



# The Topper Cadence

This was a very exciting month for our battalion. We had a very eventful battalion meeting and also brought home several first place victories from the Greeneville drill meet!



Our Armed Squad looking fierce at the drill meet!

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Our first place exhibition dual performed by C/SFC Trevor Britton and C/1SG Austin Irvin



## Greeneville Drill Meet

Every year, our battalion participates in several different drill competitions. On March 16th, we returned to the Greeneville High School Veterans Memorial Drill Meet. Our Battalion did spectacular! We came home having placed in all events but one. Overall, we earned seven individual first place trophies. In addition, we earned the overall first place trophy for the entire competition. I'd say that deserves a big thumbs up! Congratulations to all cadets who participated.



Group photo after the drill meet. Look at all those trophies!



Our Advanced Color Guard commanded by C/MAJ David Adams

On an even more exciting note, our efforts were recognized by one particular school participating. Ridgeland High School sent us a letter congratulating us on our outstanding job and invited us to their drill meet in October. This team was introduced as the favorite to win and they sent our Battalion a letter congratulating us! This is a huge deal, and our battalion deserves this recognition for our hard work and accomplishments. Again, congratulations to all cadets who participated! Job well done!



## The Monthly Catch: with Cadet Bass

I recently had the privilege of interviewing an outgoing senior.

Interview with C/MAJ Kelsey Parshall

Q: "How has JROTC affected your life?"

Alu: "JROTC has made me a better person. It has taught me skills that I hadn't thought were important, but am glad that I have had the opportunity to learn.

Q: "What originally made you join JROTC?"

Alu: "Honestly...my mother. Her influence added to the activities that JROTC offered is what finally convinced me to join."

Q: "Are you on any after school teams? If so, how do you like them?"

Alu: "I am on the Drill Team, Female Exhibition Team, Color Guard, and the Academics team. I love all teams equally. I like the opportunities it presents and the fact that I've learned so much."

Q: "What are your plans for yourself after JROTC?"

Alu: "As of now, I am considering continuing JROTC in college. I also plan on enrolling in the nursing program and a creative writing course."

Q: "What is your advice on how people can reach their goals?"

Alu: "Don't stop believing in yourself. People will always try to stop you and knock you down. Always remember, though, that what you are going through now will better prepare you for the challenges that are to come in the future."



## Upcoming Events

JROTC Support Association meeting is on the  
16th of April.

*Show up and have your voice heard!*