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CAPTAIN'S CALL
CAPTAIN R.E. CURTIS,
PROFESSOR OF NAVAL SCIENCE

It has been a great year in every respect! The achievement of the goal of a 3.0 battalion GPA, a great performance both organizing and competing in "Northwest Navy," the many super social events and field trips we've enjoyed, and the high degree of professionalism all of you have shown in everything you've done. It was indeed a year of great accomplishments both individually and as a battalion.

Much of the credit for these many successes goes to the senior class whose leadership has provided the spark for success. The achievement of excellence which was their hallmark sets a standard for next year's battalion officers. I want to personally thank all of you for the dedication and effort you have put forth this year, and particularly thank the seniors for their superb leadership.

To those of you who will be back I hope your summer is enjoyable, profitable and hopefully somewhat relaxing. Come back safe and sound next fall fully charged up to take on another action packed year.

To those of you being commissioned and scattering to the four winds and seven seas, I extend my congratulations for the outstanding job you have done while a member of the Beaver Battalion. I assure you that you will be remembered by the many underclassmen you have influenced and helped along the way.

We wish you all God speed, fair winds and following seas in all that you do. PRESS ON!

BNCO'S CORNER

MIDN CAPTAIN S.L. GUECK,
MIDN BATTALION COMMANDER

As I trace the path of billets that I took to reach my current position I have to look back and wonder what I could have done differently. I could have joined the Color Guard as I nearly did when I was a Freshman. I could have refused the job of Harpoon Editor and taken a position as Assistant Photo Crew Chief when I was a sophomore. I could have joined D&B instead of taking the Public Affairs Office as a Junior. I could have taken a fall term billet this year instead of working with NorthWest Navy. I could have done a lot of different things. The point I am trying to make is that you have so many opportunities here at OSU NROTC. So many different ways to get where you’re going. So many ways to learn about leadership, discipline and motivation. Pick the path that is right for you and stick with it. Many people say that if they could do something over again they would do the same thing. If I could start over again I would do everything differently. That way I could experience more of the unique opportunities that exist here. You can be everything you want to be, all you have to do is choose. Carry on...BNCO
FAIR WINDS AND FOLLOWING SEAS

COMMANDER MICHAEL

By MIDN JEE

At the end of this academic year, Commander Michael will be moving on. After spending four years as the Executive Officer at the OSU NROTC Battalion, she will be taking over as the director of the Family Service Center at New London Naval Base in Groton, Connecticut. All larger naval bases have these centers. They function as their name implies, offering various programs such as relocation assistance, welcome aboard programs, and counseling and assistance of all kinds. As director, CDR Michael will be in charge of overseeing all these duties.

CDR Michael, originally from Amarillo, Texas, attended Incarnate Word College in San Antonio where she graduated in 1968. After several years of teaching and a tour in India with the Peace Corps, she decided to join the Navy. Since that time, she has served at various commands in places like San Diego, Seattle, and as an English Professor at the Naval Academy. Before coming to Oregon State, CDR Michael was the Executive Officer at the Naval Recruiting District; Kansas City, Missouri; from 1984 through 1987.

CDR Michael has really enjoyed her stay in Corvallis. She is reluctant to leave stating, “The students and staff are truly the best!” Although she will be missed, the OSU NROTC Unit has enjoyed having her as its Executive Officer and takes pride in seeing Commander Michael move on to further her career.

Good Luck, Commander Michael.

LT STOREY

By MIDN CLARK

LT Kurt D. “Kato” Storey will be leaving the unit after this academic year to pursue another career somewhere in the West.

He is currently interviewing with Fortune 500 companies and is also looking into the FBI and NIS (Naval Investigative Service). He will also be staying in the Naval Reserve.

“It was my goal to give the class of 1992 a midshipman experience as rewarding and intense as my own,” said Storey.

Storey was a 1984 graduate of the United States Naval Academy with a degree in math. While he was there he also took many business classes as electives and plans on finishing his MBA with the company that hires him.

LT Storey says he will miss the active duty Navy and when questioned about what his most memorable experience was while being a Surface Warfare Officer, he replied, “Being the U.S. Navy Liaison to the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force.”

However, when questioned what his most memorable experience in the unit was, he replied, “Being the Sail Training Officer.”

GOOD LUCK LT STOREY!
RING DANCE 1991
By MIDN JEE

On 17 May 1991, much of the Battalion gathered to wish “Fair Winds and Following Seas” to the graduating seniors. This year’s Ring Dance was held at O’Callahan’s and saw sixty seniors take part in an age old custom which started at the Naval Academy.

In keeping with the tradition, upon completion of the fourth year of academic studies, each senior is entitled to wear the Naval Officer Ring. The ring is worn on a ribbon around the date’s neck. At the commencement of the ceremony, within the shadow of a giant illuminated replica of the ring, the date dips the ring in a binnacle containing waters from the Seven Seas, sent in by past graduates. The midshipman’s date then places the ring on the third finger of the left hand and seals the ceremony with a kiss.

The Ring Dance, put on by the junior class, was a great chance to honor the seniors for all their dedication and motivation throughout their college careers. Congratulations on your commissioning, 1991 Ensigns and Second Lieutenants. We wish you “Fair Winds and Following Seas” as you embark on your adventure. We salute you!

CHANGE OF COMMAND

FALL/WINTER STAFF
Battalion Commander
SSGT P.L. Gillis
Battalion Executive Officer
OC S.A. Manti
Battalion Operations Officer
Midn S.D. Pontier
Battalion Personnel Officer
Midn M.D. Schafer
Battalion Logistics Officer
Midn B.A. Martin
Battalion Assistant Operations
OC M.L. Hudson
Battalion Supply Officer
Midn M.H. Diehl
Battalion Physical Training Officer
Midn J.A. Welch
BN Master Chief Petty Officer
Midn B.P. Stinson
BN Academic Officer
Midn T. Biggars

SPRING STAFF
Battalion Commander
Midn S.L. Gueck
Battalion Executive Officer
Midn J.P. McKenna
Battalion Operations Officer
Midn J.M. Stewart
Battalion Personnel Officer
Midn D.W. Perkins
Battalion Logistics Officer
Midn A.D. Yates
Battalion Assistant Operations
OC H.L. DeWolfe
Battalion Supply Officer
Midn R.T. Siler
Battalion Physical Training Officer
Midn J.A. Lee
BN Master Chief Petty Officer
Midn C.A. Anderson
Battalion Academic Officer
OC C.J. Starr

Change of Command was held Spring term 1990 for Fall/Winter staff and Winter term 1991 for Spring staff. A formal ceremony is held where the command is handed over to the next battalion commander.
NORTHWEST NAVY...

PISTOL COMPETITION
Slow Fire-High Score:  
OSU, COLEMAN
Timed Fire-High Score:  
OSU, WOOD
Rapid Fire-High Score:  
OSU, KRUS SOW
Aggregate-High Score:  
OSU, KRUS SOW
NWN PISTOL TEAM AWARD:  
OSU

DRILL TEAM
Individual Exhibition:  
OSU, HIM STREET
Individual Knockout:  U of I
Platoon Inspection-High Score:  
OSU
Platoon Regulation-High Score:  
U of W
Platoon Exhibition-High Score:  
U of W
The John F. Bergeron Memorial Trophy Drill Team Commander:  
U of W
NWN DRILL TEAM TROPHY:  
U of W

RIFLE TEAM COMPETITION
High Prone Score:  U of I
High Kneeling Score:  U of I
High Standing Score:  U of W
Marvin C. Lang Perpetual Trophy
High Aggregate Score:  U of I
H.D. POWELL RIFLE TEAM AWARD:  OSU

COLOR GUARD
Inspection-High Score:  U of W
Regulation-High Score:  OSU
Team Commander's Award:  
U of W
NWN COLOR GUARD TEAM TROPHY:  OSU

PNS/MOI MATCH
PNS Golden Boot Award:  
OSU, CAPT CURTIS
MOI Pistol Trophy:  U of I

DRUM & BUGLE COMPETITION
Inspection-High Score:  OSU
Regulation-High Score:  OSU
Exibition-High Score:  U of W
Team Commander's Award:  
U of W
THE ERIC L. BARR DRUM & BUGLE CORPS TEAM
TROPHY:  U of W
PHYSICAL SKILLS-MEN
PFT High Score: OSU, MADZIARCZYK
Best Swim Time: U of W
High Marksmanship Award: OSU, MADZIARCZYK
Individual Aggregate-High Score: U of W

BASKETBALL
NWN ALL-STAR PLAYERS:
ERIC SMITH-1ST TEAM
HAYES GORI-2ND TEAM
NWN BASKETBALL TEAM AWARD: U of I

PHYSICAL FITNESS
TEST-WOMEN
Situps-High Score:
OSU, ROSENBERG
Flexed Arm Hang-Best Time:
OSU, ROSENBERG
1.5 Mile Run-Best Time:
OSU, BERGMAN
High Individual Score:
OSU, ROSENBERG
NWN WOMEN'S PHYSICAL FITNESS TEAM AWARD: OSU

PHYSICAL SKILLS-WOMEN
PFT High Score: OSU, ROSENBERG
Best Swim Time: OSU, ROSENBERG
High Marksmanship Award: U of I
Individual Aggregate-High Score: OSU, ROSENBERG

PHYSICAL FITNESS
TEST-MEN
Situps-High Score: U of W
Pullups-High Score: U of I
3 Mile Run-Best Time: U of W

High Individual Score:
OSU, MADZIARCZYK
BIG "J" AWARD-HIGH TEAM SCORE: U of W

SWIM COMPETITION
Men's 200-YD Individual Medley: U of W
Men's 100-YD Individual Freestyle: U of W
Women's 100-YD Individual Freestyle: U of W
Men's 500-YD Individual Freestyle: U of W
NWN SWIM TEAM AWARD: OSU
AVIATION-SURFACEWARFARE CLUB - SPRING BREAK

By OC McVAY AND OC KOENIG

“Spring Break ‘91” found members of the Aviation and Surface Warfare Officers (SWO) Clubs enroute to “sunny” San Diego. Their mission: To soak up as much fun and sun as possible, between tours of ships, squadrons, and various warfare communities.

be re-scheduled, so they spent the day recovering from the weekend.

On Tuesday the Aviation Club headed for Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron 10 at Naval Air Station, North Island. After suiting up in a “zoom bag” (flight suit) the midshipmen took to the air in the cabin of an SH-60F (carrier based) anti-submarine helicopter. After lunch at the base golf club, club members returned for an afternoon of “stick time” at the controls of an SH-60F Flight Simulator. There were more than a few “Crash and Burns” among the less experienced.

The SWO Club spent the day touring the USS O’Brien (DD 975) and the USS Gary (FFG-51). There they saw a little of what’s in store for them when they become “Surface Warriors.”

Thursday found the Aviation Club visiting a number of squadrons. First stop, the “Black Knights” of HS-4, where Aviation Club President Loran Hayes viewed an old picture of his father from one of the squadron’s cruise albums. The next tour began across the hall in the spaces of the “Eightballers” (HS-8), where the mids were treated to a static display of the venerable SH-3H “Sea King.” One of the helo crewman from the movie “The Hunt for Red October” and OC McVay were on hand to describe the attributes of the soon-to-be-retired helo. The next stop was HSL-47, where an OSU NROTC alumnus provided some valuable information to would be pilots. The last tour of the day was capped off in an S-3 “Viking” flight simulator. Even in the simulator,

landing a jet on a carrier at night was reported to be a heart-pumping experience.

That same morning, SWO Club members also toured what may very well be the sight of one of their future schools—the Surface Warfare Officers School—at the Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado.

The clubs regrouped on Friday for a trip to Miramar Naval Air Station. Everyone was treated to a static display of an F-14 and a computerized replay of a “Top Gun” tactical training exercise.

From Miramar some members headed north to Seal Beach where they boarded the USS Antietam (CG-54). As the ship proceeded to Long Beach, club members were given a first hand look at the amazing Aegis weapons system and the ship’s Combat Information Center.

By Sunday they were back at OSU with some great memories, a better picture of their future, and an aversion to eating at McDonalds.

The weekend began with an en masse raid on the uniform shop. Afterward club members divided their time between fishing, sailing and “beach-ops.” The more courageous headed for Tijuana. Meanwhile, back at the BOQ, LT’s Hillman and Storey (group chaperones) were busy competing for the coveted “Rack Monster” award. (They claimed to be resting up for St. Patrick’s Day).

Monday the SWO Club toured Fleet Antisubmarine Warfare Tactical Trainer. There they learned some interesting facts on fleet ASW tactics. The Aviation Club’s first tour had to
PLATOON COMP
PLATOONS COMPETE FOR TOP HONORS
By OC McVAY

During the early morning hours of 16 April, six platoons were busy preparing to “show their stuff” during this year’s Platoon Comp. At 0600 the competition began. When the results were tallied, the Rifle Team, led by Rifle Team Commander MIDN LTJG Grizzell, emerged atop the standings.

The competition consisted of two inspection phases and one regulation (drill) phase. Two separate inspection teams ensured that each platoon was “grilled” fairly. Platoon members were inspected for military appearance and a wide variety of information.

Between inspection phases, the platoons took turns demonstrating their marching skills. During the drill phase, the confidence and manner of the platoon leader accounts for a great deal of the success of the platoon. Each received only one opportunity to “do it right the first time.” Someone once described this process of drilling a platoon while adhering to a drill card as akin to “driving a runaway truck while trying to read a newspaper.”

The weeks of preparation—extra drills and pre-inspections—were evident by the confident manner in which each platoon recited their information, and by their precise response to commands on the drill deck.

Bravo Zulu to all the participants who made this year’s Platoon Comp a high-caliber success. The final results of the competition are as follows:

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BULLDOG PREP

By MIDN BRESKO

Bulldog Preparation is a course to prepare for the Marine Corps Officer Candidate School. O.C.S., according to candidate Underwood, "is the time were you can make or break your career as an officer". O.C.S. is held in Quantico, Virginia and takes place at the end of the candidate's Junior Year. It is six weeks long and the first session starts on the tenth of June.

The Marine Candidates have been very busy since the beginning of spring term. Not only do they need to keep up with their classes, but they have been doing other Marine Option Field Exercises which include: humps, P.F.T., endurance run, squad problems, stamina run, and MOFEX Weekend. A basic Hump is a twelve mile fast walk that averages around 3.3 miles/hour. While doing this the candidates carry a forty-five pound pack and a rubber rifle, (better known as a "rubber ducky" according to Candidate Underwood). Underwood also stated that, "The biggest problem is your feet. You have to take care of your feet, because they can get really sore when they get blisters".

The P.F.T. is similar to the P.R.T except for a few things; the candidates have to run a timed three mile course, do a maximum of eighty Marine Corps sit-ups, and twenty pull-ups. The next type of conditioning that the candidates do is the timed Endurance run. This Run is 5.6 miles long. Candidates also encounter Squad Problems which are a test of the candidate's leadership and the ability to think on his feet. After he gets the problem he has to come up with a solution and relay it to his fire team. The Stamina Run is the final timed run which is full of obstacles every mile. The run is 5.2 miles long and has hurdles, a small rope climb, low crawl, log balance and big rope climb of about forty yards. The final test the candidates have to pass is MOFEX Weekend. That is when the candidates have several humps during the day and night, except this time they have aggressors or snipers trying to shoot them. "Bulldog Prep. is a Physical and mental preparation to become a part of the Corps" said Candidate Underwood. Candidate Quiner states that "Bulldog Prep is an excellent program, and it is why O.S.U. turns out the finest officers at O.C.S.".
SPRING AWARDS CEREMONY

Every Spring the OSU NROTC Unit recognizes the outstanding achievements of midshipmen and officer candidates. This year's Spring Awards Ceremony was held at Lasells Stewart Center on 03 May, 1991, coinciding with Mom's Weekend.

Congratulations to all of the following midshipmen and officer candidates, their dedication to academics and the NROTC is well rewarded.

GENERAL AWARDS
Top Gun Award             Robert D. Wood
Tyro Trophy               Jesse D. Tupaz
Dick Lyndon Trophy        Thomas W. Gelker
Gunney's Plaque           William M. Bellman
Childers Deihl Award     Christopher M. Barber

RESERVE OFFICER ASSOCIATION OF OREGON

Aptitude Award            Hector D. Jimenez (NO)
NROTC Staff Award         Benjamin P. Stinson (MO)
Bowler Award (ISR)         Thomas W. Gelker
                          Timothy Grizzell

SENIOR AWARDS
Commissioning PRT Award   Philip E. Cardwell (NO)
                        Gregory P. Torgersen (MO)
Reserve Officers Association of Oregon
                          John R. Heffner (NO)
                        Alan E. Busenbark (MO)
Daughters of the American Revolution
                        Jack A. Starr (NO)
                        Stephen J. Macklin (MO)
American Legion Military Excellence
                        John C. Klein
Marine Corps Association Award
                        Peter L. Gillis
NROTC Staff Award
                        Christopher J. Bodine
CAPT Richard Poppe Award  Scott A. Baldwin
Sons of the American Revolution
                        James M. Stewart
Columbia Reserve Officer Ladies Association
                        Harry L. DeWolf
General Dynamics Award
                        Peter L. Gillis (MECEP)
                        Kevin A. Maun (ECP)
                        Stephen L. Gueck (MID)
American Defense Preparedness
                        Thomas E. Johnson
Naval Submarine League
                        ENS Stewart Hunter
CAPT R. A. Dale Award
                        Michael A. Shoup
Secretary of the Navy Distinguished Midshipman
                        Thomas E. Himstreet
Distinguished Naval Graduate Award
                        Chris A. Anderson
Lane Distinguished Graduate Award
                        Samuel D. Pontier
Junior Officer Advanced Education
                        Cyrus H. Kelly III
Navy League
                        Cyrus H. Kelly III
Marine Corps Reserve Officer Association
                          Justin L. Rath

FRESHMAN AWARDS
Reserve Officer Association of Oregon
                        Hayes D. Gori (NO)
                        Daniel N. Sprenkle (MO)
Military Order of World Wars Award of Merit (Bronze)
                        Danan J. Campbell
                        Mathew A. Donaldson
NROTC Staff Award
                        Sean D. Robinson
                        Eric L. Smith

SOPHOMORE AWARDS
Military Order of World Wars Award of Merit (Silver)
                        Holly A. Rosenberg
Reserve Officer Association of Oregon
                        Paul C. Coleman (NO)
                        Mark A. Boone (MO)
National Sojourners Award
                        Mitchel J. Kloewer
Academic Achievement
                        Thomas D. Rich
NROTC Staff Award
                        William R. Fiets
Society of the War of 1812
                        Robert W. Billingsley
Bowler Award
                        Mathew C. Mahaffy

JUNIOR AWARDS
Pat Casey Memorial Award
                        Jacob A. Nelson
Military Order of World Wars Award of Merit (Gold)
                        Richad T. Clark
Corvallis Retired Officers Club
                        Errin P. Jewell (MO)
                        Phillip J. Kase (NO)
Veterans of Foreign Wars
                        Paul J. Tabaka (NO)
                        Jeffery H. Hauser (MO)
American Legion Academic Excellence
                        Eric B. Bass
Armed Forces Communication Association
                        Scott Devore
WELCOME NEW FROSH

The Oregon State University NROTC Unit would like "Welcome Aboard" the incoming freshman and officer candidates. The entire battalion is looking forward to a new year and new challenges, the freshman and officer candidates will be an integral part of this exciting year. Good Luck!!

4YR SCHOLARSHIP
CUNNINGHAM, MARVIN
ELLINGSON, MICHAEL
GRIFFITH, JEREMY
GUNThER, CARL
LEBAKKE, JAMES
OBERDORFER, RICHARD
PINDELL, TRAVIS
POLK, JACOB
PRICE, JONATHAN
SCHELL, LISA
SHELTON, TIMOTHY
SIMONSON, TREAT
SMITH, SCOTT
VANDER MEER, CHAD

CONWAY, SCOTT
CUCCI, DANIEL
DEZELLM, SHERYL
DOAY, CHRISTOPHER
HOLTON, WILLIAM
LAYMAN, CHAD
MILLER, LAIMAN
MOSTOE, ERIC
NACHAND, BRYAN
ROSS, AARON
SANDER, PAUL
TORNELL, GARON

KHEMLAAP, SUNCHAI
LEWIS, STEVE
LINEBARGER, ROBERT
MARTINDELA, JON
PELLERTIO, MICHAEL
RIKER, RICHARD

NECP
AHLM, KELLY
BUCKLEY, JAMES
BURKE, MACE
DUTTON, JAMES
HEILMAN, RYAN
MORETTY, JON
VONHEEDER, STEVEN

ROOST
BEAMAN, MARCUS
CASAD, CASEY
NEAL, BRIAN
ORTega, PETER

COLLEGE PROGRAM
BARTELS, BREVET
BAYLIS, CASSIE
BAYON, WILL
CONWAY, SCOTT
CRITES, WILL
CUCCIA, DANIEL
DRAKE, BRIAN
ENNIS, TERRY
EVANS, ERIC
GOMEZ, SALVADOR
HALVORSON, SCOTT
KENNETH, HEISS
HELLER, ERIC
HOLTON, WILLIAM
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