

# NEWSLETTER



### THE END OF AN OUTSTANDING YEAR

NH - 20002

Pinkerton Academy is proudly home to Airforce JROTC unit NH-20002. Cadets this year have challenged themselves, worked as a team, and excelled in all that they have accomplished. The following newsletter highlights the activities and achievements of these incredible students.

### 2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

Lt. Colonel Steadman Retirement Class of 2023 Graduation Transition in Chain of Command Extra-curricular Service Parades Social events Field trips



# COLONEL STEADMAN'S RETIREMENT



Pinkerton Academy JROTC program director Lt. Col. Howard Steadman retires after 23 years of teaching. After 23 years in the USAF in 2000 Lt. Col. Howie Steadman founded the Pinkerton Academy Air Force JROTC and worked hard to make it the successful program it is today. From teaching aerospace to helping students earn scholarships, Colonel has done a lot for the JROTC program and his absence will be felt throughout the corp as we wish him a wonderful retirement.

# 2023 CORPS GRADUATES



Best wishes to our 2023 senior graduates. These individuals have contributed greatly to Pinkerton Academy's JROTC program and will go on to do great things as learners and leaders

## **GRADUATE SHOUT-OUTS**



Ethan Flaherty, previous PA JROTC Corp Commander, is attending George Mason University with a focus in Criminology. He is in the ROTC program with aspirations to join the US Air Force.

Ben Adams, previous Command Chief, is attending Norwich University with a focus in Criminal Justice. He has plans to join the U.S. Coast Guard after graduating.



## **GRADUATE SHOUT-OUTS**



Lenora Amirault, previous JROTC Special Operations officer, is currently attending UMASS Lowell on a full Air Force ROTC scholarship. She is majoring in applied biomedical sciences.

Nathaniel Sciarappa , former JROTC Logistics officer, is currently attending Sonoran Desert Institute with a concentration in Firearms Technology.



## **CHAIN OF COMMAND**

Congratulations to the our new Top Four. These four have lead many projects since the start of the year and will continue to give it their all for the betterment of our core in the coming.



Commander Cadet Colonel Calvin Plante



Deputy Commander Cadet Lt. Colonel Trey Baker



Operations Support Squadron Cadet Lt. Colonel Gracie Knudsen



Command Chief Cadet Chief Master Sergeant Samuel Tupper

## EXTRACURRICULARS

The JROTC program offers a multitude of different extracurricular activities such as Drill team, Model rocket/drone, Flight simulation, and Raiders. Below are some highlights from 2023.



This photo is from Raider's first competition of the 2023-24 season led by Cadet Chief Master Sergeant Tupper, Cadet Major's Yager and Sconza.





Color Guard starts its busy football season events lead by the color guard officer Cadet Major Audy.



### **Salem High School-**

Cadet Chief Master Sergeant Samuel Tupper leads the armed regulation team at the Drill Team's first competition this season.





## **Spaulding High School-**

Drill team continues to strive for excellence as Cadets Crowell, Simpson, Plante, and Nawassa compete with a color guard sequence.

# SERVICE

Service and volunteering is a fundamental part of the JROTC program. The program hosts and participates in countless volunteering opportunities every year.



To celebrate and honor those who have served in the U.S. armed forces. Cadets Nora and Enzo Scott listening to the stories of veterans at Pinkerton Academy's Veteran's Day Breakfast.

To retire American flags with dignity and respect, PA JROTC cadet's volunteering to aid in a flag burning ceremony mid-June.



# PARADES

One of the many community involvement opportunities that JROTC participates in annually are local parades.





These parades include our yearly holiday parade through Derry, NH, the Chester parade, and the Hampstead Parade.





## SOCIAL EVENTS

JROTC holds multiple social events throughout the year including the Halloween social, Winter social, and Military Ball

This is a photo from 2023 Military Ball hosted by Salem High school. Cadets had a lot of fun, eating, dancing, and playing with glow-sticks. Centered on the image with glow sticks in her hair is cadet Boutler.





This is a photo from our yearly Halloween social. Cadets are enjoying a fun game of limbo.





On the far left, Cadet Baker is carrying Cadet Hoenig. To their right are Cadet Knudsen and Audy. Beside them in the center is Cadet Plante being carried by Cadet Tupper. To their right is Cadet Crowell carrying cadet Amirault. On the farthest left end is Cadet Mcgraf and to the left of her, Cadet Martel.

This is a lovely photo of cadets from our 2024 graduating senior class during our winter ball, held yearly in the underclassmen cafe.



Here is a bonus photo of our 2024 Senior Cadets ready to leave for our 2024 Military Ball hosted by Spaulding High school.

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This photo is from our senior rock-climbing trip. This is a fun interactive trip to celebrate the senior class and allow students to learn about a new form of exercise. Featured belaying, is experienced climber Cadet Yager.



This is a photo from our Junior Leadership School trip. This overnight trip is designed to develop cadets' leadership and teamwork skills.



This is a photo of our yearly paintball trip, a fun active trip help once or twice a year open to all cadets.

## CORPS COMMANDER MESSAGE



Respect is earned, not naturally given. A rank means nothing without the respect attached to it. Throughout this first semester I have seen respect in a lot of different lights, and I have also seen a lack thereof. It is normal, expected even, that cadets will have problems with each other, and it is a duty of the Corps Commander to ameliorate those situations, but what I was told before assuming the position never could have prepared me for what I encountered during my first semester. And while it is true that I have seen a lot of cadets that did not respect each other or themselves, I also want to recognize the good that this corps has accomplished. Through mutual respect between cadets and each other, and the rest of the student body, the JROTC program at Pinkerton has created a reputation for itself. One of dignity, integrity, and leadership. My hope is that during the second semester, we as a corps can strive to respect each other more and to continue to show our fellow students, administration, and the community that Pinkerton Cadets are more than just students in fancy outfits, but that we are the future change makers of the world.

Signed, Cadet Colonel Calvin Plante

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