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# Reveille

# President's Desk By Bunky Garonzik

# At the Front By LTC Lora Rimmer



Weather seems to be dominating the news lately—tornados up the midsection of the country, flooding, and the hot summer months. Some of our CCAC members arrived in West, Texas, the day after the explosion and provided 800 meals for the victims and the first responders. My son, Gary, helped organize a group from his company and, within hours after the tornado in Moore, Oklahoma, supplied food and water for 10,000 meals.

Bunky Garonzik

The award ceremony for the cadets was, again, a wellorchestrated event by Military Science and the cadets. The CCAC presented \$4500 in Scholarship money as well as the Preston Weatherred Award. This was the highest dollar amount from any of the organizations at the event, and all of us are certainly proud to help these fine young soldiers.

Our Emergency Fund is growing as planned, and the goal is to have that money available so we don't have to go back to

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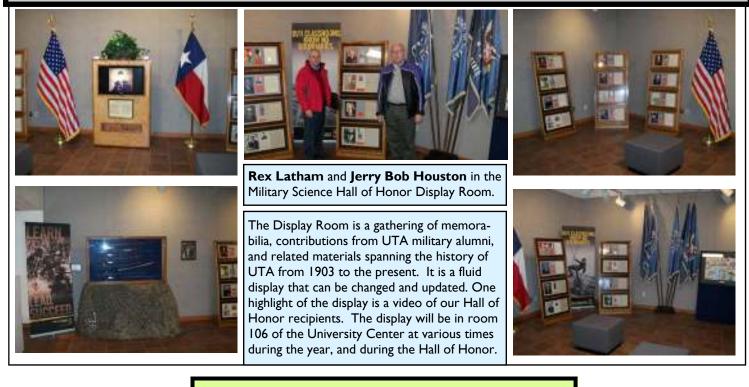
**Greetings from the Forge!!!** Spring semester 2013 is in the record books now, and what a fantastic semester it was!! We commissioned eight outstanding Second Lieutenants in May 2013; six of them will serve on Active Duty and two will serve in the United States Army Reserve. The summer training season is in full swing

LTC Lora Rimmer Professor of Military Science

and our Cadet and Cadre are deployed internationally! Cadet Courtland Alexander deployed to Moldova as part of

Cadet Command's Culture and Language Program. Four Cadets will attend Airborne or Air Assault Training and six Cadets will attend Cadet Troop Leader Training opportunities in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; Fort Richardson, Alaska; Korea; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and Fort Irwin, California. Four incoming Cadets are attending the Leader Training Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and, upon successful completion, will join the Maverick Battalion as MSIII's this fall. Twenty-five MSIII (Continued on page 2)

# Military Science Hall of Honor Display Room in the UTA Student Center



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#### 2013 Spring Commissioning Ceremony

2LT Patrick G. Brehany—from Downingtown, Pennsylvania; branched Military Intelligence Corps. 2LT
Diana Garcia—from Chicago, Illinois; branched Nurse Corps. 2LT Scott Ha—from Carrollton, Texas;
branched Quartermaster Corps. 2LT Jericho N. Hagan—from Goodlettsville, Tennessee; branched Corps of
Engineers. 2LT Michael C. Hamel—from Bartonville, Texas; branched Military Police Corps. 2LT Hayden
R. Hoffman—from Roanoke, Texas; branched Signal Corps. 2LT Wesley C. Lavender—from San Antonio,
Texas; branched Quartermaster Corps. 2LT Courtney A. Morris—from Phoenix, Arizona; branched Military
Intelligence Corps. 2LT Austin A. Ryan—branched Transportation Corps. 2LT Anthony Duc T. Tran—from
Fort Worth, Texas; branched Medical Service Corp. 2LT Alicia Rickenbach—graduated in January.

#### **2013 Spring Scholarship Winners**

The CCAC awarded \$4,500.00 in scholarships in May for the fall 2013 Semester. Each of the students listed below received \$500.00.

Erendida Avellaneda Sang Minor Martha Ramos Nicholas Hergenrother Robert Clemons John David Jackson Felix Woods Oran Carroll Emily Westbrook



The winner of the Preston A. Weatherred award for cadet excellence went to **Hayden R. Hoffman.** 

Homecoming Alert! UTA Homecoming will be the weekend of November 14-16, 2013. This will be year-two for having Homecoming in November. Jerry Bob Houston would like to remind all of you 1963 grads that this is the big Five-Oh! Jerry will be sending around some information in a few weeks about an informal gathering for the class of 1963 (plus friends and friends of friends!) who might be at Homecoming. Email Jerry at jbhouston@comcast.net to get on his list.

Have some photos from past years? Send them in to Sarah by mail or email and we'll put them in the news! Mail to 604 Avenue H East, Arlington, TX 76011; snahhas@decisionanalyst.com.



Next year's Hall of Honor will be on Saturday 08 March 2014. We had some scheduling conflicts in 2013, and the HOH was on a Sunday. This affected some of our perennial attendees like **Lee B Wilson**, **Gene Weidemeyer** and **Mark Stevens**. Put the new date on your calendars. **Jerry Bob** and **Sarah** are already knee-deep in planning, and the event will again be the highlight of our events in 2014.

#### And it is not too late to nominate someone for the Hall Of Honor.

**Rex Latham** designed and sent a banner that will showcase our Hall of Honor Display in the Student Center (pictures of the room on page 1). Plus, something different next year on the raffle: In 2013, Joe Billy Swift won the flag (presented by BG Lester Simpson, flown on a forward operating base in Afghanistan, and signed by 4 general officers—total of 9 stars). In 2014, we have a signed picture of 14 Medal of Honor recipients—to be raffled off at the HOH. **This is a BIG deal!** 

At the Front (Continued from page 1) Cadets are attending the Leader Development and Assessment Course at Fort Lewis, Washington, this summer. As of today, 17 Cadets are on the ground, and at the mid-way point, Cadet Eren Avellaneda has achieved the highest APFT score for UT Arlington, earning 352 points! *Mavericks Lead the Way!!* 

I Am A Maverick,

Hall of Honor

Class of 2013



Cadet Eren Avellaneda at LDAC in Fort Lewis, WA. We will close out SY13/14 on 17 August 2013 by commissioning four more Second Lieutenants who are destined for Active Duty and will begin SY14/15 by welcoming all of our Cadets back onto campus on 19 August. We hope to see you this fall at Homecoming 2013. Safe travels to everyone and have a wonderful summer! *Studium Excellentiae!!* 

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John Henderson (Hendew) John attended ASC from 1960-1964. He was the Executive Officer for the Jodies and was a DMS. He is a charter member of the Sam Houston Rifles Alumni Association and was the first president. Hendew is a Life Member of the CCAC.

Where Are They Now

John worked after college at his father's hardware store and later as a foreman at the General Motors Plant in Arlington. He also spent time as an insurance salesman, in Commercial Real Estate, and worked for many years at Radio Shack as Division and Regional Manager over a broad area of the United States including Alaska and Hawaii. He later worked as Vice President of Color Tile Franchise International.



Hendew was also involved with construction and restoration of Historical Homes in the Arlington-Fort Worth area. He served as a supervisor for the Dallas Grand Prix for a number of years, and has been heavily involved with the Shriners out of Moslah Shrine, Fort Worth, TX. He is currently the Director and Coordinator of the Flying Fez (Shriners' Hospitals for Children patient transportation), and now has also become the Business Manager, where he reports that it is the "most fun I've had since the Jodies."

His wife Sandy worked for decades in the office of the President at UTA. They have two grown sons, Joe and Eric. The Hendersons still live in Arlington. He would like to hear from you. <u>johnh@flash.net</u>

**Scattershooting** I talked to, or had emails from some of our members, so here is a quick update: **Theron** is still crawling under houses and killing rats and snakes in Killeen at 70+ years old. **Lucifer**, at the same age, is running a restaurant in Arkansas and adding cholesterol, with his chicken fried steaks, to an already overweight population. **Winston** still has Border Patrol on Speed Dial, as we continue to lose control of our borders. (Janet thinks posting a sign will solve the problem!) **Rendleman** still wins Best of Class at the various car shows (with his '33 Plymouth that he bought in 1957 for \$65). **Dale Smith** ventures out into civilization from time to time from his bunker



CCAC member Ron Rendleman sent in this picture taken at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual AER charity car show in Addison, Tex on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013. "The proud owner of the Dodge on the right is Allan Garonzik. Both he & I won First Place in our respective classes. His "Rat Rod" is a 1928 Dodge 4-door sedan & my "Street Rod" is a 1933 Plymouth 2-door coupe. In addition, Garonzik won the "Peoples Choice Award" award represented by a trophy as tall as his car. His "Rat Rod" is quite unique, colorful, creative, and complete with stuffed rats and other critters, interesting signs, and memorabilia. To make the vehicle totally road worthy his "Rat Rod" has a 12-pack beer cooler built into the frontal grill shell. The actual radiator is conveniently located under the car complete with fans for somewhat adequate cooling.

in Colorado. **Al Ellis** still shows up at the law office, but spends more time roofing houses for Habitat For Humanity, while Sandy runs up the cell phone bill, and reminds me: "you can't take it with you"...as she orders a \$100 bottle of wine!

Sosa, Pink, Joe Scott, and I showed up at Lester's retirement party. Of the five Jodies, two were still fit to march. They were not Joe, Sosa, or me.

Sandy and **Tommy Thompson** have settled back in Texas

(near Waco) and both play tennis and golf, and fit right into that community with their volunteer work. Tommy works at the hospital changing bed pans. **Boyd** and Cindy can be seen at the finer Italian restaurants

Clockwise from top left:

Bunky, Larry Pink, Tino Sosa,

loe Scott, and Lester Simpson.

and Cindy can be seen at the finer Italian restaurants eating pasta and drinking wine. They weigh 200 pounds! (that's the combined weight—I don't get it either!) **Stan** and Patty play golf, and occasionally Patty will work to support Stan. They have lost the distinction between "Driven" and "Driver."

**Sick Call:** A few of our members have had some medical issues. **David McBee** has been in the hospital a couple of times this last year, and I'm sure everyone wishes him well even though he has become a grumpy old man. **Mark Lamkin** has had some anxious moments, but he is back on the Harley as a fitter and trimmer guy. And **John Rudd** has had some health issues, but his only apparent change is a shift from the Harley to a three wheeler. He and Charlotte plan to ride to Sturgis in August. There has been no change in his penchant to lose his keys or forget his wallet a couple times a day, or run his cell phone through the washing machine on laundry day.

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Martin B. Woodruff

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the membership when emergencies arise. (Our Scholarship Funds

are controlled by UT Austin, and are not accessible for emergencies.) It might be noted for those who helped on the Cadet Loan, that all repayments have been made on schedule, and the cadet is no longer a cadet, but a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. in the Army.

Another group of young lieutenants was commissioned in May, and they now go forward to proudly serve our country. The North Texas Corvette Club donated \$500 to the CCAC



**BG Lester Simpson** accepts a donation from **Doug Light** of the North Texas Corvette Club.

emergency fund, and BG Lester Simpson was there to accept the check and thank the club. This is the second time the NTCC has stepped up for a \$500 donation to our organization. Lester was hon-



ored by the club by being asked to ride in the Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, TX, the following week. 14 Medal of Honor recipients were present. Impressive parade, and the CCAC plans to be involved next year—details later. General Simpson retired from UPS,

but takes a full time

position with the ANG in DC, where

**Bunky Garonzik** and **BG Simpson** in Gainsville, TX for the Medal of Honor Parade.

all indicators are a 2<sup>nd</sup> Star is forthcoming.

UTA got some national ink in the Hot Rod world with the kick off of the Hot Rod Power Tour from the UTA campus on 1 June. Some 2500 cars of all stripes set out for their annual cross-country tour. MGT Bates and his wife Jennifer and "Never-Miss-An-Event" Floyd Wine were seen wondering amongst the crowd.

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UTA got a new president—Dr. Vistasp Karbhari. All of us at Military Science are hoping that he will take the baton from President

ing that he will take the baton from President Spaniolo and run with it. He has some big footsteps to follow. For those of you who haven't visited the UTA campus lately, the transformation is incredible.

The sequester took a temporary effect on some of the high-visibility items affecting the public like flying and road building, but



Dr. Vistasp Karbhari

our troop strength, at least so far, remains intact. In the near future, look for about the same number of officers commissioned, but more will go to Reserve and National Guard and less to active duty. Hoping everyone will have a safe summer, and stay tuned as fall will bring exciting events to UTA. Here are a few things you might want to put on your calendar:

**7 August** @ 1100 hrs, Community Leader & Educator Luncheon in the Carlisle Suite at the UC.

**17 August** @ 0930 hrs, Summer Commissioning in the Rio Grande Auditorium in the UC.

**22 August** @ 1400 hrs, Maverick Battalion Welcome Back Lab and Orientation BBQ in College Hall.

14-16 November is UTA Homecoming weekend.



Medal of Honor recipients in Gainsville, TX, in May of 2013.

**George Barnhart** (Commander, Sam Houston Rifles, 71-72)—George passed away 29 May following a short battle with lung cancer. George may not have seen combat, but he was in a fire fight every day. We all know how much the Jodies shape your life...but this tribute from one of his men in the Benbrook Fire Department explains it best:

Captain George Barnhart of the Benbrook Fire Department was in the first paramedic class in Tarrant County let alone in the nation, back in the 1970's. He would tell us stories of literally "making it up as they went" bouncing down the streets of Ft. Worth, Texas in the back of an ambulance. Captain Barnhart has created and forgotten more about pre-hospital medicine than anyone I've ever met or heard of. His paramedic class had to go to Orange County in California just to do clinical rotations because there weren't any ambulances in north Texas yet. To this day I quote Captain Barnhart at least half a dozen times in every single class I teach. He made sure you that you knew your stuff as an EMT or Paramedic. It wasn't unlike him to pull up to the patient's house, put it in park and sit there and wait for you to tell him which hospital you wanted to go to. That was his way of breaking-in rookie EMT/Paramedics. You for darn sure didn't sit at his dinner table at the fire house with your hat on. - Caleb Causey



Mark Stevens, Mike Parker, George Barnhart, and Jerry Bob Houston