

The Challenger



Class 1-17, Issue 4

03/24/17 – 04/13/17



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4TH PROGRESS REPORT AWARD WINNERS

HONOR PLATOON 4TH PLATOON

| CADET OF THE DAY | |
|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mar 24 | Levi Brown Ryan Bowers |
| Mar 27 | Joseph Goode Colton Richards |
| Mar 28 | Nathaniel Flohr Mason Myers |
| Mar 29 | Matthew Casteel Michael Trail |
| Mar 30 | Dylan Eakle Shawn Skeens |
| Mar 31 | Austin Amburgey Tristan Stewart |
| Apr 3 | Jacob Alderman Nickolas Metz |
| Apr 4 | Joshua Chapman Trenton O'Brien |
| Apr 5 | River Kenny Joshua Sayre |
| Apr 6 | Savanna Davis Trent Lafferty |
| Apr 7 | Christian Cobb Ethan Quinn |
| Apr 10 | Zoe Gatton Elisha Smith |
| Apr 11 | Tyler Bunner Ethan Quinn |
| Apr 12 | Zachary Brown Andrew Williams |
| Apr 13 | Nathaniel Flohr Jacob Starr |

DIRECTOR'S AWARD

Madaleah Hoffman of Kanawha County

LEADERSHIP AWARD

Douglas Kimball of Cabell County

PHYSICAL TRAINING AWARD

Douglas Cook of Nicholas County

Jacob Starr of Logan County

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| OVERALL <u>MOST IMPROVED</u> Trenton O'Brien | ACADEMIC <u>MOST IMPROVED</u> Taylor Kupfner | PT <u>MOST IMPROVED</u> Dakota Snead | CADRE <u>DISTINCTION AWARD</u> Jason Saville |
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HIGHEST ACADEMIC POINTS
Herbert McNeely

| HONOR'S LIST | |
|------------------|----------------------|
| Joshua Artist | Brandon Grogg |
| Olivia Atkins | David Maynard |
| Latasia Badger | Courtney McCallister |
| Paige Boni | Trenton O'Brien |
| Joseph Bruce | Kaitlen Shaffer |
| Tyler Bunner | Tristan Stewart |
| Adam Gillenwater | Jonathan Varnado |

| MENTORSHIP AWARD | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Logan Bassham | Logan Jarvis |
| Levi Brown | Douglas Kimball |
| Jeremy Casto | Taylor Kupfner |
| Ronnie Fuston | Erica Lovejoy |
| Adam Gillenwater | Paul Parris |
| De'jon Greene | |

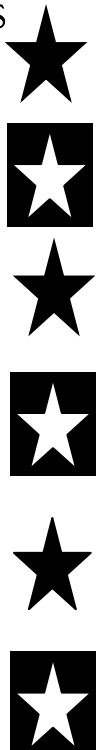
LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

Corps Commander
Madaleah Hoffman

Assistant Corps Commander
David Maynard

Platoon Leaders:
1st PLT Olivia Atkins
2nd PLT Nathaniel Flohr
3rd PLT River Kenny
4th PLT Douglas Kimball
5th PLT Colton Richards
6th PLT Bruce Walls

Assistant Platoon Leaders
1st PLT Taylor Kupfner
2nd PLT Matthew Curry
3rd PLT Savanna Davis
4th PLT Herbert McNeely
5th PLT Kylee Rose
6th PLT Candice Stowers



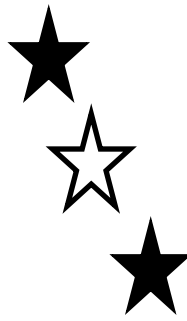
| LEVEL ONE PT AWARD | | | |
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| Jacob Alderman | Tyson Dice | Logan Lloyd | Jacob Starr |
| Michael Barlow | Nathaniel Flohr | Steven Mays | Tristan Stewart |
| Dustin Bragg | De'jon Greene | Ethan Quinn | Ryan Stowers |
| Ethan Brown | Gavin Greynolds | Colton Richards | Tyler Tolley |
| Wyatt Carpenter | Austin Haynes | Jason Saville | Garrett Tomer |
| Jeremy Casto | Madaleah Hoffman | Joshua Sayre | Jonathan Varnado |
| Christian Cobb | Jan Jones | George Schech | Austin Wallace |
| Douglas Cook | River Kenny | Crandall Senkbeil | Bruce Walls |
| Michael Culp | Dalton King | Kyle Sensel | Jonathan Watton |
| Triston Demidovich | Cameron Knotts | Chris Shackelford | Justin Wolfe |

| INSTRUCTOR'S LIST | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| Douglas Kimball | Trenton O'Brien | Tyler Thaxton | Jonathan Varnado |
| David Maynard | Candice Stowers | Michael Trail | |

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TRUSTWORTHINESS RIBBON

All Cadets who completed the Fourth Progress Report received the Trustworthiness Ribbon. The blue ribbon represents the need to be honest, be reliable and do what you say you will do. Have the courage to do the right thing and always live by your "Honor Code." Be someone who others can trust.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 2 ASVAB Retesting
May 2-3 Class 2-17 Orientation
May 2-3 Cadet Haircuts
May 4 5th Grading Period Ends
May 5 Electrical Class Testing
May 8-12 TASC Testing
May 12 PR 5 Awards Ceremony
May 14 Mother's Day
May 17-19 Class 2-17 Orientation

Important Information

Optional Purchases Available

1. **DVD** – DVD includes Opening Day, 1st Leave and Final Graduation Ceremonies. Cost: \$26.50
2. **Pictures** – Various Packages and Items available.
3. **Class Ring** – Cost: \$143.00
Deadline: 06/09/17

If you have not received an order form or have questions, please call
1-800-529-7700

Graduation

Mentor invitations will be sent by the Cadet directly from MCA.

Mentors are NOT part of the family's six tickets.



SAVE THE DATE

October 23, 2017

Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the public law enacting National Guard Youth Challenge Programs

Track this event on social media at
#challenge4change

What does an MCA Class Ring look like?



This design was selected by the first graduating class.

Service To Community

During weeks 3 – 22 of the Residential Phase, the Cadets receive instruction centered around the 8 Core Components. One of these Core Components is Service to Community. Cadets develop an understanding of the benefits to be gained through volunteerism in community service projects and agencies. Cadets volunteer many hours during each 22-week program performing services for organizations such as the American Red Cross Blood Drive, National MS Society, Boy Scouts of America, Food For Preston, Adopt a Highway, Kingwood and Reedsville VFD, Christian Help, Newburg Rotary Club to a name a few. 100% of the Cadets participate in work and service projects, which will develop and improve work habits, work skills, and sense of community involvement. Each Cadet is required to perform 40 hours of Service To Community hours. Certificates of Appreciation and Letters of Recommendation are presented to Cadets from the recipients at final graduation as part of the Cadet's portfolio.

The picture below is a popular Service To Community project that the Cadets do for Trout For Cheat, Inc. Trout For Cheat, Inc. has been stocking the Cheat for over 16 years and they make 18 stops along the Cheat River. The Trout for Cheat Committee Members as well as the Cadets create a bucket brigade type chain to put the fish into the river. The trout range from two to eight pounds each.

