

UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES
RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS
AT
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE
AND
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE

SECOND ANNUAL JOINT ROTC AWARDS CEREMONY



THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2013
FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON
COTILLION BALLROOM LSU UNION
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA



AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS MISSION

Consistent with the finest traditions of Louisiana State University, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 310 attracts, educates, and trains Air Force officers of character who are dedicated to serving the nation while administering USAF programs and proudly representing the Air Force to the people of the State of Louisiana.



ARMY RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS MISSION

To recruit, train, and commission lieutenants to support the Army's mission of fighting and winning our nation's wars across the full range of military operations and spectrum of conflict in support of combatant commanders.



NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS MISSION

To develop young men and women morally, mentally, and physically, imbue them with the highest ideals of honor, courage and commitment, and to commission college graduates as Naval and Marine Corps Officers who possess a basic professional background, are motivated toward careers in the Naval Service, and have potential for further development in mind and character so as to assume the highest responsibilities of leadership in the military, community and government.



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

WELCOME

Midshipman 2/C Thomas Foster

ARRIVAL OF OFFICIAL PARTY

Dr. William L. Jenkins

Interim Chancellor

Louisiana State University and A&M College

Captain Alton E. Ross, Jr. United States Navy

*Commanding Officer and Professor of Naval Science
NROTC Unit, Southern University and A&M College*

Lieutenant Colonel Mary L. “Marston” McKeon, United States Air Force

*Commanding Officer and Professor of Aerospace Studies
AFROTC Detachment 310, Louisiana State University & A&M College*

Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence M. Burns, United States Army

*Commanding Officer and Professor of Military Science
AROTC Unit, Louisiana State University and A&M College*

INVOCATION

Cadet Caleb Shotwell

OPENING REMARKS

Interim Chancellor Jenkins

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**C/COL Sheena Poole
LSU Corps Commander**

RECEPTION

**LSU Union Ballroom
Hosted by Cadets of the Ole War Skule**

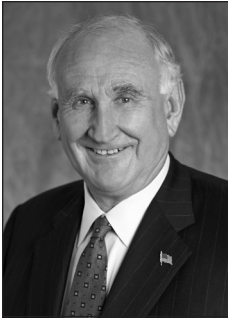


Welcome to the second annual Joint ROTC Awards presentation ceremony. Today, we recognize excellence in both military and academic performance. Given that all services are represented, you will note various differences in uniforms, rank, insignia and customs.

Naval Midshipmen are represented today in Summer White uniforms. Their rank is signified by any number of gold bars, depending on billet assigned. Regardless of rank or billet, all MIDN are addressed by their class within the University. For example, MIDN 1st Class Davis, our Battalion Commanding Officer, is a Senior.

Air Force Cadets are represented in service Dress Blue uniforms. Their rank is signified by either chevrons for underclassmen or bars for upperclassmen. Underclassmen are addressed as Cadet Fourth Class or Cadet Third Class, depending on their program year, while juniors and seniors are addressed by the rank of their leadership position within the cadet wing. For example, our current Cadet Wing Commander is Cadet Colonel Shotwell.

Army Cadets are represented in the green Class A Uniform. Their rank is signified by chevrons for underclassmen and ovals and diamonds for seniors. Cadets are addressed as Mister or Miss in speech and as Cadet, rank and name followed by their year in the program in writing. Our Battalion Commander is Ms. Roa or Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Roa, MS IV.



Dr. William L. Jenkins

Interim Chancellor

Louisiana State University and A&M College

Since 1988, Dr. William L. Jenkins has served in a number of administrative roles at LSU, including Dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Chancellor and Interim Chancellor (twice), System President and Interim President. He came to LSU from Texas A&M University where he had been a Professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine since 1978.

He is South African born and of British and American parentage. He trained as a veterinarian at the University of Pretoria, graduating in 1958. Following several years in practice he returned to the university rising to the rank of professor and becoming the head of the Department of Veterinary Physiology, Pharmacology and Toxicology. He earned a doctorate in pharmacology at the University of Missouri Medical School in Columbia in 1970.

Bill and his wife of fifty years, Peggy, now reside in Colleyville, Texas, surrounded by three of their four families that include nine of their eleven grandchildren.



Captain Alton E. “Rosco” Ross, Jr., USN

*Commanding Officer and Professor of Naval Science
Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps,
Southern University and A&M College*

Captain Ross is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and graduate of Louisiana State University. He entered Naval Service via Aviation Officer Candidate School and was designated Naval Aviator in July 1986.

Following initial F-14 Fleet Replacement Pilot training with the “Gunfighters” of VF-101, he was assigned to the “Ghostriders” of VF-142 flying the F-14 Tomcat as a Branch and Training Officer. Captain Ross’ subsequent sea tours included assignments flying the F-14 Tomcat with the “Swordsmen” of VF-32 as Quality Assurance and Training Officer, the “Black Lions” of VF-213 as the Operations and Maintenance Officer and the “Tophatters” of VF-14 as Executive Officer. Additionally, he led the initial F-14 Tomcat to F/A-18E Super Hornet transition serving as Commanding Officer of newly designated VFA-14. In his most recent Operational tour, Captain Ross served as Deputy Commander and Commander, Carrier Air Wing TWO from August 2007 through August 2010 flying all variants of the F/A-18. As Strike Warfare Commander, he was responsible for providing airborne power projection from the sea, in support of Carrier Strike Group Operations. Over the course of Captain Ross’ operational assignments he has made eight extended deployments to various peacetime and combat theaters around the world supporting numerous operations including Desert Shield, Deny Flight/Provide Promise, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom And Iraqi Freedom.

Ashore, Captain Ross has served as an adversary instructor pilot flying the F-16 Falcon, F-5 Tigershark and A-4 Skyhawk acting as Fleet Fighter Air Combat Maneuvering Readiness Program Phase Lead and Operations Officer with the “Challengers” of VF-43 and again flying the F-14 Tomcat as Operations Officer with the “Gunfighters” of VF-101. His staff tours include service on staff of Commander, Fighter Wing Atlantic, as Chief Staff Officer, on staff U.S. Joint Forces Command, as Deputy Chief of Plans and Future Operations Division, on staff of Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, as Director of Carrier Strike Group Training and Readiness, and on staff Commander Naval Operations, OPNAV, as Battle Watch Captain. Additionally, Captain Ross



attended Air Command Staff College in Montgomery, Alabama, concurrently completing his Masters in Public Administration at Auburn University.

Captain Ross has logged over 5900 flight hours in eight different aircraft and achieved 1402 carrier arrested landings. He is a graduate of the Navy Fighter Weapons School (Topgun), Wing Qualified LSO and NATO FAC(A) qualified. He has been recognized as; 1997 Fighter Wing Atlantic, Fighter Pilot of the Year, 1998 Commander, Naval Air Force Pacific, Aviator of the Year and recipient of the 1998 Order of Daedalians U.S. Navy Exceptional Pilot Award.

His personal awards include the Legion of Merit (3), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Air Medal with Combat V (1 individual/7 strike/flight), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3), Navy and Marine Achievement Medal (3) and numerous unit commendations and awards.



**Lieutenant Colonel Mary L. “Marston”
McKeon**

*Commander of AFROTC Detachment 310
Louisiana State University and A&M College*

Lieutenant Colonel McKeon entered the Air Force after graduating from the US Air Force Academy in 1988 with a bachelor’s degree in biology. She assumed her current position in July 2010. In this capacity, she commands the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps detachment at Louisiana State University, the state’s flagship institution. She is responsible for the leadership and administration of the AFROTC program at LSU: preparation, education, and training of 59 cadets; junior and senior level course instruction; and representation of the USAF to the university and people of southern Louisiana.

Lieutenant Colonel McKeon is married to Major Tim Wallace, USAF, ret. and they have three children: Samantha (Wallace) Stanley, Alexandria Wallace, and James Michael McKeon.

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Meritorious Service Medal, 1 OLC

AF Meritorious Service Medal, 2 OLC

AF Commendation Medal, 2 OLC

AF Achievement Medal

Afghanistan Campaign Medal, 1 Device

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

ASSIGNMENTS:

Jul 88-Nov 88, Student, Undergraduate Space Training, Lowry AFB, CO

Nov 88-Jul 92, Satellite Operations Crew Commander/Trainer/Chief, Standardization and Evaluation, 5th Space Operations Squadron, Fairchild AFB, WA



Jul 92-Jul 93, Undergraduate Space Training Instructor, 319th Space Training Squadron, Lowry AFB, CO

Jul 93-Jun 96, Undergraduate Space and Missile Training Instructor/Chief, Spacelift Operations Element, 392nd Training Squadron, Vandenberg AFB, CA

Jun 96-Aug 00, Deputy for Operations/Range Standardization and Evaluation Test Director, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center/Operating Location-Patrick FL, Patrick AFB, FL

Aug 00-Nov 01, Flight Commander, Operations Support Flight, 1st Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, CO

Nov 01-Sept 02, Deputy Chief, 50th Space Wing Plans and Programs Office, Schriever AFB, CO

Sept 02-Aug 03, Chief, Operations Wargames Branch, Space Training Division, Air and Space Operations Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, CO

Aug 03-Jun 05, Chief, Innovation and Space Ops Requirements Branch, Air and Space Operations Requirements Division, Air and Space Operations Directorate, Headquarters United States Air Forces Europe, Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany

Jun 05-Oct 05, Chief, Air Expeditionary Forces Branch, AEF Policy and Joint Exercises Division, Air and Space Operations Directorate, Headquarters United States Air Forces Europe, Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany

Oct 05-Mar 06, NATO/ISAF Transition and Partnering Plans Officer, Office of Security Cooperation-Afghanistan, USCENTCOM, Kabul, Afghanistan

Mar 06-Oct 07, Deputy Director of Staff/Legislative Liaison, Headquarters United States Air Forces Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany

Oct 07-Jul 10, Strategic Planner, Joint Staff J5 Deputy Directorate for Information and Cyberspace Policy/Strategic Effects, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

July 10-Present, Commander, AFROTC Detachment 310, Louisiana State University



**Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence M. Burns,
US ARMY**

*Commanding Officer and Professor of Military Science
Army Reserve Officers Training Corps
Louisiana State University and A&M College*

Lieutenant Colonel Burns enlisted in the Louisiana Army National Guard in August 1987 and was commissioned in the Regular Army as a Second Lieutenant from Tulane University Army ROTC on 20 May 1993. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of New Orleans and a Master's Degree in Management from the Florida Institute of Technology.

Lieutenant Colonel Burns initially served as a Single Channel Radio Operator as an enlisted soldier and NCO. After commissioning, he served as a Platoon Leader and Operations Officer for 501st Signal Company (Camp Humphries, Korea); Platoon Leader and Battalion Signal Officer for Headquarters Support Company, 311th Military Intelligence Battalion (Fort Campbell, KY); Battalion Signal Officer for 2nd Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment (Fort Campbell, KY) and 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment (Schofield Barracks, HI); Brigade Signal Officer, 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Schofield Barracks, HI); Commander, C Company, 125th Signal Battalion (Helemano Military Reservation, HI); Battalion S3 and Executive Officer, 1st Battalion, 309th Regiment (Fort Dix, NJ); G6, 1st Corps Support Command (Fort Bragg, NC); Brigade S3, 507th Corps Support Group (Fort Bragg); Future Operations Plans Officer, Counterinsurgency Center, Combined Arms Center (Fort Leavenworth, KS) and Advanced Operations Course Instructor, Command and General Staff College (Fort Leavenworth, KS). Lieutenant Colonel Burns recently served as a Signal Observer/ Trainer for Operations Group Sierra, Mission Command Training Program (Fort Leavenworth, KS). Lieutenant Colonel Burns was assigned as the Professor of Military Science at Louisiana State University on 1 June 2012.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal (2nd Award), Meritorious Service Medal (2nd Award), Army Commendation Medal (3rd award), Army Achievement Medal (4th Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (2nd Award), Global War on Terrorism Service Ribbon, Korea Defense Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service



Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (4th award), Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, Meritorious Unit Citation (2nd Award), Air Assault Badge, Parachutist Badge, German Parachutist Badge and the RANGER tab.

Lieutenant Colonel Burns' military education includes Single Channel Radio Operator's Advanced Individual Training, Airborne School, Air Assault School, Primary Leadership Development Course, Signal Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms and Services Staff School and Command and General Staff College.

Lieutenant Colonel Burns is married to the former Evelyn Moffat and they reside in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. They have three children, Michael, Ryne and Jacob.



JOINT ROTC AWARDS ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-2013

American Legion Military Excellence Award

Air Force: Cadet Denisse Paz
Army: Cadet Zachary D. Oliver, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 1/C Tremayne Williams

American Legion Scholastic Excellence Award

Air Force: Cadet Molly Ward
Army: Cadet Aaron M. Vanya, MS III
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Robert Marshall

American Legion Scholarship Award

Air Force: Cadet Matthew Carpenter
Army: Cadet Sheena L. Poole, MS IV
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Jon Alexander

American Veterans Award

Air Force: Cadet Ashley Bacon
Army: Cadet Brittany M. Haggett, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 4/C Corbin Heath

Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Honor Award

Air Force: Cadet Jade Courville
Army: Cadet Alan M. Verdin, MS III
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Jon Alexander

Carlos G. Spaht Memorial Scholarship

Army: Cadet Micah J. Kimball, MS I
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 4/C James Whittlesey

Major General Harry Conrad ROTC Scholarship

Army: Cadet Trey A. Gaspard, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 3/C Matthew Dubreuil



Daughters of the Confederacy Award

Air Force: Cadet Travis Odom
Army: Cadet Robert E. Brown, MS IV
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 1/C Allison Lenzi

Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Award

Air Force: Cadet Cameron Burchak
Army: Cadet Daniel C. Cardella, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 3/C Matthew Williams

Daughters of the American Revolution Award

Air Force: Cadet Molly Hane
Army: Cadet Kyle J. Meariman, MS IV
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 1/C Jakob Martin

Knights of Columbus Patriotic Award

Air Force: Cadet Nicholas Ronci
Army: Cadet Logan J. Hunt, MS III
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Thomas Foster

Military Officers Association of America Award

Air Force: Cadet John Joseph Mafnas
Army: Cadet Emma-Leah C. Hale, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Daniel Gonzales

Military Order of the Purple Heart Award

Air Force: Cadet Gerald Montgomery
Army: Cadet Steven B. Honore, MS III
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 3/C Mitchell Mason

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Military Order of the World Wars Award

Air Force: Cadet Lindsey Miller
Cadet Ethan Houk
Cadet Rachel Salpietra
Cadet Ariel A. Rollins

Army: Cadet Nicholas R. Duffel, MS IV
Cadet Charles M. Medick, MS III
Cadet Shandricka E. Jackson, MS II
Cadet Russell S. Daumer, MS I

Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 1/C Kyle Wolfson
Midshipman 1/C Tremayne Williams
Midshipman 2/C Andrea Villanueva
Midshipman 3/C Rodriguez Manuel
Midshipman 4/C David Jimenez

National Defense Industrial Association Award

Air Force: Cadet Kyle Simmons

Army: Cadet Kevin W. Seidel, MS IV

Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Robert Marshall

National Defense Transportation Association Award

Army: Cadet Michael V. Molina, MS IV at ULL

National Sojourners Award for Americanism

Air Force: Cadet Timothy Turner

Army: Cadet Eric T. Harris II, MS II

Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 3/C Isaiah Jones

Reserve Officers Association Award

Air Force: Cadet Shane Smith
Cadet Jocelin Heymann
Cadet Felix Carrillo

Army: Cadet Kathleen D. Keller, MS IV
Cadet Aaron M. Vanya, MS III
Cadet Paul E. Clady, MS II

Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 1/C Bryson Alexander
Midshipman 2/C Thomas Foster
Midshipman 3/C P'an Mack



Scottish Rite Award

Air Force: Nanlisha Bradford
Army: Cadet Kurt J. Perque, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Robert Marshall

General Society of the War of 1812 Award

Air Force: Cadet James Gegenheimer
Army: Cadet Ariel M. Hector, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 3/C Stephen Capella

Sons of the American Revolution Award

Air Force: Cadet Zachary Harris
Army: Cadet David A. Carriker, MS I
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 4/C Ryan Christmas

USAA Spirit Award

Air Force: Cadet Myles Delcambre
Army: Cadet Logan J. Hunt, MS III
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Thomas Foster

Veterans of Foreign Wars Award

Air Force: Cadet Gabe Stelly
Army: Cadet Nolan A. Knight, MS II
Navy/Marine Corps: Midshipman 2/C Gilleon Gillis



SERVICE SPECIFIC AWARDS

AIR FORCE

Above and Beyond Award	Cadet Patrick Perry
AFA Award	Cadet Frank Turk
Colonial Dames of the 17th Century	Cadet Molly Hane
Henry "HAP" Arnold Leadership Award	Cadet Chloe Ward
J. L. Hendrickson Scholarship	Cadet James Gardner
Major General O. B. Johnson Scholarship	Cadet Robert Hirschmann
National Society United States Daughters of 1812 Louisiana Society ROTC Award* (General Robert McCausland Chapter)	Cadet John Presswood

ARMY

George C. Marshall Award	Cadet Robert E. Brown, MS IV
Association of the United States Army Leadership Excellence Award	Cadet Alan M. Verdin, MS III
Superior Cadet Decoration Award	Cadet Sheena L. Poole, MS IV Cadet Aaron M. Vanya, MS III Cadet Conor G. Cloninger, MS II Cadet Michael A. Baker, MS I
Simultaneous Membership Program Award	Cadet Sheena L. Poole, MS IV



NAVY/MARINE CORPS

CNO Distinguished Midshipman Graduate Award	Midshipman 1/C Jonathan Delatte
Marine Corps Association Award	Midshipman 1/C Jonathan Delatte
Montford Point Marine Association Award	Midshipman 3/C Dae Jin Kim
National Naval Officers Association Award	Midshipman 1/C Javon Felder
Navy Club Award	Midshipman 1/C Jakob Martin
Navy League Award	Midshipman 2/C Robert Marshall
Freshman Achievement Award	Midshipman 4/C James Whittlesey
Sophomore Achievement Award	Midshipman 3/C Stephen Capella
Junior Achievement Award	Midshipman 2/C Daniel Gonzales
Athletic Achievement Award	Midshipman 2/C Robert Marshall
Aptitude Achievement Award	Midshipman 3/C Isaiah Jones
Most Improved Midshipman Award	Midshipman 3/C Mitchell Mason
Professor of Naval Science Award	Midshipman 1/C Tremayne Williams
Midshipman of the Year Award	Midshipman 1/C Ryan Gueho

** The National Society United States Daughters of 1812 Louisiana Society ROTC Award is given to a ROTC student who has demonstrated qualities of Academic Excellence, Leadership, Military discipline, Dependability, Patriotism, and upright character in speech and habits, which exemplify the ideals upon which our Nation was founded. Along with the award the recipient will also receive a \$100 check.*

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