



# Reveille

## President's Desk

By Rex Latham



**CCAC President  
Rex Latham**

Your CCAC Board and several members attended the **August Cadet Orientation & BBQ**, participated in welcoming the Maverick Battalion back for the fall semester, met new cadre & cadets, and witnessed the commissioning of 2LTs Delou and Pohl. We had a terrific time. Then Hurricane Harvey hit, and I'm proud that Cadet Corps cadets and alumni were involved in rescue and relief efforts. Some were directly involved and others gave generously to relief efforts. (See our Facebook page and elsewhere in this issue for details.)

The CCAC supports UTA and the Corps, but the CCAC should also be a network that supports each other as we move through life. CCAC membership spans many decades, but we share a comradeship through the Corps of Cadets and the Maverick Battalion. Many alumni are in the DFW area, but we are also scattered over the world. In that regard, one of this year's goals should be to improve communications among alumni so that we know each other better. UTA has had many names over 122 years, but the one constant in its history is its military heritage. Each of us is a part of that illustrious legacy whether we served in uniform or took the skills and leadership we learned in ROTC and applied them to the civilian life. That legacy bonds us and we should know each other better.



Maverick Battalion Commissioning, August 24, 2017. 2LT Lauren Pohl received an Adjutant General Corps commission; 2LT Sena Delou received a Quartermaster Corps commission.

## At the Front

By Major Joel R. "Aaron" Brown



**LTC James Doty, III  
Professor of Military  
Science**

**Major Joel R. "Aaron" Brown, Senior Assistant Professor of Military Science, reporting for LTC Doty**

Greetings from the 115th Maverick Battalion. Since our last *Reveille*, the Maverick Battalion has been busy. We opened up the year at the Welcome Back lab on 24 August, where I was able to address the new and returning cadets, letting them know what to expect in the coming year. The highlight of the day was contracting five cadets and commissioning two cadets. 2LT Lauren Pohl commissioned into the Adjutant General Corps, while 2LT Sena Delou commissioned into the Quartermaster Corps. Since the Welcome Back lab, we have contracted five additional cadets.

Training has moved at a rapid pace this fall. We have conducted map reading, land navigation, individual movement, squad movement, combat water survival, and medical training during our labs thus far. From 21-23 September, we conducted our fall field training exercise (FTX), bringing together the cadets who attend ROTC at the University of Texas at Arlington and those who attend ROTC at the University of North Texas. Not only did the FTX give the cadets an opportunity to practice their military skill set and field craft, it was the first time all the cadets in the Maverick Battalion had an opportunity to come together in the same place to meet and bond with one another.

In the last issue, I mentioned that the Maverick Battalion gained the University of North Texas, along with Texas Woman's University. Since, we have also established a partnership with Collin College, whose leadership has demonstrated their eagerness to

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## Fake News and Otherwise

By Bunky Garonzik



**Bunky Garonzik**

The following opinions and thoughts are my own and do not necessarily reflect that of the CCAC or UTA. Nor has any of this gone through Fact Checks or Snopes.

Lots of stuff in the news these days, and some of the CCAC members are connected at some level to some of the goings-on. First, we have a visit from Harvey, making Houston a giant lake. One of my old roommates took a big hit. Scott Leidolf had his house, his boat, and his business flooded. Shannon Swenson got involved in the Dunkirk Armada around the Houston area, rescuing a bunch of those affected by the storm, and many of us have friends and relatives in the Houston area. Then came Irma. We were down in the Caribbean when that hurricane blew through—no direct hit where we were, but we did have some weather-related delays. And following Irma was Maria, which pretty much leveled Puerto Rico along with some other islands in the Caribbean. And, some of our members (as well as Sandra's nephew) have family ties in those islands. Gene Weidemeyer also lives in Houston and a couple of his personal friends made some comments about the flooding: Sam Coleridge said, "Water, Water Everywhere!," and Gene's buddy, John Milton, said something poetic about those helping out, "When I consider how my light is spent, I will remember



**Hall of Honor 2018**  
**By Jerry Bob Houston, VP Hall of Honor**

**Membership**  
**By Diane Colvard, VP Membership**

Mark your calendars! The **2018 Military Science Department Hall of Honor** will be held on **March 24**. We are planning a different format this year; an afternoon filled with opportunities for alumni and cadets to get to know each other and share in the common bond of unique membership in the Corps of Cadets. Registration and check-in will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the foyer outside the Rosebud Theater in the University Center at UTA. As always there will be free parking in the lots to the North of the University Center. The program will begin with the induction of former Cadets, Cadre, School Leaders, or Special Friends of the Corps whose military service or support to the Corps deserves recognition.

After the induction, families and guests will be escorted to the flagpole in front of the library. Current and former members of the Corps will form in the courtyard between College Hall and the University Center to march as a combined organization to the flagpole, where we will observe a formal Retreat Ceremony. A short introduction will emphasize the importance of the Retreat Ceremony and how it is used by the military to honor our nation and our flag. The bugle call "Retreat" will be sounded and then "To the Colors" will be played as the colors are lowered.

We will return to the University Center for refreshments and activities that include former and current Sam Houston Rifles marchers. After a dinner in the Bluebonnet Ballroom (as always, we will ensure that each table include alumni and cadets) we will finish the evening at 7:30 p.m. with the "I Am a Maverick" dramatization, the Silver Cup Ceremony, and Taps to honor those who have passed away. We certainly hope you will plan to join us in what should be a great afternoon.

**Great news!! Beginning this month, eligible CCAC members joining as Life Members will receive tax deductions.** We extend our thanks to Rex Latham, CCAC President, who helped make this happen!

Growing the organization involves all of us. We have alumni in every part of the United States and on foreign soil. Find out who is in your area, reach out to them, and invite them to find out more about CCAC.

For those of you that are local, one of the best ways to reach the "younger" generations is to attend commissioning ceremonies and CCAC-hosted events. Look into offering your expertise/mentorship to sanctioned groups, such as the Sam Houston Rifles, Ranger Challenge, and Carlisle Cannons. We can increase our membership by serving as mentors to these bright young cadets and young junior officers.

If you are an alumnus interested in learning more about the goals of the CCAC, qualifications for membership, or the types of membership available, go to our website at <https://utaccac.org/our-mission/> and <https://utaccac.org/membership-benefits-2/>.

If you are interested in helping in some way, please send an email to me or any of the Board Members. We are interested in hearing from you and invite you to actively participate.

I know we have a few pending memberships; I will announce them in the next *Reveille*. When you join, I will send a new member packet to you within a few weeks. I can be contacted via email: [dianecolvard@gmail.com](mailto:dianecolvard@gmail.com); Facebook: [/dianecolvard](https://www.facebook.com/dianecolvard); Twitter: [@dcolvard](https://twitter.com/dcolvard); Google Talk: [dianecolvard](https://www.google.com/talk/chat/dianecolvard); Skype: Diane Colvard

**A thank-you letter to the CCAC from Shibo Yu, 2017 CCAC Endowed Scholarship recipient:**  
 "It is an honor to receive this recognition and support from UTA ROTC Cadet Corps Alumni Council. I appreciate the encouragement and opportunities provided by my cadre members, my cadet chain of command and valuable advice from CCAC members. Mr. Latham, the president of CCAC, had told me "physical is always the key to be success in the future career". Not only as a soldier, but the strength of mind that is gained from keep trying in Army physical events will boost my energy in every part of career—as an Army officer in the field, or an engineer in complicated job environments. The scholarship money I received will relieve a lot of my financial stress, and it will allow me to spend more time to study, work out, and involve in more events of UTA ROTC. The moment I was announced to a recipient of this scholarship will always echo in my mind; that will always encourage me to try hard and be a better leader."

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 work with the ROTC. The relationship with Collin College will be such that it allows for its students to attend ROTC at either the University of North Texas or the University of Texas at Dallas, where we currently have one Reserve Officer teaching the military science levels one and two. Soon, we will be in discussion with Dallas Community College, where we are working to establish a similarly flexible relationship.

Finally, I am happy to introduce a few new cadre members to the team. **CPT Christopher Riggs (MP)** arrived at UTA from the United Kingdom, where he participated in an officer exchange program, serving as the S3 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Royal Military Police Regiment. **CPT Evan Adams (AR)** arrived at UTA from Grafenwoehr, Germany, where he served as a troop commander and staff officer with 1-91 CAV (A). **CPT Michael Herndon (AR)** is a Reserve officer who is teaching the military science levels one and two to students at the University of Texas at Dallas. **MAJ Ross Renken (CA)** is an AGR officer who arrived at UNT from CGSC at Fort Leavenworth, KS, where he attended the Intermediate Level Education course.

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- Cecil T. Anderson
- Christopher Anderson
- David J. Anderson
- Patricia Andrae
- Nathan Arauco
- Theron R. Arrington
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- Ricky D. Gibbs
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- Boyd D. Goldman
- Everette E. Gray
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- Willard Latham
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- Roger C. Lowe
- Mikio E. Ludwig
- Gene G. Lunt
- Mark D. Martin
- Axel Martinez
- E. Ronelle McAbee



**Gold Bar Club**

by John "Hendew" Henderson, VP Development

**"Just the Facts, Ma'am"**

A statement made famously by actor Jack Webb as Sgt. Friday on *Dragnet*.

**CCAC Gold Bar Endowment Fund**

**A.) What is it?** A tax deductible Endowed Scholarship Fund providing scholarships for deserving UTA ROTC Cadets.

**B.) How does it work?** 1.) CCAC members pledge to contribute a dollar amount per each new 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. commissioned by UTA Military Science Dept. each year. 2.) All contributions are deposited to the Endowed Scholarship Fund and only the interest earned on that fund is made available for the scholarships each year. The principal stays intact and continues to draw interest. 3.) Scholarships are made available to UTA Army ROTC Military Science cadets based on merit and need. 4.) The Endowment principal grows with each year's contributions, thus the interest available for scholarships grows. 5.) There are restrictions on how the scholarship funds can be used; there are requirements for selection, including the approval of the current PMS of the UTA Military Science Dept.

**C.) Are the scholarships helping the cadets?** Yes! See the testimonials in this issue of the *Reveille*. In addition, as the Endowment Principle continues to grow, so can the number and monetary value of the scholarships.

**D.) Is there any additional value to the program?** Yes! The competition to attract the top candidates for US Army Officers through Senior ROTC programs is fierce among Universities today. Any additional benefit available to students can be a tool to help recruitment of the Top Prospects, and that is what UTA Military Science and the US Army want. The best!

**E.) OK so what is it going to cost me?** The current Gold Bar average pledge is \$12.70 per each 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. commissioned each year. However, the pledge amount of each Alumnus is entirely up to the donor, and is not made public. It can be as conservative as \$1.00 per each new 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. commissioned that year, or as much as you choose. You alone pick your pledge amount and retain total control over it. You can change the pledge amount at any time. You can also withdraw temporarily or permanently at any time you desire. It's all up to you! Each year you receive a letter of appreciation from UTA recognizing your contribution as a tax deductible donation.

**F.) Will only \$1.00 per new 2<sup>nd</sup> LT commissioned really make a difference?** Let's do the math!

**FACTS:** Current CCAC membership is 207. —————> Current Gold Bar membership is 21. —————>  
 Current Gold Bar active participation is 19. —————> Current average pledge is \$12.70.

**2015:** UTA commissioned 16 new 2<sup>nd</sup> Lts. Gold Bar pledges were \$5,461.00.  
**2016:** UTA commissioned 22 new 2<sup>nd</sup> Lts. Gold bar pledges were \$7,509.00

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- CCAC Life Members**  
 Gary H. McBride  
 George C. McDowell  
 James M. McGinn  
 Darrin P. Milner  
 Jillian L. Morales  
 Jason Morehouse  
 Allen O. Morris  
 Courtney Morris  
 Michael W. Morrow  
 Ronald Munden  
 William W. Neal  
 Wendell H. Nedderman  
 David A. Neveau  
 Jeffrey M. Novotny  
 Dennis O'Connor  
 Michael W. Parker  
 Laura Pavlik  
 Jimmy C. Payton  
 Sergio Perales  
 Bill R. Phillips  
 Larry and Claudia Pink  
 Billy Bob Pinkerton  
 Steven Porter  
 William Postlethwaite  
 Clarence W. Potter  
 Alma Pressley Pellegrini  
 R. Zack Prince  
 Carlos Quijas  
 Christopher Rainsberger  
 Jimmie A. Redden  
 Thomas V. Remediz  
 Ronald M. Rendleman  
 Orlando L. Reyes  
 William Riggs  
 Lora A. Rimmer  
 Amy Roe  
 Eric A. Rosson  
 Robert R. Roten  
 Foley Rovello  
 John D. Rudd  
 Michael A. Saltarelli  
 Jeffery K. Saunier  
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 Andrew Scoggin  
 Joseph Scott  
 Charlie E. Seyster  
 Eric J. Sheppard  
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 Antonette Simpson  
 Lester Simpson  
 Dakota Slay  
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 Robert Tarbet, Jr.  
 Jerry and Betty Thomas  
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 Stanley I. Thompson  
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 Susan M. Tillotson  
 James and Annette Tomlin  
 Scott A. Townsend  
 Elmus S. Ussery  
 Robert P. Vaughan  
 Barbara Vogl  
 Edward T. Walsh  
 Andrew C. Ward  
 Joel H. Ward  
 Lloyd M. Warren  
 Burgess M. Weaver  
 Gary L. Weber  
 Gene H. Weidmeyer  
 Elmer G. White  
 Jerry E. Whitehead  
 Michael S. Williams  
 Lee B. Wilson  
 Floyd Wine, Jr.  
 Martin B. Woodruff  
 Felix Woods  
 Valin R. Woodward  
 Lloyd W. Woolverton  
 John K. Yim

**Where Are They Now?**

**Lt. Matthew Hoffman is a CCAC member who graduated in 2016.**

First of all I would like to say I am honored the CCAC chose me to include in this month's issue. As for the rest of the information, I am currently stationed at Fort Hood, assigned to Delta Battery, 1st Battalion 62nd ADA, 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade. I have almost completed a year here, and I recently finished my platoon leader time (leading the launcher Platoon and acting as the crew 1 OIC) and have been moved to the XO position. Since being here I have been sent to Kuwait and Israel on training assignments, and have helped lead the Battery, as we had a shortage of LTs for a while, and I have recently been assigned as the Battery UMO after completing the course here at Fort Hood. I will shortly deploy to Kuwait for a year, and look forward to the challenges that come with that. My wife Hannah Hoffman is currently working full-time at a property management company where she manages the marketing and advertisement side of things. We have two dogs who keep us very busy in our off time.



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that they also serve those who stand and wade.” (Sarah, Lora Rimmer, and LTC Doty will be some of the few who understand this, but my twisted mind made me mention it!)

Of course, Al Ellis immediately jumped off the roof of one of his Habitat houses and started raising funds for the tragedies and a handful of our members joined in the effort. Want to mention that COL Bev Garrett was quick to send 1000 bucks for distribution. With so many in need, and so many of our members involved with the various good charities, I did the best I could in dispensing Bev’s money. Some went to Hendew’s group of Shriners, some went to the Puerto Rico effort because of (Axel’s and Orlando’s family) some went to LTC Rimmer’s main charity MS, and some went to the CCAC to pay for a couple of worthy cadets lifetime memberships. Can’t help but mention that our members have the words “Serve Others” pretty much as part of their DNA. In keeping with the mainstream media’s MO, it should be pointed out that the weather events, as well as the tragic shootings in Las Vegas, are most likely Trump’s fault.

This brings us to a few things Corps-related. Couple of events lined up. We have been asked by Dr. Doty to help the cadets learn some basic drill—kind of an encampment. What a concept—soldiers learning to march! This is going to be in November, and anyone interested in helping on this effort should contact me. And there are some murmurings about another cadet march to Fort Hood. Of course, the ever-present and consummate volunteer Floyd Wine has already thrown his name in the hat to help. This is a fun and worthwhile experience. Hard to believe it has been 10 years since the last Long March and nearly 60 years since the original legendary Fort Hood March. We might get Rendleman, Ed MacConnell, and some of the original marchers to show up to send the troops off. And we may not be surprised to see MG Latham show up again to complete his hat trick. Again, if you think you are even remotely interested in helping on the cooking and logistics, let us know and we will send Guido over to help persuade you. Seeing COL Mike Parker in his cowboy hat and COL Lee B. Wilson trading in his Green Beret for a cook’s hat and an apron is pretty much etched into my memory.

In other news, HOH Inductee Joe Billy Swift got another notch on his resume when he was named a Distinguished Alumni of his North Dallas High School. Another one of our deserving members who continues his life of service to others. One heck of a Foxhole we are all in!

### Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts by UTA Cadet Ashley Kaestner

*Just the Facts (Continued from page 3)*

Had the 188 CCAC members not currently participating in the Gold Bar program each contributed the \$1.00 minimum pledge, the **2015** contributions would have been an additional \$3,008.00, raising total from \$5,461.00 to \$8,469.00.

**2016** contributions would have been an additional \$4,136.00, raising the total from \$7,509.00 to \$11,645.00.

**WOW!!** That is more than Significant! The purpose of this article is to try and obtain 100% participation of CCAC members to be involved in the Gold Bar – The Endowment Scholarship Fund.

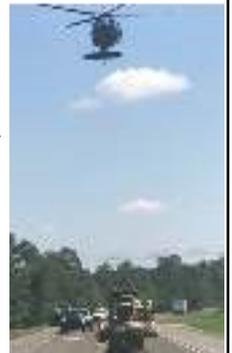
I sincerely hope I have not upset anyone. If I did, I apologize! Please remember, your participation will make a difference—the more participants, the easier it is for all. That’s teamwork. That’s the US Army. That’s your Cadet Corps Alumni Council in action.

Keep your powder dry,  
John Henderson (Hendew); Class of ’64; <johnh@flash.net>

August 25, 2017, was a tragic day for many Texans living along the Gulf Coast. Hurricane Harvey hit with winds topping 130 mph. In the wake of this major catastrophe, Governor Abbott activated the entire Texas National Guard. Of those activated, six current ROTC cadets and one newly commissioned 2LT from our Maverick Battalion were deployed: **Jeanine Lee, Nathan Huffman, Sokret Sathit, Joseph Beasley, Nathan Tittle, Benjamin Rhodes, and 2LT Nicholas Hergenrother**. I had the opportunity to talk with CDT Huffman and 2LT Hergenrother. CDT Huffman was deployed with Delta Co. 156<sup>th</sup> Brigade Engineer Battalion. The mission was to assist the citizens of the Texas Gulf Coast and provide relief to those affected by Hurricane Harvey. Much of this consisted of providing the citizens with food and water. When asking CDT Huffman if there was something that touched him while providing relief, he said, “Despite diversity, people came together to help one another.” He told me of a woman they met who was housing 4 families – totaling about 25 people – in her home.

2LT Hergenrother was deployed with Charlie Troop 1-124 Cavalry. That mission was to go to Houston and surrounding areas to execute high-water search-and-rescue missions utilizing Zodiacs. 2LT Hergenrother’s response to being asked if there was something that touched him was “The sense of community.” He continued on to say that he was working with military personnel, civil authorities, and volunteers. “The volunteers blew my mind. They were there every day, just like the military personnel, but their houses were flooded. It was truly heartwarming and humbling.”

Puerto Rico is also suffering from Hurricane Maria, a nearly Category 5 hurricane as it made landfall on September 20. Many CACC members volunteered time and resources to assist with the relief efforts. Thank you to all who have served, are serving, and will serve communities that are devastated by natural disasters. Ashley Kaestner



### A thank-you letter to the CCAC from Amanda Garcia, 2017 CCAC Endowed Scholarship recipient:

“To CCAC President Rex Latham, It was an honor to converse with you last Thursday at the ceremony. I just wanted to say thank you for the scholarship I received last semester. It means so much to me that not only my classmates, but my cadre and the alumni notice the hard work cadets like myself put into the program. I go to the University of Dallas and being off campus, myself and others have to work harder to be noticed in the program at UTA. Being a cadet at UTA is a prize in itself, but being recognized for my efforts made a lasting impact on my morale in the program. Thank you, Amanda Garcia”

Like us! The UT-Arlington ROTC Alumni Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/utarlingtonrotcalumni>

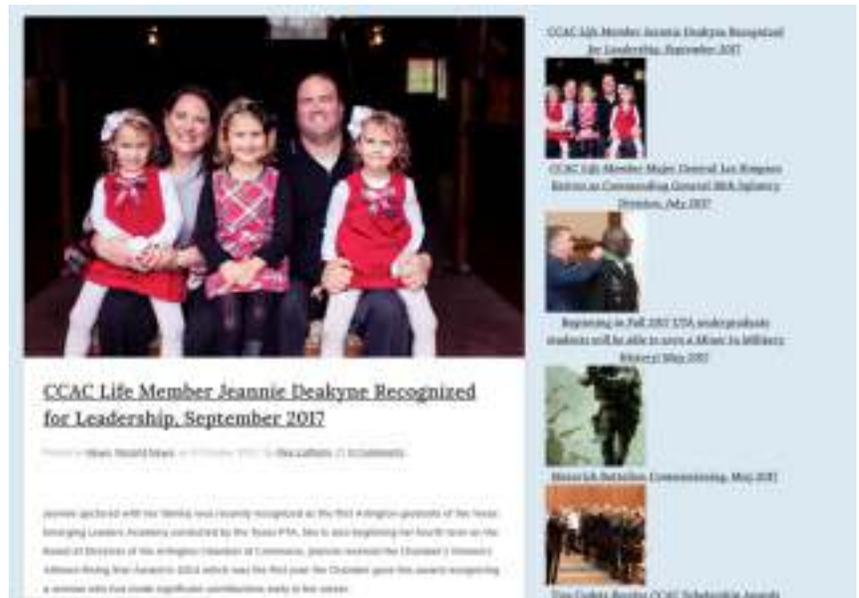
### We have a NEW Website!

We are excited to announce that on 1 November we will launch a new and modernized CCAC website with more features and capabilities than the old website. You can reach the website using the old [www.cadetcorps.org](http://www.cadetcorps.org) address, or you can reach it by going to [www.utaccac.org](http://www.utaccac.org), the new website address. If you “bookmark,” we suggest you bookmark [www.utaccac.org](http://www.utaccac.org). We invite you to explore, comment, and provide additional material. Send comments and questions to [ccac\\_uta@yahoo.com](mailto:ccac_uta@yahoo.com).

**New features:** The new website is “responsive.” That means it will automatically adjust to your smartphone, tablet and laptop. All sign-ups and payments may now be made on-line. That includes Memberships, the Hall of Honor, the Gold Bar Cub, Scholarship Donations, etc. There is a photo/video “slider” across the top of the home page and the website can link to videos. We have a “Recent News” section to complement our UT-ROTC Alumni Facebook page. The “History & Organizations” section is expanded to include new histories of UTA’s ROTC program and our traditions. We have individual pages for the Carlisle Cannons, the Insurgent/Ranger Challenge Team, the Sam Houston Rifles, etc. Their histories, photos, and videos are on those pages. We have a new general photo gallery with sub-galleries and will add new photos and videos as we receive them.

The new website provides flexibility for changes and new features, and we welcome your ideas and material. If you have photos, videos, or stories, we want them. Rex Latham and Diane Colvard built the website (any problems, blame Rex) with the help of a freelance programmer, but we are looking for several members interested in websites to help with webmaster duties. Interested? Contact Rex via [ccac\\_uta@yahoo.com](mailto:ccac_uta@yahoo.com)

We are including some screenshots to give you a look at a few of the new pages.



From the top: The Home Page, Recent News Page, and the Insurgent Team Page.

