The seniors of the Royal Warrior Battalion traveled to Saratoga, New York, for the Military Science Level IV staff ride on September 13. The staff ride is a requirement for cadets to commission, and is also used as a great way to boost morale and learn about American Military History. It is a great opportunity that brings together MS IV Cadets from across the battalion.

The event kicked off with a MS IV Cadet and Cadre social at Peddler’s Restaurant where they enjoyed each other’s company for dinner and then congregated outside on the deck to socialize the remainder of the evening.

The next morning, Cadets and Cadre departed for the Saratoga national Battlefield. After watching an informative video about the battle, Cadets were given time to explore the exhibits at the visitors center. The exhibits depicted various aspects of the battle in picture and sculpture form, clothes from the time period were available for visitors to try on, and there was a map that illuminated and narrated different points on the battle.

The MS IV class presented briefings at nine different key points throughout the battlefield to more fully understand the significance of the tactics used by commanders during the battle. At these stops, the group of seniors spoke briefly about the commanders involved, what was the commander’s intent, what actually happened and why that point was significant.

Cadet Battalion Operations Officer and Nursing major Sean McKee said, “The MS IV Staff Ride provided a great opportunity for the future officers from the Royal Warrior Battalion to experience professional development and officership in an exciting and educational environment. The Staff Ride illustrated the importance of effective leadership and the meaningfulness of camaraderie in a unit, which cannot be overemphasized for those who will lead Soldiers. Having the opportunity to learn about the Battle of Saratoga with such a phenomenal group of cadets is really a highlight of my training with the Royal Warrior Battalion.”

Thankfully, the rain held off for cadets and cadre to enjoy their day. These Military Science Level IV Cadets learned how the failures and accomplishments of revolutionary leaders can still be used to teach important lessons today, more than 240 years after the American Revolution.
The Month In Pictures

(Photos: Left) Military Science Level IV Cadets Zachary Niles, Christian Burne and Edward Perechinsky are all smiles following their formal presentation during the MS IV Staff Ride to Saratoga National Historical Park on 14 September.

(Photos: Right) University of Scranton Military Science Level IV Cadet Jarrel Israel briefs Cadre and fellow Cadets during the final stop on the Staff Ride.

(Photos: Left) 2nd ROTC Brigade Commander Colonel Scott Heintzelman speaks with Cadets of the Royal Warrior Battalion following physical training on Wednesday, 11 September. Colonel Heintzelman, along with the 2nd ROTC Brigade Sergeant Major, Command Sergeant Major Oscar Arroyo, spent the day talking with Cadets and Cadre to better understand the unit’s training and operations.

(Photos: Left) Cadet Dominic Loughlin of Marywood University instructs Military Science Level I and II Cadets during a Leadership Lab at King’s College.

(Photos: Right) Military Science Level IV Cadet Morganne Hedden prepares to brief Cadets on Squad movement techniques during Leadership Lab at Nay Aug Park.
APMS Selected To Attend Naval War College For ILE

Congratulations to Assistant Professor of Military Science Captain Tom Angstadt on his recent selection by the United States Army and Infantry Branch to attend the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. Captain Angstadt will attend the Naval War College’s Command & General Staff program to complete his Immediate Level Education requirement for the Army. Captain Angstadt will depart the Battalion in June 2014 and report to Newport Naval Station for his course.

U.S. Army Announces Warrior Forge Moving To Fort Knox, Kentucky

On 29 August 2013, United States Army Cadet Command announced the Secretary of Army had approved the move of the Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as Warrior Forge from Joint Base Lewis-McChord to Fort Knox, Kentucky. The move occurs this coming summer as Cadets from the current Military Science Level III class will report to Warrior Forge at Fort Knox, which is located approximately 30 miles south of Louisville. Fort Knox is home to U.S. Army Cadet Command headquarters, as well as the 1st and 7th ROTC Brigades.

MS II & III Cadets Earn Campus Based Scholarships

Congratulations to the following individuals who recently earned 2 or 3 Year Campus-Based Army ROTC Scholarships based on their academics, leadership and strong performance in Military Science course work:

- Cadet Stephen Brynok—King’s College
- Cadet Christopher Damico—King’s College
- Cadet Patrick Robinson—King’s College
- Cadet Tyler Whitcomb—Wilkes University
- Cadet Jacob Randazzo—University of Scranton
- Cadet Brendan Thomas—University of Scranton
- Cadet Brandon Souryavong—King’s College
- Cadet James Nixon—King’s College
- Cadet Eric Bach—Wilkes University
- Cadet Peter Loven—University of Scranton
- Cadet Christian Johnson—University of Scranton
- Cadet Timothy Demarais—University of Scranton

2nd ROTC Brigade Commander Recognizes Cadet Battalion Commander

By MS IV Cadet Laura Bremer - Marywood University

On September 11, 2013, the Royal Warrior ROTC Battalion welcomed 2nd ROTC Brigade Commander Colonel Scott Heintzelman and Brigade Command Sergeant Major Oscar Arroyo. Colonel Heintzelman and the Command Sergeant Major Arroyo used the visit to get to know Cadets and participate in training. During the visit, the Royal Warrior’s Cadet Battalion Commander, Cadet Christian Burne, was presented a plaque and medal from Colonel Heintzelman for being selected as 2nd ROTC Brigade’s recipient of the 2013 Legion of Valor Bronze Cross for Achievement. The Legion of Valor award is given to one cadet in each of the eight brigades for scholastic excellence in military and academic studies, as well as leadership and community service.