



ROTC ALUMNI

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NOTES FOR ALUMNI

Our 15th annual banquet will be held on Friday, 22 October at the Library (new location). Call in your reservation to the ROTC Department at (256) 782-8290 or e-mail to chartsaw@jsu.edu, no later than Friday, 15 October. Our Military Alumnus of the Year, Lieutenant Colonel Guy Buice, will be our speaker.

The Chapter's ROTC Scholarship Endowment needs \$25,000 by 2012 to establish a base endowment. Presently at about \$12,000, we are short of that goal. Consider making a donation to the ROTC Scholarship Endowment, or to the ROTC Alumni Chapter, c/o the JSU Foundation JSU, 700 Pelham Road N., Jacksonville, AL 36265. Be sure to annotate "ROTC Scholarship Endowment" or "ROTC Alumni Chapter" on your check.

Speakers, supporters, and donors are always needed for the events and ceremonies of the Gamecock Battalion. See the ROTC Event Calendar in this issue. Contact the PMS and volunteer or sponsor in any capacity. Donate military history books and materials to the Department's Military Library.

Search for "Jacksonville State University ROTC Alumni" on Facebook and join us there.

View our website at <http://www.jsu.edu/rotc/rotcalumni/>. Previous newsletters are posted online and the list of chapter officers and directors can be found on the website.



2010 MILITARY ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR



LTC Guy H. Buice,
'92

LTC Guy Buice graduated from JSU with a Bachelor of Arts in history in 1992 and was commissioned as a Military Intelligence officer through the JSU ROTC program. He also earned a Master of Arts in International Relations from the University of Oklahoma. After eighteen years on active duty, LTC Buice has served more than ten years either deployed in the Global War on Terrorism or assigned to overseas postings. He has served tours in both Iraq and Afghanistan and is currently assigned to NATO's Military Headquarters in Mons, Belgium where he serves as the Executive Officer for Defense Planning, Command and Control Requirements Branch.



Commander,
Anniston Army Depot
COL Timothy M.
Sullivan, '88

Congratulations to one of our chapter directors, COL Tim Sullivan, '88, who assumed command of the Anniston Army Depot on 21 August 2010. Tim and his brother Mark were selected as Military Alumni of the Year in 2006. The Depot is part of the U.S. Army TACOM Life Cycle Management Command and faces the challenge of refurbishing M-1 tanks, Strykers, artillery, and small arms from worldwide locations.

PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE UPDATE

We commissioned twelve highly qualified lieutenants into the United States Army this year. I could not be more proud of this battalion. JSU ROTC has continued to uphold its high standards and exceptional performance. Maintaining its excellence, JSU ROTC's cadet rankings are once again above Cadet Command's average. We currently have ninety cadets enrolled in the program – our highest number in five years. This is a direct reflection of our twenty percent overall increase in recruiting and retention of quality prospects for ROTC over last year. Of the ninety cadets enrolled approximately twenty-three are/will be contracted by the end of the Fall Semester. Of course, recruiting is ongoing and we have several recruits returning from Basic and AIT who will be joining us for the spring semester.

The number of cadets we send to training and specialty schools is ever increasing. This past summer, we sent eleven cadets to LDAC (Leader Development and Assessment Course) at Fort Lewis, Washington, where two of our cadets achieved an 'E' (Excellent) evaluation. We also sent two cadets to LTC (Leader's Training Course) at Fort Knox, KY where they received a crash course to prepare them for life as an Army officer. For specialty schools, we sent three cadets (CDT's Duckworth, Dean, and Brightwell) to the US Army Basic Airborne Course. These slots are highly competitive to obtain and we commend these cadets for completing the rigorous training selection program to acquire them.

We are seeing positive results from our Cadet Study Hall Program since academic migration has ceased. This Program was implemented by our 2008-2009 MS-IVs. It was developed for cadets to increase their GPAs and further overall academic success, especially for their accessions packets. It has been a success!

Over the last year, our Battalion Military Library has grown by leaps and bounds due to alumni donations of military history books and materials. It enables cadets to access volumes of military history reference material. Thank you for contributing to the JSU legacy.

All five of our JROTC programs, (Anniston High School, Talladega High School, Etowah High School, Gadsden City High School, and Albertville High School) participated in last year's First Annual JROTC Drill/Rifle meet hosted by the JSU ROTC Department. We will be hosting two JROTC meets this year.

We have expanded our cadre to include three new faces: CPT Billi Jo Blaschke as our MS I Instructor, SSG Mackey Outlaw as MS II Instructor, and SFC Ricky Jenkins as our Recruiting Operations NCO.

Looking to the new year, I am proud to introduce to you our new Cadet Commander, CDT LTC Jeremiah Bradford. 2LT Bobby Hill will relinquish command of the Gamecock Battalion to CDT Jeremiah Bradford during the Change of Command Ceremony, which will take place on 2 September 2010 on the lawn of Bibb Graves.

I want to thank all of the alumni of this program for your dedication and support of this battalion. Without you, we would not have the foundation that we do, nor the high standards to maintain. Our cadets are more than grateful for your generous contributions to the Alumni and Memorial Scholarships. To show our appreciation and keep you involved in the program, we welcome each and every one of you to our upcoming events.

LTC Richard E. White
Gamecock 6



CADETS COMMISSIONED AS 2ND LIEUTENANTS SCHOOL YEAR 2009-2010

Congratulations to those new alumni listed below who were commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants during School Year 2009-2010. A total of 1446 Cadets have been commissioned since the ROTC program began in 1948.

Commissioned on 18 December 2009:

Alejandro Loera, Quartermaster Corps, Active Duty
Mike Schreckenbach, Aviation, Active Duty

Commissioned on 30 April 2010:

Bobby Hill, Infantry, Active Duty
Teela Jeffries, Chemical Corps, Active Duty
Jesse Payne, Quartermaster Corps, Active Duty
Christopher Persons, Infantry, Active Duty
David Stanton, Adjutant General's Corps, National Guard

Commissioned on 6 August 2010:

Lindsey Brown, Medical Service Corps, Active Duty
Jonathan Holland, Military Police Corps, Active Duty
Zachary Patterson, Medical Service Corps, Active Duty
Danny Rumley, Air Defense Artillery, Active Duty
Tony Vickery, Military Intelligence, Active Duty

ROTC ALUMNI CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

The Jacksonville State ROTC Alumni Chapter is working hard to support ROTC cadets that need financial assistance now and into the future. To all those that have given and have pledged to give in the future, the chapter is indebted to you for your generosity and support of the ROTC Alumni Chapter Scholarship Programs.

The Annual Scholarship program consists of annual scholarships and now includes individually endowed, and named, scholarships. In 2008, the Chapter established an ROTC Scholarship Endowment account with the JSU Foundation. The Endowment presently has approximately \$12,000 of the \$100,000 goal. We are working to build this endowment to provide perpetual scholarships to deserving cadets. The Endowment is monitored by the ROTC Alumni Chapter and complies with JSU Foundation requirements. Your generous support of this endowment fund is greatly appreciated and needed.

The Annual Scholarship program has continued to grow as we complete the eighth year. At the Awards Ceremony on November 18, 2010, there will be at least twenty-one scholarships presented to deserving cadets. For the second year in a row, there are more available scholarships (25) than qualified recipients. As a result, the PMS will convene a Supplemental Scholarship Selection Board after Summer Camp to determine/select additional qualified cadets. Since the beginning of this program, the cumulative value of scholarships with matching funds from the JSU Alumni Association is \$114,000. Worth noting this year is that Mr. and Mrs. John H. Heathcock (ROTC Class 1965) have established two endowment scholarships which are perpetual. One is in memory of his brother, COL (Ret.) James (Jim) Heathcock (ROTC Class 1952) and one for his classmate, CPT Richard (Charlie) Miller (ROTC Class 1965) who was killed in Vietnam in 1969.

CURRENT ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND SPONSORS ARE:

Annual Scholarship Name

Dewey E. Tate ROTC Scholarship (five each)
Major Dwayne Williams Memorials (three each)
Loy Scott Lee Memorial Scholarship
Jerry W. McNabb Memorial Scholarship
Joseph C. Jones, Jr., Memorial Scholarship
Jerry Savage Memorial Scholarship
CPT Donnie Belser Memorial Scholarship
Grady E. McBride, III Memorial Scholarship
Major James Rogan Memorial Scholarship
James & Ethel Boozer ROTC Scholarship
Elite Letterman's Club ROTC Scholarship
Military Officers Association of America ROTC
Fort McClellan Credit Union ROTC Scholarship
Anniston Elks Lodge #189 ROTC Scholarship
Captin Kyle Comfort Memorial Scholarship
Captin Richard C. Miller Memorial Scholarship
Captin Richard C. Miller Memorial Scholarship
Captin Richard C. Miller Memorial (endowed)
Colonel James T. Heathcock Memorial (endowed)

Sponsor Name

Dewey E. Tate (Class 1962)
Mrs. Pearl Williams (Mother)
MG & Mrs. Larry Lee (Father & Mother)(Class1957)
Mrs. Jerry McNabb & ROTC Class 1959
Joseph C. Jones, Sr. (Class 1952)
Johnny M. Savage (Brother)
Mrs. Donnie Belser & ROTC Class 2001
ROTC Classes 1967-1969
Robert Rogan (Brother) & ROTC Class 1957
James & Ethel Boozer (Class 1958)
ROTC Classes 1979-1983
ROTC MOAA at McClellan, AL
Fort McClellan Credit Union
Anniston Elks Lodge #189
Mrs. Kyle Comfort and ROTC Class 2005
Dr. & Mrs. James E. Hanks (Class 1965)
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Welch (Class 1965)
Mr. John H. Heathcock (Class 1965)
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2010-2011 JSU ROTC EVENT CALENDAR

Oct 8-10	MSI/MSII/MSIII FTX
Oct 14-17	Ranger Challenge
Oct 20	Mid-Term
Oct 22	Alumni Dinner
Oct 23	Homecoming / Family Day
Oct 29-31	Talladega Race
Nov 6	JROTC Competition
Nov 13	Preview Day / Football Game
Nov 18	Fall Awards Ceremony
Nov 24-28	Thanksgiving
Dec 3	Last Day of Class
Dec 6-10	Final Exams
Dec 17	Commissioning Ceremony / Graduation
Jan 6	Classes Begin
Feb 18	Military Ball
Mar 14-18	Spring Break
Mar 23-27	Spring FTX, Ft. Benning
Apr 14	Spring Awards Ceremony
Apr 15	Last Day of Class
Apr 18-22	Final Exams
Apr 29	Commissioning Ceremony / Graduation

HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES 2010

Friday, 22 October 2010

ROTC Alumni Chapter Homecoming Banquet—11th Floor,
Library—for ROTC alumni, spouses, and guests

1800-1830	Social
1830-2100	Remarks by JSU President Welcome, Introductions, Recognitions, Dinner Guest Speaker: LT Colonel Guy Buice (2010 Military Alumnus of the Year) Endowment Scholarship Update Business Meeting (Elections)

Saturday, 23 October 2010

0900	Alumni House & Rowe Hall Open
0930-1030	President's Open House
1100	Homecoming Parade
1200-1300	Alumni Assoc. Board of Governors Mtg.
1200-1430	Food and Entertainment – Stadium Area
1500	Kickoff
Halftime	Alumni of Year Awards & Homecoming Court

Reservations for banquet: (256) 782-8290 or
e-mail: ehartsaw@jsu.edu

NLT 15 October

Cost: \$25.00 per person; Dress: Casual (no tie)

Questions: Contact Chapter President COL (Ret.) Mark
Pentecost (pentecostm@AllLandTrust.org)

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