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Summer 2010

# LSU marks Memorial Day

#### Name of former student unveiled on Wall of Honor

As the nation observed Memorial Day, LSU honored its proud military heritage while remembering the sacrifices and contributions of all U.S. veterans.

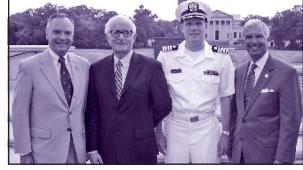
In the annual Memorial Day ceremony, co-hosted by the University and Cadets of the Ole War Skule, the name of Sgt. 1st Class Severin "Sev" West Summers, III, was unveiled on the LSU War Memorial Wall of Honor. He was also honored with a moment of silence, the playing of Taps, and a presentation of an etched rendering of his name to his father, Severin West "West" Summers, Jr. Also present were Summers' mother, Charlene; wife Tammy; daughters, Jessica, Shelby, and Sarah; and Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Lott, a member of Summers' Mississippi National Guard unit, who spoke about his friend.

Taking part in the ceremony were LSU System President John Lombardi, Cadets of the Ole War Skule President John Milazzo, Jr., President-elect Norman Deumite, and MG Hunt Downer, who was also

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the keynote speaker at the luncheon following the event.



MG Hunt Downer, LSU System President John Lombardi, Rep. Franklin Foil, and Cadets of the Ole War Skule President John W. Milazzo, Jr.



Charlene Summers, COL West Summers, Jr., and Tammy Summers.



Front, left to right, John W. Milazzo, Jr., Capt. Rich Sanders, LTC John Wright, LSU System President John Lombardi; rear, Terry Patrick Harris, Norman Deumite, MG Hunt Downer, and Rep Franklin Foil.



COL West Summers, Jr., center, accepts a commemorative plaque from LSU System President Lombardi and Cadets of the Ole War Skule President John W. Milazzo, Jr.

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#### Memorial Day 2010

Chancellor's Day Parade -Chancellor Michael Martin joined the LSU ROTC cadre, University officials, and Cadets of the Ole War Skule on March 18 for the annual Chancellor's Day Parade at the LSU War Memorial on the Parade Ground. The event, features the LSU Corps and cadets from the Southern University Naval Detachment, has been an LSU tradition since the University's inception. The parade was especially significant this year as LSU celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding. Reviewing the Corps of Cadets



are, from left Chancellor Michael Martin, then LSU Commandant of Cadets Fred Guendel, Capt. Gerrard Hall, professor of naval science at Southern University, and Capt. William Conger, assistant professor of military science at LSU.

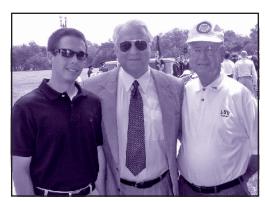
Hall of Honor – Eleven distinguished LSU alumni were inducted into LSU's military Hall of Honor on Nov. 14, 2009, during ceremonies at the LSU War Memorial. The induction was part LSU Salutes, an annual celebration of the contributions of U.S. veterans, sponsored by LSU and Cadets of the Ole War Skule. Inducted were, left to right, front row, LTC Sanford A. Redock of Brooklyn,



N.Y.; Col. Trigg Wood representing LCDR John M. Allred, of Lockhart, Texas; Dorothy Stubbs representing LTC Samuel E. Lawrence, of Columbia, S.C.; Alfred M. L. Sanders, of Rockledge, Fla.; and Dr. Harley Jesse Walker; back row, Donald Rougon for COL Percy Vilas "Pete" Rougon, of Lakeland; St. Clair Bienvenu, Sr.; Mr. Frank Harrison, Jr., of Lafayette; BG Glen Curtis, of Alexandria; LTC Morton C. Hurston, Jr.; and Paul Nevels for Joel L. Fletcher, Jr., of Lafayette.

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Dr. Denver Loupe, COL Bill Waters, and Daniel Waghelstein.

David Neal, Norman Deumite, and Dr. Ken Tipton.



# Welcome Lt. Col. Marston McKeon

We are pleased to welcome Lt. Col. Marston McKeon to the LSU Corps of Cadets and the "Ole War Skule." Originally from Westerville, Ohio, Lt. Col. McKeon graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Master's degree in Engineering and Environmental Management from West Coast University, CA in 1993. Her previous assignment was as a Joint Staff Strategic Communication Planner in the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. We are fortunate to

have her and look forward to serving with her as we work to "Restore the Corps . . . Restore the Glory." Lt. Col. McKeon becomes the new professor of aerospace studies and officially began her duties in mid-July.



Gen. Charles Campbell wears The Order of Aaron and Hur that was presented on May 31.

## Hall of Honor Inductees for 2010

Upon the recommendation of the Awards Committee, the Board approved the following nominees to be inducted to the Hall of Honor for 2010. The ceremony will be held during the Annual Assembly at the LSU War Memorial on the Parade Ground on Saturday, November 6, 2010, as part of LSU Salutes. It is an honor to introduce these outstanding and deserving patriots.

Colonel Joseph Gerace, USA (Deceased) ..... Baton Rouge, La. Colonel Charles B. Moore, USAF ...... Monroe, La. Colonel Farnham "Ham" Morrison, USA (Deceased) Colonel William S. "Bill" Orlov, USA . . . . . Lansing, Kan. Colonel Michael B. Stupka, USA ...... Mandeville, La. Colonel John T. "Jack" Twilley, USAF . . . . . . . . . . . Blanco, Texas

## New Board Members Welcomed

Cadets of the Ole War Skule is pleased to welcome the following new members of the Board. These men have distinguished careers, and we are fortunate to have them join us.

MG Hunt Downer, of Houma, La., an attorney with Waitz and Downer. MG Downer is the recently retired Assistant Adjutant with the Louisiana National Guard.

Richard Lipsey, President /CEO of Lipsey's in Baton Rouge. Lipsey has been an integral part of Cadets of the Ole War Skule since its reorganization.

**Jimmy Maurin**, of Hammond, La., President / CEO of Stirling Properties, Inc. Maurin currently serves as Chair of the E.J. Ourso College of Business Building Campaign.

William "Bill" O'Quin, of Baton Rouge, retired from Prudential Insurance, is current owner of Financial Services Online. He has been involved in numerous leadership roles in several local organizations.

**Bobby Theriot**, of Houston, recently retired from Merrill Lynch. He is currently serving as secretary for the Tiger Athletic Foundation.



Gen. James D. Thurman, left, incoming U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) commander, accompanies Gen. Charles C. Campbell, outgoing commander, for Campbell's last inspection of the troops, during a June 3 change of command ceremony at Fort McPherson, Ga.

General Charles C. "Hondo" Campbell retired as commanding general of U.S. Army Forces Command on June 3 after 40 years of service in the U.S. Army, becoming the last continuously serving Army officer who saw service in Vietnam to leave active duty. On May 31, Gen. Campbell was honored for his longtime support of the Army chaplaincy program when he was presented the Order of Aaron and Hur award during a ceremony at the Post Chapel at Fort McPherson, Ga. The award honors those who have been exemplary in "supporting the arms" of the Army chaplaincy. Campbell now makes his home in Shreveport.

#### From the President...

Greetings to all former and present cadets!

We concluded a busy spring semester at the Ole War Skule with a farewell dinner for departing Professor of Aerospace Studies Col. Fred Guendel and his wife, Diane. We are grateful for his tour at LSU and for the many ways in which he contributed to the growth of Air Force ROTC and the LSU Corps of Cadets.

Our spring events included the Chancellor's Day Parade in March, as well as the commissioning ceremony for 22 new lieutenants and ensigns in May, which marked a significant accomplishment for them as they begin full-time service in our armed forces. I know you join me in extending heartiest congratulations to each of them. During the LSU Memorial Day Ceremony, we paid tribute to alumnus Severin West Summers, III, who was killed in Afghanistan in August of 2009. His name is now on the Wall of Honor along with those of others who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. May we never forget.

The new fall semester will soon be underway, and the campus will be invaded by almost 30,000 new and continuing students. Among those will be the young men and women of the LSU Corps of Cadets. We look forward to having those who are returning and to welcoming those arriving for their first year. These cadets represent the best and brightest for the future of our armed forces. We look forward to hosting them and the cadre at our annual "Welcome Back" event scheduled for Sept. 2.

We also welcome Lt. Col. Marston McKeon to the Corps and the Ole War Skule. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Lt. Col. McKeon was commissioned in 1988. We are fortunate to have her and look forward to working with her as we work to "Restore the Corps... Restore the Glory."

Lt. Col. McKeon becomes the new professor of aerospace studies and officially begins her duties during the summer.

Membership renewals are high on our "To Do" list, closely followed by registration for LSU Salutes, scheduled for Nov. 4-6, 2010. We hope you will not only renew your membership but also seek out those who might join us. Through



the board's efforts to promote more corporate membership involvement, we are optimistic that we will experience new growth – in numbers and in enthusiasm. We welcome your attendance during LSU Salutes. As always, the highlight of the annual program is the recognition of deserving military alumni as they are inducted into the Hall of Honor. You will soon be receiving more information on this year's six honorees. I want to personally thank COL Jerry Juneau and his committee for their dedicated work in recommending these who will be honored.

In these first months of my term as president of this outstanding organization, I wish to express my deep appreciation to you for the honor of serving you. I believe we have made great progress toward goals established under the capable leadership of our immediate past president, MG Harry "Skip" Philips, and, with your continued dedication and support, Cadets of the Ole War Skule will march forward and increase the awareness of LSU's rich military history and heritage.

For the Long Purple Line, John W. Milazzo, Jr. President, Cadets of the Ole War Skule

# 22 ROTC cadets commissioned

Twenty-two graduates were commissioned during the Spring Commissioning Ceremony on May 20. Rear Adm. Clifford S. "Cliff" Sharpe, commander of the Naval Service Training Command, was the guest speaker for the ceremony.

Eight of the graduates were from the LSU Air Force ROTC program; eleven were from the LSU Army ROTC program, including five students from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette; and three were LSU students who participated in Southern University's Navy ROTC program.

LSU Army ROTC – Isoken Aimubhiekpen Awanbor, Baton Rouge; Stephen Joseph Burleigh, Jr., New Roads; 2nd Lt. Michael Paul Cavalier, Jr., Madison, Ala.; Adrian Cunanan Desrosiers, Lafayette; James Ryan Duffy, Jr., Las Vegas, Nev.; Joshua Archer Harmon, Distinguished Military Graduate, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Lauren Elizabeth Ingalls, Grand Isle; Matthew Glenn Moore, Morgan City; Jason Earl Parks, Hoenfels, Germany; and Rene Ybarra, Baton Rouge.

LSU Air Force ROTC – Braden Jude Bawcom, Baton Rouge; Brooke Cantrell, Gulf Breeze, Fla.; Brian Figueroa.



Former LSU ROTC Commandant Col. Frederick Guendel, far right, administers the oath to ROTC graduates representing 22 newly commissioned officers. From left to right are U.S. Marine 2 Lt. Travis Edward Horner, U.S. Navy Ensign Jason George Papale, U.S. Air Force 2 Lt. Braden Jude Bawcom, and U.S. Army 2 LT James Ryan Duffy, Jr.

Gretna; Shannon James Geoghagan, Mandeville;

John Benjamin Hale, Dallas, Texas; Whitney Elizabeth Mithun, Belle Chasse; Christopher Anthony Raschke, Baton Rouge; and Benjamin David Shearer, Baton Rouge.

Southern University Navy ROTC – Rachel Suzanne DeQuay, Baton Rouge; Travis Edward Horner, Denham Springs; and Jason George Papale, Hammond.