



# CHCORI CHRONICLES!

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## *Change of Command Ceremony*

On May 24, 2011 the CHCORI Battalion experienced a Change of Command. The Change of Command is a ceremony that happens every May when new leaders are chosen and cadets are awarded. Prior to the ceremony all the companies got a chance to practice together and bond before going out in front of their families and friends. The Booster Club provided the cadets with snacks and pizza, which was a good way to help everyone relax. When it came time to finally begin the Change of Command, everyone was excited and ready to go. The ceremony went considerably well and things seemed to run smoothly. Originally the Change of Command was going to be outside with a lovely parade, but due to restrictions the ceremony was moved inside. Even though it was moved

indoors everyone adjusted great and it seemed as if it was meant to be. The guests and cadets were also very comfortable being in the Courtland HS gym with the AC on.

Many people received exceptional awards and received promotions. The major promotion of the night was when Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Luke Van Zandt stepped down from Battalion Commander and Richard Cedres became the new one. It was a breathtaking moment to see the two of them next to each other exchanging the colors to signify the transfer of power. Cedres says, "It feels stellar. I wanted to be BC since freshmen year and by the end of sophomore year I didn't expect to get it. I surprised myself with my own leadership ability." Another promotion that was a amazing to witness, was the promotion of Falon Stimpson to the Battalion XO with the rank of Cadet Major. She has worked extremely hard and is excellent at everything she does. She says, "I am very excited, I didn't think I would be so happy to be in charge of staff. I am looking forward to making staff more of a unit and

working together to build us as a team."

Overall the ceremony was splendid. The parents, friends, and families were pleased, the cadets were recognized and awarded and the operation ran smooth.

Now I would personally like to say thank you and congratulations to the seniors, you have set a high bar and made this battalion successful and wonderful. AS ONE!



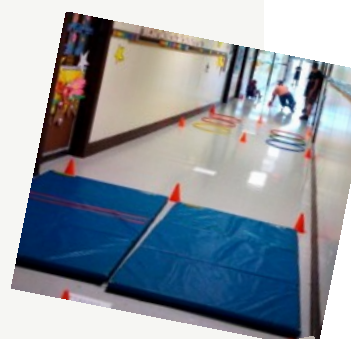
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## *Have Fun Serving Your Community*

On May 14, 2011 cadets from the CHCORI Battalion created and obstacle course at Chancellor Elementary School. Cadet Ellice Sisson put together the course and with the help of cadets Falon Stimpson, Alex Vitale, Alyssa Schlupp, Amber Haag, Will Deitt, and many more, the course was made a major success. The course consisted of crawling, running, backwards running, one leg hopping, forward rolling, jumping through hoola-hoops, crawling again then sliding on a scooter to the

end of the hallway and to top it all off you had to go back to the beginning. From 10am to 2pm the course was buzzing. Kids were in line, waiting to race each other in a two person race or maybe even race their parents! The fastest male time on the course was forty seconds and the fastest female time was forty-four seconds. Many kids kept getting back in line to try to beat their time or the best time. It was evident they were having a blast too! The parents and teachers were also thankful to have the cadets there and with a fun station, while the parents shopped a

bit from vendors. The cadets will probably be back again with more fun activities next year. As Cadet Murphy said, "We should definitely do this again." Thanks to everyone who helped out! AS ONE.



### *Making School Fun*

How often do you get to miss class to enjoy a field day with your best friends? On May 13, 2011 the CHCORI Battalion came together for a day of pure fun, called Organizational Day. With the stress of SOLs going on and exams right around the corner, this was a perfect way for cadets to just let loose, clear their minds and have a great time. Four teams competed for the win in numerous events. The activities included individual drill, individual PT Test, male football, female basketball, a co-ed relay race, a co-ed obstacle course, and kickball. The Seniors, Alpha Company, Bravo Company, and Charlie Company all fought for the first place of organizational day; however, only one could finish on top. It was a close race, but the Seniors took away this

years 1st place award. Congrats to the Seniors!

The weather at Organizational Day was, well, not exactly 85 and sunny, it was rainy and about 63, but that just added to the fun of the day. Many enjoyed crawling through the wet grass and the cool water felt good after working hard at the games.

The Booster Club also provided a fabulous lunch for the cadets halfway through the day. They provided fresh off the grill burgers and hotdogs with refreshments, fruits, snacks, cookies, and chips to choose from. Throughout the day they had Gatorades, waters, and fruit

available to keep everyone hydrated and energized. So, a big shout and thanks to the boosters! Also a thank you to Colonel Barham and Sergeant Mallard for being wonderful instructors and allowing cadets to experience this fun-filled day. None of this would be possible without a solid staff, fantastic instructors, a superb Booster Club, and the motivation of CHCORI Cadets! Let's keep the good times rolling. CHCORI as one. HOOAH!

### *Cystic Fibrosis Run/Walk*



On Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 13 cadets and Sergeant Mallard showed up at Hurkamp Park to support the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's *Great Strides*, after their fundraiser to help find cures and fund medical research for CF.

Many different teams showed up to participate and support the foundation and after a moving speech by one of the team leaders, the event began and people took off to support the CF Foundation.

The 2 mile course was quite challenging and took the participants all over downtown Fredericksburg. Noah, a person with CF, from one of the teams showed up first and finished the long event.

He had run the whole two miles. Two cadets came in afterwards and tied for a close second. After the long trek, the runners and walkers could sit down in the park and enjoy pizza, cotton candy, and Rita's ice.





### *Alpha Service Project*

On May 21<sup>st</sup>, the CHCORI's Alpha Company LET 3s and 4s went to the Fredericksburg battlefield to clean the place up. They spent several hours cleaning up the battlefield and some of the participants were; Richie Cedrés, William Ashby, Stephen Sullivan, Kevin Madden, Josh Whigham, Jake Dixon, Thomas Raley, and many



these elder cadets were doing on their service project.



others. Colonel Barham was also there to supervise the productive day and view how well

### *Taking Chance*

On May 30, 2011, students, teachers, cadets, and Boy Scouts gathered together for the Memorial Day showing of Taking Chance. Opening remarks were -presented by Dwight Roberson (BSA Troop 835). The presentation of the colors took place by our very own CHCORI Color Guard. After that, the

Pledge of Allegiance was lead by scout Tanner Poirtes. Riverbend High School Senior, Samantha Long, then sang the National Anthem.

There was a "Recognition of the Fallen," presented by various Boy Scouts and JROTC cadets. "Taps" was played by Rich-

ard Harbour. Retiring of the colors was again done by our Color Guard, and Dwight Roberson ended with his Closing remarks. The entire audience then chimed in with Samantha Long as she sang "God Bless America."



### *Daughters of the American Revolution*

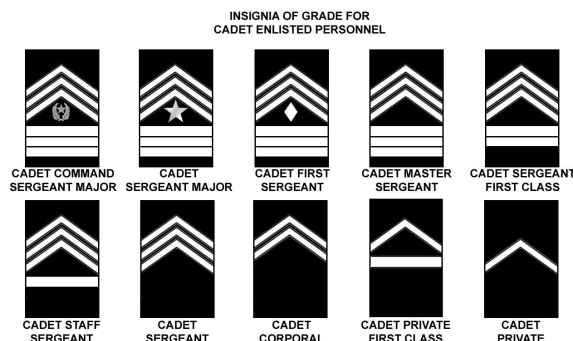
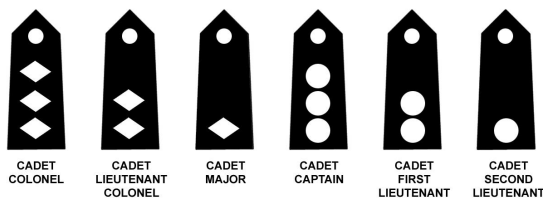
Every year, the Daughters of the American Revolution, a non-profit organization, hosts an officers' election meeting, but this year they wanted to switch it up. So they called LTC Barham and he set up and elite color guard to perform at this meeting. The members of the Color Guard included c/SGM Madden, c/1SG Harrison, c/SSG Galleigher, and c/PFC

Schlupp. There wasn't much to do besides survey the area to determine their plan and execute it. After the meeting, the organization donated \$100 to the CHCORI battalion. When asked about the experience, National flag bearer Kevin Madden said "It was an honor to contribute in such a notable organization that helps out our battalion in many ways. So, thank you to the Daughters of the American Revolution for requesting CHCORI cadets

for this. And thank you for the CHCORI cadets for taking the time to put on such a wonderful performance for an amazing organization.

# NEW CHAIN OF COMMAND

Battalion Commander	c/LTC Richard Cedres
Battalion XO	c/MAJ Falon Stimpson
Battalion Command Sergeant Major	c/CSM Bridger Johnson
S1– Personnel Officer	c/2LT Charles Duckett
S2– Security Officer	c/1LT Robert Schweibold
S3– Training and Operations Officer	c/2LT Shelby Van Zandt
S4– Supply and Logistics Officer	c/1LT Karan Sharma
S5– Public Affairs Officer	c/2LT Ellice Sisson
S6– Communications NCO-IC	c/SSG Hannah Cannon
Alpha Company Commander	c/CPT Kevin Madden
Alpha Company XO	c/1LT Mitchell Harrison
Alpha Company First Sergeant	c/1SG Joseph Young
Bravo Company Commander	c/CPT Allan Cahill
Bravo Company XO	c/1LT Joshua Kittrell
Bravo Company First Sergeant	c/1SG John Fox
Charlie Company Commander	c/CPT Rey Rivera
Charlie Company XO	c/1LT Miata Olson
Charlie Company First Sergeant	c/1SG Darrin Jackson



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