On what was a bright sunny mid-November day members of the Royal Warrior Battalion helped pay tribute to honor the brave men and women who have served and continue to serve this Nation. The Royal Warriors helped the local communities and campuses conduct several ceremonies.

On the campus of Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, Cadets provided a color guard in support of that institution’s Veteran’s Day ceremony and wreath laying events.

At the courthouse square in downtown Scranton Royal Warriors teamed with Veteran’s organizations, to include, the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars to help the city remember local heroes.

On the campus of Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, Cadets read the names of local veterans, both living and deceased, who served in the European Theater during World War II.

On the University of Scranton campus Cadets and Cadre took part in two events as the school honored Veterans. SFC Joseph Wilkerson served as the guest speak at the Office of Multicultural Affairs “Story of American Patriots—Putting A Face To The War” presentation.

Meanwhile, Professor of Military Science, LTC Ryan Remley spoke to the University’s Veteran’s Association at a luncheon attended by staff and faculty who have served the Nation. In addition to the Cadre members who spoke, over twenty-seven Cadets attended the two events.

On the campus of East Stroudsburg University some twenty Cadets and Cadre took part in a wreath laying ceremony to honor Service men and women from that part of the State.
Royal Warriors Attend When Humanity Fails Exhibit

During the first week of November some seventy members of the Royal Warrior Battalion visited the “When Humanity Fails” exhibition in downtown Scranton. The exhibit hosted by the Holocaust Education Resource Center is designed to educate the public on the Holocaust, as well as honor and remember the Soldiers who helped liberate the concentration camps in the closing days of World War II. The exhibit has travelled around the country, to include stops at numerous military installations.

Cadets in groups of 12 to 20, had the opportunity to attend a two hour session. During this time Cadets viewed the exhibit, heard from lecturers and saw video on the root causes and history of the Holocaust, as well as hear first hand accounts from those who helped liberate the camps. Among those who shared their experiences with the Royal Warriors were the Reverend Fred Mauger, who served in the European Theater as a young Artillery Officer, Mr. Alvin Greenwald, who served as a Medical Officer during the war and Mr. Walter Gantz, who served as a combat medic during the War and helped treat survivors liberated from the camps in Germany.

Mr. Walter Gantz poses for a photograph with the Royal Warriors after sharing with Cadets his experiences as a combat medic in World War II.

Special thanks goes to Ms. Tova Weiss, Director of the Holocaust Education Resource Center who reached out to the Battalion affording Cadre and Cadets the opportunity to take part in the month long program. In addition to visiting the exhibit the Battalion provided Color Guards at two of the exhibition’s formal ceremonies and took part in the reading of names to honor those individuals from Northeastern Pennsylvania who served in World War II.

Royal Warriors Farewell Cadre Member Bound for Fort Benning

The Royal Warrior family recently said farewell to Captain Ronald Brosius and his family, wife Christina, and daughter Lilly. Captian Brosius served with the Military Science Department the past two years as an Assistant Professor of Military Science. During his time as an APMS, Captain Brosius taught both MS I and MS II Cadets and helped mentor the Ranger Challenge team.

A Logistics Officer with multiple deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, as a company grade officer, Captain Brosius brought a great deal of experience and professionalism to the program.

Captain Brosius and his family depart Scranton for Fort Benning, Georgia where he will assume command of an Advance Individual Training Company.

The Royal Warrior Battalion wishes the Brosius Family safe travels and all the best at their new duty station.
On 12 and 13 November MSIVs from the Royal Warrior Battalion made the annual pilgrimage to Gettysburg National Battlefield for their Staff Ride. The Staff Ride is an important part of any military establishment. It allows Officers to gather at a historic battle-site to study history and conduct terrain analysis of the battlefield. Observing the actions, mistakes and successes of the Officers who came before has practical application in today’s operational environment. A Staff Ride allows officers to judge real world action outside of the operational theater, which keeps their decision making and tactical skills sharp.

The MSIVs traveled to the Gettysburg USAR Military Police Center in order to spend two days conducting Staff Ride operations in and around the town of Gettysburg.

To help Cadets prepare their briefings and better understand the Battle, each MS IV was presented a copy of the work *They Met At Gettysburg*, the 1956 text authored by General Edward Stackpole.

On Saturday morning each Military Science 401 Section was required to present a synopsis of a specific day of the battle. Scranton’s Thursday Section and ESU Cadets briefed Day 1, King’s Cadets discussed Day 2, while Scranton’s Monday class addressed Day 3. Upon completion the group moved to the Gettysburg Visitors Center to view the museum and movie about the Battle. CDT Tim Moore found this to be one of the most enjoyable parts of the trip. “I liked the visual and narrative aspect of the presentation, it showed a different side of the battle that we as amateur historians may not be able to present.”

At various points Cadets dismounted and delivered individual presentations about a particular site or event. Locations included Seminary Ridge, Little Round Top, Devils Den, The Peach Orchard and the High Water Mark. Cadets presented on what a specific persons contribution or actions were at each location. Figures presented included, LTC Joshua Chamberlain, BG George Pickett, LTC Longstreet and LTG Winfield Scott Hancock.

The video included narration by Morgan Freeman and a 360 pictorial narrative about the fabled Pickett’s Charge. Doctor Kathryn Meier from the University of Scranton History Department, joined the group as they moved to the Battlefield to begin the tour.

The event was not strictly business. On Friday night Cadets and Cadre had dinner at Appalachian Brewing Company. It afforded everyone the opportunity to relax and unwind after a long week and trip down. It was an excellent team building opportunity for campuses that don’t get to see each other very often. While it is a requirement for commissioning, it is a highlight of the Cadets’ semester which will not be soon forgotten.