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Graduation 2006: Life Goes On

By C/MAJ Lara Schoomaker

"Oh yeah, life goes on—long after the thrill of livin' is gone". This line from the all-time classic song relates to the walk across stage that most of us have been waiting for for the past four years (five or six in some cases). However, for Army ROTC cadets, soon-to-be second lieutenants, that line does not ring entirely true. As an exciting and most thrilling chapter of our lives comes to an end, most of us look forward to life moving on to even more thrilling times—the Army.

College is considered by most to be the best time of our lives. Really, looking at it that way does not leave one too enthusiastic about the future. For many this is completely wrong. College, in actuality, is probably the best time of our non-adult lives. It bridges that gap between the security of parents and living on our own. It is suppose to prepare kids our age for their future careers and the "real world". While it is true that most UW graduates will be joining the ranks of reality come May 6th, no students are better prepared than those of us who had Army ROTC as the backbone of our growth and development. While ROTC was a different experience for each of our seven graduates, it was still an integral part of developing who we are today and what we show the world.

I am very proud to be joining the ranks of University of Wyoming Alumni, but I know that my experience here really mattered because of the Cowboy Battalion and the people in it. Regardless of who we came here as, and who we have become, I can speak for each graduate in knowing that we will all look back at "Cadet Land" with great pride, because here we were not treated as just another cadet or student. Because of the leaders and friends, some of whom have watched us since we were MSI cadets; we can honestly walk away knowing that we were part of something special. I wonder sometimes how I got so lucky to have been part of such a special unit—and those of us who have had experience with other ROTC programs across the nation understand what I mean. So, here is to Army ROTC, for laying the foundation necessary to fight real battles in the real-world. May the Cowboy Battalion remain small and close. May PT always suck at 0600 and sports days be ever as violent. May the tradition of Ranger Challenge picking up the football team's slack in beating CSU continue, and may Dining In Skits remain the highlight of the year. And most of all, may this unit be considered a "home away from home" to those cadets who follow as it has been for my fellow graduates and me.

On May 6th we congratulate seven cadets for making it through and earning the privilege of pinning on the responsibility that comes with those coveted gold bars. Cadets Kimberly Thompson (Ordinance/Sociology degree), and Daniel Long (Field Artillery/Criminal Justice degree), will commission into the National Guard. Active duty commissionees include Cadets Chris Moritz (Chemical Corps/Criminal Justice degree), Mark Brown (Medical Service/Botany degree), Gregory Fassett (Quartermaster/Criminal Justice degree), Lara Schoomaker



Newly commissioned Second Lt.s (Left to Right) Daniel Long, Kimberly Thompson, Lara Schoomaker, Mark Brown, Kyle Sullivan, Gregory Fassett, and Christopher Moritz take a stab at the cake during the commissioning reception.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

(Military Police/Kinesiology degree) and Kyle Sullivan (Ordinance/Criminal Justice degree).

As we move on to bigger and better things we will never forget where we came from and who was there with us.

May the music and thrill of living never stop as life goes on for the Class of 2006!

Dining In 2006

By C/SSG Jason Stuck

Add mustard, clam juice, tepid milk, and copious amounts of other seemingly incompatible ingredients and what do you have? Certainly not a concoction that appeals to the palate of most individuals, but add to this mix, affectionately known as grog, the UW ROTC cadets, cadre, and distinguished guest, and the result is an important event in the year of a cadet - the Dining In. This year it was held on the evening of February 24th at the Ramada Inn. As an introduction for the uninitiated, the Dining In is a formal military function for members of a company or other unit. Presumably originating in the monasteries and early universities of early 16th century England, the practice was adopted by British army units in their regimental messes and developed in its current form in the United States Army via participation by American officers with the Officers' Mess of the British military during WWII.

However, in this case formal does not by any means

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Army Remains Undefeated

By C/MAJ Zach Busenbark

Army Wins! That was the word on the unusually blustery afternoon of April 13th, when Army ROTC defeated Air Force ROTC in the 3rd Annual Joint Sports Day. This year was hard fought by both detachments; it was close with Army only winning by 1 event. Sports Day was meticulously planned far in advance with countless meetings between cadets and cadre from both Army and Air Force ROTC to ensure that the day would run smoothly.

Sports Day is an all day event in which Air Force and Army compete against one another in various team sport activities, the branch that wins 4 out of 7 events is declared the winner. This year's events were a 5 mile relay race, dodgeball, basketball, water polo, ultimate Frisbee, 3 ball soccer, and flag football. The first event was the 5 mile relay in which two eight man teams would face off with one cadet running 1 four hundred meter lap, then passing the baton to the next cadet who would run 1 mile [4 laps] this would repeat until all eight members had run with each team completing a total of 5 miles. Unfortunately Army got off to a slow start and Air Force took the win by a lap. The Army quickly recovered and blew out Air Force in the dodgeball and basketball game, while Air Force re-took the field in inner-tube water polo.

After a lunch of pizza and sub sandwiches provided by Air Force ROTC, the Army had fun fighting the wind to upset Air Force in ultimate Frisbee, but as Air Force usually does, they beat Army 3-0 in 3 Ball Soccer. With Army and Air Force neck and neck, a last minute surprise and morale booster, came when the teams were allowed to use War Memorial Stadium



Army and Air Force cadets square off in a game of flag football.

Photo By C/Maj. Zach Busenbark


as the staging ground for the tie breaking game of flag football. Air Force played hard, but Army beat them by 1 touchdown, and subsequent extra 2 points. Overall, Sports Day was a success and all cadets and cadre enjoyed themselves tremendously.

One Comment for next year, WEAR SUNSCREEN!!!

Cadets Excelling in ROTC

By C/CPT Stacy Gates

Cadet of the Quarter is an award given to those cadets who show great potential to become excellent leaders in the United States Army. They are nominated by their peers and then selected by the cadre once each school quarter. In order to be nominated cadets must meet certain requirements including grade point average, physical fitness scores, and demonstrate that they positively contribute to the program. This semester Cadet Sean Pence was selected as the Winter Cadet of the Quarter and Kristen Graham as the Spring Cadet of the Quarter. Congratulations to them for all of their hard work!




C/SFC Sean Pence

Cadet of the Quarter
Winter 2006

Cadet Sean Pence
Junior: Ocean Shores, WA
Age: 23
Major: History
Cum GPA: 3.531
APFT: 267
ROTC Activities: Ranger Challenge

"I joined ROTC because I wanted to learn the leadership skills to become an army officer."
"ROTC has taught me how to work with others to get things done in an efficient manner."

Cadet Pence enjoys participating in Intramural Sports such as Basketball and Football.



C/PFC Kristen Graham

Cadet of the Quarter
Spring 2006

Cadet Kristen Graham
Freshman: Hartsel, CO
Age: 21
Major: Pre Veterinary Sciences
Cum GPA: 3.391
APFT: 250
ROTC Activities: Color Guard, Mounted Color Guard, Cannon Crew, and Salvation Army Holiday Bell Ringing.

"I joined ROTC so I could take the rifle and pistol marksmanship class but found out real quick that I liked the whole program."
"ROTC has taught me a lot about the Army, how to work as a team, and how to have self confidence."

Cadet Graham also enjoys hunting, shooting with the University Club Rifle Team, training horses, and watching football.

Lab Lessons

By C/PFC Kristen Graham

As MS 1 cadets we have class every week but a lot of our learning comes from leadership lab. In lab this semester we have built on the foundation of information we learned last semester about land navigation, map reading, combative drills, pistol marksmanship, and battle drills. We have also had the opportunity to run an obstacle course and participate in a sports day lab. The instructors are critical to our success as MS I's and the MS IVs and SFC Gonzales have taught us all that we need to know about what we will be doing and when we move on to Practical Exercise, where we put our new knowledge to use.

Everything we do in lab is to help prepare us for LDAC (Leader Development and Assessment Course) and our future military careers. Land navigation and map reading are very important skills that we will use throughout our Army careers no matter which branch we choose. The combatives we learned about gave us an introduction to some very useful hand to hand combat techniques. The pistol marksmanship class was a good reinforcement to the fundamentals of marksmanship for some and for others it was their first time shooting a pistol. We have focused a lot of time on learning about battle drills like react to contact and squad ambush and everyone has had a chance to be in a leadership position.

Sports Day offered a good change of pace for the entire Battalion. CDT David Valencia enjoyed Sports Day the most, saying, "Sports are a big part of my non-ROTC life. Not only do I love sports, but they're something I'm good at. They also help to keep our Cowboy Battalion physically fit and help with our battalion morale." We played basketball, dodge ball, and kick ball and it became extremely competitive. When asked what her favorite part of lab has been this semester CDT Ayla Glenn said "I liked the obstacle course the best because it had multiple challenges to it and I accomplished them all". It was a lot of fun for everyone even though it was cold and very windy outside that day.

Lab is preparing us for our future as officers in the Army by instilling confidence in us in a way that we all enjoy.



Cadets practice essential skills such as disseminating an oporder during lab.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates



Cdt. Matthew Taylor coaches Cdt. Katie Gould during a pistol marksmanship lab.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

MS III's Prepare for the Future

By C/SSG Michel Beguin

Assessment, OPORD, battle drills, troop leading procedures; these are just a few terms that the MS III cadets have been familiarized with in preparation for LDAC. This summer the University of Wyoming will be sending fifteen cadets to Warrior Forge, a leader development and assessment course. Spring has been filled with some rigorous training for the MS III's in order to become better prepared for the upcoming event.

The primary focus of ROTC is on the cadet priorities - academics, extracurricular activities and athletics. Adherence to these is evident in the MS III class. In order to maintain his outstanding APFT [Army Physical Fitness Test] score and stay in peak physical condition Jeremy Chuhralya says that he lifts weights in his free time while helping the younger cadets in remedial PT. On top of the countless hours spent with ROTC at lab, field training exercises [FTX], and 6am physical training sessions, the MS III's have stayed extremely busy by getting involved in, clubs, intramurals, and volunteer work - all while trying to maintain an appropriate grade point average. Andrea Gregoire says, "It's tough keeping up your grades while working part time," but by staying focused and putting the cadet priorities first she has been able to maintain above a 3.8 grade point average.

The MSIII's have put in a lot of time and effort to finish strong this year and I am positive that all of their hard work and preparation will pay off at LDAC this summer. No doubt it will be evident on their return next fall.



Cdt. Derek Thompson attempts to catch a cat nap after an exhausting day of STX lane training.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

Last Chance to Get It Right

C/2LT Tim Souza

The annual Army ROTC Spring Field Training Exercise [FTX] went off with out a hitch this April! Cadets from the University of Wyoming, Colorado State University, and the University of Colorado all meet up at Camp Guernsey to show off their leadership, squad tactics, and land navigations skills over the weekend of the 6th-9th of April. The Spring FTX is organized and designed primarily to help advance course [3rd year students] cadets get ready for the Leadership Development and Assessment Course [LDAC] at Fort Lewis, which all aspiring ROTC Army officers must complete before they commission; as well as familiarize younger cadets with basic Army skills. The Spring FTX has been a tradition at the University of Wyoming for many years, and has been held at both Camp Guernsey and the U.S. Air force Academy in Colorado Springs.

The format varies from year to year. This year the FTX started out with giving each advance course cadet a leadership position such as Company Commander or First Sergeant. This gives each cadet the chance to prove how they deal with the quick-paced and stressful environment of leading soldiers they may or may not know, in physically and mentally arduous tasks. Leadership rotations change every 24 hours to challenge the cadets and allow for a fair assessment of their abilities.

The next major event is STX lanes. This gives the cadet

the opportunity to show his or her evaluator what they know about squad tactics and leadership in a combat situation. Cadets are given an operations order [basically a set of instructions] and have to lead a squad of cadets through a difficult situation such as react to contact or setting up an ambush. An essential part of tactics is the ability to navigate. So after cadets have demonstrated their leadership ability in tactical environment they must negotiate the land navigation course. Cadets are given a compass, map, and protractor, and turned loose on a course with over eighty points strategically placed to challenge and build the confidence of cadets. With so many points out there and some being relatively close, you must be right on to find them. Cadets are given find five points at night, eight during the day. To receive a "go" and pass the course they must find five of eight points in the day and three of five points at night. To complete the course successfully, cadets must use a combination of the skills they have acquired from class and past FTX's to conquer their fears and learn to trust their judgment. While this is a difficult task, successful completion is extremely rewarding. "I finally feel comfortable doing land navigation!" Cadet John Woodward.

The last day arrives quickly, but there is no rest for the weary. Cadets must use teamwork to clean and make ready the barracks for inspection and prepare for counseling from graders. Advance course cadets are counseled and advised on the many different skills they will need to successfully graduate LDAC. Cadets are given the opportunity to sit down with cadre and review how the weekend went. Cadets are then deployed back to their respected schools and for the freshman and sophomores a chance to catch up on other school related activities. For the juniors it is a time to reflect on what they did really well at and what they need to improve upon before going to LDAC.

For the Cadre it is the last time to guide and mold the junior cadets in a tactical environment before they go to LDAC. It is also a time to reflect and plan improvements for next years field training. The Spring FTX has given cadets the confidence and skills needed to complete LDAC for many years at the University Of Wyoming, every year it gets better and more realistic, adapting to the Army philosophy of "Train as you fight."

Cadet Chuhralya sums it up perfectly when he says, "This training has given me the confidence to succeed at LDAC." A testimony to the great ROTC program here at the University of Wyoming.

"I finally feel comfortable doing land navigation!"

-Cdt. John Woodward

Army Face's Off Against Air Force in a Halftime Showdown

By C/2LT Dan Marshall

Without an annual Army/Air Force Sports Day last year, Army ROTC cadets were eager compete against the Air Force ROTC. Fortunately, the first chance this year couldn't have happened at a better time or on a better stage. On January 25 Army and Air Force ROTC squared off for a halftime showdown at the Wyoming vs. Colorado State Cowgirls basketball game. Air Force and Army teams competed in 3 events, a relay race, tug-of-war, and a push-up contest. The program who won 2 out of the 3 would be crowned champion and win \$250 to be put in their cadet fund.

The first event was the relay race. Both teams had 4 sprinters who each had to run a different distance down the court and the team who finished first was the winner. With each member on Army's team being former high school sprinters, the Army section felt confident to obtain their first win of the night. In front of a record crowd at the Arena Auditorium Riley Emter, Luke Hininger, Matt Bullington, and Dan Marshall were set to win the first out of 3 events. Riley Emter got Army a quick early lead and they never looked back, with each member continued to extend the lead to win by a landslide.

The next event was the Tug-of-War, the event everybody wants to see and prove who really reigns in ROTC at the University of Wyoming. Ten person teams composed of males and females waited eagerly to finally attempt to achieve dominance over the other. The first team to pull the other across the center line would be the winner. As both teams walked towards the rope to take their positions everything looked from a viewer's eye to be evenly matched, with maybe even a slight size advantage going to Air Force. Wyoming, anchored by brawny cadets Jeff Carstens, Mark Brown, and Chris Moritz, and motivated by intense females Lara Schoomaker, Rylie Eustice, and Michel Beguin, could not be intimidated. As the teams took their positions you could feel the anticipation in the crowd. Once the whistle blew both teams found themselves in a momentary stalemate, but once the Army team got into a rhythm, led in cadence by



Cdt. Riley Emter tags Cdt. Matthew Bullington during the relay portion of the Halftime Competition.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

Chris Moritz, their was nothing Air Force could do. After 15 seconds of intense tugging, the Air Force team fell like dominos to the floor, and the Army section let out a roar. Army 2 - Air Force 0.

For the final event each program had to compose a team of four members. The objective was for the team to lie down on the ground in a square shape, with each member making a side and extending their legs onto another members back. When the whistle blows each team has to do a push-up, all at once to maintain stability, and race by moving using their hands to center court. Wyoming's team was composed of PT studs Jeremy Chuhralya, Bryan Radkey, Chris Moritz, and Mark Brown. As soon as the whistle blew both teams shot up evenly and began racing towards center court. What makes it extremely difficult is that only one person is facing towards center court. The others are either facing sideways or backwards and have to walk on their hands in this manner. As the teams scrambled towards the center, it was too close telling who was in the lead, and with a desperate plunge Air Force crossed the line only a moment before Army to claim that event.

Disregarding the fact that Army was the overall champion, the camaraderie and sportsmanship showed between branches was exceptional. The pride and respect showed by each cadet reflects what outstanding training and education these two ROTC programs are providing. As future officers in the United States Military, competition and teamwork is critical to their success, which is what we are trying to build at this university.



(Right to Left and Top to Bottom) Cadets Micheal Simmons, Lara Schoomaker, Chris Moritz, Riley Emter, Mark Brown, Michel Beguin, Rylie Eustice, and Dan Marshall, hang out with Cowboy Joe during the competition.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates



Cadets charge their glasses in preparation for the opening toasts.
Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

denote staid or reserved. Instead, the formality of the event is associated with the uniforms required by the event, and more pointedly by extensive rules of etiquette which must be observed during the mess. After a social hour, procession through a receiving line to be greeted by the guest speaker, LTC Knowlton, and other proceedings that an outside observer would likely characterize as typical of a military function, the fun really begins with the ingredient mixing of the aforementioned grog. Cadets look on from their seats with anticipation tinged with a certain amount of angst as they know that shortly they will be obliged to charge their glasses and imbibe the grog. This is exactly what occurs after Mr. Vice, a role filled admirably by MSIII cadet Jeremy Chuhralya, pronounced the grog "fit for human consumption" and the president of the mess, the cadet Battalion Commander Gregory Fassett, gave his approval to proceed. Curiously, this pronouncement was made with a straight face, despite the conspicuous chewing employed by Mr. Vice to ingest what was ostensibly a liquid. The fact that the grog was mixed in a toilet specially procured for the ceremony certainly led some to question this pronouncement further. Cadets Cattelan and Deganahl were undaunted by the grog and proceeded to challenge each other to see who could drink the most glasses of the grog. Though putting up a good fight, Mr. Deganahl, his face blanching more with each drained glass, eventually acknowledged Mr. Cattelan as the better man in this event.

With Mr. Deganahl's and Mr. Cattelan's duel proceeding in the background, a round of toasts was made and dinner was served. During this portion of the Dining In the rules of etiquette came into full force with violation after violation being punished. They may range from minor uniform infractions, to talking with food in one's mouth, and making a toast without a charged glass. While the rules are well defined, the punishments are limited only by the (demented) imagination of Mr. Vice. The procedure for the dinner is quite simple. A cadet rises to point out infractions to Mr. Vice by calling a "point of order". The cadet who is in presumed by his challenger to be in violation of etiquette has the chance to defend himself by countering with "a point of honor." Mr. Vice acts as the final arbiter in the dispute [or as judge, jury, and executioner if you prefer]. This year's

punishments included regaling the mess with renditions of boy-band tunes, ingesting substances even less palatable than grog, such as the "NCO Taco", and a Twinkie eating contest in which MAJ Leas's Special Forces training really came into play as he defeated Mr. Moritz.

One particularly interesting spectacle occurred as Ms. Schoomaker and Mr. Marshall squared off in a variation of the Izzy Dizzy. Of course, the cadets who had their persons and meals drenched with grog as Mr. Marshall, suffering from seriously impaired equilibrium after spinning with his forehead on the bat for ten revolutions, crashed into their table, chose to use a few choice phrases to describe the outcome. One highlight of the evening was certainly the skits performed by each MS class, making fun of their seniors to the delight of all in attendance, including those who provided the source material for the skits.

Some may ask why the cadets engage in such an event as the Dining In which often seems to deteriorate into slapstick hilarity. MSIII Cadet Michel Beguin's response when this question was posed to her perhaps sums up the reason best, "In any hierarchal organization such as the military, vertical ties between subordinate and superior are formally strong and allow a unit to function effectively. However, for a unit to be superior and function at its highest, a certain *esprit de corps* must exist. Events such as the Dining In, along with all of the other experiences shared in common by cadets, lead to greater unit cohesion. The Dining In really improves the horizontal ties between the ROTC cadets, bringing cadets closer and introducing a new depth to the relationships between cadets." MSII cadet Luke Hinger echoed these sentiments: "Often we only get to interact with our peers in very structured training situations. The Dining In, by bringing cadets together in an event with a different dynamic, allows cadets to glimpse other sides of each other and leads to a tighter group." And, of course, the event was not all hilarity. The Dining In was imbued with a certain poignancy this year as it marked the final such occasion for MSG Bauman and LTC Staver who will be moving on from their positions as cadre after this semester. The bracketing of the meal by more formal proceedings, including the address by LTC Knowlton helped remind cadets, amidst the fun and games, that the ultimate goal of ROTC training is to forge leaders entering a dangerous, serious, and most noble profession.



Master Sgt. Christopher Bauman is showered with gifts from cadets at the end of the Dining In ceremony.
Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

Farewell

By C/LTC Greg Fassett

My experience at the Leadership Development Assessment Course [LDAC] this summer has shown me that cadets can often be treated as the lowest of all military personnel. Yet, ironically, cadets in ROTC programs around the nation are instructed by some of the very best active personnel and reserve units from all units and branches of the Army. To some cadre members, ROTC is a temporary duty; a position to be taken lightly while trying to quickly get through it and back to active service. On the other hand, there are other cadre who treat the program with respect and dedication, much like what they demand from their cadets. I believe the cadet performance at LDAC, and as junior officers is a direct reflection of the exceptional quality of cadre in our program at the university. As the University of Wyoming Army ROTC program says good bye to two of our active duty personnel, we reflect on how their efforts and dedication have molded the cadets who will graduate and commission this May.

Master Sergeant Bauman and Lieutenant Colonel Staver have impacted the lives and shaped the leadership skills of all of the cadets within the Cowboy Battalion. Both individuals care and strive for the best of the cadets. Whether it is MSG Bauman teaching extra lessons or guiding STX Lane practice on the weekends or LTC Staver contacting higher divisions for cadets to receive desired branches and duty stations, both have had life altering actions upon cadets especially those in the advanced courses.

It is difficult to place a price on their dedication and service. One recent attempt to honor for it them took place at the annual Dining In this April. Cadets presented both cadre members a gift for their love of sports; MSG Bauman-women's basketball, LTC Staver- football. MSG Bauman received a basketball from the UW/ CSU game signed by all the women players. LTC Staver received a signed jersey from the football team coaches.

Of course material items will not suffice as a reward for the years of instruction and leadership. After all, their guidance has instilled a deeper pride and confidence in the leadership capabilities of all cadets. When they molded our leadership qualities, they ultimately molded the type of

"Besides my family, MSG Bauman has had the greatest influence in my life and who I am and who I strive to be."

-C/Maj. Lara Schoomaker



Lt. Ronald Staver and Master Sgt. Christopher Bauman chat it up after commissioning ceremony.

Photo By C/Cpt. Stacy Gates

person and leader we are. Every soldier's life which we encounter and affect will stem from the teachings of MSG Bauman and LTC Staver. How can we thank them for such an immensely priceless gift? The short answer is that we can't. What we can do is continue to teach their lessons and act on our best judgment as leaders. Ms. Schoomaker speaks for myself and other countless members of the Battalion when she says, "Besides my family, MSG Bauman has had the greatest influence in my life and who I am and who I strive to be."

LTC Staver has defined what is important in the qualities of an officer, but more importantly he has taught us many valuable lessons and many stories of his experience of which we can relate to today's leadership challenges. He has personally taken the time and effort to help all his commissionees as much as possible so that they may receive the opportunities they desired. Zach Busenbark says, "he takes good care of his people, and he tries hard to make sure everyone gets the fullest and most successful experience in ROTC."

Regardless of where our cadre are headed, they will be missed. They have left an indelible imprint on our personalities and character that we as a Battalion and as individuals, will cherish for the rest of our military careers. We leave them with our best wishes and with the hope that they can instill in the next soldiers the same amount of dedication and thoughtfulness which they have blessed us with these years past.

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UW Cadet named Wyoming Army National Guard Soldier of the Year

By C/SSG Jeremy Chuhralya

SPC Bryan Radkey of 2/300 FA was recently honored with the title of Wyoming Army Guard Soldier of the Year for 2005/06. This is an honor recognizing the outstanding qualities, workmanship, and overall personality of one certain soldier that stands out amongst the rest of the WYARNG enlisted soldiers. SPC Radkey is currently an MS II cadet in ROTC and a sophomore History major at the university. He returned a little less than a year ago from an Operation Iraqi Freedom deployment, where he spent several months participating in various missions in Iraq.

MAJ Leas, Mr. Radkey's MS II instructor, is quoted as saying, "It's a pleasure to have Mr. Radkey in my class. He works hard, listens, always maintains military bearing, and has a great personality to be around. I wish that I could have many more like him."

SPC Radkey has not only set himself apart from others in the Wyoming Guard, but UW ROTC as well. He exemplifies what it is to be a true American soldier.



Cdt. Bryan Radkey is presented the award by Command Sergeant Major Franklin.

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