



# Fighting Falcon Battalion NEWS

February of 2015

## January and February Cadets of the Month

Cadets of the Month from January and February were Cadet Guy Leygraaf and Cadet Ryan Widmer. Cadet Leygraaf was selected for his high level of involvement in the program and his work ethic. Cadet Widmer was awarded for his willingness to help others and serve as a role model to his peers.



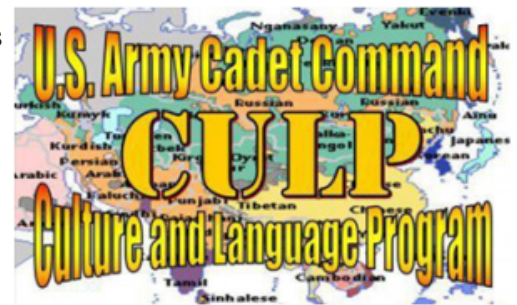
The February Cadets of the month are Cadet Eddie Gero and Cadet Garrett Wadsworth. Cadet Gero received the Cadet of the Month award for being very involved and highly motivated as a freshman. Cadet Wadsworth was selected for his leadership and communication skills.



## BGSU Cadets Selected for CULP

Congratulations to the following Cadets who were selected to attend 2015 Cultural Understanding and Language Program trips. The Cadets will be participating in a military - to military - exchange program and will be working with the host country's military:

Jeffrey Pendleton: Czech Republic  
Idriss Mansaray: Vietnam  
Dennis Shammo: Kosovo  
Anthony Snyder: Serbia



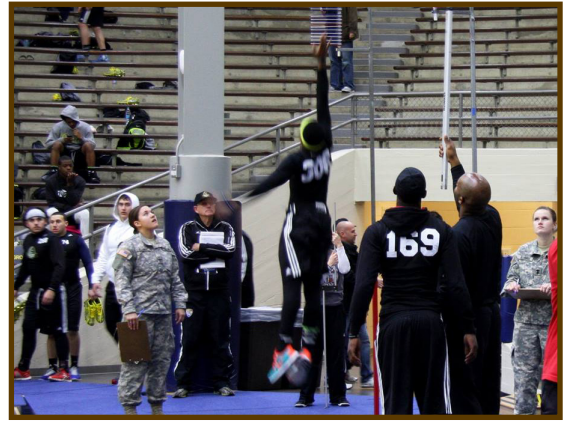
## CDT Crist to Attend Project GO

CDT Samantha Crist is the first BGSU Army ROTC to be attending a Project Go sponsored trip. Project Go is a Department of Defense initiative that seeks to develop ROTC student's language and cultural skills. CDT Crist will be taking the 2000 level Russian course while abroad and will be studying with Latvia University. She will also be studying for a portion of the trip in Lithuania and taking several other small excursions with a language guide.

# Cadets in the Community

## All-American Bowl

Over winter break, CDT Alex Schmidt served as a marshall during the annual Army National Combine in San Antonio, Texas. Cadets helped facilitate the players' preliminary events at the Alamo Stadium. Cadet Schmidt helped officiate the high jump competition.



CDT Schmidt, (left), helps run the high jump event at the Army National Combine.

## Heroes in Action

On Saturday, February 14, 2015, Cadets Lisa Wendel and Valerie Stearns volunteered at the Heroes In Action basketball games at the Stroh Center. The goal of the event was to raise money for the charity, Heroes In Action, and recognize the female contribution in the Armed Forces.

The Cadets served as honorary team captains by cheering on the teams, helping the local recruiting staff and presenting the winning teams with their trophy. Heroes in Action provides care packages and financial support to currently serving and veteran military members.



CDT Wendel presents the trophy to the winning team at the Heroes in Action game.

## Pershing Rifles Spaghetti Dinner

Pershing Rifles Company I-1 of BGSU held a spaghetti dinner on February 22, 2015. The purpose of the dinner was to meet alumni and raise money for their upcoming trip to the National Drill Convention, which is being held in Richmond, Virginia.

Commander of I-1, CDT Robert Wolpert, spoke at the event and recognized the achievements and hard work of the members. Recently, CDT Dennis Shammo was selected to be the Pershing Rifles' national J-5 and will serve in a public affairs role. CDT Crist will serve with CDT Shammo in the J-5.

Right - CDT Wolpert speaks at the Pershing Rifles spaghetti dinner.



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