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# UNIT TROY NEWSLETTER



Picture from 2021 Veteran's Day parade

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#### Recap

Hello Unit Troy! This month our Unit has been busy preparing for the new school year. Continue reading to find out about the events and competitions we have competed in this past month. For more updates, please check the Facebook Group and the Unit Discord.

## **NS1/NS2 Orientation**

On August 14th, NS1s and NS2s were invited on campus to tour stations set up by various teams, buy unit clothes, learn the basics of drill, and ask questions about the upcoming year in NJROTC. This event was especially important for NS2s, most of whom did not have an opportunity to acquaint themselves with NJROTC fundamentals at an orientation event last year because of distance learning.

"Orientation convinced me to try out for Color Guard because I liked how the flag worked. Orientation really helped with learning drill movements such as left face [and] right face. [I was also] told that having a lot of confidence would be good for NJROTC."

- c/ SA Minji Seo

"Something I learned from orientation was how much work will be needed to be a successful cadet, and it's encouraged me to push myself harder and keep doing better and better."

- c/ SA Michael Arzubiaga



# First uniform day

On Wednesday, September 1st cadets of all NS levels dressed out for their first uniform day of the year. For many NS1s and NS2s, this uniform day was their first opportunity to wear their uniforms in person. Additionally, NS2s and NS3s had their first in-uniform personnel inspection of the year. While on campus cadets demonstrated proper bearing and conduct.

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### 9/11

When you mention 9/11, most adults can recall vividly where they were on the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001. Four commercial airliners were hijacked mid-flight by 19 al-Qaeda terrorists. On Friday 9/10 our cadets stood in the quad to remember and honor all those who fell due to the terrible terrorist attack.

On 9/11, some of our cadets also took a trip to the Richard Nixon Library museum and did a ceremony in tribute to all the lives lost that day. 20 cadets stood as sideboys beside the 20 tons of trade center steel along with bagpipes players. We also sent 4 cadets to do a special Color Guard that consisted of an American Flag, Navy flag, and 2 rifles.

"My past experiences serving the Richard Nixon Library consist of various events. I personally have done more than 10 events in the Nixon Library. [This time] I was part of the 4 man Color Guard as a rifleman. Being in JROTC has brought lots of opportunities to getting to know the past and learning the history in the museum."

- c/ LT Joshua Ortiz



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#### **Poseidon**

On August 28, Troy NJROTC competed at the annual Poseidon Olympics. There were 11 different events that we competed in within Poseidon and we placed in 7 of them. Troy brought 3 teams with a total of 16 cadets: 4 seniors, 4 sophomores, and 8 freshmen!

"We are so very proud of the accomplishments that were made. Everyone sang so much that I'm sure we lost our voices. A huge thank you to the organizers of Poseidon and to the instructors and other aids for helping us compete! As for all of us competitors, it was our 1st time ever attending!"

- c/ CMDR Erica Lodenquai

"For our first time competing at Poseidon, I think we all did really really good. Every single team placed for 2-3 events. We won 1st in knots, amazing race, leaky bucket; 2nd in knot again, walking plank, kayaking; and 3rd in kayaking! All 3 teams did amazing and it was truly a great experience for all of the cadets that participated."

- c/ PO2 Grace Shin

#### **Important links**

- Click here for Quizlet with PI knowledge
- Click <u>here</u> to download the Health Risk Screening Form
- Click here to download the Standard Release Form
- Click here to download the Covid Form
- Click here to download the Opioids Form
- Click here to download the Preparticipation Physical Evaluation Form
- Click <u>here</u> to join the Discord server (cadets only)
- Click <u>here</u> to join the student Facebook group (current cadets only)

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