

Legacy of Excellence Continued



Cadets from EKU had another successful summer out at Ft. Lewis, WA for Leadership Development Advanced Camp (LDAC). Our Cadets stomped out the competition throughout the brigade and placed nationally. Within our brigade EKU placed first in peer ratings, first in Marksmanship (**5th in the nation**), tied for second on the APFT, fourth in Land Navigation, and tied for fourth in percentage of "Excellent" ratings. Additionally, our current Battalion Commander, Taylor Oney, earned a Recondo badge. Aside from our efforts at LDAC, we also sent seven Cadets to Airborne School, one to Air Assault School, one to Leadership Training Course, and one to Cadet Tactical Leadership Training with a 100% graduation rate for all schools! We look forward to setting the bar even higher for next year.

Fall 2007, Spring 2008 Commissionees

Glenn Ashcraft, Military Police; Mikeal Brooks, Quartermaster Corps; Timothy Burrows, Infantry; Lee Canafax, Jr., Ordnance Corps; Christopher Cartier, Armor; James Crump, Transportation Corps; Jonathan Davis, Transportation Corps; Brandon Davisson, Military Intelligence; Mark Donovan, Signal Corps; Andrew Gebert, Quartermaster Corps; Joseph Kornhoff, Quartermaster Corps; Ross McClure, Aviation; Taylor Oney, Corps of Engineers; Jason Partin, Infantry; Bryan Riggs, Corps of Engineers; William Truett, Field Artillery;

Veterans Day, 2007

On Veterans Day, 2006, the Chapter added the name of **Edward Barlow** to the Eastern Kentucky University Veterans Wall in Memorial Plaza. This year November 17, 2007, we will be adding **Jimmy Johnson's** name to the Veterans Memorial, please join us in paying tribute to those who gave all.

Veteran Memorial Update



Gifts from alumni and friends of Eastern Kentucky University have paid-in-full for the Veterans Memorial. Additional funds of \$10,000 have been donated that has allowed for the creation of an endowment fund by the ROTC Alumni Chapter and Eastern Kentucky University to provide perpetual support for the Veterans Memorial. The earnings from this endowed fund will be used at the sole discretion of the EKU ROTC Alumni Chapter or any way the donor sees fit, so long as the funds are used for the support, maintenance and general upkeep of the Veterans Memorial.



Army 4 Year Scholarships EKU Room and Board Scholarships GRFD Scholarships, SMP

This has been a great year for ECU. We have the largest incoming Freshman class in decades. In years past we have only been allocated four 4 year scholarships. This year ECU has **21 Freshman** on 4 year scholarships. Next year is expected to be even better. **ECU will now award room and board scholarships to all Army ROTC 4 year scholarship winners.** We also have a GRFD scholarship program where Cadets are guaranteed Reserve/Guard Duty and the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) where Cadets serve in the National Guard or Army Reserve and are in ROTC at the same time, the Guard or Reserve pay 100% tuition and the Cadets are non-deployable.

If you know a prospective student please contact MAJ Back (859) 622-1215 Allen.Back@eku.edu for more information. Also see the Cadet Command web site

<http://www.rotc.monroe.army.mil/> to complete an on-line scholarship application.

If you know a prospective student who is interested in ECU and if they apply through the ROTC program the Admissions department will waive the \$30.00 application fee.

Halftime Tribute to Veterans!

- **What:** *Halftime Tribute to Veterans* **When:** *Saturday, November 17, 2007.*
- *Half price game tickets for Veterans - \$6.00 per person. Game begins at 2 p.m.*
- *Memorial serves 1000 at Veterans Memorial*
- *BBQ in Alumni parking lot 1200.*

• *Send money and number of tickets NLT November 6, 2007 to:*

*Eastern Kentucky University
Military Science Department
Begley Building, Room 524
Richmond, KY 40475*

* *Tickets will be mailed to the address you indicated below on November 9, 2007.*

- *Veterans meet at the south gate of Hanger Field halfway through the 2nd quarter to participate in the on-the-field tribute.*
- *You do not have to attend the game to participate in the Halftime Tribute. All Veterans welcome.*

Please send us _____ tickets at \$6.00 apiece to attend the ECU football game.

BBQ _____ tickets \$7.00 per person

Please mail game tickets for November 17, 2007 to the following address:

Name : _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

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Cadet Taylor S. Oney
2008 Hanlon Leadership
Award Winner

Taylor S. Oney

I Ralph Newman and Jim Montgomery proposed the ROTC Alumni Chapter and the ROTC Military Science Department establish an ROTC Cadet Leadership Award to be named the First Lieutenant John B. Hanlon Leadership Award. The award will be presented annually during the Military Ball to a Junior or Senior Cadet nominated by his or her peers, who demonstrates exceptional qualities of leadership in the Corps of Cadets, the University, and in the community. John B. Hanlon, a 1964 graduate of ECU served in Viet Nam where on 3 November, 1965, he suffered severe wounds and for his heroic actions that day was awarded the Silver Star. John has overcome the trauma of his wounds and thirty six major operations to have a distinguished career with the Veteran's Administration in Memphis, TN, and in 2002 was selected as an Outstanding Alumnus of Eastern Kentucky University. This ROTC leadership award is also a reminder to students, faculty, alumni, and the community of sacrifices made by graduates of Eastern Kentucky University who have served with bravery and distinction in the Armed Forces of the United States. The first John Hanlon Leadership Award was presented to Cadet Brian Riggs, Powell County, KY, February 16, 2007. This year's recipient was Taylor S. Oney, pictured above and was presented on February 15, 2008.

Calendar

08 Fall FTX	Richmond, KY	4 October 08
BDE Ranger Challenge	Fort Knox, KY	24-26 October 08
JROTC Cadet Stakes	Richmond, KY	22 November 08
Veteran's Tribute	Richmond, KY	14-15 November 08
Fall Commissioning	Richmond, KY	19 December 08
Fall Commencement	Richmond, KY	20 December 08
Military Ball	Richmond, KY	13 February 09
Cadet Awards Ceremony	Richmond, KY	30 April 09
Spring Commissioning	Richmond, KY	08 May 09
Spring Commencement	Richmond, KY	09 May 09
Warrior Week	Richmond, KY	11-15 May 09

Alumni are always welcome to attend to the Commissioning Ceremonies and the Military Ball. If you would like to come see your Cadets in action call MSG Sirry (859) 622-1220.

richard.sirry@eku.edu.

Deployed Alumni

The Daughters of the American Revolution and the Eastern Kentucky University Women's Basketball Team will be sending care packages to our deployed troops. We are requesting that deployed alumni make request for specific items they and their troopers need. Provide an address and contact information to Ms. Vickie Thacker (859) 622-1221. vickie.thacker@eku.edu