

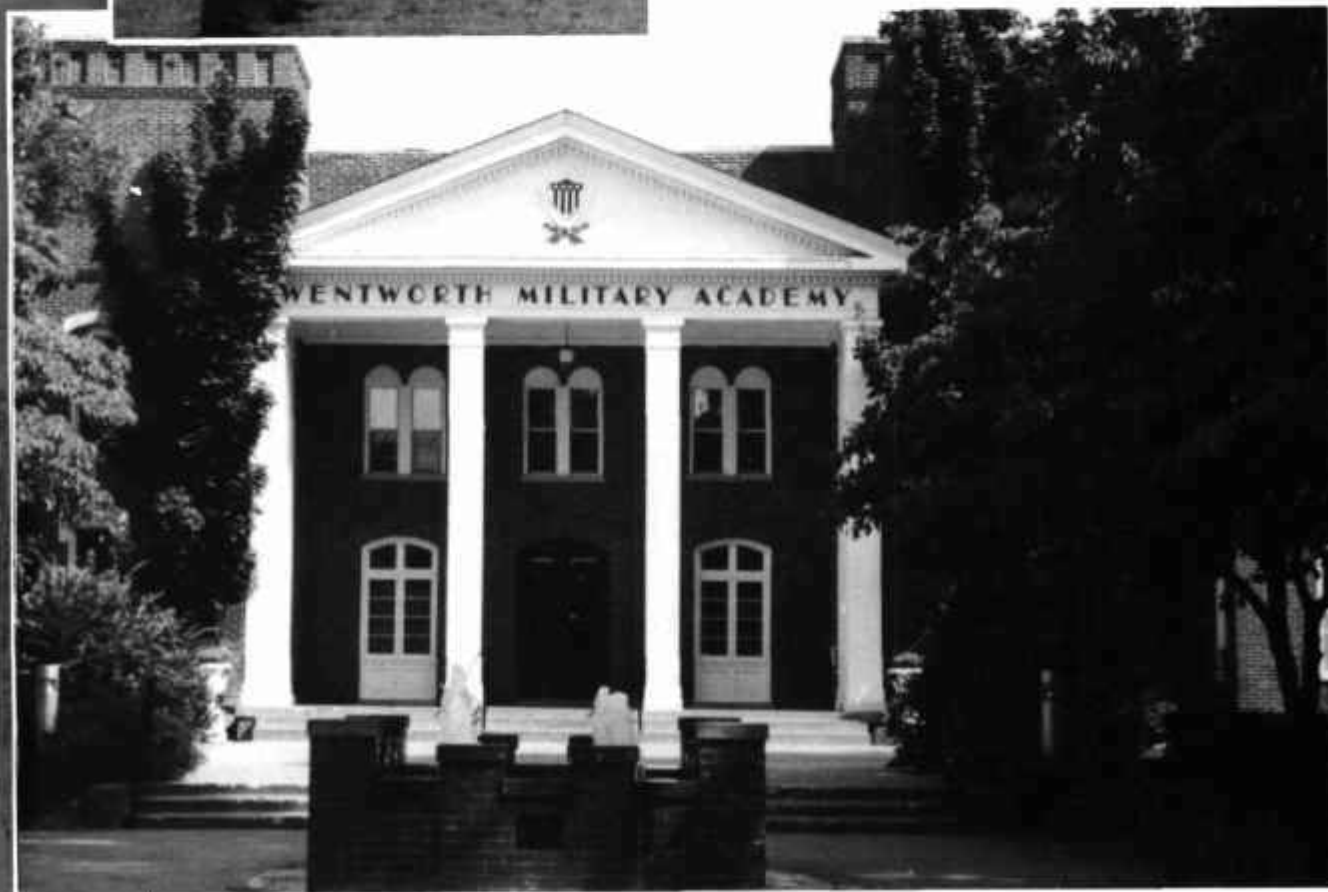
# Wentworth Military Academy



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*118th Corps of Cadets*



# Changes

Revisions to the cadet command structure served as a catalyst for change at Wentworth Military Academy during the 1997-98 Academic Year. Two of the most significant changes were the consolidation of the cadet battalion and the establishment of the Academy's First Female Company...*both of which served to strengthen the 118th Corps of Cadets.*

Founded in 1880 by Lexington banker Stephen G. Wentworth, Wentworth Military Academy is one of the nation's oldest military academies.

Since its humble beginnings as a day school for young men, Wentworth Military Academy has undergone many changes. In 1883, the institution moved from its original site on Main Street to its current location at 18th and Washington Streets. Today, the campus encompasses 137 acres and features 12 buildings, which includes the Sellers-Wikoff Scholastic Building, Groendyke Hall, Wikoff Field House, Alumni Stadium, Memorial Chapel, the Administration Building, Infirmary and three cadet barracks.

Over the course of the past 118 years, the Academy's educational and military programs have also evolved to meet the needs of our ever-changing society. Military training was inaugurated at Wentworth in 1882. During World War I and World War II, the military training was gradually expanded. Currently, Wentworth offers a U. S. Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program for High School cadets, a Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program for Junior College cadets, and the Falcon Scholar Program to prepare Junior College cadets for admission to the U.S. Air Force Academy. This year, the SROTC program was further expanded with the addition of the new 2 Plus 2 Scholarship Program. The first program of its kind in the country, the 2 Plus 2 Scholarship Program enables cadets to begin their college study and SROTC training at Wentworth and complete their education at a participating four-year institution in the state of Missouri.

Academically, Wentworth has always prided itself on a strong educational program. Since its founding, Wentworth has increased the number of academic programs, adding the Junior College program in 1923 and the Continuing Education program in 1975. Educational opportunities are currently provided for males, grades 6 through junior college, and females, grades 11 through junior college.

The first female cadets were accepted to the Academy in 1996. For the first two years, female cadets were integrated into male companies. This year, with the number of female cadets at 36, the Academy established its first all-female company - Echo Company. The change to the command structure has provided female cadets with more opportunities to serve in leadership positions and to excel at the Academy.

One of the most significant changes at the Academy this year was the consolidation of the Cadet Battalion Staff.

The Corps of Cadets and the Senior ROTC staffs were combined into a consolidated Wentworth Battalion staff, unifying the Corps of Cadets under one commander. The unified command, similar to the one utilized at Wentworth prior to the inception of the Junior College, was instituted to build cohesion and strengthen leadership skills.

The change had a positive effect on the entire Corps. By placing all of the cadets under one unified command, the cadets were able to work together more efficiently to achieve common goals and objectives. The new command structure also created more leadership opportunities for the cadets.

The battalion commander and other top leadership positions were selected by a Board of Officers, which was comprised of the Commandant of Cadets, Academic Provost, Senior ROTC Professor of Military Science and the JROTC Senior Army Instructor. Every cadet was provided with an opportunity to apply for a staff position. In order to be considered for a position, cadets had to meet the Academy's standards of a 2.0 grade point average and a have superior deportment score.

Those who applied were interviewed and evaluated on their leadership potential, personal demeanor during the interview, military bearing and knowledge of their desired position. Final selection for the leadership positions was based on the cadets' evaluation score, their desired position and the needs of the Academy.

# 118<sup>TH</sup> CORPS

## IT ALL BEGINS WITH FIRST CALL

0500 First Call  
Wake-Up (JC)

0515-0615 P.T. (JC)

0600 First Call  
Wake-Up (JH/HS)

0635-0645 Breakfast  
Roll Call (BRC)  
Formation

0645-0720 BRC

0720 Sick Call  
(Infirmary)/  
Police Call

0730-1135 Morning Classes

1145-1205 Dinner Roll Call (DRC) Formation/Personal Inspection

1205-1235 DRC

1240-1525 Afternoon Classes

1545-1730 Athletics/PT

1810 Supper Roll Call (SRC)  
Formation

1815-1850 SRC

1930-2115 Study CQ

2115-2130 Commandant/  
TAC Officers Time

2130-2150 Company CQ

2150 Tattoo

2200 Taps (JH/HS)

2300 Taps (JC)









## A LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear 118th Corps of Cadets,

On behalf of the Wentworth Board of Trustees, Alumni Association, faculty and staff, I want to take this opportunity to salute the members of the 118th Corps of Cadets.

The Academy is extremely proud of you and the accomplishments you have made this year. You have excelled, collectively as a Corps, and on an individual level in the areas of cadet leadership, academics, discipline and athletics.

Individually, our Academic All-Americans and Athletic All-Stars have brought notoriety to themselves and the Academy. Their success was the result of hard-work, determination and personal commitment. I commend you on your achievements and your dedication to the Wentworth Athletic Program. I also want to recognize all of our other athletes and the members of our Band, Drill Team, Color Guard, and academic team for your efforts; and to thank you for representing Wentworth throughout the year with pride and distinction.

This year, as members of the 118th Corps of Cadets, each of you played an important role in the enhancement of the Battalion Chain of Command. When the Corps of Cadets and the Senior ROTC staffs were consolidated into a unified command, you worked together to implement the new chain of command and to strengthen unit cohesion. Change is never easy; but you made it work.

Many of you grasped the opportunity to serve in the new leadership positions that were established through the consolidation. As members of the Battalion and company staffs, you helped us to instill a strong sense of discipline, pride, values and ethics in the members of the Corps. In the process, you left your mark on the Academy and set high standards for future Corps to follow.

We were honored to have you as a member of the 118th Corps and the Wentworth family. Georgia and I wish you the best in all of your future endeavors.

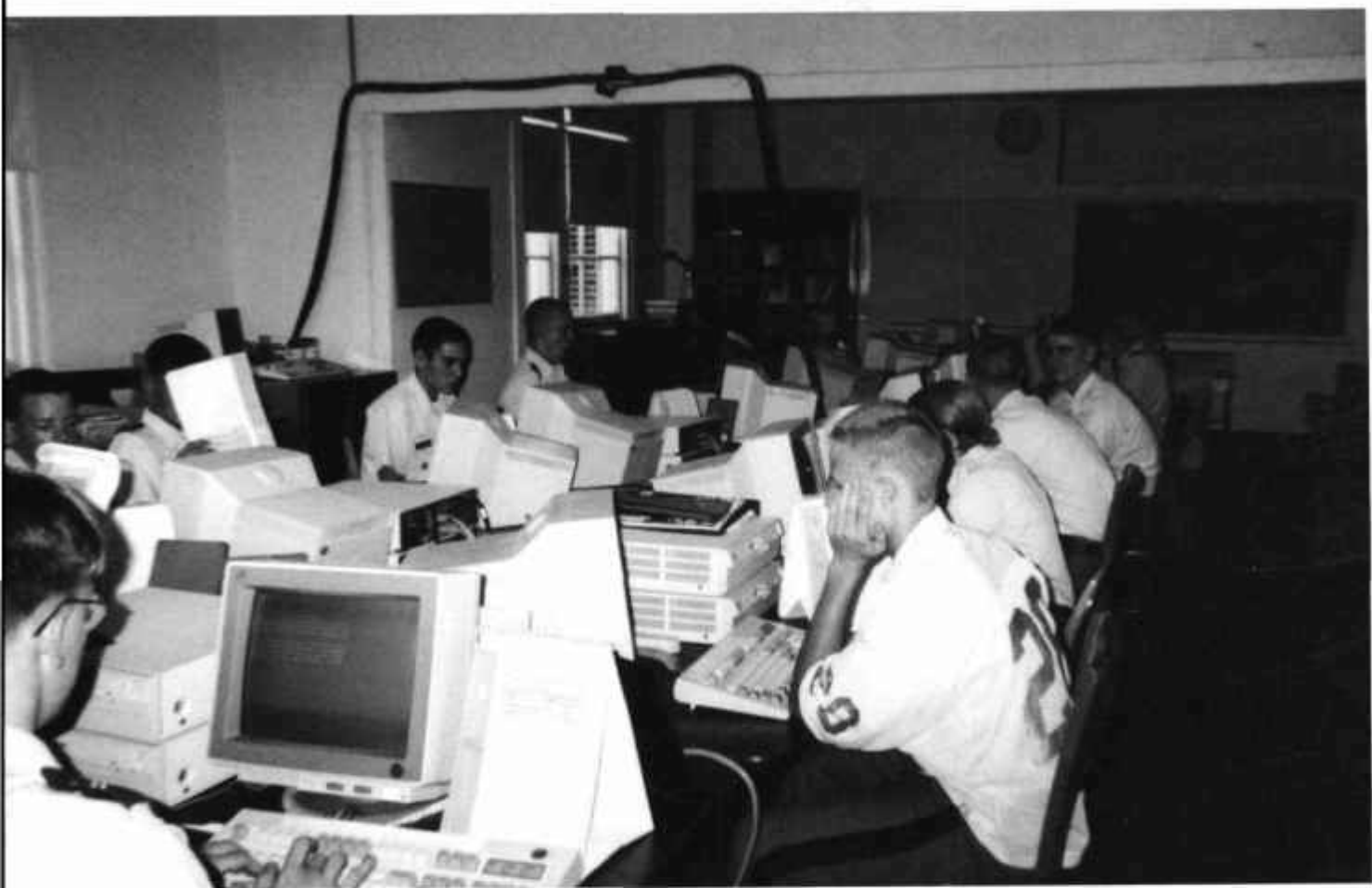
*Jerry E. Brown  
Colonel, USAF (Ret.)  
Superintendent*











# JUNIOR COLLEGE SOPHOMORES

Rodney Berry  
William Cline  
Jose Collado  
Steven Dare



Willem Eder  
Kimberly Jensen  
Tynisa Jones  
Belinda King



John Liddy  
David Mendoza  
Nathaniel Miller  
Rafael Miranda



Jeremy O'Hearn  
Eliezel Rivera  
Thai Sukrachan  
Rebecca Woody



## NOT PICTURED

Wayne Childress  
Tyler Cortner

# JUNIOR COLLEGE FRESHMEN



Hasan Al-Rashad  
Khalid Al-Rashad  
Philip Anders  
Elizabeth Arellano



Laura Beckerdite  
Cynthia Billie  
Michael Boyles  
Jennifer Byers



Brent Carpenter  
Erin Carter  
Timothy Chase  
Robert Curtis



Michel  
DoNascimento  
Ricardo Fernandez  
Viviana Ferrer  
David Finkelstein



Leao Flores  
Jamin Foster  
Jennifer Girod  
Jamonya Green

# JUNIOR COLLEGE FRESHMEN

Quentin Green  
Michael Gutierrez  
Mark Hanni  
Jonathan Harms



Brigitte Hazleton  
Scott Hidden  
Paula Jase  
Brian Jolliff



George Kaigh  
Christopher Keller  
John King  
Jason Kulakowski



Gerald Maki  
Michael Marren  
Sarah Martinez  
Jason Mendell



Eric Mendoza  
William O'Brian  
Shawn Parent  
Nicholas Petersen





# JUNIOR COLLEGE FRESHMEN



Raymond  
Philgence  
Robert Pinkerton  
Christopher Pohle  
Jayleen Sainz



James Sorrell, III  
Anthony Sullivan  
Doug Trott  
Jonathan  
Vanderford



Kevin Williams  
Donald Youkem, Jr.

## NOT PICTURED

Matthew Maycumber  
Brian Wirtz



# SENIORS

Zakir Baig  
Joseph Barta  
Brendan Beyer  
Kevin Dennis



Lawrence Dillard  
Nathan Egerton  
Andrew Erickson  
William Houseworth



Bradley Kallsen  
Randal Langford  
Doug Lawson  
Crystal Lunt



Mario Maruther  
Andres Mendez  
Thomas Octigan  
Ron Ommerman



Megan Perry



# SENIORS



Ismael Quinonez  
David Ratcliffe  
Stephanie Riggins  
Logan Robards



Ryan Shepherd  
Stanley Silverberg  
Lehi Smith  
Americo Trevino



David Trevino  
Shawn Vance  
Donovan Webster  
Neil Wheeler



David Willems  
James Wright  
Alaa Younis

## NOT PICTURED

Philip Jernigan

# JUNIORS

Stephanie Alexander  
Jaclyn Anderson  
Grace Anthony  
Chad Berry  
Nicholas Brendes



Kyle Cameron  
Victorino Canales  
Kerri Carl  
Terry Claessen  
Matthew Cornejo



Fermin Colina  
Nichole Cooper  
Geoffrey Foster  
Jill Girod  
Jason Hale



Craig Hartman  
Nora Hastings  
Brandon Hofland  
Heinz Hollaender  
Nicholas House



Robert House  
John Hurd  
Brandon Knoderer  
Eric Lawson  
Jeremy Lemmon



Brian Moore  
Joshua Munford  
Russel Neubauer  
Lane Noble  
Victoria Orozco





# JUNIORS



Crystal Pickron  
Joshua Porter  
Matthew Potter  
John Reed  
Jeana Riebe



Isoro Sepulvedo  
Andrew Stevenson  
Jonathan Stratton  
Jennifer Sweeney  
Adam Temple



Timothy Turner  
Gabriel Valadez  
Oscar Valdes  
Haven VanCleave  
Nicolette Weaver



William Yates,  
IV

Not Pictured  
Nicholas Adams  
Carl Bjork  
Adam Hayat  
Bryan Peck  
Lance Sugiyama



# SOPHOMORES

Jerry Alred  
Roberto Annese  
Nicholas Blair  
Nathan Boggs  
Jason Bogue



Merritt Bold  
Robert Carson  
Robert DeShetler  
Matthew Dickinson  
William Downs



Jacob Findley  
Whitner Graham  
Michael Halling  
Heidi Johnson  
Jared Kennedy



Steven Kilage  
Brandon Lincoln  
Timothy Martin  
Rene Martinez  
John McCarter



Leonardo Mireles  
Shawn Montgomery  
Timothy Muller  
Taegan Orscheln  
Miguel Pino



Jennifer Poole  
Kevin Pope  
David Reed  
Christopher Sartori



# SOPHOMORES



James Scott  
Mariano Smith  
Marcus Smith  
Harlen Thacker  
Joshua Thomas



John Tubbert  
Erick Villacusa  
Austin Walker  
Lucas West  
Robert Whitfield



Nathan Ziegler  
Nicholas Zimola  
Nicholas Zulauf



## NOT PICTURED

Joseph Latorre  
Douglas Long  
Jacob Owens



Derek Shoemaker



# FRESHMEN

Dustin Beckner  
Armando Christensen  
Joshua Colgan  
Christopher Hand  
Timothy Heisler



Jose Jerome  
Aaron Kaplan  
Jordan Miller  
Leon Resh  
Robert Riggins



Douglas Russum  
Seth Rutledge  
Justin Stearns  
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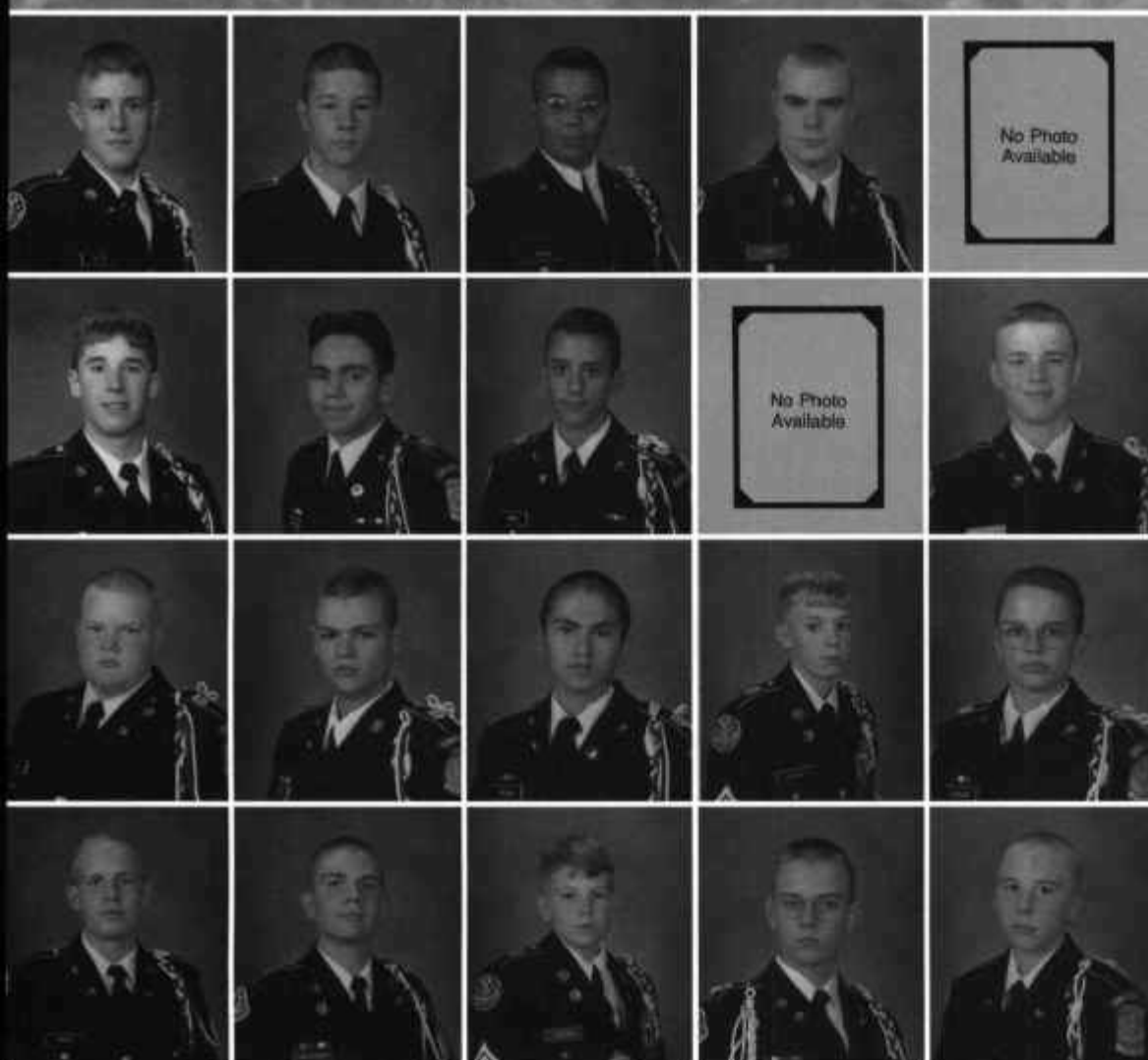
Michael Barker  
Ryan Casey  
David Humphreys  
Joel Redman  
Thomas Reyes  
Tyler Tonyan

David Wollett





# EIGHTH GRADE



Harold Allen  
Rodney Beagle  
Christopher Brown  
Andy Cagle  
Miguel Campos

Andrew Clemmons  
Newman Ferreira  
Dana Garcia  
Modesto Gayton  
Adam Griston

Michael Hague  
Adam Lincoln  
Juan Molina  
Erich Schmidt  
Timothy Schrader

Jacob Snook  
Justin Taraskewich  
Tyler Visser  
Daniel Wehner  
Christopher Wesley



Patrick White

## NOT PICTURED

David Graves  
Brian Harris  
Aaron Hoge  
Michael Thacker



Here's Cadet Haas in Foxtrot Halls:



Cadet Snook is enjoying a conversation with a Lexington resident at the social to welcome new cadets to campus.

# SEVENTH GRADE

Miguel Campos  
Modesto Gaytan  
Michael Graham  
Owen Hardy  
Cole Leleux



John Logarbo  
Casey Taylor  
Donald  
Williams



## NOT PICTURED

Michael Garcia  
Kevin Haas  
Jett Garner



# SIXTH GRADE

Alan Buckrucker  
David Juhasz  
Brandon Schwarz



Alan Buckrucker pouts as he tries on yet another jacket that is just too big.

Foxtrotters with their parents at the Parents Weekend tree planting ceremony.

# ACADEMIC LIFE



Colonel Brown invited the faculty over for dinner, just a chance for everyone to relax and have fun!



Everyone is working hard in class. Muller is trying to concentrate, but it's hard, as you can see, he has a big football game!

# FACULTY AND STAFF

LTC James Ahrens  
*History Instructor*

Mrs. Bonnie Anderson  
*Science Instructor*

Mr. Blake Bahler  
*English Instructor*

Mrs. Nola Bannister  
*Quarter Master*

Mrs. Sharon Bayne  
*Accounts Payable  
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*Alumni/Development Officer*

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*SROTC Recruiting Officer*

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Coach*

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*Operations Officer*

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*Social-Travel Hostess*

Mrs. Pam Fuenhausen  
*Financial Aid Director*

Cpt. Jerry Gipe  
*TAC Officer*

Mrs. Darlene Goettling  
*Financial Aid Officer*





# FACULTY AND STAFF



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*JROTC Army Instructor*

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*Parents' Association  
Coordinator*

LTC Ernest Jackson  
*SROTC Prof. of Military  
Science*

Mr. Doc Johnson  
*English Inst./Golf Inst.*

Mr. Jonathan Jones  
*Computer Science Inst./  
Football and Basketball Coach*

LTC Bob Kennedy  
*JROTC Senior Army Inst.*

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*Admissions Receptionist*

Mrs. Tammy Lancaster  
*QuarterMaster Clerk and  
Tailor*

Mrs. Jeanette Long  
*High School Registrar*

Mrs. Norma Maring  
*Alumni Director*

Mrs. Jacqueline Maxwell  
*Mathematics Instructor*

Mrs. Carol McLaughlin  
*Accounts Receivable  
Administrator*

Mrs. Carol Meierer  
*Assistant Director of  
Admissions*

LTC Charles Mordan  
*Falcon Advisor*

# FACULTY AND STAFF

Mrs. Lulu Morris  
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Ms. Jane Neville  
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MAJ Royce Noland  
*Senior TAC Officer/  
Basketball Coach*

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*English as a Second  
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*SROTC Administrative  
Technician*

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*Librarian*

Cpt. Caroline Rateliff  
*Spanish Instructor*

MAJ Sam Rateliff  
*Public Affairs Officer/Track  
and Football Coach*

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*Science Instructor*

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*Social Studies Instructor*

Mrs. Sandra Slusher  
*English and Art Instructor*

Mrs. Barbara Smith  
*Mathematics Instructor*

Mrs. Kathy Smith  
*Director of Human  
Resources*

Mr. Ron Smith  
*Mathematics Instructor/  
Football Coach*

Mrs. Karen Souder  
*QuarterMaster Clerk*

Mrs. Ruby Utz  
*Admissions Receptionist*



# COMPANY LIFE



Major General Stewart Wallace visits at a reception in the Hall of Honor following the "Sounding of the Cannon."



All of the companies gather together in Memorial Chapel for chapel service, special events and assemblies.



Headquarters Company is standing tall and looking good, marching through downtown Lexington.

# BATTALION STAFF



L to R - Kimberly Jensen, Crystal Lunt, Nathaniel Miller, Thai Sukrachan, Jeremy O'Hearn, Doug Trott, David Finkelstein, Ron Ommerman, David Mendoza.



## ASST. BATTALION STAFF



Front Row - L to R Steven Dare, Thai Sukrachan, Jose Collado. Second Row - L-R Wayne Childress, Philip Anders, John King, John McCarter, Laura Beckerdite, Donovan Webster, Alaa Younis, Ryan Shepherd, Timothy Chase. Back Row L-R Cynthia Billie, Jamonya Green, Stephanie Alexander, Jason Kulakowski.

# HEADQUARTERS



*Top Row (Left to Right): Andrew Stevenson, Matthew Potter, Brandon Lincoln, Terry Claussen, Iscore Sepulveda. Second Row: Eric Lawson, Robert DeShelter, Geoffery Foster, Jonathan Stratton, Neil Wheeler, Douglas Russum. Third Row: Robert Whitfield, Seth Rutledge, Andrew Clemons, Robert Riggin, Bryan Peck, Joshua Munford, Harold Allen, Nicholas Blair. Fourth Row: Brian Harris, Daniel Wehner, Timothy Heisler, Timothy Tunner, Christopher Hand, Alan Buckrucker. Fifth Row: Nicholas Brendes, Shawn Montgomery, William O'Briant, Eric Mendoza, Donald Yoakem, Chad Cline. Front Row: Patrick White.*





# A L P H A

*Top Row (Left to Right): Rodney Berry, Christopher Keller, Robert Pinkerton, Michael Boyles. Second Row: Jamin Foster, John King, Anthony Sullivan, George Kaigh, Hasan Al-Rashed, Shawn Parent, Michelle Nascimento. Third Row: Ricardo Fernandez, Leao Flores, Brent Carpenter, Khalid Al-Rashed, Kevin Williams. Fourth Row: Jonathan Vanderford, Michael Gutierrez, Scott Hidden, James Sorrell, Mike Marren, John Liddy, Rafael Miranda. Front Row: Jonathan Harms.*



# BRAVO



*Top Row:* William Seel, Gabriel Valadez, Fermin Colina, Adam Temple, Nathan Egerton, Philip Jernigan, Nathan Ziegler, Lance Sugiyama, Doug Lawson, Carl Bjork, Brian Moore. *Second Row:* Modesto Gaytan, Nicholas Adams, Matt Cornejo, Adam Hayat, Logan Robards, Stanley Silverberg, Joseph Barta, Lawrence Dillard, Jeremy Lemmon, Craig Hartman, Lane Noble, Brandon Knoderer. *Third Row:* Andres Mendez, Heinz Hollaender, Miguel Campos, Rene Martinez, Americo Trevino, Gabriel Valadez. *Fourth Row:* Jonathan Hurd, Robert Curtis, Andres Mendez, David Ratcliffe, Brian Jolliff, Jason Mendell, Rafael Miranda, Raymond Philgence, Thomas Octigan. *Front Row:* Haven VanCleave.





# ECHO



*Top Row (Left to Right): Crystal Pickron, Victoria Orozco, Taegan Orscheln, Paula Jasa, Jayleen Sainz. Second Row: Grace Anthony, Kerri Carl, Stephanie Riggins, Heidi Johnson. Third Row: Megan Perry, Belinda King, Jeana Riebe, Erin Carter, Rachel Roberts. Fourth Row: Jennifer Byers, Sarah Martinez, Rebecca Woody, Jill Giroud, Elizabeth Arellano, Nicolette Weaver. Front Row: Brigitte Hazleton.*





*Top Row (Left to Right):* Nicholas Zulauf, James Wright, Gregory Spady, Chris Brown, Adam Lincoln, Justin Taraskewich, Harlen Thacker, Ferrera Haas. *Second Row:* John Legarbo, Donald Williams, Cole Leleux, Andy Cagle, Michael Garcia. *Third Row:* Christopher Wesley, Brandon Schwarz, Casey Taylor, Michael Graham, Aaron Kaplan, Timothy Schrader, Tyler Visser, Dana Garcia, David Juhasz, Jordan Miller. *Fourth Row:* Brandon Hofland, Brian Wirtz, Joshua Porter, Mario Maruthur, Lehi Smith, Owen Hardy, John Reed.



# FOXTROT



*Back Row (Left to Right):* Doug Long, Matt Warneke, Nate Boggs, Merritt Bold, Dustin Snook, Harley Thacker, Austin Walker, Mike Halling, David Reed, Jason Hale. *Second Row:* Miguel Pino, Joe Latorre, Victor Canales, Kevin Pope, Matt Colgan, Jacob Owens, Mike Barber, Derrick Shoemaker, Erick Villaescusa, John Tubbert, Tim Muller. *Third Row:* Jose Jerome, Aaron Hoge, Tim Martin, Erin Jackson, Nick Zimola, Matt Reyes, JR Christianson, John McCarter, Steven Kilage, David Wollett, Roberto Annese, Graves. *Front Row:* Nate Wenig, Willy Downs, Andrew Erickson, Zakir Baig, Eliezel Rivera, Willem Eder, David Williams, Bill Houseworth, Dustin Beckner, Erich Schmidt.



# GOLF

# CADET OFFICERS





# MILITARY LIFE



The Wentworth Band and Color Guard march in The Veteran's Day Parade in Iola, Kansas.



A little WMA humor



Standing tall and proud.



The Corps getting a little exercise.



Foxtrot pals for life, (Kilage, Anders and Buckrucker)



Alpha boys posing to get their picture taken.

# RIFLE TEAM



Top row: John McCarter, Jason Warnacke, Jonathan Stratton, Brandon Lincoln, Adam Lincoln, Joshua Munford, Michael Halling. Bottom row: Cole LeLeux, David Juhaz, Donald Williams, Newman Ferreira. Center Back: SFC Rick Hutchinson.

# DRILL TEAM



Top row: Reed J., SFC Hutchinson, Alexander. 3rd Row: Wehner, Lator, Boggs, Christenson, Pickron. 2nd Row: Barker, Jerome, Schmitt, Wollett. Bottom Row: Tubbert, Erickson, Downs.



Representing Wentworth at competition.

# HIGH SCHOOL COLOR GUARD



Top row: Taegan Orscheln, Terry Claessen, Andrew Stevenson, Seth Rutledge. Middle row: Timothy Heisler, Neil Wheeler, Timothy Turner, James Wright. Bottom row: Nicolette Weaver, Casey Taylor.





# JUNIOR COLLEGE COLOR GUARD



Top row: David Finkelstein, Quincy Curtis, Michael Boyles, William O'Briant. Middle row: Eliziel Rivera, Elizabeth Arellano. Bottom row: Jamonya Green, Jason Kulokowski.



# JROTC



JROTC cadets had an opportunity to see and clean an M-19. Looks like fun!

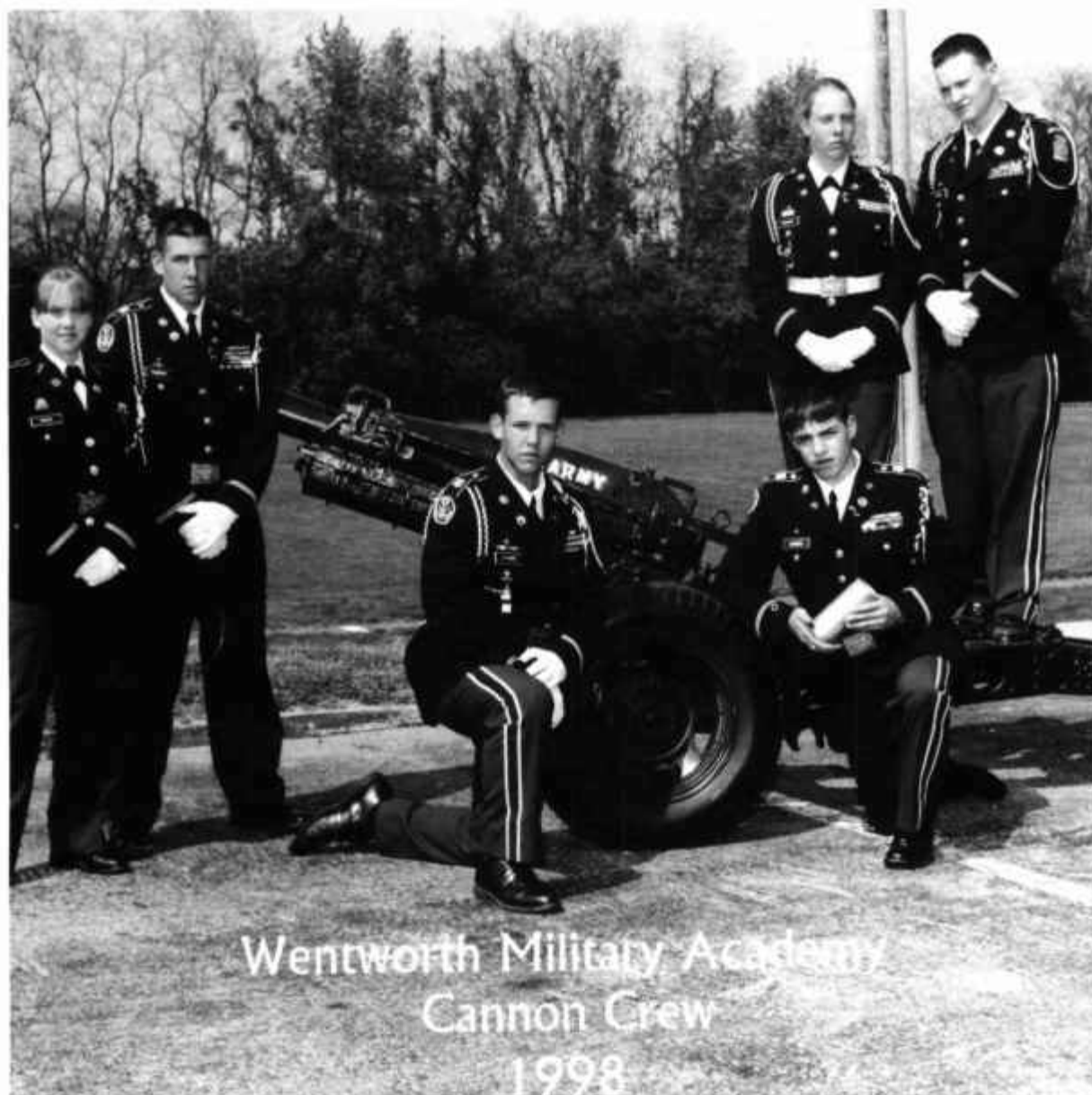


Alumni Director Norma Maring takes the JROTC Color Guard and WMA Band to Iola, Kansas, every year to participate in the town's Veteran's Day Parade.



LTC Bob Kennedy, Senior Army Instructor, inspects JROTC cadets.

# CANNON CREW



Left: Belinda King, John Tubbert. Middle: Joseph Lattorre, William Downs. Right: Crystal Pickron, Nathan Boggs.

## 2+2 SROTC CADETS



Top Row: John King, Shawn Parent, Timothy Chase, Robert Curtis, William O'Briant, Brian Wirtz.  
Bottom Row: Jamonya Green, Jayleen Sainz, David Finkerstein, Jamin Foster, Elizabeth Arellano.





# FALCONS



Top Row: Donald Yoakem Jr., Christopher Keller, Michael Marren, Bottom Row: Laura Beckerdite, Jennifer Byers, Brent Carpenter.



This year's Falcons pose in front of the Doughboy.



The Falcons receive their scholarships during a special ceremony.



Laura Beckerdite is being given her Falcon pin by LTC Charles Mordan.

# RANGERS LEAD THE WAY



Ranger Challenge Team  
Back Row: Tynisa Jones, Eliezel Rivera, John Liddy, Eric Mendoza, SGT Contreras, Instructor. Front Row: Rebecca Woody, Jose Collado, Thai Sukrachan, Raymond Philgence, Jason Kulakowski.



The Rangers prepare for a demonstration.



"We've been there, done that, and have the T-shirt to prove it." — Members of the Ranger Team upon return proudly from the Buddy Team '98 Competition.



They've got you in their sights.

Lt. Wayne Childress struggles to put just one more of the bare necessities into his bag.



Michael Boyles explains his master plan to Brian Wirtz and David Mendoza.



Lt. Col. Jackson smiles as he walks through the cloud of smoke.

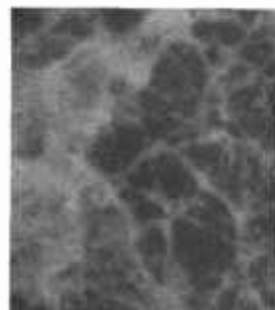


This is what you call car pooling! The SROTC cadets are on their way to the field.

## SENIOR ROTC FIELD TRAINING EXERCISES



WOW, SROTC knows how to make an entrance. The SROTC cadets returned from their spring FTX on a helicopter.





# ATHLETICS

## WENTWORTH RED DRAGONS

98





# GOLF TEAM

*Front Row:* Nick Blair, Nick Zimola, Bryan Peck and John Tubbert.  
*Back Row:* Coach "Doc" Johnson, David Ratcliffe, Doug Lawson, Brandon Knoderer and Bobby Carson.

Now thats what I call form!



Watch out, I think I spot a Pro.



## FUTURE PROS

The High School Golf Team went into the Military School Tournament April 15 undefeated. The team took second in the tournament and finished the season with an 11 - 2 record.



# HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER TEAM



*First Row: Jose Jerome, Chad Berry and Charles Findley. Second Row: Nick Blair, Miguel Campos, Rene Martinez, Armando Christensen and Roberto Annese. Third Row: Team Manager Neil Wheeler, Erick Villaescusa, Bill Houseworth, Mario Maruthur, Mike Halling and Austin Walker. Not Pictured: Coach Dieter Bock, Justin Stearns, Liam Yates and Merritt Bold.*

Are these the star players?



Wentworth goes for the goal with no opposition in sight.



# JUNIOR COLLEGE SOCCER



*First Row: Jamonya Green, Viviana Ferrer and Jon Vanderford. Second Row: Tyler Cortner, Michael Nasciento, Mike Boyles and Willem Eder. Third Row: Elizabeth Arellano, Mike Marren, Jeremy O'Hearn, Tim Chase, Quincy Curtis and Eli Rivera. Not pictured: Coach Dieter Bock, Rodney Berry, Erin Carter, Jamin Foster, Brigitte Hazleton, Jerald Maki, David Mendoza, Rafael Miranda, Chris Pohle, Donald Yoaken, Team Manager Austin Walker.*



Soccer team before practice.



The Mighty Seven, I think.

# JUNIOR COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY



Back Row: Team manager Ricardo Fernandez, David Finkelstein, Michael Gutierrez, Chris Keller, Shawn Parent, John King and Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, Coach. Front row: Leo Flores, Laura Beckerdite, Brent Carpenter, Jennifer Byers, Kim Jensen.



The Junior College Cross Country team receives awards at the Athletic Banquet.

*Academic All-Americans* - Laura Beckerdite, John King and Shawn Parent met the National Junior College Athletic Association criteria for Academic All-American Honors.

# JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL



*Front Row:* Chris Wesley, Maj. Royce Noland, Coach, John Logarbo. *Back Row:* Timothy Heisler, Justin Stearns, Michael Thacker, Cole Leleux.

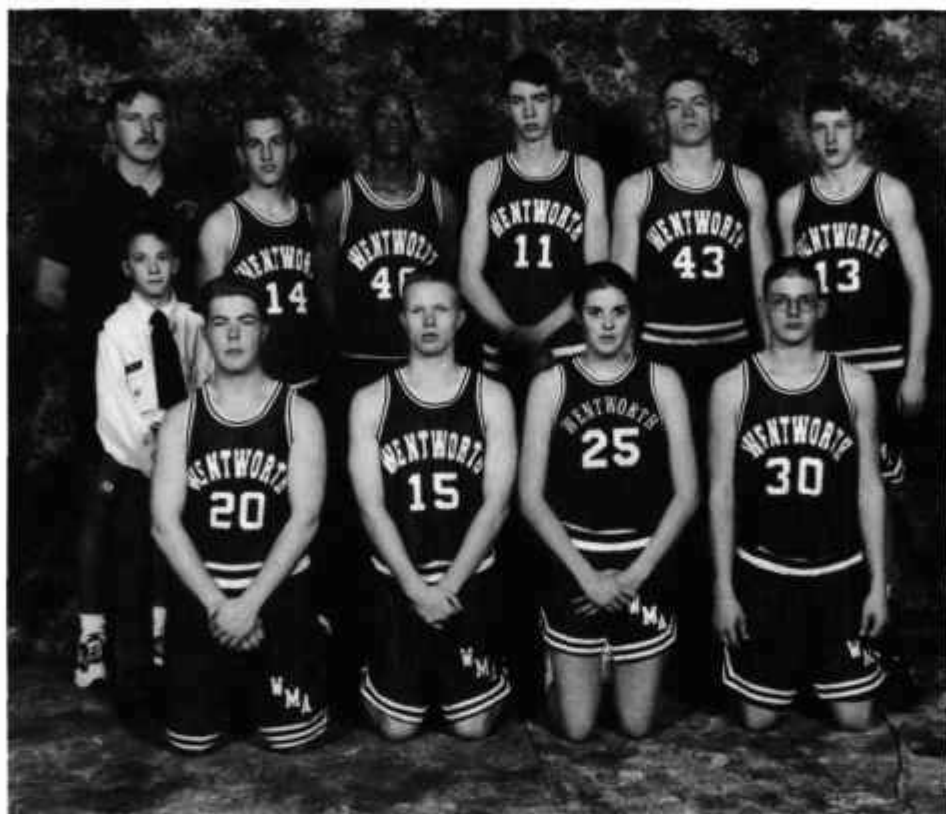
## Lettermen

Michael Barker  
Rodney Beagle  
Dana Garcia  
Timothy Heisler  
David Humphreys  
Cole Leleux  
Adam Lincoln  
John Logarbo  
Douglas Russum  
Jacob Snook  
Justin Taraskewich  
Michael Thacker  
Christopher Wesley  
Patrick Ryan White





# JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL



*Middle Row:* Team Manager Alan Buckrucker. *Front Row:* Donovan Webster, Tim Muller, Taegan Orscheln and Nick Zimola. *Back Row:* Coach Dieter Bock, Kevin Pope, Justin Stearns, Ryan Shepherd, Harley Thacker and Mike Halling.



## Lettermen

Michael Halling  
Seth Rutledge  
Taegan Orscheln  
Nick Zimola  
Ryan Shepard



# VARSITY BASKETBALL

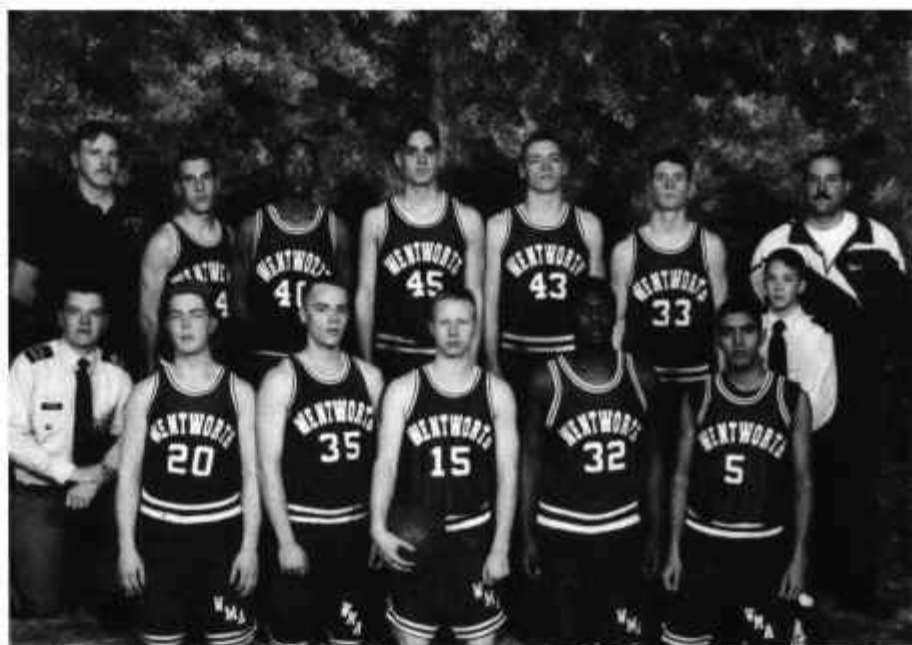
## High School Varsity Basketball

*Front Row:* T.C. Octigan, Matt Webster, Logan Robards, Tim Muller, Bill Houseworth, Zak Baig and Team Manager Alan Buckrucker. *Back Row:* Coach Dieter Bock, Kevin Pope, Justin Stearns, Nathan Edgerton, Harley Thacker, Austin Walker, and Coach Jon Jones.

Now that's what you call skill!



You can't touch this Kemper.



**Most Valuable Player** - Senior Bill Houseworth was selected to the All-District Team in Missouri State High School Basketball, voted Most Valuable Player in the Conference and was named to the KMZU Radio "Dream Team."

# HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING



## High School Wrestling

*First Row:* Timothy Martin, Timothy Heisler and Rodney Berry. *Second Row:* Coach Jeff Davis, Nicolas Zulaf, James Scott, Josh Thomas, Nicolette Weaver and Thomas Reyes.



Wentworth fights to the finish.



Do you give up?!!

# JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD



Matt Hardy, Justin Taraskewich, John Logarbo and Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, Coach. Andrew Clemons is not pictured.



***Team Places at Conference Championship:***

The Junior High Track Team placed fourth at the May 8 Central River Conference Outdoor High School and Junior High School Championship Meet at Wentworth.

# HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD



## High School Track and Field

*First Row:* Team manager Stephanie Alexander and Aaron Kaplan. *Second Row:* James Wright, Nicolette Weaver, Timothy Heisler, Joshua Porter and Brandon Hofland. *Third Row:* Douglas Long, Robert Riggins, Harley Thacker, Austin Walker, Zak Baig, and Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, Coach.

James Wright  
races to the  
finish line.



Joshua Porter leads the way to  
victory.



Zak Baig



Two of Wentworth's track members race  
as fans cheer them to the finish.



# JUNIOR COLLEGE INDOOR TRACK



*Front Row: Kimberly Jensen, Brent Carpenter and Laura Beckerdite. Back Row: Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, Coach, William O'Briant, Timothy Chase, Christopher Keller and David Finkelstein.*



Laura Beckerdite, a member of Wentworth's Indoor Track team, competed in the Mizzou All-Comers Meet at the University of Missouri, Columbia. She ran the 3000 meter run in 12 minutes and 30 seconds.

# HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS



## High School Tennis

*Front Row:* Rachel Roberts, Nick Brendes, Timothy Muller and Andres Mendez. *Back Row:* Neil Wheeler, Bill Houseworth, Philip Jernigan, Zak Baig, Joe Latoree and Cpt. Dieter Bock, Coach.



Tennis "Bad Boys."



# JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL



## **Junior High Football**

*Front Row:* Matt Hardy, Dana Garcia, Adam Gritton, John Logarbo, Tim Schrader, and Team Manager Juan Molina. *Second Row:* Dustin Beckner, Cole Leleux, Justin Taraskewich, Dan Wehner, Pat White and Aaron Kaplan. *Third Row:* Assistant Coach George Kaigh, Jordan Miller, Andrew Clemons, Jake Snook, Adam Lincoln, Joe Smith, Nate Wenig and Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, Coach.

*Team Captain:* Dustin Beckner, *Coaches:* Maj. Sam Ratcliffe, George Kaigh



# VARSITY FOOTBALL



*First Row:* Team Manager Brandon Schwartz, John Tubbert, James Scott, Andres Mendez and Team Manager Alan Buckrucker. *Second Row:* John McCarter, Joseph Barta, T.C. Octigan, Zak Baig, Nathan Boggs and Team Manager Alejandro Smith. *Third Row:* Stanley Silverburg, Harley Thacker, Brian Moore, Lehi Smith, Douglas Russum and Matt Dillard. *Fourth Row:* Joshua Porter, David Ratcliffe, Steven Kilage, Willy Downs, David Reed, Tim Muller and Coach Ron Smith. *Fifth Row:* Coach Jon Jones, Doug Lawson, Leo Mireles, Jackson Graham, Ryan Shepherd, Nathan Ziegler and Adam Temple.



Ryan Shepard



David Willems



Lehi Smith



T.C. Octigan



David Ratcliffe

# WENTWORTH HONOR SOCIETY



Row 1: Steven Kilage, David Ratcliffe, Aaron Kaplan. Row 2: David Mendoza, Neil Wheeler, John McCarter, Austin Walker, Timothy Muller. Row 3: Scott Hidden, David Willems, Jeremy O'Hearn, Mario Maruther.



# NATIONAL

## HONOR SOCIETY



David Ratcliffe, Mario Maruther, Jeremy O'Hearn, Scott Hidden

# ALPHA PHI OMEGA APO



Front Row - left to right, Jamonya Green, Kimberley Jensen, Eliezel Rivera, Erin Carter. Center Row - left to right, Jayleen Sainz, Tynisa Jones, Ricardo Fernandez, Cynthia Billie, Jamin Foster, Rebecca Woody, Mrs. Butler. Back Row - left to right, Brigitte Hazleton, Willem Eder, Laura Beckerdite, William O'Briant, Wayne Childress, Brian Wirtz, Raymond Philgence, Tyler Cortner.

# YEARBOOK STAFF



Top Row: Ricardo Fernandez, Eliziel Rivera, Bridgette Hazelton, Crystal Lunt. Bottom Row: Stephanie Alexander, Jayleen Sainz

# QUIZ BOWL TEAM



Top Row: Taegan Orscheln, Middle Row: Crystal Pickron, Steve Kilage, Aaron Kaplan, Front Row: Nicolette Weaver, Ron Ommerman, James Wright, Heidi Johnson

# WENTWORTH MILITARY ACADEMY

## B A N D



Row 1: Shawn Montgomery, William Cline, Jeana Riebe, Taegan Orscheln, Casey Taylor, Heidi Johnson, Alan Buckrucker, José Collado. Row 2: Nicholas Blair, Iseoro Sepulveda, Daniel Wehner, Tynisa Jones, Brandon Lincoln, Christopher Hand, Bryan Peck, Stephanie Riggins, Timothy Heisler, Seth Rutledge, Robert DeShetler, Patrick White. Row 3: Jonathan Stratton, Harold Allen, Andrew Stevenson, Adam Lincoln, Brian Harris, Donald Williams, Crystal Pickron, Robert Whitfield, Eric Lawson, Kerri Carl. Row 4: Doug Trott, Eric Mendoza, Nicholas Brendes, Neil Wheeler, Geoff Foster, Joshua Munford, Timothy Turner, Doug Russum.



Band Major  
José Collado



Band class looks a little relaxed.



A little mess hall performance.



# AVIATION



Brandon Hofland, Brian Moore, Jason Mendell, Rafael Miranda, Americo Trevino, John Tubbert

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Front Row: Rafael Miranda, Mr. Pete Chavez, David Mendoza, Raymond Philgence. Row 2: Hasan Al-Rashad, Victoria Canales, Stephen Kilage, Rene Martinez, Americo Trevino, Michel DoNascimento, Roberto Annese. Row 3: Miguel Campos, Eric Villaescusa, Leao Flores, Andres Mendez, Oscar Valdes, Newman Ferreira. Row 4: L-R Khalid Al Rashad, Fermin Calina, Gabriel Valadez, Modesto Gaytan, Heinemann Heinz Hollaender.

# SPECIAL



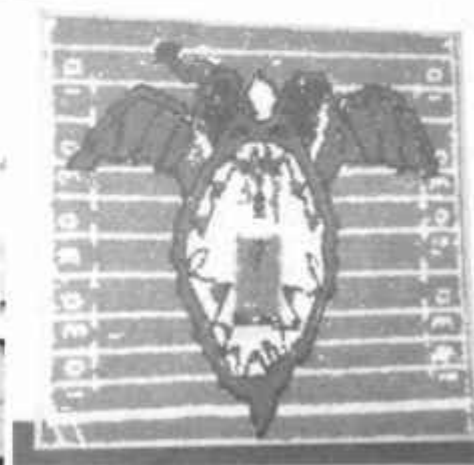
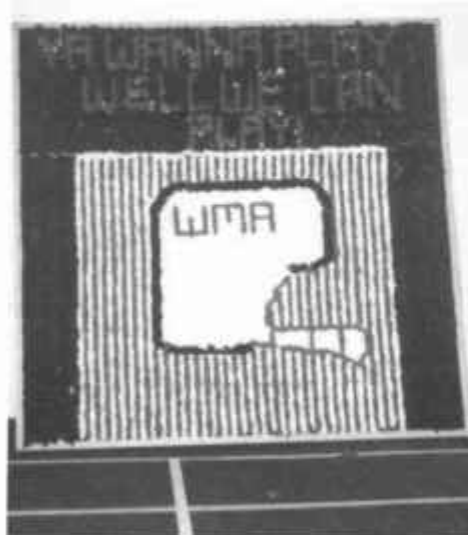
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# HOMECOMING '98



# MILITARY BALL



# MILITARY BALL



# GRADUATION





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# AWARDS, HONORS, EXCELLENCE

**John M. Burr Memorial Award**  
Service, Loyalty & Leadership  
Thai Sukrachan  
San Diego, CA

**Ted Messmore Honor Graduate**  
Junior College Honor Graduate  
Jeremy O'Hearn  
Tulsa, OK

**Association of Military Colleges & Schools**  
High School Honor Graduate  
David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

**Ralph Conger Award**  
Sportsmanship  
Joshua Porter  
Scotttown, OH

**James McBrayer Sellers Award**  
Wentworth Loyalty Award  
Donovan Webster  
Columbia, MO

**Daughters of the American Revolution Award**  
High School American History  
Mario Maruther  
Hot Springs, AR

**The Con Cadle Plaque**  
Company Scholastic Honors  
Echo Company

**The Mooney Aviation Award**  
Brandon Hoffman  
Blairtown, IA

**Son/Daughter of Alumnus Award**  
Outstanding Son/Daughter of Alumnus Award  
David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

**Brown Plaque**  
Company Disciplinary Honors  
Alpha Company

**International Cadet Award**  
Outstanding International Cadet  
Erick Villascusa  
Juarez, Mexico

**Alphi Phi Omega Service Award**  
Service Award  
Eliezel Rivera  
Moreno Valley, CA

**Kimberly Jensen**  
Indianapolis, IN

**Wikoff Greatest Improvement Award**  
Most Improved Old Boy  
Andrew Erickson  
St. Francisville, LA

**Charles S. Stevenson Award**  
Outstanding in Military Science  
Christopher Keller  
Katy, TX

**The Frank Brown Memorial Award**  
Best Adjustment for New Boy  
Brent Carpenter  
Orlando, FL

**Kenrick Fetrow Honor Guard Medal**  
Outstanding Honor Guard Cadet  
Andrew Erickson  
St. Francisville, LA

**Kendrick Fetrow Academic Scholarship Award**  
Junior College Scholarship  
Brian Wirtz  
Olathe, KS

**Weldon W. Perry Commandant's Award**  
Commandants Award  
Jeremy O'Hearn  
Tulsa, OK

**Sellers-Wikoff-Schowengerdt Award**  
Outstanding Junior College NCO  
Shawn Parent  
Somerset, MA

**Sellers-Wikoff-Schowengerdt Award**  
Outstanding High School NCO  
Joshua Porter  
Scotttown, OH



**Outstanding Junior High Cadet Award**  
Outstanding Junior High Cadet  
Justin Taraskewich  
Blue Springs, MO

**Del Podrebarac Award**  
Major Contribution to Sports  
Zakir Baig  
Destranhan, LA

**Jeff Parrott Memorial Award**  
Major Contribution to J.C. Sports  
Christopher Keller  
Katy, TX

**Bobby Price Memorial Award**  
Outstanding Football Player  
David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

**Outstanding Soccer Player**  
Austin Walker  
Enid, OK

**John Wall Wrestling Award**  
Outstanding Wrestler  
Tim Martin  
Dallas, TX

**Charles W. Minton Tennis Award**  
Outstanding Tennis Player  
William Houseworth  
Charleston, IL

**U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award**  
Outstanding Scholar Athlete  
Nicolette Weaver  
Lakewood, CO

**David Ratcliffe**  
Miami, FL

**The Willoughby Award**  
Best All Around Athlete in a Single Sport, H.S.

**The Benjamin F. Hoge Award**  
Best All Around Athlete in a Single Sport, J.C.  
Laura Beckerdite  
Park Ridge, IL

**Bill Cook Award**  
All Around Athlete in J.C.  
Christopher Keller  
Katy, TX

**Bill Cook Award**  
Runner-up, Junior College  
David Finkelstein  
Greentown, PA

**Bill Cook Award**  
All Around Athlete in H.S.  
David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

**Bill Cook Award**  
Runner-up, High School  
Joshua Porter  
Scotttown, OH

**Bill Cook Award**  
All Around Athlete in Jr. Hi.  
Justin Taraskewich  
Blue Springs, MO

**Bill Cook Award**  
Runner-up, Junior High  
Andrew Clemons  
Mission Hills, KS

**Morland Plaque**  
Company Varsity Sports Participation  
Golf Company

**Junior High School Athletics**  
Most Improved Athlete  
John Lagarbo  
Montz, LA

**Outstanding Track Performer**  
Andrew Clemons  
Mission Hills, KS

**Outstanding Basketballer**  
Chris Wesley  
Olathe, KS

**Outstanding Footballer**  
Nathan Wenig  
Omaha, NE

**Sportsmanship Award**  
Dustin Beckner  
Topeka, KS

**Dean Buck Award**  
Junior College English  
Nathan Miller  
Wichita, KS

**Captain Larry Brown**  
High School English  
Crystal Lunt  
Lyons, CO



# WENTWORTH MILITARY ACADEMY



**Clemens Chemistry Award**  
*Senior College Chemistry*  
 Christopher Keller  
 Katy, TX

**Clemens Chemistry Award**  
*High School Chemistry*  
 Nicolette Weaver  
 Lakewood, CO

**National Rubber CO. Award**  
*Large Freshman Chemistry*  
 Laura Beckerdite  
 Park Ridge, IL

**Mathematics Award**  
 Laura Beckerdite  
 Park Ridge, IL

**Keith Maring Math Scholarship**  
*Math Scholarship*  
 Shawn Parent  
 Somerset, MA

**Mathematics Award**  
*High School Mathematics*  
 James Wright  
 Boulder, CO

**Skinner Award**  
*Pre-Engineering Scholarship*  
 Jeremy O'Hearn  
 Tulsa, OK

**Elmonte Academic Improvement**  
*S. S. Academic Improvement*  
 William Houseworth  
 Charleston, IL

**Robert Hepler History Award**  
*College History*  
 Jeremy O'Hearn  
 Tulsa, OK

**Three Year Army ROTC Scholarship**  
 David Ratcliffe  
 Miami, FL

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Sophomore Class, Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Jeremy O'Hearn  
 Tulsa, OK

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Sophomore Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Nathaniel Miller  
 Wichita, KS

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Sophomore Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Lynisa Jones  
 Smyrna, GA

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Freshman Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Laura Beckerdite  
 Park Ridge, IL

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Freshman Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Shawn Parent  
 Somerset, MA

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*College Freshman Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Donald Yoakem  
 Lindenhurst, IL

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Senior Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Mario Maruthur  
 Hot Springs, AR

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Senior Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Crystal Lunt  
 Lyons, CO

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Senior Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Donovan Webster  
 Columbia, MO

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Junior Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Nicolette Weaver  
 Lakewood, CO

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Junior Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Brandon Hofland  
 Blairtown, IA

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Junior Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Stephanie Alexander  
 Camden, AR

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Sophomore Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 John McCarter  
 Omaha, NE

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Sophomore Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Timothy Muller  
 Ft. Collins, CO

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Sophomore Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Erick Villaseca  
 Juarez, Mexico

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Freshman Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 David Wollett  
 Fallon, NV

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Freshman Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Dustin Beckner  
 Topeka, KS

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*High School Freshman Class Bronze Medal, 3rd Place*  
 Aaron Kaplan  
 W. Des Moines, IA

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*8th Grade Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Andrew Clemons  
 Mission Hills, KS

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*8th Grade Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Adam Lincoln  
 Arvada, CO

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*7th Grade Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Cole Leleux  
 Naples, FL

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*7th Grade Class Silver Medal, 2nd Place*  
 Owen Hardy  
 Tulsa, OK

**Scholastic Department Award**  
*6th Grade Class Gold Medal, 1st Place*  
 Alan Buckrucker  
 Kansas City, MO

**National Honor Society**  
*High School Academic Honor*  
 Steven Kilage  
 Papua, New Guinea

**National Honor Society**  
*High School Academic Honor*  
 Stephanie Alexander  
 Camden, AR

**National Honor Society**  
*High School Academic Honor*  
 Joshua Porter  
 Scottown, OH

**National Honor Society**  
*High School Academic Honor*  
 Nicolette Weaver  
 Lakewood, CO

**National Honor Society**  
*High School Academic Honor*  
 Crystal Lunt  
 Lyons, CO

**George Washing. Carver Award**  
*High School Academics*  
 Mario Maruthur  
 Hot Springs, AR

**George Washing. Carver Award**  
*High School Academics*  
 Crystan Lunt  
 Lyons, CO

**George Washing. Carver Award**  
*High School Academics*  
 Donovan Webster  
 Columbia, MO

**Missouri State Board of Education**  
*High School Academic*  
 Mario Maruthur  
 Hot Springs, AR

**Missouri State Board of Education**  
*High School Academic*  
 Crystal Lunt  
 Lyons, CO

**Missouri State Board of Education**  
*High School Academic*  
 Donovan Webster  
 Columbia, MO

**Missouri State Board of Education**  
*High School Academic*  
 David Ratcliffe  
 Miami, FL



# AWARDS, HONORS, EXCELLENCE



## **Missouri State Board of Education High School Academic**

James Wright  
Boulder, CO

## **Missouri State Board of Education High School Academic**

Ron Ommerman  
Austin, TX

## **Yearbook Leadership Award**

Eliezel Rivera  
Moreno Valley, CA

## **Yearbook Major Contribution Award**

Jaleen Sainz  
Parker, CO

## **John J. Pirhalla, Jr. Memorial Journalism Award**

Crystal Lunt  
Lyons, CO

## **William Hiton Award**

Stephanie Alexander  
Camden, AR

## **Marshall Award**

Thai Sukrachan  
San Diego, CA

## **Military Order of World Wars Award**

**Gold Medal**  
Steven Dare  
Bartlesville, OK

## **Silver Medal**

Brian Wirtz  
Olathe, KS

## **Bronze Medal**

Joshua Porter  
Scottown, OH

## **The Reserve Officer's Association Award**

**Gold Award MSIII**  
Philip Anders  
Kansas City, MO

## **Silver Award MSIII**

Ray Philgence  
US Virgin Islands

## **Bronze Award**

Andrew Erickson  
St. Francisville, LA

## **Sons of the American Revolution Award**

Timothy Chase  
Dunstable, MA

David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

## **The National Sojourners Award**

Shawn Parent  
David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

## **The Daughters of the American Revolution**

Kimberly Jensen  
Indianapolis, IN

Donovan Webster  
Columbia, MO

## **Association of the United States Army Military History Award**

Nathan Miller  
Wichita, KS

## **U.S. Army Recruiting Command Award**

David Ratcliffe  
Miami, FL

## **The Veterans of Foreign Wars Award**

David Finkelstein  
Greentwon, PA

Zakir Baig  
Destranhan, LA

## **American Legion Award for Military Excellence**

**Gold**

Jose Collade  
US Virgin Islands

**Silver**

James Sorrell  
**Bronze**

Mario Maruthur  
Hot Springs, AR

## **American Legion Award for Scholastic Excellence**

**Gold**

Jeremy O'Hearn  
Tulsa, OK

**Silver**

Sarah Martinez  
Lecompton, KS

**Bronze**

Crystan Lunt  
Lyons, CO

## **Association of the United States Army Award**

Jason Kulakowski  
Mesquite, TX

Dopnovan Webster  
Columbia, MO

Joshua Porter  
Scottown, OH

Jill Girod  
Parker, CO

Brandon Lincoln  
Arvada, CO

## **Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Award**

Laura Beckerdite  
Park Ridge, IL

## **American Defense Preparedness Association**

Eliezel Rivera  
Moreno Valley, CA

## **American Veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam**

Scott Hidden  
Algier, MI

## **Holzer Marksmanship Award**

Jonathan Stratton  
Santee, CA

## **Distinguished Military Student Awards**

Nathan Miller  
Wichita, KS

Tynisa Jones  
Smyrna, GA

Thai Sukrachan  
San Diego, CA

Jose Collado  
US Virgin Islands

## **Retired Officer's Association Award**

Jamin Foster  
Martinsville, VA

Lehi Smith  
Lamoni, IA

## **National Infantryman's Association**

Robert Curtis  
Heidleberg, Germany

## **Best Kept Rooms Company "A"**

Shawn Parent  
Soerset, MA

Michael Gutierrez  
Puyallup, WA

## **Company "B"**

Nicholas Adams  
Greeley, CO

## **Company "E"**

Brigitte Hazelton  
Port Neches, TX

Jayleen Sainz  
Parker, CO

## **Company "F"**

Justin Tataskewich  
Blue Springs, MO

## **Company "G"**

Erick Villaescusa  
Juarez, Mexico

## **Headquarters Company**

Donald Yoakem  
Lindenhurst, IL

## **100% Deportment Battalion Staff**

Timothy Chase  
Dunstable, MA

## **Company "A"**

Brent Carpenter  
Orlando, FL

Jamin Foster  
Martinsville, VA

Michael Gutierrez  
Puyallup, WA

Shawn Parent  
Somerset, MA

Michael Marren  
Fargo, ND

## **Headquarters Company**

Donald Yoakem  
Lindenhurst, IL

## **Battalion Orderly of the Year Award**

Bryan Peck  
Omaha, NE

## **English as a Second Language Completions**

**Level I**  
Khalid Al-Rashed  
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia





# WENTWORTH MILITARY ACADEMY

**Level II**  
 Miguel Campos  
 Monterrey, Mexico  
 Modesto Gaytan  
 Monterrey, Mexico  
 Oscar Valeds  
 Saltillo, Mexico  
 Tassan Al-rashed  
 Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

**Level III**  
 Rene Martinez  
 Monclova, Mexico  
 Rick Villaescusa  
 Juarez, Mexico  
 Victorino Canales  
 Hidalgo, Texas  
 Sidro Sepulveda  
 Mexico City, Mexico

**Level IV**  
 Roberto Anness  
 Maracaibo, Venezuela  
 Michael Nascimento  
 Boa Vista, Brazil  
 Newman Ferreira  
 Boa Vista, Brazil  
 Americo Trevino  
 Cadereyta, Mexico  
 Gabriel Valadez  
 Huixquilucan, Mexico  
 Leo Flores  
 Mexico City, Mexico  
 Heinz Hollander  
 Guatemala  
 Ermin Colina  
 Guatemala

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award  
 MSIII**  
 Michael Gutierrez  
 Puyallup, WA

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award  
 MSI**  
 Robert Curtis  
 Heidelberg, Germany

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award  
 MSIV**  
 Lynisa Jones  
 Smyrna, GA



**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**MSIII**  
 Michael Gutierrez  
 Puyallup, WA

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**MSI**  
 Robert Curtis  
 Heidelberg, Germany

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**LET4**  
 Donovan Webster  
 Columbia, MO

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**LET3**  
 Mario Maruther  
 Hot Springs, AR

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**LET2**  
 Douglas McCarter  
 Omaha, NE

**Department of the Army Superior  
 Cadet Award**

**LET1**  
 Nicolette Weaver  
 Lakewood, CO

**Basore Award  
 Outstanding Company**

**Alpha Company  
 Special Distinction Company  
 Award**

**Headquarters Company  
 Outstanding Company Commander**

**Leadership**  
 James Sorrell  
 Omaha, NE

**Battalion Commander Plaque  
 Service**

Jeremy O'Hearn  
 Tulsa, OK

**Battalion Executive Officer Plaque  
 Service**

Thai Sukrachan  
 San Diego, CA

**Company "A" Commander  
 Service**

James Sorrell  
 Omaha, NE

**Company "B" Commander  
 Service**

David Ratcliffe  
 Miami, FL

**Company "E" Commander  
 Service**

Rebecca Woody  
 Crossville, TN

**Company "F" Commander  
 Service**

Mario Maruther  
 Hot Spring, AR

**Company "G" Commander  
 Service**

Eliezel Rivera  
 Moreno Valley, CA

**Headquarters Company Com-  
 mander**

**Service**

Eric Mendoza  
 Harlington, TX

**Arion Band Award**

Brandon Lincoln  
 Arvada, CO

**Best Bandsman Award**

**New Boy**

Brian Harris  
 Cackamas, OR

**Old Boy**

Jose Collado  
 US Virgin Islands

**Most Improved Musician**

Daniel Wehner  
 Olathe, KS

**Drill Team Service Award**

Daniel Wehner  
 Olathe, KS

**Drill Team Advisor Award**

John Reed  
 Olathe, KS

**Robert M. Martin Memorial  
 Scholarship**

Jonathan Harms  
 Overland Park, KS

**AmeriServe Scholarships**

Raymond Philgence  
 US Virgin Islands

Stephanie Alexander  
 Camden, AR



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 6, 1998

Congratulations to the 1998 graduates of Wentworth Military Academy & Junior College.

You can reflect with pride on the hard work, discipline, and commitment to personal excellence that have brought you to this day. Whether you continue your formal education or pursue a career, these qualities will serve you well in all your endeavors.

In celebrating this milestone, you are also opening a new chapter in your lives, full of unknown challenges and exciting possibilities. Because of your education, your own determination, and the support of your families, friends, and teachers, you can look forward with confidence to a future bright with promise for both your personal and professional fulfillment.

But none of us can truly succeed until all Americans have the chance to make the most of their lives and to live out their dreams. I ask you to use the blessings of your education and abilities to give something back to your communities, to create a society where we can respect our differences, appreciate our great diversity, and still enter the 21st century as One America. Working together, we can ensure that our nation remains a beacon of hope, peace, freedom, and opportunity for people around the world.

Best wishes for much happiness and success in the years to come.

*Bill Clinton*