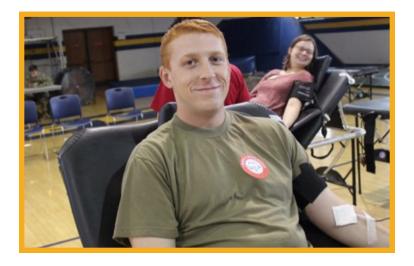


GEB Blood Drive Fall 2019

This semester's Blood Drive took place on 06 September 2019. After summer vacation and with Hurricane Dorian hitting the east coast there is an emergent need for blood. The Golden Eagle Battalion is more than happy to help the cause

In total, there were 51 presenting donors for the Blood Drive. Of those 54 donors, 11 were Golden Eagle Battalion Cadets.

42 total pints were collected 8 of which were collected using power red donations. To donate power red cell pints, two pints of blood are taken from the donor and filtered through a machine that will return plasma and fluids back to the donor.









GEB Super Lab Fall 2019

The GEB conducted its annual Fall Super Lab training once again in the snow covered woods at UW-Parkside. The GEB formed two platoons, comprising of MS Is, IIs and IIIs, with the MSIII's holding leadership positions. Platoon leadership received their mission days in advance. After receiving their orders, the MSIII leadership began formulating plans and briefed their plan to the rest of their platoons, while conducting rehearsals to ensure mission success. Upon arrival at UW-Parkside, both platoons immediately executed their mission. The platoons fought against small elements of OPFOR, and later, they fought against each other in a platoon vs. platoon attack and defense.



From reconning an objective to conducting a platoon sized assault, cadets of the GEB received valuable leadership training through Fall Super Lab.







The GEB Super Lab took place at UW Parkside. Cadets were able to practice battle drills and leadership skills through wooded terain on Parksides campus. The training progressed MSIIIs knowlege for future Advanced Camp training and provided the oportunity for MSIs and MSIIs to take leadership roles and exicute training in a field environment.





GEB Donations and Support

As alumni and supporters of Marquette Army ROTC, you have the ability to ensure the ongoing success of our program.

Through donations towards both the Duke and Feifar Fund and the Col Dey Fund our program is able to support our training equipment needs, ROTC competition support, our Cadet Extracurricular Activities (Cadet Choir, GEB Service Committee, Cadet RE-CONDO Platoon (for teaching light infantry tactics), VALOR (a Cadet spiritual support group), marksmanship opportunities, our Military History Library and expenses related to guest speakers for special events, Cadet MWR activities, Cadet Lounge items and Cadet ceremonial events. This year the GEB was able to outfit the MSIII Cadets with great gear, in support of tactical training and their preparation for Advanced Camp at Fort Knox. Also our donation funding fulfilled travel expenses for our winning Ranger Challenge teams to and from their competitions.

We believe that your contributions speak truth to power as they give our program an added capability not only for producing some of the finest officers for the U.S. Army, but also in how this program performs when compared to other top notch programs in the Midwest and the Nation. Your support is appreciated and will ensure the level of prestige and honor that has always been indicative of our program. Thank you for considering a gift to the Marquette Army ROTC program.

I continue to encourage alumni, family and friends of the Golden Eagle Battalion to stop by the "Old Gym" next time your find yourself in the downtown Milwaukee area. God bless all of you and thank you for your undying support. There are several ways you can support and donate to our program.

1. Send a check payable to, "Colonel Edward H. Dey Memorial Fund for Marquette Army ROTC" (Memo: Acct # 02000-43539) or, "Duke and Feifar Family Endow ment for Marquette Army ROTC."

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- 2. Give a donation through our website: https://give.marquette.edu/arotc
- 3. Call to donate Call the Marquette University Ad vancement Department, Joe True, at (414) 288-0253.

Gifts to the Duke and Feifar Family Endowment or the Col Dey Fund for Marquette Army ROTC will grow a fund that provides program support to the battalion both now and in perpetuity.





Friends, Family and Alumni of our Golden Eagle Battalion,

As we near the holiday season, it continues to be my exclusive honor and privilege of being a part of this phenomenal Army ROTC program and continue to proclaim that we are truly Milwaukee's own! Our MSIVs have been a fantastic group and understand that their effort leads the way for all of us to hold our place in the pantheon of strong Army ROTCs across the country.

This Fall 2019 semester, CDT Halverson (our Cadet Battalion Commander) laid down a challenge to our GEB Cadets to "KEEP THE CUP." It is a motto for the 19-20 academic year pushing our Cadets to continue to perform in regional military skills competitions like Ranger Challenge, Northern Warfare (hosted by UW-Lacrosse) and Ranger Buddy (hosted at Kansas *University). So far, the GEB is doing a good job at* keeping the 3BDE Commander's Cup in our hallways - our Ranger Challenge Teams went on to be named Champions in Wisconsin and in the Michigan UP, then went on to compete at Fort Leonard Wood where our 5 x Cadet Coed Team took first place in the Midwest and our 9 man team qualified to attend the International Sandhurst Competition at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

On November 14th, the majority of our MSIVs discovered what branch they will serve. Overall, well over 95% of our Cadets that wanted active duty, received active duty service. Furthermore, over 90% of our MSIVs received their first or second branch of choice. This year, and with all combat arms represented, our MSIVs awarded branches include infantry, armor, field artillery, cyber, aviation (4 x Cadets!), ordnance, engineer, army nurse corps (3 x Cadets!), medical service corps, military police, signal corps, adjutant general corps, and transportation corps.

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