Hello from Evanston and our great host university of Northwestern! It was great to meet the Board for the Naval ROTC Scholarship Fund after I first arrived and more of our alumni and veterans at the Homecoming BBQ. This annual event has become a staple of our “welcome back to campus” initiative and a great chance to catch up with old friends while finding new ones.

I’m the new guy assuming command of Northwestern’s NROTC Unit upon the retirement of CAPT Jim Paulsen in June ‘12. He left me with a great staff and a super group of motivated Midshipmen. I came here from the Command Center NORAD-USNORTHCOM, and am very happy to be onboard. I’m a career fighter pilot in F-14s and then F/A-18 Rhinos. While I miss flying, I’ve found a home here. My wife, Valerie, is also excited to be here in a new big-city environment as are my children Chloe (11) and Zack (9).

In addition to my arrival, we have had other personnel changes. Our XO, CDR Carl Liberman is following the yellow brick road to life as a civilian after a very successful career as a submariner. He will be missed. LCDR Tony Arendt, an aviator, has moved into the XO billet, and we haven’t missed a beat due to his diligence. We are happy to have Tony’s aviation and 4/C Midshipmen advisor billet already filled by LT Phil Dunsford. He’s coming from duty in CJTF – Horn of Africa. We have a permanent XO identified in CDR Keith Holihan who is also a fighter pilot. We expect him to arrive in early summer ‘13. Finally, we have a change at the Marine Officer Instructor position. Captain Colin Boynton joined us this summer after Major Maldonado moved on. Capt Boynton comes to us straight from the desert, and he, with the able assistance of GySgt Dequattro, our Asst MOI, is riding herd on our Midshipmen.

The remainder of our staff remains the same superb group we have had for the last year. LT Mac Marrone is our Surface Warfare expert and advisor to our 1/C Midshipmen. LT Dan Doughty is our Submarine Officer also advising our 2/C and 3/C Midshipmen. Rose Wasik, our Human Resources Technician, continues to be the administrative wizard for our unit while being the “Den Mother” for our Midshipmen. Retired Senior Chief Mike Dalluge is our Supply Technician who keeps our men and women in uniforms and with books. Mylin Wyche makes sure nothing administrative falls through the cracks as our office expert.

The current state and future of the unit is bright. Although we’re still relatively small in numbers, we did accept a larger than normal group of 4/C Midshipmen this Fall. Regardless, we are a strong and vibrant group with a very strong university relationship.

Our orientation week was executed at the Recruit Training Command facilities at Naval Station Great Lakes which offered the opportunity for a more thorough orientation to military service, and the completion of more events required for commissioning. We had interest from other Midwest NROTC units in how we perform our orientation, including a site visit from Marquette University’s Professor of Naval Science. We also had the pleasure of the Naval Service Training Command Commander and the Commander of Recruit Training Command attending and addressing our newest Midshipmen during orientation.

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The annual University of Wisconsin Drill Meet was cancelled due to inclement weather, but Capt Boynton was able to gain acceptance to the Midwest Regional Super Spartan Race, which is an endurance race for our hard-charging athletes. Our team did well and enjoyed a lot of camaraderie while getting dirty. Our unit continues to build on the relationships with our host university, Northwestern. We are lucky to have such a receptive administration. We are also fortunate to have sponsors who aid our Midshipmen financially. Every little bit helps. We are currently working with the Athletic Department to use the Welsh Ryan-McGaw facility for winter physical training on a not-to-interfere basis with the varsity athletes. This will be very helpful in our effort to keep our Midshipmen fit and focused. We are also involved in flag and other color guard details at university events, and will continue to explore more opportunities to inject Midshipmen into university life. President Shapiro’s initiative to involve student veterans into campus life is one example of how the unit and university are working together to support veterans while training the next generation of leaders.

The continued support from our alumni is very important and much appreciated. I also encourage former NROTC Midshipmen or veterans to visit our house when on campus. Whether you are a career officer or someone who moved on after the contractual commitment, you have something to contribute to our Midshipmen. The telling of your experiences will add to their already fertile minds.

Welcome Aboard Captain Boynton
Midn 3/C Alan Smith

The Northwestern NROTC is honored to introduce and welcome Captain Colin Boynton as our new Marine Officer instructor (MOI). In 2006 Captain Boynton commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant from the NROTC program of The University of Arizona in Tucson. Following his commission, Boynton attended The Basic School and received Ground Intelligence Officer as his Military Occupation Specialty (MOS). After two years of training in his MOS, Boynton was assigned to G-2, HQBN, 3D Mar Div, Okinawa, Japan in June of 2008.

One month later Boynton was assigned to be the Officer in Charge (OIC) of an Afghan National Army Company in the Nuristan and Nangarhar Provinces. From November 2008 to September 2009 Boynton trained the Afghan Forces and held billets as: Platoon Commander, Productions and Analysis OIC, Collections and Targeting OIC, and Current Intelligence OIC. On December 24th, 2008, Boynton’s platoon of Afghan soldiers began taking heavy fire, and Boynton quickly realized that they were in the middle of a dangerous kill zone. Captain Boynton’s decisive action turned the battle around earning him a Bronze Star with Valor, which is the Marine Corp’s fourth highest combat decoration. Shortly after this mission Lt. Colonel Ted A. Adams stated, “You can’t ask for a higher caliber Marine.” During his second deployment, from May to December 2011 Captain Boynton served as a Platoon Commander for 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion in Sagin Valley, Afghanistan.

In August 2012, after two combat tours, Boynton reported to the NROTC Chicago Area Consortium. After six very active years of service, Boynton is a highly qualified Marine to take the position as our new MOI. Captain Boynton is a great model for Midshipmen to look up to, with much knowledge and experience to offer. We are fortunate to have Captain Boynton as the new MOI.
The NU Endurance Team put in many long, hard hours of training in preparation for the UW – Madison endurance race. However, two days prior to the meet the endurance competition was cancelled due to the weather. This was not a setback but rather a leap forward. Following the cancellation of the endurance competition the team found out that there was an alternate option to put their fitness to the test. This came in the form of the Super Spartan Race; a race that consists of 8-9 miles and upwards of 20 obstacles.

When race day came, everyone who was competing was excited to finally see what the Spartan Race was all about. Our scheduled start time was 0800, so when we pulled into Marseilles, Illinois, it was early, dark, and very cold. Just prior to our start, we were all standing around a fire pit talking strategy, staying warm and dry. We knew staying warm and dry would soon change. We competed in the elite heat, so we were the first ones to step off on the course. After about the first mile or so of running, we were no longer warm and dry, but rather cold, wet, and muddy. We crawled under barbed wire, climbed cargo nets, carried sandbags, threw spears, and jumped through fire. By the end, all of the NU Midshipmen who started the race had finished. Even though it was freezing and we were wet and covered in mud, WHO WERE WE? WE WERE SPARTANS!! AROO!
This past summer, I was lucky enough to attend a Career Orientation and Training for Midshipmen (CORTRAMID). Think of this program as an all-expense-paid Navy Summer Camp vacation with five hundred other Midshipmen from universities across the nation. Whether it is in sunny San Diego or the historical Norfolk, Virginia, the purpose of this program is to allow Third-Class Midshipmen to examine the four possible service selection options available to newly commissioned Navy and Marine Corps Officers.

During Marine Week, I spent five days at Camp Pendleton and learned how important the relationship is between the Staff Non-Commissioned Officers and the Junior Officers in order to form an effective leadership hierarchy in the Marine Corps. I became familiarized with various weapon systems, Marine Corps Martial Arts, fire team formations, and physical fitness.

During Surface Week, I was awarded the opportunity to spend five days underway the USS PREBLE (DDG 88). There, I gained insight from every sailor and junior officer I had the chance to pester with my questions regarding shipboard customs, wardroom etiquette, weapon systems, and the military lifestyle. We had seminars on Damage Control, attended an OPS/Intel brief, and witnessed an underway replenishment. I even had the chance to play the role of Helmsman—only until the ship started tilting at angles of more than ten degrees!

During Submarine Week, I learned basic damage control and fire fighting, attended a Secret brief, and had my camera confiscated. Little did I know these were the usual procedures before going underway on a Submarine (as a Midshipman, at least). We spent exactly 24 hours underway the USS NEVADA (SSBN 733). Unfortunately, everything that happened during that time is confidential.

During Aviation Week, my fellow Midshipman companions and I strutted around in our flight suits at NAS North Island and MCAS Miramar. We completed our swim qualifications, received our “up-chits” and were ready to fly. After more briefs on safety procedures, we were offered the opportunity to fly a Beechcraft T-34 Mentor—some Midshipmen did up to 6 g’s!

When we were not playing “Marine” in a simulated Afghan village, getting in trouble for skipping chow lines on the ship, learning how torpedoes are fired from boats, or flying high over the Pacific Ocean, we had liberty in San Diego. I will let your thoughts wander on what sorts of mischief nineteen-year-old Midshipmen find themselves in when too much free time is awarded. Although I am still undecided on which community I will list as my first choice on the service assignment sheet when junior year comes around, my CORTRAMID experience gave me great insight on what the rest of my career will be like as a Naval Officer.
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By name, this training event does not sound too difficult, but when we sat down and had gas masks handed to us, we knew what was coming. At the end of this eye-opening experience, the 4/C could agree with the thought, “I cannot believe I just did that.” The idea that we, as future officers, would be responsible for the lives of Sailors and Marines was a sobering thought. Whether it was from these training events, or the tedious things like ironing uniforms, or polishing my oxfords to instill a sense of attention-to-detail, I came out of Orientation week a more knowledgeable and stronger individual than when I began. The week of training I endured with my fellow shipmates was not only a learning experience but was a wake-up call and a peek into the future. Orientation Week allowed me to understand the basics of how the Navy operates and allowed me to understand my role and better serve my country in the near future.

**Foreign Exchange Cruise**

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**MIDN 1/C Amber Meer**

My 1/C summer cruise was an unforgettable experience. I was selected for a Foreign Exchange cruise with the Portuguese Navy. I traveled to Lisbon, Portugal, where I received my first lesson in dealing with foreign militaries; learn to expect the unexpected. The Portuguese naval school is located in Almada, Portugal. As we pulled up to the pier, I looked out at a beautiful three mast sailing ship and mused about how much fun that would have been compared to the grey ship at the end of the pier that I was sure I was destined for. Imagine my surprise when we did in fact stop in front of the sailing ship. I was led on board in a state of bewilderment, staring up at miles of line draped everywhere.

I was introduced to my running mate, a second year student at the Naval Academy, and led into what can only be described as a closet designed for 11 women to share. This was just the beginning of my five week journey on board the NPR SAGRES. I was joined on the ship by Midshipmen from all over the world. There were approximately 19 countries represented, and about half as many languages. This led to lesson number two; sign language is an invaluable tool. I learned a bit of Portuguese, as well as the basics in Spanish, German, and Italian. And that’s still not a good representation of the all the countries on board. We visited five ports including Lisbon, Leixoes and Porto in Portugal, Funchal in Madeira, and Cadiz in Spain.

While in the various ports, we visited historic landmarks, shopped for souvenirs, and, of course, hit the local beaches. While on board ship, I learned the basics of line handling, how to raise and lower sails, and how to steer a ship the old fashioned way; i.e. with a wheel that was bigger than me! We participated in midshipmen-run daily briefs to the Commanding Officer. We also participated in a Tall Ship Regatta in which we raced over a dozen other tall ships from Lisbon to Cadiz. The regatta was accompanied by celebrations in both ports which included parades, concerts, fireworks, and even a carnival! I’m proud to say that our mixed crew of seasoned Portuguese sailors and clueless foreigners took 4th place in the race.

My experiences on board SAGRES were unforgettable. I met a ton of new friends, whom I still keep in contact with. It was amazing to see the blend of cultures, and the bonds we formed despite some language barriers. It was truly an amazing adventure, and I hope that others get to experience this amazing opportunity through the Foreign Exchange program.
Of the many NROTC battalion events and activities that take place throughout the year, Orientation Week is perhaps the most challenging, exciting, and rewarding of them all. This past August, incoming Northwestern and Loyola 4/C midshipmen stood in front of Lunt Hall and took their oath with CAPT Koehr as their first step towards becoming members of the Northwestern NROTC battalion. During the eight long days of Orientation Week, these midshipmen learned almost everything there is to know about being successful in the NROTC program. The midshipmen worked in teams, persevered both mentally and physically, and taught staff members just as much about being a leader as they learned themselves. Orientation Week is designed so that upper-class midshipmen are directly involved in the development of new 4/C midshipmen.

As a first-time staff member, I quickly realized the magnitude of my influence on the 4/C midshipmen during this week. I remembered what my Orientation Week had been like two years ago, how aware I was, learning so much so quickly. I remembered listening to my superiors as if every word was golden, born from some sort of sacred NROTC book (which I later realized existed: my Midshipmen Regulations Manual). I remembered their words of advice given to me during that week and how it had gotten me to where I am now. I wanted to have that kind of impact on the new 4/C midshipmen, and so passing on my knowledge became my priority. It was my obligation to be the best role model and teacher I could possibly be. Not only did I learn the importance of being a teacher and role model, but I also learned how to work with the rest of the staff to maintain a controlled, safe environment.

With the many activities planned for the 4/C midshipmen, including rifle and pistol training, sailing, physical fitness training, briefs, and uniform preparation, there was little time left in between. The midshipmen staff planned diligently and coordinated a schedule that allowed for all of the training to be completed fairly smoothly. The same type of teamwork and determination demanded of the 4/C midshipmen was absolutely vital to the success of the midshipmen staff at Orientation Week. Overall, the mission of the week was accomplished, and I am proud to say that the 4/C midshipmen are excelling as members of our unit.
For the Fall 2012 semester, I was given the amazing opportunity to study abroad in Rome, Italy. Before I left, I had many expectations about what I would be learning and doing while in Rome, and I can honestly say I surpassed them all. Being in Rome was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, as it allowed me to grow as a student and as a person. I believe one of the main attributes I gained while abroad was becoming a world citizen. Over the course of the semester, I travelled to many foreign places including France, England, Ireland, Greece, as well as all over Italy. It was incredible to see how each country was different. From the food to the people, you never really knew what you were going to experience.

Being put into an environment where you do not know where you are, or even how to ask where you are can be extremely overwhelming, as well as rewarding. I cannot tell you how many times my friends and I got on the wrong train, took a wrong turn or tried to ask a question using hand gestures when words just were not enough. And even though those things seemed frustrating at the time, being put into an uncomfortable situation was one of the best and fastest ways I was able to learn.

One of the other main advantages I gained while abroad was becoming an international student. Because I was studying in Rome, all of the classes I was taking related to Rome in one way or another. This allowed me to learn so much more about the city I was surrounded by. Everywhere I looked there were ruins, churches or historical monuments. Being able to see and experience a city so different from any city in America gave me a new perspective on the world. It allowed me to better understand what I was learning in my classes as well as what I had learned in the past. Rome is one of the most interesting cities in the world and although being in such a different place was overwhelming at first, I can most definitely say it helped shaped who I am, and who I will be for the rest of my life.

Second Class Cruise
MIDN 2/C Brock Burdyl

This Summer I had the privilege of joining the USS WYOMING (SSBN 742) for a 35 day alert patrol. The USS WYOMING is a Ballistic Missile Submarine based in Kings Bay, Georgia. Commissioned in 1996, the Wyoming is a new submarine and I was amazed at how well the sailors were taking care of her. When we first arrived at base, we tried to get past a certain checkpoint, but there were problems with our security clearances, so we spent the night in the on base hotel. Once permission was obtained, we were able to board the sub and it took off that morning.

The waves were a bit rocky as we moved to deeper water, but then we dove and everything settled down. Life was never routine. You become accustomed to learning about everything on board. Why?... Because of the enclosed nature of life under the water. You and your fellow sailors are the only ones that can help in the event of an emergency. I was able to see multiple sailors earn their submarine qualification while underway which is very inspiring and a testament to their hard work, dedication, and acceptance by the crew as somebody they can trust to protect the whole.
The second annual Northwestern University Veterans and Alumni Barbeque was held on the chilly afternoon of Saturday, October 27th during Homecoming weekend. The event followed a 28-17 Wildcat win over the Iowa Hawkeyes, however the real victory was bringing NU alumni from all military branches together with local active duty and retired service members, Navy ROTC Midshipmen and their families. The weather was brisk, yet the atmosphere remained pleasant. Cold beverages were replaced by hot apple cider, coffee and hot chocolate. As college students, the catered event is a great opportunity for some free and delicious chow, but far more important is the opportunity as aspiring Naval officers to expand our horizons through those who have served before. Members of the Kellogg Veterans Association (KVA), the Northwestern Veterans Services Working Group, and local veterans of NU’s Naval ROTC program embody a legacy of military exceptionality that we as Midshipmen strive towards.

Of particular note was the story of a Daily Northwestern article published in 1947 entitled “Invasion from the Lake? Not If Navy Can Help It”. An alumni of the NU NROTC program following World War II told the Midshipmen that prior to the university’s reclamation of the Lakefill area, the Navy placed a 5-inch gun overlooking Lake Michigan at the Naval Science Building, the current Swift Hall. A two-story addition to the building was also necessary to accommodate the thriving Naval programs of the period, and at one point it housed a rifle range in the basement. The compelling history and tradition of our unit is therein evident through the strong attendance at this annual event during Homecoming weekend. I would like to thank everyone who was able to participate, and look forward to it’s continuation as well as the opportunity to hear more of your stories.
I went to the Norfolk, Virginia Naval Base for my 2/C Nurse Cruise this Summer. I was stationed on the USS KEARSARGE (LHD 3). The experience was nothing less than great. I not only got to practice skills that I have not even practiced in my classes, but I also got to do things that I may never get to experience in the fleet. The first couple of days my other three roommates and I got lost on the ship. We explored every part of the ship that we had access to. We were divided into communities and I had the pleasure of being placed in the Operations department. We mustered in the CIC (Combat Information Center) every morning at 0700 and after work was passed we would shadow our assigned running mates. My running mate had a very important role. I watched how she prioritized her day to get all of her work done. The workday was over for most departments at 1600. At this time, we prepared to go on liberty, the workday’s reward. There were so many sites to see on and off base that we were never bored. We visited the famous Virginia Beach and all of the shops that compliment it. We also had the chance to see an air show while we were visiting the beach. After a couple of days on the ship, I found my way to the largest medical facility aboard a Naval Ship. During my visit, the medical and dental staff made me and the other nursing students feel very welcomed. We were integrated as much as possible in their daily activities. We mustered, cleaned, organized, and trained with them. They offered to be the ‘guinea pigs’ so that we could practice blood draws and IVs, and in return we volunteered to be casualties in the daily mass casualty drills to help the corpsman train and practice their skills. I think the most important thing that I learned from the corpsmen and enlisted sailors though, is that enlisted sailors want officers that lead them. They want to ensure that an officer never forget their enlisted personnel and will always look out for the enlisted sailors’ welfare. My cruise was a once in a lifetime experience.

This summer I went to Officer Candidate School in Quantico, VA for six weeks. It was a challenging experience where I learned a lot and put into practice many of the things that I had been taught throughout the previous three years of NROTC. The first few days of OCS were devoted to in processing. We received all our gear, were checked to make sure we were medically qualified, and took our preliminary Physical Fitness Test. After all that was completed, we met our Sergeant Instructors on the fifth day. From then on, we were in a continuous state of testing to find out if we had what it took to become Marine Officers. We were constantly tested on our leadership ability, the most heavily weighted portion of grading at OCS. This was done through peer evaluations and through billets within the Candidate Company and Candidate Platoons. The billets that I had were Candidate Company Executive Officer, Candidate Company First Sergeant, and Fire Team Leader. We were also tested on our physical fitness. This was done through the Obstacle Course, the Physical Fitness Test, the Combat Fitness Test, the Endurance Course, and three hikes of six, nine, and twelve miles. Besides the tests, we had morning physical training and ran or drilled almost everywhere we went. Combined with the lack of sleep, it was a tiring regimen, but we all came out stronger.

The final graded area was academics. We took classes almost every day that we were not in the field. These included Marine Corps History, leadership classes, classes on weapons handling and practical field skills, and many others. We were then tested on that information, both formally and through our ability to apply what we had learned in practice. Although Officer Candidate School was difficult, it was also a great learning experience and built camaraderie amongst the candidates, many of whom are now my good friends.
The celebration of the 237th Navy and Marine Corps Birthday was held on the Odyssey Cruise Ship which departed from Navy Pier. The cruise was an excellent opportunity for Midshipman and Advisors from both the Illinois Institute of Technology Unit and the Northwestern University Unit to interact in a relaxed yet formal environment to develop camaraderie.

The Guest of Honor this year was RDML Ricky Williamson who imparted his experience and knowledge with the NROTC Unit members. After the ceremonies, the Seniors took to the dance floor for the annual Senior’s Dance. Meanwhile, many Midshipmen, Advisors, and their dates took to the observation deck of the ship where they could enjoy magnificent views of the Chicago skyline and Navy Pier. The Birthday Ball is an event that everyone looks forward to as a night of camaraderie and fun alongside the current and future leaders of the United States Navy and Marine Corps.
After twenty-five years as president of the Naval ROTC Scholarship Fund, I have turned over the reins of the Fund to the former vice-president, Tom Pauloski-'82, who has been a member of our board of directors for many years. I’m staying on the board and will continue to work toward the success of the fund.

The Scholarship Fund started small in 1987, soliciting only the class of ’45 for our first donations. Bob Seery-'45 and his wife, Maryann, made the first contribution that allowed our initial scholarship award in 1989. From there we began our semi-annual solicitations of all the alumni of the Northwestern University NROTC program. Little by little, the Scholarship Fund grew into what it is today, providing multiple scholarship awards totaling tens of thousands of dollars each year.

It took awhile for the idea of a scholarship fund to catch on. In the early years, the class of 1945 and other classes from the WWII years were our main contributors. Now, as those war-years classes are thinning, younger donors are stepping up to support the Fund. Some alumni routinely contribute to the Fund twice per year after receiving our solicitation letters. Some alumni contribute once a year. Some alumni don’t contribute at all or only occasionally. A few alumni have proactively (and successfully) sought contributions from foundations that were looking for worthy causes such as ours. We don’t publicize who contributes and who doesn’t. We do thank all donors individually and privately. I have made it known previously that there is one graduating class that has, collectively, never contributed to the fund. I wouldn’t embarrass that class by identifying them, but I do wonder why we don’t hear from them. We still get donations from graduates from the 1930’s.

At every opportunity, we declare that 100% of all donations to our fund go toward scholarship awards for midshipmen. Our board members are all unpaid volunteers. Our administrative expenses are paid for from invested nest-egg funds that were donated by board members in the early days of the fund’s existence. Take a hard look at the charities to which you donate. Do you know of any other charity that can match the Naval ROTC Scholarship Fund’s bang for the buck? You can’t do any better than 100% of all donations go toward scholarships for midshipmen.

Have you kept track of what it costs these days for a four-year education at our nation’s universities? At the same time, are you aware that the Department of Defense has cut back the number of available ROTC scholarships? The national NROTC scholarship program has been cut almost in half from what it was twenty years ago. We can all remember how difficult it was “back in the day” to obtain those highly valued scholarships. It is even more competitive today. Comparatively few students are able to obtain four-year NROTC scholarships these days. Those who join the NROTC program in non-scholarship (College Program) status in the hope of earning future scholarships may eventually earn two or three year scholarships. But, while they wait for possible scholarships, they are paying for their own tuition, room, board and books. Those students will likely rack up enormous bills and student loans that will need to be paid off upon graduation. Even though the NROTC Unit and the entire national NROTC program are smaller now than we might remember from our days in the Unit, the need for supplemental scholarship assistance among NROTC midshipmen has never been greater than it is today.

When it comes time to apportion your scarce dollars to the few charities you choose to support, please keep the Naval ROTC Scholarship Fund in mind. We don’t solicit donations in the Crow’s Nest, but alumni can donate to the Fund with a check sent to 14197 Classique Way, San Diego, CA 92129. Tax-deductible donations can also be made with PayPal or a major credit card by using the “Donate” button on your alumni website at www.nu-nrotc.org. Keep us informed of your whereabouts so that you can continue to receive the Crow’s Nest and be listed on the website. Send your alumni news to me at vicgulliver@comcast.net for forwarding to the Crow’s Nest editor, and feel free to contact any of our board members whose email addresses are listed on the website.

Again, thank you for your continued support of the Scholarship Fund without which a great deal of valuable assistance to midshipmen would not be possible.
Alumni News

Jules F. Scott- ’41: “The USS Texas, one of the ships I served on for 2 years in WW II, is being overhauled in Houston. It’s a U.S. Historical Object. I plan on attending the last reunion of the crew in October 2014. It’s the last of the super dreadnaughts and has 5 battle stars.” (11/12)

William P. Holst- ’44: “Retired from Lockheed Martin – still alive and kickin’ at 90.” (11/12)

John A Cedervall- ’45: “Moved to Aurora, Colorado In February 2012. He will be turning 90 in September. Here’s a fun photo:” (8/12)

Carl K. Hoffmann II- ’51: “Hope NU, one of only 6 NROTC Units to survive the Great Depression, survives the coming budget cuts.” (6/12)

Carl L. Godman- ’52: “Still living in Evanston. Would certainly enjoy seeing classmates if they’re passing through or perhaps visiting Chicago. Many thanks to the Directors who make the Scholarship Fund work so well!!” (10/12)

Donald R. Fraser- ’56: “I recently checked out in a Flight Design CTLS – Light Sports A/C. After several years of not flying, it’s great to be back as pilot in command. Semper Fidelis. Frazz” (11/12)

Ronald G. Hoopes-’58: "My wife and I recently visited the D-Day landing beaches and the American Cemetery in Normandy. Very moving experience." (6/12)

CAPT Robert A. Shriver-’58: “On February 18, 2012, CAPT Robert A. Shriver, USN (Ret.) passed away from pneumonia and complications due to leukemia. His passing was peaceful but mourned by many who knew him for his volunteer work in the Phoenix area. He believed in the U.S. Navy and the mission to which he was committed. Whenever he undertook a job of any sort he gave it the full measure of devotion, and his country was number one.” (5/12)
Philip W. Stichter-'60: “My brother, John A. Stichter, died on April 26, 2012 at his residence in Essex, CT. He was a NROTC graduate, Class of 1955, at Northwestern University. He served the longest on the USS Formoe (DE 509) with tours of duty in the Far East.” (7/12)

Stephen G. Romaine-'61: “Cindy and I were honored to attend last year’s commissioning ceremony at NU. We also attended our 50th anniversary reunion celebration last October and it was great to see our classmates in attendance.” (6/12)

Mark T. Brown-'74: “Captain Mark T. Brown, SC, USN (Ret.) is the principal director of admin services for the Aerospace Corporation in El Segundo, California.” (11/12)

James P. McManamon- '80: “Completed 31+ years active duty 01 Mar 2012. Retired as an 0-7, last job was Deputy Commander, Surface Warfare, Naval Sea Systems Command (SEA 21). Currently living in Maryland, just started working for GDIT, Vice President NAVSEA Services.” (6/12)


CDR Stuart Abrahamson, USN (Ret.)-'87: “Please accept my 2012 donation to the NU NROTC scholarship fund. I hope it helps – the Navy has been very good to me, and I’m taking a small step today to return the favor!” (10/12)

CAPT David J. Dietz-'89: “CAPT Dietz balances his time as Core Program Director at Honeywell Aeronautics in Phoenix while continuing to serve in the Navy Reserves. He returned from mobilization to CENTCOM HQ in March 2011.” (5/12)

Daniel Diederich-'91: “After graduating, I entered the USN Civil Engineer Corps. I had a great time for 6 years managing construction projects (as AROICC) at Parris Island, SC, working in public works (as APWO) and leading 12 enlisted Seabees at NAS Fort Worth, TX. I left for graduate school at Stanford (business and engineering) and then joined ROTC classmate Dan Olsen at Intuit (Quicken, QuickBooks, TurboTax) for 10 years. I’m currently leading Marketing/Prod mgmt at Align (makers of Invisalign) in San Jose, CA. Loved my 6 years in the Navy!” (7/12)

Daniel S. Olsen-'91: “After NU, I worked at Naval Reactors for 5 years, after which I moved out to Silicon Valley and have been out here ever since. I’ve been back to NU and the NROTC unit a few times since graduating in ’91. Always have fond memories.” (7/12)

Aaron D. Weiss-'92: “LtCol Weiss recently relinquished command of 3rd Low Altitude Air Defense Battalion in Camp Pendleton, CA. He was selected to be the next Marine Attaché to Oman and is now enrolled in Arabic language at the Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, VA.” (11/12)

Erika Sutherland-'01: “Recently selected to fly the C-40A with VR-56 Globemasters as a SELRES after a rewarding career flying the F/A-18A-F. I feel honored to have served in three squadrons on four deployments, flying my entire career. I now look forward to life as a reservist and going back to graduate school.” (8/12)

Autumn D. Swinford- ’04: “After spending the last 3 years as the Marine Officer Instructor at University of Missouri NROTC, I will report to Expeditionary Warfare School as a resident student before returning to the Fleet Marine Force.” (5/12)

Elisha D. Gowen- ‘12: “I have been assigned to work on the orthopedic floor in NMCP.” (11/12)
We have lost track of the following NROTC Unit alumni. If you know the whereabouts of anyone listed here, or if you know that someone listed here is deceased, please pass that information to Captain Gulliver at 1900 Franklin Dr. Glenview, IL 60026 or vicgulliver@comcast.net

Lost alumni from the 1930’s:
Mr. James D. Martin-’35; Mr. Herbert C. Davisson-’36; Mr. Charles F. Rork-’36;
Mr. John H. Sandor-’37; Lcol Joseph A. Gray-’39;

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Mr. Kenneth F. Landis-’40; Mr. Joel W. Townsend-’41; Mr. William H. Scrivner-’42 Mr. Robert W. Liess-’43;
Mr. Glenn H. Friedt, Jr.-’44; Fr Sherrill J. Smith-’44; Mr. Guy E. Thompson-’44; Mr. Herbert E. Blaz-’45; Mr.
Joseph F. Carroll-’45; Mr William P. Roessner-’45; Mr. Stanley A. Brenton-’46; Mr. Rodney P. Carothers-’46
Mr. Lawrence R. Eades-’46; Mr. Herbert E. Hanson-’46; Mr. Clovis Harrison-’46; Mr. Rollin H. Kimball, Jr.-’46;
Mr. Robert V. Kremer-’46; Mr Richard D. McClintic-’46; Mr. Charles G. McGourty-’46; Mr. Eugene J. Minger-’46;
Mr. Wm W. Montgomery-’46;Mr. John B. O’Malley-’46; Mr. Svend A. Secher-’46; Mr. Walter Arnold Smith,
Jr.-’46 Mr. Vale H. Sorensen-’46; Mr. Robert C. Stevens-’46; Mr. John L. Sullivan-’46; Mr. Wayne Wende-
delsdorf-’46; Mr. Edward N. Brown-’46; Mr. Kenneth A. Hansen-’47;Mr. William B. Keepin-’47; Mr. Charles K.
Krippes-’47; Mr. Harry H. Marshall-’47; Mr. Charles C. Snider-’47; Mr. John T. Snyder-’47; Mr. Walter C. Wal-
trip-’47

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Mr. Paul Colen-’50; Mr. John R. (Bob) Notz-'50; Mr. William J. Henke-'51; Mr. Robert P. Stouder-'51; Mr.
Richard C. Underwood-’51; Mr. Stanley J. Karp-’53; Mr. Thomas G. Kelly, III-’53; Mr. John E. Arms-’54; Mr.
Leland E. Anderson-’54; Mr. William H. Andersen-’54; Mr. Albert Ottaviani-’54; Mr. Donald P. Brown-’55;
Mr. Grigsby V. Gamble-’55; Mr. Peter E. Gilles-’55; Mr. Dale S. Sappenfield-’55; Mr. Roy W. Staggs-’55; Mr.
John E. Barnes, Ill-’58; Mr. Robert E. Browning-’58; Mr. Robert E. Burns-’58; Mr. Richard F. Craig-’58; Maj
Frank L. Capin-’59; Mr. Lawrence H. Melin-’59; Mr. Gerald D. Reed-’59

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Mr. Brooks F. Smith, Jr.-’1960; Mr. Richard F. Ingram-’61; Mr David L. Marks-’61;Mr. Tommy E. McPherson-
’61; Mr. William L. Barnes-’62; Mr. James R. Michael-’62;Mr. Adrian Spicer-’62; CAPT Timothy A. Lamphier-
’63; Mr. John W. Rotter-’63;Mr. Francis E. Neir,III-’64; Mr. James R. Orelly-’64; Mr. Ronald C. Wilkinson-’64;
CAPT Thomas W. Crew,II-’66; Mr. Gordon T. Reed-’66; Mr. Joseph C. Davis-’67 Mr. Robert A. Shearer-’67;
Mr. Richard J. Both-’68; Mr. Harry R. Hebblewhite-’68;Mr. James D. Montgomery, Jr.-’68; Mr. Robert G. Nord-
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Mr. Timothy R. Warwick-’81; Mr. Christopher Hagen-’84; CDR Steven M. Jaeger-’86; Mr. Bartholomew R. Wil-
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Solee-’89

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Mr. Thomas Chamberlain-’92; Mr. Jeffery F. Chandler-’92; Mr. Andrew D. Gainer-’93; CAPT John J. James,
USMC-’98; Mr. Philip E. Flies-’99

Lost alumni from the 2000’s:
Mr. Ryan G. Anderson-’04; Mr. David F. Kuntz-’08
Battalion Activities

Top left: Endurance Team
Middle left: Squad Drill Competition
Bottom left: Battalion preparing for Squad Drill Competition During Lab
Top Right: Preparation for Uniform Inspection during Lab