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These updates and the Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies (ILSS) annual report can be found here:
<http://ung.edu/institute-leadership-strategic-studies/updates-reports.php>

This year will be the largest commissioning class in the history of the Corps of Cadets. Quality is excellent with a 3.31 average cumulative GPA and 291 average Army Physical Fitness Test score. Twenty-five commissioned in the fall semester, and 66 commissioned in the spring. We anticipate commissioning another 20 this summer. Total will be over 110. As far as we've been able to determine, the most commissions occurred one year in the 1950s with 96.



Captain Rose, UNG '12, assigned to 2d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, and his partner MSG Horsager, won the 2017 Best Ranger competition at Ft. Benning. CPT Rose also won it in 2014. He is one of only four to ever win the competition twice.



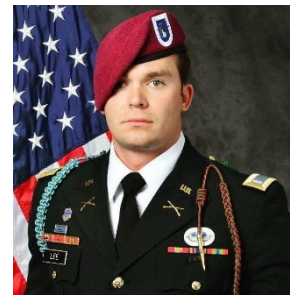
On 24 April, Major General Saeed Abdulrhman Abu Assaf, the commandant of the Royal Saudi Forces Land Academy visited to better his understanding of what his Cadets will experience while at UNG in the Corps of Cadets. There are eight Saudi Cadets at Valley Forge learning English in preparation for enrollment in the Corps of Cadets at UNG in 2018-2019.

The National University for Public Service (Hungary) Rector and Commandant of Cadets with other representatives signed a Cadet exchange agreement with UNG on 12 May. We will send Cadets to Hungary and they will send Cadets to UNG.

LTG Garrett, UNG '81, spoke at the Corps of Cadets military awards review and parade during alumni weekend on 23 April. LTC Gannaway spoke at the annual Memorial Retreat on 22 April, and also received the Ralph Colley Spirit of North Georgia Award which is given to an alumnus who has experienced adverse circumstances in his/her life and has risen above those circumstances to live an exemplary life.

On 6 April, the Corps of Cadets conducted their annual military ball at Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville.

Tragically, Lieutenant Weston C. Lee, UNG '14, was killed on 29 April 2017 in Mosul, Iraq. From Bluffton, Georgia, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice and commissioned as an infantry officer. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 325th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and was supporting Operation Inherent Resolve.



[Georgia Gold, American Treasure](#) development initiative is on-going for the sole benefit of the Corps of Cadets. With a goal of \$93,145,000, the vision of the initiative is to "Secure and strengthen the Corps of Cadets at the University of North Georgia". Any contributions benefitting Cadets will count toward our goal. For more information, contact Phil Collins at phil.collins@ung.edu

If you're interested in hearing more about the Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies, and you are visiting Dahlonega, we'd like to schedule a one-hour personal briefing for you. Please contact Keith Antonia at keith.antonio@ung.edu