Welcome Back!!!
Hello everyone welcome to JROTC new and returning cadets. I hope everyone had a great break and is ready to learn. Let’s accomplish the goals we have for this year and make this year memorable. Cadets should also consider joining any teams we have in the battalion. You will have a great experience from joining the teams.

JCLC:
During the summer, cadets from the 20th battalion had the opportunity to go to Camp Bullis, TX. (San Antonio) camp dates were 12-17 June, cadets are assembled in 4 different companies (Alpha, Bravo, Charley & Delta) with other cadets from DISD schools, they get to meet and work with different people, enhance their team & leadership skills on a Military Training Facility.

At the beginning of the school year, an open house was conducted; we had cadets helping parents that were coming in to tour the school.

Promotion Board:
(In the beginning of October we conducted a promotion board so that cadets could get promoted to the next higher rank. Cadets were graded on their general knowledge, Drill & ceremony, as well as the Chain of Command.)

Back to school registration:
(Before school started parents could come and get students registered to attend Conrad High School, JROTC cadets were there to help)

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<td><em>(Every year during the state fair schools from around town attend and lower the flags at the Texas Hall of Fame Building, the 20th battalion was one of the schools that was detailed to lower the flags.)</em></td>
<td><em>(October is breast cancer awareness month, a race is conducted very year in honor of survivors and women battling, we had 28 cadets help out at the race.)</em></td>
<td><em>(On November 9, 2016 our JPA inspection took place, the Battalion Staff was inspected on our Continuous Improvement plan, Service Learning, Cadet Portfolios, Color Guard performance, Drill &amp; In-ranks inspection. Here is one of the companies waiting to be inspected.)</em></td>
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<td><em>(We had cadets along with the staff attend the state fair and help out at the Vietnam memorial, they provided visitors with statistics on Texas Veterans that served by ethnicity, KIA’s, MIA’s &amp; POW’s)</em></td>
<td><em>(The PT team had their first competition on Oct 29, the team competed and represented Conrad HS &amp; the 20th Battalion in an outstanding manner.)</em></td>
<td><em>(The Veterans Day parade is conducted every year on November 11 to honor our veterans, the 20th Battalion participated with the required 53 cadets.)</em></td>
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Company Reports

Echo Eagles:
By: Angelina Catalan
“I feel my company will be the BEST Company in the battalion. My company is full of leaders and I believe that they will stand above the rest. I feel that we need to work more in doing everything at the same time in drilling, but we are going in the right direction. 😊”

Birthday Greetings:
The following cadets are having their birthdays this month: Be sure to congratulate them! Sing them “Happy Birthday”.

November
Soto, A. Nov 13
Watson, T. Nov 16
Padilla, J. Nov 20
Gonzalez, J. Nov 22

December
Khaing, Z. Dec 1
Santillian, V. Dec 2
Cates, E. Dec 5
Dauphine, J. Dec 10
Guadalupe, J. Dec 10
Davis, R. Dec 22
Catalan, J. Dec 25
Gamez, L. Dec 26
Acosta, N. Dec 27

A Word from the Battalion Commander:
Welcome back, hope y’all had a wonderful break. I am glad to be your battalion commander for this school year. I am very proud of all of you and the hard work that has been put in. Our inspection was successful, thank you for cooperating and doing your best. Keep up all the effort and join teams so we can gain some trophies this school year. Have a wonderful winter break and be ready for our end of the year events.
The following are the next 10 events that are posted to the Battalion Mission Calendar.

1) Oct.10 - Parent teacher conference
2) Oct.11 - State Fair retreat ceremony
3) Oct.14 - Home football game
4) Oct.15 - Susan B. Komen Race for the cure (escorts)
5) Oct.21 - Fair Day "Holiday"
6) Oct.26 - Academic portfolio competition
7) Oct.29 - PT competition
8) Nov.9 - 20th battalion JPA inspection
9) Nov.11 - Veterans Day parade
10) Dec.6 - Festival of lights (cadets needed)

From the SAI:
Greetings to my charger battalion. We had to hit the ground running this school year due to some unusual circumstances. The JROTC program for accreditation inspection came much earlier in the school year than expected. November 9, 2016

we were inspected as a battalion on the following areas; continuous improvement plan, service learning, cadet portfolios and interviews, unit report, drill and ceremony, in-ranks, color guard, and instructor portfolios. We received a 91% rating. While reflecting I must mention, I seen the battalion staff come together as a cohesive team in the closing weeks of the inspection I also witnessed the service learning team of briefers take last year’s project and bring it to life we continue to have much to be proud of but I must also mention that long ago a standard was set in this battalion and that was achievement at a higher rate. We are and will be better from the battalion commander to the staff leadership to the company leadership we will take this and build from here. No excuses! My challenge to every cadet is to “Buy-In” join a team become a part of something bigger than you. There is more work left this school year and the opportunity to strive for excellence.

From the AI:

This SY seems to be moving at a swiftpase, however that’s due to the JPA taking place as early as it did, normally this takes place during the 2nd semester. We received the rating of proficient, which places us in the category of 50% of the schools within DISD. Our goal is to achieve HUD by next inspection. We have a few challenges ahead of us, however with a dedicated staff & motivated cadets the pursuit of excellence is within reach. Now is the time for us to begin our pursuit. My goal along with the SAI is to place the battalion in that HUD status, we must work hard, be consistent and keep the goals of the 20th charger battalion up front. I know we can and we will. “Essayons”

Hear Ye Hear Ye

Alpha
No shoutouts

Bravo
No shoutouts

Charlie
No shoutouts

Delta
To: Arellano, J
From: Arellano, J
I am the best!

Echo
To: Cabrera J  
From: Rodriguez A  
You're a good squad leader.

To: Bautista Y  
From: Bautista J  
K, Lo!

To: Rodriguez A  
From: Cabrera J  
Dank Memes

To: Aguilar J  
From: Catalan J  
Que Vayis!

To: Wesley M  
From: Lewis K  
Yay Buddy, Eat more pork! And bring me snacks.

To: Barbosa S, Gurrola M, Garcia A, and Aguilar J  
From: Catalan A  
I love Yall!! 😄

Foxtrot  
To: Catalan, A Co: Echo  
From: Garcia, A  
OMG! Wacha... We made it we almost there CLASS OF 2017!!!

To: Angelina Catalan  
From: Yoli Bautista  
Hey Angie, I wish you luck with your company!

To: Daisy Poblan  
From: Anabeli Garcia

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From the Editor’s Desk

“Hey there 20th battalion thank you’ll for making this newsletter available on time with your shout outs, company reports, and all of the other inputs from the rest of the cadets. A special thanks also to my assistant for her editing. Once again thank you all for making this my first newsletter” 😊

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