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USC NROTC "Diamond Jubilee" Set for April 2015

Save the Dates – 10-12 April



We will celebrate this milestone event with a weekend reunion — on the USC campus. The Diamond Jubilee alumni event will be combined with the annual Midshipmen "**Spring Ball**" and will celebrate the past members of the Trojan battalion with the present and future leaders of the Navy and Marine Corps.

The weekend event begins with a casual **welcoming reception** on Friday evening, **10 April 2015**. It will be held at the **USC Radisson Hotel** (our weekend headquarters) located on Figueroa Boulevard, right across the street from campus. The Radisson, owned and managed by USC, will be offering special group rates for our NROTC alumni attendees. This reception will give you a chance to connect with former classmates and to meet fellow NROTC Trojans from many decades and many parts of the country.

On Saturday morning, after breakfast, we will offer a **guided walking tour of campus**, for you to see the "old and the new" parts of today's USC – which continues to grow each month. No visit to campus would be complete without a stop at the **Wardroom** in the PE building. These spaces and offices are in the same location since 1940 and all USC NROTC grads have shared memories of the Wardroom and unit offices!

Calendar of Events

26 FEB 2015
Executive Committee
Meeting
USC Orange County Center

2 APR 2015 Board of Directors Meeting USC Tutor Center

10 - 12 APR 2015

Diamond Jubilee USC Campus

15 MAY 2015 Graduation/commissioning USC Campus

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From the **Bridge**

Paul R. Alwine (Class of 1962)
CAPT, SC, USN (Ret)
President – USC NROTC Alumni League

Fall is here again and the start of another academic year at USC! I had the pleasure in late August to attend the swearing-in ceremony of the new **NROTC Class of 2018.** I remember so well my own swearing-in at the PE building in the fall of 1958. Lots of water has gone over the dam since then...wow, time flies when you're having FUN! The new 4/C midshipmen all looked very sharp in their tropical white uniforms as they took the oath to begin their NROTC and USC adventure.

As you saw in the lead story on the front page, we are working hard to plan the Diamond Jubilee celebration for next April to commemorate the unit's 75th anniversary. I hope that you can join us for this extra special weekend event. For those of you who have not been on campus in a long time you need to see how USC has developed in recent years. There are, of course, the original and stately buildings that were here when you were a student, and now there are many new and exciting centers of learning as the campus and student body continues to expand. It is really quite remarkable! Recently there was a ground-breaking for the new "USC Village," as the campus expands northward from Jefferson Boulevard. This new development, to be completed in 2017, will combine modern student housing, in a residential college environment, along with a wide variety of retail establishments. One store that was just announced is a new "Trader Joe's Market," to take the place of the good old "32nd Street Market" from days past! Make sure that you save the dates (10-12 April 2015) and plan to be a part of this 75th anniversary celebration. Come back to campus, see



former classmates and relive memories of your days as a midshipman in the NROTC unit. **BE THERE!**

In late October we held our annual **NROTC Alumni luncheon**, this year at the Navy Golf Course in Los Alamitos. Our guest speaker, CAPT Duncan Smith, USN of Coronado gave us a great presentation on "**Navy SEALS 101**." Duncan, USC Class of 1981, is a Navy SEAL and was the co-producer of the highly successful 2012 action movie "**Act of Valor**." Midshipmen of the Trojan battalion participated as well and conducted a raffle to earn money to help finance the trip for the drill team competition next spring.

This fall the Alumni League again awarded **five** \$1000 scholarships to deserving USC midshipmen from our ever-growing scholarship endowment fund. This is possible only because of your continuing generosity and support! Keep those tax deductible checks coming to help support the young men and women of the Trojan battalion - - they REALLY appreciate your help and support! Thank you!

FLASH - - for those of you in the greater southern California area that would like to get more actively involved in the NROTC Alumni League, I have an opportunity for you! We have an opening on the leadership team for a VP of Information Technology. If you want to be involved more closely with



Commanding Officer's Update

Col Jonathan Hitesman USMC
Commanding Officer & Professor of Naval Science
University of Southern California

Alumni and Friends of the USC NROTC Trojan Battalion:

School has once again started here at USC. We have a new freshman class of 20 – yes, I said 20! This includes 15 scholarship midshipmen, 4 college program midshipmen, and an additional MECEP student, Staff Sergeant Word. Keep your eye on this class in the years to come. They are full of great potential, talent, and enthusiasm. On August 22, I had the honor of leading these midshipmen as they took the Oath of Service.

New Student Orientation, a.k.a. O-Week was an absolute success. Gunnery Sergeant Palmer; the Battalion Commander, MIDN Robinson, and the entire Midshipmen staff put countless hours into the planning and preparation for this year's O-Week. We were able to get a waiver to conduct this event off campus at Camp Pendleton which really enhanced the cohesive effect and purposes of O-Week. In addition to a ship and squadron visit, the unit was able to visit the Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) squadron.

Speaking of GySgt Palmer, he and his family have moved on to Okinawa. We will sorely miss him and his love for the midshipmen and the Trojan Battalion. As usual, the Marine Corps has also provided us with an outstanding replacement. Staff Sergeant Ismael Ordaz recently came aboard and has picked

up right where GySgt Palmer left off. SSgt Ordaz is an 0369, Infantry Unit Leader and brings a rich set of experiences with him to the unit.

Additionally, Mr. "D" Dantic retired after more than 18 years in our front office. He, too, will be sorely missed. He was a mainstay at the unit for so long and we appreciate all of his service to the Air Force, Naval ROTC, and USC. Fortunately, Mrs. Marcia McClain was quickly hired to replace Mr. D. Marcy comes to us from the other USC (the University of South Carolina) and she has already shown herself to be a great asset to the unit.

Finally, Ms. Liza Christ, our supply technician, has also moved on. She accepted a position with the Navy, which is close to her home and family and at a higher pay grade and much more reflective of her talents. Fair winds and following seas to the Gunny Palmer, Liza, and Mr. D.

This year we will continue to stress what I believe to be the keys to success for our midshipmen: "Academics first" and "service above self."

I truly appreciate all that the Alumni League does for our midshipmen. Relieving some of the financial strain reinforces my intent and allows the midshipmen to focus more on academics. The Alumni

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Our NROTC Alumni League members are scattered all over the world and it is always fun trying to keep up with all your moves and changes. One way that we can keep up, is for you to complete the "Update my Information" section of the Return Slip of The LOG when you send in your tax-deductible dues and contributions. Another way is to access the USC Alumni Association web site http://alumni.usc.edu/benefits/online.html to update your profile, e-mail or mailing address. Whenever you move, get promoted, change your email address, go online to the USC Alumni site and pop in the current info. We don't want you to become LOST...

Don't FORGET!! 2014 Membership Dues are due NOW!

Please complete the form on the back page, write your **tax-deductible** check and send it to the Treasurer, Ed Tannenbaum, using the self-addressed envelope or to the NROTC Unit - Attention: Alumni League, at the address listed under "How to Contact Us"

Board of Director's Meetings

All NROTC Alumni League Members are invited to attend the Spring and Fall Board Meetings as non-voting attendees. Reservations can be made with Paul Alwine: Home (949) 559-8659 or cell (949) 636-0603. The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, 2 April, 2015 at 10:00 at the new Ronald Tutor Campus Center on the USC Campus

> NROTC ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT ◆

We are very pleased to announce that our NROTC Alumni Scholarship Endowment is now in excess of **\$226,000!** Thank you all for your generous contributions and participation. We also have almost **\$3 million** in our six pending "Remainder Trusts," annuities, and other donations. The Midshipmen appreciate your support. If you have questions regarding contributions (best way, how to, or how the money gets managed), please contact Dave Dawes '63 (714) 347-1230.

From the Ship's Store

USC NROTC *Polo Shirts* -\$40 each (including shipping), contact the NROTC Office for details. USC NROTC *Challenge Coins* - \$10 each

To Order: Visit the "Ship's Store" button on our website (www.uscnrotc.org) or send check (payable to "USC NROTC") to the address listed under "How to Contact Us"

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From the Bridge

the USC NROTC unit again and to "give back," please contact me (alwine@cox.net). I want to welcome CDR Maureen "Alex" Alexander, USN (Ret)'81 as the new Secretary for the Alumni League and I want to personally thank Duke Fleming,'82, for his years of dedicated service and expertise to the NROTC Alumni League -- we will miss you!

Watch the mail later this year for details on our **Diamond Jubilee 75th anniversary** event and plan to join the people that have made the USC NROTC unit the best in the country. I look forward to greeting you on campus next April!

Fight On!



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CO's Update

League's continuous involvement with the battalion also provides a great example of putting service to others above oneself.

I look forward to talking with you in the wardroom or at the various upcoming events. We are all looking forward to the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of 75 years of NROTC at USC in April 2015. Fight On!

Semper Fidelis,



Jonathan Hitesman Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps Professor of Naval Science

Want some extra savings for the Holidays? The following site provides a list of companies offering military and veteran specials:

www.militaryconnection.com/deals.asp

Excerpts from USC Price School article by Megan Goulding

David and Lee Hayutin Endow a \$2 Million NROTC Scholarship Fund

The USC Price School of Public Policy recently received a gift of approximately \$2 million from the estate of David and Lee Hayutin to provide scholarships for Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) students at USC. Serving as a powerful testament to the strength of the NROTC community, the couple created this scholarship fund in honor of the program's former long-serving academic coordinator, **Anna Hawley Searles.** Through the David and Lee Hayutin NROTC Scholarship Fund, USC will further expand its capacity to educate and train highly qualified young men and women for service as commissioned officers in the nation's armed services. This is the largest gift in the program's history.

David Hayutin served as a naval reserve officer at USC more than 60 years ago, graduating in 1952 with a degree in physics from the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences. He later completed his law degree, graduating from the USC Gould School of Law in 1958. Now over six decades later, this gift serves as touching tribute to the lifelong connections formed in the NROTC program at USC, among the officers themselves and between the officers and program staff.

"The David and Lee Hayutin NROTC Scholarship Fund is a true testament to the closeness of the NROTC community, and of the Trojan Family as a whole," said Regina Nordahl, Associate Dean at the Price School and University Liaison for the NROTC program. "I know I speak for all of my colleagues in the program when I say that it is a privilege to serve the NROTC community at USC, and the relationships I have formed with officers over the years are some of the most cherished moments in my career."

The David and Lee Hayutin NROTC Scholarship Fund will award its first scholarships to students in fall 2015. In addition to supporting NROTC scholarships at USC, the Hayutin family left \$2 million to the USC Gould School of Law to provide scholarships, with preference for students who served honorably in the United States Navy.

Excerpts from USC Price School article by Megan Goulding

Anna Hawley SearlesFormer NROTC Academic Advisor and Author

Anna Hawley Searles, born in 1898, served as the academic coordinator for the NROTC program for 15 years. She came to USC in 1930 as an administrator for the Institute of Character Research in the School of Philosophy, and was later promoted to Director of the Institute. She then assumed the role of academic coordinator for NROTC in 1943. Over the course of her tenure at USC, Searles mentored close to 1,000 NROTC midshipmen. A scholar in her own right, Searles authored or co-authored 19 books in the fields of literature and character education.

Searles served under USC President Rufus B. von KleinSmid, who led the university during the establishment of the NROTC program at USC. In the years following World War II, von KleinSmid further expanded the university's commitment to the armed services to accommodate the swell of veterans enrolling under the G.I. Bill. Before the bombing of Pearl Harbor, USC had enrolled an average of 6,000 full-time day

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Anna Hawley Searles

students. Less than five months after the war ended, 8,300 daytime students and 3,500 evening students were enrolled at the university. The following year, veterans comprised 70 percent of the university's daytime students.

Throughout the University's proud and longstanding heritage of service and support for military officers and veterans, it was Anna Searles who provided the day-to-day, steadfast leadership and guidance of young naval officer candidates enrolled at USC.



Anna Hawley Searles, former academic coordinator of the Naval ROTC program at USC

Searles often wrote about the tremendous privilege and responsibility that officers have to uphold the highest standards of character, both in service and in civilian life.

"A good character is a system of refined and reliable habits. You would not be in that uniform unless you had acquired these habits along the way," Searles wrote in the 1955 edition of the Trojan Sea Horse. "It is a great challenge to wear on your sleeve the evidence of the manner of man you have made of yourself. It is a great achievement to be worthy of the confidence and trust of those in authority who have chosen you for the high test of command."

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USC NROTC Diamond Jubiliee April 10 - 12, 2015

Later on Saturday morning we will offer an optional tour of the USS IOWA (BB-61) museum ship. Buses/vans will drive attendees to San Pedro for a VIP tour of this amazing and historic battleship. After the ship tour we will have lunch in San Pedro or Long Beach before returning to campus. For those not wanting to do the ship tour there will be an optional NROTC alumni golf outing at the Navy Golf Course at Los Alamitos.

The Diamond Jubilee banquet and Midshipmen Spring Ball will be on Saturday evening 11 April at "Town and Gown." Once the dining hall for midshipmen in the early and mid-1940s, Town and Gown is now an elegant ballroom, exuding grace and style. The evening program will combine remembrances of the past, highlighting events of the previous 75 years, spotlighting distinguished NROTC alumni, and honoring the Seniors of the "Diamond Jubilee Class of 2015" in their typical Spring Ball. Meet today's midshipmen and tomorrow's Navy and Marine Corps officers, that all share the common bond with you of being USC NROTC Trojans!

For those staying at the Radisson, Sunday 12 April is departure day, unless you plan to spend a few extra days having fun in the LA area.

The leadership team of the NROTC Alumni League is working hard to put together a "not to be missed" weekend event for all of us who were a key part in the 75 year history of the USC NROTC program. All USC NROTC grads are being invited, along with former Professors of Naval Science and key members of the university administration.

Complete details and registration information will be included in a separate mailing sent to you later this year or early in 2015. <u>Your action</u> right now is to save the dates (10-12 April 2015), contact former NROTC classmates and plan to be a part of history at the "Diamond Jubilee!" **BE THERE!**



Back at the Battalion



Welcome class of 2018!

The newest members of the Trojan Battalion were sworn in on August 22, 2014

<u>NAME</u>	HOME OF RECORD	<u>NAME</u>	HOME OF RECORD
ROLAND CHEN	Walnut, CA	JOHN LAZZERONI	Tucson, AZ
MICHAEL DENNISON	Carlisle, PA	GREGORY LENNON	Redding, CA
DANIEL ECKSTROM	Ventura, CA	ERIC MATHENY	La Mirada, CA
GARRETT EDWARDS	Davis, CA	MATTHEW MERZ	Annandale, VA
JACOB FALTEMIER	Westlake Village, CA	WILLIAM OSTERMAN	Quantico, VA
BRADLEY GARR	Scottsdale, AZ	CONNOR PATENAUDE	Poway, CA
ANDREW HEMBERGER	Rockville, MD	ALEXANDER PETROY	Boulder, CO
JOSH JAMISON	Valley Village, CA	CARTER RADOVAN	Park City, UT
JONATHAN KOSTENKO	O Coronado, CA	JAMES STEELE	Henderson, NV
NICHOLAS KUDRAVE	Rolling Hills, CA	SSGT DAVID WORD	Long Beach, CA

Out of the White and into the Blue. . .

Battalion Uniform Inspections









The Photo Gallery



Paul Alwine'62 (right) awards NROTC Alumni League \$1000 scholarships for Fall 2014 to (L to R) Midn 2/C Michael Kropp, Midn 3/C Sarah English and Midn 3/C Alejandra Murillo.

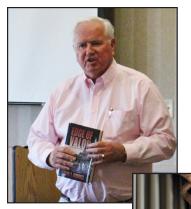
(Not present:Midn 1/C Joshua Daniels and Midn 3/C Barry Cruvant who were on a PT run with GEN David Petraeus

Alumni League Luncheon

Alumnus and author, John Gobbell '60, discusses his latest novel, EDGE of VAL-OR. A signed copy of the book was one of the raffle prizes.



Paul Alwine '62 and the midshipmen welcome the guests



T. J. Sutherlin, son of the late CAPT Benjamin Sutherlin (Professor of Naval Science 1979-82), won the USC football signed by the NROTC battalion in the raffle.



Former roommates, LtCol Frances (Shannon) Annarella USMC (Ret)'81 (2nd from left) and CDR Maureen Alexander (Wright) USN (Ret) '81, with their children, Donald Annarella (USC '17) and Jaime Wright (CSULB '17).

DECADES Doings

This section of The Log is to share brief "happenings" or news items with our NROTC Alumni League members.

1940's

Bob Benner '45: Going to China in Oct '14, Washington D.C. in Dec '14, then Germany for river trip and Christmas markets. I'm not skiing anymore but am still vertical. Phil - hang on to your horse when you ride!

George Hull '45: This year I've hit age 90, and I want to send my best regards to my NROTC classmates that are still kicking!

R. B. Campbell '49: My son, CDR R. David Campbell, USN (Ret), my daughter, Dr. Susan Campbell Sandri, PhD, and my son-in-law, LTC Kevin G. Sandri, USA (Ret) plus my son-in-law's mother, Lucile Sandri (now 94) are all TROJAN graduates. Life on Whidbey Island is still good!

1950's

George G. Strella '51: I love reading about all the overachievers in "Doings" and am so proud of all my USC NROTC family, especially the current outstanding graduates and the great staff. I'm a retired civil engineer in Tulsa, OK; as far from the sea one can get, yet only a mile, straight down, to salt water. Widowed in 2012 after 57 years of marriage. I hope to make the Diamond Jubilee in 2015.

Fred Wehking '52: Upon graduation and commissioning, served 1 and 1/2 years on USS TOLEDO (CA-133) as the 2nd Division Officer in the Gunnery Department, then 1 and 1/2 years as Liaison Officer with the USMC in Japan and Hawaii. Upon leaving active duty, taught mathematics at Berkeley High School for 33 years. Retired in 1989, still living in the Bay area - no place better than the California coastal area. Many thanks for the Log.

(Peter) Don Maher III '55: Recently completed my 8th overseas trip with Global Volunteers (globalvolunteers. com), teaching conversational English. This one was in Hanoi, teaching blind students and faculty. Previous trips have included Romania, Tanzania, India and China. Have five children and ten grandchildren scattered around the U.S. All have graduated from university or in-process. Retired from Hughes Aircraft Co. as associate program manager and from the USNR as CDR. My eldest son completed 11 years in the Navy as a Medical Officer. I

remain active volunteering with a local teen center for disadvantaged youth, with church, fishing and cruising.

Vic Gulliver '57: Hosting a reunion of my first squadron - VP-2. Expecting about 140 people age 70 and older.

Michael Chumo '59: Upon completion of the Basic School, I was sent to Okinawa to join Company A, 3rd Recon BN, spent time in Korea, the Phillippine Islands, Borneo and some R&R in Hong Kong. My civilian life was spent in Southern California in management positions with financial and construction related industries. Retired in 2004 and Marie and I moved to Oklahoma City where our son had settled. After going "stir crazy" for six months, decided to go back to work and have been employed with the Economic Development Group of the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce. Now time is spent traveling back to Southern California to visit daughters and the grandchildren. It's a marvelous life. Semper Fi!

1960's

Paul Alwine '62: Lots of fun travel this year - cruises to the Western Caribbean; Iceland & Greenland; and Bali to Borneo. Enjoying retirement from IBM and being involved at USC with the "Half Century Trojans" and the NROTC Alumni League. I hope to see lots of early 1960's Grads at the "Diamond Jubilee" 75th Reunion next April!

Kirk Boman '62: Retired from airline flying for 14 years and six years from part time consulting. Susan and I now live in Salt Lake City and are enjoying our lives here.

Richard J. Evans '64: Enjoyed my 72nd birthday with my family: three kids and six grandchildren. Grandchildren are 21, 20, 17, 14, 8 and 3 years old. Enjoying family of wife #2, Ann Loehnke Evans, two children and two grand kids ages two and one. Doing well here in Ohio, Still a Marine, that's for sure. Looking forward to the 50th Reunion for the class of 1964 and the 75th celebration of USC NROTC.

Bob Terhune '64: Recently visited the village of Huinen in Gelderland, a province in the Netherlands, from which, in 1638, my ancestor, Albert Albertse Terhunen (from Hunen) came to the Dutch Colony of New Netherland and

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the city of New Amsterdam (now known as New York). Not much there today: a school, many small farms, a gas station and a liquor store. Planning to attend the 50th class reunion of the class of '64.

R.C. Allen '68: In July 2014, Gail and I had a great trip to France and Spain. We spent five days in Paris then took the train to Lyon where we embarked on a seven day Rhone River Cruise with a bunch of fellow retired Supply Corps Officers and spouses. After returning to Lyon, we took the train to Nice, Barcelona and Madrid, spending two to three days in each city. Highlights included Bastille Day Fireworks in Nice, the Olympic Stadium in Barcelona and the Prado Art Museum in Madrid.

Les Berkes '68: Left USN in 1972; completed Ph.D. on G.I. Bill; re-upped to USNR Medical Service Corps 1975; retired from USNR 1986; Assistant Professor, Ohio State University 1976; consulting psychologist 1983 to present with Management Health Development, Malibu CA; relocated to northern California 1986; NETMAP International start-up; several other start-ups; managing director, KPMG, Director Organizational Effectiveness Hewlett Packard and subsequently with Sutter Health; Currently consulting psychologist with Sutter Health.

Dyrck Van Dusen '68: Retired 1 Dec 2013 from Survice Engineering Co in Abedeen, MD. Now enjoying time with my wife, Gina, my children, Micah and Katrina and our grandchildren, Jadon (10), Kyler (8), Rayann(6) Cheyanne (3) and Samantha (9 mos). Also I'm enjoying hiking, canoeing, and serving my church as the Treasurer.

1970's

Tad Dougherty '71: Navy brought me back to SoCal in '86. Have been in Camarillo ever since. USN retired '92. Airport manager at local small airport until 2006. Taking it easy. Still fly regularly. Life is good!

Stephen Troutman '71: Retired in 2010, continues to be very rewarding with heavy involvement as a volunteer in several organizations. I continue to develop and deliver presentations on futuring, business, and entertainment topics. Met with Martin Schwedhelm earlier this year.

Stan Westfall '71: Was the USC Capital Construction Project Manager for both Galen Center and the Ronald Tutor Campus Center.

Ann (Smith) Mathews '77: Retired from the Navy in 2008 after 31 years of service. Qualified as an Integrated Undersea Surveillance System Specialist after my first two tours, then spent 28 years in Human resources (manpower), of which the last 13 years were in the Joint community. Survived two tours on the Joint Staff, J1! Thirty one years ago, I married CAPT Michael Mathews, USN (Ret), a career nuclear submarine officer. We have two daughters, who have graduated from college and are working (and paying their own bills!) in Spokane, WA and Los Angeles, CA. I'm enjoying retirement here in the beautiful Pacific Northwest and am currently a volunteer guide for the Naval Base Kitsap WA Outdoor Recreation program, which includes fun trips like kayaking, snowshoeing and white water rafting.

Charles Szypszak '79: As a Professor of Public Law and Government at UNC - Chapel Hill, I am introducing a new graduate course - Military Leadership and Public Administration. Returning to what I was first taught at USC NROTC, I will teach students about leadership in the military and how it translates to the government and non-profit sectors.

1980's

Tui Peleti '81: Really enjoyed ENS Bobbin's article on the T-34C Turbo-Mentor. Flew it 30+ years ago. Sorry to see it go . Twenty-five years flying the "friendly" UAL skies! Currently left-seat A320 Airbus. Enjoy commercial flying but best times were as Marine aviator on the A6E Intruder. Semper Fi - GO TROJANS!

Matt Faletti '83: Happily transitioned to the private sector the past five years. Vice President with Eid Passports, Inc. Please look me up if in the Seattle area. Fight ON!

Peter Marshall '85: Retired from USNR in 2005. Airline pilot for United Airlines.

1990's and 2000's

No **Decade Doings** Submitted

USC Opens Veterans Resource Center



General Petraeus and USC Presidsent C. L. Max Nikias

Gen. David Petraeus joined USC President C. L. Max Nikias to officially open the USC Veterans Resource Center (VRC) on Nov. 5, 2014, a step that was called USC's most important in serving its student veterans. Located on the third floor of the Ronald Tutor Campus Center, the 1,300-square-foot facility, for the first time, gives student veterans a home on campus. The center provides a lounge and conference area, public computer stations and three private offices where veterans can receive one-stop services ranging from Veterans Affairs certification to academic advisement.

General Petraeus is a Judge Widney Professor and faculty adviser to the USC Student Veterans Association, whose members identified a resource center as a top priority.

"To see the seriousness of 'SC in its commitment to those who have raised their right hand in the wake of 9/11, knowing that reciting that oath meant they're going into combat — to see

how 'SC is living that obligation, is really wonderful," Petraeus said during the facility's dedication. "It makes me feel really proud to be part of this great Trojan family."

Petraeus saluted Nikias for his leadership in working to improve the student-veteran experience. Supporting the military, Nikias stressed, is a Trojan tradition. The new Veterans Resource Center is part of USC's continuing efforts to increase its standing as a veteran-friendly campus. After the VRC was dedicated, the USC Alumni Association officially launched its Veteran Alumni Network, designed to link all Trojan military veterans. The kick-off event hosted 120 veterans on campus.

In all, nearly 900 students at USC are certified service members, veterans or military dependents. About a quarter of them are undergraduates, the vast majority entering as transfers from area community colleges. There are 174 cadets and midshipmen enrolled in USC's three ROTC programs.

by Rich Suttie'79

As Trojans look back, 2014 has been a banner year in terms of veteran-friendliness. USC doubled the number of Yellow Ribbon grants it awarded to student-veterans. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the program supplements tuition and fees not covered by the Post 9/11 GI Bill, currently capped at \$20,235 for private universities.

Under Yellow Ribbon, participating USC departments award \$10,000 to graduate students and \$6,000 to undergraduates; in 2014, the university awarded 239 such grants worth \$2.3 million. The VA matches those amounts, making a USC education affordable to military and family members of veterans.

Three-quarters of USC's studentveterans attend graduate schools, and expanding those opportunities is a high priority. The pioneering Master of Business for Veterans program at the USC Marshall School of Business welcomed its second cohort of students this fall. The 10-month program leverages unique skills acquired in the armed forces for use in the corporate arena. Thirty-seven of the 38 students in the inaugural MBV class had jobs by graduation day. A third were new positions with top-tier companies like Disney, Kaiser-Permanente and Goldman Sachs.

The USC School of Social Work, meanwhile, has graduated 115 veterans from its military social work program. Introduced in 2010, the concentration has more than 700 alumni. Other programs with strong ties to the armed services include the Department of Defense-affiliated USC In-

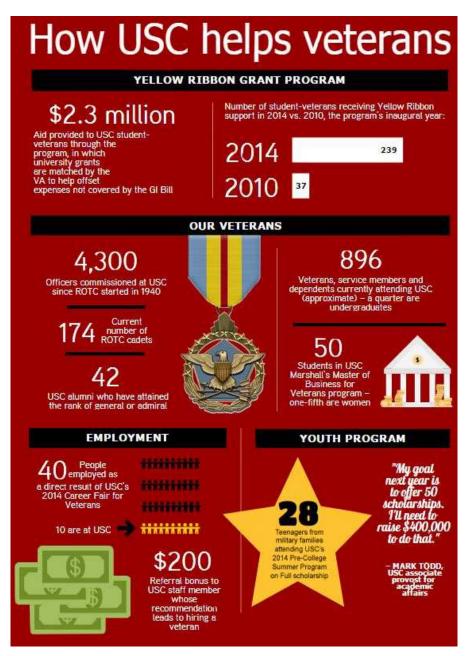
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stitute for Creative Technologies, the USC Viterbi School of Engineering's Aviation Safety and Security program and the Keck School of Medicine of USC's Navy Trauma Training Center. The USC Price School of Policy and the USC Rossier School of Education also enroll significant numbers of veterans, service members and military dependents each year.

The university also has stepped up its efforts to help veterans find jobs, both on campus and off. In late May, USC Talent Management hosted its second annual Career Fair for Veterans. The all-day event drew 200 veterans and 45 Los Angeles area employers, among them Amazon, Northrop Grumman, American Red Cross, Warner Bros. and JP Morgan Chase. As a direct result of the fair, 40 veterans received job offers — 10 of them from USC — with starting salaries in the \$50,000 to \$60,000 range, according to recruitment manager David Brown. That's far better than the average starting salary for veterans in the Los Angeles area, which USC social work researchers peg at less than \$37,000.

In September, USC began offering \$200 bonuses to any employee whose referral leads to the hiring of a veteran. The hiring of veterans at the university has gained steam with the recent addition of Alby Bocanegra, USC's new diversity recruiter/veterans advocate, himself an Army veteran.





Farewell and bon voyage to our departed shipmates.

A donation has been made to the USC NROTC Alumni League Scholarship Endowment in the name of each officer listed below.

Ronald E. Burbank '51 Aug 15, 2014

Philip W. Kitchin '51 June 23, 2014

<u>Note</u>: Some names in the "TAPS" section may be of shipmates who passed away several years ago; although we strive for timely notification, often times we do not get information for months or even years after a member's death. All names are published and donations are made to the Alumni League Scholarship Fund in their honor when their passing is brought to our attention.

Another Successful NROTC Alumni League Luncheon

This year's NROTC Alumni League Luncheon was held on Friday, October 24 at the Eagle's Nest Restaurant, Los Alamitos Golf Course in Cypress, CA.

The NROTC Unit Commanding Officer, Col Jonathan Hitesman and the Executive Officer, CDR Julito Antolin attended the luncheon along with a group of Midshipmen who came to assist with the event. Col Hitesman and CDR Antolin even managed to get in a round of golf with league members before the start of the luncheon.

Col Hitesman gave an update on the NROTC Unit and he was followed by our guest speaker, CAPT Duncan Smith, USN '81. Duncan is the Director of the Navy SEAL and SWCC Scout Team in San Diego and was the producer and technical advisor for the movie "Act of Valor." He gave a very informative briefing on the Navy's Special Warfare Combatant-craft Crewmen (SWCC) and SEAL program.



NROTC Unit CO, Col Jonathan Hitesman (left) with Guest Speaker, CAPT Duncan Smith, USN '81, and Alumni League President, CAPT Paul Alwine USN (Ret) '62

No successful luncehon would be complete without raffle prizes and this year we had a signed novel by our own author, John Gobbell '62 and a football signed by all the members of the NROTC Battalion.

To learn more about Naval Special Warfare opportunies, go to: www.sealswcc.com



USC Naval ROTC Diamond Jubilee



Mark your calendar for **April 10 - 12, 2015**! Plans are underway to mark the 75th anniversary of the 1940 establishment of the NROTC program at USC in a big way!

- Come back to campus for a weekend celebration in conjunction with the NROTC Midshipmen's "Spring Ball."
- Tour the campus and see all the new facilities as well as all the old familiar landmarks that make the USC campus so special.
- Meet classmates from all the decades and some of our NROTC Distinguished Alumni.
- Get updates on USC, the NROTC program, and the Navy & Marine Corps, from top leaders.
- Possible tour of the battleship USS IOWA (BB-61) in San Pedro.
- Have some FUN!!!

Stay tuned for more information as it develops...



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