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The official Alumni newsletter of the Golden Eagle - Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program hosted at Marquette University.

## Greetings from the Professor of Military Science

Hello from the now stunningly warm and vibrant Milwaukee, Wisconsin! The temperatures are in the 70's, and the cadets are getting excited for the final push towards summer. They have conducted excellent training throughout these past, cold, wintry months and are excited for April, which will include the combined FTX, the TRI-ROTC award ceremony, the Spring FTX, and the Military Ball. This year, we are extremely fortunate to have COL (R) Larry Dacunto (former Golden Eagle Battalion Commander!) and 1LT Jared Kassulke as our guest speakers at the Ball. While two speakers is not the norm, we felt it would provide the cadets terrific feedback from two pertinent perspectives of Army life. COL (R) Dacunto will speak on the richness and diversity of a 25+ year Army career, and 1LT Kassulke will follow and discuss the current challenges facing a junior officer in Iraq and Afghanistan. We feel that both speeches are meaningful and will provide a powerful and synergistic message for the cadets and their families. Additionally, we are making substantive progress on the Veterans Day Wall of Fame Induction and Cadet Contracting Ceremony. For our first annual ceremony, we will induct the 4 Marquette ROTC graduates that were killed in action: CPT James Wenzel (Marquette, 1954), LT Richard Fox (Marquette, 1967), CPT Neil Reuter (Marquette, 1959), and CPT George Steinberg (UW-Milwaukee, 1963). In following years, we will open the floor for all nominees. We certainly hope that you can make it on 11 November 2010 to honor these individuals and the newly contracting cadets; it should be a moving event. Lastly, I would like to thank the many donors who have given to our unit fund over the past three months. We are about 20% of the way to our \$5,000 annual goal. The cadets and our staff are very appreciative of the wonderful support and interest you have shown for the battalion.



**LTC Robert Kaderavek**  
Professor of Military Science  
Golden Eagle – Army ROTC

## Word from the Cadet Battalion Commander

It is an honor that, in the same year as the centennial celebration of women at Marquette, I have been given the opportunity to lead the Golden Eagles as Cadet Battalion Commander. Through this leadership position and other duties, I have learned invaluable life lessons. The first of which is, PLAN AHEAD, STAY AHEAD.

Juggling ROTC, a part-time job, classes and extra-curriculum involvement proved to be a challenge but it has taught me how to develop short- and long-term goals and how to achieve those goals. As a result, I have also learned that IDLE HANDS ARE STAGNANT. There is always something that can be done to move you closer to your goals. To do this it is vital to be both a realist and understand the objectives of those around you.

Finally, NOTHING WORTHWHILE HAPPENS EASILY. Every obstacle and challenge made my ROTC experience more meaningful. Each one of you learned your own lessons while in ROTC. I look forward to using what I have learned at Marquette to help guide me at my first duty station at Fort Bragg, NC as a Military Intelligence Officer. It has been a true honor to be part of an amazing tradition!



**C/LTC Ashley Woyak**  
Cadet Battalion Commander  
Golden Eagle – Army ROTC



The soldier above all others prays for peace, for it is the soldier who must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war.

**General Douglas MacArthur**  
LLD Marquette University, 1951

## 2010: Second Semester in Review

During the second semester, our cadre and cadets continued to excel in the ROTC mission: To recruit, retain, develop, and commission the future officer leadership of the United States Army and motivate young people to be better citizens through support of local JROTC programs.



### January 2010 - Cadet Change of Command

Cadet Woyak, recently replaced Cadet Fonk as the Golden Eagle Battalion Commander. The Cadets holding leadership positions within the Cadet Battalion usually change every semester to give each Cadet leadership experience in different areas of the unit.



### January 2010 - Combat Water Survival Test (CWST)

Prior to commissioning all cadets are required to possess certain water survival skills. Annually, all soldiers and officers are required to attend a water survival techniques class.



### January 2010 – UWM Commissioning

2LT Gamez became our first commissionee of 2010 at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee. UW-M is a partnership school of the Marquette Army ROTC program.



**February 2010 - Field Leadership Reaction Course (FLRC):** Cadets were given ammunition boxes, ropes, pipes and wooden planks to help tackle each obstacle, which required them to get their squad from one side of a mine field to the other without losing or injuring any Soldiers.



**February 2010 - Leadership Lab - February 2010:** Cadets practice clearing and searching a room in the Gymnasium. Each room is simulated using engineer tape. This exercise allows the Cadets to strengthen their individual leadership skills and develop a stronger sense of teamwork with their squad members. Later, they cleared the Battalion classrooms.



### **February 2010 - Stand Down - Milwaukee**

Cadets took part in a Stand Down rally to support homeless veterans living in Milwaukee. The event supported over 190 individuals with a wide array of services. Our Marquette nurses were also present to administer necessary shots and test glucose levels.



### **February 2010 - MAJ April's History Class**

Cadets received a class on the United States Navy's historical interaction with the United States Army and learned about key military operations that guaranteed the Union's victory during the Civil War. The military history class is taught by MAJ Howard April, one of our assigned Cadre from the U.S. Army Reserve.



### **February 2010 - Interacting with Media**

Bob Moore, from WITI-TV (Fox 6), provided his expertise and feedback, as a news reporter, to our Cadets during the "Interacting with Media" training.



### **February 2010 – Self-Defense Training**

Officers, NCOs and Soldiers must be prepared to use different levels of force in an environment where conflict may change from low intensity to high intensity in a matter of seconds.

Self-defense training helps to instill courage and self-confidence. Cadets practiced self-defense techniques in the Marquette University Gymnasium.



**March 2010** - Members of the Golden Eagle Battalion recently strengthened their leadership and tactical skills at a local paint ball establishment in Mukwonago.



**February 2010** - Numerous Cadets from the Golden Eagle Battalion received the German Armed Forces Badge for Military Proficiency. (5 Gold, 3 Silver, 1 Bronze).



**March 2010** - The Cadets enhance their basic rifle marksmanship skills in the Old Gymnasium at Marquette University. The MSIVs (Seniors) led this training for the Sophomore and Freshmen Cadets.

Additional pictures and explanation of each event can be accessed at our website at <http://www.marquette.edu/rotc/army>



**February 2010** - Cadets perform weapons training at a local shooting range.



**March 2010** - Cadets conducting training on setting up tactical checkpoints at the Domes in Milwaukee.



**March 2010** - Cadet awaits orders during patrol training.



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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

**Col. Andrea Eigel  
Crunkhorn, PT '86**



A distinguished military graduate of Marquette's ROTC program, Col. Andrea Crunkhorn was commissioned into the Army Medical Specialist Corps in 1986. Initially assigned as a staff physical therapist at the 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt, Germany, she later served as chief of physical therapy at several U.S. military bases and for the Multinational Force and Observers in El Gorah, Egypt. She is commander of the Munson Army Health Center in Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where she introduced a covenant to provide "the highest quality of care and services possible" to soldiers, their families and veterans. Col. Crunkhorn will receive the Distinguished Alumna in Physical Therapy Award from the College of Health Science at Marquette University on April 24, 2010.

### *A brief word from our Alumna of the Month...*

I got three emails last week from old friends at the Battalion. It really brought home how small and close both the Army and the Marquette University families really are.

I joined the Service because my father was an Air Force officer. There was never an “ah ha” moment of decision, it was simply always that I would join the military. While my father told me it was “easier to fly over the jungle than crawl through it”, the Army paid for school which made the decision of which Service to join fairly straightforward. Mid grade officers with five children did not put their children through college back in the 70's or even early 80's. We all relied on scholarships.

The ROTC battalion was a special place. College is where you really start to grow up and mature, where many of us make mistakes and embarrass ourselves, but through that find out who we are. ROTC gave us a safe place to explore who we could be, a different identify not associated with our major, and a diverse group of friends for life. And of course, the opportunity to run 27 laps around the field house track for our winter physical training test.

But Marquette was also about being at a small Jesuit University. I choose Marquette for its small size. My memories include leaving the library for Mass at Joan of Arc, the dark and smoky Mug, and watching Luke run off with Laura in the Student Union. But the instructors were also key, important role models who have continued to influence me: Dr. Robb, Father Zeps, and Dr. Iorio. Dr. Robb, a professor of philosophy, was so passionate he would become teary eyed during lectures. Philosophy was new to me, and I loved the mental effort it required. Father Zeps reinforced Marquette's sense of family, connectedness and belonging, as he had just completed a master's degree under my uncle at St. Louis University, the school my father's entire family (to include both his parents and his six siblings) attended. Dr. Iorio was just a good person, beyond his ability to make anatomy come to life. While he never went out of his way to make me stand out in class, he insisted on yelling across campus whenever he saw me: “Good morning General!” In retrospect it was fairly funny, although as an introvert it took until Senior year to not cringe when he did that.

My four years at Marquette went by incredibly fast. But the subtle influences, memories, and friendships have lingered through the years.

- Col. Andrea Eigel Crunkhorn