



LHUP Soaring Eagle Battalion



EAGLE NEWS

Keeping Cadets, Parents, and Alumni Informed!

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PMS Corner

By LTC Doug Orsi

Spring semester has been moving right along as winter is finally gone and spring is here. The Soaring Eagle Battalion has been training each month this semester and the students are ready to prove themselves as leaders. We conducted Leadership Labs on campus and off. In February, we utilized the Engagement Skills Trainer (EST) to hone our marksmanship skills. We also conducted Situational Training Exercise (STX) lanes at Bald Eagle State Park and on campus. The MS III and IV Cadets (Juniors & Seniors) also traveled to Fort Indiantown Gap to participate in the Joint Field Training Exercise. Our students joined nine other schools to conduct training for the MS III Cadets. This training was invaluable in preparing our students to excel at Warrior Forge this summer.

The Military Ball and Awards Ceremony was the highlight of the semester as over 90 students and guests came together to have fun and see their peers get recognized for excellence.

This summer, we have Cadets traveling to Fort Knox, KY for the Leader's Training Course and Air Assault Course, Fort Lewis WA for Warrior Forge, Fort Benning, GA for Airborne School, and Fort Bragg, NC for Robin Sage training.

The semester culminated with the commissioning of nine officers into the Active Army, Army Reserve, and Army National Guard.

I encourage each of our Alumni to let us know how you're doing and pass on your experiences to us to share with the Cadets.

Soaring Eagles....Talons Out!

SMI Corner

By SFC Michael Rodriguez

Hooah! Soaring Eagle Cadets, the spring semester has come to a close. First off I would like to congratulate the LHU MSIV Cadets for doing an outstanding job mentoring the juniors and reaching their ultimate goal of getting commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants. They will now join the ranks of the Army at various posts and begin the journey of leading young men and women of our nation not only here at the home front but in combat as well.

This spring the Cadet's encountered intensive training on land navigation and several training exercises. The Joint Field Training Exercise at Ft. Indiantown Gap allowed us to team up with several schools bringing more than 200 Cadets together which facilitated the preparation of our juniors for camp this summer. Our Cadets went through great training working with individuals they have never met. The Cadets also had their Military Ball at the Elks club here in Lock Haven. Many of them learned about the ceremonies and traditions that they are sure to experience throughout their careers in the Army. I am confident that the training our junior cadets have received throughout the year has left them well prepared for what is probably the most important part of their ROTC experience which is Warrior Forge. I would like to thank the parents, teachers, and the entire LHU community for supporting our country's future leaders and ask that you continue to support our activities here on campus.

Army ROTC will continue to set the example for others to emulate. We are extremely proud of the job all of our cadets have done and look forward to another year of excellence. God speed and God bless.

Lock Haven Soaring Eagles this is Talon 7 out!

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Spring 2009 Commissioning Ceremony

The Lock Haven University commissioning ceremony took place on 2 May 2009 at 8 AM in Price Auditorium. The official party consisted of LTC Doug Orsi, Dr. Keith Miller, President of Lock Haven University, Dr. Linda Koch, Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Roger Johnston, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Mr. William Hanelly, Vice President for Finance, Administration, and Technology. The guest speaker was LTC Jeff Butler, Commander of the 228th Brigade Support Battalion, Pennsylvania Army National Guard. LTC Butler is a 1988 graduate of LHU and its ROTC Program. At the ceremony, the following officers were commissioned Second Lieutenants in the U.S. Army.

James P. Antonelli	Active Duty	Ordnance
Paul E. Ewing III	Active Duty	Military Police
Joshua S. Fette	USAR	Quartermaster
Nathan L. Hakes	PAANG	Quartermaster
Danielle Hoffmeister	PAANG	Quartermaster
James M. Moore	USAR	Engineer
Jane A. Morgan	PAANG	Ordnance
Bryce J. Paloskey	USAR	Military Police
Dustin M. Tagliaboski	Active Duty	Aviation



LHU's newest Second Lieutenants
From left to right: James Antonelli, Paul Ewing, Joshua Fette, Nathan Hakes, Danielle Hoffmeister, James Moore, Jane Morgan, Bryce Paloskey, and Dustin Tagliaboski

Military Ball

On 9 April 2009, the Cadets and Cadre gathered for the annual Lock Haven University ROTC Military Ball and Awards Ceremony, which was held at the Elks Club in downtown Lock Haven. Over 90 Cadets and guests participated in the event. The event was catered by the Dutch Haven Restaurant and included a POW/MIA table, color guard, grog bowl ceremony, and awards ceremony. The event culminated with the retiring of the colors, followed by dancing, with music being provided by a DJ.



Cadets having too much fun!

The following Cadets received awards from local and national organizations.

George C. Marshall Award Winner – Cadet Paul E. Ewing III

DA Superior Cadet - Cadets Austin, Knighton, Chris Heist, Zach Brown and Bryce Paloskey

Association of the US Army - Cadet Jamie Dimartile

Association of the US Army Military History – Cadets Mathew McClain and Dominic DeCarlo

Reserve Officers Association - Cadets Brandon Wilson, Filberto Martinez and Bryce Paloskey

American Legion - Cadets Norm Wenrick and Dustin Tagliaboski

Veterans of Foreign Wars - Cadet Story Withum

National Sojourners - Cadet Jonathan Angello

Daughters of the American Revolution - Cadet Jane Morgan

Military Order of World Wars - Cadets Gianna Segura, Ryan Gabel and James Moore

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National Defense Industrial Association - Cadet Norman Wenrick

Military Order of the Purple Heart - Cadet Danielle Hoffmeister

Military Officers Association of America - Cadet Richard Smith

USAA Spirit Award - Cadet Nathan Hakes

National Guard Association Award – Cadet Nathan Hakes

Daniel Pyle Memorial Scholarship - Cadet Jessinia Soto

Ranger Club Ski Trip

By Brandon Wilson

On Sunday, February 15, 2009, the Ranger Club of Lock Haven University travelled to Seven Springs Mountain Resort for a day of skiing. The club arrived at the ski resort with a group of 15. The group consisted of Army ROTC Cadets, non – Army ROTC Cadets, and Cadre. There was also a mix of first time skiers and snowboarders, beginners, and experts. The club arrived at the resort around approximately 9:15 am and left the resort around 4:30 pm. Despite the warm weather we had the week leading up to the trip there was still a decent amount of snow at the resort to make it worthwhile and fun for everyone who attended the trip. The resort had trails for all levels of skiers. Some of us beginners stayed on the easier courses where the more experienced enjoyed the trails with higher skill level. Overall the trip to Seven Springs Mountain Resort was fun, successful, and at the end of the day we were all exhausted and ready to go home. The club would like to thank MSG Abbott and Stacey Brack for driving us all to the resort and back.

New Cadre coming on board

This semester and summer will see a large turnover of personnel in the Soaring Eagle Battalion. In January, we welcomed SFC Michael Rodriguez, who came to us from Vilseck, Germany. SFC Rodriguez is an 11B who has served in Hawaii, Europe, Fort Bragg, NC and Fort Lewis, WA. In early May, MSG Tom Abbott, our Senior Military Science Instructor (SMSI), will report to Fort Stewart, GA. I will depart at the end of May and report to Fort Detrick, MD. My replacement as Professor of Military Science (PMS) is MAJ Joseph Loren, who arrives in mid May. MAJ Loren is a Logistician and

currently serves as an Assistant Professor of Military Science (APMS) at Penn State University. In June, MSG Christopher Dean will be arriving from Fort Hood, TX. MSG Dean is an 11B and currently serves as a 1SG.

LHU Cadets selected to travel abroad

Two LHU Cadets were recently selected to travel overseas for the summer to participate in an Army sponsored Cultural Immersion program. Cadets Jamie DiMartile and Brandon Wilson will be traveling this summer as part of a new Army program to give future officers a better appreciation of the world around them. Jamie will be traveling to Argentina and Brandon will be going to Morocco for three weeks. Their trip will begin at West Point for linkup with their groups and a general orientation to the country of travel. The students will be participating in both humanitarian support and visits to military installations.



Cadet Jamie DiMartile will travel to Argentina



Cadet Brandon Wilson will travel to Morocco

Read more about what's going on across Cadet Command at the link below.

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