



# ROTC ALUMNI

## Chapter Newsletter

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### President's Remarks



Our 17th annual banquet will be held on Friday, 26 October at the Library. It is on the 11th floor. Call in your reservation to the ROTC Department at (256) 782-8290 or e-mail to [ehart-saw@jsu.edu](mailto:ehart-saw@jsu.edu), no later than Friday, 17 October.

Our Military Alumnus of the Year, Brigadier General Kenneth C. Roberts '80, will be our speaker. BG Roberts' bio is the next article!

We all regret the unexpected departure of LTC Gary Morea as PMS of JSU in late May 2012.. Duty calls and we all wish him well in his new duty assignment.

We have a new Professor of Military Science that arrived on 27 August. LTC Sean M. Corey comes to us from Leavenworth. His Bio arrived in time for print and you can read it on page two.

The Chapter's ROTC Scholarship Endowment continues to grow, but the rate of growth is much slower than was anticipated. Please remember this worthy cause that will be used in the out years to help provide scholarships to deserving cadets. 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.

If you would like to work on the Alumni Chapter Board, we always need new ideas and different approaches to support the chapter's mission. We would really like to see alumni working in the chapter that graduated in the 1990's and 2000's. It is time to give back to JSU's ROTC program. We use e-mail and the phone to coordinate with the board members. You do not have to live in Jacksonville to serve.

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.

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### 2012 MILITARY ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

#### Brigadier General Kenneth C. Roberts



Brigadier General Roberts was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Armor in April 1980 at JSU. Over the past thirty-two years, he has commanded at the Company and Battalion level and served in several key staff positions. Past assignments include Special Assistant to the Director, Army National Guard (Mar-Dec 10); As-

istant Chief of Staff, United States Forces Command (Jun 09-Feb 10); United States Assistant Chief of Staff, National Guard Affairs, United States Third Army/Army Central Command (Jun 09-Feb 10); Deputy Chief of Staff, National Guard Affairs, Joint Readiness Training Center and Fort Polk (Jun 06-May 07); Executive Officer of the 48th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, Georgia National Guard, during deployment to Iraq; Armor Battalion command; and, United States Forces Command Plans and Mobilization Officer (Sep 01-Jul 03).

In addition to a Bachelor of Science from JSU, he holds a Master's in National Security and Strategic Studies from National Defense University. He is also a grad of U.S.Army Command and General Staff College and the National War College.

BG Roberts has received numerous military awards to include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star(1 oak leaf), Meritorious Service Medal( 4 bronze oak leaves), Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge and Army Staff Identification Badge.



## New Professor of Military Science Lieutenant Colonel Sean M. Corey



Lieutenant Colonel Sean M. Corey comes to JSU by way of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. While at CGS, LTC Corey was an Instructor and course writer in the Logistics and Resources Department and Distance Education.

LTC Corey started his military career as an enlisted man, taking his basic training as a combat engineer. Completing his enlisted commitment, he returned to school at Ball State University and graduated with a BS degree in Corporate Finance and Banking Institution.

He was commissioned as a 2LT 14 July 1994. Detailed to Air Defense, he completed AD Officers Basic and served his first assignment in Ansbach, Germany and Riyadh, Saudia Arabia.

Serving one more assignment as an Air Defender in Tazsar,

Hungary, LTC Corey then became a Platoon Leader in a Heavy Equipment Transport Battalion.

He has served in numerous positions in the transportation field from Platoon Leader through battalion S-3, S-4 to command of a company and battalion in Tazsar, Hungary. Again, in Saudia Arabia in 2002, he was the Intratheater Airlift Officer at the Joint Movement Center.

Returning to CONUS in 2003, he attended Army Recruiting School and assumed command of Baltimore Recruiting Battalion. From 2005 through 2010, he performed as a logistical staff officer (G-4) at brigade and division level in Germany, Korea and Iraq.

His awards include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation (3 Oak Leaf), and numerous other medals. He is also the recipient of the Parachutist Badge and the Basic Recruiter Badge. LTC Corey has completed courses from the Logistic Advance Course, Command and General Staff College, Army Forces Management School and a MBA from Webster University.

### CURRENT ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND SPONSORS ARE:

#### Annual Scholarship Name

Dewey E. Tate ROTC Scholarship (five each)  
Major Dwayne Williams Memorials (two each)  
Loy Scott Lee Memorial Scholarship  
CPT Jerry W. McNabb Memorial Scholarship  
LTC Jerry Savage Memorial Scholarship  
  
CPT Donnie Belser Memorial Scholarship  
1LT Grady E. McBride, III Memorial Scholarship  
James & Ethel Boozer ROTC Scholarship  
Elite Letterman's Club ROTC Scholarship  
Military Officers Assoc. of America ROTC Scholarship  
Fort McClellan Credit Union ROTC Scholarship  
Anniston Elks Lodge #189 ROTC Scholarship  
CPT Kyle Comfort Memorial Scholarship  
CPT Richard C. Miller Memorial Scholarship  
CPT Richard C. Miller Memorial Scholarship  
CPT Richard C. Miller Memorial (endowed)  
Colonel James T. Heathcock Memorial (endowed)

#### Sponsor Name

Dewey E. Tate (Class of 1962)  
Mrs. Pearl Williams (Mother)  
MG (Ret.) & Mrs. Larry Lee (Father & Mother)(Class of 1957)  
Mrs. Jerry McNabb & ROTC Class of 1959  
Jim Savage (Class of 1970) and  
LTC (Ret.) Johnny Savage (Class of 1973) (Brothers)  
Mrs. Donnie Belser & ROTC Class of 2001  
ROTC Classes of 1967-1969  
James & Ethel Boozer (Class of 1958)  
ROTC Classes of 1979-1983  
MOAA at McClellan, AL  
Fort McClellan Credit Union  
Anniston Elks Lodge #189  
Mrs. Kyle Comfort and ROTC Class of 2005  
Dr. & Mrs. James E. Hanks (Class of 1965)  
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Welch (Class of 1965)  
Mr. John H. Heathcock (Class of 1965)  
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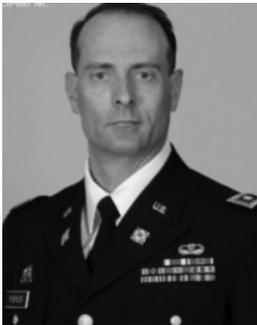
## Alumni Tidbits

LTC William M. Koehler '89, received the LT Grady E. McBride ROTC scholarship, and was commissioned in Armor Branch. LTC Koehler has had a wide range of duty assignments from platoon leader, company command, brigade staff and general office staff time. His last duty assignment was Ft. Benning. The family's son Brad is also a graduate of JSU. LTC Koehler is the son of Col.(Ret) William F. Koehler, former PMS at JSU.

Jim Epik, commissioned '87, has released his second novel entitled *12th and D*. Once again, he opens the dialogue with the American people on the state of security in our country ten years after 9-11. Jim's first novel, *Phantom Controller*, was inspired by an investigation he conducted as a Special Agent for the Federal Aviation Administration that resulted in the arrest of an individual for issuing false air traffic control commands to passenger aircraft. Both novels are available on Amazon.

LTC Richard E. White, former grad and PMS at JSU, has returned from Afghanistan and is now assigned to Ft. Benning to the Project Managers Program overseeing the New Equipment Training for the newest models of the Bradley.

Lieutenant General Ronald E. Adams, 1965, recently retired a second time after nearly ten years working in the private sector for Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC). LTG Adams now spends much of his time engaged in a range of volunteer activities, most notably as a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Army Heritage Center Foundation: [www.armyheritage.org](http://www.armyheritage.org)



*Pictured left to right: LTC William M. Koehler and LTC Richard E. White.*

## Alumni Scholarship Programs

The Scholarship Program continues to financially assist deserving cadets. For School Year 2012-2013, twenty[20] will each receive \$1000 scholarships. Since the beginning of the program in 2003, the cumulative value of the scholarships when matched by the JSU Alumni Association is \$157,000.

Listed below are the recipients and sponsors for School Year 2012-2013:

Ashley Henson	Elite Lettermen's Club
Desmond Clay	Military Officers Association of America
Kimberly Stiles	Fort McClellan Credit Union
Dalton Murphy	Anniston Elks Lodge #189
William Benefield	Anniston Elks Lodge # 189
Sarah Pugh	James and Ethel Boozer
Jacob Brightwell	Dewey E Tate
Jonathan Farmer	Dewey E Tate
Jerrell Dabney	CPT Jerry McNabb's family, friends, and ROTC Class 1959
Charles Chandler	Loy Scott Lee's parents, MG and Mrs Larry Lee
Dayton Grissam	LTC Jerry Savage's brothers, Jim Savage and LTC[Ret] Johnny Savage
Evan Prince	CPT Richard Miller's classmate, Dr James Hanks

Mathew Baker	CPT Richard Miller's classmate, Bobby Welch
Craig Dobbs	CPT Richard Miller's classmate, John Heathcock
Daniel Herring	LT Grady McBride III's friends, ROTC Classes 1967,1968,1969
Jessica Leggette	Mrs Pearl Williams for son, Major Dwayne Williams
Christopher Barnes	Mrs Pearl Williams for son, Major Dwayne Williams
Joseph Burnett	CPT Kyle Comfort
Hikeem Thomas	CPT Donnie Belser's friends and ROTC Class 2001
Logan Byars	John Heathcock for father, COL James[Jim] Heathcock

DONATION	SCHOOL YEAR
\$8500	2003-2004
\$8000	2004-2005
\$9500	2005-2006
\$10000	2006-2007
\$19000	2007-2008
\$29000	2008-2009
\$20000	2009-2010
\$25000	2010-2011
\$18000	2011-2012

## 2012 JSU ROTC EVENT CALENDAR

August 28	First day of class, Freshman Convocation, Nurse Luncheon
September 21-23	FTX Land Navigation
October 4	Leadership Reaction Course
October 5-7	Talladega Race
October 25	Confidence Course
October 26	Alumni Banquet
November 15	Fall Awards Day
November 21-23	Thanksgiving
December 3-8	Final Exams
December 15	Commissioning/Graduation

\*Friday, October 26, Alumni Chapter Homecoming Banquet - Library, 11th Floor - for JSU ROTC alumni, spouses, and guests

### Spring 2013 JSU ROTC Events

January 7	Classes Begin
February 8	Military Ball
To Be Determined	Ranger Challenge
March	FTX
March 25-29	Spring Break
April 11	Spring Awards Day
April 15-20	Final Exams
April 26	Commissioning/Graduation

## HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES 2012

Friday, 26 October 2012  
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: Brigadier General Kenneth C. Roberts (2012 Military Alumnus of the Year) Endowment Scholarship Update Business Meeting (Elections)

Saturday, 27 October 2012

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) 782-5601 or  
e-mail: [ehartsaw@jsu.edu](mailto:ehartsaw@jsu.edu)

NLT 18 October 2012

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

Questions: Contact Chapter President Clayton Scott  
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## CADETS COMMISSIONED AS 2ND LIEUTENANTS SCHOOL YEAR 2011-2012

Congratulations to our new alumni listed below who were commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants during School Year 2011-2012. Thanks to them for choosing to serve our country. Since the beginning of the ROTC Program in 1948, a total of 1467 cadets have received their commissions..

### Commissioned on 2 December, 2011

Andrew A. N. Rhodes, Reserve Forces Duty

### Commissioned on 16 December 2011

Jeremiah A. Bradford, Chemical Corps, Active Duty

Kelly O. Ethredge, Armor, Active Duty

Antoine J. Williams, Armor, Reserve Forces Duty

### Commissioned on 4 May 2012

Margaret B. Drouet, Medical Service Corps, Reserve Forces Duty

Ryan L. Pearl, Military Intelligence Corps, Reserve Forces Duty

Matthew J. Polek, Military Intelligence Corps, Active Duty

Timothy R. Ray, Military Police Corps, Active Duty

Michael E. Starr, Quartermaster Corps, Active Duty

### Commissioned on 10 August 2012

Mitchell S. Duckworth, Ordnance Corps, Reserve Forces Duty

Geoffrey S. Miller, Signal Corps, Reserve Forces Duty

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