



UNC NROTC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

October 3rd 1992 was a grand day in all respects, as a large number of association members returned to Chapel Hill for fellowship, food and football. The general membership meeting saw your Board of Directors expanded to 16 members by membership vote on a change to the Association By Laws. New members with terms expiring in 1996 are Skip Awalt (Class of '44, re-elected), Steve Fish ('85), Mac McGee ('69), Campbell "Larry" Stubbs III ('78) and Jim Talley, Jr. ('50). Departing members Don Maynard and Bill Latham are to be commended for their fine support and individual efforts on behalf of the Association. During January, Jim Cheatham ('57) resigned from the Board; he, too, will be missed. There is a complete listing of the Board of Directors elsewhere in the newsletter; feel free to contact them with questions, issues or suggestions.

The 50th year commemorative ceremony honoring Naval presence at Chapel Hill was conducted just prior to kick off of the US Naval Academy-UNC football game at Kenan Stadium. An official US Navy flag, properly encased with plaque, was accepted by Chancellor Hardin on behalf of the University, and an appropriately-inscribed plaque was presented to the Unit and accepted by the CO, Capt. Bob Avery, USN. RADM "Ferg" Norton ('61), our ranking grad on active duty, graced us with his presence and added to the ceremony as did Mr. John Paty ('44) and his son, Midshipman 1/C Bob Paty ('93), President of the Senior Class this year. To sum up I will quote Chancellor Hardin: "...it was a great event for all of us, Thank you." Enough said. The icing on the cake was the Heels winning, followed by a "pig pickin'" on the Armory grounds that was exceptionally well-attended. Time to start planning for the 75th!

As of 16 January 1993, the Association had \$3182.01 in the general fund and \$4000.43 in the Pat Conner Memorial Fund. On our mailing list we have over 350 names, but we account for slightly more than 265 dues-paying members. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find a membership application form. Please use it annually, as this is the primary method of determining our current active membership and, with the accompanying \$10 annual dues, serves to keep the Association solvent and capable of fully supporting the NROTC Program and the UNC-CH Unit as needed. If you have already "re-enlisted" for '93, pass this issue and application form along to a classmate who is not a member. In this same vein, Andy Bunch is putting together a membership solicitation letter due out shortly, which will target every known name/address we can muster from all sources. Pass the word and recruit!

Also in this issue, you will find information on the 18 April 1993 Spring Awards Day, which will be held on Navy Field at Chapel Hill. This is a great opportunity to observe the joint UNC/NCSU NROTC Unit in action and to honor the various award winners. Remember that the Association is the presenter of the Conner Memorial Award

given to the top aviation selectee in the senior class. There are other significant awards given and a USMC band from Camp LeJeune will be present. For you Old Corps types, Navy Field has "some" fond memories. Although a bit smaller now (and used for many other activities), it is still there. Hope to see you on Awards Day at 1300.

Mentioned before but worthy of continuous recall, the Unit is working on rehabing the Quarterdeck area into a mini-library and museum. Needed are appropriate books and memorabilia from NROTC grads (us) to jump-start this endeavor. All "gifts" will be appropriately inscribed with the donor's name and class. This is a most worthwhile effort and deserves our full and continuous support.

Lastly, our Standing Order of the Day and base mission: continue to seek ways and means to support the NROTC Program and especially the Program as it resides in Chapel Hill. The key, in my view, is quality midshipmen, from in-state and out, who become quality officers and quality citizens. Recruiting is the name of the game and it is an ALL HANDS effort. Let me hear from you in this regard.

Set course and speed, press on!

Walt Fitts ('59)

UNC NROTC ALUMNI ASSN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL
1993

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

(if new) _____

Telephone: (Home) _____

(Business) _____

Graduating Class: _____

Service: _____

Please enclose \$ 10 payable to UNC NROTC ALUMNI ASSN and mail to:

UNC NROTC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
NROTC UNIT
CB # 3325, UNC
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. 27599-3325

FALL 93 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Board is making preliminary plans for the Fall annual meeting. Several dates are being considered, including homecoming week-end (9 October vs. Wake Forest). Plans will be firmed up by summer. Elections to fill the two Board positions opening up in 1993 will be held and other business conducted. More to follow in the next newsletter.

NROTC RECRUITING

As the Chairman stated in his report, we can all help out in recruiting top-notch men and women into the Program at Chapel Hill. The size of the Battalion has dwindled to around 50 midshipmen, and, in this period of military downsizing, it will be even tougher to attract quality candidates into UNC NROTC. How can we help? One way is to establish contact with local high school Navy Junior ROTC units. While the principal focus of the JROTC Program is to attract enlisted personnel to the services, there are a number of college-bound high-schoolers enrolled in JROTC. By talking to the unit CO's, those men and women with potential to succeed at Carolina can be identified. Working with the Unit in Chapel Hill, those individuals can be brought to Chapel Hill on "recruiting visits". Or at the very least, using our positive experiences, we can encourage these NJROTC'ers to go on to Chapel Hill and the Navy/Marine Corps. This is an area where individually we can "make a difference". Listed below are the NJROTC units in the State of North Carolina. Those of you out of state, if you call the Unit you can find out the locations of units near you.

A.L. Brown H.S.
Kannapolis
(704) 938-4201
NSI: LCDR Reginald E. Forgays

Cape Fear H.S.
Fayetteville
(919) 323-4064
NSI: LT Gerald D. Ward

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(919) 791-0230
NSI: LCDR Howard. M. Harman

John A. Holmes H.S.
Edenton
(919) 482-8770
NSI: LCDR James H. Ryan

McDowell H.S.
Marion
(704) 652-7920
NSI: CAPT Hardy N. Rose

North Buncombe H.S.
Weaverville
(704) 645-4332
NSI: CAPT E.G. Bulluck

Page H.S.
Greensboro
(919) 370-8205
NSI: CDR Marion Willhauck

Pisgah Senior H.S.
Canton
(704) 646-3464
CAPT Jim Humphrey

Smithfield-Selma H.S.

Smithfield

(919) 934-3766

NSI: CDR Robert D. Larrick

South Point H.S.

Belmont

(704) 825-8229

NSI: CWO4 William R. Cozart, Jr.

South Mecklenburg H.S.

Charlotte

(704) 343-3600 ext 46

NSI: CDR French B. Harvey

West Caldwell H.S.

Lenior

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NSI: CDR William J. Isenhour

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Charlotte, N.C. 28211
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Term Exp: 1996

UNIT NEWS

On 11 February Bill Brown ('44) and his wife stopped by the Unit to say hello. They were shocked to see Bill's photograph on the Quarterdeck. The photo was donated by John Paty ('44) and features a wide angle shot of the Battalion in front of the old football stadium--now the site of Davis Library. John's gift is exactly the type of memorabilia the Unit needs for the library/museum. Others have donated equally impressive mementoes, including Don Ryder ('46) a 300 lb. ship's wheel, Ed Baucom ('59) and Charles Paddock (USNA '51) Navy model aircraft, Bill Pope ('61) Navy Uniform Plates and Bruce Pruitt ('54) a collection of Naval Institute Proceedings. Don Ryder also contributed three ship's plaques. Help us adorn this great building with items from our rich heritage by sending in your photo's, books, plaques, etc.

UNIT CALENDAR

18 April (1300) Spring Awards Day at Navy Field

15 May (1400) Commissioning at Hill Hall

COMMISSIONING SPEAKER

The featured speaker at the NROTC commissioning ceremony on 15 May will be Rear Admiral Robert C. Jones (UNC NROTC '63). A Surface Warfare Officer, RADM Jones presently commands Naval District Washington. His distinguished career includes command of USS MACDONOUGH (DDG-39) and Naval Station , Subic Bay, R.P.

ALUMNI NEWS

In future newsletters we will be including notes on the happenings of Association members. There have been times when we have all wondered "whatever happened to good old...?" Wonder no more!! Clip out the form below, fill it in and mail it to the Unit so your classmates will know the latest on you.

Name: _____ Class: _____
Comments: _____
