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## THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS NAVAL ROTC ALUMNI and THE MIDSHIPMANS FOUNDATION

### AWARD THE FIRST DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD to MR. JAMES J. MULVA

It was a historic moment for the UT NROTC. Since its creation in 1940 by order of President Roosevelt at the suggestion of Fleet Admiral Nimitz, the University of Texas NROTC has graduated and commissioned over 3,000 officers into the Navy and Marine Corps. This year, for the first time, the loyal and dedicated Alumni of the UT NROTC decided that it was time to honor fellow Alumni who have distinguished themselves after graduation and commissioning in a way to inspire and invoke pride in those Midshipmen and Officer Candidates laboring to join our ranks. The bar for selection to this honor was set very high indeed. Mr. James J. Mulva met the high standards easily.

On Tuesday, April 29, 2008 a representative group of alumni and NROTC staff traveled to Houston and met with Mr. James J. Mulva. Mr. Mulva is the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of ConocoPhillips. Jim has held that position since 2004. Prior to that date, he served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of ConocoPhillips from 2002 until 2004. He was the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Phillips Petroleum from 1999 to 2002. He had served as Phillip's President and Chief Operating Officer from 1994 until 1999. Prior to that time he served as Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President, and Chief Financial Officer. (continued on page 2)



In attendance representing ConocoPhillips were Mr. James Mulva, Mr. John Lowe, Executive Vice-President, Exploration and Production, and Mr. Jim Gallogly, Executive Vice-President, Refining Marketing and Transportation. Attending as representatives of the University of Texas NROTC unit and alumni were Rear Admiral J. Weldon Koenig, USN (Ret), Captain Max Miller, USNR (Ret), Captain Gabriel Salazar, USN, Major Fred Moon, USMC, (Ret), Captain Jack Ritter, USNR (Ret), Bob Brown, (former USMC), Bob Gardner, (former USMC), Lieutenant Walter Sack, and Midshipman 1/C Charles Tofel, Midshipman Battalion Commander.

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**THE FIRST DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD**

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Mr. Mulva is currently serving as director of General Electric, a member of the Business Council, as well as the Board of Visitors for the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. He served as Chairman of the American Petroleum Institute in 2006.

Mr. Mulva was born in 1946 and is from Green Bay, Wisconsin. He graduated from the University of Texas in 1968 with a bachelor's degree and received his master's degree in business administration in 1969. Immediately after graduating, Mr. Mulva served his country as a U.S. Navy officer until he began his career with Phillips in 1973.

Following introductions and some interesting discussions on a wide range of subjects, humorous and serious, lunch was served in the ConocoPhillips dining room. Following lunch, Captain Salazar and the NROTC staff presented Mr. Mulva with a framed photo of the NROTC unit members standing in front of the University of Texas Tower. After the NROTC Unit presentation, Weldon Koenig and Fred Moon, presented Mr. Mulva a handsomely designed and framed Distinguished Alumnus Certificate. Bob Brown presented a specially created gold lapel pin with an orange UT in the center and UT NROTC DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS around the perimeter. Jack Ritter presented Mr. Mulva with a burnt orange windbreaker.

Mr. Mulva shared some of his thoughts about his student days. Like all of us, he had to work to make ends meet. One of his jobs was serving as dormitory supervisor. Weldon Koenig recalled some of his Admiral Rickover experiences. Bob Brown recalled delivering the Daily Texan (a common experience to all in attendance) and jerking sodas at the Night Hawk on South Congress. Everyone in attendance revisited times past and enjoyed a splendid historic event as brothers with a common bond.

We now officially have our first truly Distinguished Alumnus. We all send our congratulations to Mr. James J. Mulva.

**President's Corner**

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We continue to be extremely fortunate that the Raytheon Company in McKinney, Texas provides for the publishing of our newsletter three times a year and Clay Fulcher who provides for the publishing of our Directory annually – that's tremendous savings for the Alumni Foundation Operating Fund! Their generosity in covering those significant costs enables your Alumni Foundation to provide a greater level of support to the Battalion than would be possible otherwise. Please, be sure to thank a Raytheon employee and Clay when presented with the opportunity.

I ask each one of you to break out your checkbooks now, fill out the Operating Fund contribution form on page 10, and mail that check and form to the Alumni Foundation today! Contribute to the NROTC Alumni Foundation to give back to the Battalion which was such an important part of your early adult life and eventual success. Without your support to offset the total expenses, some of the Battalion professional development activities will have to be cut back.

Read Ed Mergle's great article in the Vice President's Corner on page 5. We need your support for our Active Membership Project that he leads! We still have around 2000 former members of the Battalion on our roles but only have current contact information on about 900. Send us your personal updates and info on any "missing" members – go to the Update Form on our website [utnrotcalum.org](http://utnrotcalum.org) or contact Ed.

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## President's Corner

Fred Moon (1970)



Wow – time flies! It's already that time of the year again to start making your plans for attending the annual Reunion to be held the weekend of the Baylor game on 8 November. We like the better odds and the weather should be favorable! Our Reunion agenda is full of activities that give us the opportunity to kindle new and renew old friendships, learn the latest about the Battalion and the status of our Foundations, and attend our social events. Remember that the purpose of the Alumni Foundation is to support the Battalion and promote camaraderie amongst the Alumni! Come back and join us for a really memorable weekend.

Once again, we are making plans for a WWII Alumni Reunion to start off the Reunion week's activities. Plans are for another full agenda Thursday and Friday with focus on informal gatherings, a WWII Alumni dinner Thursday evening at the WWII Alumni hotel, and the continued recording on Thursday and Friday of personal interviews about our WWII Alums' experiences during the Great War. WWII Alumni – we need your feedback on the agenda and need to know who can attend. Other Alumni – if you are interested in helping with the WWII Alumni Reunion, please, contact me. The UT Center for American History Studies Institute of Military Studies interview team of Dr. Tom Hatfield, Director and Echo Uribe, Program Director are prepared to spend their time conducting additional interviews in the Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston metropolitan areas but they need support to cover travel expenses and the cost of recording tapes – upwards of \$3000. If you can make a contribution to help cover these travel and recording tapes costs, please, send a check made out to the NROTC Alumni Foundation marked “for WWII Alumni Interviews.”

At the Reunion Business Meeting Saturday morning, you'll receive an update on the Program from the PNS and an update on the Battalion from the Battalion Commanders, witness the awarding of scholarships and other awards to members of the Battalion, receive the presentation of the financial summary reports of the UTNROTC Alumni Foundation “Operating” Fund and the Midshipmans Foundation “Trust” Fund, and have the opportunity to make new or additional commitments to contribute to these two Funds. Your Funds provide the vehicle with which our membership can provide financial support for selected members of the Battalion in good record and often in need, Battalion leadership development and team building activities, and the day to day administrative expenses of the Foundations. We'll complete our activities with our BBQ time and location TBA, and I'm sure there will be a Saturday evening impromptu social gathering.

The Alumni Foundation Operating Fund needs your contributions. While the Midshipman's Foundation Fund has generated a substantial corpus to support continued growth and funding of the scholarships, the Alumni Foundation Operating Fund is a “cash” fund dependent on your annual contributions meant to cover the expenses of an annual budget. The Operating Fund primarily supports the attendance of incoming Battalion leadership billet holders at noted leadership symposiums, Battalion team building activities, and travel support for Battalion Pistol and Buccaneer Drill Teams. Possible key activities for the 2008–2009 academic year include:

- Bi-annual Navy Nurses Symposium at Marquette University in Fall
- Naval Academy Leadership Conference in Spring 2009
- Notre Dame University Leadership Conference in Spring 2009
- NROTC Pistol Team travel costs for a Pistol Team Competition in Fall 2008
- Buccaneer Drill Team travel costs for the Tulane University Drill Competition in Spring 2009
- New Battalion Members Orientation and Battalion end of the year BBQ

The Operating Fund also provides for the mailing of the Newsletters to our almost 900 current address active members three times a year and Directories to our current contributors annually. The Midshipman's Foundation Fund needs your continued support to increase the corpus to a level of no risk of decreased support for the Battalion on an annual basis. Our goal is to build the corpus to a point that we can provide additional support for the most pressing expense of Battalion members – housing.

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## **WWII Alumni Reunion**

### **WWII Alumni – We Need Your E-mail Address**

The 2008 WWII Alumni Reunion will be held Thursday/Friday 6-7 November at the Doubletree Hotel Austin. A sit-down dinner banquet is planned for Thursday evening at the hotel. Plans are in work for the UT Center for American History's Institute for American Military Studies again conducting video recorded personal histories interviews of our WWII Alumni who have traveled from afar.

Ivan Elmer will be sending all WWII Alumni a letter in the near future with more info and the August newsletter will provide details for the WWII Alumni Reunion and other associated Veterans activities including the Veterans' Memorial Dedication. Send your e-mail addresses or phone number to Ivan and Fred Moon so that we can keep you updated with the latest info.

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### **Are You Up to the Challenge?**

One of our loyal, dedicated Alumni has committed to donate \$50,000 per year for each of the next five years to our scholarship arm, the Midshipmans Foundation. There is a condition, however. To receive the \$50,000 each year, other donors to the Foundation must provide an equal amount in donations. Think about that a moment. If we can raise \$50,000 each year for the next five years to meet the challenge, our scholarship endowment fund will increase by at least \$500,000, surpassing our goal of a one million dollar scholarship endowment. Are you up to the challenge?

To meet this challenge, we will all have to dig deep each of the next five years. Each of us will have to do all we can individually to meet this challenge. Each of us will have to contribute according to our ability. I believe that we can do it. I believe that we will do it. I believe you share those same views and will do your part to meet the challenge. If we can do this then we will have paid back our debt to the Unit for the opportunities offered and education provided when we were in school. We will also have made life measurably better for the present and future members of the battalion. Some day those battalion members may go in harms way for you and your family. We need to do what we can for them at this time and in the future.

Please make your pledge now to meet the challenge for 2008. A pledge form is provided on page 10. Fill it out now and send it to our Treasurer, Bob Gartner.

– Bob Brown

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### **Highlights from the May 3, 2008 UTNROTC Alumni Foundation Board Meeting**

- The current Alumni Operating Fund balance is \$7,250.97.
- The Gifts Committee initiatives are going well. An individual has pledged to match contributions to the Midshipmans Foundation for the next five years up to a maximum of \$50,000 per year.
- The Midshipman's Foundation has a balance of \$651,879. The scholarships and awards budget for 2008 is \$34,700.
- The Active Membership Campaign is focusing on contact through the local Texas Exes Chapters and other organizations with an emphasis on camaraderie.
- The Alumni Histories Project with WWII veteran interviews is continuing.
- The War Veterans Tax Exemption Committee will continue to research the issue and report at the next Board Meeting.
- The Alumni KIA Plaque Committee is in the process of verifying names and dates.
- The Nominating Committee composed of Dan O'Neil, Bob Gartner and Spencer Smith is soliciting volunteers and prospective candidates to fill four Board positions.
- The planning for the November 8, 2008 Reunion is in progress.

## Vice President's Corner

Ed Mergele (1975)



### Help us spread the word and keep in contact!

#### The Directory

Well the Alumni Directory should be coming out again right about now. Is your information correct? You, the members, help us keep this Directory current. You can go online at [www.utnrotcalum.org](http://www.utnrotcalum.org) to submit updates on yourself or a shipmate you know. If you would prefer, you can also e-mail information about you or your shipmate to me at [ewmergele@alumni.utexas.net](mailto:ewmergele@alumni.utexas.net) or send it by snail mail to 303 Wyndale Street, San Antonio, Texas 78209. I'll make sure it gets to the right place and yes, if you noticed, I moved. San Antonio alumni take note. The Directory always has a sizeable list of alumni for whom we have no current contact or status information. Please review the list and let us know how to find them.

#### Class Representatives

We still can use reps for the classes graduating in the 1980s to present. Check the Directory for Class Year information. If you'd like to be a Class Representative, write or drop me an e-mail. In our efforts to keep up contact with newly graduating seniors, the PNS, Capt. Gabe Salazar has started the practice of having our graduates select a point of contact for the whole class at or just prior to graduation. It can also be a volunteer who wants to keep up with the whole class. The Alumni Foundation can then deal with that one person to keep a whole class updated with contact info through those years when many are moving around to satisfy the needs of the Navy or Marine Corps. Our graduates are much more interested in this now that most all of them have received scholarship assistance from our Midshipmans Foundation.

#### Regional Directors

A study to implement some degree of expansion of the Regional Directors structure is ongoing. We're looking to integrate the current Regional Directors structure and the newly identified 20+ additional Area Coordinators into one system. We need to place some focus on a more manageable area (200 mile radius). Some of these current regions have few alumni in them and others have large numbers that may require more than one Director. Only about one-third of the regions currently has Directors, so if you'd be interested in starting a regional alumni group, however informal, let me know about your plans and progress. I can supply you with a roster of alumni in that area with initial contact information. At our last Board meeting it was recommended that attending local Texas Exes meetings may be a fast way of finding some of our alumni in your area whom we've lost contact with. Please help us with this effort.

#### Reunions

Most everyone knows about the Reunion in Austin every Fall, but Regional Directors might be thinking about holding their own local reunions or get-togethers in the Spring – especially in regions far away from the “mother ship.” In this way, those who can't make the long trip back to Austin can, at least, experience some camaraderie and networking. Speaking of the annual Reunion, the classes of 1998, 1988, 1978, 1968, 1958 and 1948 should be thinking about special activities they would like to have for their 10th, 20th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th anniversaries. Get it organized and send us the information so we can include it in our last newsletter before the Reunion.

#### Get Connected ...

Drop me an e-mail if you would like to find out who your Class Representative or Regional Director is. Get connected and stay connected.

## 2008 UT NROTC Alumni Foundation Reunion Activities

(Reunion hotel info provided at end of article on page 7)

### Thursday, 6 November

#### Navy League Dinner and Program

The Greater Central Texas Council of the Navy League will start off reunion weekend by honoring the UT NROTC Alumni at its Thursday November 6th Distinguished Speaker dinner meeting. RADM Steve Smith, USN, ret (1968 UT NROTC Graduate) will be our Distinguished Speaker and Midshipmen receiving UT NROTC Alumni Foundation scholarships will be in attendance. The UT NROTC will be providing the Color Guard for the program. This is a great opportunity to meet midshipmen in a social setting and to renew old friendships.

The meeting will be held at the Austin Woman's Club (1st Floor) located at the corner of San Antonio and 8th Street. Access to the entrance and parking area is from the rear on Nueces Street between 7th & 8th Streets. Parking is free – ignore the signs. Social hour begins at 1815; Dinner (buffet style) is at 1915; Program begins at 2015; Adjourn at 2115. All Navy League meetings are open to the public. Your family and friends are all welcome. Reservations are required by Monday 3 November 2008 (pay at the door \$25 per person/cash bar available). For reservations call Glenn Looney 512-327-7413 (rglennl@alumni.utexas.net).

### Friday, 7 November

#### Golf Outing

For those of you interested in a reunion Golf outing we will be gathering at Star Ranch on Friday November 7th in the morning. (Tee times to be determined). As in previous encounters we will face off Navy versus Marine. The Star Ranch offers both a Breakfast Buffet and a Lunch Buffet as part of the green fee. Star Ranch is located at 2500 FM 685 in Hutto, Texas (NE Austin just north of the new toll road 45 East). The current rates for green fee/cart/range balls/buffet are \$52 (seniors \$37). We will pay when we get there but to make sure we have enough tee times please notify Jim Brotherton if you will be participating. Phone: 512-394-9381 (e-mail: jbrotherton@austin.rr.com)

Directions: From Austin

Take IH 35 North exit Louis Henna Blvd (Toll 45/Loop 1)

Travel 1.4 miles on access road to Toll Road 45 East

Travel approx 2.7 miles and take 130 North

Exit Gattis School Road/685 North

Travel approx 1 mile North on FM685 and turn left at second stop light

Go 0.6 miles South on FM 685 and Star Ranch will be on your right.

#### UT NROTC Alumni Dinner

This year's UT NROTC Alumni Dinner will be held at the Austin Country Club with cocktails at 1830, followed by dinner at 1900. The tentative cost is \$35, but is subject to change. Dress will be "business casual," i.e., sport coat or dress shirt/slacks. Directions: Go one mile south of the Loop 360 bridge over Lake Austin and take Westlake Dr. east. Go about 200 meters and turn left onto Long Champ Dr. and go to 4408 at the end. Call 512-328-0090 if you get lost.

#### Informal Gathering

All year-group class members may also gather at Scholz's Garden at 1900 for socializing. Be prepared to contact others to make plans to meet at an alternate location if Scholz's end's up being reserved for a private party.

### Saturday, 8 November

#### Board of Directors Meeting

At 0830 in the Library on the 1st deck of the RAS ROTC building.

(Saturday and Sunday events continued on page 7)



## In Memoriam

### Rom Rhome



Rom Rhome died at in Houston on April 22, 2008. Rom was a member of the NROTC Unit at the University of Texas. Upon graduation from the University in 1943, he was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. He served during both World War II on the heavy cruiser U.S.S. San Francisco and the Korean War attaining the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He received his MBA with honors from Harvard Business School. He was known for service in the public interest at both national and community levels, having membership in the Rotary Club of NW Houston and as a board member of NARAL. Rom was a member of the College of Natural Sciences Hall of Honor and past chairman of its Foundation Advisory Council at the University of Texas. He was recently Past President of the University of Texas Foundation (2006–07). He will be remembered for his named endowments at the University of Texas.

Mr. Rhome was preceded in death on January 1, 2003, by his beloved wife Margaret, affectionately known as Peg. He is survived by his three step-children, Peter W. McGehee, Anne Manka and Jane McGehee; cousin Rom Park Welborn; five grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren and many other family and friends. A Memorial Service was held May 5, 2008 at John Wesley United Methodist Church in Houston.

## 2008 UT NROTC Alumni Foundation Reunion Activities

Saturday, 8 November (continued from page 4)

### Alumni Reunion Business Meeting

At 1000–1200, Location TBA – we are looking into an auditorium nearby the ROTC Bldg with multi-media presentation capability. The morning business meeting is the main reunion event, and it will provide an opportunity to learn of all the latest unit activities, plans, achievements, etc., and also that of the Midshipmans Foundation. It is a great opportunity to meet with Midshipmen, staff, and alumni. Tickets that have been ordered for the Baylor/Texas football game will also be distributed at the meeting.

### Football Game: Baylor vs. Texas

Start time is TBD. Tickets are \$75. You can reserve your tickets on the Registration Form (page 9).

### Reunion BBQ

It has not yet been determined if the Baylor/Texas game will be a day or a night game. If a day game with start after 1500, the BBQ will be held after the Alumni Reunion Business Meeting, by the loading dock behind the RAS ROTC building. If an early afternoon game with game time at or before 1500, the BBQ will be held at Camp Mabry in the evening at 1930. The cost is \$20 per head. Reservations should be made on your Registration Form (page 9). If the game time is between 1400 and 1500, we will have a Tailgate Party at the ROTC Bldg after the Business Meeting.

## Sunday, 9 November

### Breakfast

At 0800, an informal breakfast will be held at Cisco's on East 6th Street. You may show up at your convenience, but the earlier the better, so you can see your friends one more time before they hit the road!

### Hotel Information

Hotel accommodations are available for all attendees at the Drury Inn & Suites Austin North, 6711 IH-35 North, Austin 78752, 512-467-9500. For reservations, call 800-325-0720 and tell them the hotel name "Drury Inn & Suites Austin North" and group name "UTNROTC Alumni." Our group number is 2037073. Reservations must be made no later than Tuesday 7 Oct for the group rate. Same amenities as last year with complimentary breakfast buffet, manager's reception daily, free parking, cable TV with HBO, etc. Go to [www.druryhotels.com](http://www.druryhotels.com) for more info. Room rates per night for 1 to 4 persons are 2 doubles or king deluxe \$90. City hotel tax is an additional 15% (subject to change without notice). Check-in is 1500 and check-out is 1100.

**Treasurer's Report**  
**UT NROTC Alumni Foundation**  
**Alumni Operating Fund**  
**Income and Expense Statement**  
(as of 5/2/2008)

<b>Beginning Balance (1/26/08)</b>	<b>\$6,834.50</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Member Checks (Operating Fund)	\$1,970.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,970.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Fred Moon (WWII Alumni Interview)	\$53.53
PNS Discretionary Fund	\$500.00
UTNROTC Battalion	\$1,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,553.53</b>
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>\$7,250.97</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
None	\$0.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Balance End of Year</b>	<b>\$7,250.97</b>

**Midshipmans Foundation**  
**2007 Income/Expense Statement**  
(December 31, 2007)

<b>Income from Gifts</b>	<b>\$56,888.99</b>
<b>Income from Investments (Max Miller)</b>	<b>\$33,504.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Plaque Wall Maintenance	\$1,372.61
J.W. Koenig Meal Reimbursement	\$238.69
Hitchcock (Stationery)	\$1,341.53
Gartner (Stamps, Gen Purpose)	\$41.00
NROTC BN (Sword Awards)	\$1,527.50
Scholarship Awards	\$23,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$27,521.33</b>

**Midshipmans Foundation**  
**Balance Sheet (Unaudited)**  
(May 1, 2008)

Current Value of Investments and Cash Accounts	\$651,879.00
Income from Investments (Max Miller)	\$6,430.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$658,309.00</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Midshipmans Foundation Net Worth</b>	<b>\$658,309.00</b>



Treasurer, Midshipmans Foundation

**Appreciated Stock Donations**

One of our dedicated Alumni has just contributed shares of stock in a publicly traded company to the Midshipmans Foundation. The stock has appreciated in value considerably from the time of original acquisition.

This is an outstanding way to donate to the Midshipmans Foundation and to realize a nice tax advantage. The donor is entitled to a tax deduction equal to the value of the stock at the time of the gift. The stock becomes a part of the Foundation's portfolio without tax consequences to the Foundation.

Do you have shares of stock which you would consider donating to the Foundation? If so, contact any of your Foundation officers or directors shown on the masthead.

**Midshipmans Foundation Funds**  
(5/1/2008)

<b>Merrill Lynch</b>	<b>\$217,083</b>
<b>American Funds</b>	<b>\$53,000</b>
<b>Raymond James</b>	<b>\$56,037</b>
<b>Vanguard</b>	<b>\$313,015</b>
Money Mkt	\$108,624
HiYldCorp	\$24,536
IntTerm Bond	\$26,882
Wellington	\$25,834
Strat Equity	\$41,445
Sel Value	\$42,113
Windson II	\$43,581
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$313,015</b>

University of Texas	\$2,500
Checking Accounts	\$10,244
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$651,879</b>



University of Texas  
NROTC Alumni Foundation  
P.O. Box 143562  
Austin, TX 78714-3562

2008 Alumni Reunion Registration Form  
Please return this form by 15 September.

From: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes!! I'll be there!! I will require the following tickets:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday night dinner \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Football tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ BBQ dinner tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount for Reunion:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Navy League Distinguished Speaker/Dinner Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Remitted \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In addition, please accept my Annual Operating Fund contribution for 2008 (circle one):

Regular Member: \$25

Sustaining: \$50

Patron: \$75

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I have already given!

Make all checks payable to: NROTC ALUMNI FOUNDATION.  
Reunion and Contribution expenses may be combined in one check.

I can't attend this year, but please update the following:

My address:

My phone number:

My email address:

Please keep me in mind for all future events.

**Donation Form for  
UT NROTC Alumni Foundation  
Operating Fund**

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Donation Levels: Patron \$75 Sustaining \$50 Regular \$25

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: NROTC Alumni Foundation

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**Donation Form for  
Midshipmans Foundation  
Scholarship Fund**

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Donation Levels: \$100 \$500 \$1,000 \$2,500 \$5,000 (or more)

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please 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.

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Mail all donations, both NROTC Alumni Foundation Operating Fund  
and Midshipmans Foundation Scholarship Fund, to the following address:  
UT NROTC Alumni Foundation  
P.O. Box 143562  
Austin, TX 78714-3562

We look forward to hearing from you. Don't forget to include your e-mail address!!



**Dear Fellow Alumni**  
Gabe Salazar, Captain, USN  
(1979)



Dear Fellow Alumni,

Another semester has come and gone, and all the signs of summer are around us. There are hardly any students walking on the East Mall, RAS is empty, and believe it or not you can actually find a parking space on campus. For those of you who still have outstanding parking tickets from your days here, do not take this as an invitation to test the memory of the UT parking police though. That same boot that you tried desperately to get off your tire years ago may magically reappear.

We completed an extremely busy spring semester with a great commissioning ceremony on May 16. We commissioned seven Ensigns into the Navy and three Second Lieutenants into the Marines, and it capped a week of graduation ceremonies and commissioning events that our commissionees will remember for the rest of their careers. We are fortunate to have six of our May grads here with us through mid-summer awaiting the start of their training tracks, and we have kept them busy in earning their first big paycheck.

As I said, this was an extremely busy semester. Thanks to your support and the support of the Midshipmans Foundation, we are able to have numerous members of the battalion attend leadership conferences at the Naval Academy, Notre Dame and here at the University of Texas. Additionally, our pistol team participated in a meet in Colorado this semester, bringing home a fourth place trophy out of this extremely large event. All of these experiences were valuable to their development as officers, and we could not have done it without your help.

The battalion also hosted our first high school NJROTC air rifle meet here, with over 60 participants from all over the state. The entire battalion also hosted and participated in the annual Zimmerman Recon Challenge, an endurance, strength, and team building event that honored a local fallen Marine. We capped off the semester with a fantastic Dining In that was attended by our seniors and Navy and Marine officer candidates.

As always, I want to offer my appreciation for your generosity and the support you give your battalion. I can tell you unequivocally it makes a difference, and we are able to turn out a much better officer here because of it. Please stop by and see us when you are in town this summer. I am looking forward to see you all at our reunion in November. Hook'em Horns and stay in touch.

– Gabe Salazar  
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