

## CHAPTER 13

### Family Matters

#### Our Goal.....YOU

The NV-20011 Corps of Cadets is a family. You are now a part of that family. Our family consists of cadets currently enrolled, former cadets that have graduated, parents, and the instructors. As in any family, our focus is to ensure the family's success. Each member of the family wants the other members to be successful in whatever career path they choose. Cadets should support and encourage each other as much as possible to create this atmosphere of success. It's all about RESPECT. Everything done by the Corps has this goal of success as its paramount objective. The instructors are NOT focused on getting you into the military. They will help you as much as they can if a military career is your objective, but remember, the family only wants you to be successful in what *you* want to pursue. The Corps exists for you.



#### Family Rules

Our family rules are our Core Values and the Cadet Code of Conduct. Each member of the family is expected to strive for, and honor, these rules. It's all about TENACITY. If you have questions about these rules, ask a senior cadet or one of the instructors. Remember, we all want *you* to

be successful.

#### Tutoring

With this in mind, the Corps has a tutoring program. If you are having problems in one of your classes, please ask one of the instructors for the list of tutors and get help. No one does it alone in our family. We support each other so don't be afraid to ask for help. The worst thing you can do is to fail because you refused to ask for help. ***No one does it alone.***



We always need cadets to be on the tutor list. If you are strong in a subject, please volunteer to help other cadets by letting one of the instructors know. It's very satisfying to share your expertise and help someone else succeed. It's all about SERVICE.

#### Rumors

Rumors and gossip will tear our family apart. Most people do not like to have other people saying negative things about them, especially if they are not true. It's all about INTEGRITY. Before passing on gossip or rumors, ask someone who knows the truth. For example, if you hear a rumor about the JROTC Program, ask one of the instructors for the facts. If you hear a rumor about another cadet, don't just pass it on, ask that cadet about it. If these things make you

uncomfortable and you really need to know, ask the Corps Rumor Control Officer by submitting your question to the Corps Public Affairs Officer. They will answer your question in the next edition of the Cadet Gazette. Of course, you do not need to put your name on your question. It can be anonymous.

## Cadet Recognition

Our family recognizes successful cadets whenever possible. One of the ways we do this is with the Cadet of the Month and Cadet of the Quarter awards. Cadets are selected for these awards by the instructor staff based on that cadet's contributions to the Corps' success during the award period.



The Commander's Award is given by the Cadet Corps Commander. Selection is based upon recommendations from the Flight Commanders. It is given to the one cadet that best exemplified the Core Values within the Flight for the month.

We also have Flight awards given to the Flight that achieves the most as a group during the month. Special battle streamers recognizing these achievements will be displayed on that Flight's guideon for the next month. Flight awards include:

- **Community Service** - for the Flight with

the highest 'total' and 'participation rate' for that month's community service project.

- **Flight Leadership** - for the Flight whose Flight leadership has shown the most initiative, competence, and leadership for the month.
- **Uniform Wear Excellence** – for the Flight with the least amount of MUDs and uniform demerits.
- **Academic Excellence** – for the Flight with the highest average GPA.
- **Unit of the Month** – for the Flight with the best score measuring attendance, average GPA, fundraisers, uniform wear, etc.

The Flight winning **Unit of the Month** for two consecutive months will earn a Flight pizza/donut party and a 'hoop' for Field Day.

The Flight winning any of the other Flight awards for two consecutive months will earn a Flight candy bar party.

## PRIDE Program

This year we are continuing the **PRIDE** program – *Promoting Responsible Individual Dedication to Excellence*. Under **PRIDE**, cadets may receive immediate promotion to the next higher rank for activities that *exemplify* our Core Values and the Cadet Honor Code. Only the Cadet Corps Commander and the instructor staff may nominate a cadet for promotion under PRIDE. Possible situations where promotion would be likely include: any situation where an AFJROTC Valor Award would be earned, commendation by the PVHS principal or a higher authority, repeated commendations by PVHS staff or community official, etc. The instructor staff will decide if a promotion is warranted.

PRIDE promotions will follow the cadet throughout their AFJROTC career until they achieve 4<sup>th</sup>-Year status.



*“The American people are slow to wrath, but when their wrath is once kindled it burns like a consuming flame.”*

**Theodore Roosevelt**  
December 3, 1901

### ***The Air Force Song***

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,  
Climbing high into the sun;  
Here they come zooming to meet our thunder,  
At’em boys, Give’er the gun! (Give’er the gun now!)  
Down we dive, spouting our flame from under,  
Off with one helluva roar!  
We live in fame or go down in flame. Hey!  
Nothing’ll stop the U.S. Air Force!

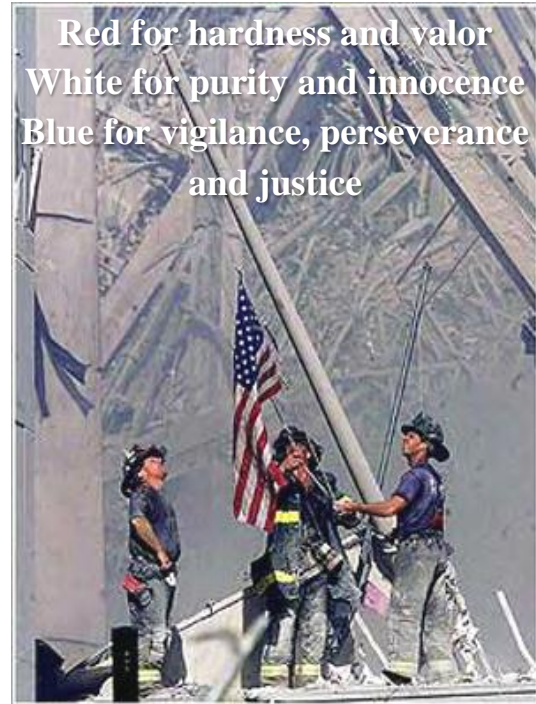
Minds of men fashioned a crate of thunder,  
Sent it high into the blue;  
Hands of men blasted the world asunder;  
How they lived God only knew! (God only knew then!)  
Souls of men dreaming of skies to conquer  
Gave us wings, ever to soar!  
With scouts before and bombers galore. Hey!  
Nothing’ll stop the U.S. Air Force!

Here’s a toast to the host  
Of those who love the vastness of the sky,  
To a friend we send a message of his brother men  
who fly.  
We drink to those who gave their all of old,  
Then down we roar to score the rainbow’s pot of  
gold.  
A toast to the host of men we boast, the U.S. Air  
Force!

Zoom!

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,  
Keep the wings level and true;  
If you’d live to be a grey-haired wonder  
Keep the nose out of the blue! (Out of the blue, boy!)  
Flying men, guarding the Nation’s border,  
We’ll be there, followed by more!  
In echelon we carry on! Hey!  
Nothing’ll stop the U.S. Air Force!

### **Our Flag**



Red for hardness and valor  
White for purity and innocence  
Blue for vigilance, perseverance  
and justice

*“There is the National flag. He must be cold, indeed, who can look upon its folds rippling in the breeze without pride of country. If in a foreign land, the flag is companionship, and country itself, with all its endearments.”*

*Charles Sumner*  
*Are We a Nation? (1867)*

