The Wildcat Battalion started off the semester by conducting Battle Drills at Warner Park. The purpose of this lab was to ensure that Cadets grasped and were able to apply Battle Drills 1-4. MSIII Cadets were assigned squad leader positions to ensure their success when they go to camp this summer.

EST Training

MSIII Cadets utilized Fort Riley to get hands on training with the Engagement Skills Trainer. The EST is a simulator that provides Cadets with the opportunity to conduct virtual marksmanship training. Cadets conducted zeroing and qualifications. Cadets also enjoyed the opportunity to meet with Brigadier General Patrick D. Frank, the Deputy Commanding General of the 1st Infantry Division, and receive mentorship on the challenges and opportunities that they will face after they commission as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army.
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The Battalion was fortunate to also be able to spend time getting to know COL Thomas Duncan. He recognized Cadets for standing out among their peers, and they gladly accepted the Commander’s Coin for Excellence he gave them as token of his appreciation. Pictured are MSI’s CDT Alejandro Martinez and CDT Anna White. COL Duncan spoke to the MSIII’s about the trials he encountered when he was new to his military career. He gave them advice and insight on professional development and highlighted the importance of creating your own opportu-

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**Cadre Farewell**

This month we also had to say our Goodbyes to one of our most esteemed Cadre members at Kansas State University. After 3 years, most as the Senior Military Sciences Instructor, SFC Noble will move to Fort Drum, New York. SFC Noble has helped mentor and build Cadets into strong and confident Second Lieutenants.

**Upcoming Events**

- Diagnostic APFT
- Land Navigation Course
- GAFCPB
- Spring Break
- BATAAN
- PR Natcon
- FTX
- Recondo FTX
- Military Ball
Cadets have been conducting STX Lanes in order to develop a broader understanding of offensive operations. The purpose of conducting Battle Drills and STX Lanes is to help better prepare the MSIII’s for Advanced Camp this summer. Cadre and MSIV’s are ensuring Cadets get an opportunity to learn the different skills that various leadership positions encompass. During labs, the MSIII’s will be taught and led by Cadre members only and MSI’s and MSII’s will be learning directly from the MSIV’s in efforts to better prepare them for future battalion leadership positions.

Pershing Rifles is currently working on coordinating fundraisers that will help raise money to get them to NATCON. Company G-7 will be traveling to Jacksonville, Florida for NATCON this year. The trip will be from 8 MAR - 13 MAR. It has been recently decided that only 6 individuals will be attending NATCON this year, they will include the color guard and the soloist. Those who will not be there in attendance will continue to work on fundraising, recruiting, and the routine for the upcoming year.