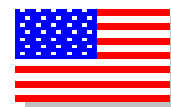




NROTC Alumni Newsletter



VOLUME 7 ISSUE 1

MIDSHIPMANS FOUNDATION

AUGUST 2002

FOUNDATION OFFICERS

Rodney Koenig, 1962
President

John C. Allman, 1966
Vice-President

Robert Gartner, 1965
Treasurer

Gary Schoen, 1966
Secretary

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

John C. "Rusty" Allman,
1966

Robert Collins, 1968
Deborah O'Neil
(anchorette)

John Engstrom, 1966

David Wells, 1969

Dennis Olsen,
Walt Jenkins.

Robert Gartner, 1965

Rodney Koenig, 1962

PRESIDENTS EMERITUS

WILLIAM DOCEKAL, 1966

Keys Curry, Jr., 1958

George Haley, 1956

John Hitchcock, 1965

Charlie Simons, 1963

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Captain Gene Garrett
(Professor of Naval Science)

Jack Ritter, 1955
(Navy League Liaison)

REGIONAL DIRECTORS

Robert Gartner, 1965
Austin (H) 512-331-0976

Ray Adams, 1980
DFW (H) 214-596-7188

Keys Curry, 1958
Houston (H) 713-783-8185

Robert Hancock, 1967
West (H) 619-586-0036

K.J. Moore, 1964
Eastern (h) 703-759-3527

Rudy Krueger, 1963
Central (HO) 402-331-6537

Henry Harper, 1965
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UT MIDSHIPMAN FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

J. Weldon Koenig, 1958

John Hitchcock, 1965

Max K. Miller, 1957

John Hitchcock, 1965

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

The first reunion of the 21st Century was a very memorable occasion. President Koenig began the event with a quiet moment of reflection upon the events of September 11th., and upon the role of many of our classmates and shipmates in the Nation's response to these unprecedented acts of war. Since the founding of the Republic the Navy Marine Corp team has been first in the line of battle when our peace has been threatened. There was a great deal of pride in the room in the knowledge that it would be Naval air and sea power that led they way in the war on global terrorism.

We were also proud to have one of our more illustrious alumni present, John Montford, who was until recently the Chancellor of Texas Tech University. Also recognized were a group of our distinguished WWII vets who were still trying to finish off their tales from the previous night's dinner at Austin Country Club. If you haven't had the opportunity to make that part of the reunion you have missed some greatly entertaining and inspirational stories.

PNS Captain Gene Garrett brought us up to date on the unit's current activities including the sailing program which has gotten off to a great start. Four Scholarships were presented to midshipmen by NROTC Foundation Trustees Weldon Koenig and Max Miller. All of the current and past officers and board members present were recognized, as well as each alum who attended the meeting.

New Board members elected were Deborah, O'Neil (former Anchorette), David Wells, Dennis Olson and Walt Jenkins. Max Miller was elected as Trustee of the UT Midshipman Foundation. John Allman was elected as Vice President of the Board of Directors replacing Clay Fulcher who resigned. Rod Koenig and Bob Gartner continue to serve as officers and board members.

After the business meeting we all adjourned to the ROTC building loading dock for some great BBQ and fellowship before a great Longhorn football victory over Texas Tech.

REUNION 2002 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Directors' Meeting, RAS ROTC Bldg., NROTC Wardroom	10 August 2002 10:00am
Navy League Distinguished Speaker Dinner, Austin Woman's Club	3 October, 2002 6:30 pm
WWII Alumni Dinner, Austin Country Club	4 October 2002 6:30 pm
Board of Directors' Meeting, RAS ROTC Bldg., NROTC Wardroom	5 October 2002 09:00amm 10:00 am
Alumni Reunion Business Meeting, RAS ROTC Bldg., 3rd Floor	
Reunion BBQ (Lunch or Dinner depending on game time)	On the loading dock behind RAS Hall
UT vs. OSU Football Game	Time:TBA

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The UT Midshipman Foundation has given over \$20,000 in scholarships since it was founded. However, we need to do more to help the Midshipmen meet the financial obligations of attending our great University.

In order to increase our scholarship funding we need to find all of our lost classmates and encourage them to enjoy the benefits of giving to the Foundation operating fund and the scholarship fund. We are all encouraged to give \$25 to \$100 per year to the operating fund. This fund allows the Foundation to assist the PNS in his day to day supervision of our Navy's future officers. Over 130 of us gave to this fund last year. That number represents less than ten percent of our potential contributing membership.

Ninety-one of us gave to the Foundation last year. We were blessed with two gifts at or above \$10,000, eight at \$5000, 17 at \$500, fifty-five at \$100 and nine under \$100. A total of one hundred thirteen of us have given to the foundation since it's inception.

I would like to challenge you and your classmates to dig a little deeper and help your shipmates build a lasting financial monument to help continue the fine traditions of the UTNROTC. The donor plaques outside the wardroom provide a great example to the prospective officers of today's generation. Those plaques and the memorabilia of the men and women who have graduated from the unit are a continuing reminder of two fine American traditions; the citizen soldier and sailor, and the returning of our largesse to the institutions that made it possible. So be generous, and call on your classmates to do likewise.

Download a donation form from www.utnrotcalum.org, and send your contributions to our hard working Treasurer, Bob Gartner. You'll be glad you did!

Warmest regards,

Rod Koenig (1962)
President

UT MIDS VISIT SPACE CENTER

The new XO, CDR Ned Ash and a group of 9 Midshipmen interested in Naval Aviation were escorted by the vivacious Judy O'Connor, self proclaimed "Secretary of the Navy (Astronauts)."

The Mids were particularly impressed with career information provided by Astronauts LCDR Neil Woodward (UT graduate) and CDR Butch Wilmore.

CDR Wilmore, scheduled to fly a shuttle mission in the near future invited the highly motivated Mids to climb aboard the shuttle flight simulator for hands-on training.

LCDR Woodward demonstrated scientific experimentation techniques in a full scale mock-up of the International Space Station (ISS). The enthusiastic group watched mission specialists manipulate the ISS arm while other astronauts filmed a segment for "Good Morning America."

Mission Control Center operations were next on the busy agenda followed by lunch with Neil and Judy.

The Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory was the final stop in the day's events where extra vehicular activity was observed in a 40 ft deep pool with mock-ups of the shuttle and space station. Armed with the latest information on human space exploration, the prospective astronauts showed their grateful appreciation providing Neil, Butch and Judy with UT NROTC memorabilia.

IN MEMORIAM

John Kirk Cansler, 1944

Gary Schoen, 1966

Larry Franks, 1966

TREASURER’S REPORT ON THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MIDSHIPMAN FOUNDATION

The following Treasurer’s Reports were presented to the Board of Directors for the year ending December 31, 2001 by John Hitchcock, Trust Fund and Bob Gartner, Operating Fund.:

Total Trust Donations Through Dec. 31, 2000	\$103,707.00
Trust Donations 2001	\$14,695.00
Total Alumni Trust Donations	<u>\$118,412.00</u>

**UT NROTC ALUMNI FOUNDATION
ALUMNI OPERATING FUND
CURRENT BALANCE**

\$7572.06

IT NEEDS TO GROW!

UT NROTC ALUMNI FOUNDATION

2001 REUNION INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

10/21/2001

INCOME

FOOTBALL TICKETS (50)	\$2000.00
DINNER PARTY (76)	1750.00
TOTAL INCOME	3750.00

EXPENSES

FOOTBALL TICKETS (50)	2000.00
CATERER (POK-E-JO’S BBQ)	797.50
EQUIPMENT (TABLES, BANNER)	432.00
BEER & WINE	159.57
KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT	35.46
ICE	49.89
TOTAL EXPENSES	3474.42

PROFIT \$275.58

1998 OPERATING FUND CONTRIBUTORS

The Board of Directors sincerely thank the following alumni and family of alumni for their financial support to the NROTC Alumni Foundation Operating Fund for 2002:

Patron Level (\$75 or more)

- Adkins, James M. 1955
- Allman, Jr., John C. 1966
- Broadus, James A. 1970
- Cansler, J. Kirk 1945
- Collins, Robert L. 1968
- Coneway, Chad James 1997
- Coneway, Clinton J. 1966
- Curry, Jr., Keys A. 1958
- Docekal, William L. 1965
- Fletcher, Kenneth Carl 1963
- Freeman, Macon W 1944
- Fulcher, Clay Wayland Gordon 1955
- Gartner, Robert Louis 1965
- Hammond Jr., Weldon W. 1960
- Hancock, Robert Lee 1967
- Hitchcock, John William 1965
- Karsokas, Anthony Scott 1964
- Koenig, John Weldon 1958
- Koenig, Rodney C. 1962
- Lofgren, Richard S. 1993
- Mickelsen, Thomas M. 1964
- Miller, Max Karlson 1957
- Mills, David B. 1986
- Moore, Kenneth James 1964
- Sales, James Bohus 1956
- Smith, Joe H. 1944
- Wildenthal Jr., John 1944

Sustaining Level (\$50 to \$74)

- Brandon, Dennis F. 1964
- Byron, Bruce B. 1970
- Elmer, Ivan C. 1947
- Engstrom, John T. 1966
- Gentry Jr., George H. 1951
- Harper, Jr., Henry Amos 1965
- Kissmann, Ronald M. 1970
- Moon, Frederick J. 1970
- Murtaugh, Dee (family of Jerome L. Murtaugh 1943)
- Rippel, Olga (family of Karl Edward Rippel 1944)
- Ritter Jr., Jack F. 1955
- Stallings, Rex P. 1956
- Tortorice, Donald A. 1964
- Von Mosch, Paul Donald 1989

See “Contributors” (Continued on page 4)

PNS REPORT

We have just completed another academic year at UT with a bang. The battalion is 68 strong after graduating five new Second Lieutenants and twelve new Ensigns; one to submarine warfare, three as a Naval aviators, two as Naval Flight Officers, and six as surface warriors. LT Oscar Toledo has reported as the Air Warfare Officer. He is a LAMPS III SH-60 Pilot and his hometown is San Antonio, Texas. Lt Jack Hernandez (UT Class of 1995) has relieved LT Mitch Tatum as Submarine Warfare Officer. He comes from a tour on an SSBN in Kings Bay, Georgia and is a native to Odessa, Texas. Oh, by the way LT Tatum got married in June to Erica. About time we think. The "old" Executive Officer, CDR Steve Bartek was relieved in May by CDR Ned Ash. Ned is a Naval Flight Officer from the P-3 community; graduate of University of Houston and a native of Galveston, Texas. Steve is off to Florida to teach in the NJROTC program. The pistol range is still in tack at UT thanks to the letter writing of the UT NROTC Alumni and Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson's office and every midshipman gets an opportunity to use it every semester. Thank you for your efforts that saved the range.

The battalion is sailing on a regular basis at Lake Travis and held its first regalia this spring to determine the best sail team. In addition, they participated in the Tulane Drill Meet on 7-9 February in New Orleans. Just happens to be Maudi Grau at the same time. On March 9th, the annual NROTC UT Ironman will be held. UT NROTC took third place in the team competition, first place in the women's competition, and second and third place in the men's competition. A dining in was held in April and we are planning the Navy and Marine Corps Birthday Ball for the fall. All of you are welcome to the ball and details will follow in October.

17 May was another great commissioning day for the unit. The first was the Navy-Marine Corps commissioning at 1000 at the LBJ Museum Antrim where Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy Jerry D. Jennings was our guest speaker. This was the opportunity for the family of each commissionee to participate in their personal commissioning, pinning and first salute. The Joint Commissioning Ceremony was held at 1300 in Bates Recital Hall. Rear Admiral John W. Townes, III, Deputy Chief of Navy Education and Training was the guest speaker for the commissionings that included Dr. Larry Faulkner as a participant. In addition, the UT NROTC Unit hosted the Southwest Navy League Regional Meeting the same day. It was a great Navy and Marine Corps day at UT.

I want to thank you personally for all the support the Alumni gives to me, my staff, and most importantly the midshipmen and officer candidates. Without your financial assistance the battalion could not participate in a lot of activities such as the "Run-to-Dallas" (and we will beat OU this year), pistol meet in Colorado in the fall, and drill meet in the spring. These and many other events are part of producing the best 2nd Lieutenants and Ensigns that we can for the fleet. The eight scholarships you award each academic year make a significant impact on everyday life for those midshipmen. We base our selection and recommendation to the Alumni Foundation on need, academics, and aptitude.

The midshipmen are being met with new financial challenges as we speak. The tuition and fee increases do not affect them since their scholarships take care of those costs. The biggest impact is in room and board. Those costs continue to increase significantly in the Austin area and thus the requirement for midshipmen to work more or take out more loans. My staff beat the bushes for every scholarship or grants we can get for our midshipmen but your UT NROTC Alumni scholarships continue to make a difference. I thank you and the midshipmen thank you for caring. So, directly and bluntly, continue to contribute to the UT NROTC Alumni Foundation.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the reunion on 4-5 October and anytime you are in town just drop by. You are always welcome. Alumni and midshipmen are a superb combination.

All the best,

CAPT Gene Garrett

"Contributors" (Continued from page 3)

Regular Level (\$25 to \$49)

Adams, Judy M. (family of Byron R. Adams 1958)
 Adams, Raymond J. 1980
 Barnhouse, William T. 1944
 Bieseimer Jr., Harold W. 1970
 Brotherton, James D. 1968
 Chesnick, H. Joseph 1945
 Davis III, William Ray 1968
 Dedeke, Leslie A. 1955
 Dittert, Jr., J. Lee 1952
 Dodgen, Joey Brandt 1990
 Evans, George Scott 1984
 Gates, Philip 1945
 Hagedorn, E. E. 1951
 Hamilton, Howard Harvey 1964
 Higdon, James Noel 1967
 Jenkins, Walter W. 1971
 Johnson, Alan K. 1965
 Jones, Churchill, W. 1966
 Kayser, Richard H. 1968
 Krausse, Dan M. 1945
 Kromminga, Lynn R. 1960
 Krueger, Rudolph Vince 1963
 Kuch, James A. 1969
 Lain, Bobby D. 1959
 Langley, James E. 1963
 Looney, Richard Glenn 1961
 Looney, Robert W. 1962
 Lovett, Thomas P. 1945
 McLelland, Donald R. 1959
 Moore IV, Edward C. 1968
 O'Neil, Dan Thomas 1980
 Parker, William W. 1952
 Reinauer, James R. 1967
 Richards, Ricky V. 1982
 Rodriguez, James T. 1973
 Seffel, Joel Stanley 1964
 Senterfitt, John Eugene 1960
 Simons, Charles W. 1963
 Steshko, William Nicholas 1968
 Tennison, Thomas Edward 1971
 Thomas, Robert Patrick 1969
 Trominski, Ernest M. 1968
 Wagoner, Thomas A. 1989
 Ward, Newton E. 1957
 Womack, David Ray 1956
 Woolsey, Wiley G. 1967
 Wright III, Herbert R. 1970

2002 Fall Reunion

UTNROTC Alumni Foundation

PO Box 143565

Austin, TX 78714-3562

Almost Fall!

Situation: Less than 60 days 'till football season

Op Plan: A gathering of UTNROTC Exes on 5 October, 2002

Event 1: Central Texas Council of the Navy League of the United States Distinguished Speaker Program Presents: Commander Randall Neat, USN, 67th in Command, USS Constitution (Old Ironsides)

Dinner Meeting

Thursday, October 3rd, 2002

Austin Woman's Club

San Antonio Street Between 7th & 8th

Social Hour 1830

Dinner 1930

Speaker 2030

Gourmet Dinner, Cash bar

\$20.00 Per Person

Reservations by October 1st

Contact Glenn Looney at 512-327-7413 or rglennl@alumni.utexas.net

Event 2 WWII Reunion Dinner at Austin Country Club. Hear some old and new war stories from our fabled friends from the forties.

Friday, October 4, 2002

4408 Long Champ Drive

Social Hour 1830

Dinner 1930

Sea Stories As long as they can tell 'em!

Event 3. UTNROTC Reunion Business Meeting and Pre-Game Tail Gate Party.

1000-1230 Saturday, October 5, 2002

Third Deck of RAS Hall (NROTC Bldg)

Park in RAS Lot F-11

Event 4. UT Football, Time TBA

Event 5: Reunion BBQ Dinner, Time TBA depending on Kick Off Time. We'll be in the same location on the loading dock behind the ROTC building either before an evening game or after an afternoon game. Flexibility is the key!!!!

Event 6: Breakfast at Cisco's. For you early riser types, we'll see you at 0830 over at Cisco's famous Migas place on East 6th.

Beat OSU!

DONATION FORM FOR UT NROTC ALUMNI FOUNDATION OPERATING FUND

COMMISSIONING CLASS: 19_____

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY, STATE ZIP: _____

PHONE: HOME (_____) _____ BUS (_____) _____

FAX: (_____) _____ E-MAIL: _____

Suggested donation levels: are \$75 (Patron), \$50 (Sustaining), \$25 (Regular)

Enclosed: \$_____ Make check payable to **NROTC Alumni Foundation** and mail to:

**NROTC ALUMNI FOUNDATION AT UT
P.O. BOX 143562
AUSTIN, TX 78714-3562**

DONATION FORM FOR UT MIDSHIPMAN FOUNDATION TRUST FUND

COMMISSIONING CLASS: 19_____

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY, STATE ZIP: _____

PHONE: HOME (_____) _____ BUS (_____) _____

FAX: (_____) _____ E-MAIL: _____

Suggested donation levels: are \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500, \$5,000, or more.

Enclosed: \$_____ Make check payable to **MIDSHIPMANS FOUNDATION** (IF NOT USING MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM) or to the **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS** (IF USING THE MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM, ALSO ENCLOSE YOUR COMPANY FORM) and mail to:

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P.O. BOX 143562
AUSTIN, TX 78714-3562**

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Let us hear from you!

NROTC Alumni Foundation at UT
PO Box 143562
Austin, Texas 78714-3562

2002 UTNROTC Alumni Reunion Registration Form

Please return this form to the address above by September 13th, 2002

From: _____ Year Group _____

Address: _____

Phone: (H)() _____ (W) () _____

A block of 30 rooms has been reserved at the Drury Inn & Suites-North, 6711 IH35 North for the evenings of October 4th and 5th. The negotiated rates are \$70 for a room with two doubles, \$77 for a room with two doubles, \$90 for a suite with either a king or two queens in the sleeping room and a queen sleeper sofa in the front room. Free continental breakfast, 25" TVs with HBO and in-room coffee are among the amenities. For reservations, call the Inn at 512-467-9500 and identify yourself with the UT NROTC Alumni, Group 156509.

I'll be there for sure! I will require the following:

FRIDAY NIGHT ACC DINNER @ \$40.00 EACH = \$ _____
FOOTBALL TICKETS: @ \$40.00 EACH = \$ _____
BBQ TICKETS: @ \$25.00 EACH = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED FOR REUNION: \$ _____

REMEMBER THE THURSDAY NIGHT NAVY LEAGUE DINNER REQUIRES SEPARATE RESERVATIONS WITH GLENN Looney at 512-327-7413 or rglennl@alumni.utexas.net. It is \$20 per person and reservations must be in by October 1.

In addition, please accept my annual Operating Fund contribution for 2002:

REGULAR MEMBER: \$25.00 _____
SUSTAINING : \$50.00 _____
PATRON: \$75.00 _____
OTHER AMOUNT: _____
I'VE GIVEN ALREADY! _____

_____ I have made all checks payable to: NROTC Alumni Foundation (Reunion and Contributions may be made in one check if desired.)

A note from the editor.

Having just been elevated to the venerable position of Grandfather I feel justified in taking pen to hand to give you a bit of a perspective on life here in Austin, not far from the Forty Acres. It always amazes me to drive over the hill on Westlake on the way in to the city to see how much the skyline of our fair town has changed in the 40 years since I first saw it. But there to the north, the Tower stands out like a beacon to the past. If you drive by all the fancy new buildings and park at Scholtz's you can pretend that none of that has happened. The campus itself is not much changed, and that makes for a pleasant walk for me each quarter as I head to the NROTC building for the Alumni board meetings.

We all had some pretty good times here, and I venture to say that for the most of us our time in the Navy was enjoyable as well. Of course the farther away we get from those events the better they may seem, and the more fun to recount, and to hear.

Now the best place to think back on those times and hear those great stories is right here in Austin where for most of us our great adventures began. I want to encourage all of you who receive this newsletter to make a great effort to attend our reunions, if not this year then put it on the calendar for the next. You will not be disappointed. You will be pleased to see that your shipmates are doing well; the new generation and the ones in between have carried on in fine tradition and our grandchildren's future is in good hands. But you will never know all that if you don't come back occasionally to take a look for yourself, so pack up and come on. What better place to spend a Fall afternoon than visiting with shipmates, old and new, and watching a little Texas Football!

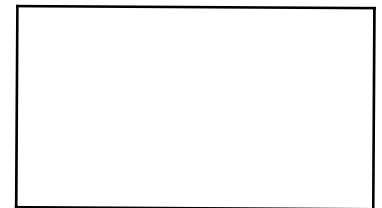
Hook 'em!

Rusty

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New Foundation Directors Elected!
Incoming President and Past
President Comments!
Funds Status & Reunion Accounting!
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