

## CHCORI CHRONICLES

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Uncommon Valor was a common Virtue. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

### **Award Ceremony**

The battalion had their first Award Ceremony on December 17. Cadets were awarded with ribbons and some with promotions. While every promotion is important, a couple of individuals received special promotions.

Josh Whigham serving as the Battalion operations officer (S-3) and Alan Cochran the Alpha Company Commander, were promoted to Captain.

All cadets were recognized for their dedication to JROTC.

Jeremy Clark and Andrew Halaut were awarded with the Spirit Ribbon for writing a rap about JROTC and performing it to the battalion and the families of the cadets.

The Alpha Color guard did a fantastic job and their unparalleled baring provided them with focus under the watching eyes of

our entire battalion.

The next award ceremony will be held May 6 at Courtland High School Stadium. New Cadets should strive to improve baring and show spirit before the final ceremony to improve your chances of promotion.





On December 7, 1941, 350 Japanese aircraft proceeded with their pre-planned attack on Pearl Harbor. The Japanese called the attack operation Z. It resulted in the United States' entry into World War II. The attack was intended as a preventive action in order to keep the U.S. Pacific Fleet from influencing the war that the Empire of Japan was planning in Southeast Asia, against Britain and the Netherlands, as well as the U.S. in the Philippines. The attack consisted of two aerial attack waves totaling 353aircraft, launched from six Japanese aircraft carriers.

The attack sank four U.S. Navy battleships (two of which were raised and returned to service later in the war) and damaged four more. The Japanese also sank or damaged three cruisers, three destroyers, and one minelayer, destroyed 188 aircraft, and caused personnel losses of 2,402 killed and 1,282 wounded. The power station, shipyard, maintenance, and fuel and torpedo storage facilities, as well as the submarine piers and headquarters building (also home of the intelligence section) were not hit. Japanese losses were minimal, with 29 aircraft and five midget submarines lost, and 65 servicemen killed or wounded. One Japanese sailor was captured.



### Christmas Parade

On December 5th several Cadets stood in anticipation whilst freezing wind bit deeply into their cheeks. These Cadets were standing in waiting for the Spotsylvania Christmas Parade to start. As soon as the white gloves and garrison caps were distributed the positions for marching

were assigned. With the Command-Sergeant-Major, Luke Van Zandt, heading the Battalion the Cadets marched uniformly along Courthouse road. The Cadets maintained their baring well and despite the cold, the Cadets marched stonefaced along the frozen path. Onlookers

cheered and smiled, some saluting the honorable ChCoRi Battalion in respect.



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#### Land Nav.

Raiders and cadets of the CHCORI battalion, traveled to Motts Run Reservoir on November 3. During this practice they learned the basics of Land Navigation. Land Navigation is directed to teach cadets how to survive in the wilderness with their only weapons; a map, projector, and a compass. They are first taught map reading and navigation skills in the classroom. They are required to know how to read a topographic map, a map that shows the relief features of the earth's surface using contour lines to show elevation. They need to know how to use a compass, they should CADET COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR SERGEANT MAJOR distance, and tracking their present location. When their instructor feels they are ready to be put to the test, they are put in the wilderness and told be find a point on the map and get to it. Being able to read maps, know how to use a compass and protractor will come in handy if you ever get lost in the outdoors. The next opportunity for Land Nav. Training is January 25.

#### Rank Structure













FIRST LIEUTENANT LIEUTENANT

### INSIGNIA OF GRADE FOR CADET ENLISTED PERSONNEL











CADET STAFF







CADET PRIVATE

CADET

In Case the Cadets need extra help with memorizing the Rank structure, above is a model of what each rank looks like and in which order they come.

