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UNIT TROY NEWSLETTER



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Recap

Hello Unit Troy! This is already our 5th issue of the newsletter and there is a lot to discuss. To start, I am sure many of you have heard by now the FJUHSD Hybrid Schedule is set to begin on November 2nd so long as the Covid cases in Orange County continue to remain relatively controlled. For more information, please refer to the statement on the FJUHSD website. In our class with all hands last week, our topic was on Ethics! This was a great opportunity for the NS4's to share with the other cadets on what they have been learning and talk about some ethical scenarios. Congratulations also to the cadets that completed Leadership Academy and thank you to the cadets who made it happen!

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Interview w/ 1st Sgt Barnes

Earlier this week, I had the pleasure of interviewing 1st Sgt Barnes. To those new to the program, it will not take long to familiarize yourself with 1st Sgt! Involved in Supply, Drill, and teaching the NS2's, it's a rare day when he is not on campus guiding our cadets!

May you please introduce yourself, including how long you've been teaching at Troy?

I'm 1st Sgt Warren Barnes. I retired from the Marine Corps after 21 years. I did a little over 2 years as Campus Security at Vista High School after I retired. Then I was at Paloma Valley High School from 2002 to 2011. I checked in to Troy in the fall of 2011 and this is my 10th year at Troy.

What have you been busy with lately?

Inputting names in CDMIS for all the freshmen, ordering uniforms, 1st Sgt Lyon and I have been issuing uniforms to freshmen. We are currently at 70% with only 33 cadets that do not have uniform items. We are hoping to finish this week. And then trying to get all the paperwork in just so that we can get started on drill.

What is your goal when teaching the cadets in the program?

To make them better informed citizens. My goal is to get them to be able to speak to CDR or LT about trying to get across your idea without feeling like you're getting slammed down. With this being an election year, its about better informed citizens. There are some propositions that are on the ballot now that directly affect a lot of the cadets here at Troy. If we make you better informed citizens, that you're making the right decisions for the right reasons and not so much emotionally, it's totally different.

Happy Birthday Navy!

The United States Navy turned 245 years old on October 13! To celebrate, I reached out to LT Fronek to ask, “what does the Navy mean to you?” Here is his response.

LT Fronek:

"For me, the Navy has always been about the people. Most all my friends and acquaintances are those that I have either served with or met while serving in the Navy. I met both of my best friends while we were deployed together and although we live in different parts of the country we remain very connected and ready to travel at a moment's notice if one of us is in need. It's something that is hard to explain to someone who has never served. The old cliché, “it's about the guy next to you”, is not a cliché to someone in the military, but an understanding. It means we're not just friends, we're Brothers and I've got your six. I know that I have these friends for life and there isn't anything I wouldn't do for them and them for me. The idea of that kind of comraderie paired with an extreme love of one's country is what the Navy means to me. Happy 245th! Go Navy, Beat Army!"

From the NSI's

Hear from our Naval Science Instructors!

CDR Lauper:

"Hello Troy NJROTC Families! It is amazing to think that we have already completed one quarter of the school year! Troy is preparing for the anticipated shift to hybrid learning. While this will allow some students to return to the classroom, it is NOT business as normal. Fully 2/3rds of our Cadets are in Cohort C, online only. Many schools in Area 11 are not returning to hybrid until January at the earliest. There are NO

in person competitions scheduled this semester. On the bright side, uniforms are being issued to NS1 Cadets. Upperclassmen should start trying on their uniforms, since after the NS1 uniforms are issued, upperclassmen will be able to get what they need (anyone else's uniform shrink?). Congratulations to our ten NS3 Cadets who completed our first virtual Leadership Academy! Thank you to our motivated NS4 Cadets who put that together and performed the training over the past two weekends! CyberPatriot is finalizing this year's teams and they are gearing up already for the competition. We have begun competing in Cyber-Brain Brawls. Drill Team is practicing. Things are happening and we are hopeful that the spring will allow us to travel and conduct field trips. I need the help of each parent and Cadet to please complete your donation of \$100.00. This is half of the amount that we asked for last year, based on a decreased travel load, but we need to a) be ready for the spring and b) fund necessary expenses. I NEED YOUR HELP! Our Booster Club works miracles to support our Cadets. Please leverage company matching donations if you have them. Donations to our Booster Club may be tax deductible, as we are under an umbrella 501(c)(3). On Tuesday, we celebrated the 245th birthday of the United States Navy. This is normally a joyous occasion that we would celebrate with cake. It is tradition that the oldest Sailor will cut the first piece of cake and pass it to the youngest Sailor, symbolic of the passing of knowledge. In 1989, at the University of Wisconsin NROTC, I received the cake as the youngest Midshipman, having just turned 17 a couple of months prior. It is also a time to reflect on how far our Navy has come. A great read about our beginnings is Six Frigates by Ian Toll. We continue to evolve, but I believe that we lead society in inclusiveness. We value every Sailor, Midshipman, Cadet regardless of gender, race, religion, etc. Our people are what make us the finest fighting force. I am excited that just this week, the Secretary of the Navy announced the name of the first of

our new class of frigates will be USS CONSTELLATION, a throwback to our first Six Frigates. In addition, a new submarine will be named for the famous USS BARB. These are exciting times! Thank you all for your support and enthusiasm. Go Navy! Beat Army!"

Team Schedules

Saturday 10/17: Drill - ACX (1530-1430) *virtual by Zoom
Drill - PT (1530-1630) *virtual by Discord

Sunday 10/18:

Monday 10/19: Drill - Unarmed (1530-1730)
Drill - Armed (1530-1730)
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom

Tuesday 10/20: Drill - ACX (1530-1630)
Drill - CG (1530-1730)
Drill - PT (1530-1630) *virtual by Discord
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom
Orienteering (1600-1630) *virtual by Zoom

Wednesday 10/21: Drill - Unarmed (1530-1730)
Drill - Armed (1530-1730)
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom

Thursday 10/22: Drill - CG (1530-1630) *virtual by Discord
Drill - PT (1530-1630)

Friday 10/23: Drill - PI (1545-1630) *virtual by Discord
Drill - PT (1645-1730)

Saturday 10/24: Drill - Unarmed (0800-1100)
Drill - Armed (0800-1100)
Drill - ACX (1530-1430)
Drill - PT (1515-1630) *virtual by Discord

Sunday 10/25:

- Monday 10/26:** Drill - Unarmed (1530-1730)
Drill - Armed (1530-1730)
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom
- Tuesday 10/27:** Drill - ACX (1530-1630)
Drill - CG (1530-1730)
Drill - PT (1530-1630) *virtual by Discord
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom
Orienteering (1600-1630) *virtual by Zoom
- Wednesday 10/28:** Drill - Unarmed (1530-1730)
Drill - Armed (1530-1730)
Cyber (1700-1900) *virtual by Zoom
- Thursday 10/29:** Drill - CG (1530-1630)
Drill - PT (1530-1630)
- Friday 10/30:** Drill - PI (1545-1630)
Drill - PT (1645-1730)

***Note that practice schedules are subject to change after the release of the issue by the respective team commander. Stay alert for these changes from your respective team page. Thank you!*

**What Makes Troy NJROTC
the Best in Area 11?**

click here: <https://tinyurl.com/y2n9ewam>