

The Cat Attack

THE BEARCAT BATTALION NEWSLETTER—SPRING 2010

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- The Bearcat Battalion conducts its first Dining Out in over four years
- Ten new Second Lieutenants commissioned on June 11
- The Bearcat Battalion receives Brigadier General Abraham Leadership Award

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The Summer Doesn't Stop Cadet Training

As the academic school year comes to an end, Bearcat Battalion training does not. Just as in years past, Cadets will spread across the country to conduct training at multiple schools. Unlike in previous years, however, these Cadets will leave the University of Cincinnati campus as members of a program that has been recognized as the leading ROTC program in its region.

Winning awards like the MacArthur Award and the Brigadier General Abraham Leadership Award has turned UC Army ROTC into a top program in the nation. The leadership of Professor of Military Science LTC Randy Judd and Senior Military



Instructor MSG Ronald Moore have turned the Bearcat Battalion into one of the most successful programs in the nation.

Past achievements show that the Bearcats can look forward to a successful summer. Boasting a near perfect graduation rate at all forms of summer training, Bearcats are sure to succeed at schools such as Airborne and Air Assault.

As the Juniors head off to the Leadership Development and Assessment Course, the entire Battalion and its supporters wish them luck, and look forward to preparing for a new school year sure to bring about more success and accolades.



UC Alum Is Moving On Up

Mara Kreishman-Deitrick (UC 98) was promoted from Captain to Major during a pinning ceremony May 3 at the Fort Detrick Neighborhood Center. She was pinned by her husband Erik and their son Markus. COL Coleman officiated the ceremony. MAJ Kreishman-Deitrick' official effective date of rank was May 1.

Kreishman-Deitrick, a product manager, is assigned to the Pharmaceutical Systems Project Management Office at the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity, Fort Detrick. She was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant at UC in June of 1998 and has served six and a half years on Active Duty.

Kreishman-Deitrick thanks her family, friends and colleagues saying "Each of you has contributed to my career in the Army and MRMC with your support, friendship, and mentorship, and I was truly honored to have you share this occasion with me."



Joint Field Training Exercise a Success

Cadet Kate Garth



Cadet Shaun Carroll pulls security in a Patrol Base

The Bearcat Battalion took part in a Joint Field Training Exercise with Ohio State University and Ohio University. The JFTX was at Camp Atterbury, IN and included land navigation and patrolling training events. Cadets were placed in leadership positions ranging from Squad Leader up to Company Commander. I was selected to act as Patrol Leader during a patrol mission. This was a unique situation because it was my first experience acting as Patrol Leader in a full length patrol mission. Patrolling offered a great experience to grow as a leader and to learn from Cadets from different schools. My Assistant Patrol Leader was from a different university, allowing me to get his perspective on the mission.

I also acted as First Sergeant (ISG) in while in garrison. My key tasks were to get the Cadets prepared for chow, lights out, and next morning. On Sunday morning, Cadets from Ohio University and Ohio State University moved to the M-16 range, and Cadets from the Bearcat Battalion moved back to Cincinnati (some of us via Blackhawk helicopters!). I believe that serving as ISG was very beneficial to my future at LDAC. Prior to JFTX, I had little experience performing garrison duties, and I received great feedback from my evaluator.

“For most cadets, it was the first time conducting training around students from other schools...It is important to know how to interact with other cadets”
- Cadet Kate Garth



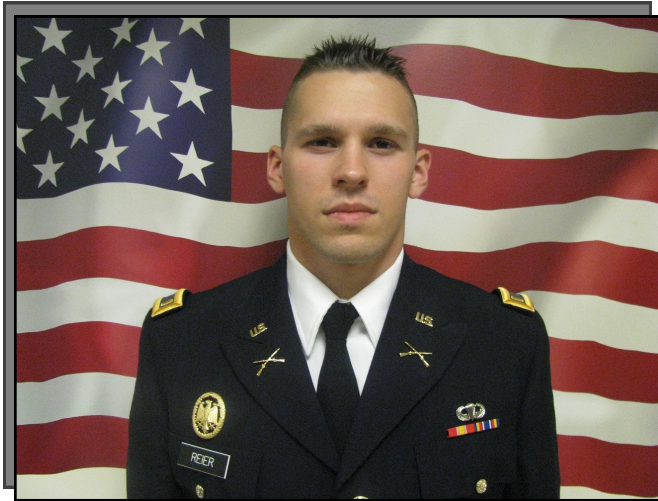
Lieutenants Campbell and Fillmore escort Cadets back from Camp Atterbury via Blackhawk Helicopter

Senior Spotlight - The Army's Newest Lieutenants



Second Lieutenant Frederick Reier

Second Lieutenant Frederick Reier was commissioned on Friday June 11th as a Military Intelligence Officer, branch detailed to Infantry. This summer he will train in Astrakhan, Russia for four months in addition to taking Chinese and Russian language courses at UC. He will report to Infantry BOLC-B in April of 2011 at Fort Benning, GA, immediately followed by Ranger School. Following his training, 2LT Reier will be stationed with the 82nd Airborne Division, located at Fort Bragg, NC. After attending the Military Intelligence Captain's Career Course, he hopes to be a Foreign Area Officer.



Second Lieutenant Seth Fillmore

Second Lieutenant Seth Fillmore was commissioned on Friday June 11th into the Army Nurse Corps. Upon successful completion of his nursing license exam, he will attend BOLC-B at Fort Sam Houston, TX. Following BOLC-B, Lieutenant Fillmore and his family will be stationed at Fort Hood, TX where he will serve as a nurse at Darnall Army Medical Center. He intends to continue his professional military and medical education and earn a Critical Care or Emergency Nursing certificate.



**Outgoing Cadet Battalion Commander's Comments:
Second Lieutenant Anthony West**



The Bearcat Battalion has had a very busy and productive quarter this spring. We traditionally devote more time to physical training in the Spring Quarter by starting PT a half hour earlier than normal. This allows us to extend our workouts and get more long runs in to prepare our Cadets for the Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) and additional summer training. We also conducted our Spring Joint Field Training Exercise with Ohio State University and Ohio University. This JFTX provided our Cadets with excellent training for LDAC, consisting of garrison leadership, land navigation, and patrolling. Despite the lack of sleep, persistent rain, and difficult patrolling scenarios, our Cadets drove on and put their best effort forward, getting priceless training and experience for LDAC this summer.

The Bearcat Battalion also conducted its first Dining Out in four years, in conjunction with the Spring Awards ceremony, at the Woodlawn Guard Armory. The Dining Out gave the Battalion a chance to recognize the achievements of its Cadets, honor our commissioning seniors, and provide dinner and entertainment for all our Cadets and their guests. Overall, we have had a very successful spring quarter and look forward to seeing our Cadets giving excellent performances at LDAC and additional training this summer. The performance of the Battalion this quarter and throughout the year continues to set us apart as a positive force at the University. Thank you to all of the Bearcat Cadets, Cadre, and Alumni for their continued support of the program. Take care and continue to promote "Bearcat Excellence."



New Bearcat Alumni Hall of Fame

On 11 September 2010, the Bearcat Battalion will honor our great Alumni by placing the first person on the Bearcat Hall of fame. This is done in conjunction with the University of Cincinnati vs. Indiana State University football game. We are asking all Alumni to join us to celebrate Bearcats old and new. This is the start of a new beginning and tradition that will carry on for many years. Come out and support the Bearcat Battalion and have some fun while doing so.

What: A presentation for the Bearcat Hall of Fame and an in-game presentation for the incoming Bearcats who have been awarded scholarships for the 2010 School Year.

When: 11 September 2010 at 0830; UC Football game follows

Where: UC ROTC Building located at 2585 Dennis St. Cincinnati, OH 45221.

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