**Patrol Base/ ORP Lab**

Earlier this month, Cadets took part in a Patrol Base/ ORP Lab. This lab was designed by the Cadets who attended Advanced Camp over the summer. MSIV’s took their knowledge from previous ROTC classes and Advanced Camp training and created this lab to help the MSIIIIs prepare for their upcoming Advanced Camp training and to expose all Cadets to basic patrol base and ORP operations.

Cadets met at Warner Park in Manhattan where the MSIIIIs were put in leadership positions and took Platoon size elements on simulated missions.

The experience helped to better prepare them as they get ready for Advanced Camp and further all of the Cadets’ tactical knowledge.

**Ranger Challenge 2016**

The Kansas State University Army ROTC Ranger Challenge teams competed in the annual Ranger Challenge Competition at Fort Dodge, Iowa on 14-16 October. The teams consisted of two male teams and one female team.

The Cadets participated in a multitude of events over the course of the weekend. The events consisted of the one-rope bridge event, the Crucible obstacle course, day and night land navigation and the competition ended with a 10k ruck march.

The male teams placed 2nd and 7th and the female team placed 4th.
Recondo

The past month, Recondo has conducted several different training nights. These nights have included Patroling training and MOUT training.

The most recent Recondo meeting, the Cadets trained at the Manhattan Fire Station where they conducted more MOUT training. The Cadets took away many lessons and developed into better leaders.

After Thanksgiving break, RIP week will begin to recruit and train more RIs.

Ropes Course Lab

The Wildcat Battalion conducted a lab this month at the Kansas State University Ropes Obstacle Course.

Cadets were challenged to use teamwork and communication to complete each obstacle, building camaraderie between the Cadets.

Cadets were able to conduct the High Ropes Challenge. The High Ropes challenge obstacles range from 10-40 feet above ground.

The instructors were K-State students who walked the Cadets through all the obstacles and helped them to work together. The Wildcat Battalion thanks them for the opportunity to use their course.
**Pershing Rifles**

Pershing Rifles has been busy this semester. They participated in two parades, hosted a Drill Workshop, and have been hard at work training new candidates and preparing for their National Competition in March.

Rifleman Jack Curtis was recently named the Deputy 2nd/7th Regiment Commander as part of the Regiment staff that oversees all of the Companies in the 2nd and 7th Regiments.

**Staff Ride for MSIV Class**

The MSIV class was able to experience a virtual Staff Ride this week. The Combat Studies Institute brought two representatives who conducted the Wanat Virtual Staff Ride with the seniors.

The Staff Ride is a virtual experience that examines a coalition Task Force conducting COIN operations in the Waygal valley of Afghanistan, 2007-2008, focusing primarily on an insurgent attack on a small COP occupied by 2d PLT, C Co, 2-503 Infantry, 173rd Airborne Brigade.

The Staff Ride was an insight into the military operations of the attack and an extensive look into the leadership seen in specific instances. The virtual experience gave Cadets a look at the terrain of the location and the 3D imagery allowed Cadets to fully immerse themselves in the experience.

**Upcoming Events**

- APFT
- December Commissioning
- 48 Fallen, 48 Found Presentation
- Counseling Lab