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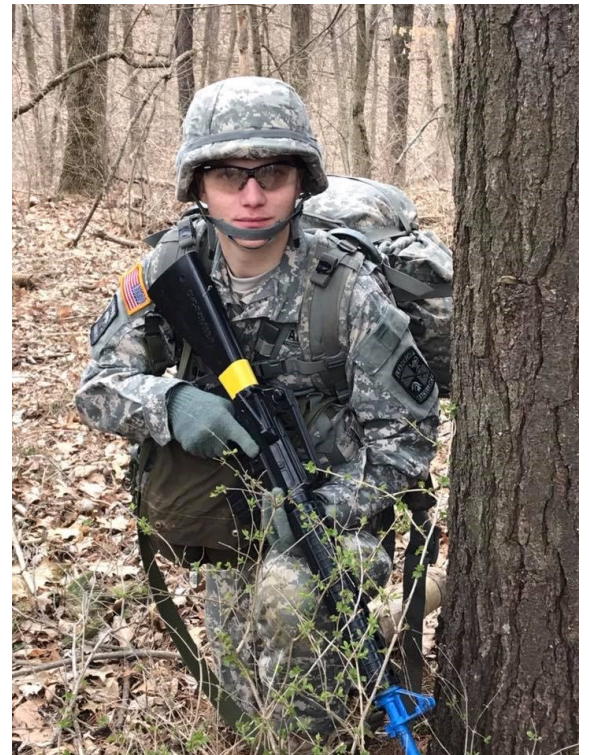
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Department News



Superlab 22 APR at McBride



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Milestones

Thomas Gorman ('07)

CPT Mark J. Lucas 08' Iowa Army National Guard, coasted paths with CPT Thomas R. Gorman, 8th Army, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. Their paths met at MAJ Gorman Promotion Ceremony where Mark pinned one of his shoulder boards.

Congratulations Thomas!



Dena Dietzler , '99, was promoted to LTC at the Iowa City Readiness Center on ____.

She has been selected to serve as the 67th Troop Command S1.

Milestones



Matt Anastasi changed command on 24 MAY 18 at Ft. Lee, VA.

The photo shows him passing the colors to COL Wigglesworth, the Army Logistics University Commandant. His Battalion is the Army Logistics University Support Battalion.

His follow on assignment is to Raytheon in El Segundo, CA as part of the SecDef Corporate Fellowship for the War College for one year.

Congratulations Matt!

Alumni Highlight

Gary Calhoun—Class of 1968

Gary entered the U.S. Army in May 1968 and attended training to become an Army Med-evac pilot. He deployed to Viet Nam in May 1969 through May 1970. He flew Medevac missions for the 45th Medical Corps (Air Ambulance) in Long Binh. He also served as an Aide de Camp for the Brigadier General David Thomas Medical Command Viet Nam and Surgeon USARV. Gary flew over 900 hours of medical evacuation combat flights. Gary was shot down and spent the night in the jungle awaiting rescue. He was in the 45th out of Long Bin.

Gary was stationed at the 507th First Medical Attachment, Fort Sam

Houston, TX from May 1971-1972. He also co-established the First Medical Assistance to Safety and Traffic (MAST) Unit for the state of Texas. He was honorably discharged in March 1972.

Gary also has a Masters of Hospital Administration from Trinity University, San Antonio, TX from 1973.



“My ROTC Story”

By Cadet

Jo



Alumni Highlights



Address for Donations

If you wish to make a donation to the MHBAA Operational Fund please send a check made out to the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association to our

Interim Treasurer, *Bryce Parker* at

[517 South Governor street, Iowa City, IA 52240](#)

Post Sponsors

Would you like to assist new Hawkeyes coming to your duty location? If so please contact MHBA Secretary Katie Hanna ('94). 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:

Carlisle Barracks

COL Scott Sanborn ('85)
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515-782-5582

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Ft. Campbell, KY (thru MAY 18)

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Ft. Wainwright, AK

MAJ Thomas Gorman ('07)
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Please let us know if you would like to serve as a post sponsor in your location or duty station!!

*If you are no longer at this duty station, please email Katie Hanna for corrections at katiebhanna@gmail.com

Financial Assistance Request

Since 1960 approximately 1600 officers have been commissioned through the University of Iowa Army ROTC Department. Over the past two years, the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association (MHBA) has been able to make confirmed contact with 490 alumni. We are continually trying to establish contact with others with the goal of finding everyone.

During the past several years, the MHBA has appealed to alumni for monetary donations and have been able to support the following events:

1. Sponsoring Cadets to attend the Military Ball. In 2015 the alumni funded all MS I-III tickets for the Military Ball. For the last two years, alumni contributions funded tickets for ALL Cadets to attend.
2. Providing transportation for several Cadets to attend a "GORUCK" team building event in 2016 in Indianapolis.
3. Provided over \$600.00 and a plane ticket on very short notice for a Cadet to return to summer training in Germany in 2016 (due to DOD rules governing the training the Cadet was not able to return to Germany).
4. Conducted alumni tailgates and 50-50 raffles for the 2016 Iowa-Iowa State and the 2017 Iowa-Illinois football games.

All of these alumni donations came from calls for assistance throughout the year. We believe the MHBA has now grown to the point where we can start doing more for the U of I Army ROTC Department and our alumni through a fundraising drive, as opposed to "nickel and diming" everyone.

If each of the 490 alumni we are in contact with donated at least \$100.00, we would have \$49,000.00 to start the larger projects we feel would make a more substantial, enduring impact on the Cadets, the Department and our alumni.

"What will you do with that money?" is a very legitimate question and one I would ask. We have set forward several funds that we are asking you to consider supporting.

1. MHBA Operational Fund: This funds our tailgates and reunions; Seed money for additional alumni activities; Hospitality Room at the Military Ball; Alumni Golf outings; Military Ball tickets for cadets; Extracurricular events (i.e. GO RUCK Challenge, etc); Chief of Staff reading library; Emergency Fund (to assist cadets who experience an emergency, similar to Army Emergency Relief); etc. This fund is located at the UI Community Credit Union and is not tax deductible. Unfortunately, when the University consolidated the UI Alumni Association and UI Foundation any money that is contributed to a University of Iowa fund must follow university spending guidelines and we would not be able to use any money donated through the UI Foundation for these events. Any money in excess of \$7,000.00 at the end of the tax year would be moved to the Scholarship Fund.
2. Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. This fund is located at the UI Center for Advancement (formerly the UI Foundation). This is an endowed account and all donations are tax deductible. We will be able to start providing scholarships for Cadets once this account reaches \$50,000.00. Our goal is to reach this mark no later than the beginning of the 2019 school year. We will continue to solicit for this account as the more money that contains, the more Cadets we can assist.
3. Army ROTC Facilities Fund. This fund is also located at the UI Center for Advancement and is tax deductible. Our long term goal is to get a new building for the department or renovating an existing structure however, we know we also need to solicit outside assistance for this to become a reality.

Financial Assistance Request (cont.)

Our plan is to conduct an annual fundraising campaign so we can continually build our resources in order to assist as many cadets as we can with some sort of scholarship. We also believe this can serve as a recruitment tool to attract even more quality young men and women into the program and continue to grow it. Rest assured that 100% of all donations will go toward these endeavors and that we will publish a financial report in each newsletter in order to ensure transparency and accountability.

The MHBAA isn't currently (and won't be in the future) charging membership dues. Every one of us raised our right hand to serve our country and that, in our opinion, is enough dues paid. We are however asking for your financial assistance to give back to an organization that helped mold us into who we are today. If you are financially able, please consider donating \$100 to one of the three funds prior to the end of this calendar year; if you would like to donate more or to all three please do.

To donate to the MHBAA Operational Fund please send a check made out to the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association to our Interim Treasurer, Bryce Parker at [517 South Governor street, Iowa City, IA 52240](https://www.google.com/maps/place/517+South+Governor+Street,+Iowa+City,+IA+52240)

To donate to the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association Scholarship Fund or the Army ROTC Facilities Fund follow these steps to donate online:

1. Go to <http://Givetoiowa.org/armyrotc>
2. Chose the fund you would like to donate to.

Once you make a donation (in any amount) on the website you will receive a letter from the UI Center for Advancement that you will be able to use to deduct the donated amount from your taxes. Please note that there is a place to donate to the "Army ROTC General Fund" on the website. This fund is not controlled by the MHBAA and we cannot use these funds for our activities.

Some may say that achieving the goals we've outlined above is a steep hill to climb, but we believe that maintaining our shared connections, as former and current Army officers, and helping to grow the next generation of Army officers is a noble effort and worth that climb.

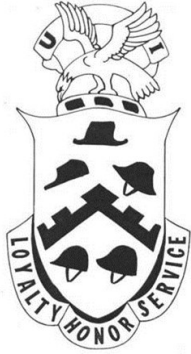
Our Current account totals are:

MHBAA - \$3366.77; MHBAA Scholarship Acct - \$1957.00; Army ROTC Facilities Fund - \$522.50.

Thank you for your time and GO HAWKS.



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