MSI Cadets completing obstacles at the Field Leaders Reaction Course (FLRC).

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Striving for Excellence, Strength and Honor!

The month of September saw several new journeys begin for the Bearkat Battalion. Cadets from diverse backgrounds began the next chapters of their lives – as you will see throughout this newsletter. During this month, cadets have been training hard and better honing their skills. They completed Land Navigation, Combat Water Survival Training (CWST), and tactical labs. Through all of it they have displayed remarkable perseverance and determination.

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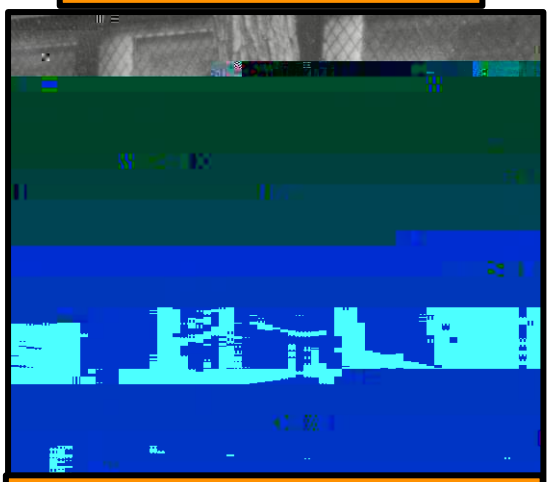
Transitioning to Army Life 2nd LT Morrow, Kaitlyn

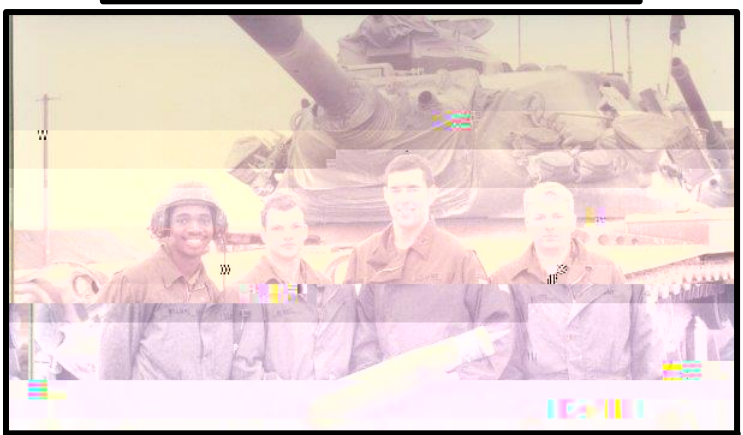
This year has been a whirlwind of emotions, celebrations, and learning. It has been XQLTXH«IURP EHLQJ DURXQG P\ 06,9 FODVVPDWHV-19 Y
hitting us during spring break and not even getting to say farewell to them. However, I am confident that our paths will cross again in our military careers. After commissioning in May, I honored to receive the opportunity to serve alongside some of the best leaders in 5th Brigad Operation Agile Leader (OAL). At this training, I learned a vast amount of information, leadersh skills, and mentorship. LTC Contreras always advised us to volunteer when available and to

Alumni Spotlight Judge McCaig, Albert (

Judge McCaig serving as a Captain.



Judge McCaig as a Cadet in the ROTC program, 1972.



Judge McCaig and crew for C-66, 3rd BN, 34th Armor, 1st Armored Division, located in Germany

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Judge McCaig is a graduate of the Sam Houston 6WDWH 8QLYHUVLW\ 527& SURJ on to serve over 10 years on active duty and another additional 14 years with the Army Reserves and Texa Army National Guard. During his time in the military, he commanded a tank company in Europe in the mid 1980s. Following several other command and staff positions, he retired as a Major in 1995.

Prior to assuming the bench, Judge McCaig was a active civic leader in the Chamber of Commerce, Lio Club, Rotary Club, County Fair Association, FFA, Waller ISD Education Foundation and a 4-year member of the Waller ISD School Board.

In 2016, Judge McCaig was inducted into the inaugu class of the US Army ROTC Hall of Fame. One of ju 326 inductees out of over 650,000 commissioned officers. He was also awarded the 2017 Distinguish Alumni Service Award by Sam Houston University. Whereinhe was recognized as having provided outstanding service to the larger community, H[HPSOLI\LQJ WKH 8QLTheMeasuLeof a LifH LV LWV 6HUYLFH

Appointed as Judge of the 506th Judicial District Court, Judge McCaig took office in October, 2007. He now serves both Waller County and Grimes County withi his district.

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Judge McCaig embodies what it means to be a mentor and a leader. Continuously returning to his alma mater to provide guidance to the $UP\¶V IXWXUH J leaders. In his civic duties he has become a symbol f morals and ethics. Making it his goal to provide for a brighter tomorrow.

From the Bearkat Battalion and our community,
Thank you for your dedication and support!