



Reveille

President's Desk By Rex Latham



Rex Latham

As we enter the holiday season, the CCAC continues its active support of UTA's and the Military Science Department's numerous activities. A few highlights: Under **Floyd Wine's** guidance, several very dedicated CCAC members have worked closely with the cadre and cadets to pass along drill routines and performance tips to the "current edition" of the Sam Houston Rifles (SHR). As a result, the SHR has represented and gleaned positive publicity for UTA at several events and has been invited to more events in 2015. CCAC scholarship funds continue to grow, and CCAC members continue to attend and support Military Science events and activities such as the August and December cadet commissionings and the Veterans Day activities at UTA and in Dallas. Details on these and other CCAC and Military Science activities are in other *Reveille* sections.

Our March 21, 2015, Hall of Honor (HOH) will induct three very deserving members: **Fred Campos, Orlando Reyes**, and, as an *honorary* member, **LTC Kevin Smith**. Info on the honorees is on page 2 in this issue.

The Executive Committee continues its effort to develop an updated and versatile website and hopes to have it "ready to go" by the 2015 HOH. We want to make it a key means of enhanced communication with and among CCAC members. My special thanks to **Herman Harrison, Fred Campos, and Shannon Swenson** for their work on the website.

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At the Front By LTC Lora Rimmer



LTC Lora Rimmer
Professor of
Military Science

Happy Holidays!! The 112th Maverick Battalion is closing out the Fall 2014 semester and looking forward to a brand new year! **Cadet LTC Paul Wilkerson**, his subordinate commanders, and staff of senior cadets have most certainly excelled this semester. Over 140 cadets are enrolled in the program and we expect to add several more new faces to the ranks this Spring. Over 20 cadets have been offered scholarships this fall and many will have an opportunity to contract early next semester.

With the help of **Floyd Wine** and our other very dedicated alumni, the battalion has solidified the presence of the Sam Houston Rifles on campus and within the local community – they are looking forward to their first trip to competition at Tulane University in February 2015! The MavCav continued its outstanding support to the UTA athletic teams, providing Color Guard and good old Maverick Battalion team spirit for nearly every home volleyball and basketball game this semester.

Speaking of Color Guard, I do not believe we have ever had a busier semester! We received the much anticipated results from the 2015 Accessions and Branching Board on 19 November, and I am excited to announce that 80% of our Mavericks received their component of choice and 100% of those accessed for Active Duty received one of their top 3 choices!! Each one of these young men and women are fantastic leaders and represent the

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A few more news items for December 2014

By Bunky Garonzik



Bunky Garonzik

It's official—**Major General Lester Simpson** got his second star on December 6, 2014, in Austin, Texas. He has had the job and the responsibilities for some time, but finally he gets to wear the rank. You may find this hard to believe, but the government sometimes works in mysterious ways. A handful of the CCAC attended Lester's official ceremony to show support. (See pictures on page 4)

Speaking of Lester, it is not ironic that he was the keynote speaker at the Run to The Wall, and as reported on our Facebook site (UT-Arlington ROTC Alumni), **Col Lee B. Wilson** was also the speaker the same day at a Veterans event near his home in Killeen. You may recall that both Lester and Lee B were inducted into the Hall of Honor the same day. The good ones always come to the surface.

You may recall that our organization created an Emergency Fund a few years ago. Many of our members generously provided money to help a cadet out of a financial bind. This was structured as a loan, not a donation. Well, I am happy to report that the loan will be paid off next month, and, most importantly, the former cadet will soon be a first lieutenant. Those who participated will be contacted relating to repayment of the funds provided. Of course we will try to talk you into leaving the money in the Emergency Fund for future emergencies, but that will be your decision.

Remember our Facebook page UT-ARLINGTON ROTC ALUMNI and website: cadetcorps.org. We hope to have a modernized & updated website by the time of the Hall of Honor and want to thank and credit **Herman Harrison, Fred Campos, Rex Latham & Shannon Swenson** for their work on the website.

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Hall of Honor 2015 Honorees



Fred Campos

Fred has been an active member of the CCAC and other local veteran associations. He served five years in the Marines. Fred went into computer programming, initially with EDS, and ending up with IBM. At the same time he and two others started a software company and developed software that they eventually sold. He also started the Dallas Fort Worth Pug Rescue Association designed to rescue, take care of, and place pugs, which has spread to 28 states and four foreign countries.



Orlando Reyes

Orlando is a key member of the CCAC who has served as the treasurer. Orlando commanded the Sam Houston Rifles in the Corps. He was the highest ranked cadet from UTA at the 1977 ROTC summer camp. After serving in the Army for seven years, he started a very successful insurance agency. He has received numerous awards in the insurance industry. He is also a Master Mason and Shriner and works with the Fort Worth Airpower Foundation supporting military families.



Kevin Smith

Kevin has been with the UTA Military Science Department since 2001 and has served in various capacities, especially as a recruiter of outstanding cadets for the Corps. He is a retired LTC who served on active duty in the Reserves and the National Guard. He is an Army Aviator and has served a number of tours overseas including combat duty in Iraq. His singular efforts have been instrumental in keeping the UTA Military Science Department as one of the best ROTC units in the U.S.

The 2015 Hall of Honor will be on **March 21, 2015**. Mark your calendars now! The event will start at 10:30 in the UTA Bluebonnet Ballroom. Tickets can be purchased online at the CCAC website: www.cadetcorps.org. Look for the link on the home page. Sign-up information will be mailed to our contact list in January of 2015.

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future of our Army. I can assure you, we are in very good hands. **Mavericks Lead the Way!!**

This Fall we bid a fond farewell to SGM Shane Bates and his wife, Jennifer. They moved to Fort Benning, GA, where they will have an opportunity to see our Infantry and Armor LTs in action. We welcomed SFC Jeffrey Carman and his family in September and CPT Keith Daily and his family in October. **Welcome aboard!!**

We kick it into high gear during the Spring semester by participating in the Mardi Gras Drill Meet, Bataan Death March, the 35th Annual Hall of Honor, and the Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, plus the annual Dining In and Spring Commissioning Ceremonies. We're excited to see you on campus on March 21st!!

Studium Excellentiae!!



Veterans Day



Veterans Day



Medal of Honor Parade



SHR at the 25th Annual Run to the Texas Vietnam Memorial



Color Guard at UTD's Wall That Heals Ceremony



Color Guard at Commencement



MavCav at Homecoming



Sam Houston Rifles—Back at the Top!

The UTA Sam Houston Rifles Drill Team won first place in the Military Units category in the Dallas Veterans Day Parade on November 11, 2014.

Floyd Wine, the unofficial SHR sponsor, and representatives from the Military Science Department SHR Team will attend the annual Dallas Veterans Day Parade Awards program and luncheon in January at the Frontiers of Flight Museum in Dallas to receive the award.



Bunky Garonzik, Lester Simpson, the SHR Drill Team, LTC Rimmer, and Floyd Wine at the Parade.

Share Your Military History & Experiences!

The 2015 Hall of Honor offers an excellent opportunity to share *YOUR* UTA and military experiences with future generations via the MAV VETS Voice Project.



The mission of this joint project of UTA's College of Liberal Arts and the University Libraries is to honor and preserve, via video recordings, the experiences of men and women of the

UTA community who have served in any branch of the United States Military.

MAV VETS would like to interview CCAC members and friends on Thursday and Friday before the Hall of Honor or on Saturday or Monday if members are available.

Sign up and get information on MAV VETS at : <http://library.uta.edu/mavvets/index.php> Select the "Participate" tab.

President's Desk, (Continued from page 1)

This will be an HOH you will definitely want to attend. In addition to celebrating and honoring our terrific inductees, this will be LTC Lora Rimmer's last HOH as PMS, as she will retire from the Army next summer. She has been an absolutely outstanding PMS, and the HOH will be the last opportunity for most CCAC members to personally thank her for her leadership and support. In addition to being selected as the Army's Professor of Military Science of the Year, the *Fort Worth Business Press* selected her as a "Great Woman of Texas" in November 2014.

Another departure that impacts the Military Science program is that of Dr. Beth Wright, who made the decision to step down as Dean of Liberal Arts in January 2015. She has been a great supporter of ROTC and the CCAC. In regards to both LTC Rimmer and Dr. Wright, I think Bunky Garonzik captured the essence of what these two individuals have meant to UTA and the ROTC program. So, I'm going to quote Bunky: "Under the category of "All Good Things Must Come to an End," and "Time Marches On," I must report that our beloved **Dr. Beth Wright** is stepping down as the Dean of Liberal Arts. At the end of December, she is taking a well-deserved vacation from those duties and her classroom. She will be back in a year to resume her classes. We simply can't say enough about what Dr. Wright has brought to Military Science. Her support at Commissionings, the Hall of Honor, and the various military award ceremonies, not to mention all the things she has done in the administration to support MS at UTA have been ever-present. She will be missed as the head of the Liberal Arts Department."

"And, while we still have **Col. Rimmer** for a few more months, eventually she will move forward to new challenges and new adventures. On a personal note, I can say without reservation that of the 53 years that I have been involved with UTA Military Science, I have seen more than a handful of Professors of Military Science come and go. Some good, some not so good, but none who have done more for the program than Lora Rimmer. Her relationship with the cadets, her mentoring, her compassion, her professionalism, and her light-heartedness put her at the top. To her credit, she realized quickly what our organization, the CCAC, could bring to the table to enhance her program. This perception and curtailment of ego are only some of the qualities which make her special. It was not a surprise that she was picked as the Best PMS in the nation, and not a surprise that she was selected as one of the "Great Women of Texas" by the *Ft. Worth Business Press*. A tough act to follow, to be sure."

So, enjoy the news in this *Reveille* issue, have a wonderful and safe holiday season, continue to keep our military forces in your prayers, and I'll see you at the HOH on March 21, 2015.

Rex

PS: Facebook users, remember to "friend" both the Military Science Department Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/utarlingtonrote#!/utarlingtorote>

And the CCAC Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/utarlingtonrotcalumni>

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Above: MG Lester Simpson, getting his second star December 6, 2014, is sworn in by MG John F. Nicols, Adjutant General of Texas
 Below: Pictures from The Run To The Wall, Fair Park, November 8, 2014. Left to right: Fred Campos with the Jodies; Floyd Wine, sponsor of the Jodies, LTC Rimmer, wearing her hat issued to First Cavalry Soldiers, and Lester Simpson, with Lester's motorcycle (colorfully painted to honor troops under his command lost on his last deployment in Afghanistan); and the Jodies shown marching in front of the Wall dedicated to Texans lost in the Vietnam conflict.



Taps

COL (Ret) Lloyd C. Clark, Jr., aged 91, died November 17th. He had a long career in journalism, public relations, and public service, which he blended with his passion for history. While much of his career was in Arizona, he was loyal to his Texas roots. He attended North Texas Agriculture College, now UTA. He was editor of the campus newspaper, *The Short-horn*, in 1941-42 and the ROTC battalion commander in the summer of 1942. He served in the US Army in WWII as a public relations officer. He obtained his BA in journalism from Southern Methodist University in 1948. In 1967, he returned to active duty and was promoted to colonel in 1976 while heading the US Army Reserve School at Ft. Huachuaca, AZ. He retired from the military in 1979. He held a variety of journalistic and public service positions in Arizona, but maintained his ties to UTA and the ROTC program. He was a CCAC Life Member and was inducted into the UTA Military Science Hall of Honor in 1998 for his career and community achievements.



Ray Andrae presenting the Crossed Rifle Insignia award to Cadet SGM Ryan Kelly in 2007.

In 2007, Lloyd presented the CCAC with a Crossed Rifle insignia from the WWI era, when UTA was the Arlington Training School. CCAC President Ray Andrae awarded it to an outstanding Cadet to wear to the Distinguished Alumni Gala that year. The CCAC made a gift to the Endowed Scholarship Fund and also plans to gift a cadet with a Life Membership in COL Clark's honor.

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