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AMS - pushing the limits

Seal Platoon Commando Endurance Skills Competition

The Advanced Military Skills Class recently participated in the CESC at Texas A&M University. The event is in its eighth year and teams travel from as far away as Florida and Nebraska to compete. The competition is set up to challenge college ROTC programs. St. John's is the only high school to date to compete in the event.

The various events included a 500 yard swim and a 3-mile run in boots and BDU's. These were followed by an obstacle course, a stamina course and a 1.5 mile log run. The highlight of the day was the stamina course. It consisted of 23 tough obstacles through a 1.5 mile course in the woods. The team's favorite was the Commando Crawl which was a slit trench filled



with water and some form of animal excrement .. it made for a pleasant day in the hot Texas sun.

Team members were Michael Leonard, Carter Barger, Ben Anesi, Scott Smith, Adam Smith, Cody Humphrey and the instructors were Sven Hestrand and Scott Cantlon. Team photographer was Lance Hoover.

The Battan Memorial Death March



The Advance Military Skills Class finished off some extensive training by completing the 26.2 mile Battan Death March. The March honors those WWII veterans who were force marched by the Japanese after being captured. The event took place on the White Sands Missile Range. The terrain varied from flat paved roads to a gradual incline that covered several miles. This separated those who had trained from those who wished they had trained. The next part of the course took the teams through some rough desert terrain, where the guys had a chance to witness what happens to those who do not prepare themselves for such a grueling event.

St. John's two teams competed in the male military heavy division which meant they had to wear their uniforms, boots, and carry a 35 pound ruck sack. Both teams finished together and their times were better than over half the competition. It should also be noted that the teams competed in a category that was filled with predominately active duty military personnel. They chose this over the JROTC category which they could have won.



President's Message

Capt. E. A. McAlexander

One of the things we look forward to during the summer is the opportunity to host a number of host receptions in our market areas. We mail invitations to everyone on our waiting list and look forward to seeing old boys, current cadets, and prospective cadets. Depending on the number of responses we receive indicating who will attend, we will insure an appropriate representation of staff members.

From our perspective, these receptions are a good way for you to stay in touch with what is happening at the school, particularly over the summer. We hope that you will attend and visit with school representatives and other members of the St. John's family. The receptions are an excellent way to spend time with people who are interested in the school.

Below you will find a schedule of the receptions. Please mark your calendar with the one that is closest to you and try to attend. If you could

bring a prospective cadet and his family, that would be greatly appreciated. We will remind you a few weeks before and hope to see as many of you as possible over the summer.



Academic Dean's Message

Dr. Mike Culp

This year is winding down quickly and we have finals and Commencement to look forward to in the next two weeks!

The cadets are busy completing AFI and doing very well -- looking great. This year has been challenging, and as I look back, I see many successes and good memories. My faculty and staff and I look forward to seeing you during commencement weekend and having a chance to talk to you face to face during conferences. Until then . . .

Commandant's Message

LTC Mike Furlo



Company for the 2000-2001 school year. Of course, there will necessarily be some restrictions: like all the middle school cadets remaining in Headquarters Company and selected

cadet leaders will need to be placed in certain leadership positions. These factors would preclude a cadet's desire to be placed in a particular cadet company.

While on the subject of leaders, I would like to pass on to all our parents and patrons that although the 112th Corps has remained one of the smallest in some years, it certainly has produced the largest number of leaders and potential leaders in

recent years. Also, the number of cadets who desire to return and lead the next Corps of Cadets is truly astounding. Credit goes to the fine work performed by all the adult staff and cadet leaders of the 112th Corps, as well as all the parents and patrons who have supported the school over this past year. Thanks so much -- and we hope to see you back in August!

Summer Receptions

Friday, June 23, 6:30-9 PM, Las Vegas

Las Vegas Marriott, 325 Convention Drive, Las Vegas, NV

Sunday, June 25, 2-4 PM, Dallas

Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott, 8440 Freeport Parkway, Irving, TX 75063

Sunday, July 9, 2-4 PM, Seattle

Seattle Marriott Sea-Tac Airport Hotel, 3201 South 176th Street, Seattle, WA 98188

Thursday, July 13, 7-9 PM, Tulsa

Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills, 1902 East 71st Street, Tulsa, OK 74136

Saturday, July 15, 7-9 PM, Oklahoma City

Oklahoma City Marriott, 3233 NW Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Sunday, July 16, 2-4 PM, Wichita

Wichita Marriott, 9100 Corporate Hills Drive, Wichita, KS 67207

Saturday, July 22, 1-4 PM, Denver

Denver Marriott Southeast, 6363 East Hampden Ave., Denver, CO 80222

Social Events

Cadets have several opportunities to use social skills.

Campus Dances

Several dances were held throughout the school year with different themes selected by the decorating committee. Jason Pickart was a great part of the success by organizing the decorating committee. He also arranged for one of the most popular DJ's ever to set foot on the St. John's campus in Alois Peter. Peter literally transforms the sould equipment into a dance club extrodinaire. With the help of other cadets, Alois sets the equipment just right, arranges the lighting and, with his own cables and CD players, creates a system that rivals the big dance clubs in L.A. He was assisted by Charlie Beriault in the other DJ spot and Kevin Kerns was an able and skillful equipment man for each dance. Many cadets provided their own CD's for the dances.

A big hand goes to the many staff members and teachers chaperoning the events. Major and Mrs. Stelljes were kind enough to sponsor every dance and always managed to add to the fun.

Student Exchange Program

Through the combined efforts of Sandy Furlo and Pat McAlexander the cadets have been involved in a student exchange program. As an extension of the quarterly panel discussions, the cadets who participated as panel members also visited the local high schools once during each semester. The cadets were allowed to wear civilian attire and attend classes at Salina Central and Salina South high schools with some of the girls who attend the panel discussions. Each semester, the girls then visited the St. John's campus during the academic day. The girls participated in the noon formation and ate lunch in Stevens Center. The students commented on the uniqueness of each of the school climates.

The reason for initiating the exchange program was to promote better understanding between the cadets and members of the community.

Spring Prom

The Junior-Senior Prom was held on April 21 at the Salina Country Club. Mrs. McAlexander planned a wonderful evening for the cadets, their dates and the sponsors.

The Country Club provided an elegant back drop for the lovely prom dates in their beautiful prom dresses and the menu was sumptuous.

A total of 49 people danced the night away to the music provided by the disc jockeys of Complete Music. They provided a wide variety of dance tunes and gimmicks throughout the evening. One dance witnessed Alois Peter in a black wig dancing to Saturday Night Fever.

Col. Michael Leonard looked extremely handsome in his new Dress Uniform. The Prom was the perfect occasion to preview the new look currently being considered by the staff.

The cadets and their dates had a wonderful time and seemed to favor the slow dances. Wonder why? The last dance closed the evening right as the clock struck ten bells.



Formal Dining

Each Thursday evening of the school year, ten cadets can be seen sitting in the formal dining room in the Stevens Center raising their glasses in toasts and feasting on steaks or specially prepared entrees. The purpose of these formal dinners is to assist the cadets in becoming familiar with formal dining procedures. Pat McAlexander and Sandy Furlo have worked together to teach the cadets about the proper way to conduct themselves in a formal dining situation. Jason Pickart has been responsible for the cadet roster for each of the dinners.

The cadets learn how to respect the hostess, how to seat a lady (if they are seated to the left of one), when to begin eating, how to make a toast (with sparkling grape juice), proper use of the napkin, making dinner conversation, deciding which utensil to use, how to pass condiments and the proper way to break apart and butter their dinner roll.

The cadets have become accustomed to the formal dining experience and will no doubt be able to use what they have learned when they leave St. John's.

Thank you Mrs. McAlexander and Mrs. Furlo for these wonderful and important life skills!

Talent Show

Ear plugs were available for the spectators at the Talent Show held prior to cadets leaving for spring break. The show, sponsored by Mrs. Wendy Stein, included five acts which were judged according to sound of applause.

Alois Peter introduced "What You Have Seen," something he had been working on over the last couple years, writing all the arrangements himself. But probably, due in big part to the original verses leading into Spring Break, the acclaimed winner was Zach Smith. All participants received monetary prizes that were donated by the Mom's Club.

PROGRAM

"Star Spangled Banner" - Nick Lamarca

"Purple Haze" by Jimmy Hendrix

- Alois Peter, Nick Lamarca and John Schladale

"La Bauba" by Los Lobos - Felipe Batalla

"What you have seen" by Alois Peter

- Mrs. Wendy Stein, Derik Stein, Alois Peter, Brad Spielman, Mason Acomb, Peter Wilcox, Chris Ryman and Orlando Evitt

Improv. Piano - Peter Wilcox

"Phish & Grateful Dead" - Zach Smith



Presidential Classroom 2000

by Reno Junizwan, Jakarta, Indonesia

From March 4 through 12, four cadets were selected to represent St. John's on the Presidential Classroom Program. Students were separated into groups, with 40 in a caucus. I was in Caucus 6. I had the chance to interact with representatives from almost all the states, Puerto Rico and Honduras. We had Caucus meetings daily and attended Current Issues "Crossfires" and seminars led by D.C.'s top executives.

Throughout the week the schedule was tight, including a lot of sightseeing. We really enjoyed the Smithsonian Museums. Each caucus had the chance to go to a different embassy. Later we would give a report about our visit. I went to the Indonesian Embassy. We also got a chance to visit with our state Senators and Representatives to discuss current state issues. The week closed with a visit to Arlington National Cemetery. A St. John's cadet was nominated to participate in the wreath laying ceremony, but later gave it to somebody else.

It was a wonderful and exciting week for us. We learned a lot about how the government works, and we met a lot of new friends from different states and countries. On behalf of Michael Leonard, Brian Vogler, Lance Hoover and myself, Reno Junizwan, I want to say "thank you" for the chance we were given. I think we did an excellent job representing our school, state and country. Hopefully, we can apply what we learned and use it to make a difference in the world.

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Cadets recognized for "job well done"

Art Exhibited

Several cadets recently had their artwork selected for exhibitions. Mark Romberg's plaster sculpture was selected for an exhibition that included work from high school students in 44 surrounding counties. This exhibit was sponsored by the Salina Art Center, and the show was on display at the Central Mall from March 19 to April 9.

Kansas Wesleyan University hosted the 24th annual Festival of the Humanities & Fine Arts on March 10. The work of this juried exhibition was displayed in their gallery in their Fine Arts building from March 7 through 31. Mark Romberg, Justin George, George Norton and Steve Katzman all had works accepted for the show.

Justin George (pictured below) was a merit winner in the art competition, receiving a Creative Excellence Award. George Norton's work was used for their poster and website. *Congratulations!*



Cadets place 1st in Bowl

With five schools competing, St. John's placed first during a scholar bowl match hosted at St. John's. Other schools were Bennington (2nd), Tescott (3rd), Solomon and Marquette.

Cadet participants were Josh Selland, John Garrard, Rick Hardy, Mason Hendrickson, Ty Dawkins, Jack Justice and Ronnie Luke.

St. John's team was under the direction of Ms. Tammy O'Neill. LTC Furlo read the questions. Tom Frankenfield and Monique Basel were judges.

Cory Lewis earns Eagle

A National Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony was held on the campus, April 24, for cadet Cory Lewis, Grade 12, from Moscow, Kansas. In front of the 112th Corps of Cadets, he received this prestigious honor, with members of the staff and corps taking part in the program. *Congratulations, Cory!*

Spelling Bee

A new plaque is now displayed in the hallway of Vanier Academic Center to recognize the winners of the Spelling Bee, sponsored by Mrs. Chris Peterson in early March. Isaac Knutson took first place and had his name engraved on the first plate. Stephan Gleeson placed 2nd and Alois Peter took 3rd.

A big thanks to all the contestants participating in the event and to the adults and cadets assisting Mrs. Peterson. This is certain to become an exciting annual event.



District Honor Band

Mason Acomb (alto saxophone) and Brendan Young (trumpet) were named to District Three Honor Band held in December at Manhattan High School. Jeremy Crenshaw (tenor saxophone) was named as an alternate. Several area schools sent students to Junction City in November to try out for the band. The music is quite difficult and the students from St. John's faced stiff competition. Many of the member schools in the district are 5A and 6A schools with enrollments much larger than St. John's.

Mason and Brendan were given music to practice and met with the rest of the band members on the day of the concert ready for a long day of rehearsing. Following the rehearsal the band, choir and orchestra students presented a concert. They will be presented with a medal during the awards ceremony during commencement activities.

Congratulations Mason and Brendan!



Carter Barger



Andres Benoit



Charles Beriault



Kelly Coggins



John Conroy



Brian Dwyer



Samuel Fujiwara



Lance Hoover



Cody Humphrey



Reno Junizwan



Mazen Kabli



David Lee II

*Presenting the
Senior Class of the 112th*



Michael Leonard



Cory Lewis



Jon Liu



Gabriel Martinez



Nicholas McCoy



Alois Peter III



Jason Pickart



Michael Scott



Joshua Shaffer



Michael Shriver



Adam Smith



J. 'Scott' Smith



Special Orders

announcing Promotions for the 112th Corps of Cadets since the last Skirmisher.

SO 305-00 dated 2/24/00

Miguel Pinones to CPL.

SO 306-00 dated 2/24/00

Brian Dwyer, Jessen Eckert, Robert Hubbard, Jeremy Pluger, Justin Randolph and Eric Winkel to PFC; Alexander Fabian to CPL; Nicholas LaMarca and Charles Maxie to PV2 and Cody Welch to SGT.

SO 313-00 dated 3/2/00

David Kriske to PFC; Alejandro Campomanes, William Corkins and Cody Palmer to CPL.

SO 314-00 dated 3/2/00

Glenn Acomb, Jeremy Crenshaw, Joaquin Hernandez, Isaac Knutson, John Kunkel and Christopher Ryman to CPL; Kareem Dockery and Bradley Spielman to SGT; Brandon Lancaster, Casey Nelson, Alois Peter and Gregory Romero to PFC.

SO 324-00 dated 3/7/00

Jessen Eckert, Travis Gadino and Justin Randolph to PV2.

SO 328-00 dated 3/8/00

Donavan Hiller to PV1; Austin Roper to PV2.

SO 333-00 dated 3/9/00

Joseph Bryan, Blake Collins, Clinton Hendrickson, Jack Justice, Ronnie Luke, Wade Phoenix, Owen Postma and Mack Redd to PFC; Kamil Kowalewicz to CPL.

SO 334-00 dated 3/9/00

Brett Baeumel and Nicholas LaMarca to PFC; Sean Duerr to CPL; John Schlada to SGT.

SO 337-00 dated 3/12/00

Manuel Alvarez, Christopher Finkey, Russell Gruber, James Martling, Nicholas McCoy, George Norton and Michael Shriver to SGT; Cody Humphrey and Blake McMurtrey to SSG; Rex Robichaux to SFC.

SO 341-00 dated 3/14/00

Jared Hammond and Donavan Hiller to PV2; Jonathan Hiller to 2LT.

SO 345-00 dated 3/21/00

Ethan Bosse, Jerry Lahnanen and Edward Williams to PFC; Eric Winkel to CPL.

SO 356-00 dated 3/30/00

Mark Ebinger, Orlando Evitt, Travis Gadino, Matthew Justice and David Kay to PFC.

SO 357-00 dated 3/30/00

Robert Hubbard, Brandon Lancaster, Alois Peter and Jeremy Pluger to CPL; Isaac Knutson to SGT and Cody Terpenning to PV2.

SO 359-00 dated 3/31/00

Nathan Morris to PV1.

SO 364-00 dated 4/6/00

Fernando Batalla, Sean Cooksey, Ty Dawkins, Mason

Hendrickson, Paul Palomo, Eric Steele, James Stevens and Matthew Taylor to PFC; Curtis Hurwitz to CPL; Lee Strange to WO2; Adam Smith to CSM; Jason Pickart to 2LT; Charles Beriault and J. Scott Smith to CPT; Samuel Fujiwara to MAJ; John Conroy to LTC and Michael Leonard to COL.

SO 365-00 dated 4/6/00

Brian Dwyer and Lucas Moore to CPL; Donavan Hiller to PFC.

SO 368-00 dated 4/7/00

George Vogler to MAJ.

SO 381-00 dated 4/13/00

Brendon Harris, James Klock, Kevin Le and Owen Postma to PFC; Carter Barger to CPT.

SO 382-00 dated 4/13/00

Brett Baeumel, Michael Leeds and Charles Maxie to CPL; Kelly Coggins to 1LT and Daniel Han to SGT.

SO 391-00 dated 4/20/00

Richard Ciresan, Derek Manfull and Jonathan Zoller to PFC; Nicholas LaMarca to CPL and Glenn Acomb to WO1.

SO 398-00 dated 4/24/00

Reno Junizwan to CPT.

SO 400-00 dated 4/25/00

Evan Bakal to PV1.

SO 401-00 dated 4/25/00

Christopher Braziel, Gregory Davis, Clinton Hendrickson, Casey Nelson, Wade Phoenix and Mack Redd to CPL.

New Boys make Old Boy

Promoted to the rank of PV2, the following cadets met the criteria of "Old Boy" Status.

SO 303-00 dated 2/24/00

Fernando Batalla, Jerry Lahnanen and James Stevens

SO 310-00 dated 3/1/00

Anthony Dawkins, Darrian Herring and Paul Palomo

SO 318-00 dated 3/3/00

Christopher Braziel, Eric Steele and Brian Murphy

SO 326-00 dated 3/8/00

Sean Cooksey, Brendon Harris, Mason Hendrickson and James Klock

SO 338-00 dated 3/13/00

Kevin Le

SO 343-00 dated 3/15/00

Derek Manfull and Jonathan Zoller

SO 358-00 dated 3/31/00

Jose Chico, Scott Green and Javier Smith.

SO 403-00 dated 4/25/00

Joseph Manning and Colin Phelan.

Third Grading Period Honors are Announced

Congratulations to the

BLUE BERETS

Upper School:

George Vogler

Michael Leonard

Kelly Coggins

Middle School:

Jack Justice

Richard Hardy

John Garrard

Ronnie Luke

ACADEMIC DEAN'S HONOR ROLL:

Making the Academic Dean's Honor Roll for the Third Grading Period from the Upper School are: George Vogler 97.250; Michael Leonard 96.714; Kelly Coggins 94.833; Lance Hoover 94.428, John Conroy 94.286, Justin George 94.125 and Rex Robichaux 93.750.

From the Middle School are: Jack Justine 94.857 and Richard Hardy 94.000.

HONOR ROLL:

From the Upper School are: Mark Romberg 92.375; Zachary Smith 92.333; John Conroy 92.000; Matthew Steele 91.875; Nicholas McCoy 91.750; Matthew Webster 91.750; Peter Wilcox 91.750; Carter Barger 91.375; Jonathan Hiller 91.125; Christopher Boesker 91.000; Joshua Crenshaw 90.875; Thomas Moore 90.625; Brian Dwyer 90.500; Cody Humphrey 90.375; Kamil Kowalewicz 90.250; Michael Scott 90.222; Travis Gadino 89.875; Reno Junizwan 89.500; Ryan North 89.375; Bryan Averill 89.250; Clinton Hendrickson 89.125; Owen Postma 89.125; Edwin DeYoung 88.857; Jeremy Crenshaw 88.750; Kareem Dockery 88.750; Daniel Han 88.500; Robert Hubbard 88.500 and Jake Redd 88.500.

From the Middle School are: John Garrard 89.428 and Ronnie Luke 89.428.

Our congratulations to these cadets for a job well done.

TAPS

Wilfried W. 'Bill' Baxter

Born January 23, 1923

Died March 14, 2000

Bill served on the Board of Trustees for two terms - 1979 through 1985. From that time he served on the Buildings & Grounds Committee. He was a great friend of St. John's and his value and friendship to the school will be greatly missed.

Memorials

have been received in his memory

Banquet held for Cagers

The basketball season ended on a high note with a very nice banquet hosted by Coach Roy Lawrence.

Coach Lawrence, assisted by Asst. Coach Chris Day, made presentations and recognized all individual members of the team. Mounted basketballs that were autographed by the underclassmen were presented to the seniors.

A special memory book that highlighted the season was designed by Coach Lawrence and made available to team members and guests.

Old Boy Notes . . Where are they now?

Be sure to check the Old Boy Directory on Home Page

Robert B. Kyle II Atten. 1957 (Jr. year)

Cottage Grove, OR
1 800 809-0720

Bob found the St. John's web site. He shared the following comments: "We had some great fellows there at the time. Bill Beech (Olive Ann's nephew - Beechcraft), Jim Jeppison of Jeppison Maps International, and other memorable acquaintances. Elvis Presley was all you could hear walking down the halls of the dorm, and you could get a little hamburger for a nickel just up Santa Fe a few blocks. (Bob, Cozy Inn is celebrating their 78th Year Anniversary right now with a special anniversary price of 45 cents each.) Among the staff were Maj. Guernsey, Father Pratt, Lt. Nuss and of course, the COLONEL and his wife. She taught the English class (while her dog slept under her desk), and many other unforgettable folks. "I regard my time spent at St. John's as one of the most valuable experiences and opportunities in my life-time. From the photos on the web, it appears there has been some face-lifting, but looks like the "bull ring" is still where it always was .. around the flag pole." (Sorry, Bob. We have another place marked off especially for tours.)

Tom Wilson Class of '62

15141 Olde Highway 80, Space 24B
El Cajon, CA 92021
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W: 619 296-5666

Tom has a new job as Fire Protection Consultant, TVA Fire & Life

Safety, Inc., 2820 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92108.

Kevin Price

Class of '80

Email: kevin.price@home.com

Kevin hasn't seen the campus since the day, almost twenty years ago, when he tossed his hat in the air and then drove away. But he plans to be here this commencement and writes "I can't wait to see the place again. So many memories!"

Errol Waddell

Class of '80

ERROLWADDELL@aol.com

Errol lives in Grand Junction, CO and is employed as a U.S. Postal contract driver, working for a trucking firm based out of St. George, Utah. He is single, has no children, and is an avid football fan of the San Francisco 49ers - five time Superbowl champs, that he wishes to pass along to Coach Rudolph and Coach Spielman. He would like to hear from cadets from 1980-81. Specifically asked for information on John Weatherman and Richard Makoski, which we couldn't help him with. He advised Coach Rudolph called Weatherman motor mouth. Errol writes that he keeps in contact with Mike Cox in Steamboat Springs, CO. *Errol, it's about time for 20-year reunion plans isn't it?*

Jim Foster

Class of '82

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The Netherlands
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+31-23-555-3185

Jim E-mailed the school asking about any possibility of getting a copy of the '82 Sound-off. He is back on the school's mailing list and has just joined the Mule-skinners. *Thanks, Jim.*

Mark Cerney

Class of '86

5102 Yellow Brick Road
Bellingham WA 98226

Mark discovered the web page and gave us his update. He has recently retired from his family aerospace company, Jet Products Corp. of San Diego. Established in 1967, it was sold in November of 1998 and is now senior Flexonics of

England. But too young for retirement he has began a new career in fire service. He is currently the public relations and education officer. He and his wife of ten years have three daughters and a son. He attributes his leadership abilities to his experience at St. John's.

Mark Brull

Atten 1987-88 as 9th grader

PO Box E

Larned KS 67550

Phone 316 285-8149

Mark would like to hear from former classmates or any current "Old Boys" who would like to correspond with him.

William Heath

Class of '90

2816 Lera Jones
Antioch, TN 37013

We have learned that he races sprint cars professionally. *Good luck!*

SPC Joe Miller, Class of '97

HWB 3/3 ACR

Camp Dobol, Bosnia

APO AE 09789

Email: GIJOE9630@aol.com

Obviously, from the address, Joe is doing a tour in Bosnia. He called to invite correspondence and to also share that he wouldn't make it back for commencement (his first miss since his first year as a cadet, in 1993, eight years ago) *WOW.*

Robert K. Ryman

Class of '98

Grim TRP 2/3 ACR, 4th PLT
Operation Joint Forge

Base Camp McGovern, Bosnia

APO AE 09789

E-mail rymanrob@www.hotmail.com

An E-mail was received from Robert's father providing the school with Robert's E-mail address. After graduating in 1998, Robert went to Army basic training in Ft. Knox. Upon graduation he was stationed back home in Colorado Springs. His regiment has just been deployed to Bosnia (he left on March 2, his 20th birthday) as peace keepers and should have a six-month

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"Old Boy 2000" Reunion Weekend

Veterans' Day - November 10-11, 2000

Several "Old Boys" are working on class reunions for reunion weekend. If you see your class listed, help them out by contacting the class representatives. And remember, you don't have to be having a class reunion to be with us on Reunion Weekend. All "Old Boys" are welcome.

Class of '40 (60 year reunion)

Floyd Lotker

Class of '40
RR3, Box 103
Oberlin KS 67749
Phone 785 475-3258

Class of '70 (30 year reunion)

Bill Harrington

Class of '70
7520 Dallas Ct.
Las Vegas NV 89139-5935
Phone 702 260-0818
email: willharrin@awol.com

Class of '74-'75-76 (25 year reunion)

Gary Cavey

Class of '76
16407 Havenpark Drive
Houston TX 77059
Phone 785 475-3258

Classes of '49, '50 and '51 (50 year reunion)

Morris Johnson

Class of '49
204 East 4th St.
Valentine NE 69201
Phone 402 376-2563

John M. (Mike) Owens

Class of '50
5049 Gasconade Ave.
San Diego CA 92110
Phone 619 276-4880

Bill Shakespeare

Class of '50
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Louis Wyman

Class of '51
3895 County Road #29
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Phone 970 824-6431

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rotation before returning to Colorado Springs. There is a good group of related stories about his regiment at <http://www.gazette.com/military/> under the icon "Road to Bosnia" if anyone is interested. Robert is anxious to hear from classmates.

David Anderson

Class of '98

Midshipman David Anderson, 2/C
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Kings Point, NY 11024

Sending his best to the SJMS family, Dave writes that his school work is going well, mostly courses like Radar Navigation, Shiphandling, Seamanship, Tankers, Cargo Operations and Stability and Trim. He says they are really focusing now on the essential courses and he feels more comfortable going back out to sea after these courses. He still manages to relax and even gets some skiing in PA. Having taken his finals he is now assigned on a chemical/oil tanker for 90 days, with a route from Tampa to Galveston, TX. After he leaves this ship, his sea partner and he will head back to Long Island, NY and start internship with the USCG. Their functions will be mostly patrolling the inland bays and harbors for environmental risks and fixing navigation aids (buoys, etc.). After that they will be heading out on a Navy Aircraft Carrier from the West coast. He would like to hear from his classmates at David_2002Anderson@usmma.edu or Dander4694@hotmail.com.



Pictured at left with Ms. Susie Harris and Mr. Roy Lawrence are Jason Heitzman, Class of '97, and his wife during a recent visit on campus.

Cadets serve as Pages

Several cadets were selected to volunteer as pages in the Kansas Legislature during March. Appointments are sponsored by area legislators. Pages can observe firsthand the processes involved in the enactment of laws that govern the State. When pages weren't assisting with routine duties, they were allowed to tour the capitol building at leisure.

Paging for Senator Ben Vidrickson in the Senate were Cory Lewis, Curtis Hurwitz, Chad Ingels, Alex Winkel, Lance Hoover, Russell Gruber and Rex Robichaux. Serving for Rep. Carol Beggs in the House of Representatives were Chris Boesker, Bryan Averill and Scott Matney.

Drill Team brings home 2nd Trophy of Year

by CPL Richard Derby
Colorado Springs, CO



Blake McMurtrey received a trophy for regulation Drill, the first time in over 20 years, won by a St. John's cadet.

St. John's drill team, led by 1LT Scott Smith and assisted by SSG Blake McMurtrey, performed in Wichita on March 11 and brought home a second place trophy for Exhibition with Arms. The trophy is on display in 1SG Tidmore's classroom. The silent drill, which the drill team



XO Blake McMurtrey and Commander Scott Smith cleverly constructed, was within our grasp, however a few minor defaults allowed Leavenworth H.S. to take first place honors.

The Color Guard, led by SGM Adam Smith, did a superb job and surely would have brought back a trophy but were disqualified because of a late start.

Following a meet in Junction City on April 1, St. John's will be performing at the U.S. Air Force Academy on April 28 thru 30. If you see any members of the drill team or color guard, congratulate them for all their past outstanding performances and wish them luck in Colorado.



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