GREETINGS FROM THE BATTALION COMMANDER

Tiger Battalion Family and Friends,

As I near the end of my first year as Tiger 6, I want to say how proud I am of our cadets, cadre, alumni, families, LSU, and the Tiger Battalion. You have all demonstrated why this program is one of the most admired and respected within the 6th ROTC Brigade. This program’s success is attributed to your positive attitude, strong work ethic, and outstanding leadership ability. This fiscal year, we are on glide-path to commission another 25 second lieutenants (2LTs) for our Army. Next year, we are projected to commission 22 lieutenants. These officers will be able to meet the global challenges of the 21st Century and continue the legacy of the Long Purple Line.

At LSU, we produce leaders that are committed to caring for our Nation’s most precious resource—her sons and daughters. The Tiger Battalion has a long and proud history of success, but we must stay vigilant in all we do and not get complacent. We all serve as Army ROTC recruiters; share our successes and invite others to check us out. Finally, the weather is getting warmer, so please enjoy all spring and summer activities with safety in mind. This summer, we have a lot of cadets participating in Cadet Summer Training and other leader development opportunities. Stay safe, hydrated, have fun and maintain a positive attitude. We want to see you all back safely next semester.

TIGER STRONG!

LTC Lawrence P. House, III

Cadet Summer Training

During the summer months each year, Tiger Battalion cadets participate in a wide range of both required and optional training. Below is a list of training and the cadets who are participating in them. We wish them the best of luck and hope they can return to the Battalion a better cadet and more influential leader:

**CLC** — ALL MSIII CADETS

**CIET** — SELECT CONTRACTED MSI & MSII CADETS

**CTLT** — David Carriker (Ft. Leonard Wood), Curtis Crenshaw (Ft. Bragg), Stone LeBouef (Ft. Bragg), Marc Thibodeaux (Alaska), & Brennan West (Ft. Bragg)

**CULP** — Lane Falcon (Barbados), Frank Fontenot (Burkina Faso), Portia Meyers (Paraguay), Matthew Kinsey (Thailand), & Wendy Martin (Moldova)

**AASLT (Ft. Benning)** — Matthew Kinsey & Nathaniel Yantis

**Internship** — Destiny Kapp (INSCOM)

**CIET MSIII Leader Trainer** — Braxton Henry, Ariel McGuirk, & Austin Williams

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Commissioning (May 14, 2015)
- Main Commencement (May 14, 2015)
- College Commencement (May 15, 2015)
- CIET (June 3—August 13, 2015)
- CLC (June 5—August 15, 2015)
- Fall Orientation (August 20, 2015)
- Start of Fall Semester (August 24, 2015)
On April 25, 2015, LSU Army ROTC Bengal Raiders will be conducting their end of semester Field Training Exercise, the Raider Qualifying Course. This training event is used to evaluate the leadership potential and tactical expertise of cadets trying out for the Bengal Raider Company. In this event, cadets will be flown to Camp Vil-lere in UH-60 Black Hawks, where they will be conducting land navigation training, a weapons proficiency exam, multiple Squad Tactic Lanes, and a 12 mile ruck march. Upon successful completion of the course, cadets will be promoted within the Raider Company.

AROUND THE BATTALION

As the Gold Bar Recruiter for Tiger Battalion, I have had the honor and privilege of working with both the cadets and cadre this semester. Having been recently commissioned (December 2014) from the Battalion, I have had a front-row seat in observing the changes that have taken place. I can say without a shadow of a doubt that the Battalion has become more productive and has a larger presence on campus. We have had the fortune of contracting cadets who have a large impact on their local community as well as at LSU, and we have made sure to exhaust every effort in making this known to the LSU community.

Our MSIV cadets, who are soon to graduate, have made every effort to leave a better Battalion behind, as well as give younger cadets the tools and advice needed for us to move forward in better fashion and as a more cohesive unit. With the addition of multiple beautification projects to the Military Science Building, the participation in outside philanthropic events, to the multiple clubs and organizations within the Battalion helping us grow stronger, we can only progress from here. Though I will be leaving soon after the semester ends, I am confident that your sons, daughters, and friends will continue to improve the Battalion I am so fond of.

GEAUX TIGERS!

2LT Dillon Mathies

5K Run to Attempt to Break Guinness World Record

JROTC is attempting to break the Guinness World Record for most participants in a 5K Run to celebrate their 99th and 100th year anniversaries. Tiger Battalion is participating in conjunction with local JROTC units in an effort to help them break this record. Next year, Tiger Battalion will be marking its own anniversary, celebrating its 100th year as an ROTC charter school. The 5K will take place April 25, 2015.

Military Ball

On April 24, 2015, cadets from all ROTC branches represented at LSU will come together in social com-radery and to build morale at this years Military Ball. This event will be held at the LSU Student Union in the Cotilion Ballroom, where a night of fine dining, socializing, and fun will take place. There is a long standing tradition within the military for these types of events, which includes long-standing etiquette practices, formal toasts, and recognition of each service represented. This is a welcome break from training and academics for the cadets, and a farewell to those who will be commissioning in less than a month.
**Cadets of the Old War Skule News**

The Cadets of the Old War Skule is the alumni association for LSU’s Army ROTC program. Once commissioned, cadets are given a free one-year membership to this association and be a part of the rich military tradition that LSU holds. Made up of alumni from the Battalion, all ranks of the Army comprise the membership of the Old War Skule. This summer, the Old War Skule, or “COWS” as they are affectionately known, will hold an orientation for all new incoming cadets.

**BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS**

*The Rappel Tower*

Erected in 2003, the Rappel Tower has served as a method for cadets to experience unique training while a part of Tiger Battalion. One of the most visible and noticeable additions to the Military Science Building, the metal has begun to rust, paint has chipped away, and the wood has a look of antiquity. The cleaning, sanding, and repainting of the Tower will bring new life to a central theme to the Battalion. Located on the parade field at the MSB, cadets are exposed to it on a daily basis during physical training or at their weekly lab.

*The Cadet Lounge*

Tiger Battalion has recently acquired an old classroom within the Military Science Building that is currently in the process of being renovated into a cadet lounge. The purpose behind this room is to influence cadets to not only train on campus, but also provide an area for them to study, relax, and spend additional time around the battalion and other cadets. The intent is to include desks, chairs, couches, and cable to afford the cadets to exercise a wide array of activities. The room is being repainted using black and gold colors, which are the identifying colors of the United States Army, as well as providing new furniture.

This room will also house a memorial section for Scabbard and Blade, which is a college military honor society whose mission is to “encourage members to diversify themselves in knowledge and become the officer they want to be.” Scabbard and Blade has a rich history at LSU, which will be well represented in the lounge with pictures, plaques, and memorabilia.

*The MGM-5 Corporal Missile*

There are many landmarks on LSU’s campus to memorialize the school’s role as a military school and the contributions it made during the late 19th and early 20th centuries to American war efforts. Hidden away on LSU’s campus is the MGM-5 Corporal Missile, which was erected in 1963 to symbolize the entry of the University into the missile age. The MGM-5 was the first guided weapon authorized by the United States to carry a nuclear warhead, with a range of 75 nautical miles (139 km).

Last restored in the 1980’s, the MGM-5 will undergo another restoration of painting and refurbishment to mirror its original design, as it has been painted a different color since it was first erected. Our hope is that the refurbishment will bring new and focused attention to the Military Science Building and Tiger Battalion, and create a sense of morale and pride in the cadets who will see its refurbishment during their time within the program.
FROM THE ROO...

I am excited to be working for LSU Army ROTC not only as the Recruiting Operations Officer, but as an LSU Alumni (Class of 1994). I too have walked this great campus and although I did not graduate from the ROTC program, I have served 20 years (both enlisted and officer) in the Louisiana Army National Guard. I feel blessed to have been part of several great military assignments enabling me to serve with both Active and Reserve Army Components during deployments, international affairs, recruiting, Homeland Security operations, and now as the ROO/APMS here at the greatest University in the country. Earning the right to be part of and commission from the LSU Army ROTC Program is something to be proud of and carry with you throughout your military careers. I look forward to working with the cadre to provide you all the skills needed to be the best cadet you can be. Remember that scholarships are earned, not given! SO EARN ONE!

GEAUX TIGERS!
CPT Will Santos

SPRING FTX

On April 17-19, Tiger Battalion participated in its yearly culminating training and evaluation event, the Spring Field Training Exercise. Cadets were tested on their land navigation, critical thinking, and patrolling operations. Unfortunately, weather conditions limited the amount of training that occurred, as there were hazardous conditions present and considerable flooding. Shortened to a one day event, the Battalion used the opportunity of extra time to boost morale and attend the LSU Football Spring Game.

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK!

...to all of our cadets who will be commissioning this May. These individuals are:

- Cadet Daniel Cardella
- Cadet Paul Clady
- Cadet Connor Cloninger
- Cadet Trey Gaspard
- Cadet Emma-Leah Hale
- Cadet Eric Harris
- Cadet Ariel Hector
- Cadet Charles Medick
- Cadet Joseph Perque
- Cadet Travis Richard
- Cadet Sebastian Sans
- Cadet Cole Shorter
- Cadet Matthew Teemant
- Cadet James Wells
- Cadet Jessica Wildes

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