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## ***Military Ball***

The Blue Tiger Battalion held their annual Military Ball on 18 April 2015 in the Scruggs University Center Ballroom on campus. The evening began with a social hour, which was followed by dinner, program and dancing. COL Christopher Fry, Sr. (1987 LU ROTC Alum) served as the guest speaker for the evening. We would like to thank everyone that attended this year's ball. Special thank you to Mr. Oliver Manuel, Mr. Earl Taylor and the rest of the Sodexo staff for making this event spectacular. Also, thank you to the LU Senate for helping to provide funds for LU students to attend. We hope everyone had a great time and we'll see you again next year!



***Congratulations to the 2015-2016 Mr. and Miss ROTC, Cadets A'Darian Dillard and Tekyera McCree!***

***Thank you to the 2014-2015 Mr. and Miss ROTC, Cadets Paul Gentle and Maggie Jones...HOOAH!***

## ***Staff Ride***

The MS III and MS IV Cadets traveled to Lexington, Missouri on 24 April to visit the Battle of Lexington State Historic Site. Advanced Course Cadets discussed and learned about the Battle of Lexington, which occurred in September 1861.



***For more information on the Battle of Lexington, please visit:  
<http://mostateparks.com/page/54085/general-information>***



# BLUE TIGER LEADER

## Mark Your Calendar

### MAY

- 07-08 Final Exams for May Graduates
- 11-14 Final Examinations
- 15 ROTC Commissioning Ceremony  
(1000 hrs; Pawley Theatre)
- 16 Commencement  
(0930 hrs; Reed Stadium)
- 16 Residence Halls and Cafeteria Close

### JUNE

- 02 Summer Semester Begins
- 30 1st 4-Week Summer Session Finals

### JULY

- 01 2nd 4-Week Summer Session Begins
- 30 Summer Final Examinations
- 30 Residence Halls and Cafeteria Close

### AUGUST

- 24 Fall Semester Begins

## March Cadet of the Month



**MS III Cadet  
Quincy Dewey**

**Major:  
Business Administration**

**Hometown:  
Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri**

## April Cadet of the Month

**MS I Cadet  
Anthony Draper**

**Major:  
Psychology**

**Hometown:  
Kansas City, Missouri**



## Color Guard

### LU President's Gala



## ROTC Commissioning Ceremony

*Friday, 15 May 2015*

*1000 hrs*

*Pawley Theatre, LU Campus*

**Projected Commissioning Class:**

*Lashella R. Cheadle*

*Paul E. Gentle II*

*William S. Giddens, Jr.*

*Rodrigo A. Gonzales*

*Jeremy S. Grooms*

*Grant M. Sherwood*

*Hayden J. Strein*

**Please come out and support these future  
United States Army Second Lieutenants!!!**





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## Community Service



## German Armed Forces Badge

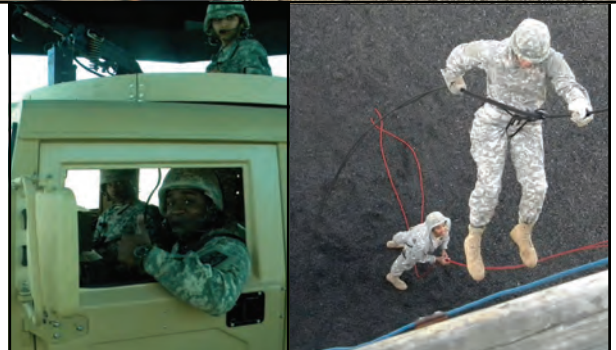
Participating in the German Badge event was both challenging and glorifying. After failing to compete last year, I was more than determined to compete this year and earn something that I could hold on to for my entire Army career. The most challenging events for me were the shooting and swim events. I rarely shoot and getting 5 out of 6 or 6 out of 6 targets isn't an impossible task, but when you only get two chances at it you better do well. I'm glad I didn't let the pressure of that get to me. As for the swim, this year unlike years past we did the ruck march before the swim so after completing all the events on Saturday I was smoked. Sunday came and my whole body was still aching, but fortunately I was able to pass. After I finished and took my uniform off in the water I couldn't feel any part of my body. All in all I'm just happy I was able to achieve something that I went for individually.

- C/LTC Gentle



*Congratulations to Cadets Franklin and Gentle for earning the Silver Badge and to Cadet Cheadle for earning the Bronze Badge!*

## LTX at Fort Leonard Wood



## Cadet Attends Conference

Cadet Jeremy Grooms attended the George C. Marshall ROTC Awards and Leadership Seminar at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas from 29 March - 01 April. Throughout the event, the top Cadets from around the country participated in various roundtable discussions. They also sat in on informative lectures given by prestigious military and national officials.





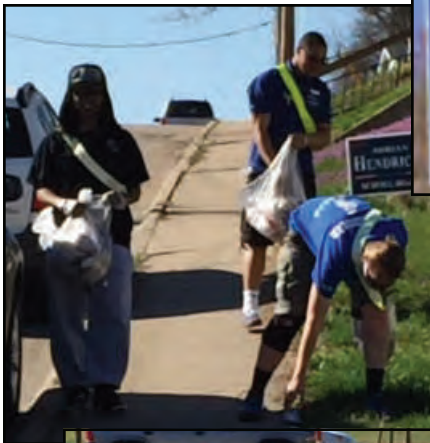
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## ROTC Awards Day

The 54th Annual ROTC Awards Day Ceremony was held on 07 April to honor the Cadets of the Blue Tiger Battalion for their academic and military achievements for the current school year. Numerous awards were presented by community members and organizations, which this year included LU Learning in Retirement, American Legion Post 5, Central Bank and Hawthorn Bank. The coveted Honor Captain's Saber Award was awarded to Cadet Jeremy Grooms. Some of the other prestigious awards presented were the General Omar Bradley Award, American Legion Excellence Awards, Veterans of Foreign Wars Award, Disabled Veterans of America Award, Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution Awards, Pershing Rifles Scholarship Award, Superior Cadet Awards and the 62nd and 65th US Colored Volunteer Infantry Regiment Awards. Congratulations to all of our outstanding Blue Tiger Battalion Cadets!!!



## Pershing Rifles and Pershing Angels



*P/R Co. K-2 and P/A Co. A-7-5 adopted a portion of Dunklin Street that borders the Lincoln University campus and have dedicated themselves to beautifying our community.*



*P/R Co. K-2 are official Student Ambassadors for the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP). They held a "Support Our Troops" event on campus and raised over \$170, which was then donated to the WWP.*



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