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President's Desk By Rex Latham

At the Front By LTC James Doty, III



Rex Latham

The annual Military Science Hall of Honor is 25 March and we have three excellent inductees. Floyd Wine; Col. Ken Smith, Ret., and LTC Andy Cano, Ret. I urge all members to attend this event to demonstrate their support to the ROTC program and recognize these three individuals and their contributions to our country and the community.

ROTC, in all its aspects (to include its teams such as the Carlisle Cannons, the Jodies, I am a

Maverick, etc.), forms the basis for our shared comradeship. whether one took only two semesters or was commissioned from the program. Our ages span decades, but we are joined as comrades through the Corps of Cadets.

Speaking of bonds, a lot of us are on Facebook. Our Facebook page is: UT-Arlington ROTC Alumni, so "like" our Facebook page, share its posts, and through it you may find some long-lost friends and make some new comrades. The CAC remains a staunch supporter of the ROTC program, as well as a vehicle for alumni bonds and communication.

We can be proud of ROTC's contribution to our country's defense, and we should also appreciate the leadership, discipline, and other lessons gained from the program. One way to show appreciation and "give back," as discussed elsewhere in the Reveille, is to join the CCAC and sustain its support to the ROTC program. Remember, 100% of all Life Membership and Scholarship Fund donations (tax deductible) go to support the ROTC program. Rex



LTC James Doty, III Professor of Military Science

Greetings friends and alumni! The 114th Maverick Battalion's fall semester campaign was a successful one. The Mavericks completed a field training exercise just before the start of October, which included land navigation, company level attack and defend missions in urban and rural terrain, an unmanned

aerial vehicle for reconnaissance and surveillance, and a commander's cup competition. The training was memorable and motivational. In October, the MS4s con-

ducted a staff ride to the famous Texan battle site of San Jacinto to learn about mission command and the state's heritage. Also in October, the Mavericks sent two teams to compete in the annual, regional Ranger Challenge competition. One of the teams placed third. Great job Mavericks! At the fall semester Scholarship Board, fifteen cadets answered the challenge to compete. Everyone prepared and, in the end, everyone earned some form of scholarship. Between the CCAC and Presidential Scholarship funds, nearly \$22,000 were awarded in total to Cadets Fierro, Landrum, Kinney, Brasch, Lamb, Rhodes, Brady, Francis, Yu, LeBlanc, Hall, Mason, Neptune, Rushing, and Dorais. Special mention goes to Cadets Dorais and Rushing, whose performances earned them a tied score in the verbal portion of the Board. After an excellent commemoration for Veterans Day, in which the Mavericks conducted reveille and provided an armed guard for the memorial wreath, the cadets finished the year commis-

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Six Degrees of Separation

By Bunky Garonzik



Bunky Garonzik

Lots of news to report this time. Not sure how it all relates to the CCAC or even the military, but surely there is some sort of connection. Selections for the 2017 Hall of Honor have been made and the luncheon is 25 March...more on that in this *Reveille*. Noticed a few more of the old guys have been showing up at the HOH lately. We had Bobby Jack Poe, Billy Bob Pinkerton, and Bill Riggs make the trip, as well as a few others. Even ran into Larry Henry around Christmas time, and have been in touch with Lucifer, Winston Wolverton, and Bill Phillips. Hope these guys can make an appearance, and always happy to see Lee B. Wilson, and he reminds us that we

probably should meet again before "sunset." In other news, for the first time in history a minority has been replaced in "Public Housing" with a billionaire in Washington, D.C. Lots of folks were surprised at the selection of the new commander in chief—except, of course,

the Russians who knew it all along. And pretty sure there will be some other surprises over the next four years. "Christmas" is back in the vocabulary, and hopefully we will soon be able to know which restroom to use. And the media will have plenty of ammunition for the foreseeable future.

Mixed feelings on the Hatchet Job the Congress will do on Obamacare, but being a simple person, I submit a simple solution: Fact is, 20 million folks are enrolled in the program, but the program will cost \$1.2 trillion over the next 10 years—before the cost overruns and the bureaucratic entanglements. In 2016 the taxpayers paid out \$660 billion for covering the 20, million people who were enrolled. That works out to \$33,000 per person enrolled. Not claims—just everyone enrolled. If 25% of those enrolled made a claim,

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Three Inductees for the 2017 Military Science Hall of Honor

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Andv Cano graduated from UTA in 1980. While a cadet he completed the U.S. Army Ranger School and commanded the Insurgent Team. He served in all three U.S. Army components; the Texas Army National Guard, the Regular Army, and the Army Reserve. He commanded Headquarters and Headquarters Troop 2nd Squadron, 4th Calvary Regiment during the Desert Shield/Storm Campaign in Iraq. He retired in 2002 and began a second career as a Senior Army Instructor for the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at James Madison High School in San Antonio. Andy returned to active duty with the 4th Infantry mechanized division in Baghdad, Iraq, in 2006. In 2007 LTC Cano retired again from the Army and returned to his instructor duties. He retired from teaching in 2013, and now resides in San Antonio, TX with his wife Melinda.

Colonel (Ret) Ken Smith graduated from UTA in 1976 and entered the Army. He completed Airborne School and was a member of the Sam Houston Rifles. In 1989 he transitioned to the U.S. Reserves serving with the 75th Maneuver Area Command. He commanded the 2nd Battalion 381st Regiment in Dallas. In 2002 he began work at the Army War College, and in 2005 went on Active Duty at the War College as the Director of Strategic Leadership Education Program. He mobilized in direct support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He developed a strategic outreach program linking executives, senior strategic leadership, academia, and faculty with strategic leadership topics, communications, and programs. He is also a graduate of the Army War College. He retired in 2006 and began a second career. Ken resides in Fort Worth, TX, and is VP of Finances for the CCAC.

Flovd Wine was a member of the Sam Houston Rifles for two years and then graduated from UTA in 1983 with a degree in business. He went to work for Bell Helicopter in the Arlington area. In 1969 he started as an Engineer Draftsman and worked his way up through lead draftsman, engineer estimator, engineering instructor for nonengineers, and CAD-CAM instructor for engineers. In 2004 he was named Integrated Product Team (IPT) Lead for Propulsion Design for the new Army Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter. Floyd has been the eyes and ears for the Cadet Corps Alumni Council for the past six years, attending every function conducted by the Military Science Department. He is a member of the CCAC Executive Board. Of particular note are his untiring efforts to work with the current Sam Houston Rifles. Floyd lives in Arlington, TX, with his wife Janet.

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2017 Hall of Honor

by Jerry Bob Houston, VP Hall of Honor

Mark your calendars! The annual Military Science Department Hall of Honor is scheduled for March 25, 2017, starting with a reception at 10:30 and lunch and ceremony at 11:00 in the University Center on campus. The UTA Military Science Hall of Honor was established in 1980 to recognize the many outstanding achievements of those who participated in Army ROTC and were members of the Corps of Cadets, or who made significant contributions to the Corps of Cadets by their service. The Hall has more than one hundred members and stands as a living tribute to those former cadets. As the cadets of the future continue the proud tradition of the Corps of Cadets, they have a visual reminder of the significance their training can have on their future careers, and of the high standards of achievement that are set for them.

Purchase your seat now for the Hall of Honor luncheon. Go to www.CadetCorps.org and pay with PayPal, or print the 2017 Event Form and mail it with your check to the CCAC. Call Sarah at 817-640-6166 for information.

MG Daniel Hughes honored at the 2016 Distinguished Alumni Gala

Each year a select number of alumni are recognized by UTA at the **Distinguished Alumni Awards Gala**. The banquet was held on November 10, 2016. This year **Major General Daniel P. Hughes**, a former UTA cadet was one of six alumni recognized. Six members of the CCAC board, several members of the Military Science Depart-

ment cadre, and more than two dozen current cadets attended the Gala to honor MG Hughes for his accomplishments.

MG Daniel P. Hughes commissioned in 1983 as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army's Field Artillery, and then earned his Master of Science degree from the Eisenhower School for National Security and Recourse Strategy at the National Defense University. Hughes served in multiple company grade artillery positions and transitioned into the Army Acquisition Corps after Operation Desert Storm. He currently serves as a director at the Missile Defense Agency. In this role, he is responsible for planning, programming, budgeting, staffing, and managing a comprehensive Ballistic Missile Defense System test program. Hughes has also served as deputy commander general for support in Kabul, Afghanistan.



MG Daniel Hughes met up with classmate and CCAC Life Member John Yim, at the Gala.

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Confessions of a Procrastinator—Part Two

by John "Hendew" Henderson

What ever happened to Old What's His Name?

All of us made super-strong friendships while cadets at Arlington. Some of those friendships are still going strong on a yearly, even daily, basis.

But how about the one we lost touch with? How many times do we think about trying to contact that person only to forget to take action? Next thing we know, we have moved on and never actually accomplished our desire.

Sit back and think about that friend in the Corps of Cadets, that one you haven't seen or talked to for a while.

Remember some of the special events, activities, and situations you shared. Some you may want to keep just between you and that cadet. Humorous, scary, tactical etc.

As a member of CCAC, you have the advantage of a ready source of help finding this special person. Send us the name and as much information as you recall (name, date[s], last known location, Cadet Corps unit/position, other mutual friends of that time, etc.) and let us search our available data. Even if he/she is not a current member of CCAC, we might be able to help.

When you talk to him/her, be sure to advise them how you were able to reunite by using your membership in CCAC. Possibly they have not heard about CCAC and would like more information about our activities and the Gold Bar Scholarship Program, Hall of Honor, Homecoming activities, Cadet Corps involvement, Medal Of Honor Parade, Sam Houston Rifles resurrection, Cadet Corps information, current status and activities, quality and number of new Second Lieutenants being commissioned, Outstanding Cadet Command and Military Science Cadre, etc.

We have so much to be proud of in our history, but we also have much to be proud of in our present activities!

Remember, "I am a Maverick, Follow me."

John Henderson, CCAC, Member-

Membership

by Diane Colvard, VP Membership

It's hard to believe how fast time speeds up as we grow older. Since our last newsletter, we had one member change their status to a Life membership! I'm counting on all of us to continue to get the word out to our eligible alumni. Now is the perfect time to reach for the phone or to email them to join us in March for the Hall of Honor Ceremony. If you are an alumnus interested in learning more about the goals of the Cadet Corps Alumni Council, qualifications for membership, or the types of membership available, go to our website at http://www.cadetcorps.org/aboutus.htm#contact.

The CCAC Board Members, like myself, are interested in hearing from you and invite you to actively participate. We each have something to offer in support of the UTA ROTC Department. Come join us and find your niche in our support of the Cadre, Staff, and Cadets!

My challenge still stands to all active members to reach out to those you know in and around your year group and invite them to join CCAC. We are adding to our database names of those who qualify to be members. If you are interested in reaching out to those in your year group, please contact me.

I can be contacted via email: dianecolvard; Twitter: @dcolvard; Google Talk: dianecolvard; Skype: Diane Colvard

Do You Know...

In our daily lives, we are always being asked to recommend a restaurant, a movie, a vacation spot, or how to spell a word. Sometimes we are asked if we know someone that can... fix a car, mow a yard, or if we know where we can purchase a special item. We all possess information that may be unknown to someone else.

If a small group gets together, think of all the information that could be exchanged if only the right questions are asked. The CCAC Development team has two questions and we need your help.

If you are still working, does your employer have a gift-matching program? Do you know any companies that are military-friendly or that contribute to higher learning organizations?

Why are we seeking this information? The CCAC is looking for ways to provide additional support to UTA Military Science cadets. We provide scholarships, assistance to cadets in time of need, and funding campaigns that benefit our cadets. By increasing our funds, we will be able to provide more of these services to the MS cadets.

If you have any contacts that may be able to provide the information that we are seeking or that can answer our questions, please send the information to Fred Campos at fred@fredcampos.com or John Henderson at johnh@flash.net.

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that would mean \$132,000 on average per claim. So, it would seem elementary to connect the dots that show the level of waste and inefficiency in the program. I just knew there was a way to tie all this together with the military. This column is not intended as a political commentary, and our members, like the country, are sharply divided by our political stripes. So, I try not to offend the 2% of our members who ride the donkey to the polls.

Meanwhile, back at the old Grubbs Vocational, LTC Doty commissioned six new 2LTs. The CCAC was well represented at the ceremony with about 10 of our members—including guest speaker MG (Ret) Will Latham. As always, his words were fitting, encouraging, and poignant.

Be sure to mark 8 April on your calendar. That's the Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, TX. UTA will again be represented by the Jodies and Color Guard as well as members of the Jody Alumni. We have about 15 of the old guys signed up, but any of the Old Jodies are welcome to march. Pretty simple parade with a couple of movements ingrained in the DNA that will immediately come back to you. However, you may notice that the 0-3 has gotten a bit heavier over the years. Practice consists of a couple of minutes in the parking lot before we step off. Over the last three years, we have become one of the crowd favorites, with LTC Mark Latham leading the group with his bagpipes. And again this year, Sandra and I will toss a few burgers on the grill after the parade, the guys will drink more beer than they should, and the girls will stomp some grapes. Perfect day—help honor America's finest, have some fun, rekindle past glory, and party down. Love to have you join. All even promises to pass on his roofing commitment to Habitat and join the fun. Bunky

Six new 2LTs commissioned in December 2016 are: **Seth-Austin Gentry**, originally from Ft. Carson, CO; **Veronica Green**, from Plano, TX; **Matthew J. Ostergaard, II**, from Dallas, TX; **Swami M. Bosmans**, from Democratic Republic of Congo; **Brandon W. Hawthorn**, from Mesquite, TX; and **Edward L. Wong**, from Plano, TX. **Elvis Tinajero** from Zacatecas, Mexico will commission in Feb. 2017.

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sioning six cadets into the officer corps. MG (Ret.) Latham provided inspiring remarks, and CCAC members congratulated the new lieutenants. Mavericks Lead the Way!!

This winter we received a new cadre member, **Captain Monica Baker**, branched Adjutant General, and she is very excited to teach and mentor cadets. **Welcome Aboard!**

Normally we would continue with spring semester activities, but I would like to highlight that SFC Carman, our MS2 instructor, taught a new course he designed (MILS 3333, Small Unit Tactics) to an intrepid group of cadet volunteers over the Wintermester. They braved the unusually cold Texas weather to learn additional skills required for leading an infantry platoon in combat. They will be better prepared for cadet summer training and their future roles as lieutenants. With that class now under our belt, it seems like there was no pause in the efforts of our Mavericks, but Thursday 19 January will formally kick off the spring semester with our Welcome Lab. The cadets are looking forward to the Hall of Honor ceremony in March. The Sam Houston Rifles plan on attending the Gainesville Medal of Honor Parade in April. The entire battalion will conduct field training in April and close out our semester with an award ceremony and Dining Out. 13 May should see another great group of commissionees for the Army. This summer will also be filled with excitement, as our cadets attend the totally renamed Basic Camp and Advanced Camp. MG Christopher Hughes, the USACC CG, has returned some historical events back to Advanced Camp, including the Recondo competition and a 12-mile foot march. Wish them luck! We are excited to see you in person on 25 March! *Studium Excellentiae!!* LTC Jim Doty

Mayerick Battalion Historical Artifacts—Part Two

by Mark Latham, Historian

The UTA Library Special Collection recently hired a VA student to work on the University of Texas at Arlington Military Science Department Records. You may recall our report last semester that our Department of Military Science transferred a number of historical artifacts, including a lot of pictures, to the Library for integration into the Special Collection. The Library then began the process of hiring a student to work exclusively on scanning the pictures. The hiring process required VA approval and several weeks to interview and select the student for the position. The student's term of employment begins with the start of the Spring semester, which is January 17. To see what the Special Collections are about or to submit comments and questions, contact: http://library.uta.edu/special-collections/collections.

Alumni News

Jimmy Culpepper, aged 61, passed away on January 7, 2017, at his home in Scurry, Texas. Jimmy joined the Army after high school, returned to school in the 1980s and graduated as a 2LT. He re-

tired as a Captain from Fort Benning, GA.

Membership VP Diane Colvard is delighted to report that after completing Logistics Branch training, 2nd LT Jazmin Guevara has now assumed her duties in Korea and 2nd Lt Paul Jordan Wilkerson has arrived in Alaska where fellow Maverick Battalion alumnus 1st LT Christopher Rainsberger has been assigned for some time. Second Lieutenant Matthew Hoffman finished his Air Defense Artillery training and is now at Fort Hood, surrounded by other UTA ROTC alumni in the Central Texas area. We welcome information from you on your current status to publish in the Reveille or the UT-Arlington ROTC alumni Facebook page. Send information to snahhas@decisionanalyst.com and/or dianecolvard@gmail.com.