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# Special points of interest:

- Cadets receive their deserved ribbons and rank!
- CHCORI Battalion participates in the community by marching in the Spotsylvania Christmas Parade
- Learn something new about one of your very own cadets!

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#### Awards Ceremony

On the night of December 5th all cadets, freshmen to senior, are recognized for their outstanding work. It is the night all senior cadets cherish and all other cadets anticipate; it was a night to hand out well deserved promotions and awards. Many young cadets have spent hours perfecting Drill, Raider techniques and studying for JROTC and other classes. Cadets have spent time participating in fundraisers such as the car wash, peanuts, and Claire's gourmet to ensure the success of such a promising program.

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promotions were given to James Triplett to Cadet Master Sergeant and Cadet Anthony Sicari to Cadet Sergeant First Class. This night also marks the last award ceremony for seniors to be promoted. Seniors such as Dylan Clarke, Scotty Hancock, Will Deitt, Amber Haag, and Alyssa Schlupp all proved to be worth and earn the rank of Cadet Captain.

Ribbons for fundraising, Raider meets, Drill meets, and LET service were handed out. Each cadet gets a let service ribbon for starting a new year in JROTC. It is an annual award. Only cadets who

attended the raiders or drill meet acquired those ribbons. Cadets were also awarded cords if they participate in Raiders or Drill regularly. Fundraising ribbons had to be met by certain requirements set by Master Sergeant Mallard and Colonel Barham.

-Cadet Sergeant First





### Spotsylvania Christmas Parade

The morning of December 7th started off as a chilly morning in Spotsylvania. Many cadets from all three companies gathered at Spotsylvania High School to prepare to march in the day time parade. With leaders taking charge, CHCORI was quickly

organized into platoons then squads. Cadets set off down the long road marching and singing cadences set by Colonel Barham. All cadets staying in step, the crowd turned silent as they passed. People put their hand over their hearts and retired soldiers

mixed with the common people sang along to the modern cadences. Santa Claus drove in front of CHCORI, in a jeep all the way to the end of the parade, where the cadets enjoyed hot chocolate.

-Cadet Sergeant First

#### Spotlight Cadet: Vanessa Campos

Vanessa Campos is an Alpha Company LET 1 who has stood out among her fellow cadets and has caught her First Sergeant's eye. She has worked very hard throughout the school year in and outside of her IROTC class. When asked what her motivation to join JROTC was, she explained how her dad was a huge influence and she does it to make him proud. She also said it's because she wants to become a better leader as well as to get a head start for her future career in the military. So far, Campos is enjoying it immensely. She said, "It teaches me things I wouldn't normally learn in other classes." This vear she has taken

part in the CHCORI Drill Team, Exhibition Team, and Company Color Guard. She enjoys doing these activities because the older cadets make it fun for her and she is able to become friends with the people from the rest of the battalion. Becoming a part of all of these IROTC activities isn't the only thing Campos has been accomplishing this year; as a freshman, she has joined and become key parts of the Courtland High School Key Club, Spanish Club, Lacrosse Club, Multi-Cultural Club and also participates in the IV Female Basketball Team. Campos also hopes to become part of the softball team later in the school year.

She has committed to these clubs wholeheartedly and always looks for the positive things in them. Vanessa Campos has worked her hardest this vear and has made a statement in Alpha Company as their Spotlight Ca-

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-Cadet Staff Sergeant Parent



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