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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Apr 22—
Military Ball
- May 12—Spring
Commissioning
- Sep 8—Game
Ball Run
- Nov 07—
Homecoming

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ALUMNI COLOR GUARD

The 2nd Annual Army ROTC Alumni Color Guard presented the colors before the Iowa-Michigan game on 12 November.

Alumni that presented the colors were: Ken Madden ('71), Jeff Borland ('87), Todd Jacobus ('88) and Jackson Raimo ('16).

The game was nationally televised on ESPN. The color guard received good coverage and airtime during the pre-game coverage. ESPN also requested photos of alumni in uniform with UI flags, hats, etc. These pictures were used to honor veterans when the telecast came back from a commercial break. Numerous alumni submitted photos, some of which can be found on page 8.

The Hawkeyes are now 2-0 in Alumni Color Guard games as the Black and Gold defeated the #2 ranked Wolverines in a thrilling 14-13.

The 3rd Annual Army ROTC Alumni Color Guard will either be 4 November versus Ohio State or 18 November versus Purdue. The Hawkeye



2016 Alumni Color Guard: Top (L-R): Ken Madden ('71), Jackson Raimo ('16); Bottom Left: Todd Jacobus ('88); Bottom Right: Jeff Borland ('87).

football team will be on the road at Wisconsin for Veteran's Day 2017.



Department Information



The Department once again had a busy fall semester beginning with the 30th Annual Game Ball Run. An added bonus this year was the attendance of the Commanding General of Cadet Command, MG Christopher Hughes (who grew up in Red Oak, IA) and his wife, at the game ball handoff in Tama.

Four cadets were commissioned as Second Lieutenants this semester (see page 5). The Ranger Challenge team

finished 5th during the Task Force competition at Camp Dodge, 10 cadets were awarded the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (3 Gold, 4 Silver and 3 Bronze) and one cadet is attending Air Assault School over the winter break.

Events this spring include: Defense Support to Civilian Agency (DSCA) Lab with the IA ARNG; Spring FTX at Camp Dodge; the 114th Military Ball (22 Apr 17; MG(r) Stewart Wallace ('68) is the

guest speaker) and Spring Commissioning (12 May 17). Three cadets from the department were selected for the Cultural Understanding and Language Proficiency (CULP) program this summer.

Terry Nemmers was welcomed back to the department and is serving as the Human Resources Assistant and APMS MAJ Chris Guderski will finish his last semester at the UI and PCS to Fort McCoy this summer.

"Being able to present the colors in front of a packed Kinnick Stadium during a night game against Michigan was an amazing opportunity."
- Jeff Borland ('87)

DEPLOYED HAWKEYES

Current Deployed Hawkeyes:

CPT Nate Hayes ('09), Commander of HHC 185th CSSB, Iowa Army National Guard in Bagram, Afghanistan.

CPT John Erik Anderson ('10), Air Coordination Officer for the Commander, Resolute Support Mission—Kabul, Afghanistan.

CPT Todd Van Syoc ('09), S3/S4 for the 401st Army Field Support Battalion in Camp As Sayliyah, Qatar.

ILT Zachary Sunkle ('13), Class III Officer, 352nd CSSB, AP Lightning, Gardez, Afghanistan.

ILT Kevin Sipple ('13), Bagram, Afghanistan.

CPT Sam Crothers ('10),

1st Infantry Division in Iraq

If you are currently deployed, returning from deployment or preparing to be deployed let Luke Peters ('89) know and we'll make sure we recognize this in our newsletters. We be-

lieve it is important to keep track of all of our deployed Hawkeyes. Remember, even though Ft. Polk is a 3rd world country it doesn't count as a deployment.....



John Anderson ('10) and Kevin Sipple ('13) were able to link-up at Bagram Airbase, Afghanistan. The sun never sets on the Hawkeye Nation.

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Promotions/Change of Command



Kevin Gamble ('92)

Kevin Gamble ('92) was promoted to LTC in September 2016. Kevin is assigned to the 7456th Combat Support Hospital. The 7456th is a US Army Reserve (USAR) unit headquartered in Des Moines with a detachment in Cedar Rapids. He continues to score 300+ on the Army Physical Fitness Test. He attributes his continued success to all of the boiled peanuts he consumed as a member of the I-Team. He also obtained 2 Gold Awards for the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge and hopes to form another team team in April 2017.

Prior to joining the USAR Kevin

served 3 years on Active Duty at Fort Benning, GA.

Kevin is currently a Pharmacy Manager at Continuing Care Hospital (CCH) in Cedar Rapids, IA. CCH is a Long Term Acute Care Hospital designed to treat patients with significant illnesses over an extended period of time (usually 3-4 weeks).

Kevin and his wife, Karen, have two grown daughters, one is a senior at the University of Iowa and one is a freshman at Iowa State. The Gambles live in Marion, IA with their white lab, Penny.

Nicholas Hurley ('12)

Nicholas Hurley ('12) was promoted to Captain in May 2016. Nicholas is a Logistics Branch officer serving as the S4 for the 303rd Ordnance Battalion (EOD) at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Nathan Shults ('95)

Nathan Shults ('95) was selected for the Distance Learning version of the Army War College which begins in the summer of 2017. Nathan is currently the commander of the 383rd Military Intelligence Battalion (USAR) in Kansas City.

Craig Robbins ('09)

Craig Robbins ('09) turned over command of D Co (MI), 766th BDE EN BN, 33rd IN BDE, Illinois Army National Guard on 6 Nov 16. Craig had assumed command of D Co in March 2014.

During his time in command D Co's Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Detachment received the "Most Improved Unit" award among all ARNG aviation units in 2015 and remained the top UAS unit for flight hours among states without restricted airspace. Craig is credited with expanding the state of Illinois' Federated Intelligence Program which enables MI soldiers to drill while supporting real world intelligence missions. In 2016, D Co was recognized as the "Most Outstanding Army Unit" by the National Guard Association of Illinois.

Craig was also awarded the General Douglas MacArthur Leadership

Award as the top company grade officer in the state of Illinois (pictured below).

Craig is currently the Assistant S2 for the 33rd Infantry Brigade and lives in Burr Ridge, IL where he works for Propositions, an Iowa based Human Resource technology company.



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ISU Tailgate

The Tailgate for the ISU game was a huge success. We had a turnout of close to 40 people spanning from the class of 1966 to the class of 2016. The MHBAA would especially like to thank Zach Buettner ('97) for hosting and being the head chef for the event.

We raised \$860 for the 50/50 raffle (\$420 via online entries and \$440 via cash/check at the tailgate). Joe Poch ('09) was the winner of the raffle and graciously donated \$200 back to the MHBAA.

We are tentatively planning for the next tailgate to be on October 7, 2017. This will be the Homecoming Game against the Illinois Fighting Illini.



Joe Poch ('09) (middle) was had the winning number for the 50-50 Raffle. Pictured with Joe is Jim Van De Kamp ('66) (left) and Dave Lewis ('89)



ISU Tailgate attendees: Back Row (L-R): Zach Buettner ('97), Jim Van De Kamp ('66), Dave Lewis ('89), Allen Moore (Fmr. Cadre), Luke Peters ('89), Brett Chenoweth ('89), Tony Wolf ('85), Dave Deyak (Fmr. PMS) Front Row (L-R): Anthony Reynolds ('10), Joe Poch ('09), Justine Nixon ('10), Stanley Carpenter ('74), Steve Fredericks ('69; Fmr. PMS). Not Pictured: David Pinter ('89), Andy Chenoweth ('98), Tyler Rund ('05) and I'm sure there were more that I didn't get their names.

Fall/Winter Commissioning



September 2016 Commissioning: William Doan ('16) (Right) is sworn in by LTC Zach Buettner ('97).

The UI Army ROTC Department commissioned several new Second Lieutenants this semester.

On 28 September 2016, William Doan ('16) was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer. He is a Health and Human Physiology major from Des Moines, IA. 2LT Doan is attending Roosevelt University in Chicago, IL in order to receive a certificate in Paralegal Studies. He plans to work as a paralegal prior to attending Law School. 2LT Doan will serve in the Iowa Army National Guard.

On 16 December 2016, three cadets were commissioned as Second Lieutenants at a commissioning ceremony in the Old



December 2016 Commissioning: (L-R): Grant Grainger ('16), Brett Larkin ('16); Bryce Schroeder ('16).

Capitol. All three of these new officers will serve on Active Duty.

Grant Grainger ('16) was commissioned into the Corps of Engineers. 2LT Grainger is a Civil Engineering major from Cedar Falls, Iowa. He received his first salute from SFC Rick Crouse.

Brett Larkin ('16) was commissioned as an Armor Officer. 2LT Larkin is an Ancient Civilization and Sociology major from Clinton, Iowa. He received his first salute

from his brother PVT Lucas Larkin, USMC.

Bryce Schroeder ('16) was commissioned in the Signal Corps. 2LT Schroeder is a Journalism and Mass Communication major from Cedar Rapids, IA. He received his first salute from his grandfather AIC Darrell Dennis.

Congratulations to all of these new Lieutenants and Hawkeye Battalion Alumni. Always lead from the front.



COL Antonio Banchs ('89)



Antonio "Tony" Banchs ('89) retired on 1 Nov 16 after over 27 years of active service.

Tony was commissioned in the Chemical Corp and served as a Recon (FOX) Platoon Leader in the 11th ACR and commanded the

31st Chemical Company, 4th ID prior to transitioning to the Civil Affairs functional area. Tony served in the 96th CA Bn (ABN) prior to converting to the Foreign Area Officer (FAO) functional area.

Tony's FAO assignments include: Office of Military Cooperation (OMC)-Kuwait; European Command Intelligence Security Cooperation Office; US Security Coordinator (Jerusalem); Office of Defense Cooperation-Morocco; Africa Command Deputy Division Chief for North Africa; OMC-Yemen; Defense Attache Office-Lebanon;

and Levant/Egypt Division Chief, Joint Staff J5.

Tony's awards include: Legion of Merit; Joint Service Commendation Medal (2 OLC); Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC); Army Achievement Medal; Ranger Tab; Parachutist Badge; and Air Assault Badge.

Tony and his wife, Kathy, have been married 30 years and have five daughters and five grandchildren. He is currently the Director of Veteran Affairs at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, TN.

LTC Jared Longfield ('95)

Jared Longfield ('95) retired on 1 Oct 16.

Jared began his military career in 1986 when he enlisted in the US Army and served as a combat engineer in the 37th En Bn (ABN). While attending the University of Iowa Jared was activated and served as a Military Policeman with the 186th MP Co during Op. Desert Shield/Storm.

Upon returning to the UI Jared

joined the ROTC program and was commissioned in the Ordnance Corps.

Jared served as a Platoon Leader in the 2nd Cavalry Regiment, and Company Commander in the 4th ID, Battalion Commander of 87th Support Battalion and Chief of Operations for the 377th Theater Sustainment Command.

Jared's award and decorations include: the Bronze Star (2 OLC);

Meritorious Service Medal (2 OLC); SW Asia Service Medal (2 Stars); Iraq Campaign Medal (4 Stars); Parachutist Badge; Air Assault Badge; Honduran Parachutist Badge. Jared has a Master's Degree from the University of Kansas.

Jared and his wife Debi have six children and live in the Des Moines metro.

He is currently an Operations Planning Manager for Bemis North America.



COL John Francis ('89)

COL John Francis ('89) retired 1 September 2016 after 26 years of active duty service in the Adjutant General Corps.

John is now working for the U.S. Coast Guard as the Director, Human Resources Strategy and Capability Development.



Promotions (Continued from page 3)

Mark Coble ('90)



COL Mark Coble ('90) (back) with his stepson Jacob (left), daughter Violet (center) and wife Anh (right) .

Mark Coble ('90) was promoted to Colonel on 4 December 2016. Mark is the G4 for the Iowa National Guard stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa.

Mark enlisted in the Iowa Army National Guard in 1986 and served as a Combat Engineer. He was commissioned in May 1990 in the Engineer Corps and was a Distinguished Military Graduate. His assignments include leadership positions at all levels of the 224th Engineer Battalion including Battalion Commander.

Mark's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal and Army Achievement Medal, OIF and OEF Campaign Medals, Humanitarian Service Medal and Combat Action Badge.

Mark's greatest joy and achievement is as a father to Henry Krieger-Coble (UI '15), Elinor Krieger-Coble (UI '17), Warren Krieger-Coble, Pearl Krieger-Coble and Violet Coble. Mark lives in Urbandale, Iowa with his wife Anh, stepson Jacob and daughter Violet.

Post Sponsors

Would you like to assist new Hawkeyes coming to your duty location? If so please contact MHBAA Secretary Luke Peters ('89). We will put your information in the newsletter so fellow Hawkeyes can make contact with you and get Intel on their new duty location.

Our current post sponsor's are:

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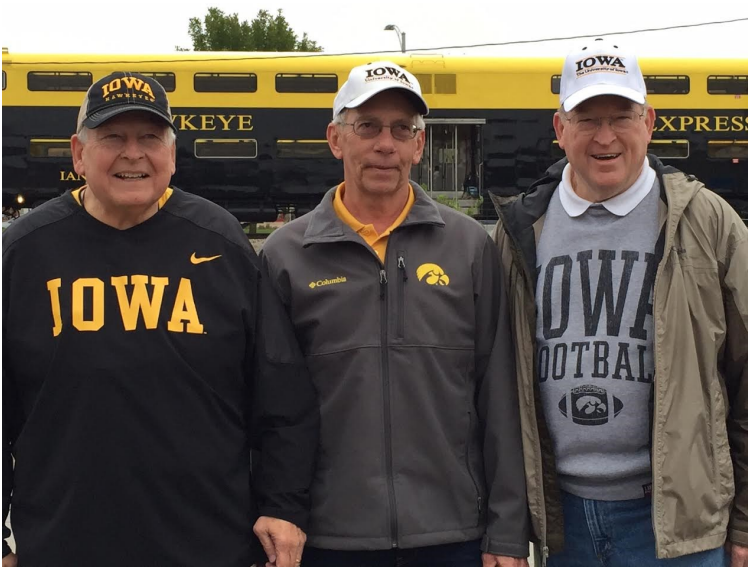
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Photos from Top Left: Dan Corn ('08) shows his Hawkeye pride in Iraq during a 2009-2010 deployment. Top Right: Luke Peters ('89) and his interpreter Ramatulla, sport Hawkeye hats in Lashkar Gah, Afghanistan in 2006. Above: Eli Seeley ('97) redecorated one of Saddam Hussein's palaces in Babylon, Iraq in 2003. Bottom Left: Chris Higgins ('87) turned the Green Zone in Bagdad, Iraq into the Black and Gold Zone in 2006. Middle Left: Kevin Salge ('99) flies the colors at the crossed swords in Iraq. More photos will appear in the May newsletter. If you haven't submitted a photo and would like to email it to Luke Peters at abnhawk@mchsi.com.



HOMECOMING 2016—Several alumni were able to link-up for the Homecoming game on 1 October. Above: Pershing Rifle members Rick Beecher ('71), John Race ('72) and Larry Icenogle ('72). The picture to the right are the members of the 1988 I-Team were able to reconnect. Pictured Left to Right are: Luke Peters ('89), Kyle Kholtoff ('89), Brian Patterson ('89) and Brett Chenoweth ('89). The MHBAA annual tailgate/reunion will be at next year's homecoming game on 7 October 2017 versus Illinois. Make plans to attend.

Military Ball

The 114th University of Iowa Military Ball will be held on 22 April 2017 at the Iowa Memorial Union. The Military Ball is the longest running formal event held annually on the UI campus.

Assistance Needed

Alumni, I Need Your Help...I have a list of approximately 1366 officers that were commissioned through the UI Army ROTC Department since 1960. I say approximately 1366 because there are a couple of years in the '60s I don't have complete class lists for and I have very incomplete lists for the 40s and 50s. Of the 1366,

I have been able to find 300 of our alumni. If you have contact with any of your classmates please pass my email (luke.peters2325@gmail.com) to them and have them get ahold of me so I can add them to the rolls. Thanks and GO HAWKS—Luke Peters ('89)

Reconnections

We are continually trying to reconnect/connect with our alumni. Here are the alumni we have "found" since the July Newsletter:

Greg Ankeney ('66)
David Arkovich ('68)
Tom Banbury ('92)
Randy Borland ('78)
Josh Busard ('99)

Jake Cannon ('00)
Michelle Cendana ('02)
Betty Chang-Twillie ('99)
Andy Chenoweth ('98)
Joel Clark ('87)
Matthew Ferlitsch ('12)
Bret Fotre ('16)
Angela Gray ('03)
Courtney Gustin ('01)
Jason Gustin ('00)

Ray Helmer ('67)
Alex Higginbotham ('14)
Charles Holmes ('15)
Jason Huffman ('03)
Nicholas Hurley ('12)
Blaine Kelly ('89)
Michael Maara ('92)
James Meade ('69)
Tim McCulloh ('98)
Kevin Salge ('99)

Kevin Sipple ('13)
Tom Sulentic ('70)
Terry Sunderlin ('79)
Zach Sunkle ('13)
Elvin Thompson ('66)
Todd Van Syoc ('09)
Emily Volrand ('07)
Nate Weaton ('98)
Craig Whitehill ('80)
Erick Youde ('01)

TAPS

Bill Stuber ('66)

William Alexander "Bill" Stuber, age 72, passed away at home in The Woodlands, Texas, on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2016, after a long battle with cancer. He was the husband of Carolyn "Kay" Snyder Stuber. They shared 45 years of marriage together after meeting during their respective stints in the US Army. Born March 5, 1944, in Peoria, Ill, Bill was the son of Albert and Mary (Bond) Stuber of Peoria, Ill. He graduated from Peoria Central High School and the University of Io-

wa. He was a First Lieutenant in the US Army Quartermaster Corps. For 33 years, Bill was employed by Xerox Corp. in sales management. Bill is survived by his spouse, Carolyn "Kay" Snyder Stuber; his son Chad Stuber and wife Amanda of The Woodlands, Texas; his daughter Lindsay Eddy and husband Josh of Houston, Texas; his son Bret Stuber of Phoenix, Ariz.; and five grandchildren, Andrew, Crosby, Matthew, Gia and Gwen. Bill was an ardent sports fan, with a special place in his heart for the St Louis Cardi-

nals and the Iowa Hawkeyes. He enjoyed golf, supporting local artists and antique collecting. He especially loved being a "pappap." Burial arrangements were made by McNutt Funeral Home of Conroe, Texas. A graveside military honors ceremony will be held at the convenience of the family at the National Military Cemetery of Houston. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Humane Society of your choice or Wreaths Across America.



Long before he was promoted to LTC a very young Kevin Gamble was being mentored by MSG Wilbur Bailey at Camp Dodge, circa 1988.



Board of Director Elections

The 2016 MHBAA Board of Director elections saw the largest number of candidates (eight) running and the largest number of voters (sixty-nine). Congratulations to the following alumni who were elected to a three year term on the MHBAA Board of Directors: Steven Fredericks ('69), Jeffrey Borland ('87), Katie (Boesen) Hanna ('94), Stewart Wallace ('68) and Diana (Steele)

Meador ('89). Their term will run from 1 January 2017 through 31 December 2019.

A special thanks to Walter Prentice ('69) who ran but was not re-elected. Walter is a founding member of the MHBAA and his efforts are greatly appreciated.

Our thanks to Danny Bottoms ('87) and Eli Seeley ('97) for throwing their name in the ring

and running for a BoD position.

Anthony Reynolds, Scott Stribe and Tony Wolf decided not to run for another term. We thank them for stepping up and helping get this organization off the ground, it wouldn't have happened without them.

We will put out a call for people to run for the 2017 elections next July.

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DID YOU KNOW- COL Morton C. Mumma served as the Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Iowa on 4 separate occasions. COL Mumma graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1900 and was commissioned as a 2LT of Cavalry. He served in Cuba, the Philippine Islands and Fort Des Moines prior to becoming the commandant of the cadet battalion in August 1909.

Because COL Mumma was considered a small arms expert he organized and commanded a Small Arms Firing School which was eventually consolidated with the Infantry School.

COL Mumma became the director of the effort to raise funds to build the Iowa Memorial Union

(IMU). COL Mumma also was active in the Iowa City community where he was active in the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the State Historical Society.

COL Mumma retired from active service in 1928 and joined his West Point classmate, General Robert Wood in business at the Sears, Roebuck and Company.

All three of COL Mumma's sons graduated from the US Naval Academy, one of which was awarded the Navy Cross during World War II.

COL Mumma died on May 30, 1945 and is buried at West Point. Picture from the 1928 Hawkeye Yearbook, p. 198.