



Military Order of the Purple Heart ROTC/JROTC Leadership Award



Roger Newall, National ROTC Officer
Military Order of the Purple Heart
(505) 610 – 153 3
roger_newall@msn.com

Presentation Points for MOPH ROTC/JROTC Award:

1. *Award is for Outstanding Leadership among their cadet peers*
2. *Awarded to Underclassman (Junior or below)*
3. *The only ROTC/JROTC program award with a foundation and history from an Active Military Medal*
4. *Oldest active decoration in US Military*
 - a. *Created by George Washington, 1782 as Badge of Merit,*
 - i. *For “**singularly meritorious action, unusual gallantry and extraordinary fidelity**”*
 - ii. *1st American decoration available to common soldier, 3 known Recipients*
 - b. *Revived in 1932 as Purple Heart – to be awarded to “**members of the armed forces of the U.S who are wounded by an instrument of war in the hands of the enemy and posthumously to the next of kin in the name of those who are killed in action or die of wounds received in action**”*

