



# Reveille

## President's Desk By Rex Latham



Rex Latham

It was a hard-fought political campaign, but without the rancor of the presidential campaign, and we have several new members on your Executive Committee. **Brigadier General Rick Gibbs, Ret.** and **COL. Mike Parker, Ret.** are new Members-at-Large, **Colonel Ken Smith, Ret.** is the new VP-Finance, **Major Diane Colvard, Ret.** is the new VP-Membership, and **Fred Campos** is the new VP-Development. I

look forward to working with them and the returning members as we continue our efforts to support UTA's ROTC program, and to increase alumni comradeship across the decades. I would be remiss, however, if I did not thank the departing Executive Committee members for their service to the CCAC, some for many years. So, **MG Les Simpson, Col. Bob Vaughan, Jerry Thomas, and Bob Irish:** Thank You! Your dedication and support have been vital to the CCAC's success, and we look forward to seeing you at future Halls of Honor and other events.

Speaking of the Hall of Honor, the March 2016 event was noteworthy. In addition to inducting two deserving individuals in the morning, the afternoon's celebration of ROTC's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary gave us older alumni an opportunity to mingle with and get to know some of the cadets. All had an enjoyable time.

I am especially delighted to report that US Army Cadet Command is opening an **ROTC Hall of Fame** at Ft. Knox, KY, to celebrate ROTC's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and has selected two of our alumni,

*(Continued on page 3)*

## At the Front By LTC James Doty, III

LTC James Doty, III  
Professor of Military  
Science

Greetings from the Maverick Battalion! The **113<sup>th</sup> Maverick Battalion** finished off an excellent semester and year, and our cadets are working hard over the summer to return ready to step up into their new responsibilities. There have been several highlights this semester, but the Maverick Commando competition, Hall of Honor, and Joint Field Training eXercise at Camp Wolters, with nearly 300 cadets and cadre, probably top the list.

I would like to highlight the inaugural Maverick Commando competition, which began on a cold Saturday morning in February with cadet volunteers laying out equipment for inspection, continued with a 6-mile road march to different stations where the cadets completed military tasks, and finished with teams constructing one-rope bridges and transporting themselves and their equipment across a water obstacle. The Maverick Commando badge recipients can be proud of their accomplishments. The cadets finished off the year by executing a professionally run awards ceremony. Award presenters commented on the great job done by the cadet S1 and command team. The next week after the awards ceremony, we commissioned 11 high-quality second lieutenants into the active Army, National Guard, and Army Reserve.

Even as we send these new lieutenants on their way, our remaining cadets are stepping up their preparations for commissioning.

*(Continued on page 2)*

## Letting Go

## By Bunky Garonzik



Bunky Garonzik

On the one hand those guys who are perennial participants in most of the CCAC events might be construed as living in the past, trying to reclaim past glory, not letting go, or even attempting to revisit something that became part of their DNA many years ago. On the other hand, some of these aging soldiers perhaps feel a debt of gratitude to UTA Military, the Jodies, and their buddies for their successes in life, the satisfaction of teamwork, and the impact and connectivity of sharing a foxhole. They simply want to give back in a manner they know how. Probably some of all of this.

Of course the clock continues to run, and even the most dedicated can't escape Father Time or even the Grim Reaper. But for now, at least, the Band of Brothers seems to be growing and flourishing. We had 14 marchers at this year's Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville who strapped on an '03 and marched about a mile. Encouraged by the resurgence of the Jodies, and a beer or two after the parade, I think everyone had a good time and was proud and honored to participate. The parade organizer took time to write a note and thank us for participating, and noted that our unit was one of the crowd favorites. Many of the wives were involved—taking pictures and helping with the lunch afterwards.

We do an extensive practice prior to the parade—maybe 3 minutes in the parking lot. Mostly complaining about how heavy the Springfield has grown over the years. But limiting the movements to only two along the parade route really makes this event a walk in

*(Continued on page 4)*

CCAC Life Members

- Charles Ambrosio
- Cecil T. Anderson
- Christopher Anderson
- David J. Anderson
- Patricia Andrae
- Nathan Arauco
- Theron R. Arrington
- William Barnett
- Raymond F. Beall
- Jonathan J. Beville
- Billy J. Blankenship
- Charles Blumenfeld
- Bryan E. Bolt
- Ruth M. Boyd
- David R. Braden
- Ernest L. Brister
- Wyatt A. Britten
- David L. Brown
- J.C. Brown, Jr.
- R.D. Brown
- Fred U. Campos
- Charles C. Cannon, Jr.
- Amador Cano
- Oran Carroll
- Miguel E. Castillo
- Pat Choate
- Arthur G. Cleveland
- Diane Colvard
- James P. Coughlin
- Gerald D. Cox
- Travis Crook
- Joseph S. Dancses
- Mrs. Robert J. Darrah
- Anthony F. Daskevich II
- Archie P. Davis III
- Jean A. Deaknye
- Ricardo F. Diaz
- Mark A. Dickens
- Scott A. Downey
- Eddie Drain
- Henry A. Dufeau
- Al Ellis
- Paul S. Faidley
- Charles E. Feuerbacher
- Willard F. Filyaw
- Daniel L. French
- David H. Gaines
- Antonio C. Garcia
- Allan Garonzik
- George B. Garrett
- Brian M. Gellman
- Sheldon J. Gerron
- Ricky D. Gibbs
- John R. Glaze
- Boyd D. Goldman
- Everette E. Gray
- William S. Gribble
- Robert G. Griffith
- Earl E. Hansen
- Donald S. Harris
- Ronald L. Harris
- Herman Harrison
- James J. Henderson
- William H. Herndon
- Gary C. Hitt
- Hayden R. Hoffman
- Matthew Hoffman
- Jerry B. Houston
- Robert W. Irish
- William L. Jacobs
- Steve Kennedy
- Jimmie A. Kepler
- John B. Kidd
- Mark T. Lamkin
- Mark B. Latham
- Rex H. Latham
- Willard Latham
- Jorge Lemus
- Joe Lopez, Sr.
- Joe Lopez, Jr.
- Roger C. Lowe
- Mikio E. Ludwig
- Gene G. Lunt
- Mark D. Martin
- Axel Martinez
- E. Ronelle McAbee



### Army ROTC Hall of Fame



**MG Willard Latham** was inducted into the UTA Military Science Hall of Honor in 1988, the first induction year.

**Judge Don Stevenson** was inducted in 2009. Both are Life Members of the CCAC.

We are proud to announce that the US Army Cadet Command has selected UTA alumni **Major General Will Latham, Ret.** and **Judge Donald J. Stevenson** for the inaugural class of the newly created **Army ROTC Hall of Fame**.

The US Army created the Hall of Fame this year in honor of the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)'s 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The inaugural ceremony was on June 10<sup>th</sup> at Fort Knox, where the Hall of Fame will be located.

UTA President Vistasp Karbhari nominated the two with input from the CCAC. Cadet Command set the following criteria for nomination and selection. Each university or college participating in the ROTC program could nominate two individuals using the following criteria: One nominee was to be a career military officer with a record of distinguished service. The other nominee was to be an individual who left the service, but went on to have a distinguished civilian career in industry, academia, community service, etc.

There are 273 Army ROTC programs around the US, so the selection of MG Latham and Judge Stevenson reflects well on their individual achievements, and on UTA's ROTC program. This was the inaugural "class" covering 100 years of ROTC's existence, so there were 326 inductees (including 40 inducted posthumously). Future classes will be much smaller, perhaps less than 5 per year.

The UTA ROTC department plans a local ceremony to celebrate the selection of MG Latham and Judge Stevenson sometime in the coming academic year. Congratulations to both MG Latham and Judge Stevenson!



Don Stevenson is inducted into the Army ROTC Hall of Fame.



**Above: Bunky Garonzik and Floyd Wine** with new Life Members **Nathan Arauco** and **Matthew Hoffman**; Bunky presents the *Preston A Weathered Award* to **c/LTC Travis Crook**; **MG Latham** and cadet cut the cake at the ROTC 100th Anniversary celebration; The **Sam Houston Rifle** marchers (Past and Present).

**Below: Ron Munden and Axel Martinez** receive their certificates of induction from Travis Crook at the **2016 Hall of Honor**.



*(Continued from page 1)*

This summer, nearly 30 cadets will train at Fort Knox, KY, at CIET or CLC (basic and advanced camp for those of you who are at least my age), while two cadets will travel overseas to conduct joint military training with other nations. Other cadets go to troop leader training, internships, and airborne school. I will see some of them when I go to Fort Knox myself as the training officer for the 9<sup>th</sup> Cadet Regiment. When I arrive, all military personnel in the UTA program will be at Fort Knox, either in cadre college to learn to be better academic instructors or running the cadet summer training. We'll see you in the fall. **Mavericks Lead the Way!**



**113th Maverick Battalion Commissioning Ceremony**

**By Floyd Wine**

On 14 May 2016, the Spring Commissioning Ceremony was held in the Bluebonnet Ballroom at UTA. The invocation was given by **Col. (R) Kevin Smith** with opening remarks from **LTC James Doty**. The Oath of Office was also given by LTC Doty.

Lieutenant bars were pinned to 12 cadets from family and/or friends along with first salutes from active, or former, enlisted personnel. The 12 former cadets, (now 2LTs) are: **Nathan Arauco, Travis Crook, Mitchell Garrison, Jazmin Guevara, Matthew Hoffman, Connor Johnson, Thomas Katsoulas, Rafael Lee, Lucas Schulte, Eric Stevenson, Charles Turner, and Emily Westbrook.**

The guest speaker was **Major General Daniel P. Hughes**, who was in the UTA Corps of Cadets during his junior and senior year, graduated and was commissioned in the Spring of 1983. MG Hughes is a native of Pantego, Texas.

The CCAC was represented by John Henderson, Floyd Wine, Fred Campos, and Stan Thompson.



**Clockwise from top left: MG Hughes congratulates the new 2LTs; UTA President Karbhari also greets the new 2LTs; Cutting the cake; 2LT Guevara's first salute; Guest Speaker MG Hughes delivering the commissioning speech; and 2LT Crook's wife and baby daughter pin on his bars.**



*President's Desk, (Continued from page 1)*

**MG Will Latham, Ret.** and **Judge Don Stevenson**, to be members of the inaugural class being inducted on June 10<sup>th</sup>. More details on this honor are elsewhere in this issue.

You will also see elsewhere in this issue that we provided the ROTC department with \$4,500 for scholarships this year through the interest on our Endowed Scholarship Fund. These scholarships help deserving cadets, and such support is part of the CCAC's core mission. Our principal funding vehicle for the Scholar-

ship Fund is the **Gold Bar Club**. We need your support in this effort. All donations are tax deductible and information on joining is elsewhere in the **Reveille**. Please consider becoming a Gold Bar Program member.

Finally, the **Maverick Battalion Orientation Day and Barbecue** will be August 25<sup>th</sup>. Executive Committee members will be there, and the ROTC department welcomes other alumni. It's a great opportunity to get a better understanding of today's ROTC program and meet the future leaders of our Army.

The **Maverick Battalion Orientation Day and Barbecue** will be August 25<sup>th</sup> at College Hall on the UTA campus. Join the CCAC Executive Committee and the ROTC department in welcoming the cadets back to class. For more information email Rex at [rex.h.latham@icloud.com](mailto:rex.h.latham@icloud.com) or call Sarah Nahhas at 817-640-6166.

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
- Jimmy C. Payton
- Sergio Perales
- Bill R. Phillips
- Larry and Claudia Pink
- Billy Bob Pinkerton
- Steven Porter
- William Postlethwaite
- Clarence W. Potter
- R. Zack Prince
- 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
- Thomas A. Schneider
- Andrew Scoggin
- Joseph Scott
- Charlie E. Seyster
- Eric J. Sheppard
- James S. Sibley
- Antionette Simpson
- Lester Simpson
- Dakota Slay
- Dale W. Smith
- Kenneth E. Smith
- Kevin R. Smith
- John W. Sone
- William C. Sonricker
- Tino L. Sosa
- John J. Soules
- Mark C. Stevens
- Donald J. Stevenson
- Joe B. Swift
- Robert Tarbet, Jr.
- Jerry and Betty Thomas
- Edward H. Thompson
- Stanley I. Thompson
- Randy J. Threet
- 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. Weidemeyer
- 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. Yin

*Letting Go (Continued from page 1)*

the park. Naturally, a couple of us who couldn't march even back in the day try to hide within the ranks, and smart guys like Kennedy made his own Guideon so he wouldn't have to carry the '03. And Freddie, for the first time in memory, opted for a Caribbean cruise rather than paint on another uniform. We had special shirts and, as one might expect, Pink and Ken Smith wear the same size as 50 years ago, while McEwan, Hendew, and Bevill appear to not have missed a meal in some time. Orlando, Axel, Parker, and even MG Simpson have grown in size to "age appropriate." Floyd, the sly one, figured out how to be Commander and not carry one of those burdensome rifles. The only one out of breath was Mark Latham, who looked like he blew up a life raft for everyone in the group, but his bagpipes added a special effect to the unit, and the crowd was obviously impressed.

MG Lester Simpson, his two stars glimmering, was the ranking member of everyone at the entire event. And his appearance (and maybe a few other things on his resume) got him the gig as the commencement speaker at the recent UTA graduation ceremony. (See link on our Facebook page).

Here is the thing: anyone who ever wore the black and yellow cord is *already* a member of this band of brothers. As long as I show up, you will never be the worst marcher in the group, and I promise you will have a great time. Hope to see you next time. Bunky

P.S. For those of you who know **Fred Yarbrough**, he has been quite ill. Send "Get Well" wishes to Fred at [fyarbro971@msn.com](mailto:fyarbro971@msn.com)



**1st row from left to right:** Jonathan J. Bevill, Phil McEwan, Orlando Reyes, Kenneth E. Smith, Mark Latham, Axel Martinez. **2nd row from left to right:** Major General Lester Simpson, John Henderson, Allan (Bunky) Garonzik, Steve Kennedy, Floyd Wine, Mike Parker, Stanley Thompson, Larry Pink.

## Member News



**Dr. Art Cleveland**, Vice President for University Advancement for California Baptist University for more than four years, retired effective April 30, 2016. Cleveland's retirement comes after more than five decades in education as a professor and administrator. Cleveland received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from UTA, was a member of the ROTC and is a Life Member in the CCAC. He said "I still owe so much to the guidance and encouragement of Gen. Willard Latham during my time at Arlington. His demand of us for physical conditioning and determination have served me well". Art and his wife, Vicki, will move back to Texas.

**MG Lester Simpson**, has been a strong UTA supporter and has served as a mentor for ROTC cadets since his graduation. He was nominated by the Cadet Corps Alumni Council and chosen by the **College of Liberal Arts** to serve as the commencement speaker for the College this May. He was also asked to conduct the commissioning ceremony at TCU for ROTC cadets.



**New Life Members:** **Robert Griffith**, class of '65, of Northville MI; **Jimmy C. Payton**, class of 1949, of Eules, TX; **Charles Blumenfeld**, class of 1992, of Harker Heights, TX; **Diane Ortiz Colvard**, class of 1978, of Leander, TX; **R.D. Brown**, class of 1974, of Round Rock, TX; **Matthew Hoffman**, class of 2016; **Nathan Arauco**, class of 2016; and **Travis Crook**, class of 2016.

**CCAC Awards:** New Life Member **Travis Crook** was the recipient of the **Preston A Weatherred Award**. CCAC Scholarship recipients were Cadets **Jacob Mason** and **Cadesha Mitchell**.

## Cadet Corps Alumni Council Financial Report

This financial report is as of 5 March 2016. The CCAC has three funds, listed below.

- **The Endowed Scholarship Fund (ESF):** Interest from this fund provides scholarships for cadets. The value of the ESF as of 5 March 2016 was \$104,441.72 (book) and \$107,738.62 (market). After the projected 4<sup>th</sup> quarter distribution in August of 2016, the ESF will have \$4,654.30 in interest distributions. At its 4 March meeting, the CCAC Executive Committee passed a motion to allow **\$4,500.00** for scholarships to be awarded in May of 2016. At the March 2016 Hall of Honor, members contributed \$900 to the fund's principal. The principal means of raising funds for the ESF, however, is **The Gold Bar Program**. Gold Bar Club members have given over \$38,000 for the Endowed Scholarship Fund since its inception. There are less than 18 Gold Bar Members, and we welcome additional members. A membership application is included as part of this *Reveille* issue.
- **The Life Membership Fund (LMF):** Interest from this fund supports the Military Science Department in a variety of ways that include recruiting, publicity, website, awards and events. The value of the LMF as of March 2016 was \$98,622.76 (book) and \$90,824.68 (market). The CCAC has completed the \$50,000 donation requirement to secure matching funds from the Maverick Match Program. The match for the most recently deposited funds will be made at the end of the next quarter (May 31), bringing the total book value of the fund to more than \$100,000.
- **The Operating Fund:** Used to deal with CCAC expenses. As of Dec. 31, 2015, the fund was \$2,334.84.