

# UNC NROTC Alumni Newsletter

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## 2002 UNC NROTC ALUMNI REUNION

October 12th

(Columbus Day weekend)

UNC vs NCSU



### Letter from the President

By Jim Bailer '85

Dear fellow UNC NROTC Alumni,

As fall approaches we are gearing up for our annual reunion. This year promises to be a great one as we have tickets to the State game and it's also Parents Day for the midshipmen. Other highlights of our annual meeting include the presentation of our scholarship award to a Sophomore midshipman and the presentation of our Distinguished Alumnus Award. You will also want to be in attendance for an update on the unit's activities and the status of the unit's relocation. I hope to see you on October 12th.

Jim Bailer

### Need a room for the weekend? Discounted rate if you act soon!

A block of rooms has been reserved for our members at the Wyndam Garden Hotel for the competitive rate of \$59.00 per night + tax, double occupancy. This rate is good through 27 September so make your reservations now. The block of rooms is reserved for Friday and Saturday nights 11-12 October 2002. The hotel is located at 4620 S. Miami Blvd., Durham, NC (exit 281 off I-40).

For reservations, call the hotel directly at (919) 941-6066 or (800) 972-0264 or send them a fax at (919) 941-0225 and identify yourself as affiliated with the UNC NROTC Alumni Association. The rooms are first come, first serve, so reserve early.



## Battalion Update

by  
Captain Dennis Haines, USN  
NROTC Unit North Carolina Piedmont Region



Students. This year we have 17 freshmen scholarship students, and one new junior (coming in through the NSI two year scholarship program). We now have a total of 62 midshipmen and three MECEP students at the Unit. Again this year, the freshmen went to Norfolk for a one-week orientation program. The orientation program continues to be very popular with the midshipmen and gives most of them their first look at the Navy and Marine Corps.

Budget. I'm sure all of you are aware of the budget shortfall the State of North Carolina is facing this fiscal year. Although the final budget has not been approved, the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences has told us to expect a cut in our state funds. The cut should have minimal impact on our operations here at the unit since the majority of our funds come from the Chief of Naval Education and Training.

Building. At our last building meeting, we were told that the University now plans to house the three ROTC Units in the new Student Services building, which will be built on South Campus near Morrison Dorm. The move is scheduled to take place in the fall of 2005 when the Armory is torn down.

Veterans Day. The annual Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at Polk Place on Monday, 11 November 2002 starting at 1400. This is a tri-service evolution with the cadets and midshipmen from all three ROTCs participating. The guest speaker this year will be Captain Ted Triebel, U.S. Navy (Retired). Captain Triebel was the Commanding Officer of the NROTC Unit at Duke from 1989 through 1991, then became the first Commanding Officer of the NROTC Unit, North Carolina Piedmont Region when UNC, NCSU and Duke were combined to form a consortium in 1991.

That's the news from Chapel Hill. Hope to see you at the Pig Pickin' on 12 October.

Dennis Haines  
Captain, U.S. Navy  
Commanding Officer

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

In accordance with our Bylaws, we will hold elections for the Board of Directors at this year's General Meeting. Those elected will serve a 2 year term (2003 - 2004) Each member of the Board of Directors is limited to 3 consecutive terms. For those serving on the board on or before 1998, the clock started again for consecutive terms when our Association was incorporated in the State of North Carolina in 1999. Consequently, all of our current board members are eligible for reelection this year. Here is the slate of candidates:

Harold Brown '72 *(for 2nd term)*  
 Dick Cashwell '59 *(for 2nd term)*  
 Pat Connelly '85 *(for 2nd term)*  
 Bill Foster '80 *(for 2nd term)*  
 Edward McGinnis '66  
 Ronald McManus '68  
 Wade McSwain '89  
 Dan Rabil '86 *(for 2nd term)*  
 Jesse Tillman '86 *(for 2nd term)*  
 David Wagner '91  
 Charles Wolfe '65

## FOOTBALL TICKETS HERE'S HOW YOU GET THEM ...

We are please to report that our Alumni Association was able to obtain a block of 50 tickets for the UNC vs NC State football game. We are initially limiting the purchase of these tickets to 2 per dues-paying member in order to maximize their availability to as many alumni as possible attending the reunion. To order tickets, contact Mark Whitson directly. Tickets are \$35.00 each and will be distributed at the general meeting on Saturday before the game. Please mail your checks to:

**UNC NROTC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**  
**C/O Mark Whitson**  
**Maupin Taylor & Ellis, PA**  
**Drawer 19764**  
**Raleigh NC 27619**

*Remember to include an email address or phone number with your payment so we can provide you confirmation that your payment was received and you have reserved tickets.*

## MEMORIAL UPDATE

by Vicki Stephens '82

Many of you received a letter from the ROTC Memorial Committee this summer soliciting pledges in support of a project to honor those who attended UNC-Chapel Hill and gave their lives in the service of their country. When Memorial Hall reopens in 2004, their plan is to add plaques and artwork honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Presently, the only military members honored inside Memorial Hall are those of the Civil War. The Committee feels it's time to recognize many more deserving alumni since that time.

In the event you did not receive a copy of this letter and you would like to learn more about their plan, you can view a copy of their letter on our web site. You can also call the Developmental Officer involved with this project, Ms. George Ann Bissett at (919) 843-5112 or send an e-mail to: [georgeann\\_bissett@unc.edu](mailto:georgeann_bissett@unc.edu).

Although the ROTC Memorial Committee is not part of the NROTC Alumni Association, we have contacted them in support of their plans and to offer assistance. Many of you have donated to our own Memorial Fund over the years and we thank you. Due to the upcoming demolition of the armory, any specific plans for our own physical memorial were placed on hold and none of these donations have been spent. We decided it would be better to wait until the ROTC was established in a new permanent home before moving ahead with any final decision. Instead we have concentrated on identifying the deceased alumni and posting their names and information on our web site.

We are considering donating NROTC Alumni Association Memorial Funds collected thus far to the ROTC Memorial Project. Our initial opinion is that the ROTC Memorial Committee may be better equipped in terms of fund-raising and creating a suitable memorial than our Board of Directors who are distracted with a variety of other ongoing projects. It's possible that we may be making a motion in the near future on this matter. We'd like to hear your views on the subject. Feel free to contact Vicki Stephens at [vicki205@aol.com](mailto:vicki205@aol.com) or (w) 215-673-4800 ext 212 to express any views that should be considered by the Board of Directors.

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## REUNION WEEKEND SCHEDULE

### Friday

**8:00 pm** Informal cocktail party at the hotel. (Check with the front desk on for the room number.)

### Saturday

The game time will not be announced until the week prior to the reunion. Here are three schedules depending on the game time. Consult the web site for the latest information.

#### 1:00 PM game

9:00 AM Board Meeting  
**10:00 AM General Meeting**  
**11:00 AM Pig Pickin'**  
 12:00 PM Board Meeting\*

#### 4:00 PM game

12:00 PM Board Meeting  
**1:00 PM General Meeting**  
**2:00 PM Pig Pickin'**  
 3:00 PM Board Meeting\*

#### 7:00 PM game

3:00 PM Board Meeting  
**4:00 PM General Meeting**  
**5:00 PM Pig Pickin'**  
 6:00 PM Board Meeting\*

### General Meeting at the Armory

Distribute football/pig-pickin' tickets  
 Commanding Officer Presentation  
 Midshipman Battalion Presentation  
 President's Message  
 Scholarship Winner Announced  
 Distinguished Alumni/Distinguished Service Award Presentation  
 Elections for the new Board of Directors

\* The first board meeting is for the current board of directors. The second board meeting will include the newly elected directors to vote on officers, discuss turnovers, and plan the next meeting.

### Sunday

Please join your fellow alumni for a no host Brunch at or about 0930 AM in the Wyndam Garden Hotel Restaurant off Davis Drive. This is strictly come as you are, pay as you go. It is one more opportunity to cheer a Carolina victory or commiserate in defeat. Primarily, it is a chance to catch up with old friends. Hope to see you there.

### WHERE TO PARK

100 parking spaces have been reserved for alumni and parents of midshipmen: 50 in the Watertower Lot (N7), on Pittsboro Street across from the Carolina Inn, and 50 in the Dogwood Parking Deck, on Manning Drive across from the hospital. The cost is \$6 and you pay when you park. These spaces will be on a first come, first served basis, so if the Watertower Lot is full, then go to the Dogwood Parking Deck, and vice versa.

## 2002 UNC NROTC PIG PICKIN'

The Carolina NROTC battalion cordially invites you to attend our annual Pig Pickin' prior to the UNC – NC State football game on October 12th. It's a great opportunity to meet both midshipmen and members of the UNC NROTC Alumni Association, as well as a chance to see a great football game! There will be pork and chicken served with an assortment of sides as well. Any profits made from the sale of the Pig Pickin' tickets will go towards support of the midshipmen. Thanks for your support and hope to see you there!

\*Because the time of the UNC / NC State game has not been announced yet, the actual pig pickin' time has not been set. The pig pickin' at the armory will begin 2 hours prior to kick-off time.

### 2002 UNC NROTC PIG PICKIN' Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

#### Pig Pickin' Tickets

ADULT (ages 13 and up)	@ \$13	x _____ = \$ _____
CHILD ( ages 12 and under)	@ \$ 5	x _____ = \$ _____

\*If you have a small child who will be eating from a parent's plate, there is no cost.

Donation to the UNC NROTC Battalion \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide us with the following contact information to notify you of the pig pickin' start time:

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to "UNC NROTC Quarterdeck Society."

Please send your registration form by

October 1st, 2002 to:

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