ARMY ROTC

On Thursday, April 19th the Army R.O.T.C. unit performed the Ranger Swim Test along with other water oriented activities in the pool at the Hazleton Campus Physical Education Building. The test began with members of ROTC jumping into the pool and lining up in formation at the shallow end of the pool. They saluted the Captain and he proceeded to give them instructions for the test. This was followed by a demonstration of the three phases of the Ranger Swim Test.

The demonstration was conducted by approximately eight individuals. The first phase of the test consisted of an individual jumping backwards into the water and swimming fifteen meters without losing his equipment. The second phase consisted of an individual jumping in and shedding his equipment. The third and final phase consisted of a blind folded individual striding off the high-dive. The individual could not lose his rifle and was expected to yell Ranger on the way down. For those who completed this phase of the test an extra point

was added to their grade.

Along with being able to pass the Ranger Swim Test, the ROTC members also had to construct an Australian Survival Raft (poncho raft) as part of the exercise, the members paired off to assemble the raft from rain ponchos as means of transporting their equipment across water.

Each person laid his rifle in the raft and placed a boot at each end of his rifle. Then the raft was wrapped around the equipment to make an airtight seal. The persons then crossed the pool partially supported by the raft.

The Army ROTC tests were administered by Captain Goodwin who teaches the Army courses at the Highacres Campus. He made sure the afternoon's activities ran smoothly and supplied the moral support for the students taking these tests.

Captain Goodwin will be leaving us this year to be relocated at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, we all wish him well and hope he has enjoyed his two years at Hazleton.



Our leader we'll miss you



Why can't I take off my boots I'll sink

Ranger



Leaping over tall buildings. Testing strength and endurance. Building self-confidence.

Walk on walls with Army ROTC.

Capt. Goodwin

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Just put your arm in here



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