Alumni Review Newsletter
July 2015 – Late Edition

Alumni Happenings

LTG Michael Linnington ’76 USA (Ret.)

The head of the Pentagon's new agency in charge of recovering and identifying remains of U.S. war dead said he will push for more partnering with private groups that have resources and interest to help reinvigorate a troubled POW-MIA accounting mission.

Michael Linnington ’76, a recently retired three-star Army general and veteran of combat in Iraq and Afghanistan, took over the Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency in late June and intends to complete its top-to-bottom reorganization by the end of the year. His agency was created by merging the two offices that had previously been in charge. We wish Mike the best of luck in his new position and we have no doubt this new Agency will be run with utmost enthusiasm and efficiency.

Aaron Still Lock ’14

From Cadet Officer to Midshipman Plebe we find, Aaron Still Lock ’14, in formation (at the far left), at right shoulder arms learning the ways of the new middy at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis. This is Aaron’s 3rd sojourn into being a plebe and we have to admire his toughness, determination, and drive. We have no doubt that Aaron will follow in the footsteps of such other VFMAC grads that went on to glory in the United States Navy, such as ADM Gary Roughead ’69 USN (Ret.) Former CNO, CAPT. Red N.F. Stein ’47 USN (Ret.), VFMAC Honorary Life Trustee, and RADM Virgil L. Hill Jr. ’00H USN (Ret.), Former Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy and President of Valley Forge Military Academy and College.
LTC John J. McBrearty ‘80C

LTC John J. McBrearty ‘80C was awarded the National Infantry Association’s Order of St Maurice Centurion. The award was presented by 2009 recipient Paul W. McKenna ’79C at the Valley Forge Military Academy & College SoCal Regiment Reunion on July 11th in Glendora CA.

THE ORDER OF SAINT MAURICE®. A nominee for the Order of Saint Maurice must have served the Infantry community with distinction; must have demonstrated a significant contribution in support of the Infantry; and must represent the highest standards of integrity, moral character, professional competence, and dedication to duty.

Centurion: For an outstanding contribution to the Infantry. Must be or have been Infantry Branch.

Hector Arguello ’95

Our very own Mr. “E” Battery, Hector Arguello ’95 former Company Commander, was honored in our Nation’s Capital on Wednesday July 22nd and was awarded the CHLI 2015 Steve Vermillion Public Service Award. The Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute’s (CHLI) Stephen D. Vermillion, III Congressional Staff Appreciation Award is presented annually to a Congressional staff member of each party who support the advancement of the Hispanic Community in the United States. Hector has been a driving force and mentor to all E Battery Cadets and Alumni. Pictured are Tom Goldblum ’69, ’71C, Steven Fischer ’94, Hector (Mr. E Battery) Arguello ’95 and Alexander DeGrasse ’12. The Cadets, Faculty, Staff and Alumni salute you on your magnificent accomplishment.
VFMAC SoCal Alumni Regiment Summer BBQ Pool Party

Sean Condron ’97 and the Southern California Alumni Regiment had a dynamic day of Sun, Fun, and Comradeship.

Following the award ceremony the party began with a lot of food, drink and friendship on the deck, in the pool and around the lunch table. Alumni and their families had a fantastic time at this annual event featuring everyone’s best home cooked BBQ and snack dishes. Please enjoy some of the pictures of the great even.

As you can tell all who attended had a great time with their families and their VFMAC compatriots. Bill Cushing ’70, Howard K. Alperin ’83, Luis Alex Hutchins ’95, LTC John J. McBrearty, ’80C David W. Epstein ’54, LT Chris Compton ’90C, Juan Garcia ’95, Paul Wm McKenna Jr. ’79C and Sean Condron ’97 were all present and accounted for. Please help support our Regiments with your attendance.

National Capital Region George Washington Alumni Regiment

On Wednesday July 22 The George Washington Alumni Regiment had a party at the Capital City Brewery, sponsored by John English ’91, Vice Chairman of the Valley Forge Military Academy & College Board of Trustees. We would like to thank the Regiment, ably headed by William Ridley ’64, for their hospitality and all the great people that came on short notice to hear Dr. Stacey R. Sauchuk, President of VFMAC give a short “State of the Forge” address and to honor Hector Arguello ’95, winner of the Stephen D. Vermillion III Congressional Staff Appreciation Award from the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute. Hector’s speech gave great credit for his success and determination to his time at Valley Forge and he showed why he is a true model for the cadets and the alumni to emulate. The award ceremony was attended by members of Congress as well as their staffs, members of Fortune 500 Companies and our very own Alumni Association.

Making the trip down to attend these wonderful functions were COL. Joseph Bartasius ’81, ’83C, USA (Ret.) and President of the Valley Forge Military Academy & College Alumni Association, Dr. Stacey R. Sauchuk, President of VFMAC, Douglas Hasbrouck, VP of Institutional Advancement, Reenie Ednie, Director of Major Gifts and Tom Goldblum, ’69, ’71C, Director of Alumni Relations.

We are looking forward to attending Regimental gatherings throughout the Country as we build this vital link between our Alumni and Alma Mater.
Message from Dante Coles VFMC Head Football Coach

It is my great pleasure to inform you that if anyone is interested in purchasing Valley Forge Military College football apparel it will be available today on our online store. The store is open from today until August 1. It will reopen at different dates throughout the season. The site is http://www.waynesportinggoods.com/…/VF-College-Football-O4_… Part of the proceeds go to the VFMC Athletic program.

Colonel Todd Zachary USAF (Ret.) named VFMC Dean of Students

Colonel Zachary entered the Air Force in 1987 as a graduate of the ROTC program at California State University in Northridge. Following navigator training, he began his operational flying career in the B-52 Stratofortress at Minot Air Force Base, N.D. During Operation Desert Storm, he flew close air support missions against Iraqi Republican Guard forces as part of the 4,300th Provisional Bomb Wing. His staff assignments include Combat Strategic Planning Team Chief and Executive Officer for Air Force Plans and Programs at the Pentagon. Following graduation from the Naval War College in 2005, Colonel Zachary served as Deputy Director and later Director of Operations for Alaskan Command and Joint Task Force-Alaska. Col Zachary also served as Commander of the United States Air Force Academy Preparatory School in Colorado Springs, Colorado until his retirement from active duty in 2010.

COL Zachary has most recently held the position as Head of School for Rivermont Collegiate Preparatory School in Bettendorf, IA and previous to that as the Department Chair and Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, Junior ROTC program at North Penn High School, Lansdale, PA.

His degrees include: Bachelor of Arts in History from California State University at Northridge; Masters of Arts in Humanities from California State University at Dominguez Hills; Masters of Arts in Defense Studies, from Kings College, London, UK; Masters of Arts in Airpower Science from the USAF’s School of Advanced Air and Space Studies; Masters of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the US Naval War College. He is currently pursuing his doctorate degree from Gwynedd Mercy University.

The Alumni Association of VFMA&C welcome COL Zachary and his family and wish them well in his new position as VFMC Dean of Students.
Valley Forge Caribbean, Central American and South American Visitation and Recruiting Trip

George E. Anderson III, Ph.D. (D.C.S.), Director of International Student Development will be involved in recruiting and visitation program with our alumni and friends in the fall. We would like to invite you to come out and meet Dr. Anderson with your friends and families to hear about all the great things happening at The Forge and to introduce future cadets to fantastic opportunities being offered. We are looking for our Alumni who love VFMAC to come out and participate. As you can see we have many spots to fill and we need your help. Let’s bring back the glory of The Forge as it used to be when BG Tomas Puyans ’48C roamed the campus and the world for the love of our Alma mater. Dr. Anderson will be following this itinerary:

San Juan, PR  13 – 16 Sept.  Pablo L. Marquez ’75C valeca@prtc.net
Santo Domingo, DR  16 – 20 Sept.  (Rose Mari) Hubert Garcia ’14 garciarosa_angelus@yahoo.com
Guatemala City, GTM  20 – 24 Sept.  Joaquin Glaesel ’85 jglaesel@yahoo.com.mx
Belize City, Belize  24 – 29 Sept.
Tegucigalpa, HND  29 Sept – 3 Oct.  Henry L. Bahr ’69 bahrhenry@yahoo.com
Managua, Nicaragua  3 – 8 Oct.  Chale Espinosa ’69 chalespinosa@yahoo.com
San Jose, Costa Rica  8 – 13 Oct.
Panama City, Panama  13 – 18 Oct.  Jaime Figueroa ’74C jaimeeneriquefigueroa@gmail.com
Bogota, Columbia  18 – 21 Oct.  Alejandro Calderón ’95 acalderon@lafragata.com
Santiago, Chile  29 Oct. – 3 Nov.
Rio Di Janeiro, Brazil  3 – 7 Nov.

The most important part of any business is the people. That is especially true for a school. I have been assigned as the Director of International Student Development for Valley Forge and this fall, I will be traveling throughout Central and South America visiting with our alumni.

I want to listen to your stories, get your advice, and bring your wisdom back to Valley Forge. Please contact your national coordinator. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Dr. George E. Anderson III, Ph.D. (DCS)
Director of International Student Development
Your Forge Fund Gift

Here’s how your donation dollars are helping VFMAC prepare for the 88th Corps of Cadets

In terms of physical plant, it’s amazing how much has to be accomplished between Academy graduation, June 4, 2015, and move-in day for Leadership Detail, and College Athletes on August 10, and move-in day for the Band on August 17 to make sure that campus is in tip-top shape for the plebes and returning students and their families. Thanks to the $1.8 million raised through the Forge Fund, and coupled a budget surplus from 2014-15, Valley Forge has been able to tackle some campus projects during VFMA summer camp and before our students return:

- The road to College Hill has been milled and completely re-asphalted for our College cadets, their families, and the faculty at a cost of $75,000;
- Forty-six (46) new LED lights/fixtures are being installed in Price Gym to cut the electric bill and provide better lighting for our basketball teams, all of our Trojan athletes, and guests at a cost of $26,000;
- For cadet safety and for daily communications, a public address system will be installed in Shannon, Hart North, Hart South, and Lohtak Halls and will link to all cadet barracks;
- Arborists will cut and trim many of the mature trees to help prevent damage to roofs and pedestrians;
- Cadets will return to freshly painted interiors of all barracks at a cost of $45,000;
- The hardwood floor in Price Gym will be cut (sanded), the lines repainted, and our beautiful logo featuring George Washington and “Prayer at Valley Forge” will be repainted at a cost of $36,000;
- The retaining wall on Radnor Street Road, facing the President’s Residence, Crossed Sabres, will be replaced. The steps and walkway will also be replaced for safety and campus beautification reasons. Alumnus Peter Anthony ’61, is diligently working on this project. The materials and labor cost $37,000;
- To brighten the facade for our College cadets and the College faculty members, the exterior of Hart Hall North has been repainted at a cost of $17,000;
- For our cadets’ and faculty members’ safety, high-efficiency lampposts are being added throughout College Hill at a cost of $19,000;
- Our visitors and prospective families will appreciate the clean look of Lee Hall and Wayne Hall as each building has been painted.

Beyond these aforementioned physical plant enhancements, the gardens and lawns continue to be maintained throughout the hot summer days to put Valley Forge’s best foot forward. Thank each of you who made a gift to the Forge Fund this year. These meaningful projects would not be possible without your help in getting us to a balanced budget! We look forward to having you join us on campus soon so that you may see your gift in action and we may thank you in person.
Upcoming Events

Alumni Association Board of Directors Annual Planning Meeting-

When: Saturday, August 15, 2015: Eisenhower Hall, 8:30 AM – Conference Call for the Meeting 610-829-9266 or www.uberconference.com/vfaabod

This will be a planning conference and both breakfast and lunch will be served. It is imperative that you be there to help set the direction for the next year. We need your help and we want your ideas. Great things start from the minds of our Alumni.

9th Annual Major Jeffrey Toczykowski Memorial Golf Outing

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For more information, please contact tournament organizers:
Peggy Toczykowski 267-363-0034
Tom Schneider 610-839-2281
Pam Patterson 412-996-2367

For directions to Five Ponds Golf Course www.spondagc.com

Hole Sign Sponsorship: $200
Golf Costs per player: $115
Pay for 4 golfers: $520

Please make checks payable to:
Major Jeffrey Toczykowski Foundation
Mail to Peggy Toczykowski
1622 Ingram Ct
Audubon PA 19002

Company Name
Company contact:
Address
Phone #
E-mail:

All donations will go to the Valley Forge Military College Foundation in memory of the Major Jeffrey Toczykowski Scholarship Fund.
Tel: 267-363-5889

www.majorjefftoz.com

August 31, 2015  First Day of Classes for All Cadets

September 10, 2015  Opening Day Ceremony at 5:00 PM in the Chapel
Reception at 6:00 PM in Eisenhower Hall

September 19, 2015  AABOD Monthly Meeting 9:30 AM Sara Crawford Room
Mellon Hall
To purchase your copy of this unique video history of the first 40 years of Valley Forge Military Academy & College, narrated by LTG Milton Medenbach, BG Alfred Sanelli and BG Ralph Jones. The cost is $30.00 (shipping included).

Call Tom Goldblum ‘69, ’71C, Director of Alumni Relations
610-989-1329 or TGoldblum@vfmac.edu

ABOUT “THE PAST IN REVIEW”

On the eve of the arrival of the 88th Corps of Cadets, revisit the glorious past of Valley Forge under the inspired guidance of its founder, LTG Milton G. Baker. Thousands of alumni will remember these times with honor and gratitude.

First produced in 1987 on videotape but now technologically updated to DVD format, here again is the narrated compilation of all films acquired from the first 40 years of VFMAC, as submitted by alumni, parents, and staff. This 107 minute documentary begins with a stroll through the fire ruins at Devon, and continues at the present site in Wayne, through most of the Baker years into 1968. Narration is by LTG Milton H. Medenbach ’41H, BG Alfred A. Sanelli ’39, and BG Ralph E. Jones.

The entire stereo musical score is from the many recorded works of the Valley Forge Military Academy and College Band under the direction of the late COL D. Keith Feltham ’90H, “The Duke” (as his respectful nickname evolved) presided over 27 all-scholarship cadet Bands, the longest tour of any VF bandmaster, one whose alumni would later proclaim “Together we stood his inspection, played his concerts, and parades; together we cherish his influence on our music and our lives.”

Also heard are the choral groups of the late COL Robert V. Woodside, organist and choirmaster for the period 1955 – 1971. During his tenure, the cadet chorale reached unprecedented levels of creative performance. Many of the arrangements were written by Woodside himself, a master musician.

Director – Producer
George Newell ’53C Band

Historian – Research
Ron Tschiegg ’52C Band

DVD Production
Leonard Quam
Alumni Gift Items

2015 Alumni Pin - $15.00

2015 Alumni Shield Cufflinks - $40.00

Alumni Tie (Battery Red Tie) - $35.00

Alumni Crest - $30.00

Alumni Challenge Coin - $25.00

E Battery Ornament - $20.00

Total Price of Package (1 of each) - $145.00

To Order call Tom Goldblum'69, '71C Director of Alumni Relations, with your credit card at 610-989-1329 or email to: tgoldblum@vfmac.edu
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Alumni News notes are a great way to stay in touch and up to date with your classmates and friends. We send your great news out to over 8,000 Alumni throughout the world and your classmates are anxious to hear about all the great things happening.

Contact me by email with your pictures (if any) attached: TGoldblum@vfmac.edu and we will let everyone know the happy new