



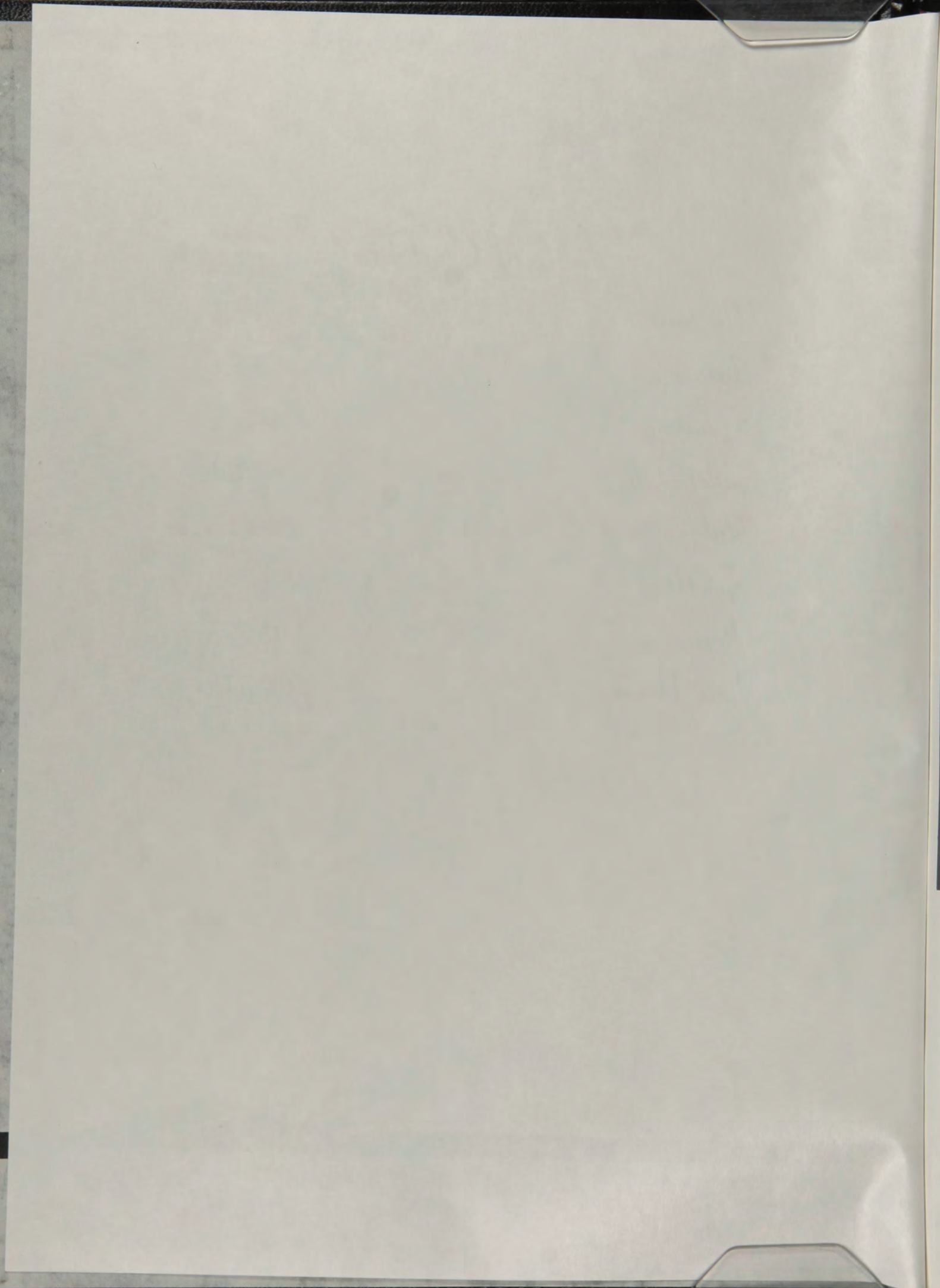
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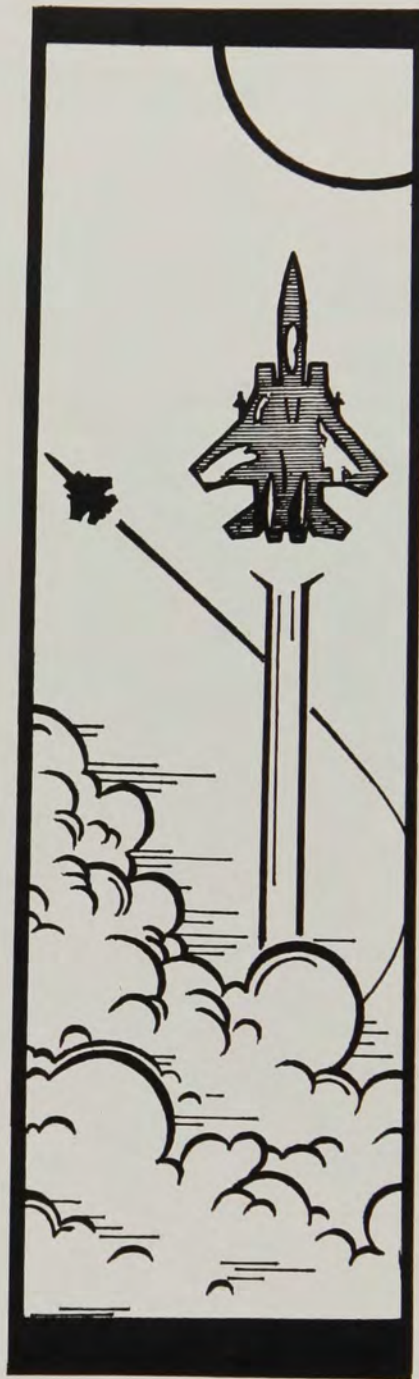


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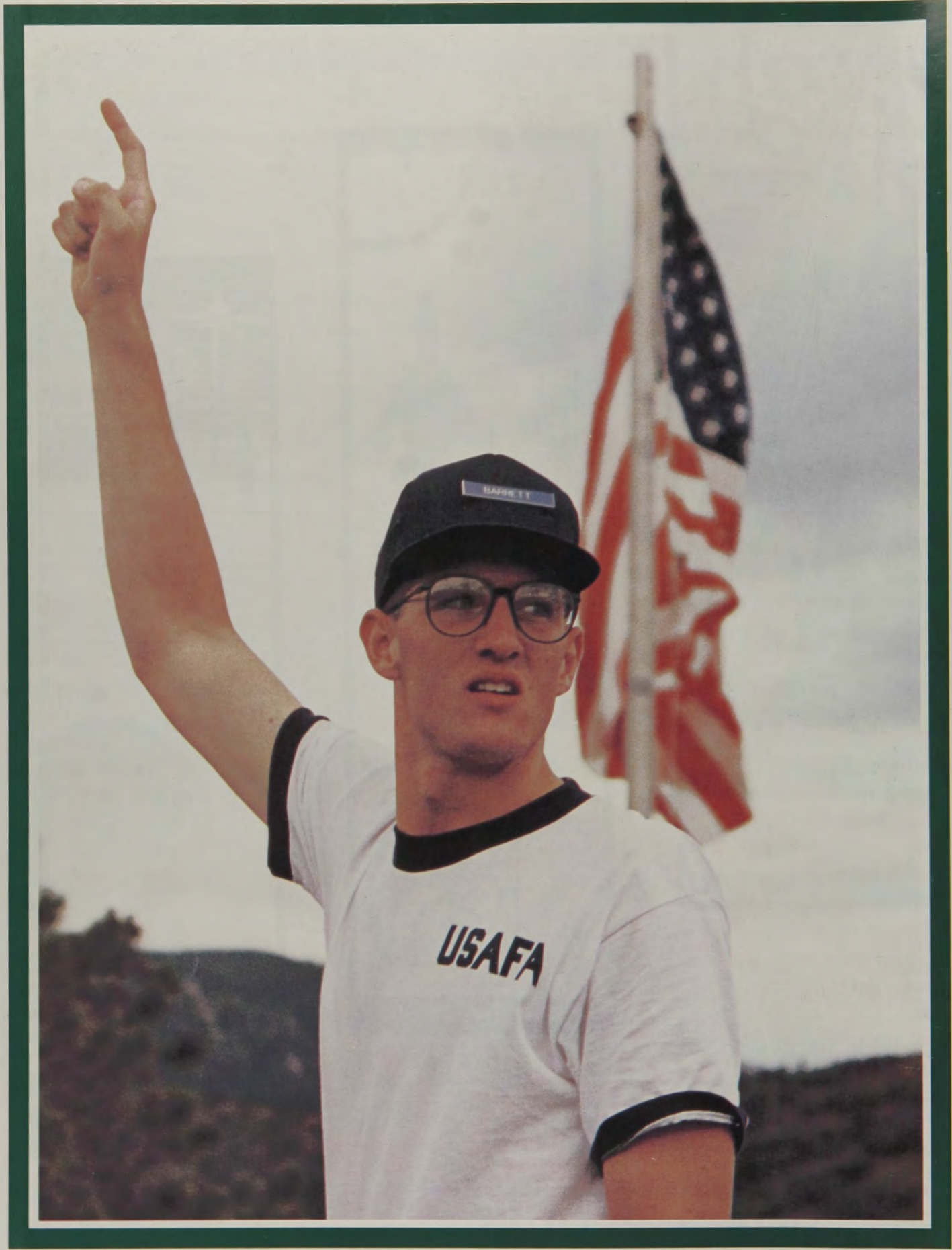


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Realizing the dream

spending four years in the foothills

Every member of the Cadet Wing decided at some point in their adolescence that their "dream" was to attend the Academy. Why each one of us decided to come is as different as Baskin Robins' ice cream. Some want to serve their country, others want to fly, play collegiate sports, or go to school for free.

"One of the main reasons I came to the Academy was because it was free and far from home," C1C Troy Havener said. "I wanted to play division one college football for a winning team," C2C Chris Beake said. C1C Doug Torluemke added, "I came to fly, period."

Although the reasons for coming to the Academy differ, one of the reasons for staying is almost universal: Friends. The friends we've made during our four years in the foothills have gotten us through the tough times and helped us enjoy the good times even more.

"The only thing that's kept me here since three degree year are the fellas," C1C Kevin Virts said. "If it weren't for those guys, I'd be long gone."

BCT forced us to make friends fast. You didn't know much about a person except that he or she was in this thing along with

Volunteering for the little tasks during BCT. By volunteering Basic Barrett takes one of the first steps in his dream to serve his country. Photo by B. Scharton

you. They helped you through the courses, PC, meals, etc. They helped you cope.

"Every night at chapel, we would all meet in the Catholic church and talk about how we were doing. It was a way for us to cope with the pressures of being away from home, in a strange environment, and under a lot of stress," C1C Steve Sherzer said.

All through the freshman year we struggled to perform: uniform grades, knowledge reviews, training sessions, SAMIs. Our friends helped check off our uniforms, standardized rooms, and helped us keep our sense of humor when things got tough. Those same friends shared their strengths with those that needed help. We studied for tests, became fighter aces on computer games, and wasted a lot of time sitting around talking about home, girlfriends and boyfriends, and laughing about how we got the living day-lights trained out of us.

"We used to sit during ac-call and b.s. about everything. The friends I made as a freshman are some of my closest," C2C Wes Palmer said.

Through it all, friends are what keeps each and every one of us going. They make us laugh and remember all the little things that seem to make life all that more enjoyable.

By Matt Sinning



Congratulations Eaton you've been accepted into the Wing. Acceptance is one of the first dreams that can be fulfilled once a person completes Basic Training. Photo by B. Scharton

Dreams become reality

Less than magic but still a fantasy fulfilled

After recognition, the status of “upperclassman” seems almost mystical. But looking back over the last three years, it is far from utopia. Three degree year allows you more responsibility and more freedom. You learn more about engineering and core academics, you can get to the Citadel without getting lost, and you have a job to do in the squad.

“When I became a three degree, I struggled through some of the toughest classes I’ve had at the Academy and I developed something of a social life. Granted, the social life hardly ever exceeded 1:30 in the morning, but I could go out whenever I wanted,” C1C Aaron Rarey said.

The summer after three degree year seemed more enjoyable; with SERE over, OPS gave us a look at “the real Air Force” and the choice of elective summer programs. “I would have to say the summer after three degree year was the most fun I’ve had. I spent three weeks overseas on OPS and I worked a program that I wanted to,” C2C Bill Sullivan added.

Two degree year brought with it even more responsibility and more freedom. We finally got our own cars, refrigerators, and more of a social life. Academics, while

never really “fun,” became easier as we slipped into majors’ courses. And, of course, we got our rings. For one shining moment in our first three years every single one of us at one time were elated. It marked the top of the hill. It signified the beginning of the end.

“The ring dance was the beginning of the end of four long years,” C1C Dag Grantham said. “I finally had something to show for the hard work I’ve put in at this place.”

Firstie year, well, it’s sort of a blur. Everything has its “last time.” You move to the background, not wanting to stand out and ruin your chances of graduation. You make plans for sixty days of leave, marriage, your new job, and more money. Top Off becomes the highlight of every month as the

privileges get bigger and bigger until you can go out overnight every day of the week.

“This year has really been a blur. The only thing that really sticks out is Top Off,” C1C Dave Rozman said. Four long years, though they may seem less than mystical, are still quite an accomplishment and something to be proud of.

By Matt Sinning



Taking a risk these fourth-class cadets in a blanket of darkness raise a banner in a time honored tradition. Photo by M. Tieman

Striving to improve his spirituality, this cadet sits in the parade stands to study the Bible. For many, fulfilling dreams went beyond just Academy acceptance to something more intrinsic. Photo by S. Weston

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Redirecting dreams

Time to get on with life

Let's get this out in the open: pilot slots were cut. There I said it and now I'm moving on. There are better things to talk about than sitting around whining about my missed opportunity of being the next fighter ace. What I do want to talk about is new directions.

When the Class of 1993 leaves for good this June, we will spread out across the globe. We will finally be in control of our lives. No one will hold our hands and tell us when to get up and when to be at work. It is time for us to "Press On."

"I think the one thing we need to realize is the fact that we are done. We have put in our time at the Academy and now it's time for us to get on with life," C1C Kyle Clark said.

Exactly. Be proud of the fact that you graduated from the Academy and go out and prove that the time you spent here was worth it. Each member of the Class of 1993 has a job. That, alone, is something to be proud of, since

many of our peers at civilian schools will be out hoping to find a job after countless job interviews. I know that we all didn't get our first choice of AFSCs or assignments, but hey, it's what you make it. You could be a supply officer in Iceland and have a great time. It doesn't really matter.

"The one thing that I think about when I start feeling bad about my job and my assignment is the fact that no matter where I go and what I do its got to be better than here," C1C Dan "Toke" Carroll said.

For the classes of 1994, 1995, and 1996, you can learn some

things from what I've said too. You are all going to be in our shoes one, two, three years from now, so take heed and when you graduate get on with life.

By Matt Sinning



Flying by overhead at a parade, these F-15 Eagles serve to motivate cadets who want to become pilots. Unfortunately government cutbacks forced a reduction in pilot slots for USAFA graduates, this has forced many to redirect their future dreams. Photo by M. Gaupp

Squadron 15 Commander C1C Todd Ernst salutes a group of officers who are on their way to a Saturday parade. Undoubtedly most cadets dream of the day when they'll watch the parades as an officer rather than participate in them. Photo by T. Havener

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In a brave new world of changes that affected the scope of the Academy, cadets found themselves facing a new Commandant who put forth the challenge of redesigning the military training system. Cadets dreamed of the days when training was allowed practically everywhere, as they learned to cope with the new restrictions placed on them.

As the Wing watched, the country elected a new President who promised to make changes in the way the military served the country. Some complained as they saw their original dreams denied when the number of pilot slots given to Academy grads was dramatically

Brave New World

cut. The military downsizing began, and nothing ... not even the Academy was exempt.

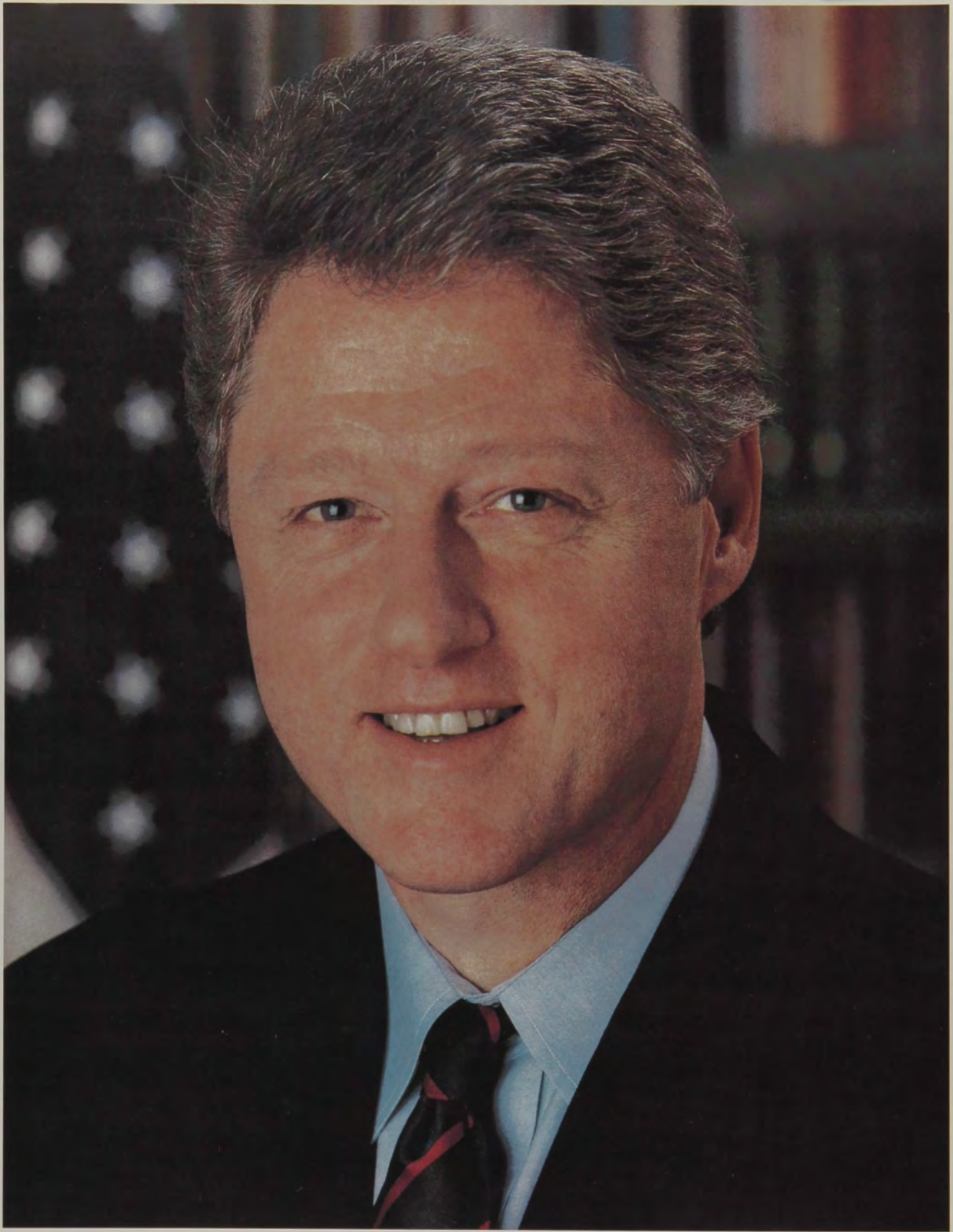
Faced with these challenges, some firsties redirected their dreams while others just prayed for a miracle to reinstate the slots. Underclass cadets also took a hard look at what the Academy had to offer and the vast majority decided to stay to see what the future holds for them.

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Overseeing the firing of the canon at graduation, members from the Honor Guard wait for the signal to proceed. Photo by M. Gregory



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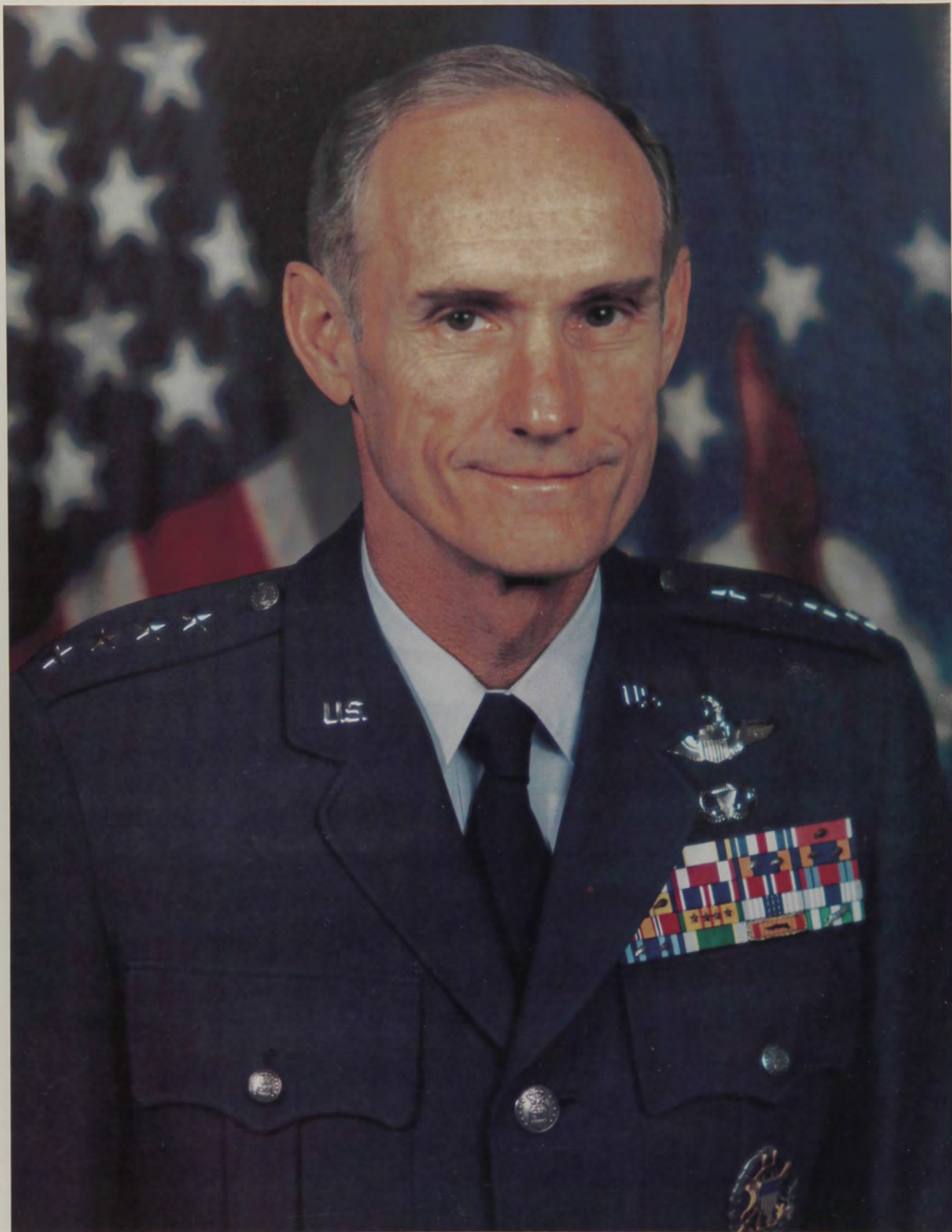
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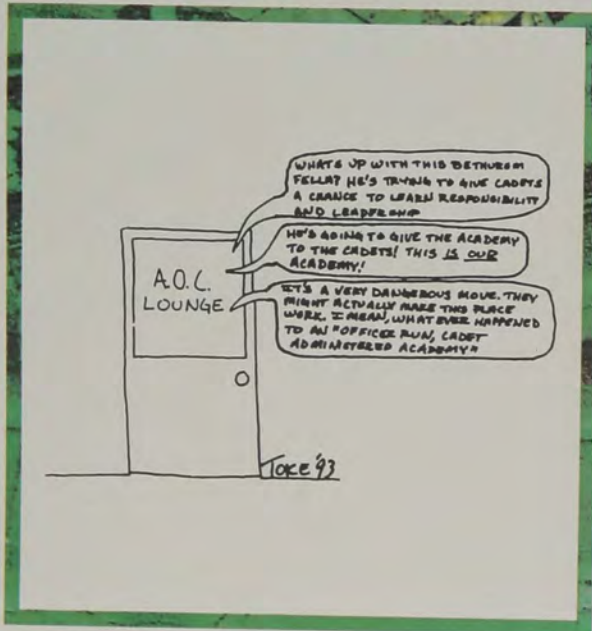


Superintendent of the Air Force Academy
Lt Gen Bradley C. Hosmer

Wing changes meet with satire in the Dodo



Out with the old in with the new. The fourthclass training policy changed so that second class cadets became primary trainers and the thirdclass cadets were known as mentors. Cadets had to subscribe to the new "hands off policy" that lent itself to a "kinder, gentler Academy."



An optimistic view of the new squadron organization. By deferring some of the duties of officers to the cadets, hopefully future classes will get more of a taste of the type of decision making that occurs in the operational Air Force.



Although many of the changes were necessary, some cadets were critical that they were destroying too much of the Academy's tradition. Despite this, cadets quickly learned to accept the changes because they were here to stay.



Radical change ...

Bethurem offers insight into its importance

The Cadet Wing has undergone a radical change this year. Brigadier General Richard Bethurem a 1966 graduate has assumed the role of Commandant of Cadets. In this role he has seen some major flaws in the way training was conducted here at the United States Air Force Academy. "(The main problem with training is) the lack of useful leadership techniques or skills. Our leadership and training system has become synonymous with punishment, intimidation, and fear. The techniques used such as yelling, screaming, intimidation, and fear serve absolutely **zero** useful purpose in the Air Force," explained Brig Gen Bethurem.

The new training emphasizes a four class system that places responsibility of running the Cadet Wing in the hands of the cadets. This means that the cadet chain of command will become the most important source of authority in the Cadet Wing. They will be responsible for the well being and training of the Wing. Because of this, the Wing is being taught that the most important thing a leader can do is take care of his people. "(When you graduate) you don't get served very useful credentials to become an officer in terms of how to interact with people, how to interact with subordinates, and

how to deal with fellow officers because if you take what you learn here at the academy and apply it out there you will deny your airmen food and sleep. You will take care of yourself first and your subordinates second," commented Brig Gen Bethurem. This is probably the most emphasized leadership trait in the military as a whole.



"... we owe everything to the Air Force"
-- MGen Bethurem

The Academy has been around since 1955 and has produced 34 classes of officers. So it seems odd that a change should come now. The reason behind the change is the way the Air Force views graduates.

Brig Gen Bethurem added: "you have heard it once and you'll hear it a thousand times: Oh Oh that guy's a zoomie. You get labelled as a graduate ... (and) the label means that you don't know how to lead people ... there is enough of it that it comes with the institution. (After) four years of a system that is negative in nature ... one of two things happen either you come out as a cynic or you come out with a holier than thou attitude that says I went through this tough system and you owe me. The Air Force owes you nothing, we owe everything to the Air Force"

-- By Trung Tran

Commandant of Cadets



Brig Gen Richard C. Bethurem

Comm gets trial under fire

Despite tough times, Bethurem fights fiercely for cadets

There is an old saying that reads "Don't blame the messenger if you don't like the message." No one was more a victim of this than in-coming Commandant Brigadier General Bethurem. The new Comm already had many things going against him; for one, he was following a very popular Commandant in Maj Gen Redden, and secondly, his arrival was followed by the announcement of reduced passes for the upcoming year.

All of this wouldn't have been so bad, except for the fact that he was the one standing in Arnold Hall, the one who told us our pilot slots hadn't just been cut, they actually had been slashed. This news was bitterly accepted by the Wing, as Maj Gen Redden had previously promised that he would fight for a much smaller cut.

With the new Comm telling the cadets to accept the larger cuts, many cadets felt betrayed and a very negative image of Brig Gen Bethurem emerged. Many cadets criticized him and said that he was just a lackey that didn't care about cadets and their concerns.

Brig Gen Bethurem worked hard to make strides to counter this bad image. His first step was to set-up a talk to the Comm hotline so cadet

concerns could get attention. He then called for an overall regulation review that hopefully would change some of the inconsistencies that plague the academy. He also emphasized the fact that cadets should run the Academy, and not officers, by pushing for measures that would give cadets more control.

However, not all of these measures have worked. In response to a letter he got from a cadet, Brig Gen Bethurem decided to remove all adult magazines from the shelves of the BX's on the hill.

This brought an uproar among cadets, who felt that it was just another way that officers were treating them like little kids. They saw it as an infringement of their constitutional rights and as a way for a small minority to impose its values on them.

One thing is certain. Brig Gen Bethurem made an honest effort to listen and respond to cadet concerns. "I think that he is trying hard, and that he generally cares for cadets. He hated the fact that he had to give the news about the pilot slots, because he felt that it wasn't fair. He is trying to do as many good things for cadets as possible while giving cadets more control," commented C3C Robert Risko.

-- By Trung Tran

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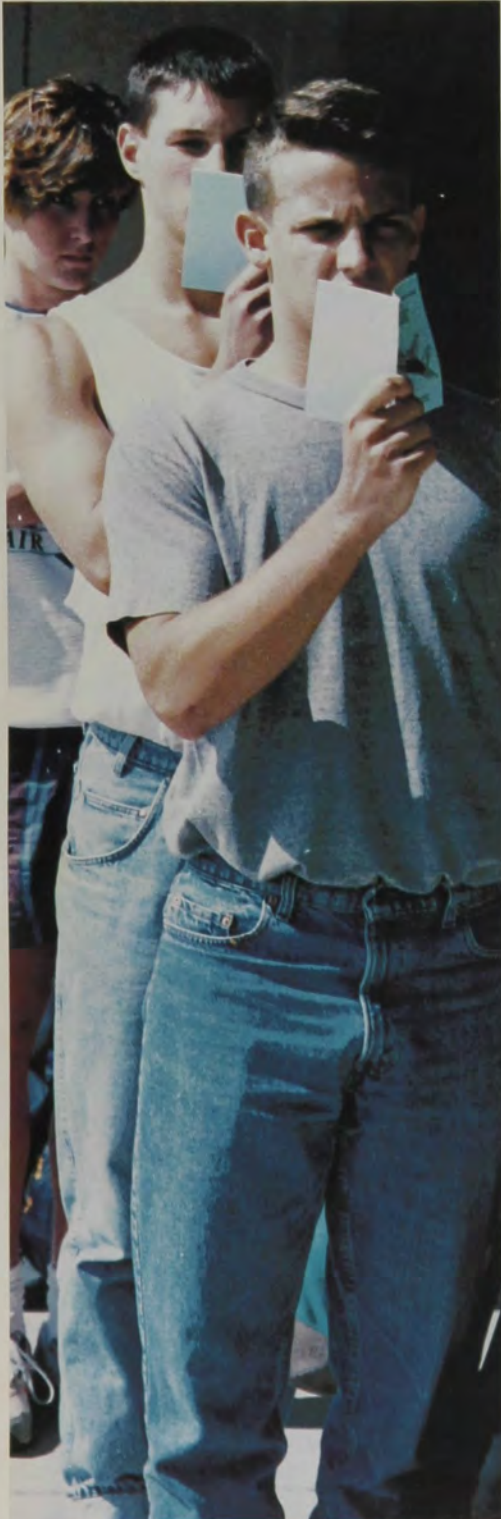
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"Hurry up and wait" these Basics pull out some light reading for their enjoyment. Knowledge is one of the many things Basics start learning during inprocessing. Photo by B. Scharton

Don't cry Mom; this soon-to-be-Basic bids farewell to his parents. The next opportunity he'll get to see them will be during Parents Weekend in September. Photo by B. Scharton



Hey Basic!

Taking the first steps toward graduation

Basic! Little did we know Basic Cadet meant lower than low, one cadre member even defined it as, "dirty, rotten, filthy, goat-smellin' (Basics)."

But that realization didn't come for a few days. First there was IN-PROCESSING. Everyone tells Basics how much they will hate that first day. "But what could be so bad about it?" Well in the words of C4C Randy Tankersley: "I'd rather choke to death on my own vomit than go through in-processing again."

From standing in agonizingly long lines, learning the first few quotes by the end of the day, eating that first meal at attention, to the shaving of their beans, it was a day that few if any will remember with much fondness. Despite this, the memories of the days bizarre and funny events will remain.

*"I'd rather choke to death on my own vomit than go through in-processing again."
-C4C Randy Tankersley*

One such story occurred as we were standing along the railing on the terrazzo level of Vandenberg hall, three stories up, with our bags, boots, dental records, and who knows what else in our hands, the inevitable happened.

A gust of wind, and whoosh! - some poor guy's records went flying over the side. Of course, he said, "Sir, my papers have fallen off the edge," and the upperclassman said "what do you want me to do about it?"

This was, of course, at the time, extremely funny, and when some of the others in line snickered, one of the 96'ers in the front got his first lesson in racking it in, not to mention his first speech on class unity. Clearly every fourth class cadet out there has his or her own horror and humor stories about the first day of the next four years.

-- By Derek Schin



Just a trim please; this Basic gets the standard shave-it-all off haircut. The entire class gets their hair cut that first day of inprocessing. Photo by B. Scharton

Basic Bill Ward and other element members strain to gain control in the tug-o-war. This was one of the most popular events on Field Day. Photo by B. Scharton



Members of F Flight receive some brotherly encouragement from their cadre. The log race is one of the many events that occur on Field Day. Photo by B. Scharton



Basics take their first steps

They tackle the adjustment from civilian life to military order.

After surviving the first day, the next mile on the road to officerdom was first BCT. Actually, make that the next 50 miles. I never thought that I could get dressed as quickly as I learned how that first week!

"It (the first week) was hectic," C4C Shay Capehart said. "We were constantly busy, which was hard, since half the time we didn't know what we were doing."

Learning each of these things was a new experience, to say the least. The First Beast cadre members were held as a shining example of what we wanted to be — dressed impeccably in their blues, with shiny shoes, shiny eagles on their caps, and metal taps on their soles. Well, except for the metal taps, what we wanted to be.

First Beast was filled with many experiences that I will never forget. We got escorted everywhere — like

to take placement tests to see what classes we would be taking. Some cadre members advised doing your best, while others said no — you don't want to be stuck in hard classes your

first semester. Another big part of BCT was Arnold Hall — but not in the way that I've come to love it now. It was there that the first lessons on class unity were instilled. Also, it was where you learned to try to melt into the crowd. If you were picked out for not fall-

ing in hard enough by someone on the stage, it was instant death, especially if you forgot to stand up when a standing cadre member addressed you. By the time that First Beast was over, I had learned many things — and as I saw the Second Beast cadre entering our ranks on the day that we switched, I knew we were going to learn a great deal more.

-- By Derek Schin

*"... half the time we didn't know what we were doing."
-- C4C Shay Capehart*



Flight Commander Jason Sutton leads "his troops" out onto the field for morning Physical Conditioning. Morning P.C. was a familiar sight throughout the week. Photo by B. Scharton

This flight takes time to catch up on a little reading before marching out to Jack's. Jack's led Basics into a whole new wonderful world of Woodland surprises. Photo by B. Scharton



This Basic successfully completes the obstacle that required him to "shimmy" down the log. This challenge was found on the Obstacle Course. Photo by B. Scharton



Nothing will stop this Basic from reaching the end of his rope so to speak. This obstacle is one of many that Basics tried to master on the Confidence Course. Photo by B. Scharton



One step beyond marching

Second BCT provides Basics with a taste of combat

With the arrival of the Second Beast cadre, we saw that much more was to be expected of us soon. We quickly learned that the new cadre wasn't kidding around when they immediately dropped all us Basics for a quick 39 push-ups. These guys were very different from the first group of cadre — especially in the way they dressed, instead of being in blues, their uniform was almost like ours. This, however, merely let them do the more physical stuff with us than in First Beast.

And physical stuff they did. Although we continued with our "Wingtips," more emphasis was definitely placed on the body. Activities such as: runs with rifles ("Three more laps around the terrazzo!"), P.C. ("Good for you good for me"), the O-Course got almost everyone into good shape.

The O-Course was especially

memorable to most: "Never before have I actually coughed up mud, spat it on the ground, and had to pick it up and put in my pocket," C4C Joshua Kennedy said.

Of course, the climax of second BCT was Jack's Valley, where we Basics spent some quality time communing with nature. The valley brought more fatigue along with it, but it also could be a good time; as C4C C. M. Lanier said: "I don't have the words to describe the sheer pain it inflicts upon one at times, but I also

can't tell you how much fun it is at other times."

Courses from the LRC to the A-Course out at Jack's definitely brought out the best and worst in all of us. But we knew that after the march back from our camping trip, it was only a short time until Acceptance.

-- By Derek Schin

"Never before have I actually coughed up mud ..."
-- C4C Joshua Kennedy



Trying to recover from an up close and personal encounter with tear gas, this Basic walks away from the tent. This aspect of training gives Basics a first hand taste of chemical warfare. Photo by B. Scharton

Parades, Boards and Pride

The new class is welcomed into the Cadet Wing.

As soon as our class woke up that morning, we could feel that something was a little different. The atmosphere and mood of both ourselves and the cadre were not the same as they had been for the past months. Even though I knew it meant a parade, I couldn't wait to get to the part of the day that I had been anticipating for many weeks — Acceptance.

Seeing the Second Beast Cadre dressed in their blues was a bit of a strange feeling. It gave the proceedings an other-worldly feeling, as if it wasn't all real. But as the cadre members that I respected shook my hand and put on my boards, I felt a mighty feeling of accomplishment and satisfaction. Everything was indeed worth it, everything that I went through

let me know that I had made the right choice to come here. There would indeed be brighter days, and this would be one of them that I will remember forever.

"After receiving my shoulder boards, I couldn't have been prouder," C4C Jeremy Johnston said. "Acceptance was an incredible experience that filled me with self-esteem."

Of course, as soon as we got our boards in our SAR, we turned around and were "greeted" by the upperclassmen of our squadron, who wished to welcome us warmly with our first training session. But even that was not enough to dampen the mood I was in for the rest of the day, not enough to ruin the feeling of "hey, I made it."

-- By Derek Shin

*"After receiving my shoulder boards, I couldn't have been prouder."
-- C4C Jeremy Johnston*

Congratulations, you're now a fourth-class cadet and a part of the Cadet Wing. This cadet stands at attention while an upperclassman "pins" on his boards. Photo by B. Scharton





These newly appointed cadets stand at attention and wait to receive their boards. The Class of 1996 got their boards after the Acceptance Parade. Photo by S. Duvall.

Marching off the field these former Basics eagerly look forward to receiving their boards. The boards were given in the cadets' respective squadrons. Photo by B. Scharton



C4C
Matthew
Brooks and
Bradley
Morrison
carefully
think of their
answer
before
talking to
C3C Jeff
Watson.
Photo by S.
Morris



"Get those
knees up!"
C3C Jay
Moore
pushes C4C
Brent Him
to center
stage after
their
leisurely
around the
Academy.
Photo by
S. Morris

"Sir the
answer is
C4C
Jonathan
Taylor
responds
the quest
from the
training
officer. It
is the sec
team of
to answer
this k-bo
Photo by
J. Babine



"Get those knees up!" C3C Jay Moore pushes C4C Brent Himes to continue running in place after their leisurely jog around the Academy. Photo by S. Morris

"Sir the answer is ..." C4C Jonathan Taylor responds to the question from the training officer. This is the second team of four to answer at this k-bowl. Photo by J. Babinski

95-0. After three rounds

A fourth-class commentary on the trials of knowledge bowls

We looked around at each other, terror in our eyes. We all knew what would be happening for this. It wasn't like we didn't get any questions right — we just got a lot more wrong.

After it was over, we gathered in the back of the SAR. "Jeez oh man, what an embarrassment. You guys are pathetic," and the like, rained down on our ears. Then came the hammer. "I can't believe how bad you are. Restricted this weekend, sign in every hour 0630 to 2200." Ouch.

Two weeks later, after our second straight win (an annihilation no less) life was much better at the end of the knowledge bowl. "What an improvement—PC gear all weekend, pizza and coke privileges, SAR for

three hours. Good job guys."

Although a fourth-class cadet's life doesn't revolve totally around knowledge bowls, it sure seems like it sometimes. Sure, knowing AFCWR 400-2 may not mean much in four years, but it can save your butt at the next meal. "So, did you answer any questions in the k-bowl this morning?" "Yes, SIR!" "Good job."

At our kinder, gentler Academy, it seems that the bowls are more important than ever. There's more, too. Although the practical didn't kill anybody, when we first heard about it, it was pretty scary. It seems that, without training at meals and no more screaming, more attention was put into learning and knowing one's job. That's a good thing.

-- By Derek Schin

*"Jeez oh man, what an embarrassment."
-- An upperclass cadet after a k-bowl loss*



First to have the answer, C4C Kelly Chase waits for permission to answer the question. Teammates C4C Jeremy Fowler and Ian Moreno look on. Photo by K. Field

What they've waited for

Recognition doesn't come a moment too soon

"Don't forget...the O-Course is still a blow course!" echoed in my head as we double-timed (in the snow) down to the field house. Well, James Brassell decided to test this hypothesis. He said: "Sir, you are weak, I am strong, you should try to be more like me!" I silently said a prayer for him as the vultures descended.

Okay, the three degree was wrong. Brassell spent the rest of the evening in The House of Pain, which most of us experienced at one time or another at the course. Just another example of the good times to be had during the three days of Recognition Training.

As we all soon learned, the new touchy-feely training system went out the window Thursday afternoon. At dinner, the first thing I heard was "What phase are you in?" "Phase One!" So much for the cheesecake Mitch's so thoughtfully served that night. Even though we thought we knew what to expect, reality was a bit different. Sweepstakes, the SLAMI, singing whenever in a room, and all the other surprises made for some trials and tribulations that I would rather not think about too much. However, "when we got back from the run to the

rock, our rooms were cleaned spotless from the SLAMI and our uniforms were laid-out," C4C Gary Rafnson remembers. "It was then we realized they were doing this for us; they cared."

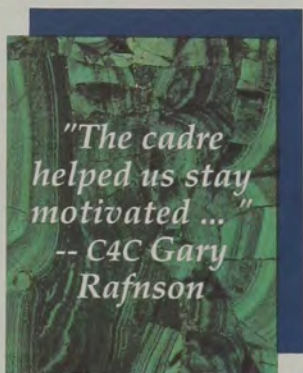
Well, unfortunately for Brassell, he didn't learn his lesson after the O-Course. It took one more incident, this one at the A-Course, to teach him.

"Sir, you are the most pathetic example of a cadet I've seen!..." And the black baret devoured his lunch. It was four degrees like Brasell that assisted the cadre in keeping motivation high throughout the weekend. Rafnson hit the nail on the head when he said, "the cadre

helped us stay motivated even though they were yelling in our faces; kind of a paradox."

In the end, Brassell did make it and is now wandering around the wing as a third-class cadet. For Gary, he remembers the feeling of accomplishment. "It felt good to be a part of something. All the other classes before us had done the same thing; it's a kind of bond."

By Derek Schin & Char Melick



Carrying the weight of the world on his shoulder, this fourth-class cadet gets some brotherly encouragement from an upperclassman. Photo by C. Grosjean





In one ear and out the other. This fourth-class cadet concentrates on the good thing (Recognition) to come and not the cadre yelling in his ears. Photo by C. Harris

No pain, no gain. These soon-to-be-recognized cadets get worked in the SAR. Photo by S. Morris



Wetting the whistle. These cadre hydrate this fourth-class cadet so that he doesn't overheat. Photo by C. Harris



Cadre member C2C David Gauch watches C1C Sam Valdez give their dinner a close shave. The cadre gave their students a demonstration on the proper rabbit cleaning technique. Photo by S. Duvall

These cadets take time to kick back and relax - sort of... Vectoring and medical gave participants the opportunity learn how to treat the wounded as well as take a breather from the action. Photo by S. Duvall





Fun in the Sun and Woods

The Class of '95 learns the true meaning of roughing it.

"I can't wait until this is all over!" The famous statement about the dreaded summer program, SERE. SERE; the fun of 'roughing it' in the woods, swimming in frigid waters, evading through forests and working in a POW camp.

Seriously, SERE stands for survival, evasion, resistance and escape techniques that all cadets learn during their second summer.

It begins with five days of intensive academic instruction on how to survive in all types of climates, how to build shelters and how to get rescued. "Academics was the worst part of SERE: spending a week sitting through boring lectures is not my idea of fun," commented C3C Chris Tumilowicz.

The 1995 SERE students, as those who came before them then applied these techniques in the woods. During their eight days in the woods, the students learned how to survive in an environment where there were no McDonald's or Burger Kings. Meals

were limited to one MRE per person, two rabbits per group of ten and a few vegetables on the side.

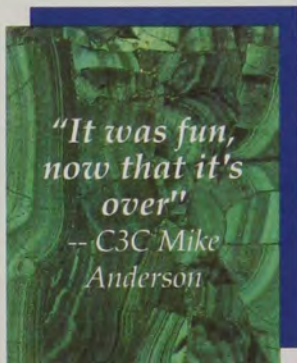
With such extravagant amounts of this food, it is hard to imagine that no one got hungry. Actually, people did; ants and dandelions became the yummy snack of the day. If not gathering food, the campers busily built shelters and collected the elusive duff. After survival came Evasion and finally

Resistance in a mock POW camp. Some say it is the most difficult part. It's activities are strictly guarded.

"It was fun, now that its over," C3C Mike Anderson stated. "Survival was a whole lot of busy work. I was looking forward to a relaxing camping trip with lots of sleep. Instead, I spent hours kicking duff around."

SERE was more than just surviving, evading, resisting, and escape to the class of 1995. For them it was a time to live like Robinson Crusoe, act like Rambo and to say, "SERE is real fun!"

-- By Doug Kaupa



Floating in bone chilling water these third-class cadets can think of better things to do. Practicing team maneuvering in the SERE ponds was one of the many aspects of water survival. Photo by S. Duvall

Trying to contain his enthusiasm for his job, C3C Bobby Bowick mans his station. In addition to answering the phones the CQ also has a variety of other responsibilities. Photo by T. Havener

Chatting with squadronmates can make the time go by faster, C3C Heidi Wahlman talks with CIC Chris Valvo while he waits for the phone. CQs often entertain others who are looking for something to do or someone to bother. Photo by M. Phan





Time to catch up on some homework, C3C Preston McConnell takes advantage of a downtime during his duties to study. Unlike the evening when the phone rings off the hook, the day shift is relatively peaceful. Photo by M. Phan



From Reveille to Taps

The Class of '95 faces the burden of all day CQ

This year the Comm's policy of all day CQ underwent its first test under fire. Initially the new third class accepted the challenge with enthusiasm, but the struggle to keep up with missed class work has caused a great deal of frustration. C3C Trevor Haak expressed this feeling when he said: "All day CQ is about as useful as marching tours."

There were approximately 2964 hours of CQ each semester that the third-class sat. This included Group, Wing, Arnold Hall and squadron CQ. Since there were an average of 27 third-class cadets in each squadron, each cadet ended up sitting 108 hours per semester.

The major problem arose in the fact that despite the large number of CQ hours that needed to be manned, cadets were only allowed to miss four periods in any one class. Many cadets

reached that limit mid-way through the first semester and faced being written up if they missed any more days.

"It just doesn't seem fair that I would be written up for doing my job," an unidentified cadet said.

*"It just doesn't seem fair that I would be written up for doing my job."
-- Unidentified Cadet*

Wing Staff, however, dismissed the necessity of increasing the limit of missed classes claiming that creative scheduling should make it possible for a cadet to only miss two days of class per semester.

The purpose behind all day CQ was to improve security in the cadet dormitories. But while the dorms are safer the third class' average grades during this period were much lower than those of previous years. This alarmed the Dean, who called for a re-evaluation of the policy. Until then however the third-class continues to sit and wait.

-- By Trung Tran

Accountability Formations

Less marching meets with Cadet Wing approval

An eerie silence flooded the terrazzo as the sun slowly emerged from its nightly slumber. The sound of Reveille shattered the serenity but it fell on deaf ears. The flag was quickly raised without a soul to see it. What has happened, one might wonder? Where are all the cadets? Has some calamity claimed their lives as they slept? Surely on such a beautiful day, the cadets would be marching.

No need to fear, it is just Thursday morning and the cadets are sleeping in, if only for five minutes longer. It's not a mass rebellion but a new idea that aids in facilitating communication within each squadron. Morning accountability formation as it is called is very similar to inclement weather formation. Each flight meets in separate areas of the squadron for Roll Call and any new information. This was a novel concept especially proceeding Lt Gen Hosmer's pronouncement last year

that cadets would march no matter what.

The formations are quite popular with cadets. "Accountability Formations, they're the best thing to come along since Jeopardy," exclaimed C3C Mike Anderson. This popularity is also due to the fact that on every Thursday, cadets wear BDU's.

War fighting awareness day used to be held once a month, but now every Thursday, cadets wear either flight suits when it's warm or BDUs when it's cold. BDU's were a welcome change for many cadets who

look forward to that one day a week that they do not have to wear their stiff blues and instead can crawl into their more comfortable BDUs. "BDU day is great because it gives us some idea of what we really are, soldiers. Plus they are more comfortable and don't need as much care," stated C3C John Sneeringer.

-- By Trung Tran

*"Accountability Formations, they're the best thing to come along since Jeopardy."
-- C3C Mike Anderson*

*It's the same game with a different look; this squadron rounds the last leg of the trip to Mitchell Hall for lunch. One day a week the Wing traded in its blues for either flight suits or BDUs.
Photo by J. Babinski*



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- By Trung Tran



Leading the way, Squadron Commander Darec Liebel and the other members of Bull Six march to a noon meal. Although marching takes place for many occasions the noon meal formation is the most well known. Photo by J. Babinski

Eyes right, Squadron 17 marches past the flag bearers on the way to lunch. Photo by C. Grosjean

Color Guard halt. The Wing Commander leads a Saturday morning parade. Photo by M. Gaupp

Turning one of the many corners during the tour, this group plays follow-the-leader. The second fourth-class cadet appears to be sleep-marching. Photo by C. Harris

The march continues near Fairchild. C3C Aaron Albertson sports the BDU look, he could have had a medical excuse or his blues might be stuck at the dry cleaners. Photo by C. Harris



No Longer Common

Tours take a new twist under Comm's direction

This year even common place cadet events such as ORIs and tours have come under the scrutiny of change. As with all other military institutions here at USAFA, the Comm ordered that cadets review the situation and recommend changes if they see anything wrong with the current system. The proposals that have arisen are very different from the old ways but have an inspiration that only someone in the system can appreciate.

Probably the most shocking example of how change has swept the military part of USAFA was the talk of eliminating tours as a punishment. This change comes in two parts. The first is that cadets each have a quota of demerits a month that they are allowed to get. As long as they doesn't go over the limit, tours are not marched. But if the limit is reached or exceeded a cadet has to march all of the tours for all the hits as well as ten more for going over the limit. The second change is that

people on honor probation may not have to march the huge hits that are normally associated with such actions.

ORI's or open ranks inspections have also been altered. The once a

month occurrence has been changed to a bi-monthly format. With one ORI in blues and the second in BDU's. The most memorable one was the ORI called during a snow storm. The Wing stood in the snow freezing as the wind gusts and flakes fell. Finally after a period of indecision, the

Wing commander Todd Weiser wisely called the whole thing off much to the gratitude of the Wing, many of whom couldn't figure out why it hadn't been cancelled way before hand.

In a changing world and a changing Air Force, the cadet Wing here at USAFA is also experiencing change. Which leaves everyone wondering what next?

-- By Trung Tran

Tours have come under the scrutiny of change

These cadets get a change of scenery as they face the Rockies. Rain or shine tours were a weekend constant. Photo by C. Harris



These third and fourth-class cadets march past the F-105. These frequent returnees will see this plane an average of 50-60 times in one tour! Photo by C. Harris



New change for an old trial

The way SAMIs are conducted faced several changes

Every month the Cadet Wing undergoes a ritual, involving a lot of cleaning and even more hiding. Saturday Morning Inspections are a cornerstone in the Academy's military training. It is an event that fourth-class cadets fear and upperclass cadets tiredly accept. In a place where weekends are prized, a SAMI is an annoyance that the Wing accepts as one of the few things that make the Academy unique. Several events though have changed the way most cadets face a SAMI.

The first was the addition of a parade at the end of every SAMI. The cheer that went up from the Cadet Wing after that idea was passed was so loud that you could hear a pin drop. Very few cadets liked the idea of marching in more parades, many cadets said: "oh well its not like my weekend wasn't shot anyway."

Another event that changed SAMIs was that a couple of them were held in battle gear such as flight suits or BDU's. The Wing greeted this idea with a lot of enthusiasm and energy. After all, BDU's are easier to

take care of and more comfortable.

The next thing that was a major change for cadets was that the fourth-class cadets had a bedtime. Although sleep during SAMI prep has always been encouraged, this was the first year that it was mandated wing wide that the fourth-class had to be in bed

a specific time. This shocked many upperclass cadets, who remember staying up all night before SAMIs.

"The mandatory bedtime doesn't make sense," C3C Marcus Gregory said, "even upperclassmen don't always get to bed before midnight."

The last shock occurred in First Group, when its Group AOC announced that during one SAMI the upperclass (i.e. Three degrees) were to do the fourth class squadron details.

"At first we hated the idea," C3C Gregory said. "But once we got started it wasn't that bad, but it did create a little resentment toward the fourth class."

-- By Trung Tran

"Even upperclassmen don't always get to bed before midnight"
-- C3C Marcus Gregory

Sound off. C4C Jill Van Ess stands at attention during inspection. SAMIs are especially challenging for fourth-class cadets who haven't learned the finer art of room cleaning. Photo by B. Scharton





Shine on, C2C Aaron Meyers polishes his boots for the next day's SAMI. This is just one of many tasks that awaits him this evening. Photo by C. Grosjean



Is this dust I see? CIC Andy Travnicek looks over this fourth-class cleaning effort with great care. It is the responsibility of a chosen few upperclass cadets to inspect the rooms in the squadron. Photo by C. Grosjean

Fourth-class cadets practice synchronizing their manuals. They were practicing for their class dining in. Photo by C. Grosjean



Checking the uniform, C3C Phil Kiracofe finds a loose string on C4C Alan McCracken's shirt. Every practice starts with a uniform inspection. Photo by C. Grosjean



The upperclass cadets practice for the performance at the Miss USA Pageant. This was the fourth year they were asked back. Photo by C. Grosjean





With Sabres Drawn

Sabre Drill emphasizing dedication and perseverance in pursuit of perfection

The Sabre Drill Team is perhaps one of the Academy's more unique units. It is, however, one which demands a great amount of dedication from its members.

The team, made up of approximately 30 members, practices between eight and ten hours each week to get ready for its performances, which include events such as dining-ins, air shows, and the Miss USA pageant.

But the team members learn more than just sabre manual. "We are trying to teach self-discipline and dedication, which are essential to the officer corps," said C2C Mike Raynoha.

Due to this fact it is common for the upperclass cadets to spend considerable time working with the

fourth-class cadets on the team. The upperclass cadets teach the fourth-class cadets the fundamentals of sabre manual so that by the time they are upperclass cadets they will be able to master the more fancy manuals.

In addition to learning manuals the fourth-class learn other lessons.

"Almost every practice starts with a uniform inspection," C3C Phil Kiracofe said. "We are expected to

uphold high standards."

This self-discipline enables the team to perform with the precision and the member's dedication illustrates the perfection they expect from themselves in their representation of the Academy.

-- By Trung Tran

"We are trying to teach self-discipline and dedication ..."
-- C2C Mike Raynoha

Fourth-class cadets practice spins while learning manual. There were 13 fourth-class cadets on the team. Photo by S. Morris



*Get that chin
in, C3C
Shawn
Leonard
inspects C4C
James
Englehart's
form during
a drill. In the
Honor Guard
perfection is
not just
recommended
it's
demanded.
Photo by C.
Grosjean*



*Showin' 'em
how it's
done, C2C
Kevin Wade
demonstrates
how practice
pays off. The
upperclass
cadets are
responsible
for teaching
the fourth-
class cadets
the drills
needed for
competition.
Photo by C.
Grosjean*



Honor Guard Fall In

Continuing their tradition of military excellence

When most people think of the Honor Guard, it is often with either admiration or scorn. The group which is seen practicing every day after school offers a unique opportunity for cadets to learn the finer points of rifle drill and military conduct. The mission of Honor Guard is to develop soldiers explains C1C Alex Bexley. The way that they do this is through drill and physical fitness.

The second-class cadets spent most of the fall teaching the new class the basics of drill and discipline. This prepared them for their role as members of the Wing Color Guard and flag detail. The precision drill also prepared them for their role as the representatives of the Academy at various drill meets across the nation.

This foundation made many members optimistic for the spring

semester; "The Honor Guard class of 96 should perform well at the upcoming drill meets because they have a lot of determination and commitment. These qualities have always been a winning combination in the past,"

C3C Shawn Leonard commented.

This year the Guard was lucky enough to do more traveling. In the past, they travelled to five or six meets a year however, due to Desert Storm, the last two classes only performed three times between them. This year the guard will perform at

three meets at USC, Tulane and Texas A&M. The meet at Tulane will be in New Orleans during Mardi Gras and is the largest in the nation.

The high point of the year for the Guard though was traveling to Washington D.C. and presenting the colors during the 10th Anniversary of the Vietnam Memorial.

"(The Class of '96) have a lot of determination and commitment."



Practice makes perfect, this fourth-class cadet learns a rifle manual and precision drill. Practices were held almost everyday to give the new class enough time. Photo by C. Grosjean





*Dive in.
These
members of
the Wings of
Blue practice
their initial
form up after
leaving the
plane. Photo
provided by
Wings of
Blue.*

*It's all
relative ...
relative work
that is, these
cadets are
trying to
complete a
set number
of patterns
before
having to
pull their
chutes.
Photo
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Wings of Blue freefalling

Jump team promotes military training and pride

Jump is probably one of the most enduring memories that most people have of the Air Force Academy. The rush of air as you leap out of the plane, the exhilaration of falling and the sudden jerk as your chute opens are all caught in the surge of adrenaline and sense of accomplishment that you feel. C2C Jesse Hernandez explained it best when he said, "It's helped me overcome a big fear. When I was younger ... I had a bad experience with roller coasters and I wasn't sure if I could make it through the program. I don't know if it was the pressure but I did it (jumped). It gave me a lot of self-confidence, after all if I could jump out of an airplane, I could try anything."

AM-490 is just the first step in the upgrade program that eventually places a cadet on the Academy's premier jump team, The Wings of Blue. The team requires a large commitment from its members, who have to give up most of their weekends to practice. The team spends from 0630- 1700 every Saturday and Sunday jumping if the weather permits. They also jump two days during the week. "It's a big sacrifice but I like it. It makes me feel that I am getting a real military expe-

rience. (Another reason is) The jump program is administered by a corp of NCO's and is set-up like a real squadron. I was prior enlisted and I like the feeling of it," C2C Hernandez explained.

The team is made up of two parts: the demonstration team and the competition team. The demonstration team appears at air shows across the country and at football games here and sometimes in Denver. The competition goes to a couple meets a year if they can get the Air Lift. This year they went to Florida over Christmas. The poor weather conditions made it hard to judge performance but the team still did well.

The four way team came in second and 5-6 of its members placed well in style and accuracy. This is great considering a field of 120 competitors from 15 different schools.

Schools such as Texas A&M, Georgia and Army all have larger teams than the Academy which raises concerns over interest in the program. "I'd like to see a lot more interest in the program," C2C Hernandez stated. "We get a lot of freshmen but as far as upgrading, I would like to see even more interest."

-- Trung Tran

*"... if I could jump out of an airplane, I could try anything."
-- C2C Jesse Hernandez*



With feet back on the ground, this cadet makes a successful jump. It's been said that a successful jump is any one that you can walk away from. Photo provided by Wings of Blue.



Let's see where does this list say to start? C3C Charles Cosnowski listens intently as CIC Andrew Travicek runs down yet another check list. Photo by C. Grosjean.



Hitching a ride. This instructor pilot better known as the I.P. checks the tow rope to make sure that it's hooked up properly. Photo by C. Grosjean.



Have you checked everything? C2C Lisa Kary gives the plane a look over to guarantee that all the tasks were completed. Photo by C. Grosjean.



Soar For All program

Cadet Instructors teach their classmates to pilot the skies

The air is still and silent except for the occasional rush of wind. The plane hangs suspended in the air like a feather floating on a gust of wind. There is an incredible feeling of freedom as the plane responds to the movement of the stick and leisurely rolls to the left.

This is an experience that all cadets share in a unique cadet run program called Soar for All. The program is taught mostly by cadet IP's who have completed the upgrade program. "I think it is a good way to introduce people to flying," C2C Dave Hillner claimed. Classes run year round and are often dependent on weather conditions which is evident by the frequent announcements of standby status.

The typical day starts off with a briefing at the airport. A different

person is picked everyday to recite a EP. Students are expected to know them so that they are prepared in an emergency. The program emphasis is not necessarily to produce the best pilots but to ensure that everyone at USAFA gets the flying experience.

"The program itself is low intensity and very low stress," C2C Hillner stated.

The goal of the program of course is to try to get as many cadets to solo as possible.

It is a great moment for most cadets as they take off by themselves, alone among the clouds. C2C Hillner added: "The first solo is the most memorable. Most people come here with dreams of flying and that is the first time you are completely in control of the aircraft."

-- By Trung Tran



Answering with confidence, C3C Steven Boatwright proves that he did his previous night's homework. Photo by C. Grosjean.

Searching for the right answer, C3C Ben Booth responds to a question about proper emergency procedures. Photo by C. Grosjean

Checking the wing. This cadet takes time before his instructor gets to the plane to look over the outside one more time. Photo by K. Field

Heading to the plane; this walk is all-too-familiar to students as they take it 15 times before their first solo. Photo by K. Field



Brushing up before the test, these cadets go over an engine mechanism. Cadets are required to know how a T-41 engine works. Photo by K. Field



Into the wild blue yonder

Cadets see T-41 as stepping stone to earn diminishing UPT slots

It is a clear, crisp day on the airfield, the Emergency Procedure (EP) checklists are memorized, and the briefing goes smoothly. The trip out to the flight line is pretty uneventful and the whole scene has a hauntingly familiar ring to it; it seems vaguely familiar to soaring, a course that most cadets take before T-41. The biggest differences between soaring and T-41 are that now the instructor pilot (IP) is not a cadet but rather an officer, and the plane is accompanied by the roaring sound of an engine. And "though it may seem pale in comparison to flying jets," notes Capt Rich Hartlaub, Class of 88, "the things you learn there, you really will remember the rest of your life."

T-41 is a program that second-class cadets take during the spring and firsties take during the summer and fall. It is a preliminary course that's designed to give pilot qualified cadets a feel for powered flight and an example of what UPT will be like. "The cadets are exposed to the UPT environment to the tee. The EPs and briefings are exactly like UPT," said Capt Hartlaub. "This is the biggest benefit of the T-41 program." So, for those cadets desiring to compete for a slot, successful completion of T-41 by Christmas is now required to meet the selection board in January. In the past, this was not a factor because all pilot qualified cadets who completed T-41 automatically got a UPT slot. Nonetheless, the selection board brought about many changes.

The main change was the phasing program that the T-41 squadron

started this past year. For the first time ever, the IPs had to phase in junior students while simultaneously finishing-up the seniors. This was to ensure all qualified cadets in the class of 93 were finished by Christmas Break. Capt Hartlaub estimated this year as "probably the busiest year ever." He also added that many more changes were enroute for the 93-94 academic year.

As previously mentioned the IP's are all officers, 48 of whom are permanently assigned to the 557th, and 55 "attached" IP's who split their time working down at the flight line and in departments such as DF, AH, CW. Each cadet is assigned an IP that takes the cadet through the entire program and then rates the cadet on his or her check ride. The check rides are rated on

a scale of one to five, five being the best.

This rating has become extremely important due to the increased competition for pilot slots. Since there are now limited slots, the T-41 program has become a major criteria in deciding who shall go on to fly in the wild blue yonder after graduation. C2C Matt Gamblin enjoyed the flying aspect of T-41, but feels "a cadet's ability to fly is and should be the most important reason why someone is sent to pilot training." He agrees with the added weight to the T-41 score. And Capt Hartlaub reminds us all "to leave that 'stuff' up at the hill and do what you came here to do. So let's fly!"

-- By Char Melick and Trung Tran

"(The) ability to fly should be the most important reason why someone is sent to pilot training."
--C2C Matt Gamblin



Picture perfect, this T-41 flies against the backdrop of the Rocky Mountains. Photo by K. Field

Operation Trailblazer

Flights spend day working toward common goal

The day started with a slight overcast that seemed to promise rain. What a way to start a day, we were going on the mega-man course and rumor had, that they didn't expect anyone to finish. Even though none of us were thrilled with the idea of spending a Friday hiking through the woods. We all decided to give it our best.

The purpose of this all-day time eater was to give the firstie flight commanders a chance to truly lead their people while building teamwork. All flight commanders were responsible to supervise and see that their members were giving 100% effort in each event. Each event was graded on a 100 point scale and were recorded by firsties who went along on the excursion for that main purpose.

"Yea I really enjoyed it," C1C Tom Rosa. "I did everything the flight did even though I was just the recorder."

At the first station flights were greeted with dropping to do push-ups and crunches followed by a run by an ammo run to a machine gun nest.

Other station highlights included:

evading past trip wires along a path, a compass course, a shelter competition, evading past enemy snipers, carrying POW's and wounded through a mine field and a 1.5 mile run for time. Most agreed that the last stations were not the most fun, but the feeling of teamwork and camaraderie made it worthwhile.

Cadets started seeing their flights a new light. Each had done something tough and accomplished it by working together. The feeling was terrific!

Originally the whole day was to end with awards ceremony and a barbecue at the stadium. However, due to poor weather, the barbecue was brought up to the quads and awards

were given at a noon meal the following week.

C2C Mike Raynoha summed it up like this: "Our flight worked pretty well, but actually one day isn't going to have as huge an impact as if we had more time."

Who knows since the day was success maybe it will be expanded in years to come.

-- By Trung Tran and Char Melick

"I did everything the flight did even though I was just the recorder"

-- C1C Tom Rosa

Filler' up, this cadet tops off his canteen before heading to the next station. Water buffalos were strategically placed so canteens were never empty. Photo by M. Brevard





This cadet climbs the tree to find a place to secure his flight's tent. The shelter making station was Event Four during Operation Trailblazer. Photo by M. Brevard

Merrily we roll along, this flight meanders down the train tracks to the next station. Their southward journey would eventually lead them to the stadium. Photo by M. Brevard



Academics on the Hill remained a constant challenge as cadets not only learned to do things right but also do the right thing. Dreams were explored and redeveloped as cadets experienced life in classrooms and labs.

Instructors took their students beyond the normal who, what, where and whys of their subjects and guided them into the deeper intrinsic meaning of their studies. This involved everything from learning about the moral and ethical consequences of man's knowledge, to using knowledge to help those less privileged.

Some cadets went beyond the sciences and got

Do the Right Thing

involved with writing poetry and short stories while others learned to appreciate the finer art of drawing and painting. Still others explored their dreams of touching the stars by working on projects destined to fly in space.

Although the motivation for each cadet's study was different, the end result remained similar in that they all learned to set their goals and strive to fulfill them one step at a time.

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Study, study, study, this cadet cracks open his French book to answer the questions on his test review sheet. Most cadets study between three to five hours a night.

DEAN OF FACULTY



Brig Gen Ruben A. Cubero

VICE DEAN OF FACULTY



Col Daniel W. Litwhiler

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EXIT

It's all about honor; it's all about integrity, it's about living up to the code that sets the Air Force Academy apart from the civilian colleges across the country. It's a commitment that cadets don't take lightly.

"We will not lie, steal, or cheat, nor tolerate among us anyone who does," this is how the honor code reads and every year cadets strive to enforce it.

C1C Roderick Owens, a

two year Wing Honor Chairman said: "The Honor Board is an administrative system that hears approximately 120 cases a year. The Board determines if a cadet is in violation of the code."

According to the Honor Code Reference Handbook of the Air Force Cadet Wing the reason that the Cadet Wing must accept this code is because upon graduation they (cadets) are "professionals with the highest of responsibilities, the members of the officer corps are

required by society to exhibit a level of integrity which is beyond reproach."

C1C Noah Greene Second Group Honor Chairman said that although there is no "honor code" out in the operational Air Force, it is hoped that graduates will take the spirit of the code practiced here and apply it to their lives after leaving.

"We are working at continuing uplifting the integrity of the Air Force," Greene said. "We're leaning to make the right decisions."

Although both Owens and Greene admit that sometimes enforcing the code works better in theory than in real life, however it doesn't stop the Honor Committee from doing

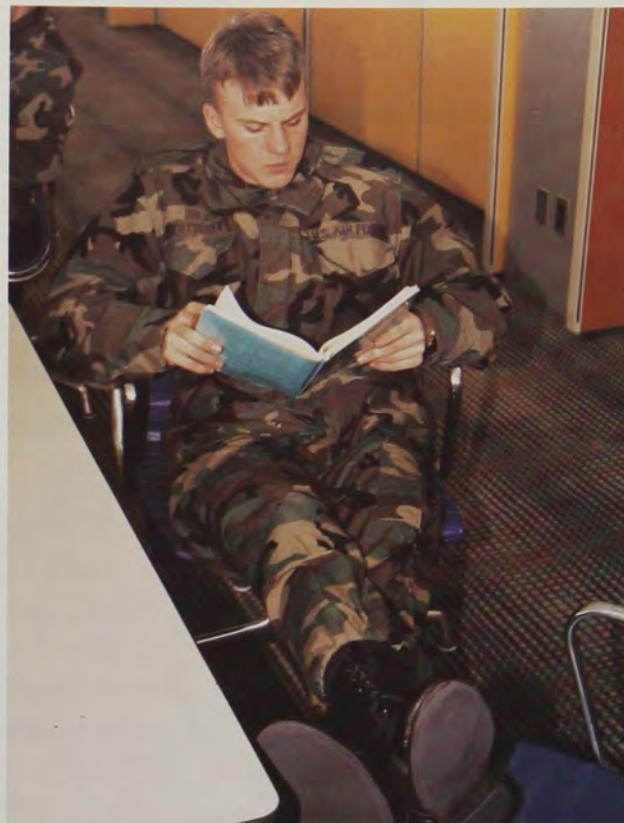
It's all about integrity and living up to the code

This is not one of the most popular signs in the Cadet Wing. When lit up it meant that cadets were holding a trial for one their own. Often times these meetings were academic related. Photo by B. Scharton

Reading in the library, C4C Johan Deutscher skims over some material that will be covered in today's lesson. Photo by B. Fallis

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required by society to its best educating cadets about the code.

"Honor lessons are given during M-5 with the help of the Honor Reps and the rest of the Chain-of-Command," Owens said. "(This year) we incorporated videos for a little diversity; we try not to bore the

"It got some positive feedback," Greene said. "Next year it will most likely run two lessons."

Owens added that all the education and the honor boards are a very important aspect of the Academy.

"The whole honor process

HONOR

crowd. We want to make it fun."

Greene added that one of the most popular lessons was a Star Trek episode about a cadet at the Space Academy.

is proactive in terms of educating and reactive in how it deals with honor violations," Owens said. "We've got to keep the faith that what we do makes a difference."



Headache, headache, headache, C4C Scott Vecchione tries not to lose his patience with the computer. Photo by B. Fallis

Life at the Academy tends to revolve around three things: academics, military and sports.

Expression with creative hands

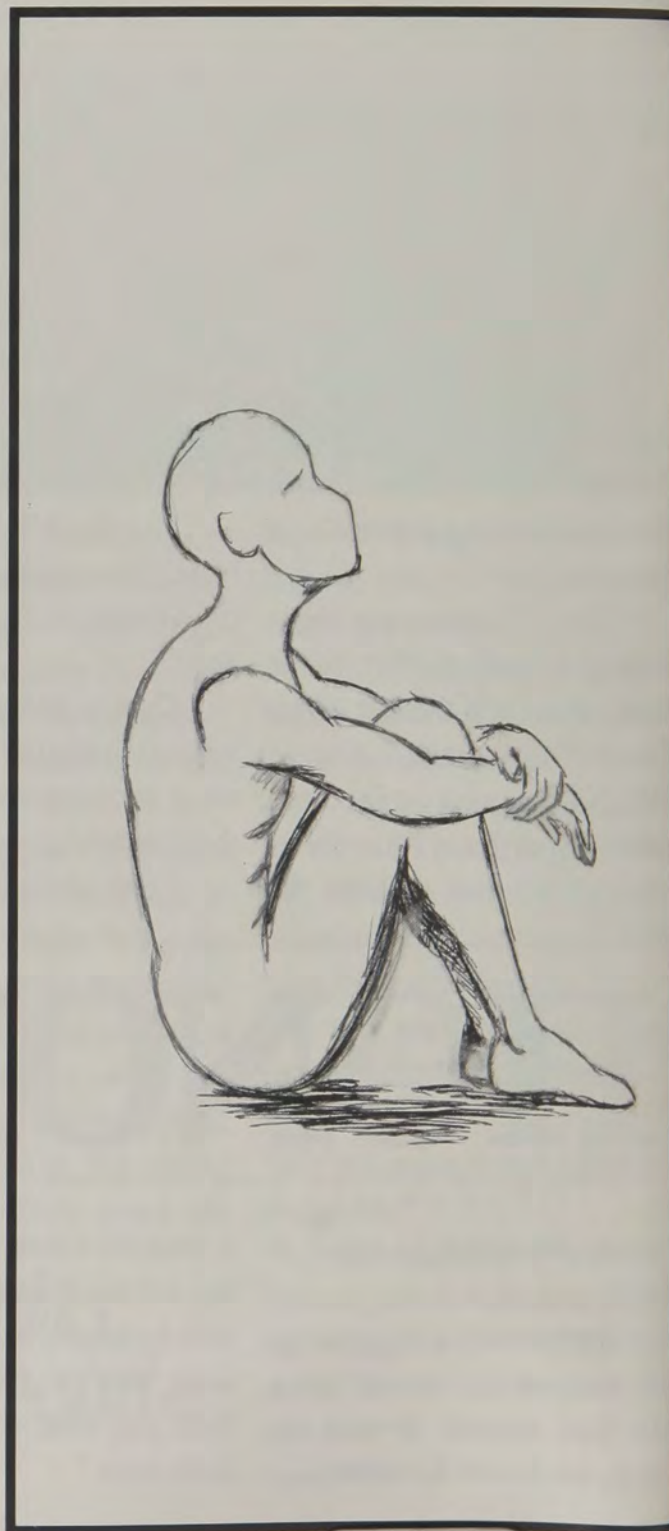
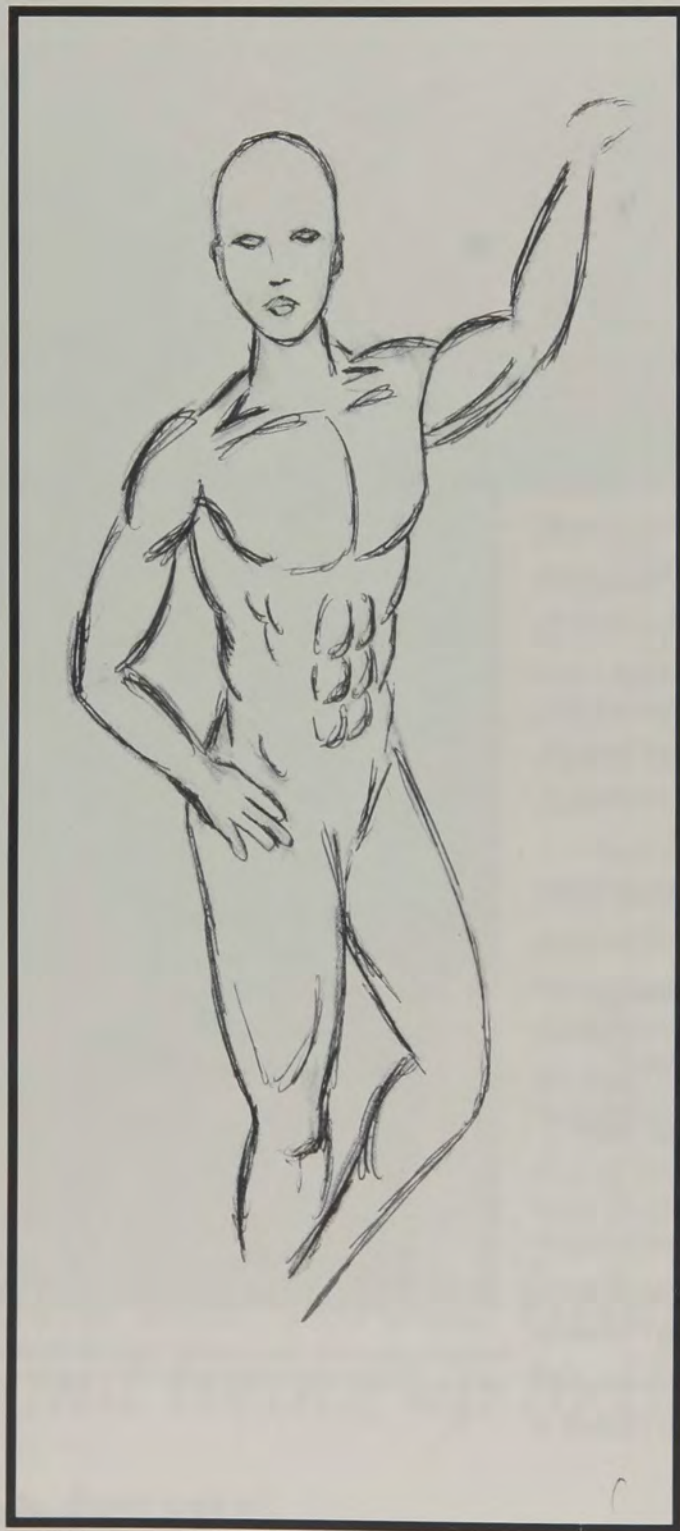
But, in the far corners of Sijan and the sulking dimness of Vandenberg there lurks another less known “pillar”—Art.

Many spend some of their free time painting, drawing or writing stories. Not because they have to, they want to.

“I like to sit and doodle

away the slack time during ACC when I’m done with homework but not ready to hit the sack,” C1C Matt Tramonte said.

As you walk down the hallway you may unknowingly pass one of these people, they look like any ordinary cadet. But on the weekends, they are the ones



signing out as soon as they can. Emerson said in Walden, they can take away my time outside
 The "creative hands" type of "want to live deep and suck out this place. It allows me to reju-
 cadet enjoys life; they venate myself, and experience
 know that the things that might fit in a story
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 their inspira- Sholtis said.
 tion does not, cannot simply all the marrow of life."
 exist at the Academy. As "No one, I repeat, no one

ART

So go ahead, pick up that brush or that pen and see what happens.



These pen and ink figures were part an assignment given in an art class. During this course cadets got to experiment with many different mediums. Art by C2C Marcus Green

Bar Talk

Frank let the door shut behind him and shrugged off the cold. "How ya doin' Frank?" John asked. "I've seen better days." Frank sat down in his usual spot at the end of the bar and sighed. John finished restocking the cooler and twisted the cap off Frank's favorite beer. He placed the bottle in front of Frank and waited. "Ya know what pisses me off?" "What?" "Ya spend ten goddamn years with someone and ya think ya know 'em. But one day, ya come home and it's like they're someone else." "Yep." "I mean, John, for ten years I've come home to my meat and potatoes. And then one day, it's not there; just macaroni salad. Know what I'm saying?" Frank chugged the rest of his beer and nodded to John. "Don't worry about your tab," John said as he put the beer down in front of Frank. "Thanks. Say, John, how'd you handle it?" "Well, it took me a couple days before I was over the initial shock. But, after that, I guess I kinda got used to it. Frank, ya just gotta get it out of your system and go on." "Yeah, yeah, I guess you're right." John turned and grabbed a bottle of whiskey from under the bar as Frank nodded for another drink. "I think I'll have something a little stronger."

By Matt Sinning

Above is a vignette written in an upper level English creative writing class.

Creative hands continued



This piece which was drawn by C2C Marcus Green it illustrates drawing by both a pen and pencil

Shhhhhh

Such a sweet, sweet sound is this silence,
Like the slow dripping of color into the eye
After seeing nothingness for so very long.
Shhhhhh!!

Hear the picture form itself upon still minds
As they watch the sound that remains uncreated:
The torrent found in the comfort of noise.

The trumpet of tranquility astounds my senses,
And I yearn to utter a cry so I may hear something.
But I would be unheard in silence's tone.
My word is nothing in the nonsonant troughs
Of waves which drown the artful thought,
Stopping a moment to unthink and to listen.

Images-patterns are formed by echoes of presence
Because either something or nothing was there
When this pacific storm was uncreated;

It resounds its cry, and I hear the ringing;
It uncompresses molecules of air with energy
And frequency which cannot and do not exist.

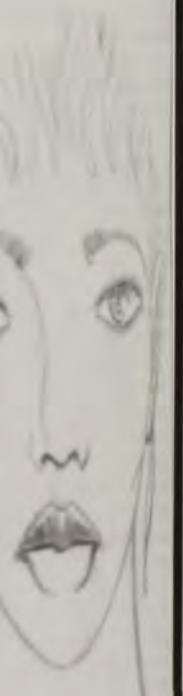
The scream of the no-wind is the water's surface,
Dissipating attempts to know with odd reflections
Which swirl upon the ceiling of spirit.
It is within the rings of age beneath its bark
And within the bloodstream of the branch's root,
And here, within the questions I ask it.

Deprived of sound's touch, I taste the melodies.
As they whisper sweet nothings into my mouth,
The bitterness of pursuit poisons them.

I betray that which has begun in this place,
And I remember what business hath taken me here.
Life, let the silence be still,
For I have work to do;
There is noise to make.

C3C James W. Myers, Jr.-

continued



Bordeaux

A dirty man
drags his dirty daughter
less than nourished
less than animate
to the financial dream machine
of his ever-so-apt choosing

A naive, nay, innocent hope
peaks through the streaks
left by Hunger's overstayed visit
the night before, but
somehow there gleams wisdom
from this little girl
who couldn't possibly ...
but from her eyes
unceasingly hopeful eyes
there screams a professing soul
an emaciated but forgiving soul
understanding of its lot

A strobe of hope
as if Lady Luck
has finally taken his side
(or maybe he's just frozen in the
headlights)
spits ... sputters
from the empty orbs below his brow
flirts from between the footprints
of the blackbird of depravity
and almost details his
poorly prenuptial
marriage to Miss Fortune

He marches up to the counter,
produces a greasy, wrinkled
five dollar bill
from within his moth-eaten
third generation
vaguely blue blazer ...

and buys a lottery ticket

She cries
quietly, calmly
expectantly
Hunger takes her hand
devoid of reason, justice, promise,
pride

I look at my bottle of Sauvignon Blanc
which I thought would go well with my
filets
I tighten my grip
I turn my eyes
No way was I going to let this urchin
ruin my evening

They'll win this time...
Or the next...
That's what I tell myself

So I pivot on my Johnston&Murphy's
drift through the checkout line
grip the steering wheel of a car
I'm not in and eventually make it home

She made it home the moment she left
the store

I hoped she slept well
But she didn't

Hunger consummated their marriage
that night on a concrete bed
She sleeps softly now
Despite her pillow of stone

There is wisdom out there, and
I know I have so much to learn...
I should have bought the '86
Bordeaux.

C2C Donald Harwood

The poems on these two pages were
submitted and printed in the 1993 Icarus.
They were written by cadets in the Wing.
The poem, Bordeaux was the winner of
the Academy of American Poets Prize.

At the Table with Time

As I glanced across the table of life,
My eyes met with the fair maiden, Time
Our eyes locked in an almost petrifying
silence.

At that moment, in the glare
Of her aqua-blue eyes, I saw an ocean,
An ocean so blue,
An ocean so calm,
A ocean of infinity,
An ocean so long.

Her refusal to turn away
Sent legions of waves pounding
hard against the defenseless
shores of my weak heart.
I felt her running on my sands
And her cool breeze rushing through
the thick of my hair. Oh
to live again,
To be a child,
To be as careless as a school boy.
What warmth.

Her stare shimmered through all my bones
Like a deep breath on a cool spring day.
Her lips cracked
And the shine from her grin turned
me red with embarrassment;
I looked away.

Then I was forcefully pulled,
To my dismay, from my peaceful trance,
When death intentionally cleared his throat
From the far end of the table
As though he were reminding us,
Like a father, that he was
the eternal chaperone.

By C3C Angel Negron

A Night in the City

The hum and the glow of the neon sign
Have kept me awake with the voice of
the night.
And the diesel fume of the bus's fuel,
And the sweet rot of collecting trash,
And the rats that chewed the scabs off
my feet
Have set my chin to the cold and the
hate.

As I walk my night I see the faces;
So blank and dark and full of fear,
Their eyes cast down and fixed on their
feet,
Afraid to cry out the screams in their
throat,
Terrified at the thought they might be
touched.

The suffocating buildings stretch to the
sky.
Hide the light of the stars between
sweating bricks
With humidity that traps the breath in
my lungs,
Burying me in silence.

A rusted oil drum, cut off at the neck.
Daily News sends fireflies burning to the
sky:
Fade and fly and chase the stars.

All of us players in an orchestra,
Giving our parts to the movement.

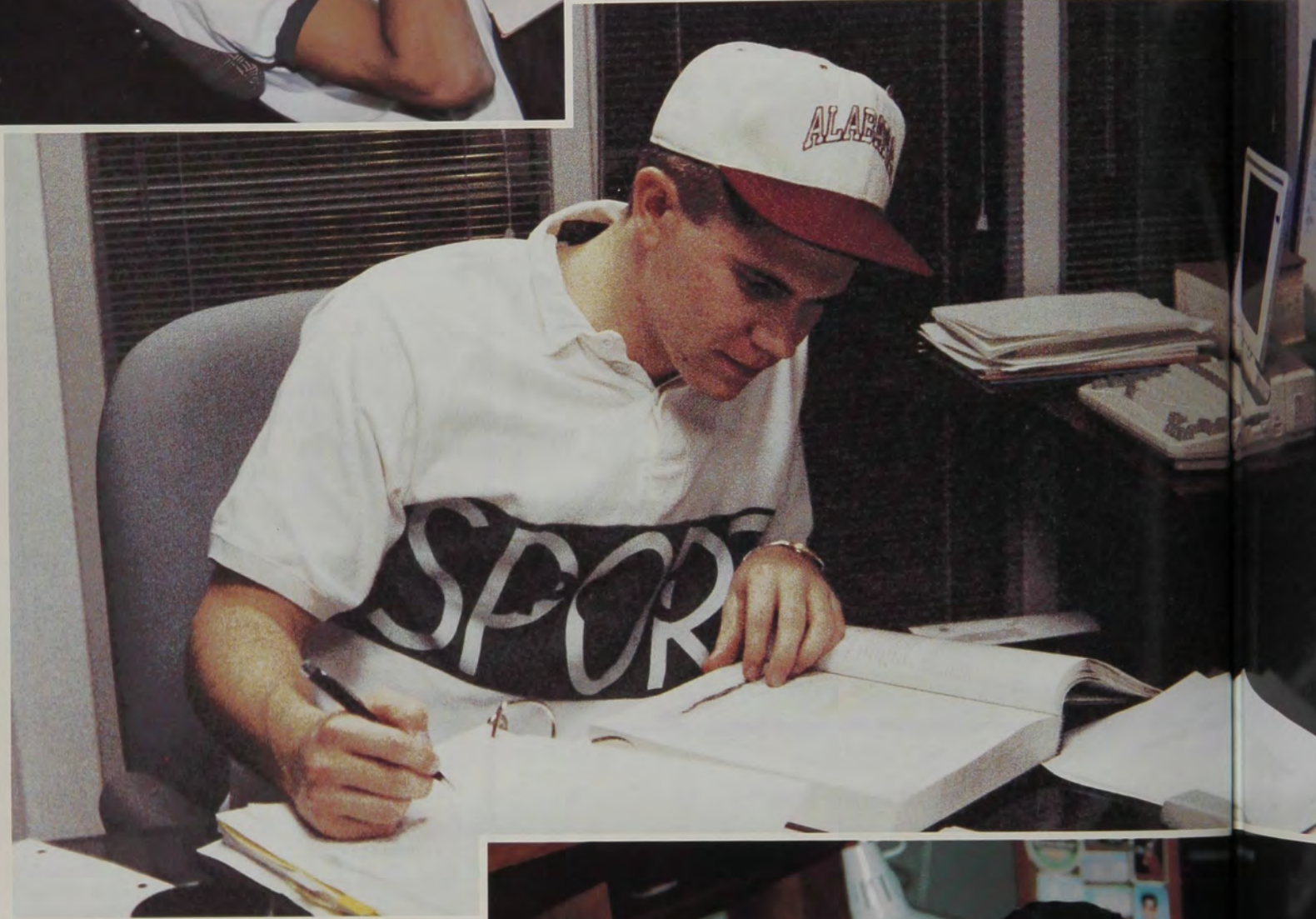
I envy them their voice

By C2C John Jungblut



Stress relief, C3C Lance Turner throws back his head and laughs because he just has no clue what the graph in his book is trying to tell him. Photo by C. Grosjean

Hitting the books, this cadet finds a quiet room to read through his books and take notes. He tries to keep one day a head of the reading in his classes.



This cadet reads over his list of things that he has to get study before tomorrow's class. To Do lists are a popular way to get organized. Photo by K. Whittaker



Hey buddy can you spare some time? This is a phrase that can be heard from nearly every cadet who realizes that they have too much homework and not enough time to do it in.

Granted there was supposed to be a remedy for that, it's known as AC Call, unfortunately for most it works better in theory than in real life.

"During AC Call, I try to sleep, C2C Marcus Green said. "There's just too

many distractions to do homework. I usually get up around one or two in the morning and study until four that's when every one else is asleep."

Green's practice is more common than one might think, especially for those who have the more technical majors.

"My roommate studied all the time," C2C Fred Faithful said. "He started studying at Ac Call and beyond nearly every night ... he was an aero major."

environment as competitive as this it's important to learn how to use time most efficiently and effectively.

"Poor time management is the common problem for many cadets," Nicoletta said. "With an individual counselor from either the academic faculty or CW we will teach cadets to use their time better."

Nicoletta added that most students need to learn how to use small time blocks to study

Forget procrastination - Studying makes the grade

because the large ones just aren't available.

"Cadets need to make better use of their free periods throughout the day, Nicoletta said. "No matter how good it feels they shouldn't sleep during the day, it just wastes time."

The Learning Skills Program is open to every cadet in numerous forms, cadets can get individual counseling, pick up brochures with helpful hits on how to study and now study tips and techniques programs are

CRAM

No matter what a cadet's major time is normally scarce and homework is abundant. Diane Nicoletta, the assistant director of the Learning Skills Program said that in an

even being installed in the new computers that are issued.

"Some people think that there is a negative connotation to getting help to learn to study better," Nicoletta said. "That's too bad because a program like this can help even the most successful people."

It's a bird, it's a plane, no, it's super rat! The little rodent scurries back and forth through the intricate maze to procure a small bit of food. It leaps across chasms, runs across tight ropes, navigates mazes and solves puzzles all within a time limit. Pretty amazing for your average run-

and negative reinforcement in which the rats are given a reward, the food, and a punishment, a time out. The time out involves taking the rat out of the maze and placing it back in its cage. Another part of conditioning involves the use of shaping. Shaping is a process in which a rat is progressively taught the maze step by step with the rat learning one piece at a time until it knows the entire maze.

Cadets host Olympics ... Rat Olympics that is

of-the-mill rat, but not for a rat taught by Behavioral Science

Once the rat has been taught, now comes the fun part: the competition.

RATS

students.

They use a psychological process called conditioning in order to teach the rats how to navigate through the maze. The conditioning involves positive

The rats compete in a race against one another....the one with the best time wins. So good luck super rat, we all will be watching

By Trung Tran





Perhaps his rat didn't perform as well as expected, as Brian Poole mockingly attempts to punch this poor, fuzzy, white creature. Photo by K. Field

Woman's best friend?? Tammy Carlgren uses positive reinforcement to encourage her rat to a successful finish in the Rat Olympics. Photo by K. Field



This Evil Knieval of rats performs an amazing feat of balance and courage, as its two human trainers observe its progress. Photo by K. Field



You have a major paper due next week. You haven't started it yet because you simply don't know where to begin.

Cadets refine skills at the Writing Center

Your writing skills are not your strong point. Where can you turn? The Cadet Writing Center is there to help!

The Writing Center is available to aid in improving cadets' writing in any curriculum. It's located on the fourth floor of Fairchild Hall and is open daily, by appointment.

Under the direction of Major Patrick Butler, the Writing Center is mainly staffed by faculty from the English Department, but volunteers from all departments participate. Cadets learn from in-

structors on a one-to-one basis.

Although most cadets request help on a particular paper, Major Butler explained, "We prefer to concentrate on the process rather than a specific product." The center's philosophy is to try to get to the roots of writing problems, and help the students' writing improve in the long run.

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higher-ups, the Writing Center looks to expand its resources. It currently has two computers available to those who want to bring in their papers on a disk. According to Major Butler, a civilian has been hired to run the center full-time next year. Not surprisingly, fourth-

class cadets use the Writing Center most frequently. Perhaps this is because the upperclass cadets already have a handle on their writing problems. Whatever the class or whatever the reason, the Cadet Writing Center can help cadets improve their writing.



English instructor Capt Lori Davis expounds on some of the finer points of writing. Although the Writing Center was run by the English Department, instructors from all departments helped out. Photo by B. Fallis

Fourth-class cadets were commonly found in the Cadet Writing Center. Capt Rosemary King gives C4C Cox some helpful writing tips. Photo by B. Fallis

Upperclass cadets also received help on their writing projects. Capt Crystal Jonas was one of the many English instructors who volunteered her time in the Writing Center. Photo by B. Fallis





Taking time to think before he speaks, C3C Paul Jones gives a formal presentation in his MAS 220 class. Cadets were required to research principles of war and apply them to a devised situation.

A relieved C3C Dave Thompson completes a successful presentation in MAS 220, as the team of C3C Paul Jones and Natalie Holzherr prepare to present next. MAS 220 is the required military studies course for third-class cadets.



A MAS instructor, Captain Corey, observes and critiques his students' performances. The rest of the class is obviously intrigued.

A retired CAC Dave Thompson...
...of CAC Paul Jones and...
...to the required military...
...class cadets.



In the past the Professional Military Science Department of the Academy has acted as the formal education link between the Cadet Wing (CW) and the cadets. The department's purpose was to present cadets the academic material that CW deemed necessary to be good officer candidates. The Professional Military Science Department changed its name to Military Arts and Sciences this year. Along with this change came revised syllabuses for core classes offered by the department. Although little of the courses' contents were changed, the new schedule allowed for smoother learning of the material. "Our goal was to make all the lessons applicable to Air Force officers," Capt John Corrigan commented.

The revised curriculum requires the Third-Class, Second-Class and First-Class to complete MAS 220, MAS 330 and MAS 440 respectively. Taking their first MAS class Third-Classmen are introduced to "Leadership & Military Theory." Second-Class cadets study "Air Power Doctrine & Applications."

As a final course, Firsties study "Joint Force Applications." The Soviet Threat block of MAS 440 was deleted as a result of the Cold War ending. Professional military briefings, wartime scenarios, and battle staff analysis are a few of the projects in which cadets participate.

The curriculum is designed to help future officers understand their role and its importance to the Air Force's mission. Eventually the cadets apply the principles learned in class to real life dilemmas presented

to them by the officer staff. "We provide the cadet with formal and theoretical education," Capt Bill DeKemper stated. He continued, "Most cadets will receive further education in these same topics at Air Force Command and Staff College, and some will continue on to Air War College." Even if a graduate decides not to be a career officer, the principles learned can be applied to many other situations.

Many of the core concepts taught for military purposes are being applied in the economic and business world today. Most of the concepts are not difficult to learn, but

Same game different name...Or is it?

they become a very powerful tool when employed by leaders. Capt DeKemper shared: "Sun-Tzu, Clausewitz and Jomini are not so amazing to understand, but they provide different perspectives...kind of a framework for thinking." Critical thinking is a skill that is needed in any profession and can separate sharp leaders from mediocre ones.

The curriculum as a whole is supposed to provide a general form of valuable education to cadets. This type of education is not provided by

MAS=PMS

any other courses. Granted a person could go through life without ever taking a Military Arts and Sciences class, but the skills might prove invaluable someday. In most cases, if a person spends enough time on a problem, they will eventually figure it out. MAS offers new views to a situation and it might help reveal the solution in a shorter period of time. If the department only helps an individual with one problem, they've done their job.

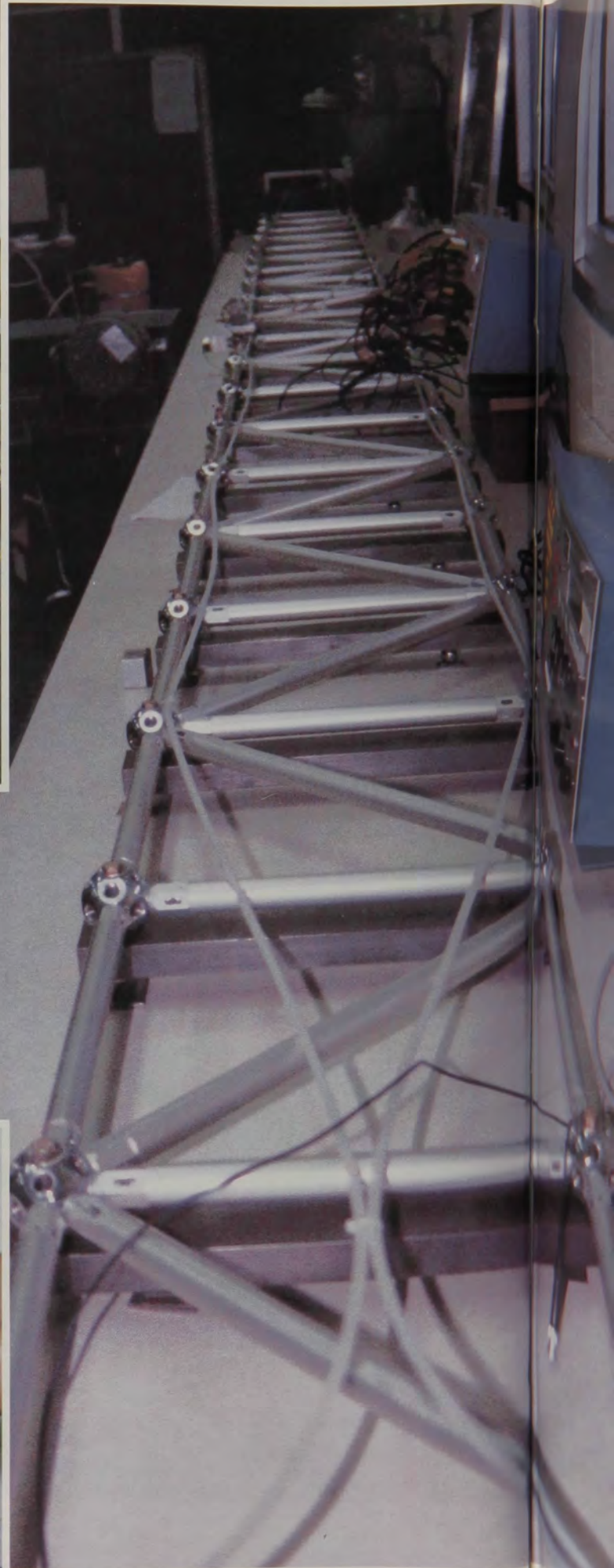
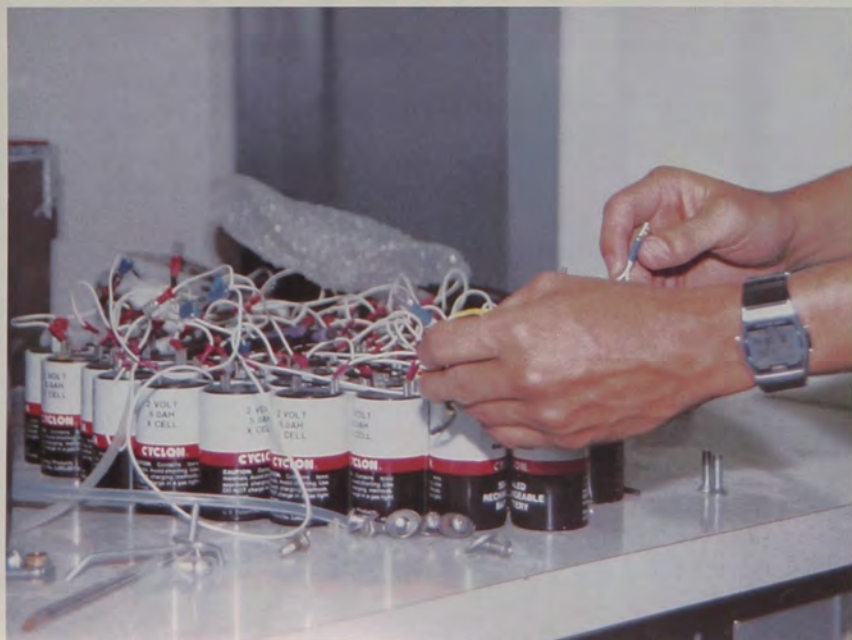
By Michael Brevard



This multi-million dollar space truss built and used by Martin Marietta corporation was donated to the Air Force Academy, with the intent that it would be used for further research. Photo by C. Harris

This structure is a replica of the support section of a space truss. The attached air tubes and gauge wire are parts of a vibration dampening system. Photo By C. Harris

These batteries power the small computer and tape recorder that is the central "brain" of the Get Away Special Project sponsored by the academy. Photo By C. Harris





I magine living and working in a huge fragile building. Any vibrations would destroy the building and everything in it.

People inside would have to tiptoe from room to room. Basketball in the gym would be impossible and dancing to your favorite tune on Friday night would mean certain death. The dawning of space age technology and modern space structures has brought to the forefront an area of research never considered important... until now.

The "Large Space Structures Research Project," dedicated to understanding and correcting vibrations on very large structures in space, came to

the Academy in the fall of 1991. Since that time several officers, civilians and cadets have completed much research in this area of study. The project is sponsored by the Engineering Mechanics Department, but other fields are also involved. "The really neat thing about this project is that the research isn't limited to just one department. Material, structural, electrical, astronautical, mathematical, chemical engineers and students

She continued, "Doing this research has really gotten me excited about the engineering field again." Amy has received an opportunity to continue her research as a graduate student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the fall of 1993.

A similar endeavor to "reach for the stars" is being conducted by the Astronautical Engineering Department. The "Get Away Special (GAS)," sponsored by NASA, allows cadets the opportunity to build experimental projects and see how they react in space. "Upon completion of the projects, cadets who worked on it fly to Cape Canaveral to integrate their project payload with the shuttle and watch the launch,"

Cadets aiming for the stars get closer than they dreamed

Capt Jim Bloom, the project coordinator explained. While in orbit the projects are exposed to the actual free space environment.

According to Capt Bloom, "The cadets are currently working on a project to measure the dynamics of vibrating beams in an evacuated zero gravity environment." Once deployed in space, a computer will operate the experiment. Several suspended cantilever beams will be struck several

SPACE

are invited to participate," Major Jeff Kouri, the project coordinator, explained.

The multi-million dollar space truss built and used by Martin Marietta corporation was donated to the Air Force Academy with the intent that it would be used for further research. The truss that hangs in the Engineering Science Laboratory is half of the model. The second half now resides at the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson AFB in Ohio.

"When I first entered the research lab, I was kind of burned out. We study all these topics in school, but never get to apply them to any real-life applications," C1C Amy McCain, a cadet researcher explained.

times. After each strike, deflections in the beams will be measured and digitally recorded on an attached tape recorder. From the retrieved information cadets will be able to observe the effects of vibrations on metal structures in space.

The U.S. Air Force is currently one of the largest organizations involved in vibration control research. Many of the ideas from the space truss and GAS projects will become powerful technology used in future space exploration. In these labs today, curious cadet researchers are growing into vital technological innovators of tomorrow.

By Michael Brevard



An Engineering 410 student puts the finishing touches on his team's project. Photo by T. Havener

"So there I was, working on my project..." CIC Frank Fleitas discusses the best way to approach a problem. Photo by T. Havener





Each Engineering 410 class must give a final presentation. CIC David Lombardo presents the history of the "Specialized Educational Demonstrations Company."
Photo by T. Havener

By the time you're a firstie, most of your core classes are behind you. However, the dreaded firstie core course, Engineering 410, still looms ahead of you. Although it may require a lot of work, you can look forward to producing a tangible, useful item—and the class doesn't have any quizzes or GRs!

The purpose of Engineering 410, Engineering Systems Design, is to teach a structured design process. Each class of about 17 cadets is

manager, and others will be assigned jobs relating to subsystems, design, administration or costs.

The course is administered by the Astronautical Engineering Department, although instructors also come from the

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other engineering departments.

This year the course director was Captain Jim Blume. According to Capt Blume, "Once the instructor assigns the project, the rest is completely up to the cadets. They need to determine how they're going to

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responsible for designing, building, and delivering a prototype system. The class is given the task and specifications, then they are on their own to organize themselves as a company. Generally one person will serve as the program

organize and deliver the end product."

Of the projects completed this year, 80 percent were community service or intended for

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Some 410 projects are more complicated than others. This one looks like it requires some concentration. Photo by T. Havener



CIC Rod Owens is proud of his company's "Chaotic Neon Bulb." Photo by T. Havener

CIC Darin Booth puts the finishing touches on a prototype system. Photo by T. Havener



disabled people. For instance, classes have made devices to assist handicapped children in walking, several exhibits for the children's museum in Citadel Mall, and an adult

wheelchair swing which allows a person to relax in a swing without leaving his or her wheelchair. These are the type of projects the cadets seem to like best. "The cadets prefer to build anything they see is really going to get used," Capt Blume

used a little closer to home. They created a fatigue demonstrator for the Mechanics Lab, a weight training device for the

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gym to assist cadets in preparing for the PFT, and a ski trainer for the downhill ski team which should help them improve their start times coming out of the gate.

Some cadets look forward to the team effort of Engr 410.

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explained. "They enjoy meeting the people that they're helping; they take these projects very seriously."

Other items produced by Engineering 410 classes are

Others see it as one last haze to complete before they graduate. However, once they have completed the course, they will have created from scratch a useful device worthy of pride.

"How many books are in the library?" screams an upperclassman. "Sir, the answer is over

600,000 volumes," replies the four degree. The fact that the library is a part of fourth-class knowledge underscores its importance to cadets in general.

More than a place to house books and sleep

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Cadets use the library for a number of reasons. The library has fiction books for pleasure reading and hometown newspapers that help keep cadets

i n f o r m e d
about how things are going back home. It serves as a

haven for four degrees who fear getting screamed at if they venture back to their squadrons.

It is also a meeting place for team projects or just a quiet place suited for studying. Of course, the library is used for the one thing that no other place at the Academy can provide, extensive research materials.



The library contains periodicals, books, government documents, films and maps suited for almost any subject. If you still can't find what you're looking for then the library can request books from across the nation. It also helps you access all this information through CD-ROM and bound indexes and a new computerized catalogue system to replace the old monitors.

The library is a very useful place and by the time cadets graduate most are very familiar with its stairs and halls of books. In fact, many are intricately familiar with all of the library's nooks and crannies by the middle of their freshman year.

"What good are those stupid computers when they are always down....lets see 'f' comes after 'e'." Photo by P.J. Pelkington



Two cadets engage in a controversial discussion in the periodical section of the library..."No chance dude! The Bulls are going to stomp L.A." Photo by M. Gregory

"Ah so many books....so little time!" Photo by P.J. Pelkington



Similar to many of the other core classes, many cadets

face the idea of taking biology 215 with dread and a sense of the eternal question "Why are we taking this class." Unlike many core classes that are basically just lecture, biology in-

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corporates a heavy lab section that many students enjoy.

The most memorable of these was the lab dissection of the rat. Many people were reluctant to cut open the rat due

to the squeamishness or the remembrance that these

were the same rats they used for BS 110 to train in behavioral lab. The smell that came from the rat was pungent, and it was weird feeling around in the dead rodent's guts to locate parts that would be tested later.

This testing was a big part of the class since every GR was accompanied by a laboratory practical. This was new con-

Cadets learn to tolerate rat dissection in labs

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This cadet get some last minute instructions before heading off. No, this contraption is not a walker for adults, rather it tests a person's ability to function in a spinning aircraft. Photo by S. Morris



Dissection time is here, these cadets' work is overseen by Capt Keller who has had a bit more experience with the finer art of cutting. Photo by S. Morris

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cept this year, that replaced the article essays that had been a part of the GRs in the past. The practical unfortunately ate into the comp time that followed every GR. The practical consisted of 15 to 30 questions that related to some lab that occurred during the semester.

Although not every cadet enjoyed taking the class, they all enriched themselves if not in knowledge than by the experience of dissection.

By Trung Tran



I can hear clearly now ... these cadets play operator with a larger-than-life sized ear. Photo by S. Morris

Fairchild Hall—
Home of the
(no, not a na-
tionally-ranked
collegiate bas-

ketball team) Academy's five
computer laboratories. Yes,
there are five computer labora-
tories on the second floor of
Fairchild Hall.

The main computer lab is
located in 2G15-17. The Sun

System laboratory, which
handles Sun Stations for Local
Area Networking (LAN), can
be found in 2H31. The other
labs are located in 2H25, 2H29
and 2H31.

"Our main concern, and
number one pri-
ority, is the ca-
dets," said
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Wabiszewski, a

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network hardware and software
administrator with Academic
Computing Services. "We pro-
vide the hardware, software and
technical assistance for the ca-
dets."

Academic Computing Ser-
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the technical support and cus-
tom configuration to the vari-
ous academic departments.
Math, Chemistry, Physics and

*Five labs give cadets
the support they need*

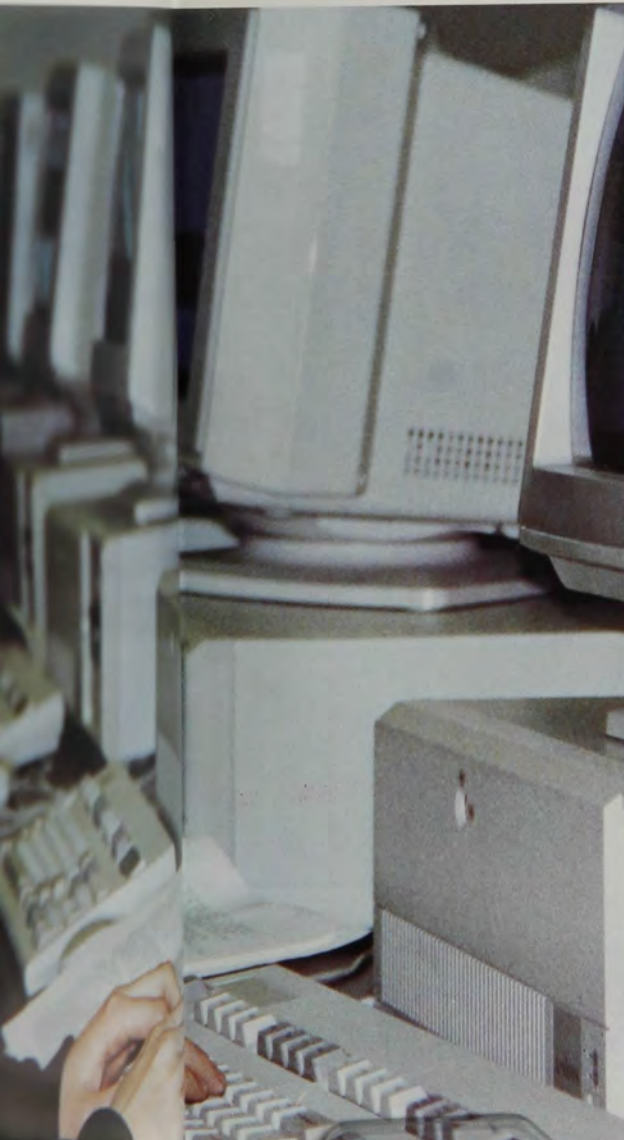


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English departments use the lab frequently, according to Wabiszewski. The Computer Science Department has its own lab.

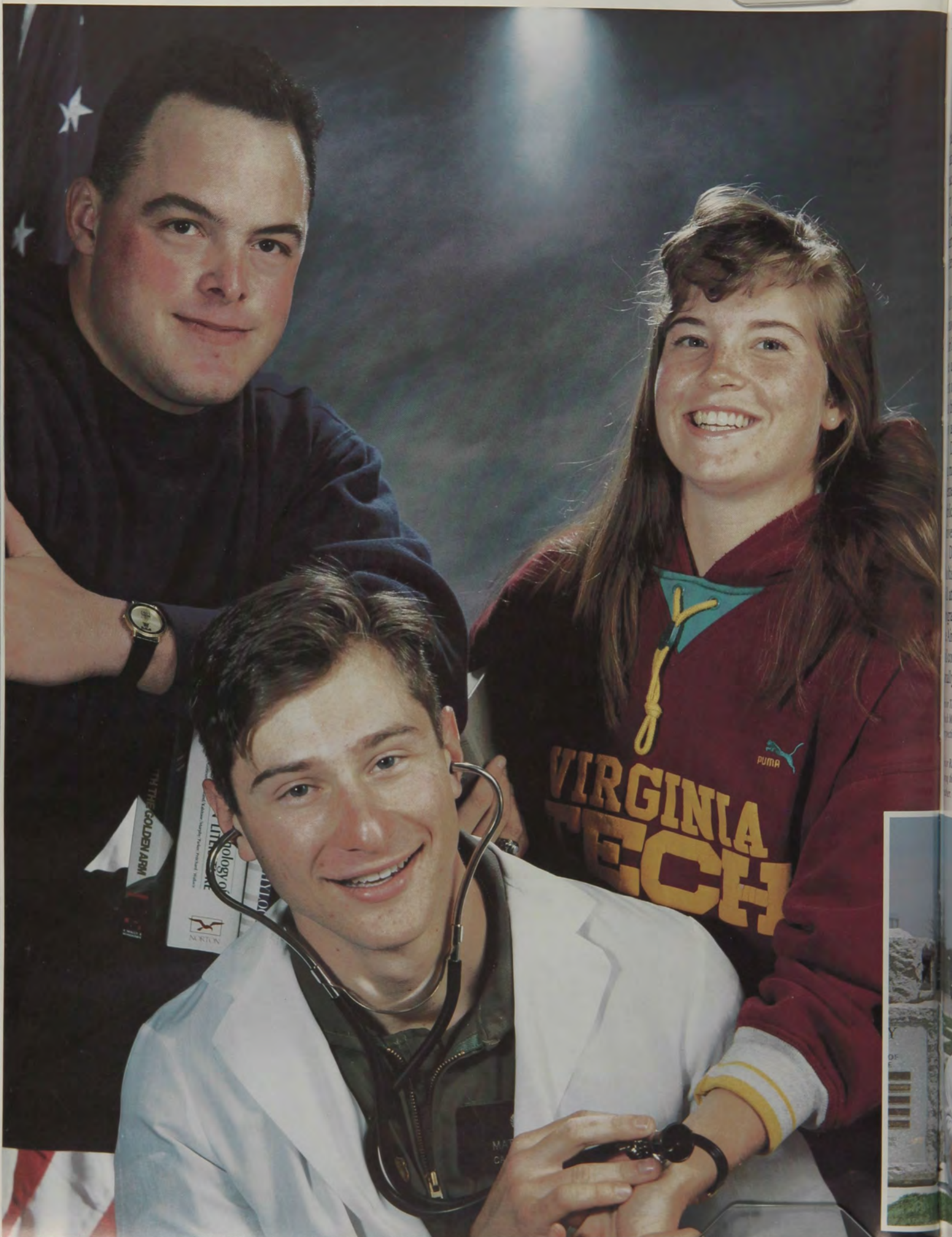
Academic departments schedule the laboratory time through the Academic Computing Services support system. "Academic departments call us to schedule dates and times for the use of the lab and to set up a custom configuration for a specific class," said Wabiszewski.

This cadet, upset at his electronic box questions: "Would a hammer fix the problem?"



The Academic Computing Lab is a source of non stop laughs and sleep for cadets who have assignments outstading.

Cadet Mixon finishes his paper five minutes before it is due....as he writes he silently prays the print out will turn out, and the computer beast will not eat his 45 page paper.



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There's no denying that education is a life long process, but it still seems surprising

that after 16 years of formal education some are ready to jump back in for more. This is the case for the more than 110 members of the Class of 1993 who will start graduate school in the fall after their 60 days leave.

"Never in my wildest dreams did I think that I would go to grad school right out of here," CIC Rob Dam said. "Sometimes I get the urge to do something else first other than just be a student, but this is an excellent opportunity and it was the best choice."

Dam, an electrical engineering major was accepted into the Kennedy School of Government Public Policy program at Harvard University.

Dam's classmate, Tadd Sholtis, an English major who will attend Penn States' English program added: "Any more in the Air Force it's a given that you will continue your education. Personally, I have always enjoyed

Senior Tadd Sholtis, Michelle Kazmier and Chuck Motsinger don the look of their perspective schools. Photo by S. Ellis

Senior Rob Dam studies in the Air Garden during the weekend to enjoy the beautiful weather. Photo by M. Brevard



classes and the more intellectual pursuits. Higher education has always been my goal and I'm happy to have an opportunity to accomplish it so early."

Being an intercollegiate athlete, Sholtis said he had a greater incentive to achieve because often less is expected of athletes.

"One of the biggest reasons I came to the Academy was I wanted to know that I was not just someone's piece of meat struggling to keep a scholarship," Sholtis said. "Here, I was able to pursue both of my goals."

Many college graduates wait a few years before going out to continue their education, but that just wasn't the plan for these firsties. CIC Chuck Motsinger who was accepted to the military

medical school USUHS said:

"I walked in to the Academy wanting to go to med school and I'm leaving going. The whole time I was here I buckled down to make the grades to make it in."

Grades were not the only way that firsties made it in to grad school, Michelle Kazmier, an engineering mechanics major said that her gpa was half a point too low to apply for most scholarships, but two day before Spring Break she was offered a spot.

"I was pleasantly surprised," Kazmier said. "I didn't have the

gina.

Academy graduates will attend other colleges and universities throughout the country and will study plethora of topics. After completing these programs, which last anywhere from one to two years (longer for medical school), some will come back to teach at the Academy after their first assignment.

Both Sholtis and Kazmier said that they are looking forward to this opportunity.

Kazmier said: "I definitely want to come back and teach. I'm from Colorado and enjoy the outdoors."

The decision to go to grad school or med school normally increases a person's commitment as is the case with Motsinger.

Life after graduation holds more education

"The added commitment doesn't bother me," Motsinger said. "It's what you make it; I will find some way to enjoy it."

Dam who is also hoping to fly for the Air Force said: "At the very least I will serve my commitment, after that I will stay in as long as the Air Force has something useful for me to do."

At times like this it's almost impossible not to focus on the future and although the near future holds a lot of hard work these

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highest gpa, I guess merit and other considerations came into play."

Kazmier was accepted at both Texas A&M and Virginia Tech, although the decision was tough, she decided to pursue a master's in finite element analysis at Vir-

ginia. people are ready for the challenge of continuing their education.

"This will not be a hard transition," Motsinger said. "I've been in school what seems like my whole life. What do people do when they get home from work anyway?"

The Right Thing



Getting the tanks ready to go, this cadet puts the finishing touches on this one. Photo by S. Morris

One would think that the last thing a person would want to do after being in class all day is volunteer to take another! This attitude, though prevalent isn't seen with those who sign up to take the scuba class which give them proper training to dive in waters around the world.

Cadets take scuba to dive around the world

Normally the class has 11 to 12 students and is held three times a week after school. For those who take the class they can expect to spend a lot of time swimming on the bottom of the pool learning proper scuba techniques. A student who does this and passes the quizzes given throughout the class is then able to get certified.

A fourth-class cadet who took Open Water Level 1 (the first in the series of scuba classes) said he was glad the Academy offered the class because after doing some shallow

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Checking the tank, Cadet Grover makes sure that his gauges a reading properly. Photo by S. Morris



Not quite deep sea diving, this cadet practices in the pool before heading off for deeper and more exciting waters. Photo by S. Morris

DIVE

diving in Cancun he was hooked and wanted to learn more about the sport.

And learn they do, teaching is taken very seriously because whatever is learned in class is directly applied during the two trips that round out the course.

Since the students do go on trips outside the comfort and

safety of the swimming pool the importance of taking care of your buddy is stressed. It's important that no one gets hurt to ensure that the trip stays enjoyable for all.

"By going on these two trips the types of water you can dive in is expanded," a student said. "Besides that it's really fun."

The squadron is one of the central organizational blocks of the Academy. Each squadron contains a few more than 100 cadets, members of all four classes. Every squadron has a very unique personality which is simply a reflection of its members.

These squadrons are composed of a wide variety of personalities. Members have individual dreams that include academic endeavors, athletic feats, military distinction and spiritual enlightenment. Throughout the duty day cadets work diligently to achieve their goals, but after their duties they let their "hair down."

This is a probing view of a side of cadet life only

Extraordinary Views

seen by cadets. Presented here are the extraordinary views of the events that occur after the officers go home to their spouses and children. Most of the occurrences are legal, moral and well within the plethora of regulations. Although rather harmless some of these tales are sure to surprise, and in many cases even amuse.

By Michael Brevard

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Ready for take off, C4C Kevin McGowan mentally prepares himself to go hurling down the hall in one of his squadrons many hall festivities. Photo by M. Hanson

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 Kareem C. Brooks
 Christopher A. Chocolaad
 David S. Eaglin



Angela J. Erickson
 Cynthia E. Green
 Craig M. Harmon
 Andrew W. Holmberg
 Jay E. Johnson
 Shane A. Knighton
 Andrea M. Lalk



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 David R. Parker
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 Brenda J. Smith
 Raphael M. Smith
 Mark A. Snowden
 Christopher R. Stricklin
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Mach One

four smoke antics don't dampen upperclass support



Maj Charles Cameron
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Jeffrey Coombe
 Deputy AOC

"Mach One takes care of its own." The motto of the First was heeded by all, but interpreted a little differently by their freshmen. The chance to give something back to the individuals who work with them everyday seemed to put a smirk on their faces. The Upperclass of Mighty Mach One supported the creative spirit missions of their freshmen except when they became the victims.

Midshipman Dave Bartell, a visiting member of The First remarked: "Never, never try to taunt the freshmen during NAVY week; I'm still trying to dig the sardines out of my heater, the goldfish out of my drawers, and the nauseating

smell of squid out of my flight suit!" This was just one way the freshman demonstrated support for their squadron.

When it was time, the sophomores and juniors were eager to help the freshmen channel their energy into their daily duties. The combination of the supportive upperclass and a motivated fourth-class helped the squadron finish the year with smiles on their faces and fond memories in their minds. C2C Scott Weston said it best: "If speed is life, our freshmen should be considered high on life."

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 Joshua P. Bobko
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 Thomas R. Colvin

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 Scott C. Moore
 Kevin L. Mosley
 James P. Moss
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 Peter J. Swanson
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 Stephen P. Frank
 Joyce R. Gange
 Jay S. Gibson
 Jeffrey L. Goggin
 Brent A. Maier
 Judson C. McDaniel

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 Joshua J. Nielson
 Hector Rosario
 John C. Sapp
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 Devin S. Traynor
 Brian J. Tyler
 Frederick D. Watters
 Mathew C. Wenthe

Farzi Ahmad
 Steve L. Blevins
 Mark H. Brownell
 Stephen H. Bunting
 Eduardo Castaneda Jr



David A. Claire
 James A. DeReus
 David K. Dick
 James B. Dodd
 Anthony S. Gamboa
 Kurt I. Gordon
 David A. Grein



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 Matthew D. Johnson
 Christopher J. Kormmesser
 Jonathan D. Landis
 Sean A. Long
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 Christopher T. Reynolds
 Guinevere R. Sommers
 Christopher G. Wright
 Wayne D. Young



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Deuce

where marching is "consistently pathetic," but at least it's consistent



Maj Robert P. Kay
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Daniel J. Richard
 Deputy AOC

"Marching? It's consistently pathetic," C3C Rob Eninger stated. "Yeah, but at least we are consistent!" added C3C Nick Guttman. Deuce may not be the best marching squad in the group, but they do know how to have a good time!

"Our Deputy AOC is really cool. He's played us in quadball, went on morning runs and had a Super Bowl party at his house," C4C Junko Springer added. In the Second everyone enjoys a good time and a lot of laughs.

The fourth-class gave the squadron a big laugh when they attempted putting a 60 foot condom on the Minute Man missile outside the Field House. C4C Ike Williams smirked: "We

were going to paint on the condom have a 'Safe' Christmas." Unfortunately the Security Police did not see the humor and made them return the scaffolding to Mitchell Hall. "We were just trying to aid the cutback of missile 'reproduction!'" C4C Lisle Babcock shared with a smile.

As one can see, a little ingenuity and proper priorities can make this place a little more humorous. If you want to see records being broken, look to another squad. If on the other hand you want to see quick and mischievous minds at work check out Deuce.

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John M. Denny
Robert M. Eninger
Gerald R. Fortuna

Matthew J. Gebhardt
Nicholas O. Guttman
Jeffrey T. Haynes
Joseph J. Javorski III
James R. Lamar
Charles Langford

Cecil A. Lara
Adrian A. Lucero
Jennifer L. Mayers
Stephen G. Mellott
David M. Mihalick
Megan K. Monaghan

Drew D. Morrison
Douglas A. Musselman
Jessica J. Olson
Julie C. Price
Andrew J. Rydland
John B. Singleton

Kistner Y. Stevenson
Tara L. Sweeney
Clay R. Tebbe
Jeremy D. Turner
James J. Wadas
Bryan J. Wicking

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William C. Allen ('94)



Jeffrey D. Alexander
Lisle H. Babcock
John W. Barron
Robert A. Cuellar

Alexander J. Haddad
Agga L. Haren
Katherine M. Hayden
Michael R. Henderson
Merna Hsu
Matthew H. Kouchoukos
Jeffrey S. Meek

John A. Moore
Nathan L. Owendoff
Chad M. Robbins
Steven M. Ross
Elizabeth K. Saum
George N. Schwartz
Michael L. Sharp

Roberto Somarriba
Junko Springer
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Billyjon Vertanen
Eric A. Warne
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 Michael T. Dellert
 Xavian L. Draper
 Timothy C. Dunn



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 John E. Leif
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 Darrell J. Meyer
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 Jeremy D. O. Rebmann
 David J. Richie
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 Trevor W. Smith
 Peter A. Sullivan
 Joseph A. Thill
 Alan J. Wesenberg



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Cereberus III

starting the party gives way to good times and good friends



Maj Eric M. Pell
 Air Officer Commanding

Those who travel to Third squadron frequently should be familiar with a sign above the Cadet-In-Charge of Quarters Desk that reads "Work Hard, Play Hard." Monday through Friday the War Dogs of Cereberus were scurrying to complete the week's activities, but when Friday night finally rolled around, the MWR staff took over and they turned into party animals.

C3C Marc Chaney recalled: "Every time I turn around there's another dining out, another tail gate, parties, hall brawls or some other social event."

The Third always kept a full agenda of upcoming attractions for its members to enjoy. These good times helped increase squadron unity,

and kept everyone a little more motivated for the upcoming week. C2C John Newberry added that it was amazing that the squadron managed to have a good time despite the stress of the Academy.

Squadron members enjoyed the social functions, but reminded outsiders of their serious side. As C3C Lee Roskop attested the squadron knows that there is a time and place for everything. "Don't let all that MWR stuff fool ya. I remember one time we took first in a parade. Just once, but that's pretty stract... isn't it?"

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Mehmet Akca
Matthew F. Barchie
Brett R. Blake
Richard J. Bolander
Erik B. Brown
Jason M. Brown
Marcus A. Chaney

Brannen C. Cohee
Chad E. Feucht
Christian R. Fitzpatrick
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Brandon R. Horne
Curtis B. Hudson

Charles L. Jones
Aaron A. Lade
Steven T. Lygren
Chad Meyering
Jason M. Ogrin
Jason R. Palma
Marcus L. Roberts

Lee D. Roskop
David H. Sanchez
Steven W. Strasbaugh
Bradley D. Tidd
Kristin L. Vanderberg
Jarod A. Ware
David J. Winebrenner

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Rebecca J. Medenwaldt ('94)
Mark E. Parrish ('96)



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Michael J. Artelli
Christopher T. Barber
Scott C. Brancato
Stephen M. Carr
Raymond A. Chehy Jr

Arin J. Chilcote
Kelsey T. Christopher
Wiley R. Cox
Alisya Davis
Rosadel S. Dominguez
Robert L. Eller
Oliver D. Erickson

Terry E. Hewer
Jeremy T. Johnston
Roberta A. Kilroy
Jung S. Kim
David M. Lercher
Patrick V. Long
Madison L. Morris

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 Matthew C. Keiper
 Robert I. Lopez



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 Thomas M. Sandoval
 Bradley A. Schilling



Eric G. Schlegel
 Rance D. Sopko
 Steven T. Strah
 James E. Thompson
 David M. Vondrak
 Drew J. Whitting
 Christopher F. Womick



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Fightin' Four

giving an entirely new meaning to the term "head banging music"



Capt Scott E. Lewis
 Air Officer Commanding

It is typical for a squadron to plan activities for its members to enjoy. These activities provide a time for the squadron to gather in a less formal atmosphere and enjoy the camaraderie of friends. The members of Fightin' Fourth have found a way to add a little creative finesse to their entertainment list.



Capt Stephen D. Cooper
 Deputy AOC

The Fourth sponsored events like stall stuffing, tug-o-war and flight olympiads. C2C John Jungblut said: "However, these were far out weighed by the cart races, dwarf tosses, roommate game, morning methane release, freshman who smashed trash cans on their heads to the tunes of Metallica and the ever-present Godzilla like TV room CIC's.

seeing an upperclassmen mangle a trash can with his head. "We (the freshman) watched some upperclassman try to deform his head on a garbage can, but he proved that his head was tough as bricks when he conquered it."

If some of these events seem a little hard to believe, well that's understandable, but C2C Rob Lopez invites all to come see for themselves. "It just goes to show that sometimes different is better because I wouldn't have it any other way. Come on over sometime, maybe we'll save you a place on our Jamaican Cartsled Team..."

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 Bryan A. Blind
 Theodore A. Breuker
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 Todd D. Fry
 Pierry Goin
 Celiann M. Gonzalez
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 Brian L. Lawrence
 Michael J. May
 James R. Moore
 Zachariah E. Patrick
 Darrell K. Phillipson

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 Brenden G. Rowe
 Bradley A. Seger
 Margaret L. Short
 Allen L. Stewart
 Troy M. Twesme
 William M. Young

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 Patrick Hooper ('94)
 Cory J. Baron ('96)



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 Nathaniel S. Downing
 Mario J. Escalante
 Jared A. Farr
 Barbara Harrington

Kevin C. Hetrick
 William R. Hurt
 Christopher T. Johannssen
 James R. Johnson
 Shawn P. LaVe
 LeAnne M. Lawrence

Robert T. Lee
 Brian C. McDonald
 Mathes H. Mennell
 Christopher E. Menuey
 Kevin J. Patrick
 Darren M. Pence

Moises M. Querol Jr
 William K. Skinner Jr
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Wolfpack

putting a little extra effort and meaning into intramurals



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Intramural activities take place at the Academy nearly every day of the week. To some it is looked at as just another required activity to take up a cadet's time. Occasionally though, there is a close match and the victor is sure to be the squadron that turns up the heat.

During a big rematch game with the Warhawgs of 34 the members of the Wolf Pack soccer team pulled together in the final moments to win the game and seat in the Wing soccer championships. C4C Chris Finnigsmier shared the Wolfpack's motto: "The strength of the wolf is in the pack and the strength of the pack is in the wolf."

Be aware that victory was not their only intent, sometimes ulterior motives were involved.

An example is the Fifth's ultimate frisbee team. C4C Josh Brink described some of their rather unusual players. "Cadet 'knock their blocks off' Hoover, Cadet 'get the other team so ticked of at you that they can't concentrate on the game' Taliaferro and Cadet 'sprint to the end zone no matter if we can score or not' Riley."

As one can easily see Fifth Squadron puts in the extra effort, sometimes even a little too much effort, to get the job done. They work together to accomplish their short term sporting victory goals, thereby living up to their motto.



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Bull Six

where the search for bulge becomes a noble conquest



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Most squadrons take pride in the accomplishments of its members. Most of the time good grades, military performance or outstanding talent receive most of the public recognition. The members of Ragin' Bull Six tip the scales, so to speak, with their pride.

"Fat is a form of art, an expression of beauty. Thus, we, the fat men and women of Bull-Six declare ourselves beautiful, artistic...full of life. I challenge anyone...Bull-Six is the fattest squad in the Wing," C3C Don Kang shared.

Even though the Sixth is a "fat and happy" squad, members still have periodical disappoint-

ments. C3C Wil Maher shared his initial shock, "I came expecting to have the biggest belly in the short hallway, but fat Jon and Don beat me in the belly contest..."

While the Bulls continue to successfully grow, they continually compete to be the bulkiest squad in the Wing. "Six is a good squad. It is a fat squad." C3C James McHenry concluded. "I think with some hard work and if we can manage to catch a few breaks along the way, we could be the fattest in the Wing. That's our goal."

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Seagrams Seven

the super "smooth squadron," just ask 'em



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They're one big happy family just ask them, the consensus is everyone gets along. C4C Paul Birch commented that the squadron "exhibits moderation in all aspects to avoid failure."

This philosophy even made it's way into training.

"Like a cold vicious wind that rips through trees and tears down houses, the upperclassmen blow us apart," C4C Bruce Gordon said. "But, too it is that same wind that at other times sweeping through the souls of our houses, blows out the dust and debris and making us better four degrees, but more importantly better people.

Clearly the elements of professionalism, teamwork and cooperation were stressed, and according to C2C Max Lee being a part of it was

great. He said: "(Seagrams Seven is the) last tropical paradise in a mad isolated bubble we call the Hoz's Place."

It was also noted that anyone who would like to visit Seven should, because everyone fits in and there's always a party going on somewhere in the halls. C4C Robert Simpson summed it up best:

"Seagram's, by now, should be a household name: By, far, in the Wing, it's the best game. With our nighttime nukes, and spirit galore Seagram's squadron will go down in history forevermore."

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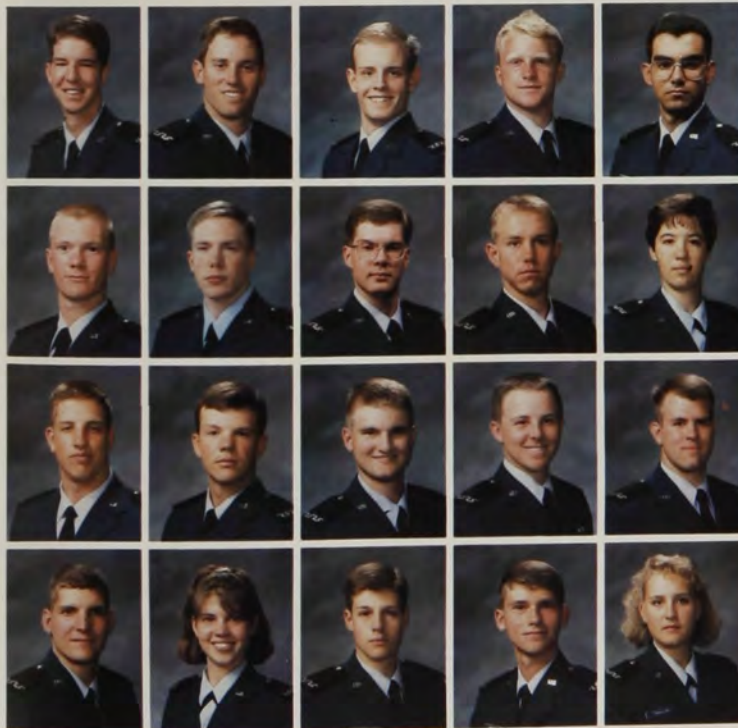
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Eagle Eight

a look at class distinction through the eyes of a fledging



Maj Virginia C. Tonneson
Air Officer Commanding

Capt Raymond G. Miller
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Deputy AOC

*My home is in Eagle Eight,
and it's not a piece of cake.
To be a four-degree,
in the company,
of everyone else who is great.*

*Our Squadron Commander is king,
he makes sure everyone does their thing.
So Squadron Eight will succeed,
and the others will heed,
to the best squad in the Cadet Wing.*

*The firsties from the class of ninety-three,
know what it means to lead.
They lay down the laws,
and strut down the halls,
with four years of dignity.*

*The class of ninety-four is red hot,
I want to be just like them - NOT.
They think they win all the nukes,
but they're all a bunch of pukes,*

and they're not worth a bucket of snot.

*Keep the pride in ninety-five,
that is so corny I won't even
try to rhyme the rest of this,
stanza until they come up with
a new class saying.*

*Everyone knows who's really the best,
stronger, smarter, and better than the rest.
The class of ninety-six,
is definitely tough as bricks,
cause we have what it takes to pass the 4^o
test.*

*No matter what class you are in,
the Eagles will surely win.
We will make Air Force number one,
when the job is all done,
meanwhile I'll sit back and pull chins.*



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Viking Nine

sharing a little piece of the meaning of friendship



Capt Jeffrey K. Beene
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Anyone who has attended the Academy will agree that lifetime friendships are a fringe benefit that makes the experience worthwhile. If not for the strong friendships that see members of a squadron through the hard times, many of the cadets might not have ever graduated. Viking Nine shares some of the sentiment that goes along with having good friends.

C2C Ken Macie shared his view: "By far the most important aspect of squadron life that is needed in order to overcome the day-to-day problems associated with being a cadet is the friendships and camaraderie shared by the mem-

bers of the squadron."

The depth of the friendships formed by cadets in Viking Nine are typical of the Cadet Wing. These friendships, based on trust, strength, and support form a bond that last long after the Academy experience.

A member of the Ninth added: "In a short time I have made some of the best friends of my life, these are people that are willing to give you the shirts off their backs or just simply try to talk you and cheer you up when things are not going well."

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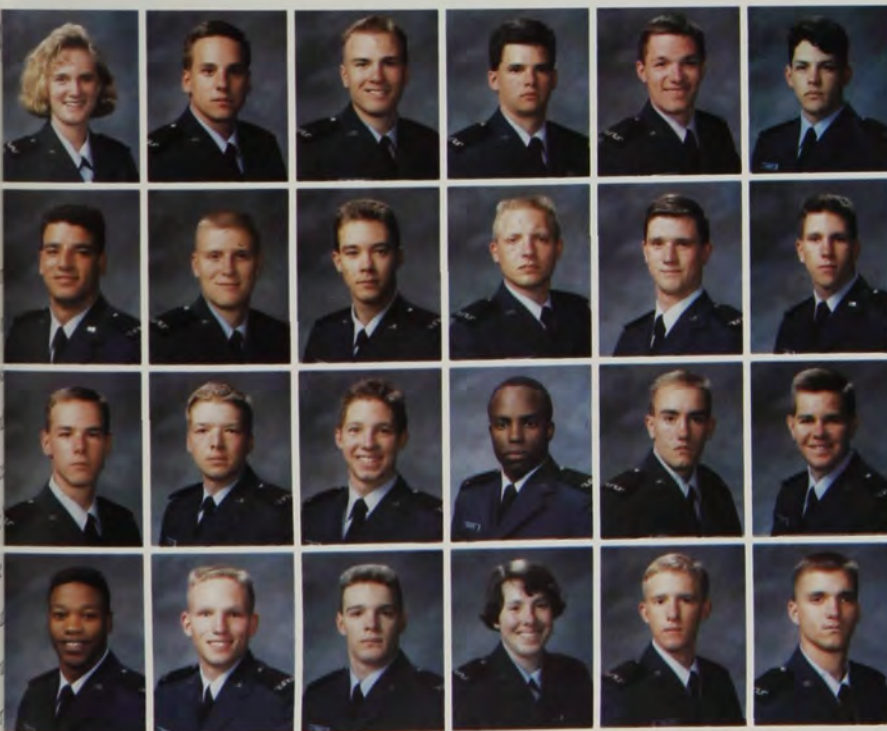
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Tiger Ten

*promoting a tradition of excellence...
Huzzah!*



Capt John W. McDonald
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Deborah J. Cheslow
Deputy AOC

Long gone are the days when Tiger Ten claimed the title "Tiger Tenth." They started the year with one goal in mind. To produce efficient and hard working officers for the future Air Force.

During the first semester Tiger Ten lead the First Group by achieving: marching squadron of the period, overall squadron of the period, first in SAMI and fourth-class knowledge bowl champions. Clearly the cadets pulled together to make their goals a reality.

"(The fourth-class impressed everyone) they sounded off, fell in, marched in step on strips, greeted together on the strips and did push-ups of their own volition," C3C Adam Reiman said.

"They even joined other squads training sessions

to help them out."

However the fourth-class wasn't the only class that helped out others. The first-class even performed SAMI prep, typically the job of the fourth-class. "It was weird to see upperclassmen scrubbing the walls while four degrees cleaned their rooms," C3C Jeremy Marsh said. "But, that's the Air Force Academy for you."

Even the AOC Captain McDonald joined in the effort to make improvements in Tiger Ten. C3C John Moro explained: "He even introduced new plaques with goals for the squadron and they sure are pretty!"

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Rebeleven

the third-class shares some thoughts on their experience



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 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Daniel C. Miller
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The completion of Basic Cadet Training only symbolizes the beginning of a longer journey. A journey that is only half over at the end of a cadet's third-class year. Times start out tough, only to become more and more demanding.

C3C Heath Wharton attributed some of his success to attitude: "The key to the program is keeping a positive mental attitude and making the best of every situation. If you do that, you'll learn a lot as well as have a good time."

Recognition is the culmination of the fourth-class year. It leaves the soon-to-be thirdclass with a feeling of success. A former

fourth-class cadet from the Twenty-Second shared: "I was never more motivated and pumped up than I was at that instant. We had not only accepted the challenge, but we had conquered it."

C3C Janelle Jones concluded: "The Academy is not a test of strength, but a test of endurance. We have all fought for that last drop of energy. Whether it be sucking it up on the run to 'the Rock' during Recognition; waking yourself from an evasion nap or just making it under that damn bulkhead in 'waterhaze'. These tests of our endurance give us the ability to survive under the strain of any condition."



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Dirty Dozen

the "Ice Cold Twelve Pack" marches proud and stays proud



Capt Sandra L. Petrie
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Samuel Payan
Deputy AOC

"Unlike some squadrons, the AOC has given control of the squadron almost entirely to the cadet chain of command. This 'hands-off' policy has allowed the cadets to develop and improve their leadership skills in a non-threatening environment," C3C Jon Scheer stated. The Twelfth has demonstrated superb leadership ability in keeping its squadron compelled to march proudly.

Dozen has defended its reputation of being the leaders in marching for the past several years. "Dirty Dozen once again proves that only the best come out on top as we successfully defended our marching title..." C3C Dwight Junio added. To the members of the squadron it has become a tradition they

pride themselves on.

This pride also gleams in other efforts of the squadron. "As a squadron, the Dirty Dozen won Logistics Squadron twice, Marching Squadron of the month twice, swept intramural once and Best Common Use Area for a SAMI...."

Some members of the Twelfth feel that other squadrons don't understand the pride they show in a monotonous task like marching. It is simply a matter of pride, almost every squad excels in something," C3C Shane Garrett explains: "Hey, it could be worse. We could be known as the Academic Squadron of the Wing.... yeah right!"

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Bulldawgs

with only one eye open, Bullpups "charge" into the day



Capt Thomas Roxberry
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Timothy L. Saffold
 Deputy AOC

The time is 0540 hours and my alarm clock begins to echo through Vandenberg Hall. After snoozing for 30 minutes more, I jump off my bed, bang my toes on the sharp edges of my bed unit and collide into my closet in desperate search of my bathrobe.

Putting on my bathrobe and shower clogs, I then dash toward the showers only to find my AOC preparing to take a long hot shower. In fear, I jump in and out of the shower with a record time of two minutes.

Sprinting back to my room, I then dress myself and clean the room for the next 20 minutes. Without hesitation, I grab the nearest

peice of *Gazzete Telegraph* and begin to consume the day's current events. After a short period of memorization, this, the relaxing part of the morning quickly draws to a close.

"Bulldawgs, prepare to call the minutes please!"

Yes, this is the typical morning of a Bullpup in CS-13, the Bulldawgs.

Story Courtesy of C4C Jesse Wesley



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Kristen M. Welsh



Cobras

*an Evening At The Improv? no, it's
a Cobra noon meal formation*



Maj Kevin L. Kimsey
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Richard J. Burgess
Deputy AOC

C2C Bill Benson dealt the first blow with a joke about his roommate: "Congratulations to Brian Salmon who is finally coming out of the closet today." Of course Brian had to defend his honor, and retaliated with an even more snide comment... the comedy factor was ruthless, but it was all fun and games.

Suddenly the First Shirt, C2C Mike Ramirez stepped in with another announcement: "We have a Geek of the Week winner; It seems Ki Jackson wanted to see if his iron was hot, so he touched it to his face. I'm sure there are easier ways, but his face is proof that there aren't many more as effective!"

Cobra's den. For instance C4C Steve Wiggins fell asleep in Fairchild Hall. He slept through all of ACQ and even missed D.I. As part of his punishment he had to make a "Wiggins Locator (wigicator)," to keep on his door, in case he fell asleep anywhere else.

Every squad had its share of animosity, but the Cobras did a great job of keeping a smile on everyone's face. If stand-up comedy were an AFSC, the Vipers of 14 would undoubtedly have a majority of the slots.

By Michael Brevard

Comical occurrences abound in the



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Charles H. Baker
Rex M. Ballinger
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Gregory R. Wood
Alexander M. Wylie



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Wareagles

freshman attest to the independent leadership of the upperclass



Capt Scott G. Lardner
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Gene W. Goodier
Deputy AOC

The beginning of the school year marked a new era in Wareagle leadership. The arrival of their new AOC, Capt Scott Lardner, offered the upperclass a fresh start at leading the squad the way they saw fit. Everyone in the squad was much happier with their new found independence, even the fourth-class admired the efforts of their superiors.

C4C Joe Capasso commented on upperclass leadership: "Their example, which is the true quality of leadership, allows the fourth-class to respect them and their training. Our motto, 'It's not the fear of losing, but the will to win,' encompasses these abstracts."

Along with the new leadership style, there was a stronger sense of support for the

members of the Fifteenth. "When you are in times of trouble, they are there to listen and support you," C4C Erin Grogan explained. "When you want to share your happiness, they are there to celebrate with you. There is a special bond that keeps us together and that bond will last a lifetime."

Through motivated upperclass dedication, the squadron has become one of the best in the Wing; it won Squadron of the Month several times this year. C4C Jason Porter boasted "Having won Squadron of the Month the first two times it was awarded, nothing can ever compare: Wareagles. Enough said."

By Michael Brevard



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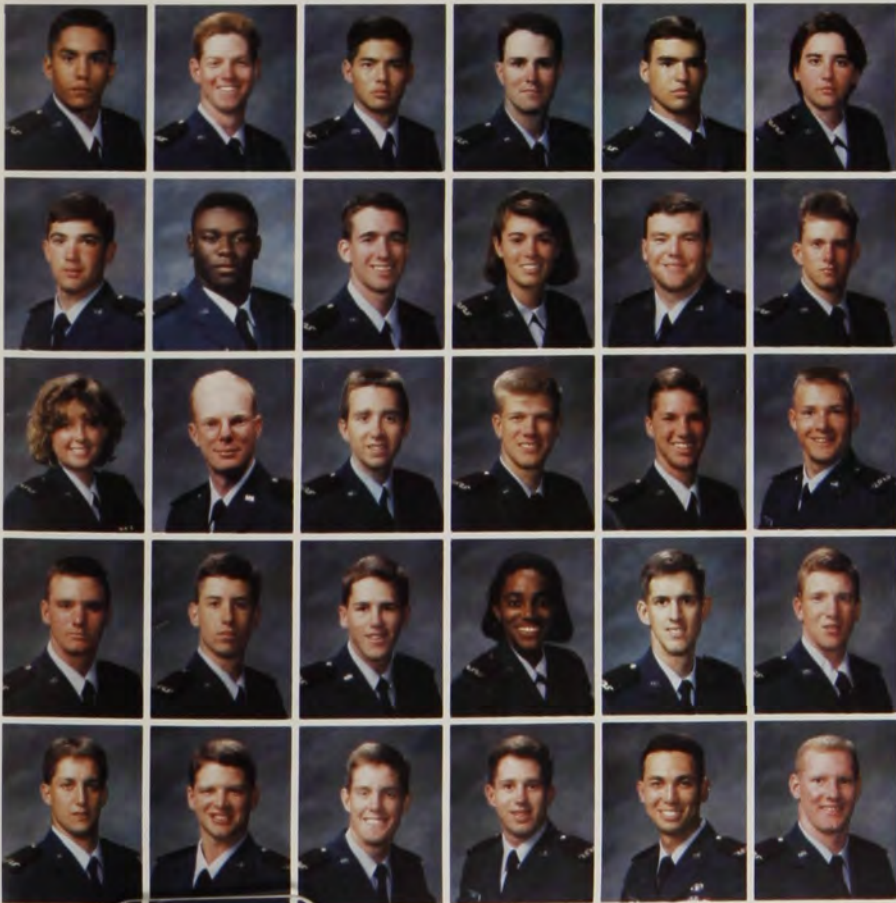
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Chickenhawks

*the hallways are clear and it's safe
for everyone to come out now*



Capt Brian S. Finn
Air Officer Commanding

Capt Susan M. Myhre
(Photo Not Available)
Deputy AOC

At the beginning of the year, the Chickenhawks warmly welcomed their new AOC Capt Brian Finn. Since that time, the squadron dawned a new atmosphere, but the aftermath of their previous AOC has not been forgotten.

C2C Tim Cullen stated: "Sometimes you might take your AOC for granted, but the Chickenhawks don't. It's nice to have a leader above you that trusts and supports the people under him/her...for the first time in a long time the atmosphere in the squadron is positive. The cadets are doing the leading, and wearing their hats and flip-flops to boot!"

The transition from an AOC run squad-

ron to a cadet run squad, has gone quite smoothly. C2C Lou Navarro explained: "This year we finally have some freedom. Our chain is allowed to implement its own policies; what a concept! Forms 10 have dropped exponentially."

The atmosphere of the Sixteenth has warmed up considerably since the new year began, "and walking through Sixteen's hallways is not the terrifying experience it used to be." The most important thing is that the cadets are once again in control of their squadron. C2C Lou Navarro concluded: "CS-16 is once again 'Sweet 16.'"

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 Jason R. Dyer ('94)

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Stalag

a humorous look at the social shock some cadets experience



Capt Steven L. Waters
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Constantine Tzavaras
Deputy AOC

I've been here at USAFA for quite some time now, and during that time there have been some drastic changes in my love life. The biggest change was going from a two fisted, hairy chested, object of carnal desire, to a man cordoned off from the rest of society, doomed to spend the rest of his days in Arnold Hall chasing the cleaning lady and begging for a free refill.

I remember the good old days before I gave USAFA my deposit, and with it my freedom. I remember coming home to messages from Joyce, Jenny and Janet. "Call me," the note would read, "love Jessica".

I remember fending off the hordes of

screaming woman at the mall who lunged and tore at my clothes in blinding fits of lust. On several occasions I suffered severe bodily injury as my animal magnetism enticed yet another crowd of helpless woman. Alas, those days are gone forever, and now the only calls I get are from my AOC. There are no lustful hidden meanings, only threats of tours and confinements should I forget to sign off the alpha roster.

Armed with my ODP and Huffy ten speed, I might as well apply for Medicare; God knows I'd have better luck with women.

Story Compliments of C4C Charles McLean



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Nightriders

*where no cadets are safe on their
twenty-first birthday*



Capt Jerry A. Kozlowski
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Lawrence A. Ludwig
Deputy AOC

The Nightriders really know how to celebrate one of the most important holidays in a cadet's life. Turning twenty-one can be the most exciting night of a one's life. In the Eighteenth, however, it can also be the most interesting.

C2C Craig Stefan stated: "Jon Wright came back from his birthday celebration and commenced to 'Windex' his teeth." As if that wasn't weird enough, he "answered the CQ phone, just trying to be helpful, and yakked all over the CQ desk!"

"I don't drink," C3C Mark Carlson shared. It doesn't really matter though, because even the freshman share in the celebration. C4C

Mark Proden grinned: "Some of my classmates left a rather gross gift in the trash can of an upperclassmen, it smelled up the place pretty badly."

C2C Craig Stefan hasn't turned twenty-one yet, but he will shortly. He is rather leery of the whole event: "There is no telling what they (the freshman) will do to me. I think I'll stay out all night and come back the next day when it's safe."

Simply put, the Nightriders realize what an important holiday coming of age can be. Fun is stressed, but being a tight group, they also watch out for one another and keep each other safe.



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Wolverine

after a stressful week, they let more down than just their hair



Maj Steven D. Clark
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Capt Stephen M. Toldy
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 Second Semester

The members of Wolverine Nineteen conduct their business week in a similar fashion to the rest of the Wing. "Every day we get dressed up on our best blue clothes and take a morning stroll," C3C Dan Gable stated.

C2C Oliver Walthall shared one of the events of his busy day: "for instance, having to get up at 0600 to stand in line and have someone watch you got to the bathroom to take a drug test is a very demanding experience." However it's on the weekend that the Nineteenth lets its hair down.

C3C Reagan Whitlow explained: "...the real life goes on outside the squadron. For instance, Jeff McGuirk knocking his tooth out

to be funny. Oh, and Stew Hammons being the cool one he is, entering a costume contest at a rock concert with no costume. And how about those freshmen getting "couch dances" at a local club in service dress!"

With weekend activities like these, Wolverine has its stress level under control. "When I was a freshman, the ritual of this Academy wore on my nerves and suffocated me," C2C Eric Stubbs said. "But now, AOCs, marching, training, UOD, overloaded homework, limited passes and teachers who take it personally if I don't prepare for class is just another ripple under my stern."

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Trolls

where doolies are required to carry portable crud tables, not Contrails



Maj Edward H. Browne Jr
Air Officer Commanding
First Semester



Capt Angus B. Simpson
Air Officer Commanding
Second Semester

Crud, a traditional Air Force game is enjoyed by many operational squadrons. It is a well known game, played in officer clubs at bases around the world. The member of Trolls have learned the joy of a victorious crud game, and play it continually.

The games are played among the classes. Since the members of the teams are all in the same class, the games tend to be a little more competitive. "The stakes get higher, things tend to get a little violent and people are thrown across the table...that's the way we like it!" C3C Tom Sherman exclaimed excitedly.

C2C Brian Tidwell shared: "The game helped us transition in our new AOC pretty

smoothly, and it actually helps us stay a closely knit group. The AOC even referees a few matches for us." C3C Tom Sherman added: "Squadron tradition cites "bumping into the referee, requires you to buy him a beer."

No matter what the event, a cook-out, squadron party, tailgate or anything else, you can be sure the crud tables will be hoppin'. Crud is quickly becoming the past time of the Air Force and on the leading edge will be the Trolls crushing each other with smiles on their faces.

By Michael Brevard



Juliana Adair
Audrey E. Allcorn
Sherri J. Arruda
Christopher E. Austin
Robert D. Behm



Kyle D. Brown
Barry A. Burns
Joshua L. Christian
Christopher K. Ederle
John W. Eller
Christopher Ferretti
Antony K. Haynes



Christopher P. Ingleton
Jeffrey A. Johnson
Jeremy A. Kruger
Henry F. Kuhlman III
Benjamin R. Maitre
Shannon S. McDonald
Jeremiah R. Monk



Robert L. Nance
Evan S. Pitts
Clinton A. Ross
Thomas P. Sherman
Britt H. Singleton
Timothy N. Tart Jr
Erik A. Trefry

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Tanya Jeitz ('94)
Ruben J. Elizarde ('95)
Douglas P. Wickert ('95)



Jeremy R. Armagost
Jeffery A. Barrett
Matthew S. Bradford
Christopher A. Bridges
Brenton S. Buckner
Casey A. Cornish



Christopher A. Cullenbine
Kenneth T. Cushing
Christopher I. Farrell
Roberto Figueroa
Chadwick D. Igl
Jeremy M. Jenness



David M. Michaud
Kirk F. Miller
Mark W. Mitchum
Allen J. Olsen
John T. Orchard Jr
Marcus C. Prince



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Robert B. Russell
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 Aaron T. Allgeyer
 Lorenzo C. Bradley
 James A. Bruner II
 Michael S. Cranston
 Matthew D. Croon



Adrian M. Crowley
 Matthew R. Glover
 Brent D. Helinski
 Kent W. Hennings
 Kandace N. Henry
 Richard D. Hoyt Jr
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 Christopher R. MacInnis
 August J. Marquardt
 Matthew K. Miller
 Robert J. Morrison
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 Justin B. Peddicord
 Jeffrey M. Rengel
 Jonathan C. Rice IV
 Yvonne S. Spencer
 Timothy G. Sumja
 Jason A. Vitas



Black Jack

They roast weenies in their squadron nearly everyday



Maj Scott O. Cummings
 Air Officer Commanding

Members of 21st Squadron work hard to accomplish their squadron and personal goals, but occasionally they get caught doing really goofy stuff. In the case of a serious malfunction of priorities, members win the distinction of being "Black Jack Weenie Of the Day."



Capt Stephen Toldy
 Deputy AOC

In order to win, a member "has to do a stupid, idiotic thing, like wear service dress to a bar downtown, or something like that," C2C Ric Hoyt explained. Take C3C Ed Norton who was caught ironing his shirt garters, he was a shoe-in for the award.

C3C Jon Eckerman, Ed's roommate, when asked why he had never won the weenie title he replied: "Although I love the weenie award, I guess I'm just not that much of a dork to win it." With time he'll sure receive the honor.

Other memorable examples are C4C Tom Hamrock practicing rifle drill in his room and C4C Sam Ransom spit shining his civilian shoes in preparation for a night on the town. Truly every drummer marches to his own beat... In Black Jack they simply recognize this as the Weenie of the Day.

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Joseph L. Adams
 Douglas H. Bartels
 Steven M. Boatright
 Gwen L. Cestero
 Kevin D. Clark
 Kimberly E. Devereux

Jonathan R. Eckerman
 Michael J. Flynn Jr
 Bryan C. Green
 Keith B. Green
 Nicole M. Gumina
 Eric A. Herbek
 Stacie L. Kreykes

Jamie D. Lindman
 Blake D. Mathies
 Michael W. Miranda
 Edward T. Norton Jr
 Christopher O. Restad
 Candace L. Sharp
 Michael J. Simon

Jennifer Smith
 Forrest V. Soper
 William D. Tolman
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 Justin H. Trumbo
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 Brian B. Bullerman
 Todd W. Cook
 Paul G. Graddon
 Camilo Guerrero
 Thomas C. Hamrock

Sean D. Hill
 Darin A. Ladd
 Gregory M. Lassere
 Leland K. Leonard
 Steven W. Lo
 Afia I. Malone
 Jason A. Mock

Ryan M. Novak
 Erik W. Owens
 Julian L. Pacheco
 Samuel Ransom II
 Sean M. Rassas
 Brett A. Rawald
 Anthony A. Rivera

Tamara A. Smith
 Matthew N. Snoddy
 Steven Tenorio
 Mark R. Tobin
 Bradley C. Turpen
 Brent E. Weisner
 Thaddeus R. Woods

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 Carrie J. Bischel
 Dennis F. Bond II
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 James C. Chrisley
 Murray R. Clay



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 Thomas C. Fry
 Melissa A. Fuss
 Thomas J. Hood
 W. K. Innes
 Peter L. Kaplan
 William T. Kelley



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 Dane R. Nielsen
 Mark A. Parrott
 William M. Reinert
 William C. Robinson
 Thomas T. Scheel



Kirk M. Schultz
 William A. Schum
 Sean B. Singleton
 Robert G. Smoker
 William P. Stein
 Matthew J. Sufnar
 Michael F. Wittrock



Tarantulas

the squadron members are actually further out than they realize



Maj Mark C. Taylor
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Peter G. Edgar
 Deputy AOC

The Tarantulas are located in the northwest corner of Vandenberg Hall, so naturally they are pretty far away from everything else at the Academy. Priding themselves on being the home of the "butt wipe" competition, they are actually farther out than they realize.

The battleground is prepared by completely painting the greaseboard with a black grease marker. Once no white spots remain the competition gets underway. Contestants line the hall and anticipate their chance at a successful wipe. C3C Drew What emphatically stated: "I know other squadrons have runways and things like that, but we are the only squad with the butt wipe."

Height and agility combined with a good vertical leap are a must to be a competitive performer. When asked if she had ever done the jump, C4C Amelia Gonsalves replied: "Oh no! I'm only five-foot-two, the board is a little too high for me." For the shorter squad members the butt wipe became a spectator sport.

The members of 22 are excited to be the squadron that hosts such a unique game. C2C Mike Wittrock exclaimed: "It is a great time, but you definitely have to be tall to be good! I think they should make it an Olympic sport."

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David A. Amonette
 Eve M. Burke
 Edward D. Casey
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 Joel F. England
 Larry S. Franks

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 Philip M. Kerchner Jr
 Christopher L. Lambert
 Norman L. Lee

David R. McDaniel
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 Anthony B. Mulhare
 Steven G. Owen
 Phillip R. Parker Jr
 Douglas K. Rothenhofer
 Todd A. Scherm

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 Matthew A. Bruhn
 Jonathan C. Buffington

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 Deirdre C. Catlin
 Tad D. Clark
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 Craig L. Dumas
 David M. Dutcher

Vernon J. Fletcher
 Daniel P. Gillen
 Robert B. Gleason
 Amelia J. Gonsalves
 Chad A. Hahn
 Joseph M. Howard

Jeffrey C. Isgett
 James W. Johnson Jr
 Christopher E. Lantagne
 Michael P. Manion
 William J. McCrink III
 Edvardo C. Meidunas

Amanda S. Myers
 Neal Newell III
 Jaime H. Trujillo
 Maria C. Villalpando
 Jonathan M. Wiley
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William J. Block
Ignacio Carretero
Thomas P. Connelly
Calvin E. Crowner



Jason D. Forest
Carolyn S. Forner
Robert J. Goodwin
Bridget K. Hughes
Michael D. Ingersoll
James R. Kafer
Edward A. Kaplan



Kurt R. Keaton
Joseph P. Kendall
Paul D. Kirmis
Gregg A. Leisman
Clara C. Masotti-Maxwell
Gift T. Matemba-Mutasa
Thomas E. Molokie



Joseph S. Pastorello Jr
Patricia Rodriguez-Rey
Gerald L. W. Stewart
Kevin M. Stone
Daniel B. Swecker
Christopher M. Thome
James W. Wamhoff



Barnstormers

*Not much going on, not much to do,
pretty much just killin' time*



Maj Mark C. K. Muhlenberg
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Mark A. Hedman
Deputy AOC

Barnstormers exemplify the typical and almost generic squadron of the Cadet Wing. They don't plan way ahead; they don't worry about itineraries. They just take it one step at a time.

The members of 23 live the typical cadet life... Up early, to bed late, too much to do, and no time to do it in. Its members are very "hush-hush" about squadron business, and tend to keep a low profile. In fact with the exception of that long walk to formation across the way, they have very little excitement in their day.

"We have to walk farther to formation everyday than any other squadron in the Wing; that's what makes us different." C4C John

Engel exclaimed.

Having a variety of people in their squadron doesn't affect its secrecy, they still work well to keep Barnstormers informed and the rest of the Wing in the dark. Barnstormers enjoy being mellow, it helps to keep their blood pressure down.

Regardless of the closed mouth secrecy of its members, you can be sure much is going on behind their doors. It seems that the curious outsider has to become a member to find out. It seems that if you're not a Barnstormer, you simply lose out.

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 Kyle E. Carpenter
 Jonathon L. Cory

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 Jason D. Decker
 Robert A. Goddard
 Darren M. Hamilton
 Glenn T. Harris
 Todd S. Hudson

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 Rena A. Conejo
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 John H. Engel
 Ryan C. Frazier

Brendan R. Gale
 Scott M. Griffith
 James R. Hammel
 Jennifer Hammerstedt
 Glenn S. Johnson
 Jason M. Juliana
 John A. Kent IV

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 Shawn T. Lane
 Darcy C. Lyday
 Eric G. Mack
 Michael E. Malley
 Ryan W. Maresh
 Scott R. Mattes

Chad D. Merritt
 Todd M. Moore
 Danny M. Newman Jr
 John F. O'Neill
 Joseph J. Pace
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 Brian T. Janney
 Morgan D. Mackey
 Geoffrey S. Maron
 Jessica A. Matthews
 Gregory A. McCleary
 Thomas P. Moore



Tara E. Nolan
 Brock C. Oaks
 Gregory R. Olivares
 David A. Reyes-Imbott
 Erika A. Schenavar
 Michael K. Schnabel
 Michael S. Smith



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 Jefferson R. Thurlby
 Frederik W. Van Weezendonk
 Clinton F. Warner
 Joseph R. Wirthlin
 David J. Witkowski
 Steven P. Woods



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Phantoms

Hard Core 24? - They bear the title, but they don't play the game



Maj Michael D. Winton
 Air Officer Commanding

With a nickname like “Hard Core 24,” one can only wonder what goes on in the squadron. Surprisingly enough, they get the job done quite well, and not with much of a “Hard Core” attitude. Instead, C4C Derek Miller noted: “a family-type atmosphere is obvious, everyone looking out for everyone else.” This makes the squad run smo-o-othly.

Part of the smooth-runnin’ is the lack of Forms 10, but don’t assume the Phantoms lack discipline. They are “creative” in their punishment, unless of course you “really” screw-up. On the flip side, a squadron member said: “they’ll just have you do something for the squad if you make a small mistake.” There’s

nothing really “Hard Core” about it, it’s just common sense. Maybe the rest of the Wing should follow suit.

Aside from the professionalism, discipline and all that jazz, the Phantoms DO have quite a fun time. They’ve seen him!! Yes, him!!! ELVIS, a.k.a. C1C Harley Smith. C3C Cliff Volpe recorded the sighting earlier in the fall semester, also noting that Cadet Smith didn’t have to act much. He is the psuedo-king!

So, “Hard Core 24” really isn’t so hard core. They’re just makin’ it work with a “small sense of reality, detached from the fantasyland known as Camp USAFA.”

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 Jason H. Beers
 Brad E. Beyer
 Beau O. C. Bilek
 Normand A. Burroughs
 Lee E. Chase



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 Alejandro Cotto
 Micah L. Dean
 Bryan W. Dickson
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 Erik J. Halvorson
 Aaron L. Hartzler



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 Kjell N. Lindgren
 Shelly Mendiola
 Michael A. Mills
 Kirsten M. Palmer
 Alan R. Springston



Amanda J. Steffey
 Andrew B. Stone
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Shane E. Chubbs
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Redeye

The newest version of "The Little Rascals"



Capt Kirk L. Cakerice
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Brian D. Anderson
Deputy AOC

Redeye is a unique group, to say the least. Ranging from C1Cs Cliff and Clark to the three degree combos of "Joe Mike-Bag-o-Donuts Difidi and Uncle Jim, and Vern Gandhi and the Greek Yeager-pro roommate," everyone stays entertained. And not to forget the acceptance of "The Short People;" they soon will unite and have Redeye to thank, says one Redeye. Guess we'll wait and see.

Despite the fact that Joe's Diner became the "new" Mitchell Hall for a few weeks, C4C Matt Ahner refused to conform to standards and earned the name "Caveman." He demonstrated his perfect stoneage eating habits by continually screeching "ooga-booga and

lackey-lackey" everytime he took a bite! And his mom thought her son would one day become civilized, but not at camp USAFA.

The alpha-roster also played it's part into the winter. A member shared: "The Falcons played Utah in what was the coldest game of the year. KFC supplied chicken to freezing cadets as they sat in the grass. By half-time, the cadets outnumbered all other spectators, so many cadets left toward the end, only to find themselves caught by the **dreaded Alfa-roster.**" C4C Tim Bunnell lost, his eyebrows because of the incident. He won't share any of the details now, but ask him after he moves to his new squadron.



James R. Alexander
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Conrad C. Davis



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Charles I. Thompson
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Barons

Show pride for unit; integrity and honor



Maj Timothy L. Hale
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Robert B. Huber
Deputy AOC

They're serious and chill all at the same time, well most of them are. Most importantly honor and integrity top the Baron's list. C3C Michael Johnston expressed the serious Baron attitude: "if everything that belonged to a man was taken away, the only thing left unstripped would be his honor. . .with it everything can be replaced."

When it's time to work, the Barons take it seriously. Motivation seems to be high - especially among the fourth-class. A fourth-class cadet said, "I live with my best friend, and down the hall are 25 other buddies. The upper-classmen train by example, not lung aerobics.

The clothes are stylish, the pay is good. . .what

more could you ask for? Nothing, CS-26 has it all." Respect and professionalism have helped to foster this hard-working attitude.

Yet another constant is seen when the Barons make their way down the Bring Me Men ramp to one of those glorious parades. A squadron member can always be observed doing the "Doo." In other words, he would act like he ran into the STOP sign in the parking lot, this is done in loving memory of a former Baron. C2C Michael Reed assured all that this tradition and others would continue. So far, he hasn't let them down.

By Char Melick



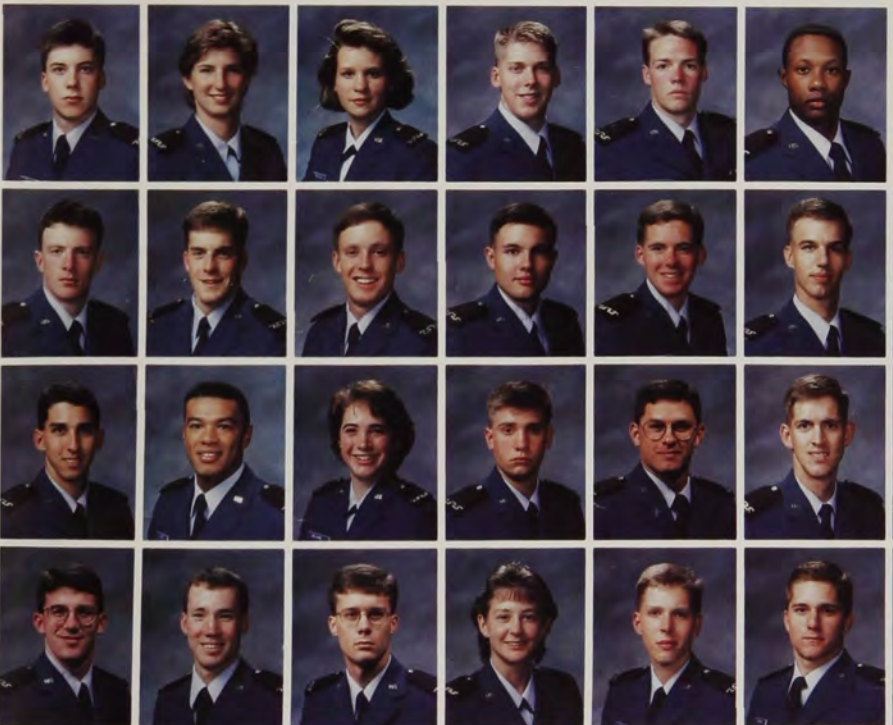
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 Joseph M. Parisi
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 Virginia-Maria Weldon



1994



Thunderbirds

fourth-class cadets realize the purpose of the "smack" year



Maj Patricia W. Ertel
 Air Officer Commanding

Capt Norman H. Pallister
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 Deputy AOC

As the story was passed on to the *Polaris* ... "And then there were the Thunderbirds. After successfully shrinking the squadron down by more than half-of-dozen freshmen and sophomores the first month, they got down to serious business. We had our two training sessions of the semester right off the bat."

C4C Ed Petka shared: "I personally view the fourth-class year as a chance to prove myself, not to my family or friends, but to myself. When I completed BCT, I was beaming with pride. I was overjoyed to have finished such a strenuous time. Once I finish the fourth-class year, I will be proud to join

the *Long Blue Line*."

C4C Reid Rasmussen exclaimed: "I think the most important thing from my fourth-class year are my friends. The majority of people here had some great friends in high school, myself included, but there were very few that would consistently go that extra mile for you."

C4C Jon Davis concluded: "The fourth-class year at the Air Force Academy is an experience that will impact the rest of our lives. It will influence our view of life, successes and failures. It will provide a foundation that we can rely upon in future times of crisis."



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 Ethan A. Blankenship
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 Michael E. Brock

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 Jason S. Dukes
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 John M. Groves
 Cort O. Hacker

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 Patrick A. Heyman
 John J. Joyce IV
 Peter N. Kelly
 Andrea C. Kerkman
 Mark D. Lewis
 Greg J. Mallon

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 Timothy H. Russell
 Brian E. Sciantarelli
 Jonathan D. Shultz
 Jeffrey S. Smith
 Derek J. A. Younger

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 Virge T. Owens ('95)



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 Michael J. Fellona
 Steven A. Fino
 Adrienne L. Fleming

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 James J. Hannan III
 Colin P. Hughes
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 Ken M. Lantagne

Clemente E. Lara
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 John R. Ludington III
 Randy M. Ludwig
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 Sarah F. Miklaski

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 Edward F. Petka Jr
 Jon E. Plasterer II
 Reid F. Rasmussen
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 Stephen B. Austin
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 Antonio E. Rodriguez
 Jillene B. Rylaarsdam



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 Eric I. Y. Song
 Jeffrey P. Spinnanger
 Gentry B. Stephens
 Darryl L. Terrell Jr
 Brian C. Van Matre
 Saxon T. Yandell



1994



Blackbirds

For is it Magpies? Regardless of its name this squad "Pushes It Up!"



Capt Darrell P. Zelko
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Robert A. Lala
 Deputy AOC

So just what exactly does it mean when the Blackbirds of 28 "Push it Up?" Well, according to C4C Stephen Schell it comes with being one of the most professional squadrons in the Wing. C4C David Burns added that it also encompasses their Honor Ethic which is not just a standard, but a way of life. Undoubtedly, the Blackbirds are STRACT ... well ... at least some of the time.

Certain military performances continually eluded them; C3C Steven Klingman put it delicately: "We boast top notch cadets who are continually the anchor for Third Group marching."

C2C Brian Van Matre added: "So we took marching a little lightly, in the big scheme

of things, how we got to meals was pretty insignificant."

However, what did take precedence was superb MWR events. The most popular were the fruit launches down C-Flight into Squadron 32. An unidentified second-class cadet summed it up: "People gathered from near and far to watch the MWR citrus hurls (they) were a thing of beauty and finesse."

Yes the members of 28 had their share fun. C4C Kate Preston captured the essence of the squadron when she said: "This is the best place on earth, I love it here. Without a doubt this place is better than heaven."



Jeffrey D. Barchers
 Richard C. Batten Jr
 Chad B. BonDurant
 Andrea L. Brutke
 Christopher Buckley

James H. Crowell III
 Kevin J. Dudak
 Jason W. Evenson
 William J. Friday Jr
 Benjamin W. Glazer
 Steven W. Klingman

Richard T. Koch
 Murali Krishnan
 Matthew Liljenstolpe
 Joseph H. Medlin
 Derek R. Miller
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 Michael S. Pugh
 Blake C. Rodgers
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 Owen T. Shipler

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 Nathaniel B. Hesse
 Shannon J. Moham

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Daniel K. Bunts
Gary W. Crupi
Rebecca A. Currie



Thomas G. Falzarano
Randall B. Gonzales
Ernesto P. Hernandez
Todd A. Hudgins
Carla J. Hunstad
Nikki G. Johnson
Michael J. Kardoes



Frank R. Kincaid
William C. McCombs III
Paul J. Murray
Wade J. Rawlins
Mark D. Reimann
Christopher S. Sage
Douglas D. Smith



Christopher D. Stoffel
Phillip C. Swenson
Joseph P. Torres
Christopher M. Veazey
Audrey Williams
Jason Z. Wollard
Kurt J. Zobrist



Panthers

forget about recline two - nine, now it's "Back in Black" and very stract



Capt Joachim A. Rogl
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Kevin D. Parr
Deputy AOC

Recline two - nine! Don't even think about it! The Black Panthers got serious and decided to revamp their laid back image.

Focusing more on the "Work hard" than the "Play hard" aspect of their motto, the Firsties lead the squadron to an October Squadron of the Month. "Our new focus culminated in taking Squadron of the Month," C2C Chris Sage said. "This was the first time in years."

The upperclass wasn't alone in its quest to change the squadron's image. Fourth-class cadets became an integral part by organizing spirit missions, working on MWR activities and scoring well in knowledge bowls and SAMIs.

"We realized we were no longer recline two-nine; instead we are your */# is mine two-nine."

Despite the new found "stractness," when it was appropriate, the good times rolled.

"Our squadron MWR has provided us with numerous events to liven up the usually dismal atmosphere," C3C Brian Schnitker said.

C3C Ed Locke added: " (We've) found a perfect balance between discipline and the outside world. We look good, but at the same time we haven't lost our grip on reality."

An unidentified fourth-class cadet said:

By Amara Fotenos



Jason J. Baker
Jennifer A. Barnes
Chad A. Bushman
Travis M. Elkins
Damon J. Gentry
Julie C. Griffiths
Mark W. Hanson

Gordon S. Hunter
Christopher B. Jones
Otis C. Jones
Travis E. Lippert
Ty D. Little
Edward P. Locke
Todd P. Macler

Paul D. McCreary
Maxie L. McFarland II
Adam J. Meyers
Christopher J. Mills
Joseph T. Otto
James E. Platt Jr
Charles J. P. Podolak

Brian A. Schnitker
Richard B. Spiers
Christopher A. Tumilowicz
Keith R. Turner
Thomas J. Walker
Stephen D. Wier
Tracy J. Willcox

1995

Not Pictured:
Daniel A. DeVoe ('95)



Jason G. Arnold
Erin K. Berry
Matthew R. Dean
Johan A. Deutscher
Adam C. Flood
Mark W. Gehringer

David M. Gretz
Erik K. Hoffman
Jacque M. Joffrion
Erik A. Kjellberg
Robert G. Knowlton
Jason R. Lawless

Scott E. Lorenz
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Solomon J. Williams III

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Michael T. Charlton
James A. Fabio
Christopher T. Ford
Francisco M. Gallei



Eric A. Gruszecki
Troy C. Henderson
John A. Hennings
Richard E. Henrichsen
Jonathan A. Jensen
Kristi L. Kluck
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Jerald S. Loeffler
Leonard R. Medley III
Joseph K. Michalek
Anthony L. Mitchell
John R. J. Oaks
Karl W. Rogers



Preston S. Schlachter
Robert M. Shideler
David M. Siress
Raymond T. T. Truong
Steven G. Watson
Donald E. Wiesmann Jr
William A. Zutt



Knights of Thirt

don't know their names, that's ok, they go by Norm



Maj Lance C. Young
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Grant A. Hudson
Deputy AOC

Wouldn't you like to get away? Do you have a place to go where everybody knows your name? The Knights of Thirt can answer that question with a resounding yes! True, most squadrons in the Wing watch that ever popular TV show "*Cheers*," but the Knights of Thirt actually live it.

C3C Paul Hoffman explains: "We have a place to escape the idiot regulations and work of the mighty Air Force Academy. It's a place where everyone can relax and just get away from it all. Hell we've even got the same personalities; there's many a Norm in the squadron, of course, there're a lot of Cliff Clavans out there also."

C3C Jose Garcia, sliding up a bar stool (well actually a chair in the SAR), commented: "(Yeah), I enjoy our intramural teams, although there seems to be a problem with all the referees and CICs because we keep coming in last!" Useless, but amusing chatter abounds in and out of the TV room as the Knights are swept into an endless episode of their favorite program.

In fact the Knights are royalty when it comes to meaningless babble. "Three degrees have nothing else to do but master useless trivia." C3C Paul Hoffman shared. "It's about movies, playmates of the month, music videos, Ramen noodles or whatever."

By Michael Brevard



Louis C. Alden
 Kenyon K. Bell
 Michael R. Black
 Leonard D. Cabrera
 Dermot J. Coll



Frank A. Delsing
 Lance M. Eidem
 Jose C. Garcia-Morales
 Billee S. Gladen
 Shenandoah B. Goddard
 Richard G. Hansen



Hugh S. Hansens
 Conan J. Higgins
 Paul J. Hoffman
 Mark A. Kremer
 Timothy P. Kuehne
 Jason A. Lamont



Joseph W. Locke
 William M. Lowe
 Kevin B. Massie
 Mark C. McCraney
 Darren B. Neil
 Paul A. Northon



Carmine J. Punziano
 Lisa A. Purul
 Daniel D. Shafer
 Tanya C. Simmon
 Alan F. Thode
 Matthew E. Wall

1995



George E. Bajuscik
 Christopher R. Bishop
 Roberta L. Breyen
 Curtis W. Burney



Lisa M. Cherry
 Nathan A. Chine
 Michael D. Dee
 Gwendolyn R. DeFilippi
 Richard E. Dwyer
 Bolivar M. Fraga



Michael C. Gilliam
 Paul J. Gomez Jr
 Bryan A. Hay
 Scott M. Hovis
 Daniel J. Leone
 Alexander B. Linville



Mark A. Malan
 Christopher J. McCarthy
 Jeffrey Meade
 Anthony J. Mims
 Michael C. Moynihan
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 Thomas L. Salsbury
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 Graham K. Bloxom
 Young C. Choe
 Jeffrey M. Clark



James S. Dean
 Amy L. DiGiovanni
 Alan W. Edwards
 Christopher M. Follin
 Gary E. Goosen
 Lucas L. Haak
 Gregory S. Keeton



David B. Kirby
 Luis F. Linares
 Troy R. Lohmeyer
 Paul R. Messerli
 Gilbert D. Ness
 Timothy S. Price-Williams
 Kirk J. Rasmussen



Michael G. Reed
 Deborah L. Reuther
 Vincent T. Riche
 Douglass B. Smalley
 Jackkrit Thammavichai
 Eric J. Tucker
 Brian J. Zawada



Grim Reapers

Third-class have a "Celtic Wedding" in the rolling veil of their own hall



Capt Stephen M. Wade
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Jeffrey K. Barnson
 Deputy AOC

Suddenly the white walls of the hall seemed a little greener. It was as if a fine mist formed around the dancers as the bagpipes began to play. They came from all sections of the hallway dressed in peasant clothes (UOC) and bandanas. The "Celtic Wedding" began and the dance was underway.

They crossed their arms and bobbed to the music. C3C Doug Johns, Celtic mosh connoisseur, explained: "the song starts off slow, then gets quicker, then slow again. We do a Russian dance to the slow parts and go into the faster part like those punk rock guys." He continued: "heck, there is even a part where everyone sings along with the Chieftains."

"Doug Johns would play some Celtic music with fiddles and bagpipes, once the tone

picked up, it turned into one big mosh...A mosh is like a slam dance, just not as brutal. It is a great stress reliever and tension breaker." C3C Rich Mott shared. C4C Tom Ste. Marie, an intent spectator, added: "during the mellow part they just dance around slowly, then the fast part would come and they would scream and start beating the s*#@ out of each other."

Because the academic environment was being destroyed, authorities forced the dancers to take their art underground. On occasion though, if the moon is full, and one is quiet, the crashing bodies and racing bagpipes of the moshers in 31st Squadron can still be heard.

By Michael Brevard



Matthew D. Albright
Nathaniel D. Barnes
Jeffrey A. Bottorff
Adam L. Cramer
Gerald A. Donohue



Jeffrey B. Edwards
Abderrahim El Hamoumi
Tiffany S. Evans
Derek R. Ferland
Jason S. Fisk
Shawn J. Hokuf



Douglas L. Johns
David A. McCaleb
David C. McMartin
Quintessa Miller
Sean T. Milliken
Richard A. Mott



Shawn M. O'Donnell
Jennifer L. Parenti
Nehal K. Patel
Adam K. Reedy
Jason T. Rishel
Melvin B. Simpson



Mark Sotallaro
Anthony Swatski
Darell A. Taylor
Ernest L. Wearren Jr
Kevin A. Whittaker
Travis S. Wilds

1995

Not Pictured:
James Systma ('94)



Piotr A. Blazeusz
Patrick S. Brannan
Niko S. Brooks
Dewayne J. Creamer

1996



John S. Frazey
William J. Fry
Matthew P. Giese
John W. Giusto
Samuel L. Guenther
Dagoberto Guerrero
Brian C. Gwinnup



Alan M. Hook
Kristopher M. Hughes
Todd M. Lindell
Noel R. Lipana
John R. Lodmell
William T. McElhinney III
Thomas C. McIntyre



Matthew B. Morrison
Sakura A. Moten
Joel W. Safranek
Eric G. Sands
Timothy P. Schweitzer
John T. Sheridan
Christopher J. Spinelli



Thomas R. Ste Marie
Dawn R. Wagner
Jon S. Wheeler Jr
Alan J. Wigdahl
Andrew C. Wiles
Rustin T. Yerkes
Jacob A. Zochert

1994

Arturo E. Alvarado Sosa
Baker B. Beard
Rebecca Bernardini
William T. Boscarino



Robert L. Buzzell Jr
Julian C. Cheater
Michael T. Dean
Thomas K. Dixon
Owen D. Evans
Stephen C. Grotjohn



Michael R. Hiddessen
Jason McInerney
Bryce A. Morgan
Michael P. Murphy
Ryan K. Osteros
Andrew K. Ouimet



David A. Piffarero
Danny C. Piper
Michael J. Raynoha
Tiffany L. Smith
Titi Soo
Christopher C. Vogel



Roadrunners

Watch out, Buggs, the roadrunners are still Rockin' your way



Maj Loyd W. Reed
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Steven W. Smith
Deputy AOC

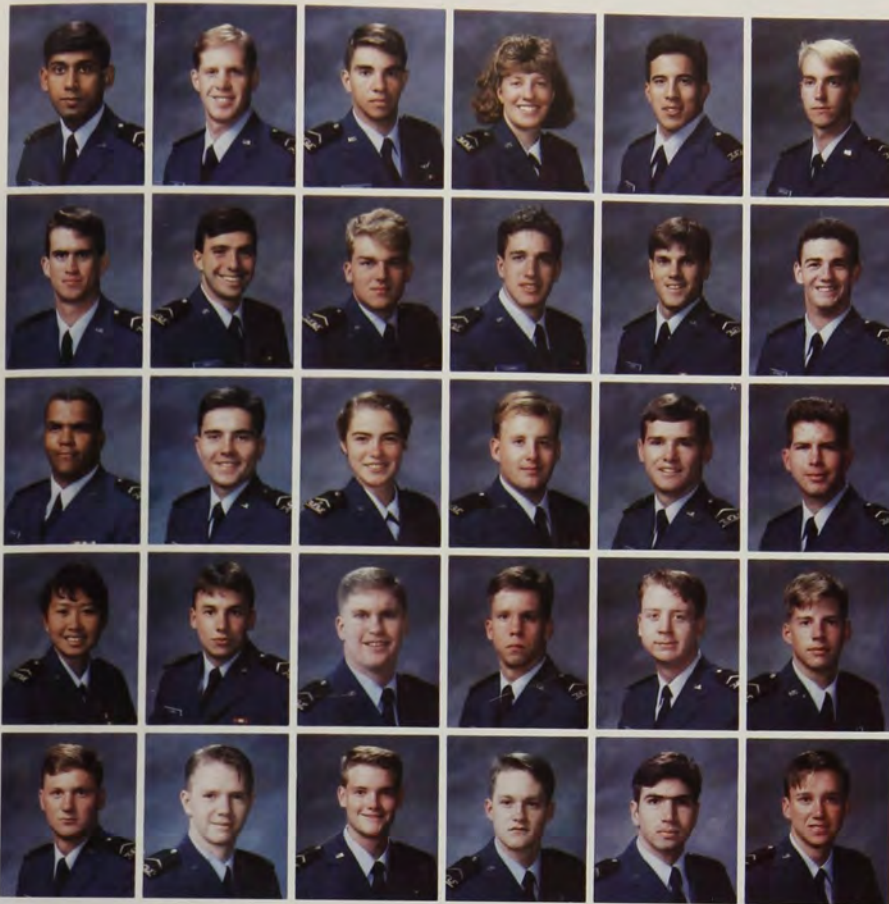
High speed, low drag? Most definitely. Work was work and free time was wasted! But then what is squadron life with no play? Behind their fearless leader, Maj Reed, and strong cadet leadership, the Rockin' Roadrunners did their best.

Professionalism and doing the job were the main focus of the Roadrunners. They did their respective jobs when not stressing over the textbooks or possibly writing Forms 10? So maybe Stract Patrol needed to chill out, but all in all, they turned out pretty well. However, this is not to say they didn't have fun!

From the intramural fields to Thursday night movies, the Roadrunners lived it up. CIC

Heath Rushing led the battle for intramural champs with his "Inspirational Quotes of the Day," the most famous being, "We don't make no friends on the intramural fields!" Other stress relievers included the all-famous Chariot Races, the Roommate Game (so what did you learn?), cookouts and the entertaining night at Chi-Chi's.

One may still wonder what life was like as a Roadrunner. In C4C Erik Biebighauser's words: "Yes, life in these famed halls is, indeed an epic in the Chronicles of USAFA and Other Lesser Institutions." Shall we say, the Roadrunner's rocked the night away?



Salman M. Aslam
 Gary D. Beene
 Matthew J. Biewer
 Laura C. Boussy
 Justin Z. Brizuela
 Scott A. Burroughs

Colin J. Connor
 Joseph A. Conti
 Grady A. Dunham
 Todd D. Fleming
 James W. Fuchs
 Steven M. Hatheway

Edward C. Hopkins
 Christian D. Kane
 Cheryl A. Lamoureux
 Jamie S. Leighton
 Shawn T. McMaster
 Timothy P. Murphy

HongBao M. Nguyen
 James P. Olsen
 William A. Ormiston
 Jay E. Pelka
 Douglas R. Rakocy
 David G. Rankin

Andrew F. Robbert
 Brett C. Rosenberger
 Sean R. Slaughter
 Ian D. Smith
 Fuad A. Velasco
 James D. Zwyer

1995

Not Pictured:
 Johnny M. Moreno ('94)
 Hendrik A. Van de Pol ('94)
 Joel W. Jenne ('95)



Cesar O. Acebes-Puertas
 Jeffrey T. Allison
 Daniel A. Alvarado
 Erik D. Biebighauser
 Matthew M. Bishop

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Elton E. Dixon
 Michael R. Donaghy
 Katrina A. Ekman
 Carolyn C. Fia
 William C. Freeman
 Jesse J. Friedel

William S. Godwin
 Amy L. Graveley
 Bryan W. Gregory
 Sang K. Hahn
 Scott A. Heritsch
 Jeffrey A. Hogan

Shayne K. Kiefer
 Chadwick D. Lindstrom
 Stephen J. Lucas
 Joshua D. McClure
 Mark L. Meier
 Sean P. Morgan

Eric A. Mulert
 Rafal A. Nowak
 Tanya F. Nunez
 Christopher M. Richman
 Douglas G. Seymour
 Shaka M. Walker

Loyd E. Barton
 Adelle L. Belisle
 Connor S. Blackwood
 Ryan B. Craycraft
 Jason D. Dickinson



Kevin M. Dydyk
 Leo L. Gage Jr
 Nicola P. Gismondi
 Leonel Gonzalez
 Steven B. Graves
 Jennifer T. Howard
 Lara N. Jaessing



Brannon E. Kerr
 Robert M. Lisch
 Bradley W. McDonald
 James H. Miller
 Charles M. Perkins
 Tuan A. Pham
 Jason A. W. Queen



Cedric A. Robertson
 William B. Robertson
 Brett S. Seiling
 James W. Sikra
 Theodore I. Sweeney
 Gina E. Voellger
 Tracy L. West



1994



King Ratz

Cellar Ratz entertain, hold their own and boast of the rattitude!



Maj Kenneth J. Davis
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Phil L. Austin
 Deputy AOC

What other squadron's goal would have been to be #1 in Wing MWR? What other Squadron Commander's dad would be a general in the Polish Army? Of course, it could be none other than the diverse, yet united Cellar Ratz of 33. If you wanted MWR, they gave it to you. If you wanted more, they gave you more. . . well, O.K. they studied and worked. . . occasionally? This is what's known as the "Rattitude," a personal style for doing things.

When the most cherished goal was, according to C3C Rob Teschner: "studying hard, partying harder and graduating with as much ease as possible," nothing less than fun and family could be expected. Stupid Cadet Tricks, Beer Ball, Quad-ball, Cart Races, Two

Steppin', and Noggin Contests filled the MWR agenda on a regular basis, but none iced the cake better than the Rat-famous "Carrier Landings."

C3C Elizabeth Templeton recalls a specific landing: "Sliding down the hall at break neck speed and posing that aerodynamic look I learned in Aero, I raced through the crowd of cheering RATZ, thinking 'Long Landing! Long Landing.'"

True, the Ratz had fun, but the Rattitude also allowed for growth and the development of a family. Friendships are what Ratz are all about. From the Ratz - "We Hold Our Own!"

By Char Melick



David J. Abrahamson
William E. Baird
Steven P. Bording
Scott A. Cain
Jason J. Cockrum
Roy W. Collins

Carlos Dellepiane
Anthony T. DiCarlo
Deedra D. Fogle
Scott A. Grundahl
Christopher N. Liontas
David Ramirez Jr
Teaka J. Robba

James A. Runte
Jason R. Sanderson
Brian A. Smith
Andrew J. Streicher
Brittany D. Stuart
Timothy D. Stumbaugh
Peter Sung

Elizabeth K. Templeton
Robert C. Teschner
Kah W. Tham
Timothy G. Treglown
Andrew F. Veneri
Brian A. Waypa
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Jeffrey A. O'Grady

Kara J. Parks
James D. Pedersen
Joseph P. Pestana
Elan M. Walshe
Jason C. Worley
George R. Wyse
Archer M. Yates Jr

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Christopher A. Bahl
Brian K. Bergeron
Arthur J. Bosker
Brian A. Brech
Kathleen L. Cleveland



James E. Eby
Mark T. Fritzinger
Paul J. Hermann
Bradley K. Hodges
Liaquat U. Iqbal
Matthew P. Jefson
Jennifer L. Kappeler



David C. Kent
Philip J. Mendicki
Elizabeth A. Moore
Steven M. Otto
Matthew A. Parker
Paul F. Perkins
Ian S. Pharris



Trinette Prater
Michael W. Pruce
Ashton T. Reynolds
Christopher J. Sovada
Trace W. Thurlby
Kevin R. Vincent
Paul A. Wagner Jr



Loosehaws

a squadron that breeds professionalism, improves itself



Maj Jeffrey A. Jackson
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Norman E. Rennspies
Deputy AOC

Members of the Loosehaws will share that their squad is a bit on the strict side, but odds have it they will have a smile on their face when they say it. Being a squadron that believes heartily in class distinction, the Thirty-Fourth stresses professionalism and courtesy. C4C Sarah Martinez stated: "In our squad there is a lot of respect between the classes. We do a good job with rank distinction and everybody is professional."

C4C Harry Dyson added: "Being in a strict squad is something that a lot of times you hate, but I'm sure later I'll look back and realize I learned something from it." Taking pride in itself and its military achievement is something

a lot of other squadrons can no longer do. Professionalism is a quality displayed by most of the squadrons that set themselves apart in military achievement.

Treating each member of the squadron with respect allows 34 to get along better, and it even increases their ability to work together. "When it all comes down to the job, whether it be big or small, every member of the squadron chips-in and does their part," C4C Harry Dyson said. "Even if it is a project that people don't agree with they'll still help out."

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 Jeffrey S. Barker
 Michael J. Benson
 William D. Betts
 Mark E. Burns



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 Kevin J. Cook
 Sean M. Cotter
 Eric S. Crawford
 Jay D. Custine
 Jackie L. Day



April S. Drew
 Richard L. Fletcher
 Cordis H. Foster
 Franklin D. Gaillard II
 Gabriel J. Griess
 Christopher R. Kieling



Song Ko
 Jason J. Labant
 Steven E. Maceda
 Nicholas E. Macfalls
 Andre E. Mitchell
 Narongchai Nimitbunan



Brian D. Oswalt
 Matthew J. Sandelier
 Gilbert W. Sanders
 Alfred C. Schmutzer III
 Tavis M. Shaw
 John C. Sullivan

1995



Kyle J. Boeckman
 Jason C. Cooke
 Jasin R. Cooley
 Michael E. Dillinger
 Harry R. Dyson
 Steven C. Grichel



Jussi T. Hannula
 Scott A. Hartman
 Tracy L. Healy
 Kristopher J. Horton
 Jason D. Hoskins
 Scott J. Howe
 Jared J. Hutchinson



Javier M. Ibarra
 David J. Irvin
 Brett A. King
 Sarah E. Martinez
 Timothy J. Morris
 Brandon D. Parker
 Joseph L. Schlundt



Ryan J. Suttlemyre
 Joseph B. Szucs
 Jennifer S. Trost
 John E. Vargas
 Scott A. Vecchione
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Julie C. Garcia
Luke H. Gianelloni
Brian G. Hollomon
Tracy D. Hubbard
Gerald J. Huerta



William C. Kossick
Gordon J. Limb
Chad A. C. Mathis
David C. Meggett
Michael D. Pakiz
William G. Sabol
Robert G. Sepp



Kristi L. Sickels
Gary D. Smagorinsky
Kevin M. Swanson
Luis A. Villalobos
Ronald R. Watkins
Curtis J. Wichers
Mark F. Wood



1994



Wild Weasels

please "Hammer," don't hurt 'em!



Maj Roy A. White Jr
Air Officer Commanding

Hammer? NO, not the Pop Singer with the big bucks, but none other than the new Head Weasel AOC. And the cadets didn't even give him the nickname, HE did! He introduced himself as the "Hammer" and continued with, "I'm gonna turn this squadron around." Well, let's just say the Huge "Wild" Weasels turned into the Fast "Running" Weasels to ensure all members were up to Weasel standards for those erroneous PFTs! Not to mention those weekly meetings and 0630 AMIs. Eventually the Hammer's wrath subsided and the Weasels still found time to enjoy themselves.

Apparently, MWR activities were the saving grace for almost all Weasels, as the new pass policy "enhanced" those social skills. The

new squadron hero, Mr. Manly, kept a few squadron members happy, especially C2C Curtis Wichers, who constantly tried to avoid those "Cross-dressing, Quiche-eating Flit boys" by watching *Home Improvement* to preserve his "manliness." Other events included weekly movie nights, dining-outs and occasional shoepolish fires (way to go four degrees!)

All in all, the Weasels had a good year and in the words of C2C Donald Allinson: "the Huge Wild Weasels are now a force with which to be reckoned," ... much different than the attitude of a few years ago.

By Char Melick



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 Thomas A. Brien
 Scott C. Campbell
 Michael A. Curley
 Michael L. DeRosa
 Surya J. Frickel

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 Donald P. Jones
 Douglas F. Kaupa
 Donald R. Mannebach
 Joseph T. Marcinek

Elizabeth A. May
 Jennifer R. Patterson
 David L. Pike
 Mark E. Pleimann
 Patrick A. Pohle
 Elizabeth A. J. Roland
 Pamela D. Ruse

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 Andrew T. Smircich
 Toni A. Terhune
 Michael E. Thompson
 Daniel J. Warner
 Kevin M. Wells
 Paul M. Wojtowicz

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Bryan J. Cahill
 Edgar M. Dominguez
 Allen E. Duckworth
 John J. Duncan

Patrick J. Farrell
 Kelly J. Gargac
 Matthew S. Guenther
 Craig F. Hancock
 Roland K. Hillier
 Walter R. Hodges III

Darin L. Hoenle
 Joseph S. Howard
 Ryan A. Link
 Jaime P. McGrath
 Eric A. Micai
 Serena E. Mosley

Esther N. Mukasa-Magoye
 Brian A. Pete
 Timothy W. Porter
 Anthony J. Principi
 Michael K. Wempe
 David M. Younker

1996

Weasels
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 By Char

1994

William M. Douglass
Christopher L. Ellis
Chad E. Frazier
Ted R. Gatlin
Copernico G. Guerra
Chad A. Hamilton



Jesse D. Hernandez
Scott A. Krause
Heidi L. Lindstrom
Jeannine J. Lopez
Jeffrey C. Merrell
Victor W. Moncrieffe II



Debra A. Nawrocki
Christopher S. Rachael
Michael G. Rider
Hyun S. Shim
Stephen M. Sloop
Norman C. Summers



James C. Taylor
Tonnee M. Tonnesen
Brian E. Toth
Dustin C. Welsh
Lance D. Whitfill
Patrick J. Woods



Pink Panthers

... and the madness continues



Capt Steven E. Hodgkins
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Steven A. Lavell
Deputy AOC

In a year of amazing change and uncertainty, the Pink Panthers still found a way to enjoy being pretty in pink? More like, jinxed in pink. C4C Benjamin Piccone said: "What hasn't happened to 36?" Aside from all of the madness, MWR and friendship kept the Panthers moving along.

From fourth-class spirit missions to the Biggest Panther Belly Contest, MWR activities did more than just entertain, it kept sanity alive. Other activities included the Marshmallow Eating Contest, Egg Wars and the grand finale: "NEON" Dion Santos meets the freshmen. C4C Thomas Judd noted: "...he thought it was a pretty good joke too!" Above and beyond this

craziness, the Panthers found time to share and develop the Panther Team.

Sharing, caring and teamwork made the world go 'round. Being a person, whether stuck at USAFA or livin' it up downtown, makes life much more tolerable and helped the Panthers stick together through the good and the bad.

Whether it be "Monkey" Madness or just plain madness, the Panthers found a way to sift through it all. As a reminder, C4C William McCallum left words for all: "There is nothing so valuable in building a person's character as hardship."

By Char Melick



Steven E. Arbuckle
 Jeffrey L. Britt
 Phillip V. Carlson
 Shaun E. Conrardy
 Bonnie L. Cox



Chad J. Davis
 John L. Decker
 Phillip R. Donovan
 Johnathan D. Fontenot
 John C. Frazier
 Jeffrey M. Gibson
 Ronnie C. Hall



James C. Huscroft
 Travis L. Ingber
 Jeremy J. Johnson
 Catherine N. Kenneally
 Christine M. Kerick
 David B. Kincaid
 George J. Kriz II



Matthew B. Lewis
 Vincent A. Mankus
 Timothy J. Reutiman
 Jason J. Richard
 Dion D. Santos III
 Paul G. Songy
 Nathan J. Vogel

1995

Not Pictured:
 Timothy M. Pickrell ('95)



Anthony R. Barrett
 Sean N. Brennan
 Darryl V. D. Brown Jr
 Rodney D. Bullard
 Wayne M. Chitmon
 Justin D. Cooper
 Dax Cornelius

1996



Keith A. Derbenwick
 Adam L. Edwards
 Gerhard Hahn
 David A. Henshaw
 Christopher G. Hutchins
 Thomas C. Judd
 John E. Langsdorf



Kristi Lowenthal
 Rodney E. Luckett
 Michael S. Major
 William C. McCallum Jr
 Ryan J. Melville
 Heather J. Paul
 Benjamin I. Piccone



Keith E. Robinson
 Andre A. Rodriguez
 Rodney M. Russell II
 Matthew L. Soria
 John B. Thompson
 James D. Treadwell III
 Parker H. Wright

1994

Paul H. Abair
Brett C. Anderson
Robert L. Charlesworth
Fred R. Cunningham
Leslie J. Davis
Jodi A. DeMartelaere



Andrew S. D'Ippolito
David J. Emery
James F. Fagan Jr
Michael Grunwald Jr
John T. Jose
Michael D. Miller



Byron L. Miranda
Mark S. Mitchell
Brian J. Morrison
Martin J. O'Grady
John A. Ohm
Sean C. Routier



Jennifer S. Russ
Elliot J. Salmon
David G. Shoemaker
Drew A. Sopirak
Michael J. Spanich III
Tae S. Yu



Skyraiders

*Sit back, relax, don't worry;
everything's gonna be all right*



Maj Ellie Bishop
Air Officer Commanding

Capt Jeffrey A. Koch
(Photo Not Available)
Deputy AOC

In the everyday hustle and bustle of cadet life, most squadrons are buzzing with activity. The numerous lists of activities to be accomplished each day are nearly endless. Fortunately for the members of Skyraider 37, their pace is a bit more relaxed.

"Our squadron is at a cool medium between being stract and chill," C4C Mike Martinez stated. C3C Matt Kozma added: "We work hard and play hard." By keeping the stress level low, the squadron out performs even its own expectations.

If you're a member of one of those other stressing squadrons, and you need a break from the tyranny of normal cadet life, go to the home

of the Skyraiders. They could give lessons in relaxation, and they know how to have a good time. Stop by and see them sometime, but you better be smiling when you do.

C3C Matt Kozma stated: "We are determined to do our best, but we always have time to have fun!"

Enjoying the Academy experience is something other squadrons tend to forget, by getting all wrapped up in the everyday tasks. Skyraiders have a different attitude, sure... "work hard, play hard," but don't forget to sit back, relax, and know that everything is going to be all right.

By Michael Brevard



David W. Abba
 Michael E. Allen
 Rex O. Ayers
 David P. Bohnen
 Kenneth H. Butler Jr

Steven G. Coy
 Aaron D. Drake
 Bradly A. Glenn
 Nathan E. Graber
 Derek C. Ham
 David J. Hamiel

Johnny Harrison Jr
 Mark A. Hickman
 Kevin D. Huebert
 Juliane Johnson
 Sonny Y. Kim
 Timothy A. Kodama

Matthew A. Kozma
 Garrett M. Lowe
 Michael J. Luke III
 Corbett C. Magotra
 Heather L. McGinnis
 Michael J. Pflugsten

Michael E. Phillips
 Kevin B. Price
 Stephen G. Reny
 Karla K. Rudert
 James P. Ryan
 Phillip A. White Jr

1995

Not Pictured:
 Jay Shining (94)



Shawn E. Anger
 Christopher A. Bacon
 O. T. Benson
 David J. Brazgel
 Donald R. Brunk
 Robert H. Bryant III

Brian E. Burr
 Christopher A. Cockerham
 Michael E. Conley
 Thomas L. Cooper
 John M. Cornett
 Calvin E. Daniels

Melissa S. Davidson
 Matthew L. Davis
 Andrew P. Dodd
 Stacy A. Georgilas
 Justin A. Hansen
 Tim Y. Kao

Brent A. Kelly
 Jeremiah O. Klomp
 Michael A. Martinez
 Colleen M. McBratney
 Joshua A. Powell
 Brian D. Rizzoli

Justin B. Sanders
 Bryan F. Shumway
 Scott W. Smith
 Corban D. Spraker
 Melissa L. Wainwright
 Christian R. White

1996

Heather J. Aldrich
John T. Beattie
Brian D. Benter



John A. Carr
Tara L. Dubilo
Shiloh D. Fischer
Marcus D. Green
Wade P. Hawes
Michael O. Hedenskoog
Robert D. Jackson



John M. Klein Jr
Thomas J. Kulas
Darin R. Lerew
Brian D. Lewis
Erik S. Lund
Patrice M. Maneely
Brian M. Marquette



Timothy D. McGavern
Brian D. Mikus
Penny E. Parmer
Robert L. Patton
Brian E. Ralston
Andrew G. Ratliff
Jeffrey H. H. Sandrock



Michael J. Sierco
Brian A. Siravo
Stephen F. Smith
Mark E. Strub
Jamison T. Tranfalia
Steven L. Tuggle
Daniel S. Ulmer



1994



All Stars

the "Reign of Terror" ends: thank God for new leadership



Capt Kevin J. Smith
Air Officer Commanding

Adopted from the famous "Wizard of Oz", C2C Penny Parmer sings the new squadron chant: "Ding, Dong, Piranha's gone!" The arrival of a new AOC boosted morale AND gave control back to the cadets of 38.

After the long awaited departure of the old command, MWR activities found a way back into the ranks of the living. There were numerous squadron parties, movie-a-thons, fish gut wars and Navy week with Squid Ross but, tailgates were the champs. C4C Sara Whittingham had special words for the tailgate scene: "Ya Boy! All Stars have 'fifty pounds o' beef' at every tailgate and about the same amount of ice cream each Thursday night."

38 also abounded with camaraderie. Group camping and ski trips or football in the SAR facilitated the brother-sister relationships that made Camp USAFA more bearable. In a time of complete uncertainty, friends kept the world turnin'.

Without a doubt, the All Stars were wastin' away in fun and festivities, but with the new breath of fresh air, life was bound to be, oh so much better. The last words of a first-class cadet are all that remain: "We have finally graduated from Micromanagement 999Y," and Hey, guys, the fish tank is now EMPTY!

Having fun was the primary focus, but

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 Christopher B. Bassham
 John V. Blackmon
 Darrin T. Blume
 Michael J. Boynton
 John E. Bremer
 Gretchen E. Bronson

John V. Clune
 Cheryl C. Cobb
 Nathanael E. Cozzens
 Elizabeth S. Dow
 Kenneth R. Eizenga
 Thomas J. Gillen
 Lincoln B. Hill

Justin R. Hoffman
 Michael A. Jackson
 Tristan T. Lai
 Christopher T. Lesnick
 Mark J. Mullarkey
 John A. Northon
 Robin J. Russell

Torrance M. Sanford
 Jeffrey D. Searcy
 Sean A. Simmons
 Jason M. Tone
 Kevin M. Turek
 Brian L. Van Jura
 Edward M. Wooten III

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Paul D. Baker
 Melissa K. Baumann
 Dominic P. Clementz
 Tom R. Coates
 Mark W. DeGironimo
 Solomon M. Garrett IV

Brian J. Hamlet
 David N. Holloman
 Veronica J. Huttles
 Robert H. Kelly
 Brian J. Kvam
 Frederick L. Lewis
 Gavin P. Marks

Gerald E. Mosley
 Eric B. Nelson
 Daniel S. Nielsen
 Gregory T. Pound
 Erin P. Pyle
 Shane M. Reniker
 Glenn A. Rineheart

Jason M. Schattl
 Chad W. Schreengost
 Gordon B. Smith
 Guy R. Sulzberger
 Keith S. Udcoff
 Michael C. Uffelman
 Sara A. Whittingham

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Steven A. Benton Jr
Patrick A. Bogue
Jeffrey M. Braun
John D. Carlson
Michael K. Carney



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Daniel R. Cozzi
Brian A. Crum
Donald G. Davis
Christopher R. Duhon
William D. Engberg
Benjamin G. Galindo



Darren D. Garber
David A. Hillner
Debra K. Hoium
Mitchell A. Katosic
John E. Kipp Jr
Louis C. Littleton III
Christopher G. Marks



Chad K. Morris
Michael S. Morris
Vernon L. Mullis
Jessica L. Nickodem
Patrick D. Pope
Negil D. Terry
Jimmy C. Worley



Campus Rads

although way out there, they're in proximity to everything



Capt George J. Nelson Jr
Air Officer Commanding



Capt Bradley D. Sailer
Deputy AOC

Located in the far corners of Sijan Hall, the Campus Rads exist — we guess. Life is definitely unique, as C3C Michael Anderson described his perception, under duress no less!

Perhaps the Rads were not able to achieve that higher echelon of “Squadron of the Period-om,” but judge us not. This is but a partial list of the joy of Thirty-Ninth Squadron:

The proximity to the Visitor’s Center and our 15% discount, the pleasure of watching the entire Wing marching at parades, an over-active MWR staff, those leisurely ten minute walks to Fairchild Hall, sharing a bathroom with Group Staff, having been the only squadron to have been associated with Luke Skywalker and Chaubacca (Wow!), the total

lack of anything D&B-like, the closeness of family associated with Forms 10 from the Stan/Eval guys and the white towels they require, and finally an AOC reminiscent of Erik Estrada (look at his high-school year-book photo).

Nonetheless, 39 enjoyed its year with the best Stan/Eval team ever, coupled with the most glorious bake sale and the roommate game? Anyway, they liked their MWR staff, too. But most importantly, the theory was have fun—work well and play well. Sounds like the years ahead will be real interesting.

By Char Melick



Michael P. Anderson
Rachel L. Beacham
Joshua T. Boatwright
Sean M. Cary
Scott R. Cerone
Christopher S. Dean
Michael J. Edwards

William R. Forster
Michael D. Fouch
Steven J. Gorowsky
Jennifer M. Hardman
Adam G. Harris
Joseph D. Hunt
Brian D. Jones

Paul R. Jones
Shawn E. Leonard
David D. LeRoy
Harmon S. Lewis
Kimberly L. Lipscomb
Christopher V. Maddox
Robert S. Risko

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John M. Sneeringer
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Wesley L. Turner
Matthew F. Wadd
Matthew R. Whitney
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James P. Brassell
Michael B. Casey

Bryan L. Dowdy
Christopher M. Goddard
Jennifer A. Graving
Joseph C. Gueck
Allen D. Holder
Kendra L. Jacob

Sema A. Jastrebski
Derek J. Keck
Patrick D. Keyes
Scott W. Logan
Philip D. MacWilliams
Stephen B. Matthews

Julie D. Morganson
Donald T. Mosley
Brian D. Pardee
William A. Plies
Jeremy D. Quatacker
Christopher T. Quinn

Mark S. Robinson
Derek F. Schin
James C. Stevens Jr
Randle W. Tankersley
Nicholas K. Walrath
Thadd A. Zehnder

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Jennifer S. Allen
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 Charles D. Brown
 Jeffrey D. Burbank
 Arthur D. Cummings
 Richard S. Dill
 Rory C. Dunham

John A. Dunlap
 Jason R. Fallis
 Scott A. Grover
 Lisa M. Harrigan
 Christopher Harris
 Brian E. Hazel
 Stephen F. Jost

Nicholas T. Kozdras
 Shawn D. Larcher
 James E. Lee Jr
 Stephen E. Lewis
 Michael T. Manor
 Marc F. Morales
 Brian J. Noe

Christopher J. O'Brien
 Christopher W. Parry
 Robert J. Peragine
 Peter D. Smith
 Monica S. Wheeler
 Kenneth E. Yee
 James J. Zirkel



1994



Warhawks

"relax, don't stress, and have fun once in a while"



Maj Scott E. Chimelski
 Air Officer Commanding



Capt Douglas E. Walters Jr
 Deputy AOC

Rounding out Fourth Group is the Warhawks of Fortieth Squadron. C3C Dan Sigmond said: "Warhawks is a special squadron, as are all groups of friends who bond closer while the years progress on."

Morning runs (-40° F), knowledge bowls, training weekends, intramurals and weekend life round out the top ten or so Warhawk events. As for the second-class, Capt Murrie continually keeps them entertained during M-5.

In knowledge bowls, the fourth-class cadets succeed, or at least try, as a team. C4C Jason Tellez noted: "sometimes we do great...

other times we forget our brains or fall asleep, but at least we don't have to memorize ten current events a day anymore."

The Warhawks of 40 are definitely a close-knit group, "excelling in everything... except maybe academics... or maybe intramurals... and military training, but other than that we're a great squad," C3C Dan Bourque stated. With such a team effort, who wouldn't enjoy this squad? Finally, they have some sound advice for the rest of the Wing: Relax, don't stress out and have fun once in a while!

By Char Melick



Thomas P. J. Angelo
 Marcus R. Blakely Jr
 Daniel R. Bourque
 John E. Bryant
 Matthew K. Carter
 Christopher A. Claus
 Dana L. Dallas

Chadwick F. Fager
 Troy R. Foster
 Curtis T. Green
 Nathan M. Hansen
 N. Graham Hicks
 Robert B. Jayme
 Jason E. Maloy

Michael R. McDonald
 Shawn K. McManus
 Jason G. Moore
 M. Scott Morris
 Eric A. Rivera
 Mark R. Robey
 Matthew A. Rosenbaum

Tanya J. Schnorr
 Daniel R. Sigmond
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 Brian R. Baude
 Matthew R. Brooks
 Penelope A. Brooks
 Larry A. Clifford

Nhut L. Dao
 Eric R. Delwiche
 Kipling B. Dixon
 Jennifer D. Fagala
 Shawn P. Fitzgerald
 Darrick V. Galacgac
 Amie L. Grabanski

Brent R. Himes
 Matthew D. Linnell
 Bradley L. Morrison
 Kale M. Mosley
 Esther R. Obert
 Keith J. O'Connell
 Christopher R. Ratigan

Jacob J. A. Rosser
 William T. Skeeters
 Gregory D. Soderstrom
 Mack-Jan H. Spencer
 Jason A. Tellez
 Derek E. Thomas
 Matthew D. Weissert

1996

After the pressures of military training, athletic responsibilities and academics, it comes time to cast these cares by the wayside and participate in anything but work.

Cadets found more ways to entertain themselves than there are colors in the Super Jumbo Crayola Crayon box. Traditional squadron activities such as movie nights and fast food nights remained popular,

Anything But Work

while new ones such as small people tossing, “butt slamming” and head banging in trash cans also made their appearances.

Life after USAFA also included getting away to the mountains, going to the movies and finding a bargain evening at local night clubs. Regardless of the way free time was wasted away it all added up to dreams fulfilled when diversions could allow a cadet to escape ... if only for a little while.

CADETLIFE





Got spirit? Let's hear it. These cadets cheer at a football game when the good guys scored. Football games were an opportunity for the Wing to get together as a whole. Photo by B. Fallis

So what's a firstie? Who knows?

No one really knows for sure what the hell a Firstie is, but some people have offered some ideas. The dictionary definition goes as follows:

fir'stie' n. 1. person with the rank of Cadet First Class (C1C) attending USAFA or another military academy; equivalent to a college senior. 2. One who cares about nothing besides graduation. also pl. **fir'sties'**

But then that doesn't say it all either. A second-classman offered his opinion of a firstie, as he is about to take on that all important role, "A Firstie is someone who knows what not to do, but occasionally does it anyway; knows what he's responsible for, but passes it on; and follows that well-known

acronym FIGMO." The key here is just to not get in trouble, disenrolled or anything of the sort. C1C Kirby and C1C Hall described a Firstie as almost through and invisible, otherwise known as GOD! Don't ask for help unless you really need divine intervention, or figure it out for yourself NCO.

Those Firsties are also known for getting every intramural sport they want, whether they're good at the at it or not. Or how about the squadron room arrangement? "I'm a Firstie, go find another room." That's a famous line we've all heard a time or two. Then comes Top Off, formally known as "Transition."

Top Off is a Firstie's favorite part of the school day and the school year. It's almost like recess in grade school; free time to do nothing except what you want to. Top Off: A time to do nothing Academy related, unless you really want to, and go downtown until you absolutely must come back. It goes in phases, beginning as soon as the school year starts. First is business passes in civilian clothes, then a weekday ODP every once in awhile, eventually unlimited ODPs and ONPs! It's nice knowing that finally the Academy trusts you enough to let you come and go as you please, like a college freshman does from the get-go. Oh well, it's the luxuries that keep you sane at USAFA, and being a Firstie, you get all the luxuries. Hang in there! You underclass cadets will eventually get to be GOD, I mean a Firstie someday. So then, what is a Firstie?

By Char Melick

◆ *Cadets have a knack for finding low-budget entertainment. Computers were not only used for studying; they were often utilized for computer games such as Tetris. Photo by C. Grosjean*



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By Char Melick



◆ *Relaxing at the Sports Bar in Arnold Hall these firsties take part in a popular activity. The bar gave cadets a chance to unwind without having to drive off of Academy grounds. Photo by S. Morris*

◆ *CIC Jason Sutton does not even take the time to remove his BDU coat before flopping down with a fuzzy friend. He is probably looking forward to enjoying Top Off privileges that evening. Photo by T. Havener*



◆ *Unfortunately, some of a firstie's precious free time must be spent on necessities such as laundry. Cadets can use the convenient laundry facilities in Sijan and Vandenberg Halls. Photo by K. Field*



A nd there were only 100 days

On Saturday, 27 February 1993, the First Class celebrated the traditional 100th Night. But unlike the tradition of dates and entertainment, the Class of 1993 was once again untraditional.

The class voted for no dates and no entertainment. In previous years, the Academy was blessed with the appearances of Bill Cosby and Jay Leno. Then again, '93 was never known to follow in the footsteps of others.

At the Dining-In, former Superintendent and Retired Lieutenant General A.P. Clark was the guest speaker. He addressed important leadership qualities nec-

essary for success as Second Lieutenants, in the eyes of a senior officer. A slide show followed, capturing the many highlights of our time at USAFA. The mess was then dismissed to go our separate ways and continue the celebration with those close-knit groups of friends.

A typical celebration might have included a stop at the local bars and dance clubs, or a small "get-together" at someone's sponsor's.

Meanwhile, the underclass cadets expended their creative energy on rearranging the Firsties' rooms. The new decorations included anything from a newspaper stuffing to a live forest, and even a beach or goldfish ponds of various sizes. This tradition is a way for the squadronmates to express their "true" feelings for their firsties. And then the next morning creeps into existence, and the fun begins.

On Sunday, whenever the firsties decide to return, they must find some way to get their newly arranged room back into shape with AFCWR 537-9. As one might expect, the result on Monday morning is more than interesting, but eventually the rooms return to normal in time for the next weekend trip.

By Char Melick

◆ *The evening's events were a success. These two can't seem to drag themselves away from the table after the official festivities have ended. Photo by M. Phan*



HOME
SWEET
HOME



THIS SEAT IS AVAILABLE!

◆ The occupants of this room are in for quite a surprise when they return from their weekend of celebrating. They will probably recruit some fourth-class cadets to help them clean it up. Photo by K. Field

◆ Underclassmen demonstrate another creative way to recycle old newspapers. The firsties who live in this room will have plenty of reading material to help them get to sleep. Photo by C. Grosjean



◆ The speaker and other distinguished guests at the head table stand for the traditional toasts which begin the evening's program. This year's speaker was Retired Lieutenant General A. P. Clark, a former Academy Superintendent. Photo by M. Phan





◆ "Please don't get up," Gen, Bethurem talks with a group of firsties who are relaxing on the lawn. Photo by M. Phan



◆ "It's truly finger-lickin' good." Firsties Steve Dodge and Mike McClung find a spot to eat their dinner before joining the party back on the lawn. Photo by M. Phan



◆ "Make that two pitchers," this firstie waits for another pitcher to be filled to take back to the table where he's eating. Photo by K. Field





Mandatory fun for firsties

Just when you thought mandatory fun was a thing of the past, the Commandant's house picnic appears on your front doorstep. So, on Wednesday, May 26 the Class of 93 used every picnic table available and enjoyed wearing civilian clothes and eating Kentucky Fried Chicken at General Bethurem's place.

For the first time in at least four years,

one of the commanding generals had an "open house" atmosphere accompanied by a personal invitation to the first-class. Instead of forcing all to eat Mitch's once again, Kentucky Fried Chicken was catered in huge semi-truck.

Each cadet received a two piece chicken meal with cole slaw, biscuits and beans. Besides the Kentucky Fried Chicken, General Bethurem had a few volleyball nets that were busy all afternoon, a DJ playin' tunes and an open keg bar underneath an awesome sized tent, not to mention the house.

The entire house was open for wandering and the refrigerators were stocked for help-yourself service. So, actually the mandatory fun was truly "fun!" Oh, and it must be known that the General, himself was actually there and interacting with the cadets! What a change, but definitely a nice one.

Not only did all enjoy, it was one of the last opportunities for the Class of 93 to get together before splitting in separate ways after graduation. Hopefully more activities like this will be present in years to come.

By Char Melick

◆ *Sitting around and enjoying life, CIC Mike Love and his buddies partake in liquid refreshment and good conversation. Photo by M. Phan*



◆ Cars, cars, cars, local car dealers came to show their wares knowing that come spring many cadets would be in the market for a new mode of transportation. Photo by K. Field



◆ "Congratulations Honey," C2C Rebecca Currie's father gives her a congratulations kiss after she received her ring. Cadets brought dates from all over the state and country for this special night. Photo by S. Forslund



◆ Can't get out? Don't have a car? This cadet finds another way to occupy his time; computer games remained popular throughout the year. Photo by C. Grosjean





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eady for the top move over '93

The life of a second-class cadet is more "normal," and quite varied. An important note is that as a second-class cadet, one is a "true" upper-class cadet.

C2C Todd Hoover describes a second-class cadet in this way: "You're almost at the top, but nonetheless you're a true upper-class cadet!" This means that the in-between stage is over and cars are now a reality. Even with the new pass policy, second-class cadets still got out quite often.

As a second-class cadet on no merit list, a total of 18 passes were awarded, eight of which were overnight or weekend privileges. And if you were smart enough for the Dean, strict enough for the Comm or talented enough for both, a total of up to 26 passes were awarded for the semester.

Downtown, popular hang-outs were the Rodeo Country Dance

Club, The Gambler, Ventures, and any all-you-can-eat restaurant like Ponderosa. Like all cadets, second-class cadets also spent many winter days skiing in the Rocky Mountains. And if they couldn't be found in the Springs, they were probably up the road, as Denver attracted a fair crowd at places like the Deadbeat Club and Paris on the Platte.

Other activities that characterize the second-class year were hard academics, the paperwork NCO roles and spring semester T-41 training. The second-class was also the primary trainers or supervisors, and were very active in this role until the Class of 95 was certified to see after the fourth-class.

However, the most important function is the Ring Dance during June Week. This signifies that the first-class is about ready to graduate and relinquish the command to the next class of firsties.

The Ring Dance is a time when all second-class cadets bring dates to a dining-in in Mitchell Hall and receive their rings with the traditional champagne toast. The dining-in is then followed with a dance, the cake cutting ceremony and pictures all in Arnold Hall.

This year the Ring Dance was held at the normal time during June Week, on Saturday, May 28, 1993. Gen John L. Piotrowski, USAF (Retired) was the guest speaker. This event was the culmination of one more year for the Class of 94 as they prepared to take the reigns as the Class of 93 walked out the door on June 2nd.

C2C Don Ohlemacher said it best, "The whole year winds down to one thing, getting your ring and becoming a firstie."

By Char Melick

◆ *Shop 'til you drop, although most second-class cadets could have cars, many held out until they received the infamous loan that would allow them to buy something more to their liking. Photo by K. Field*



◆ Far right: C3C Jake Dawson attempts to inhale this ice cream cone. Simple tricks like this are a source of entertainment for cadets. Photo by K. Field



◆ C3C Karen Hanchett waits for takeoff. She is competing in a cardboard box race sponsored by her squadron. Photo by K. Field



◆ C3C John Griffiths repairs his ski equipment during some free time. Hobby work is a helpful relief of a cadet's extra time and energy. Photo by S. Morris

◆ This cadet attempts to stretch her face muscles. After several hours of homework it seems like every muscle in ones body tenses up. Photo by C. Grosjean





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hird-Class: trials, triumph, tragedy

The tsunami of the third-class year that they were all unaware of after recognition has past, leaving a little time to dry off in the summer sun. Looking back, this last year of shifting sands was more than any expected. The Air Force Academy has always been a place known for changes, and no other theme was more prevalent during their third-class year.

From survival school struggles to trying to control the glider on aerotow for more than a blink of the eye, this summer was definitely better than jumping on grenades or digging in the "pit of pain" last summer. One could always look forward to those wonderful people at Joe's, who greeted them with cheerful smiles and eggs bright and early at o'dark thirty. But most importantly, there was no feeling like gazing out from Sijan over the terrazzo watching the new basics in-process.

From summer, they went into the academic year and into that

duty all loved so dearly — CQ. With all day CQ, all year long, there was plenty of it to be had by all. The class was prepared with the secret weapon against the Dean, the ever popular CAS code 56. And of course, all got to fly again during Aero 215. But this time it was a wooden aircraft, and super glue gained a place of honor on the desk.

They also got the chance to train, or teach, the fourth-class under the new system. Never before were so many so connected. Training took on a new meaning as all training had to be specified by an event name and predicted time. This schedule was due the week before! The attitude was now the ever-so-popular Air Force attitude, "I'm you're friend and be cheerful." In addition, the tone equivalent to yelling was eliminated, as was knowledge and "sounding-off" at meals. The term "Hell Master" was no longer and the third-class became the awe inspiring MENTORS. But the Class of 95 stood by and watched, with running Forms 30 in hand, to face their one "real" training challenge: Recognition '93. Of course that didn't stop some, and they served punishments until graduation.

However, some changes weren't as well received. Those that hit the hardest over the year were pilot slots and cars. Both were thought to be guaranteed, but later all were reminded that there are, in fact, no guarantees in life. But now the Class of 95 is becoming the Second-Class. They can finally display VCRs (not really), and at last notice, all were still allowed refrigerators. The hope is that one day all be allowed cars. As the second-class year approaches, a faint picture of the Thunderbirds flying over enters these anxious minds as a reminder that the end will come. Lastly, it is important not to forget those classmates who didn't make it through the year, especially those who lost their lives. While stepping forward, don't forget to look back and remember C3C Roman Santana who passed away living his dream: flying.

By Marcus Gregory

◆ "AAHHRGHH." If it wasn't for tension breaking screams, many cadets might possibly explode from stress....primal therapy is an essential facet of cadet life. Photo by M. Tieman



◆ These cadets enjoy a festive social hour and dinner at a local restaurant. Meadow Muffins is a local hangout for many USAF cadets. Photo by M. Gaupp

◆ Tara Keinanen enjoys the serenity of an empty classroom. Quiet study time like this is a valuable asset to a cadet when preparing for the academic challenge. Photo by S. Morris





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ourth-class freetime an oxymoron?

While the average college freshman is lounging around his or her dorm room, studying hard (of course) and experiencing a new kind of freedom, the fourth-class cadets on the Hill are learning what it's like to have most of their freetime planned for them.

"The normal college student has quite a bit more freetime and can get out more than we can," C4C Honore Spencer said. "We were forced to be a little more creative with our freetime. Some found things to do up here while others would bum rides off anyone, even the pizza delivery people."

Spencer added

that after Basic, time constraint became even greater than anyone in his class could have expected. Pure military training gave way to academics and more squadron duties which undoubtedly could have filled every waking hour of the day. Even though this was the case the consensus was that a little time to blow off steam was imperative.

"There are certain times that you just can't do homework," Spencer said. "It was then that we found weird things to do like dress in civilian clothes and escort each other around, do spirit missions and join all kinds of pie, hamburger and hot dog eating contests."

On the average fourth-class cadets studied three to five hours a night and kept anywhere from one to three hours for freetime.

"You just can't deal with studying all the time," Spencer said, "Sometimes just taking a little nap is considered a good use of time."

Spencer also added that he and his classmates would just waste time visiting in each others rooms. It was just another way to cope. One would think that spending so much time with classmates would get boring or even border on annoying; this wasn't the case.

"All of this brought us closer together," Spencer said. "Going through the same thing and working together as a team proved that we could cope and work well, even with those we didn't like."

◆ This paraphernalia, found in several smack rooms, is among many items fourth-class cadets are not allowed to possess. The owners of these items will pay a dear price for their short term use.



Spirit antics are alive and well

What's going on? It happens nearly every night, spirit hill, the peaceful grassy knoll seen daily on the terrazzo transforms into a playground full of pranksters and their respective toys.

Pulling off entertaining spirit mission has long been an unofficial duty of the fourth-class and it's a duty not to be taken lightly. The class of 1996 added their own stories to the list of infamous spirit missions. Among the most notable were when they stole all the flags from the Eisenhower golf course; put them up on spirit hill and proceeded with a round of golf complete with the music from Caddyshack. Another favorite was when fourth-class cadets from a squadron slept on spirit hill with their mattresses and comforters and then reported

into formation still wearing their pajamas.

"(We) did some neat stuff," C4C Daron Drown said. "Spirit missions were fun because they gave us a little freedom to get out, run around, and do things that we shouldn't."

Drown said that the trouble that cadets got in for doing a spirit mission was normally minimal and the upper-class even seemed to enjoy their antics.

"Spirit missions hold a sort of intrigue," Drown said. "On any given night you could see us (fourth-class cadets) just running around the terrazzo even if we didn't even have anything special planned."

An area where the cadets did have something special planned was when they had spirit dinners. The fourth-class cadets dressed up in unique outfits and tortured the upper-class cadets while they tried to eat dinner.

"Spirit dinners were great, we dressed how we wanted (sort of) and it was more relaxed so we could goof off," Drown said. "We didn't get to eat a lot but it was fun to get to do things like legally dump ice on upper-class cadets; unfortunately some people got into too much trouble."

Getting into a "little trouble" was definitely one of the main goals behind spirit missions and dinners. In addition they were a way to help cadets blow-off a little steam.

"Some people wondered why we did spirit missions especially when they amounted to less sleep," Drown said. "But they're kinda fun and exciting, besides they also seemed to put the upperclassmen in better moods."

◆ "You tell me to dress like this, now you want me to do what?" Photo by T. Havener





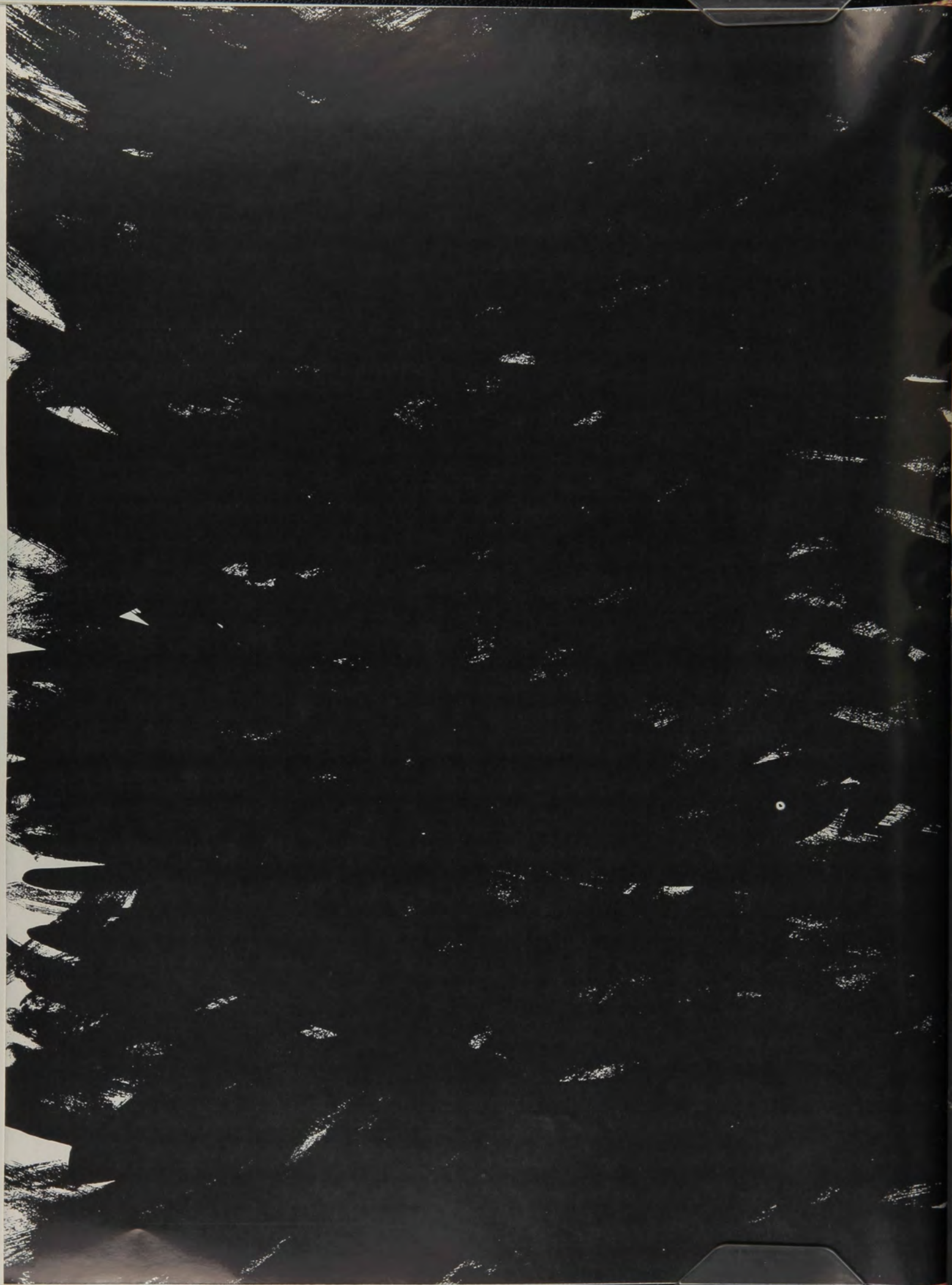
◆ These members of Mighty Mach One dangle a banner in support of the Air Force Falcon Football Team.

◆ The glasses really make the outfit buzz....Is that a Mickey Mouse watch you're wearing? Photo by M. Gaupp



◆ This Fourth-Class Cadet knocks out football "point-pushups." When time won't allow freshman to hit the field, the really motivated ones still get the job done. Photo by K. Stinton





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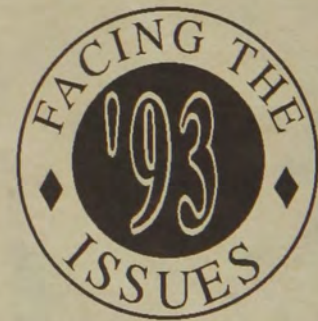
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Facing the Issues

Every year there are events that promise to change the course of history. The 1992 - 1993 academic year was no exception. The following mini magazine chronicles the events that touched cadets' lives leaving them to find their own answers and formulate their own opinions. In short it has come time for the Cadet Wing to face the issues.

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"Twenty-Something"

Stand up and be counted; the fix it generation's time has come

This is an EDITORIAL. It does not reflect the views of the United States Air Force Academy. "Eccentricity has always abounded when and where strength of character has abounded; and the amount of eccentricity in a society has generally been proportional to the amount of genius, mental vigor, and moral courage which it contained." —John Stuart Mill from *On Liberty*

When I first learned that I would be writing a story about our generation, I couldn't help but lick my lips. I could see all the grisly images of the Baby Boomer generation (our parents) lying before me just waiting for me to put them in print.

But over the course of the semester, I changed my mind. No longer did I want to crucify the Boomers, but instead I wanted to glorify youth. Our youth.

I strongly believe what Mill says in *On Liberty* defines our generation. We are eccentric. We are Mtv and grunge and five-six year college students. We are the future of America.

The big misconception about our generation (the Thirteeners) is that we have little impact on American society, other than to give it our youth culture of grunge music, grunge movies and grunge fashion. In fact, twentysomethings, unnoticed and uncelebrated, are quietly applying our own solutions to a wide range of issues both domestic and international. We are bringing a new style to problem solving and politics

that is typical of our generation: Pragmatic, nonideological, high-tech, entrepreneurial and action oriented.

These young innovators include people like Wendy Kopp, 25, who has drawn some of the best young college graduates into underfunded public schools by starting Teach for America; Alan Khazei, 31, and Michael Brown, 32, two classmates at Harvard Law School who started Boston's City Year, an urban Peace Corps that is the shining model for Bill Clinton's call for national youth service, and Rob Nelson, 29, and Jon Cowan, 27, who founded Lead or Leave. An organization started to fight the federal deficit.

We are out "there" in force bringing our "genius, mental vigor, and moral courage" to the American public. Our voices will ring in the halls of Congress, classrooms, and neighborhoods across America.

It's time for us to stand and be counted. To make a difference. It's time for youth to shine. It's time to fix America's problems. We are the future and we will be the ones making the decisions. When your time comes, stand tall, be proud and make a difference.

By Matt Sinning

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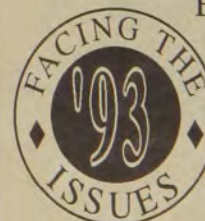
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Bartender, Another Drink

It's Miller Time at colleges across the country; the Academy is no exception

"Ninty-nine bottles of beer on the wall, ninty-nine botles of beer, take on down pass it around 98 bottles of beer on the wall ..."

The subject has gained national attention and as well it should, it seems that college students today are tipping back alcoholic beverages of every variety. According to an article which appeared in the Gazette Telegraph by John Wagner on December 20, 92, the average student at a civilian college drinks at least 34 gallons of alcohol a year. He continued by saying that if 3,500 Olympic-size swimming pools were filled with wine, beer and liquor, 12 million collegians could drain it in approximately 12 months.

What does this say about this generation? Do cadets, a group held to a higher standard than the norm, fit this statistic? In a survery given to 3,900 to gauge the social climate around the Wing, these results were calculated: undoubtedly cadets are at the bars and parties living it up like their civilian counterparts, however they do it less frequently and normally drink less than their share.

According to the Gazette article, approximately 63% of cadets said they drank alcohol in the last month, while 75% of civilian students had. In addition, less than one third of the cadets polled

admitted to abusing alcohol on a regular basis (more than five drinks in a row - in the past two weeks) as opposed to 43% of the civilian students who claimed they had.

"I think that is a pretty drastic difference," said Capt Chris Sorrentino, head of the alcohol counseling center.

He added that this didn't surprise him because at the Academy alcohol is prohibited nearly everywhere except at certain social functions and the Sports Bar.

But before the glasses are raised to toast the responsible drinking behavior of cadets, it should be pointed out that of the cadets that drink, they have a pretty good chance of "blacking out." Currently 36% of those polled said they have either blacked out or suffered from alcohol induced amnesia. Further surveys should study this matter in greater detail.

Alcohol abuse at the Academy

% who drank alcohol in the past month



College Students
75%



Academy Cadets
63%

% who abused alcohol in the last two weeks

College Students
41%

Academy Cadets
27%

Source Air Force Academy and National Institute on Drug Abuse



Women in Combat

Spirits of AFA women cadets soar with the go-ahead to fight and fly

As the ban against women in combat was lifted Wednesday (28 APR 93), so were the spirits of female cadets at the Air Force Academy, the nation's premier source of fighter pilots.

Now they have a choice — although the competition is stiff — of flying fighters and bombers in combat. Before, they could serve only as flight instructors, navigators or noncombat pilots.

"This is great. It changes everything for me," said Pamela Ruse, a sophomore who wants to fly a fighter jet some day.

"It's a childhood dream of mine. I've always wanted to fly the fast ones. I love the speed, the altitude — this is really exciting."

News of Defense Secretary Les Aspin's order permitting women to fly combat missions spread quickly across campus.

Although some cadets had reservations, most agreed with the decision.

"I think it's about time women were allowed to do the job we were hired to do — defend this country," said junior Sharon Presley. "No longer will we sit behind the battlefield. We'll be out front with the men."

Still, the number of women pilots — now 295 out of 16,500 total — might not change drastically for years because the Air Force has a shortage of cockpits.

"I don't think you'll see a flood of female combat pilots, simply because those jobs are hard to come by," said Col. Chuck Holt, deputy commander of the 54th operations group.

Cadets who want to become pilots must compete for the right to attend advanced pilot training after graduation.

Competition for combat aircraft is intense: About 45 pilots graduate from the advanced class at a time; currently, there are only two to five fighters for each class. The top graduates get their pick and the rest must settle for cargo or refueling planes.

Although many male cadets support women in combat, some worried that the Air Force might institute a quota system that would shut them out of a shrinking number of pilot slots.

"All it would do is create animosity and distrust if you set aside any combat slots exclusively for women," said junior John Hennings. "As a pilot, I want to know the person sitting next to me is the most qualified."

Other cadets believe integrating the fighter pilot ranks might be easier in theory than in practice.

"It's been an exclusive white male club for a long time for a long time," said junior Wayne Floyd. "Some people aren't going to like it. I think a few will even resist it."

But like good officers, cadets are ready to salute smartly and make it work — regardless of their personal views. As junior Stephen Grotjohn put it, cadets are more likely to accept change than older Air Force pilots.

"Our generation has seen constant change — from the collapse of the Soviet Union to women in combat — nothing is constant and we know it," he said.

"This change, I think it's a good one."

By Genevieve Anton

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A Little Respect

Human Relations and Dignity Discussed in Wing Wide Focus Groups

There is a story about a scorpion who needed help crossing the pond. He asked Mr. Frog if he would give him a ride on his back; Mr. Frog hesitated because he knew that the scorpion would sting him and kill him. The scorpion said: "No, no Mr. Frog I promise that I won't hurt you." Reluctantly, Mr. Frog agreed. Across the pond they went; halfway across the pond Mr. Frog felt a burning sensation and he knew he had been bit by the scorpion. He said, "Scorpion why did you sting me, for now we shall both die." The scorpion replied "I couldn't help it, it's in my nature."

Thankfully humans, unlike animals, have a choice on how they treat one another, they need not rely on their "nature" to make the right choice. Unfortunately, even though humans are superior to their animal counterparts, every once in awhile they need to be steered back on the right track.

After experiencing a disproportionate amount of assaults and a handful of other racial and gender issues, the Commandant, Superintendent and Cadet Wing decided it was time to take actions to improve day to day interactions among those who attend and work at the Academy.

This process was two-fold, during the first semester 3,900 cadets completed a survey that gauged the social climate in the Wing. After compiling the statistics, it was decided that focus groups would help cadets discuss their thoughts, perceptions and attitudes with both their peers, as well as military

and civilian personnel.

"Focus groups were established in an effort to get cadets to learn to appreciate each other's races, religions and gender," said Maj Harold Hillman, a clinical psychologist and Chief of the Leadership Development Program. "Through them we were able to gather information, provide feedback, clarify misconceptions and deactivate rumors."

He added that this program has been in place at West Point for four years now and has seen significant success. Nearly 80% of the Wing attended the first two hour rap session.

But what did the rap sessions really accomplish? They established that cadets want more feedback

from superiors and are willing to help fix the problems that are created when people try to work as subordinates and leaders by day and buddies by night.

"We envision a time in the near future when cadets get more involved in their own training and education," Hillman said. "This will help make dealing with future conflicts more proactive than reactive."

Currently the ad hoc committee is working on a master plan to submit to the Superintendent with recommendations to more easily educate and facilitate respect for one another.

"Unfortunately it (the Academy) can't be conflict-free," Hillman said. "But we can move in a direction that appreciates people's perspectives and gives them room to grow."

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The Great Debate

Lifting the ban on homosexuals in military becomes a major challenge for Clinton

"When I was in the military, they gave me a medal for killing two men and a discharge for loving one," these words are emblazoned across the headstone of a deceased Vietnam veteran. The media hype and debates prove what everyone already knows; acceptance of homosexuals in the military is far from being solved. However, there's no denying that thousands and thousands of homosexuals have served and are still currently serving in the military.

Prior to being elected, President William Clinton promised to lift the ban that discriminated against homosexuals in the military. Now in office, he's finding that this stroke of the pen is much easier said than done.

Some of the most vocal opposition is coming from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who warned Clinton that they will resign en masse if the military's acceptance of homosexuals is legitimized without their approval. This approval won't be easy to get. One proposal that was offered to the JCS and the Pentagon in early January was that Clinton would forgo the executive order and replace it with a "memorandum of instruction." The memorandum would stop military branches from asking recruits about their sexual orientations, stop investigations on soldier's sexual orientations and

terminate the practice of discharging soldiers who admit to being gay. Even this is still being debated.

Currently, investigating suspected homosexuals costs the Pentagon \$27 million annually. Furthermore, there were more than 700 "administrative separations," bringing the count up to approximately 13,000 men and women who have been discharged for homosexuality since 1982.

Gay-right activists are continuing to fight for further rights. In May 92, Navy Petty Officer Keith Meinhold staked his career and reputation to prove a political point. He came out of the closet and said that gay Americans are just as loyal and competent as straights, and that they deserve equal standing and equal treatment in the military. In August 1992 the Navy discharged Meinhold only to see him be reinstated by a federal judge in Los Angeles.

So the debate continues and both sides want the last word. So here it goes... a Pentagon source said: "You're not going to find anyone in leadership coming out in favor of lifting the ban."

Gay-right activists had this to say: If homosexuality is made legal for the military, gays will have no difficulty keeping sex off post — and if they don't, offenders can be disciplined for inappropriate behavior just as straights would be.

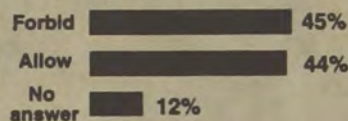
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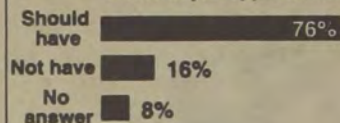
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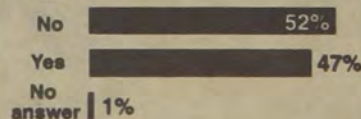
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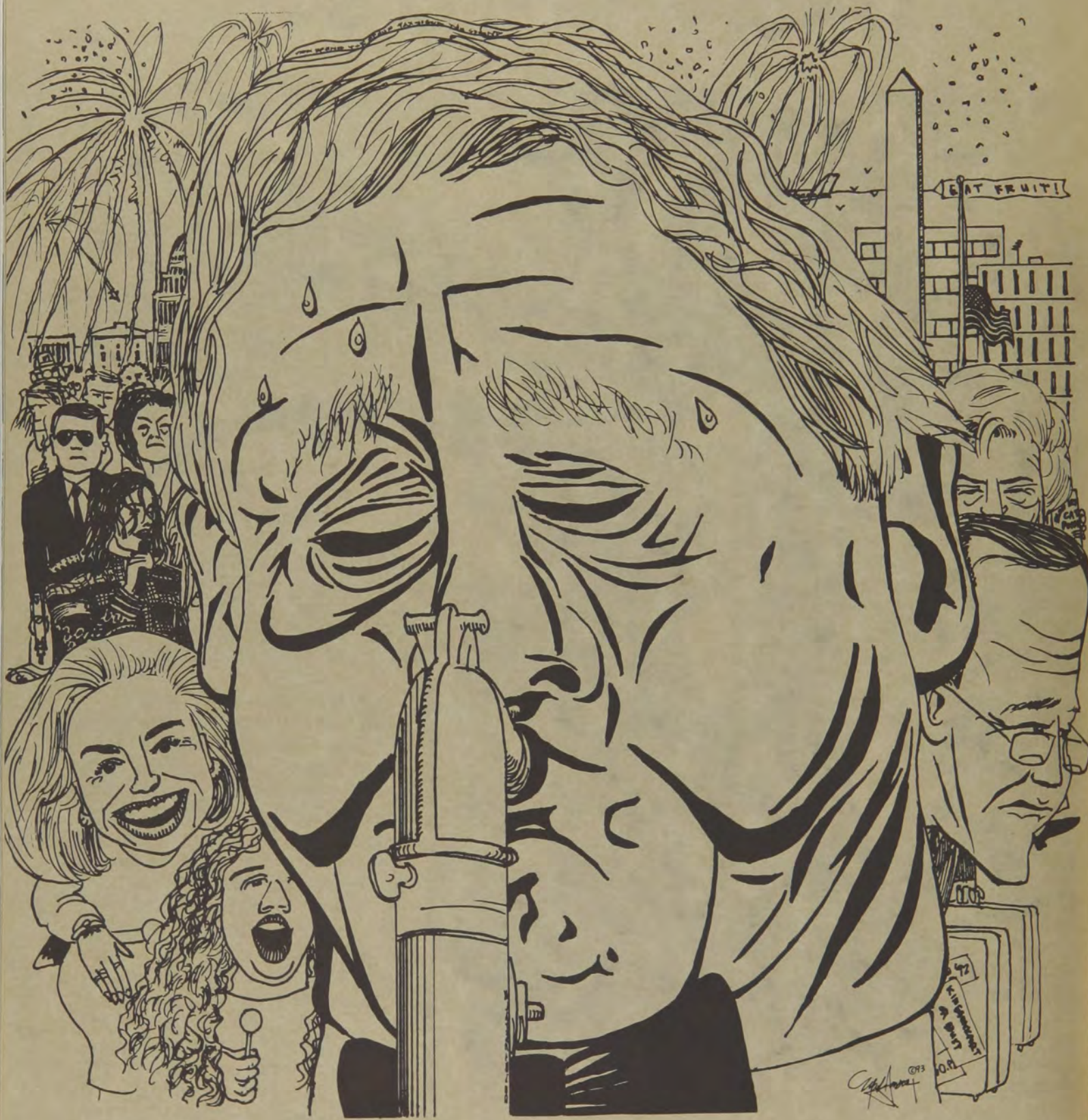
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The Clinton Era

Public looks to president who beat out Bush and Perot to improve the nation

After the smoke cleared and the dust settled, the nation found itself preparing for a new president, William Jefferson Clinton. The presidential battle, which normally is reserved for two big names, found itself offering voters the choice of presidential incumbent George Bush, Democratic Gov. William Clinton or Independent millionaire Ross Perot.

Heading into the race, political scientists and the public alike were just waiting for the high sign to reelect Bush to office. He had remained popular due to his tremendous leadership during Desert Storm. Unfortunately for Bush, this popularity didn't last. Later in the campaign these memories wore thin as voters expressed contempt for the political process itself and looked toward Clinton and Perot for answers.

By election time, Clinton earned 43% of the popular vote while Perot was able to capture 19%; the public decided to take a chance on Clinton.

The big question is why? Perhaps the country was ready for a change; Clinton definitely fit this mold. Many remember the time Clinton appeared wearing his sunglasses and played the saxophone on the Arsenio Hall show during the campaign race. Undoubtedly this is not the place most would look for the next president to be!

On a more serious note, what can be expected from the Clinton administration? Two groups that are expected to fare well

are women and children; if he can introduce positive legislation for these groups, it would have tremendous political implications. In addition, Clinton faces considerable budget deficits, the push to make health-care more affordable and an avalanche of foreign problems that need attention. Too soon during his presidency he will be forced to make decisions that could decrease his popularity.

Reporter Steven V. Roberts for U.S. News and World Report magazine said: "The question is whether Clinton can maintain that good will, while telling people the truth about the messy and chaotic world he will now try and lead."

The path will not be an easy one for Clinton or the country. Those who voted for him and the rest are resigned to follow and hope that he can make the change that the country definitely needs.

In the Time magazine, "Man of the Year" article by Lance Morrow, Morrow stated this concerning the way America's tide is changing: "America periodically reinvents itself. That is the secret, the way Americans dig out of their deepest problems. It is the way they save themselves from decline, stagnation and other dangers — including themselves."

PUBLIC OPINION POLL

TOP-PRIORITY PROBLEMS THAT CLINTON SHOULD ADDRESS QUICKLY

Reducing the deficit	33%
Health-care reform	31%
Creating jobs	28%
Foreign-policy crises	25%
Education reform	10%
Other economy problems	29%

AMERICANS WHO THINK THESE GROUPS WILL BENEFIT FROM CLINTON'S POLICIES

Women	71%
Children	70%
Poor people	64%
Blacks	63%
Middle class	51%

U.S. News and World Report poll
January 25, 1993



Anything but Work

Chad Hennings

From Iraq Attack to Sack Attack

Got a quarter? Go to just about any sports trading card shop and invest it in a card featuring Dallas Cowboy rookie defensive end Chad Hennings, 95.

Take the card home and ever so carefully wrap it in a protective plastic jacket. Next, stick it in a small box to ensure no one will bend a corner or nick an edge. Then tuck it safely away in the bottom of the drawer where you keep all the clothes that don't fit anymore, but you're too optimistic to throw away.

In about 20 years when you finally clean out that drawer after grudgingly conceding that you'll never squeeze back into those Levis-shrink-to-fit jeans, you will come across that forgotten box. Gently take it back to the card shop you bought it from and price it. Because if the critics are right, Hennings could be the defensive version of Roger Staubach, whose original, mint-condition rookie card now goes for \$110 to \$130.

Indeed, Hennings does seem to be following the same path to the National Football League as the former Cowboy's Hall of Fame quarterback.

Staubach joined Dallas in 1969 as a 27-year-old rookie after a four-year hitch in the Navy, which included some time in Vietnam. Drafted by Dallas out of the Naval Academy in the 10th round in 1964, Staubach led the Cowboys to six NFC championship games, four Super Bowls and two NFL titles.

Hennings, 27, joined the Cowboys in June after serving four years in the Air Force as an A-10 fighter pilot, including some time in the Persian Gulf war. Hennings was drafted out of the Air Force Academy in the 11th round in 1988. He graduated from the Academy as its most decorated player in history, taking such honors as the Outland Trophy—honoring the nation's best defensive lineman—and the Western Athletic Conference Player of the Year, with 24 sacks that year.

Both Hennings and Staubach probably would have been first-round draft picks in the NFL had it not been for their military commitments. Hennings' football career almost was delayed even longer.

"I had a five-year commitment as an academy graduate and had to tack on another three as a pilot," he said. "I either would have made the Air Force a career or joined the NFL as a 31-year-old rookie."

But world events such as the break up of the Soviet Union and tearing down of the Berlin Wall brought an end to the Cold War and changes to the U. S. military.

Military cutbacks found the Air Force with an overabundance of pilots and a shortage of planes. So the Pentagon decided to offer fliers voluntary release by waiving the eight-year pilot commitment and reducing the academy graduate commitment from five years to three.

Hennings' transition from flyboy to Cowboy was set in motion.

As a blonde-haired, blue-eyed kid growing up on a 900-acre farm in Elberon, Iowa, Hennings never dreamed he would

become a Dallas Cowboy. Mostly, because like nearly every other young boy from the Mid-west, he was a fan of the "Purple People Eating" Minnesota Vikings.

But then he never thought he'd become an Air Force pilot, either.

"Elberon has a population of about 200 people, give or take a few," Hennings said. "So even though I was a two-time all-state football player and a state-champion wrestler, I wasn't that highly recruited."

That's when he started looking seriously at the Air Force Academy in Colorado.

"I went to the academy primarily to get a good, well-rounded education," he said. "As far as football, the academy had an up-and-coming team, which I was privileged to be on."

The 6-foot-6-inch, 278 pound juggernaut found immediate success on the Falcon football field. Along with sweeping the nation with numerous individual honors, he played on Air Force teams that twice defeated collegiate powerhouse Notre Dame and earned victories in the Independence and Bluebonnet bowls. He also broke four academy weightlifting records.

"There isn't a better player in the country," said Air Force head coach Fisher DeBerry, in Hennings' last year at the academy. "Chad has that unique blend of strength, speed, quickness, agility, intelligence and determination you find only in the very best athletes."

Hennings credits the academy coaching staff with instilling work ethics and discipline.

"The coaches at the academy don't just stress football," he said. "They believe your grades and military standing are just as important as your athletic standing."

That was reflected in the kinds of classes he took: aeronautical engineering, electrical engineering, physics, advanced composition and law. Majoring in business management with a 3.22 gpa, Hennings proved to be an academic All-American, as well as an athletic All-American.

It was in his studies that he first became exposed to flying. "I loved the soaring program at the academy, my first experience with flying," he said. "Not many college students get a chance to fly, so I feel very fortunate. My aspirations to be a pilot grew there."

When the Cowboys drafted Hennings in 1987, he admits he suffered a lot of personal turmoil.

"I wanted to be a pilot—I loved it—but it had always been a dream of mine to someday play football at the professional level," he said.

However, when it came down to it, the academy-bred superstar knew there was no question about what he'd do.

"It would have been a disgrace to try to back out on my commitment and not serve my country," Hennings said. "I have no regrets."

So armed with his academy education and dozens of college quarterback scalps, Hennings put his football career up

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in the air, literally, when he headed to Sheppard AFB, Texas, for undergraduate pilot training.

Pilot training proved to be both mentally and physically tough on Hennings. Mentally because the media kept hounding him and reminding him of the football career "that could have been." Physically, because his Terminator-size frame struggled to fit comfortably and safely in aircraft cockpits.

"The academy had already waived my weight requirement, after I passed a body-fat test," he said. "I also had to get a waiver for my height because I was two inches taller than the maximum 39 inches seated height to fly jets. Even with the waivers, the Air Force still had to study aircraft ejection systems to make sure I could clear the tails."

Hennings said pilot training was the most important thing that happened to him during his time in the military.

"There were times when I wanted to be on the football field, and there were times I wanted to fly jets," he said. "Dealing with that international battle made me a better person."

He graduated from pilot training a year later and found out that he would be strapping on the A-10 Thunderbolt II, better known as the "Warthog" for its appearance, or the "Tankbuster" for its ability.

Hennings took an instant liking to his new aircraft.

"The A-10 would definitely be an offensive or defensive lineman—a lot of times they don't get all the attention because they're kind of slow and there's nothing fancy about them, but they're the workhorses in the trenches," he said.

Hennings' last assignment in the Air Force sent him to the 92nd Tactical Fighter Squadron, RAF Bentwaters, England, and, a short time later, smack dab into the middle of the Persian Gulf war.

"I flew air support missions over Iraq toward the end of the war for Operation Provide Comfort," he said. "I initially



was an armed escort for tactical airlift aircraft—the C-130s dropping supplies to the Kurds. That evolved into reconnaissance missions, making sure Iraqis were doing what they were supposed to be doing, according to the cease-fire."

After his tour in the desert, Hennings found out about the early out program. He said it was a hard decision, even though his paycheck would jump from about \$25,000 to \$300,000 per year.

"It was never about money—it was about flying and football," he said. "I sort of felt like I'd be quitting if I took the early out. But everyone—family, friends, co-workers—told me to go for it."

A couple months later, Hennings was trading uniforms—from an olive-green flight suit, to a blue, silver and white football jersey.

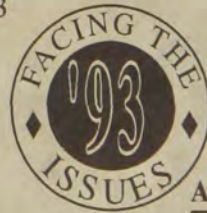
Before Hennings left the Air Force, the 92nd TFS commander, Lt. Col. Bill McGee, told him, "you'll always be a fighter pilot." Shortly after that, his former squadron deployed to Turkey.

Now, just as he was constantly reminded of football when

he was in the Air Force, he is continuously reminded of his piloting days. His "new team," the Cowboys' players, have nicknamed him "captain" or call him "the designated flyboy." And anytime the Cowboys go on away trips in charter flights, Hennings can't resist the temptation to go up and talk to pilots in the cockpits.

"I can't quite get flying out of my blood," he said.

By TSgt Timothy Barela originally printed in *Airman*, February 1993



Anything but Work

Last Words

The hammer has fallen, the sickle is broken,
Mankind is stalling, though fate has spoken
Time is passing, still men are bound,
Man is still dozing, as the clock winds down,
Where will you go, you must understand,
Do you even know, where now you stand,
The ruined Reich's old wall has crumbled,
The communist empire has somehow tumbled,
In this world of confusion, men look for the light,
Lost in disillusionment, lost in the night,
Changing times, changing sins,
Changing minds, the fate of men,
Associations, relocations, bring confusion to the heart,
State of thought omission, in a world now torn apart,
We, yet in youth, must choose our way,
Constrain human sorrow,
To mend Man's today,
We must decide our tomorrow,
For, to change the world, this kingdom of men,
We must first change our own domain, and then,
Look out on the landscape, futures of our world,
Contribute as we may, as our dreams are unfurled.

By Charles A. "Sir" Baird

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◆ Come closer if you dare, this fourth-class ghoul is trapped behind bars so that he can help "terrorize" all the trick-o-treaters who wonder the hall on Halloween. Photo by M. Tieman



◆ Forward march, not known as the most fun squadron activity but an activity none-the-less. At every home football game two groups of squadrons march on the field this march normally follows a cookout in the parking lot.



◆ Pull team, throw the balance so the

◆ Pull team, pull. This group of fourth-class cadets try to throw the fourth-class cadets from another squadron off-balance so that they can win the contest. Photo by M. Gaupp



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elax, cadets find time to take a breather

It is important to understand the cadets' life when they're not studying, playing intramurals, going to briefings or any other Academy related function. You see, contrary to public opinion, cadets are still human. So when time allows, cadets like to sit back, relax and enjoy life. However, their idea of relaxing is a bit different from the "norm."

Popular activities, such as beerball, 21st birthday celebrations, dining-outs or just plain relaxing downtown

topped the list. For those cadets over 21 activities that included alcoholic beverages usually were popular. For those who hadn't hit that magical age, well, they were forced to be a little more creative, bowling, going to the movies and developing original diversions within the squadron were sure to draw a crowd.

In addition there were seasonal activities that included quad volleyball tournaments, Super Bowl parties, camping. Concerts also drew quite a crowd in the spring and early fall. This year saw the Cadet Wing well represented at both Metallica/Guns & Roses and U2. Although all these activities entertained cadets, other events at the Hill and for those with Top Off (that would be firsties) found other ways to put a new twist on their social lives.

The new Crud table in A-Hall excited all, including the Superintendent. He even went over and played the first game to properly induct all into the realms of Crud playing. This seemed to light a fire in the Wing. Continued on page 212

◆ Munch, munch, munch, these cadets participate in the ever-popular hot dog eating contest. Normally those who eat don't care to eat another one for a long time. Photo by C. Harris



Crud tables and bars-entertainment for all

Many squadrons began weekly Crud tournaments or sought the table on the weekends. So maybe the Air Force isn't changing that much. Hopefully we'll remember the all-famous Crud game through all of this uproar and uncertainty. And for the firsties, they had more than A-Hall Crud to look forward to.

Top Off provided a first-class cadet with a chance to be human a few times during the week, instead of on weekends only! So, what did these cadets

do, you ask? Tuesday nights, one would find the senior class at Ventures or other bars offering Ladies' Night, Thursday found the Academy at Rodeo for Penny Pitcher Night, and the other weekdays were spent going from happy hour to the movies or just relaxing in bed.

Needless to say, cadets found many enjoyable activities to fill the limited time together before the weekend came and wisked away the entire Wing in many separate directions. It's these weekday gatherings and activities that created the strong bonds and friendships at the Academy. Believe it or not, these friendships have even lasted through flight olympiads and head bangin' trashcan conquering. Without question, the squadron unit always finds new and interesting ways to get to know each other better, so watch your step the next time you're crusin' through one of the dorms. You might just find yourself in the middle of a fruit hurling contest or about to be run over by a "cadet airplane" who is shooting for the furtherest carrier landing yet!

By Char Melick



◆ He flies through the air with the greatest of ease, although this is the case this cadet seems a little concerned with landing. Photo by B. Fallis

◆ "Butt-slammng" this cadet tries to erase as much of the grease board as he can with his rear-end. This is one of the newer and more popular squadron events. Photo by B. Fallis



◆ Cadets, place your bets, these cadets watch anxiously to see if their helmeted hero will be tossed the furthest without injury to himself or the tossers. Photo by C. Harris



◆ Just four more to go, this participant tries to beat the clock and his opponents by eating the maximum amount of hamburgers in a limited time period.

◆ A barbecue gone astray, CIC Mike Manor and his accomplices thought that a hot dog roast would work. They were wrong, the party was taken outside where the smoke could escape more easily. Photo by C. Harris



◆ "I've fallen and I can't get up," some cadets such as this one opted for fun on the ice down at the field house. Photo by M. Gaupp



◆ Party-time on the quad, these cadets listen to a band and the antics of those who are dancing in front of the stage. This quad party was the first in a long time. Photo by M. Phan



◆ Good times with good friends, CIC Mo Barrett and her pals find a way to truly get one's whistle wet. The Sports Bar was a favorite with those 21 and older. Photo by S. Morris



Making the most of a good thing

Free time is not always easy to come by here on the hill. Caught between twenty-one hour course loads, competing in the WAC, marching tours and practicing parades; cadets run a high risk of becoming social delinquents. The High Command has prescribed rich doses of squadron bonding and a little hiking here and there to help save the cadets' social life. In the middle of this, the cadets do manage somehow to find things on their own to do.

The Laundromat is always a popular place, guaranteed to

make you wait. And just a few quads away there were plenty of lively standing parties next to Arnold Hall. This year the cadets did see more cadet bands, dollar drafts, and a volleyball tournament to break to stagnant air of dead week.

Since mortally dangerous activities such as repelling, bunji jumping and riding a motorcycle are frowned upon, most cadets turned to roller blading and mountain biking for their free time. Then again even roller blading became threatening.

As for places to go, several cadets found the ice rink. Others figured out that their room could become a pretty exciting place with a couple of changes here and there. The changes usually included a VCR and/or a Nintendo system. Armed with these treasures cadets were sure to find friends to help them pass the time away.

Regardless of the activity though cadets were in agreement that even free time poorly spent was better than the best day of classes and military responsibilities.

By Marcus Gregory

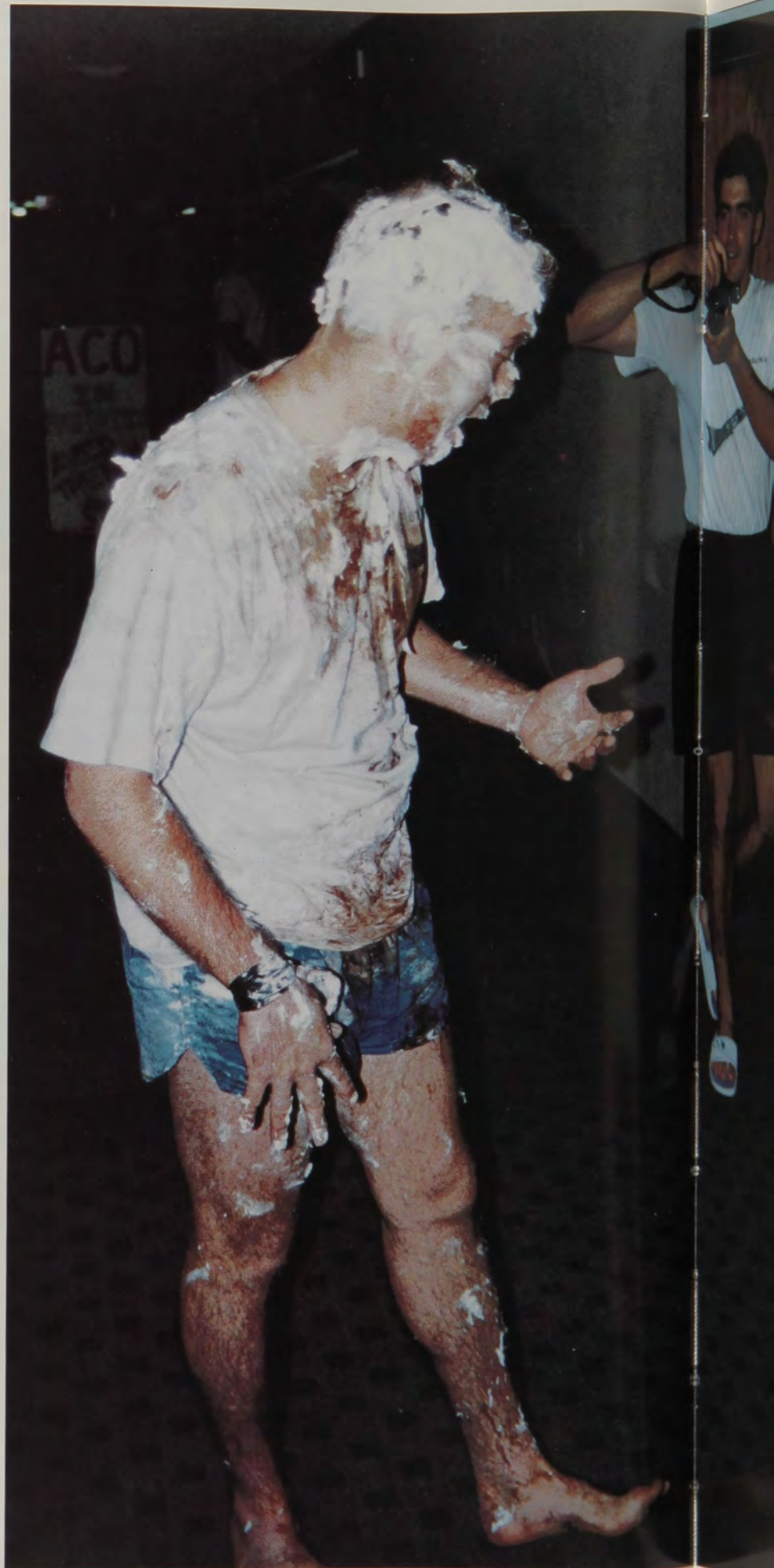
◆ *Good clean fun? These two seem to think so. CIC Layne Tapper and cohort amuse themselves while waiting for the rinse cycle to end. Photo by K. Field*





◆ CIC Matt Powell stands exhausted following a physical nuke, as CIC Katie Knudson poses for the camera. The strawberry above the eye is a reminder to Matt of his fateful evening. Photo by J. Babinski

◆ This cadet sports the "nuke aftermath" clothing line, as others look on. Despite the ACQ sign, cadets still take time to show appreciation for one another. Photo by K. Stinson



Nuketime at nighttime traditions die hard

Nighttime at the Academy sees a new and different breed of the human race appear around 2300 or so. You see, this is the time when those people called cadets show utmost appreciation for one another. Whether it is a birthday, a first snow or just for fun, nukes are but one way to have a little fun.

It is true that Nuke is not a typical English word, but it does hold great meaning to cadets. An explanation of a nuke includes getting man-handled by a large group of people, usu-

ally freshmen, dragged outside into the quad and drenched with insane smelling, gross looking cartons of "stuff." This "stuff" might consist of spoiled milk and other foods stashed away for a number of days, weeks or even months! However, the main thing to remember is to run like a bat out of hell back to your room and lock the door before the nuked arrives to greet you and your room.

Some wonder if there is life after a nuke. Well, yes there is, but usually without the clothing you were wearing at the time. A few articles of clothing may survive if they're soaked, bleached and washed immediately. It just takes a couple of showers and cleansing of the smeller to forget that fateful night. As of yet, no nuke related deaths have been recorded. But the death of nukes themselves may be in the history books before the next year is out.

Along with the changing Air Force attitude, the Academy leadership has sought ways to seemingly "squelch" the Wing's morale. True, they may be doing such things in the best interest of the cadets, but everything the cadets enjoy seems to always get cut. Though very limited, many still found ways to incorporate tasteful nukes without causing too much havoc. Well, until the announcement making nukes illegal, please pass the Hershey's syrup and orange juice.

By Char Melick

◆ *Cadet bonding anyone? Unfortunately all they had for glue was shaving cream. These cadets struggle to free themselves from a bond that only physical strength and shaving cream can create. Photo by M. Gaupp*



A-Hall not just a building a necessity

Arnold Hall, the place that all tourists visit and buy souvenirs and the place that keeps the fourth-class alive for a year. In addition, the upper-class makes frequent visits throughout the year for special events.

As new members of the Cadet Wing, the fourth-class is awarded very few passes, but like the rest of the wing, they too look for places to blow a little steam. Arnold Hall, more famously known as A-Hall, serves the Cadet Wing in many capacities weekend after weekend. True, A-Hall is open to all cadets, but one is more likely to find the fourth-class in hordes attempting to re-establish their social life.

A-Hall offers services such as a CD player jukebox, pool

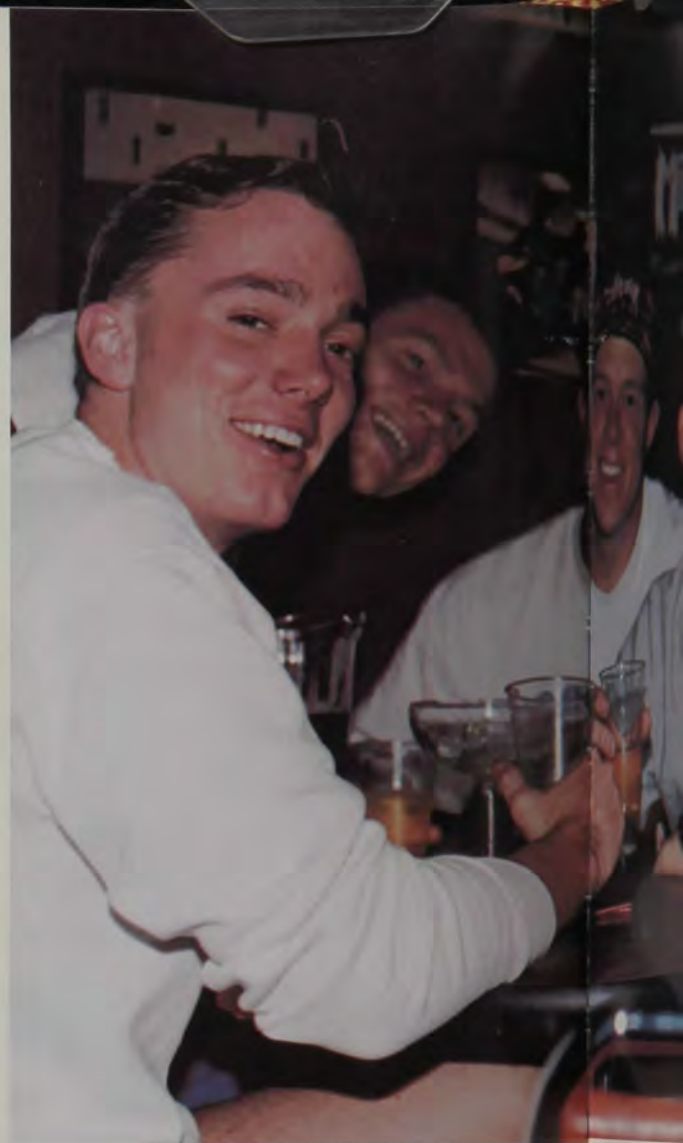
tables, a gift shop, big screen TV during the week and a movie theater on the weekends. For those who'd like to "pig-out" or enjoy something besides Mitch's Muck, Arnie's offers pizza, hamburgers and chicken on the grill, ice-cream and a variety of soda. Or you can come over and just "hang-out" in a booth and relax.

For those upper-class cadets 21 and older, the Sports Bar offers various services and a unique social atmosphere to the tune of darts, fooseball, and the crucial basketball, hockey and football TV coverage. Cadets can even enjoy pretzels with their drinks or while they're waiting for the pizza to arrive. During the week, Firsties are allowed to seek the bar's advice until Academic Call to Quarters (ACQ), and on the weekends, it's open to all those of age.

In addition to the immediate establishments in A-Hall, other services are offered for the cadets' convenience. The Graphic Shop does T-shirts of all types, the ticket outlet sells tickets to all the important Colorado events and concerts, and specific "educational" classes are offered. These classes consist of the cooking classes, wine sampling, diamond education and, most importantly, country dance lessons. This past year saw a large cadet turn-out at the frequent Saturday night sessions of country dancing. The UPS/Federal Express pick-up and shipping office is the newest addition to A-Hall services. All in all, A-Hall keeps everyone entertained and beats many Student Unions across the country.

By Char Melick

◆ Before the arrival of a new, official "Crud Table", the A-Hall pool tables were often used to for Crud, a contact sport played without pool cues. Crud was popularized by pilots and is played in numerous Officers' Clubs around the world.
Photo by C. Harris





◆ The Sports Bar was one of the most popular A-Hall establishments for upperclassmen. Unfortunately for youngsters, the drinking age of 21 was strictly enforced. Photo by J. Babinski

◆ Trisha Yearwood's concert drew a large crowd. The Cadet Entertainment office managed to bring many major acts to Arnold Hall. Photo by K. Stinson



◆ Fourth-class cadets are often found frequenting Arnold Hall. These four degrees are using the pool tables for a more traditional game. Photo by M. Gaupp

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ervice-cadets find it everywhere

There are many services offered to cadets on base. They range from the Cadet Clinic, the Barber/Beauty shops, the laundromat and the mailroom, to name a few. With a year of many changes, cadet services did not go unaffected.

The mailroom changed their hours to 0830-1530 Monday thru Friday, and 0900-1400 on Saturday. They are still closed on Sundays and holidays. In addition, parcel pick-up now goes on the mailroom loading dock at about 1600. Cadets, remember to get those stamps bought and packages sent before 1600 from now on!

For those who continually wonder about UPS and Federal Express, it is no longer in Fairchild Hall. One must now go to Arnold Hall, Room 102, otherwise known as the "Alley." Here, lovely ladies will help you send or pick-up those all important packages.

However, for some cadets, that package may come in the form of medicine from the Cadet Clinic. Like many of the services,

the clinic added something new to their list. For those short on time, you can now fill-out a sheet right at the pharmacy and request cough drops, saline nasal spray and aspirin, among others, without seeing a physician.

Hopefully, this will keep those who really need medical attention in line for the physicians and not all of those runny-nosed cadets. Please use this new service; it is worth your time.

Another new service will be offered in a different office just up the hill from the clinic. The Cadet Barber/Beauty Shop will begin offering extra services to the men when school starts. These services will include highlights, partial perms, relaxers and deep conditioning. For those parents wishing to help their poor son, they will be able to buy coupons for the different services and have them sent to their cadet, just like the female coupon program.

Remember, the Barber/Beauty Shop is a full service establishment just like the salons downtown. The new hair stylist, Ava Glasco, had a few words for the cadets. "Don't go downtown! We're less expensive and offer everything they do off-base."

In her short time here, she also said that she feels more appreciated than ever before, and feels she has convinced many of the black cadets to use the Cadet Beauty Shop, unlike before when many went downtown.

When asked how they felt about working at USAFA, many barbers/hair stylists said it was very rewarding to work here because of the camaraderie, the feeling of helping someone, and gaining a whole bunch of "kids."

Supervisor, Connie Graff said: "I was as proud as any parent would be" when she saw the Class of 1993 graduate on June 2nd. It was almost like losing one of your kids." She had seen the Class of 1993 transition from Basics on In-processing Day to Lieutenants Graduation Day.

So, for the cadets, remember to treat those who serve you as people and they will do their best to provide the requested services.

By Char Melick





◆ Too many to chose from, this cadet apparently has some free time and selects a movie from the wide variety at the C-Store to watch later that evening. Photo by P.J. Pelkington



◆ It's not often that a cadet can get a haircut by a "hippie-love-child" at the Cadet Barber and Beauty Shop. Chuck was all decked out for Halloween. Photo by M. Phan



◆ "Could I get two fives and a ten please?" Many cadets found it handy to do their banking at Air Academy National Bank that was conveniently located on the terrazzo. Photo by M. Gaupp



◆ There's nothing like sleeping in a clean bed. Wayne down at the linen could make that dream a reality. Photo by P.J. Pelkington

Becoming one with nature on weekends

The Rocky Mountains and the beautiful scenery of Colorado offers many outdoor activities for residents, especially cadets racing away from the Hill to enjoy some individual time. The Cadet Outdoor Resource Center rents a variety of equipment throughout the year for all those activities cadets like to do.

Naturally, the famous Colorado sport of skiing the Rockies ranks number one during the late fall and winter months. "Ski rentals definitely is the top rental," said Head Ski Technician, Mr. Harry Wallace. "On an average weekend, we rent about 400 skis and we have an inventory of only 900." Cadets can look for some help when the ski seasons starts again. The Resource Center is going to offer a new reservation service. They will now

take reservations for ski equipment on Mondays, with a Wednesday or Thursday pick-up. The hope is to cut the notorious one hour wait to a few seconds.

After the ski season ends, Wallace said camping gear, particularly sleeping bags, then takes over the top spot. Though well-known, skiing can get quite expensive, so cadets turn to the nature in their own backyard - the Rocky Mountains that border the Academy and neighboring Colorado Springs.

Spring semester continues to bring the cadets to the Resource Center, but for many different supplies. Cadets might be seen carrying tents, backpacks, volleyballs and coolers for the cheaper nature activities. Camping, picnicking, fishing, hunting, and volleyball games top the list once the sun begins to shine. They're just as fun, but not as hard on the pocketbook as money always seems to top the "Cadet List of Major Concerns."

Springtime also sees increased activity in the Cadet Wing, to include squadron parties and June Week open houses for parents. "When there's an increase in Wing activity, we see an increase in visits," said Mr. Wallace at the Resource Center.

Although the Outdoor Resource Center is a luxury for Academy personnel, cadets participate in many other activities. Horseback riding, mountain biking, and quiet evenings at bed and breakfasts attract many cadets. So, contrary to some opinions, cadets don't always get in trouble in their free time.

By Char Melick

◆ *Preparing to climb down a rock face these cadets make sure everything is in order. A lot of cadets found rock climbing and repelling to be an enjoyable pastime. Photo by K. Field.*



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By Char Melick



◆ Drinking cups of hot chocolate and warming up by the fire, these upperclass cadets get away from the hill for a little R and R. Photo K. Field

◆ Play ball, this cadet prepares to knock the softball out of the park at a squadron picnic. Squadron picnics were popular at the beginning of the year because it gave squadronmates a time to get away from the business side of the squadron. Photo by K. Stinson



◆ Catching up on a little extra curricular reading, this fourth-class cadet takes his pack and sits under the shade. This is some of the only freetime that fourth-class cadets get. Photo by M. Tieman

Time to get out and express yourself, undoubtedly this was an area that all cadets took very seriously. Joining clubs that focused on an individual's interest remained popular despite the fact that free time was cut since almost everyone had to participate in all three intramural seasons.

In an effort to escape the ordinary, cadets joined clubs that ranged from those that explored athletic interests like men's volleyball, women's fast pitch softball and rugby, to mission support clubs like the drum and bugle corps and the falconers. Also, let's not forget the range in between these, they included ethnic clubs, academic clubs and service organizations.

Escape the Ordinary

As cadets got more involved in their extracurricular activities, they found their dream to be associated with something other than just being a cadet was a reality. In addition, the clubs proved vital to the Academy as they provided additional positive recognition through the awards received by participants from clubs such as the power lifting team and the traditional karate organization.

CLUBS





Adding the sounds of the cymbal, this member of the Drum and Bugle Corps performs at an away football game.

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Mountaineers take to the Rockies

The Mountaineering Club was extremely active as the members could be found in the mountains nearly every weekend. On their excursions they hiked, snowshoed, cross country skied, ice climbed, snow camped, rock climbed and downhill skied.

New members were

taught at all levels in the areas that interested them; this included body belaying and telemarking to the tree line with packs. The club had several clinics, one was taught by a leading climbing instructor.

Climbing seemed gain the most popularity in the club as members combed the Collegiate Peaks, the Flatirons,

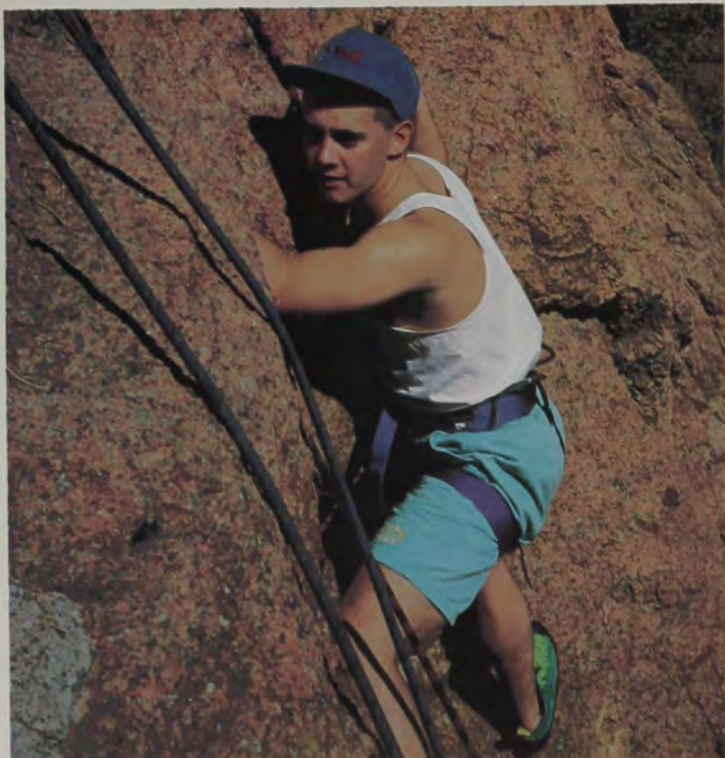
Garden of the Gods, Cheyenne Canyon, Canon City and the Front Range. In addition many joined the new indoor climbing gym for the winter months.

CIC Dan Engberson summed up climbing when he said: "When I would stand on the top of a mountain, and it has taken all my strength and courage to get there even for one second - I feel the truth of my life."

As expected climbing is a rather dangerous sport, thankfully though not one member of the club was injured.

This safety record is largely due to the fact that the club had access to exceptional equipment and the members are very experienced climbers. Since this is the case members had a great time reaching new heights year round.

Getting a grip on things. CIC Dan Engberson scale a rock face in Cheyenne Canyon. Photo provided by Mountaineering Club.



Ready for a rest. C3C Scott Baker prepares to finish his climb to the top of a rock face in Cheyenne Canyon. Photo by D. Engberson



Making tracks. C4C Doug Greenleaf treks through a Pikes Peak forest. Photo by D. Engberson

"I've fallen and I can't get up." C2C Mike Dunn collapses after a tough descent down Mount Belford. Photo by D. Engberson



MOUNTAINEERING CLUB



L to R: Capt Mike Panda, Nick Martin, Mark Lindsey, Mike Dun, Dan Engberson Front: Capt Ricky Sward Photo provided by D. Engberson

WINGS OF GREEN



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WINGS OF BLUE



Back Row L to R: Barry Coggins, Doug Pratt, Andy Maas, Scott Wallace, Rebecca Sonkiss, Dave Wright, Don Mentch, Chris Nolan, Gregg Leismen, Bron Stuart, Scott Kelter, Jesse Hernandez, Rick Wageman Front Row L to R: Chris Clagg, Alex Anastasion, Bryan Gillan, Beau Rogers, Ronson Nguyen, Scott Davis Scott Taylor Photo provided by Wings of Blue.



Taking a breather before heading down the slopes, these Alpine team members are enjoying the view. Photo provided by the Alpine Ski Team.



THE CHAMPS

Nordic and Alpine Ski Teams rank nationally

The Air Force men's Nordic ski team won the U.S. Collegiate Ski Association National Championship at Squaw Valley, Calif., while the men's and women's Alpine/Nordic combined teams took second.

In addition, eight Nordic skiers earned a total of 18 first or second-team All-American or Academic All-

American honors.

"In the men's Alpine events, the team took sixth out of 17 in the giant slalom and 14th of 17 in the slalom. Freshman skier Jed Hutchinson was named an Academic All-American, as was junior Deb Hoium of the Nordic team.

"I'm really impressed with the performance of our

freshmen and sophomores," said Richard Hawk, the alpine ski team officer-in-charge.

"Participation in the national competition says a lot for this young team, and shows the great potential we have to dominate the sport in the next few years."

In the Nordic team national events, junior Doug Heckman won a gold medal in both the 15-kilometer classic race and the pursuit race.

Junior Mike Brothers added a silver medal in the 10-kilometer freestyle race and junior Matt Decker earned bronze medals in the classic and freestyle races.

In the 3-by-7.5 kilometer relay race, the team of Heckman, Brothers and Decker finished second to capture the silver medal.

Junior Michelle Kuipers was the top women's skier for the Air Force in the Nordic competition, winning silver medals in the 10-kilometer

Classic Race and the pursuit race. She also placed fifth in the 7.5-kilometer Freestyle Race. Kuipers earned First Team All-American honors in all three events.

In addition, Heckman won the gold medal for Overall Individual Men's Nordic Skier and Decker took a bronze in that category. Kuipers won the bronze for Overall Individual Women's Nordic Skier.

"The tough regional competition in the Rocky Mountain Division helped prepare the teams for the national," said Hawk.

In the regional finals at McCall, Idaho, the Nordic team took first and the Alpine team placed third.

"Both of our programs are very strong now and we're looking forward to another outstanding season next year," said Hawk.

By SSgt. Stefan Alford, Falcon Flyer staff

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Time to go; this skier gets ready for another run during a ski practice. Photo provided by the Alpine Ski Team.



ALPINE SKI TEAM



Back Row L to R: Maj Steve Graham (Coach), Jed Hutchinson, Ruth Rumfeldt, Ian Phillips, Rob Lee, Pete Vitt, Chuck Metzgar, "Spaz" (Coach), Capt Mark Snyder (Coach) Middle Row L to R: George Wyse, Tom Seymour, Kevin McGowan, Jay Worly Front Row L to R: Dawn Wagner, Jennifer Rollins, Raquel Early. Photo provided by the Alpine Ski Team.

NORDIC SKI TEAM



L to R: Coach Mallery, Carl Hagen, Doug Heckman, Keel Ross, Mike Brothers, Eric Knight, Deb Hoiium, Michelle Kuipers, Lauren Sheahan, Matt Decker Photo provided by the Alpine Ski Team.



Bearing the cold, C4C Jay Worly and C4C Chuck Metzgar enjoy an afternoon in a winter wonderland. Photo provided by Alpine Ski Club

Visualizing a good run, this cadet waits for the signal to head down the mountainside. Photo provided by the Alpine Ski Team.

Makin' it to the finish line C2C Lauren Sheahan and C2C Deb Hoiium reach the last leg of the race during the Western Regional Championship. Photo provided by the Nordic Ski Team.

RUCK YOU

Once a Zoomie always a Zoomie

No brains, know pain ... at least that is what one of the rugby shirts put out by the women's rugby club told its followers; it is not far off from being the truth. The rugby clubs for both men and women attract a little less than 100 players a year. The break down is approximately 60 for the men and 30 for the women.

"There are about 50 guys who come down to practice and play seriously," C3C Wade Gordon said. "There are always 30 who are on season and they are required to come down to practice."

Practice for the men's team better known as the zoomies, includes running the powerlines, skills drills and working on hitting techniques to improve their games. The practices are run more than

half the time by their coach and the rest of the time team motivates itself.

Undoubtedly all this practice paid off. The team's losses were far and few between. In fact there was only one loss to a collegiate team before national competition. After posting an unreal total of 165 to their competitor's

total points of 5 the zoomies seemed a force to be reckon with and they were.

In the first round they beat Wisconsin this put the team in the championship game against Cal-Berkley. Unfortunately the ending to this game wasn't as sweet, they lost but despite this they still earned a second place finish. Although the team did place high some were disappointed but the close knit team was able to overcome it.

"The team is a real close one," Gordon said. "This attitude is passed down from team to team. When I was in Germany I met a player from the '86 team we just hung out and talked. I guess it proves that once you're a zoomie you're always a zoomie!"

Above: Off to the races! Junior Tracy Hubbard runs full speed ahead hoping to make it into the try zone. Photo by S. Morris

Right: Let the ball go. Air Force rugby players wait in the line-out for the ball to be inbounded. Photo by S. Morris



Give it to me! Junior Tracy Hubbard (left) waits anxiously as the ball travels to her hands. Photo by S. Morris

POWERLIFTING TEAM



Back Row L to R: Scotty Anderson, Grailing Jones, Gene DeHerrera, Fred Safford
 Second Row L to R: John Tinsley, Andy Dao, Lara Clemente, Loren Jones, Conan Higgins, Jeff Kueter, Adam Kruger, Bob Kinerson
 Front Row L to R: Dave Lombardo, Char Melick, Penny Parmer, James Radford, Peg Moskaluk, Capt Eddie Disher
 Photo by M. Phan

WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM



Fall team names unavailable.

MEN'S RUGBY TEAM



Back Row L to R: Maj Chuck Milligan, Rex Ballinger, Brian Musselman, Matt Keiper, George German, Rob Harris, Dave Adams, Eric Bulger, Sean Cavan, Capt Dan Miller
 Second Row L to R: Rob Dam, William Speros, Lance Teel, Mike Bergner, Mike Traw, Trent Tuthill, Chuck Thompson, J. Marque, Jim Lamar, Marty Timko
 Front Row L to R: Maj Mike Cartney, Jake Burgwald, Noah Hardie, Chris Eden, Casey Hackathorn, Matt Benivegna, Dayne Fentress, Tim Hens, Earle Combs
 Photo provided by the team

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Back Row L to R: Don Mosely, Chad Rauls, Kevin Byrne, Rueben Ratcliff, Ryan Turner, Stephen Schell, Steve Hodge, Don Smith
Middle Row L to R: Matthew Whitney, Jeff Clark, Dave Hauck, Karamo Hayward, Will Sammons, Kenneth Nguyen, Josh Bobko
Front Row L to R: Bo Burick, Aaron Smith, Ty Groh, Sloan Henderson, Scott Heyler, Johnny Erwin, Norman Vuchetich
 Photo by M. Phan



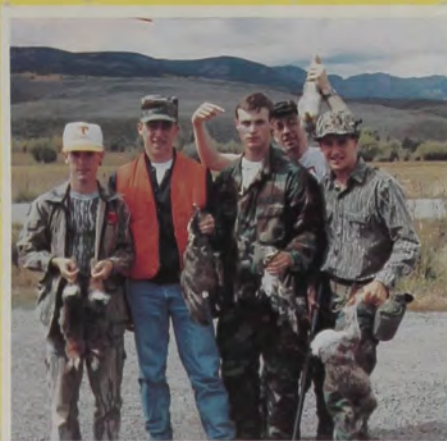
Sophomore Matt Whitney and senior Kevin Byrne reject the dink that an opponent tried to put over. Photo by J. Babinski

Sophomore Matt Whitney jump-sets the volleyball to a waiting hitter. Photo by S. Morris



HUNTING CLUB

Back Row L to R: Ron Berzins, Charles Schmutzer, Mike Haines, Brian Oswald, Allen Horsens, Phillip Inman, Capt Eric Nelson
Front Row L to R: Eric Das, Jack Joyce, Richard Dill, Phil Acquaro
 Photo provided by the Hunting club



Members of the Hunting Club show off their kills. Photo by K. Stinson



After a successful hunt, these men take time gather for group shot. Photo provided by the Hunting Club.



SPIKE IT

Competition gets tougher
as team get better

The competition was fierce just to join the men's volleyball club. More than 80 tried out to get placed on one of the three teams only 21 made the final cut.

Known as the white, blue and red teams they all competed in the United States Volleyball Association Rocky Mountain division. All teams did especially well and each one went up one step in the competition and managed to stay there for the whole year.

Not only did the men's volleyball club participate in USVBA, but the red team also competed in the collegiate club league. Some of the highlights of this portion of the season included: a win over Army, taking first in the tournament the team sponsored at the Academy and earning a spot to compete at the Collegiate Club Championships in Texas.

"We were very fortunate to have guys that already knew how to play quality ball," Capt Marcus Darling, first year as-

sistant coach said. "In just a few years we have the players moving to the highest level of competition in USVBA."

The team went in to the championships seeded 12th, it was here that the team beat Army and the University of Northern Arizona in the first pool. Unfortunately the next pool was a little tougher, the team had two losses which placed them 22nd in the country.

The red team had hoped to place a higher in the country, but like other club sports they found that limited practice due to the reduction of LOS slots hurt them.

"Because practice time varied so much, the team members had to find time to practice on their own." Darling said. "This proved to us that they wanted to play and be competitive. It was great to see them so motivated, now we've come to expect that from them."

Sophomore Ryan Turner hits through the block while his teammates cover the rest of the floor. Photo by J. Babinski



CELEBRATION

Cultural clubs teach diversity appreciation

Appreciating and celebrating diversity, that's what the Way of Life Committee and Los Padrinos club are all about. Although both clubs are open to the entire Wing, most of the cadets who join are of similar racial and/or ethnic backgrounds.

Every year the clubs try to hold at least one event that helps others appreciate their rich histories and tradition. This year the Way of Life Committee held a Kwanzaa celebration on December 6. The events included the lighting of the Mishummaa Saba, the pouring of the Tambiko, entertainment and eating.

The Kwanzaa celebration remains one of the best forms to explore the cultural roots of a nationally celebrated, indigenous, non-religious, non-heroic, non-political African American holiday.

Yet another cultural celebration that took place during the school year was the Willie Colon concert. It was jointly sponsored by Cadet Entertainment and the Los Padrinos Club. This Latin American trumpet player and singer entertained both cadets and civilians alike at his Saturday night concert, Latino dresses and dancing were abundant.

Top Right: These cadets take time out to enjoy food and socializing during a weekend get together.

ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY Names not available Photo by J. Babinski

Working the booth at a downtown function C2C Darin Padilla and C3C Natalie Holzherr enjoy watching the people go by. Photo provided by Los Padrinos





What's a party without music? This cadet looks for the right tunes to play.



ROMAN ANTHONY SANTANA

Unfortunately the Cadet Wing did not go through the year without losing one of its members. C3C Roman Santana died in a plane crash when he attempted a night flight to Denver, CO. Roman was a gifted writer and a tremendous athlete. Roman had applied to all three academies and was nominated for an appointment at them all. He chose the Air Force Academy because of his great love to fly ... he will be missed.

Small Wings

*Jesus called him home today.
Roman has a new place to play.
Tears fell from the sky
Though we will never understand why.
It was time for him to go.*

*Roman was going to learn to fly;
That is something we all know.*

*Jesus sent his angels down.
As soon as they arrived,
They placed small wings upon his back.
It was time for him to fly.*

*Jesus was calling him.
Roman heard him say,
I need you son.
I need you to lead the way.
It's time for you to go.*

*Roman was going to learn to fly;
That is something we all know.*

Written by Pamela Gonzalez, Roman's aunt

Honesty

*The backbone of a relationship
Providing the only means of trust
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And without it, soil the reputation of the great
It's a measure of love and respect and
Those that believe in it will find their lives improved
While those who don't will find themselves alone
So hard to find, it is indeed a precious commodity
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It is the most solid foundation for any commitment
By Roman Santana, Class of 1995*

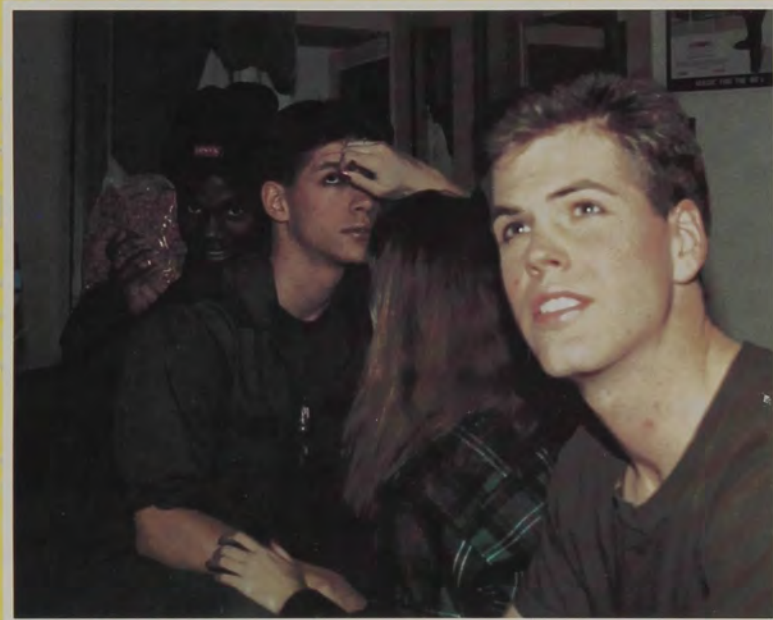
LOS PADRINOS



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THE CAST OF MASH

Putting the plan into action, Dolly sits with Hoarce Vandergelder after his rendezvous with Ernestina turns sour. Photo by C. Harris



The finishing touches, CIC Wade Douthit gets his make up applied by C2C Jen Ball before opening night CIC Dale Foster had his turn moments before. Photo by S. Weston



Making a grand entrance, Ernestine Money aka CIC Katherine Knudson makes a spectacle of herself when she arrives at the restaurant for her dinner with Hoarce Vandergelder. Photo by C. Harris



SPOTLIGHT

Bluebards take to stage in two performances

There's no business like show business and it's the business that the Bluebards know best. Each year talented cadets put on two shows that are sure to entertain the audiences that come from far and near to attend. Following the normal

routine the fall/winter performance was a play while the spring performance remained a musical.

Hello Dolly ran twice and helped cadets entertain family and friends in between the other June Week activities. During January, the cast of MASH displayed their talents two evenings at the Academy theater and then performed twice as a dinner play up at

Lowry AFB in Denver.

"This was my first time performing in a play," C2C Joe Gordon said. "The best part was going up in front of people and making them laugh; my only regret is that there were only four performances."

The first two performances of MASH went off without a hitch, but Gordon said that the second was the best.

"The audience seemed more alive (during the second performance)," Gordon said. "They laughed more at the comical situation which made it more fun for us."

The play wasn't just all fun though, the cast had to practice long and hard before ever seeing the spotlight. This task was made even more difficult as LOS slots were cut making it difficult for the whole cast to get together at one time.

"It was challenging to get everything done while in the play," Gordon said. "I remember times when nearly everyone brought homework to study between scenes. It was tiring but worth it."



This could get expensive, characters Barney Tucker and Cornelius Hackle take Mrs. Molloy and Minnie Fay to a pricey restaurant and wonder how they will pay for this excursion. Photo by C. Harris



A little horseplay, Hawkeye Pearce aka CIC Andy Boyd finds a way to entertain himself and his peers during his stay at the 4077 they've dressed Walt Waldowski aka C3C Jeff Week in the mask. Photo by S. Weston

GOSPEL CHOIR



The Gospel Choir sings a song full of praise for the Lord. Their strong stage presence often beckons the audience to join in. Photo by C. Harris



CIC Leo Green accompanies the Gospel Choir on one of its selections. Cadet instrumental accompaniment is common practice. Photo by C. Harris



Cadets Afia Malone and Keisha Rice sing during a Gospel Choir performance at the Cadet Chapel. In addition to performing at the chapel they also go to the Officers' Club and area high schools. Photo by C. Harris

These cadets study their choir books while singing "What Child is This?" The choirs sang more than ten pieces this year. Photo by C. Harris



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VOICES RAISED

Choirs spread Christmas cheer

Just as sure as Santa Claus visits every Christmas, so do the members of the Catholic and Protestant choir perform "A Festival of Lessons and Carols." This event which is open to both the Academy community and the public, has been performed since the first years of the Academy. Its popularity continued as the

Protestant Cadet Chapel, where it was held, was packed with 1,400 listeners.

"The two choirs start practicing for the program in September," Dr. Joseph Galema, one of the directors, said. "They sing quite a few familiar carols like Silent Night and then newer ones as well.

The program was

modeled after Dean Eric Milner-White's 1918 performance at King's College Chapel in Cambridge, England. He mixed carols with lessons from the Bible and various other sources. During the performance this year, the Superintendent, Commandant of Cadets, Dean, Chaplain and cadets read the lessons.

Each lesson was followed by songs performed by either one of the choirs or both choirs and the congregation. The choirs were strategically placed so that the audience was surrounded by music. The Catholic choir stood in the front and the Protestant choir stood in the loft. Between the choirs there were 250 cadets performing.

"This program is a tradition at the Academy," Galema said. "It's one way that allows both choirs to support the chapel."

The choirs also support the chapel every Sunday when they perform at the services. These performances not only provide listeners with wonderful music but it helps prepare the members for their national trips.

"Unfortunately there were not as many national trips," Galema said. "There just wasn't enough airlift - hopefully that will change in the near future."



These cadets dig down deep to give the song "Joy to the World" a strong finish. Among singing traditional carols they sing newer pieces. Photo by C. Harris

The Protestant and Catholic Choirs join together to present A festival of Lessons and Carols. This is an annual event. Photo by C. Harris

Hey, batter, batter sophomore Stacey Wharton swings and hits. Photo by C. Bailey



You're Out! Junior Laura Teal makes the tag that gets this Conquistador out. Photo by C. Bailey



PLAY BALL

Missing LOS slots hurt fastpitch season

Coming into this season with a record of 16-11 and having lost very few players, the women's fastpitch softball team had everything to look forward to, unfortunately things don't always go as planned. After all of their LOS slots were cut so that the players could spend more time bonding with their squadromates during intramurals, the team found that minimal practices with the

entire team can definitely hinder game results.

Capt Judy Graffis, the head coach said: "We finished our season 9-19 with almost the same team that we had last year; we'd take the 16-11 record any day."

Graffis, as many other club sport coaches said attributed much of the problem to the lack of LOS slots.

She said that in order to practice as a team, the players

had to work out from 6:30 to 8:00 weeknights in the Fieldhouse. They even practiced on the weekends that the team didn't have tournaments.

Despite the LOS slot problems, the team definitely had a good time getting out and playing ball and they even learned a few things along the way.

"This is a highly competitive sport," Graffis said. "It allows a player to learn about teamwork, have fun and get off campus for awhile without using a pass."

Although Graffis enjoyed coaching the team her time to leave has come. She assured us that the coaching will be left in very capable hands as Capt Mary Beth Peterson will run the program with assistance from Capt Paul Griffith and CMSgt Gary Thomas.

"Next year should be better," Graffis said. "If we get LOS slots we will definitely improve, but even if we don't the team will settle down and get better."





FASTPITCH SOFTBALL



Back L to R: Capt Paul Griffith (Asst. Coach), Chris Bailey, Ann Marie Halterman, Kim Lipscomb, Tiffany Smith, Lauren Sheahan, Laura Teal, Kim Schalaire, Capt Judy Graffis (Coach) Second Row L to R: Sue Phillips, Gina Hilger, Kim Infanger, Jessica Matthews, Tara Sweeney, Diana White Front: Michelle Vestile
 Photo provided by Women's Fastpitch Team

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 Photo by S. Weston*



COMPETITIVE FLYING TEAM



Back Row L to R: Jim Collins, Rich Lubey, Brian VanMatre, Chuck Podolak, Dave Orth, Jon Scheer, Wes Headrick, Brock Lorber, Darran Britton Front Row L to R: Capt Tony Vallera, Capt Jim Bergstrom, Becky Bernadini, Scott Allison, Joe Sucich, Vince Sei, Mark Brown, Capt Bud Starr
 Photo by DISIV

*Watching from the dugout, players junior Tiffany Smith, senior Gina Hilger, senior Kim Infanger and freshman Diana White take a minute to relax.
 Photo by C. Bailey*

GET SERIOUS

Handball team does well in national competition

When first-class cadet Andy Schad finally decided to get serious about handball, he got real serious.

Serious enough to earn All-American honors at the National Collegiate Handball Championships in Austin, Texas, at the end of February. C1C Schad lost in the semifinals of the open division but all four semifinalists accorded All-American honors at the nationals. C1C Schad is the first Air Force Academy player to earn All-American honors since 1984 when Kris Schaumann captured the title as a second-class cadet at the

Academy.

C1C Schad did not get serious about handball until his junior year at the Academy. Prior to that, his athletic time was taken up by all the traditional team sports—especially football. He was recruited by the Academy to play football and did play defensive back for the Falcons for two seasons.

Even though he did not play a lot of handball during his younger days, it certainly has been in his blood. His father, George Schad, a Colonel and a dentist in the United States Air Force, has been play-

ing handball for about 30 years. "As soon as I could walk, my father had me chasing the ball around in the court," said C1C Schad.

Being the son of a career military man, the family was on the move all the time. C1C Schad first attended Balboa High School in Panama and then graduated from Punahou High School in Honolulu, Hawaii. His father was stationed at the Academy and this was when the "seed was planted to attend the Academy," said C1C Schad.

With most of his traditional team sports days behind him now, C1C Schad has placed handball to the forefront of his athletic endeavors nowadays. "Hopefully, I can keep playing handball seriously for a long time," said Schad.

Along with C1C Schad's semifinal berth in the men's open bracket, first-class cadet Mike Rice captured the national title in the men's Division C finals. He defeated teammate C1C Kieran Smith in a 3-game tie-breaker for the title. The Air Force Academy men's handball team placed fifth in the team competition at the national tournament.



Handball Team Back Row L to R: Jason Sutton, Steve Lindemuth, Kris Norwood, Celeste Colvin, Mike Rice, Mike Blazes **Front Row L to R:** Coach Frank Sweshosky, Jason Butchko, Mark Dostal, Andy Schad, David Salisbury, Matt Ritter, Kieran Smith Photo by B. Scharton



Watch that ball, C3C David Salisbury carefully studies where the ball will fall so he can return it. Photo by B. Scharton

Eye on the ball, C1C Andy Schad prepares to deliver a kill shot to his opponent. Photo by B. Scharton



Studying the situation; C1C Kieran Smith looks to see where his shot landed. Photo by B. Scharton

LONG DISTANCE

Three times the challenge - Triathlon

It's one of the fastest growing sports in America and the cadets of the Triathlon club didn't want to miss jumping on the bandwagon.

"This is a lifetime sport you will see participants from 70 to 16 competing," said Maj Rafeal Frontura, OIC of the club. "Once you do one you won't want to do anything else; it's an excellent conditioning sport."

Frontura's enthusiasm was shared by the more than 60 cadets who participated in the club at various levels. Some solely practiced with the club while others practiced and then went on to compete at various triathlons and duathlons.

The most impressive competition came in Panama City Florida at the National Military Intercollegiate Long-course Triathlon Championship. Air Force beat both West Point and Annapolis to earn their version of the Com-

mander-in-Chief's-Trophy.

Top finishes were seen at the National Triathlon Championships in Las Vegas and the National Duathlon Championships in Phoenix where junior Steve Goodman and senior Leif Eckholm finished in the top 25. Goodman and Eckholm also earned the 1 and 2 spots on the All-Air Force Triathlon team.

Even with these successes the team didn't rest, instead they competed in the Mount Taylor Winter Quadrathlon.

This quadrathlon included biking, running, cross-country skiing and snow-shoeing; it was quite a challenge. But it was a challenge that the cadets were willing to accept. Frontura said that he was proud of the team and that they were smart for participating in these competitions.

"This sport puts the cadets in excellent condition," Frontura said. "It keeps them fit while adding variety."



Triathlon Club Back Row L to R: Chris Womick, Maj. Frontura, Sue Pressner, Jeff Salibury, Erich Schroeder, Joel Ryan, Leif Eckholm, J.D. Holt, Maj. Browne, Ryan O'Dowd **Third Row L to R:** Jenny Howard, Maggie Corbett, Steve Rodriguez, Steve Goodman **Second Row L to R:** Andy Truitt, Heidi Linstrom, Sergio Sandoval, Chuck Motsinger, Chris Sovada, James Thompson, Brian Grasky **First Row:** Fern Molina, Photo provided by Triathlon team.



Pedaling on, CIC J.D. Holt rides into the transition area at the National Duathlon Championships. Photo provided by Triathlon team.

Providing entertainment for the Christmas shoppers at the Mall of American in Minneapolis, MN, D&B plays Robin Hood. Photo provided by B. Stuart



Changing from his rifle to the sabre, this cadet prepares for the line's grand finale. Photo by B. Fallis



SHOW TUNES

Drum and Bugle Corps fill air with music

The Air Force Academy Cadet Drum and Bugle Corps, or the Flight of Sound, entertained millions of spectators with music that ranged from contemporary songs to traditional marching tunes.

Among the Drum and

Bugle Corps most popular performances were: football games both home and away, morning and noon meal formations, bugle calls, parades, and special shows throughout the country. These stops took the Corps to the Mall of

America in Minneapolis, MN, and the Apple Festival in Canon City, CO. Another memorable performance took place in St. Petersburg, FL where they marched at Disney World.

"That was our best trip of the year," C4C Kelly Gargac said. "We marched in quite a few parades that allowed us to see a lot of Florida. The trips, practices and performances are a lot of work, but they give you a chance to meet new people."

The 100 member Corps thrilled audiences with such

pieces as Robin Hood, Can't Turn You Loose, Respect, The Cohan Medley, Air Force Hymn, Air Force, and other various pep tunes and marches.

C1C Daniel Guisselquist and C1C Mari Brenneman served as Corps Commanders while C2C Gregory Olivares and C2C Nicole Jaessing were Executive Officers. C2C David Meggett was the Drum Major.

Story Provided by Brittany Stuart



The Drum and Bugle Corps stand on spirit hill before a competition with Navy. Photo provided by DISIV.



The sound of Reveille rings through the Rockies, C4C O.T. Benson plays his trumpet for all cadets to hear the morning of the Air Force Navy football game. Photo by K. Whittaker

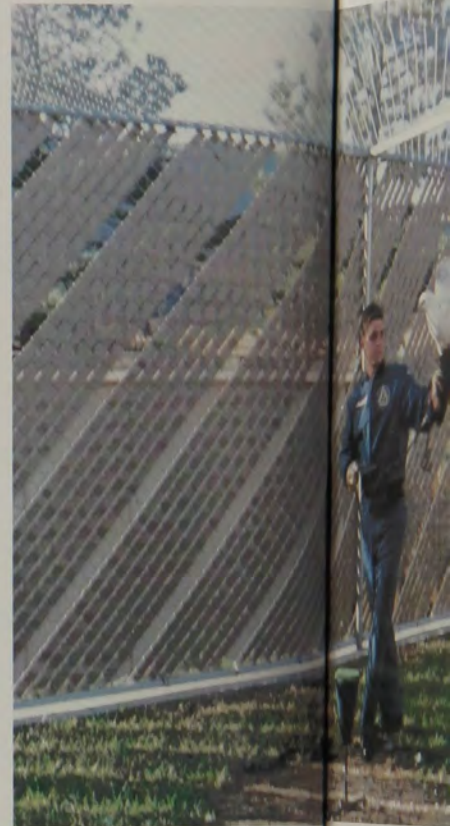
Gettin' down to the music, C2C Andy Holmberg jams out on the xylophone while C2C Sarah O'Daniel and C4C Bob Kelly accompany him. Photo by K. Field

FALCONRY

Back Row L to R: Tom Hermel, Capt Vogt, Stuart Martin, James Frickel, Todd Fleming, Col Schaad, Mark Seng Front Row L to R: Christina Frisbee, Scott Bell, Nicole Patrick, Scott Weber, Don Rhymer, Bryan Richardson Photo by S. Morris



Out for a stroll C2C Bryan Richardson takes one of the falcons out during a weekday afternoon. Photo by S. Morris



AERO CLUB

Names unavailable Photo by B. Roland



TEAM HANDBALL

Back Row L to R: Dave Toogood, Bill Posanka, Darren Danielson, Dayton, Nooner, Dave DeGraaf, Brad Tannehill, Bill Riggle, Jade Beam, Mike Dellert, Coach Dave LaRivee Middle Row L to R: Will Block, Chris Thome, John Commins, Phil Parker, Luke Ahmann Front Row L to R: Darrell Hubbard Jeff Janey Photo by K. Field



HIGH FLIGHT

Falconers entertain with their airborne performers

They fly through the air with the greatest of ease... the only difference is they have nothing to do with circuses but they manage to entertain the masses at football games and other special showings. Yes, they are the only performing mascot in the WAC, the Air Force Falcons!

Undoubtedly these birds are to be admired but quite a

bit of credit needs to go to their primary trainers and caregivers. Eleven cadets spent the majority of their freetime caring for these birds so that they could go out and continue the positive PR that they give the Academy.

"The cadets take these birds everywhere," Col Lawrence Schaad said. "We work for everybody: AH, Pro-

tocol, PA, RR ... we're definitely a mission support club."

This year alone the cadets and Col. Schaad showed the falcons 472 times. These showings include everything from flying demonstrations to presentations to civic groups and schools. Eighteen of their trips took them out of Colorado to 14 other states.

"The most interesting place we flew the falcons was at the Tri-Service Alumni Football game down in Dallas," Schaad said. "The cadets and the birds were a big hit."

Schaad added that working with the cadets continues to be a pleasure.

"These cadets have a sense of family," Schaad said. "There's a feeling of belonging that's more than just being a cadet. It's a home away from home, they know they're special and they represent the Academy very well."



Come and get it CIC Scott Bell and Grimmy practice for an upcoming performance at a football game. Photo by S. Morris

Time for a snack break, CIC Tom Hermel watches as a falcon devours a tasty piece of raw meat. Photo by K. Stinson



On display, C2C Nicole Patrick shows off a falcon to her classmates before a Falcon football game. Photo by K. Field

HAM IT UP

Amateur Radio Society talks to shuttle astronauts

It's one of the oldest but least known clubs at the Academy so needless to say the Amateur Radio Club was very happy when it reached a record number of 20 participants.

The club has its own area of operation; it is located next to cadet radio station KAFA. From here, the club can reach radio operators as far away as Japan.

Last April, the club telebridged for 1 1/2 minutes to the Space Shuttle in orbit and informed USAFA grad Lt Col Precourt that the Cadet Wing says "Fast, Neat, Ave." and he responded with "Friendly, Good, Good." This left the world of ham radio puzzled.

The club encouraged cadets to test for their radio operator's license these in-

cluded any from novice to code and codeless technician levels. By doing this, it allowed cadets to make free worldwide communications.

"Anyone who has basic EE215 knowledge can easily pass the test," C2C Luis Navarro said.

In times of national and local emergencies, the club also makes themselves available to help with disaster relief operations through coordination communications. In the future, the club also plans to enter AAR League contests that could bring national radio recognition to the Academy.

Navarro added: "We are a small club, but we are interested in getting a lot of cadets involved in worldwide communications."



Chatting with the astronauts, these three cadets each take a turn putting in their two-cents worth. Photo provided by Amateur Radio Club

Four, three, two, one blast off... the space shuttle launches on to another mission. Photo from Cadet Wing Media Library.



AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



Back Row L to R: Lt Com Shelly Nort, Charles Dutton, Capt Chris McCormack, Russ Rusliski, Jennifer Rollins, Luis Navarro, Capt Cam Wright Front Row L to R: Stacey Householder, Jon Landen, Capt Glenn James Photo provided by Amateur Radio Society.

CIVIL ENGINEERING CLUB



L to R: Jason Fallis, Tom Hermel, Dan Oosterhous, Tim Sumja Photo by B. Fallis

GEOGRAPHY CLUB



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RATTEX



Names unavailable Photo by S. Morris

BIG BROTHER BIG SISTERS



Names unavailable Photo by M. Phan

ARCHERY



Back Row L to R: CMsgt. Grover Cassada, Phillip Parker Jr., Steve Watson, Francisco Gallei, Jason Beers, Rob Gleason, Thomas Moore, Wade Wagner, Ken Fields, Todd Owens Front Row L to R: Jim Martin, Rich Hartlaub, Carrie Bischel, Jim Franklin, Kit Howell, Brian Cassada Photo by M. Phan

Teamwork makes the difference, C3C Mike Phillips and Steve Maceda get some cables untangled at the Ugly Kid Joe concert. Photo by S. Morris



Pulling cable, Mark Hollandsworth makes sure that the cable won't be in the way during the concert. Photo by S. Morris

BAC
Cadets
profession

The United States
Force Academy theater
better known as RATTEX
works throughout the
assist the Cadet Wire
many activities. This
RATTEX crew was
C3C Mike Phillips
C3C Steve Maceda



Working the lights, this RATTEX crew member waits for the cue to turn them on. Photo by S. Morris

BACKSTAGE

Cadets lend a hand at professional productions

The United States Air Force Academy theater crew, better known as RATTEX, works throughout the year to assist the Cadet Wing and its many activities. This year, the ATTEX crew was led by 3C Mike Phillips (CIC) and 3C Steve Maceda (ACIC)

in the fall and by C2C Brian Lewis (CIC) and C3C Sherri Arruda (ACIC) in the spring.

RATTEX is a group of volunteer cadets who are trained in the various aspects of theatrical work, specializing in lighting and sound equipment and including other ar-

reas such as audio/visual productions and props.

The club supports numerous cadet wing activities, some of which include Arnold Hall briefings, Mitchell formal dinners, battle of the bands competition, quad parties, production of plays and musicals, and concerts. This past year the RATTEX crew worked some big shows including Ugly Kid Joe, Yesterday—A Tribute to the Beatles, Trisha Yearwood, and Swan Lake.

The crew works many long days to support the shows and sometimes as much as 20 hours a day during summer prep week. While working closely with the Arnold Hall Theatre Staff—Mr. Fred Smith, Mr. Trey Haagen and Mr. James Stewart, the RATTEX crew has made itself an import support group for the theatre staff and the Cadet Wing.

FLYIN' HIGH

Cadets take to the sky with model planes

The dull hum of the engine is heard overhead and the eyes of the crowd follow. After an especially amazing pass the crowd claps appreciatively. These people are being entertained by one of the many performances put on by the

Model (Airplane) Engineering club before the cadets march on the field for yet another parade.

Members of the club sponsored these demonstrations for many reasons, one is that it entertains the crowd

while the other reason is that it allowed them get some pseudo stick time while they dreamed of UPT.

C2C Sean Long had this to say about the performances: "It's a real challenge to fly especially in the high winds; but it's fun."

At any given demonstration two to five radio aircraft flew some of them were the club's aircraft while others belonged to the members themselves. Among the more notable aircraft were the P-15 Mustangs, F-16s, A-10 and the trainer model.

The cadets flew their planes on the athletic fields, Aardvark Airport and they were even lucky enough to get to fly at certain model airfields around Colorado Spring free of charge.

Sometimes it takes two sets of hands to make an adjustment; this cadet gets a little help from a buddy.
Photo by K. Field



Preparing for a day of flying, the club members check their planes out before sending them off into the air.
Photo by K. Field

Just a little adjustment, C3C Jason Atkins makes sure the wings are properly set to ensure a successful take off. Photo by K. Field



MODEL ENGINEERING



*Names unavailable
Photo by K. Field*

SOARING COMPETITIVE TEAM



*Back Row L to R: Rob Ricks, Scott Bumpus, Chris Wilson, Kirk Rickhoff, John Briner, Tim Merry, Larry Spinetta Front Row L to R: Todd Ernst, Norm Johnson, Brent Mesquit, Kelly Vanderbilt, Dave Bottomlee
Photo provided by Soaring Demonstration/Competition Team.*

SOARING IPS



Names unavailable for all these Melvins. Photo by C. Grosjean

MARTIAL ART

TKO - the physical and mental challenge

The Traditional Karate Organization (TKO) was founded three years ago at the U.S. Air Force Academy and became an official club two years ago.

One of the main reasons TKO started at the Academy was to foster both mental and physical ethics which enhance the overall performance of cadets as future officers in the Air Force. These ethics, which have evolved over hundreds of years in various Far Eastern countries, are as applicable today as they were at the time of their origin.

The following five principles underscore the efforts of the TKO club: 1) to seek perfection of character; 2) to be faithful; 3) to endeavor to excel; 4) to respect others; and 5) to refrain from violent behavior.

"Training for traditional karate is very different than training for some of the other types of karate," said OIC Luther Duffy. "There is a big difference in the teaching and the training. Traditional ka-

rate is much more practical."

Karate competition is rapidly growing in popularity. TKO members competed in about 12 tournaments in 1992-93 both in-state and out. Top tournament performers during the year included C1C Shawn Welsh, C2C Mark Pye, C3C Michael Waite, C4C Patrick Long, and Chilean exchange cadet Fernando Silva. Cadet Silva also was voted most improved student during the year.

Approximately 80 members participated in TKO at one time or another during the 1992-93 school year. Club space is available in the northeast corner of the cadet gym and practice time is available daily from 1630-1800 hours. The average member works out twice a week.

In addition to tournaments, TKO members also participated in other karate functions such as clinics, seminars and belt-testing. And of course, new members are always welcome.



These cadets hold the punch-block so the their instructor can critique their form. Photo By S. Duvall

During a Traditional Karate class, these cadets practice their fight technique. Photo by S. Duvall





TRADITIONAL KARATE



Back Row L to R: Kim Taylor, Paul Trujillo, Mike Perz, Blake Richardson, Mara Skirmants, Joe Gueck Middle Row L to R: Shawn Welsh, Pat Long, David Stock, Chris Michals, Mike Waite Front Row L to R: Rob Balzano, Ken Stoltman, Instructor Luther Duffy, Mark Turner, Rory Dunham
Photo by S. Duvall

KENDO



L to R: Mark DuCharme, Grailing Jones Jr., Sensei, Mark Uchida, Robin Russell Not pictured Joe Gordon Photo by B. Fallis

NINJITSU



Back Row L to R: Ty Moore, John Boehm, Steve Lakowski, Sharon Presley Front Row L to R: Shannon Rodgers, Larry Speakman, Capt Bouche.
Photo by M. Phan



COMMUNICATE

Clubs get the word out to the Wing

Although each club, the Dodo Staff, KAFA staff and Polaris staff each provide a different service, they have one thing in common; they're in the business of communication.

Yes, communication is the common link between the three clubs that make up Cadet Wing Media. Cadet Wing Media is a civilian run office that is responsible for much of the cadet communication that goes out to the Wing.

Many cadets might not realize it but whenever they pick up a Dodo to entertain them, turn on KAFA or start flipping through the pages of last year's book, they are actually enjoying the work of their peers.

Currently both KAFA and the Polaris staff work year round while the Dodo is only in publication during the academic year so that all can truly enjoy its humor.

If the numbers of these clubs were combined, those who are involved in Cadet Wing Media clubs would far exceed 100. Despite this number however, there's always room for more. So for cadets who are interested in developing their more creative sides come on down to Cadet Wing Media and help pilot the air waves, make people laugh with the Dodo or help record history with the Polaris staff. It's definitely a worthwhile use of free time.



KAFA Staff photo by B. Scharton.



CIC Matt Sinning, senior representative of Polaris command post, contemplates a quote for the football section of the book. He leads off ... "it was better than Cats ..."

Meeting deadline is an uphill battle handy! C3C Mike squadron section states: "Those of your deadlines will be punished."

"OK now get to work," C2C Grunwald, assistant editor fantastically explains: "and finish those 145 pages, the quarter finished!"

Meeting deadlines on yearbook staff is an uphill battle ... knives come in handy! C3C Mike Brevard, squadron section editor calmly states: "Those of you who don't meet your deadlines will be severely punished."



"Now get to work." C2C Mike Grunwald, assistant editor in chief, explains: "and once we have those 145 pages, the book is a quarter finished!"

DODO STAFF



Photo by M. Gaupp

POLARIS PHOTOGRAPHERS



Back Row L to R: Phil Hendrix, Marty Gaupp, Chris Grosjean, Kevin Whitaker, Scott Weston, P.J. Pelkington, Marcus Gregory, Brian Fallis, Mike Phan Front Row L to R: Chris Harris, Troy Havener, Jeff Babinski, Ken Field. Photo by C. Harris (on timer)

POLARIS EDITING STAFF:



Back Row L to R: Amara Fatenos (adviser) Matt Sinning, Mike Brevard Front Row L to R: Beth Roland, Trung Tran, Mike Grunwald Photo by C. Harris

Intercollegiate athletics ... at the Academy if you're going to bring it weak don't bother bringing it at all. Whether on the football field, in the swimming pool or on the courts, the athletes shared a common goal of competing to the best of their abilities while representing the Academy.

With the demanding schedule that cadets already have those who chose to participate in a sport saw their free time dwindle to almost nonexistent. For most the sacrifice was worth it, the football team won the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the fourth year in a row. This alone was a dream worth remembering; no other service academy has ever managed to do so.

Don't Bring It Weak

Football was not the only sport to have notable accomplishments. Almost every team had either team successes or individual ones, in a nutshell they're too numerous to mention here.

And while the intercollegiate athletes played on, their peers came out en masse to cheer them on to victory, undoubtedly they knew not to bring it weak!

SPORTS



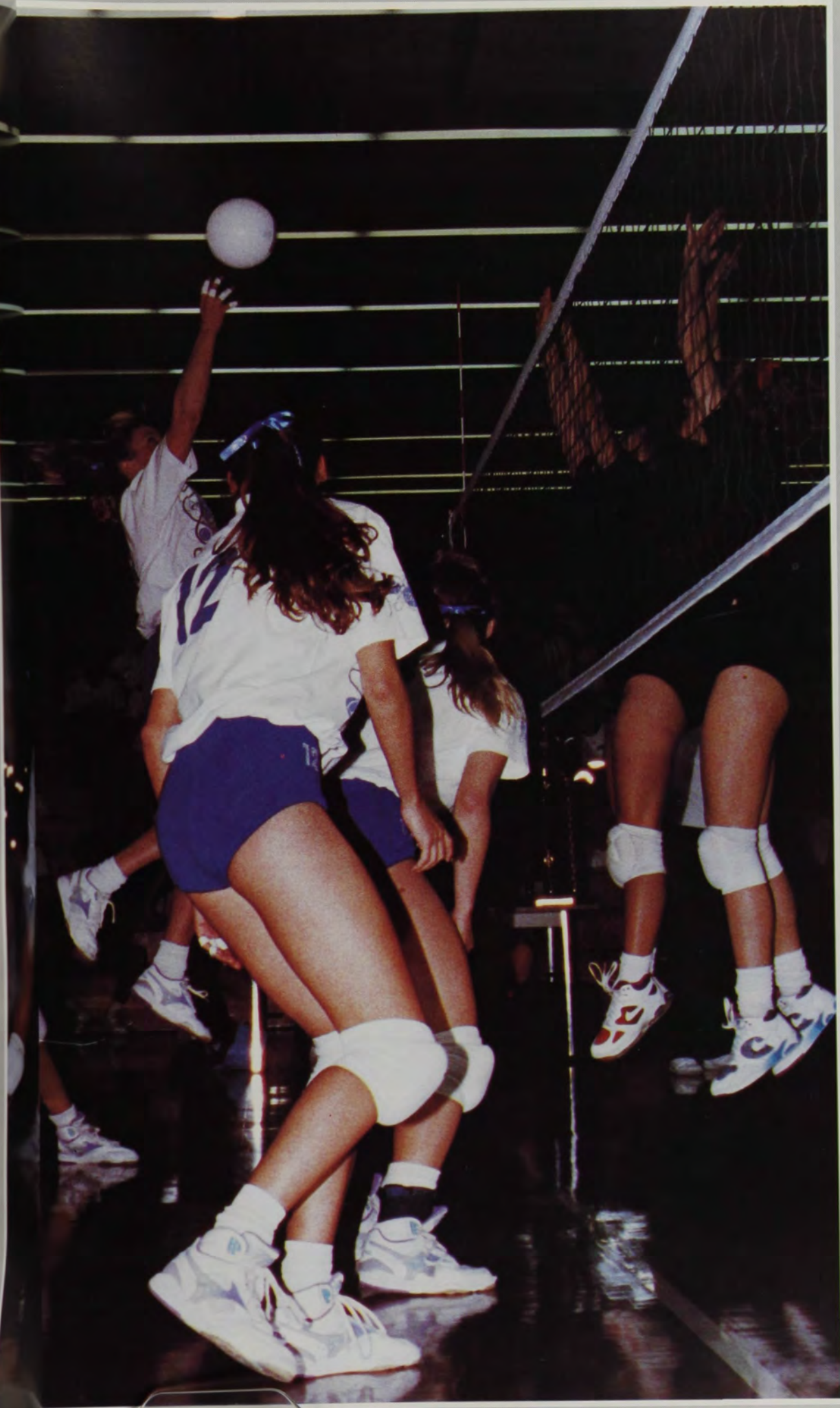
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Looking for the opening, this player decides that a dink is the best way to beat the block. Photo by S. Weston

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Col. James Rooney

BIRDS EAT RICE;

Season Starts 50/50

FIND NO GOLD

Going into the season opener, the Falcons', also known as the Birds, main goal was to win. And win they did. They defeated the Rice Owls 30-21 in front of 43,121 fans; the fourth largest opening-day crowd in Air Force history.

"We wanted, most importantly, a win and to make a good showing against Rice," Eldrick Hill, defensive back said.

The Birds came out and dominated the first half with a 21-7 lead at the half. Air Force scored first on a nine yard run by quarterback Jarvis Baker. Baker scored again in the second quarter on a keeper from one yard out.

Joe Parisi took a second-and-four option handoff, popped through the line and was gone for the Birds third touchdown of the half. It looked like the game was over, but the Owls had not given up. With 3:07 left in the half, running-back Jimmie Lee put the Owls on the board with a nine yard touchdown run.

The second half was all Rice as the Owls outscored the Falcons 14-9. Rice quarterback Josh LaRocca hooked up with receiver Louis Balady for touchdowns of 20 and 36 yards. The

Birds managed to score in the fourth quarter on a one yard dive by Parisi and a safety by outside linebacker Vergil Simpson.

The burning question in everyone's mind was: what went wrong in the second half?

"We felt like we had the game won and we relaxed," Vergil Simpson said. "We let them back in the game. We have got to learn to put teams away when we get them down."

Even with the let-down in the second half, the Birds came out of game one with more confidence. For example, the offensive line, which was the focus of pre-season questioning by the media, performed well.

"I am extremely proud of them," Jarvis Baker said. "They played solid the entire game and anchored our offense. They were a big part of getting the ball into the endzone."

Overall, it was a game Rice would love another chance at playing and the Birds are glad to have behind them.

Coach DeBerry summed up the season opener in his press conference after the game.

"We have a lot to work on, don't we?" Coach DeBerry asked.

Yes, but the work is

a lot more fun at 1-0 than 0-1.

The WAC opener for the Birds had the fans wondering if either of the teams' offenses had shown up. A WAC game without offense. Without a touchdown? Really.

HAWAII 6, AIR FORCE 3.

"To me, that's almost unbelievable," coach Fisher DeBerry said. "I mean, how do you do that?"

Well, combine inconsistent placekicking by Tyler Shedd (he made one out of four field goal tries) and an offense that only scored three points with 32 snaps in Hawaii territory in the first half and even the casual fan starts to understand.

"We've got to stop being nice guys," quarterback Jarvis Baker said. "When you've got

somebody on the ropes, you've gotta knock them out."

But, the Birds were not the only team whose offense seemed nonexistent. Hawaii's offense only produced 265 total yards in the game. Their placekicker Jason Elam had never missed a field goal inside the 20s before this game.

"I'm just glad we won," said Elam, the WAC's all-time leading scorer. "I don't feel that bad, I really don't. Every kicker has a day like this."

On a day when it seemed like nothing could go their way, the Birds still had hope. They were down, but not out. With nine games remaining in the season, they would prepare for them together, one at a time.

By Matt Sinning



OFFENSIVE LINE Front Row L to R: Leif McPherron, Tadd Sholtis, Jim Ramsey, Tony Meyer Second Row L to R: Will McCombs, James Moore, T.O. Owens, Nicholas Capotosto, John Godsey, Douglas Thurston, Coach Bob Noblitt Third Row L to R: William Young, Evan Pitts, Eric Tucker, Tim Dunn, Paul McCreary, Colin Conner Back Row L to R: Stephen Foster, Andy Ormiston, Chad Mathis, Erik Mitchell, David Grein, Rob Peragine, Martin Edwards Photo by M. Phan



NO WHERE TO RUN
Hawaii quarterback
Photo by K. F.



GET OFF ME!
 Quarterback Jarvis Baker (5) gets tackled after a six yard run.
 Photo by K. Stinson

RUN JOE, RUN. Fullback Joe Pasterello (34) runs away from the Hawaii defense on his way to a big gain. Photo by K. Field



O WHERE TO RUN TO. Falcon defenders, stop Hawaii quarterback on third down and two.
 Photo by K. Field

SCOREBOARD

Rice	30-21
Hawaii	3-6
Wyoming	42-28
New Mexico	33-32
UTEP	28-22
Navy	18-16
CSU	28-32
SDSU	20-17
Utah	13-20
Army	7-3
BYU	7-28
Ole Miss	0-13



FULLBACKS AND QUARTERBACKS Front Row L to R: Coach Paul Hamilton, Thomas Brown, Jason Maloy, Joe Parisis, Calvin Bonner, Chris Washington Second Row L to R: Chris Beake, Mark Colella, Thomas Ulmer, Kevin Mosely, Jarvis Baker Back Row L to R: Matt Poma, Joe Pasterello, Wayne Young, Preston McConnell Scott Teigen, Joel England Photo by M. Phan

"D" LYNCHES POKES

Wins Put Birds Back On Track

HEROICS DEFEAT LOBOS

The Falcons went from being a lemon in a used car lot to a brand new Lexus.

That just about described the Falcons' improvement from the previous week's loss to Hawaii.

Last weekend the Falcons were 0 for 4 in scoring chances inside Hawaii's 20-yard line, the area known as the red zone, and failed to score a touchdown for the first time in 64 games.

But this Saturday afternoon, the Bird's defensive secondary exploded for a school record six interceptions en route to a 42-28 defeat of the Wyoming Cowboys.

Senior Carlton McDonald set the tone early when he intercepted Wyoming quarterback Joe Hughes' pass and returned it 78 yards for a touchdown.

"We felt like we needed to make some big things happen," McDonald said. "We learned a lot of things out of losing to Hawaii last week, and one of them was not to rely so much on the offense. Because we can score points, too."

The Falcons took advantage of the six interceptions bursting out to a 28-0 first quarter lead.

"The defense's job is to get the ball and our job is to score," senior quarterback Jarvis Baker said. "When we all work together like today, it's fun."

Saturday's victory was fun, although the Birds were still plagued with mistakes. The offense

converted on only 3 of 7 scoring opportunities in the red zone and Wyoming outgained the Falcons 531-377.

"We're still shooting ourselves in the foot. We're still not taking advantage of every scoring opportunity," Falcon's head coach Fisher DeBerry said.

"At the same time, our defense led the way today."

Exactly. The Falcons added a fumble recovery to the school record six interceptions.

Senior Carlton McDonald added two interceptions to increase his career picks to 11. Senior safety Eldrick Hill picked off two passes, the first of his career.

Junior tackle Matt Newby and senior linebacker Grant Johnson also picked off one apiece, capping off one of the greatest days for an Academy team.

"I've always felt our defense was capable of a day like that," DeBerry said. "But give a lot of credit to our defensive line. They never gave Wyoming's quarterbacks any chance."

Wyoming's woes were equal on both sides of the ball. They had players in position to make tackles and receivers open to catch the ball.

"We had guys in position to make tackles and they didn't make them," Wyoming head coach Joe Tiller said. "We had receivers open and either we didn't hit them or they dropped it."

The Falcons improved to 2-1 overall and 1-1 in

the Western Athletic Conference.

The win helped the Birds stay alive in the WAC title hunt.

Just when the fat lady had finished warming up, the Falcons exploded for 33 second half points, 27 coming in the fourth quarter, to beat the New Mexico Lobos.

The Birds trailed 22-0 at halftime and 25-6 after three quarters. But the fourth quarter belonged to the Birds. Senior wide out Clarence Hopkins caught senior tight end Peter Wilkie's pass to cut New Mexico's lead to 13.

After New Mexico's Winslow Oliver's 80 yard touchdown run, the Falcons responded with two touchdown runs by junior backs Obasi Onuoha and Wayne Young. Young's one yard run was the game winner for the Falcons.

Those loyal fans who stayed to the end and even the players weren't sure how it happened.

DOWN, SET, HIKE.

Jarvis Baker (5) barks out the signals to the offense during pre-game warm-ups. Photo by C. Harris

"It was all a blur," senior offensive guard Jim Remsey said. "But once we started making plays, we all began to think a comeback was possible."

After a dismal first half, coach Fisher DeBerry scolded his Falcons.

"It translated to, 'Win!'," senior quarterback Jarvis Baker said.

Baker said his offensive line dominated the Lobos in the second half. And he lauded the defense for creating scoring opportunities in the final stanza.

"At 32-12 in the fourth quarter, the coaches let us throw a big pass," Baker said. "I overthrew it, but we were going to score. We just had to get three scores."

"And we did."

By Matt Sinning



INSIDE LINEBACKERS Front Row L to R: Mark Sotallaro, Eric Quinonez, Mike Black, Saxon Yandell, Coach Jim Grobe Back Row L to R: Steve Coy, Grant Johnson, Steve Russ, Mark Moody, Adam Lenhan

Photo by M. Phan

WHERE YOU GOIN'?
Onuoha tries to
gain a few more yards
before being tackled.
Photo by C. Harris



HERE YOU GOIN'?
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GOTCHA! Falcon defenders Mark Moody (36), Grant Johnson (94), Vergil Simpson (97), Curtis Sutton (22) and Chris James (60) stop a New Mexico running back short of the goal line. Photo by M. Phan



OUTSIDE LINEBACKERS Front Row L to R: Coach Tom Miller, Colby Hoefar, Vergil Simpson, Jason Bowers, Johnny Harrison Back Row L to R: Troy Dunn, David Brackney, Jeff Bottoroff, David Eaglin Photo by M. Phan

BONSAI!! Navy
defenders are right on
target as they "dogpile"
Jarvis Baker (5).
Photo by M. Gaupp



RECEIVERS Front Row L to R: Alex Kleckner, Tom Thomsen, Coach Chuck Peterson Back Row L to R: Scott Hufford, Todd Schwarzenbach, Clarence Hopkins Photo by M. Phan



HALFBACKS Front Row L to R: Ryan Sparkman, Stan Lawrie, Obasi Onuoha Second Row L to R: Chris Washington, Don Davis, Jeff Burbank, David Brynteson Back Row L to R: Antoine Banks, Thomas Walker, Coach Sammy Steinmark, Jeremy Johnson, Wayne Young Photo by M. Phan



BIRDS BURY MINERS

WAC Title Stays Within Reach

SINK NAVY

A week ago many loyal Falcon fans sat in amazement as the Falcons came back to beat the New Mexico Lobos.

This week was *deja vu*. Only this time it was the UTEP Miners attempting the last minute come-from-behind victory.

The Falcons, 4-1 overall and still alive in the WAC race at 3-1, won when a fourth-down UTEP pass hit the ground short of the end zone, stopping what had been a frantic UTEP rally in the last 3:04.

"I really have a lotta, lotta respect for our guys," coach Fisher DeBerry said. "They did exactly what they had to do. There were a lot of heroes out there tonight."

Down 14-7 at the half, the Birds put together their most productive third quarter of the season to take a 28-14 lead.

Their pitch game had

been stymied the first half, so the Falcons quarterback senior Jarvis Baker started the second half keeping the ball on the option. The Birds ran the ball to the UTEP 39, where they were faced with a third-and-7 call.

Baker fooled everyone by lofting a pass down the sideline. Although junior back Obasi Onuoha was double-covered, he jumped up between defenders Greg Shead and Denis Austin to make the catch in the end zone.

The Falcons got another chance when sophomore Brian Watkins broke a 36-yard punt return, the longest of his career. It took the Falcons eight plays to go ahead, with junior back Wayne Young capping the 49-yard drive with a 3-yard run.

The Birds' defense, noted all season for its big-play ability, then made its presence felt. Senior cornerback Carlton McDonald made his sixth interception of the year, and his 20-yard return put the Falcons at the UTEP 17.

"We needed to make a big play at that point," McDonald said. "I was just lucky the pass went through the receiver's hands and I was able to catch it."

It took the Falcons five plays to score. Senior Jarvis Baker kept the ball from one yard out to put

the Birds in front for good, 28-14.

With 54 seconds left to play, junior kicker Chris MacInnis nailed a 38-yard field goal that nudged the Falcons past Navy, 18-16.

What? The Falcons made a last second field goal to win a game?

Exactly!

The fact that the Falcons earlier had a field goal and an extra point blocked, clearing the way for MacInnis to become the Bird's third place kicker of the season, didn't seem to matter.

"A kicker always thinks he's going to make it," MacInnis, who has been doing the punting and kickoffs, said.

"Call me a dumb optimist," coach Fisher DeBerry said. "But I had confidence he was going to make it."

The Birds have become so accustomed to these last minute heroics, they've even adopted standard postgame explanations.

"A win," senior quarterback Jarvis Baker said, "is a win."

"Everybody would like to be winning by two or three touchdowns," senior offensive guard Jim Ramsey added. "But we're winning. We're winning."

The Falcons began their game winning drive with 4:58 to play. The Middies had just gone on top, for the first time all season, 16-15.

Sophomore Chris Washington exploded on the kickoff return for 36 yards to the Falcons 38-yard line.

Just when things were

going their way, the Birds lost one yard on two plays. But an All-WAC throw by Baker to senior Clarence Hopkins for 15 yards kept the drive alive.

That turned out to be the play of the day.

"Jarvis did a great job of changing the play there and going to the 'hot' man," DeBerry said. "It was a great adjustment on his part."

"The strong safety was coming on a blitz and I knew we had them then and there," Baker said. "I knew I had to do this for my brothers."

The Falcons churned out two more first downs, but Baker missed a third-down throw at the 21. That brought on MacInnis.

The junior from North Augusta, S.C., had been told at halftime he would be kicking after junior Matt Glover's 35-yard field goal try was blocked in the first quarter and his PAT attempt was swatted down in the second quarter.

So MacInnis had plenty of time to prepare. And he got even more idle time when Navy called successive timeouts.

"The timeouts actually helped me," MacInnis said. "It gave me time to calm down. I was really ready to kick, that's why I was cheering to the crowd."

And the crowd went wild when his kick split the uprights.

And the Birds were one step closer to winning the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the fourth straight year.

By Matt Sinning



DON'T BRING IT WEAK. The Falcon defense lines up against UTEP. Photo by B. Fallis

UNDER PRESSURE.
Jason Bowers (45)
attempts to sack the
Aztec quarterback. Even
though he missed the
tackle the pressure
forced the QB out of the
pocket and the pass fell
incomplete.

Photo by K. Field

DEFENSIVE BACKS Front Row L to R: Carlton McDonald, Alex Armour, Eldrick Hill, Mike Rogers
Second Row L to R: Brian Watkins, Nathan Miller, Torrance Sanford, Jeff Bergstrom, Tom Scheel, Jimmie Parker, Kevin Williams
Back Row L to R: Coach Cal McCombs, Adam Carney, Glenn Harris, John Eller, Gil Sanders, Chad Boundrant
Photo by M. Phan



DEFENSIVE LINE Front Row L to R: Rob Melzer, Jason Dyer, Chris James, Kent Hennings
Second Row L to R: Coach Tim DeRuyter, Jimmy Miller, Chad Balettie, Eric Davis, Chris Baker, Coach Bill Stewart
Back Row L to R: Sean Maddie, Curtis Sutton, Jason Tone, Don Hillard, Matt Newby
Photo by M. Phan



OVER THE TOP. An Aztec linebacker goes over top of the offensive line while trying to stop the Falcons from scoring. Photo by K. Field

BIRDS GET "RAMMED"

SDSU Win Outshines CSU Loss

UPSET AZTECS

For three straight weeks the Birds defied the odds to pull out heart-stopping victories at the end.

But there was no such miracle finish this Saturday afternoon.

A pair of senior quarterback Jarvis Baker throws into the end zone in the last few seconds went incomplete, allowing Colorado State to escape with a 32-28 victory at Falcon Stadium.

In truth, however, the magic ended with 10 minutes to play, when the Falcons were unable to protect a 28-26 lead.

That's when Baker

tried to imitate an earlier sleight of hand that had drawn all 40,808 fans to their feet in awe.

Whereas Baker's first blind toss to senior Antoine Banks at the CSU 3-yard line resulted in a touchdown, his pitch to sophomore Jeremy Johnson at the Academy 10-yard line ended in disaster.

CSU safety Ray Jackson had a better angle than Johnson to catch the pitch. And the Ram defender not only tipped the ball, he also recovered it.

Three plays later, the Rams scored putting them on top for the final margin of 32-28.

Both Baker and Johnson claimed responsibility for the turnover.

"It was a bad pitch, a bad decision," Baker, who had engineered comebacks against New Mexico, UTEP, and Navy said. "You just have to take the bad with the good."

"I made a bad decision," sophomore Jeremy Johnson said. "And it put Jarvis in a bad situation."

Today, however, the Falcons (5-2 and 3-2) appear to be facing more bad than good. They have to go to WAC favorite San Diego State next week,

then follow with Utah, Army and BYU.

From that combination, the Falcons need one more conference win, plus a victory at Army, to spend the New Year at the Liberty Bowl.

Jim Ramsey for the Heisman.

What? An offensive guard?

Yes.

Senior offensive guard Jim Ramsey provided the play of the night when he rambled 51 yards to the San Diego State 4. The Falcons 6-foot-4, 280-pound right guard picked up the "fumblerooski" and was off to the races.

"I never expected to run it," Ramsey said. "I saw the end zone and that was it. It was a shock. I had Jarvis call the play twice in the huddle."

A two-touchdown underdog, the Birds upset SDSU 20-17 Saturday night at Jack Murphy Stadium.

A WAC championship for the Falcons isn't as crazy as it might have sounded a week ago. The Birds were all but buried after losing to CSU, 32-28.

"Last week, this time, everybody was ready to write off our football team," coach

Fisher DeBerry said. "Everyone except our players, our coaches and people close to our football program."

No one could have believed the Falcons would stop Marshall Faulk, a leading Heisman Trophy candidate, from getting the 1 yard needed on a critical fourth-down play in the game's last two minutes.

The Falcons did.

Blitzing outside linebacker senior Vergil Simpson, decked Faulk for a 3-yard loss.

"It wasn't any magical call that we made," defensive co-ordinator Cal McCombs said. "We'd been playing our split defense and figured we'd bring a little pressure off of those ends."

"Vergil just flat beat the tight end, got into the backfield and hit Faulk."

Faulk rushed for 129 yards. But, more importantly, the sophomore never crossed the goal line — the first time he had been shut out in a WAC game.

The Birds' win shed a new light on the WAC title chase.

And the Falcons stayed in the spotlight.

By Matt Sinning



JUN JIM, RUN. Offensive guard Jim Ramsey (76) tumbles down the sideline on the "fumblerooski" play. Photo by K. Field

WHEN IT RAINS IT POURS

Respectable End To A Long Season

HOLIDAYS IN MEMPHIS

Miserable. That one word not only described the weather Saturday at Falcon Stadium, but the atmosphere in the Birds' locker room after the game.

"The only way to put a loss behind you is to play another game," dejected senior offensive lineman Bobby Nelson said. "We can still win the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy."

The Falcons suffered a let down after last week's big upset victory over San Diego State.

"We let up," senior defensive tackle Chris

James said. "We'll let this defeat sink in tonight and tomorrow, but come Monday it's Army week."

The Falcons may have been down, but they weren't out. Next week's game at Army meant a shot at a fourth straight Commander-in-Chief's Trophy.

And the holidays in Memphis.

Barbecue ribs. Beale Street. Graceland. The Pyramid.

The Falcons have sampled all the cuisine and seen just about all the sights the Liberty Bowl, their holiday home away from home, has to offer.

Yes, the Birds wrapped up their fourth straight invitation to the Liberty Bowl in Memphis Tenn., with a 7-3 victory over Army on Saturday, but the real reward was beating a rival service academy.

"I'll remember the fact that our senior class never lost to Army or Navy in all four years," senior cornerback Carlton McDonald said.

And the bowl invitation?

"That's great too," McDonald added. "But our class never lost to a sister service academy. We have started a win-

ning tradition."

Indeed. The Falcons' four year sweep of their rivals is unprecedented since the three began competing for the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy in 1972.

"Typical. Just a typical service-academy game," coach Fisher DeBerry said. "I knew it was going to be like this. People just don't know about all the things connected with a service-academy rivalry."

"This is just an empty feeling," Army coach Bob Sutton said. "There's nothing left."

In the other locker

room, the Birds were listening to speeches from their coach, academy administrators and Bud Dudley, executive director of the Liberty Bowl.

Dudley and the Falcons are old friends.

"I'll be dogged if we're gonna leave a single rib in Memphis, Tenn.," DeBerry said.

He said much the same four years ago upon accepting his first invitation to the Liberty Bowl. Some things never change.

Ask Army and Navy.
By Matt Sinning



SPECIALISTS Front Row L to R: Chris Macinnis, Coach Billy Mitchell, Tyler Shedd Back Row L to R: Matt Glover, Jim Chrisley, Trent Tripple, Mark Sotallaro, Doug Downey Photo by B. Scharton

I'M GONNA GET YA!
Chris Baker (66) just misses sacking the quarterback against Army. Photo by J. Babinski



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YES! Vergil Simpson (97) celebrates on the sideline after a big gain by the offense. Photo by K. Stinson



GOTCHA! Carlton McDonald (3) hits the Army receiver as he catches the ball. Photo by J. Babinski



TIGHT ENDS Front Row L to R: Brian Hellinger, Pete Wilkie, Dee J. Katzer Back Row L to R: Jason Cockrum, Mike Mills Joe Lombardi, Coach Dick Enga Photo by B. Scharton

Don't bring it weak

BYU BEATS FALCONS....

Birds Fall To Rival

AGAIN

DOMINATION! The BYU Cougars have dominated the gridiron series against the Falcons and this year was certainly no exception.

The Cougars again had Falcons for lunch en route to a 28-7 win at Falcon Stadium on November 14. The win gave BYU a 14-1 advantage in the series, including 10 victories in a row. The Falcons have never defeated BYU at home (now 0-8).

Two big plays by the Cougars in each half was the story of

this contest. In the first quarter, with the ball at the Falcons' 16-yard line, BYU quarterback Ryan Hancock fumbled a low snap from center, picked up the ball, scrambled to his right and lofted a scoring strike to the back of the end zone. In the second period, BYU sophomore running back Jamal Willis blew past the entire AFA defense on an 80-yard touchdown scamper.

The Falcons and the Cougars held each other scoreless in the third quarter before BYU erupted for two more big plays in the final

stanza. Willis scored again for BYU, this time on a 27-yard gallop and halfback Steve Christensen capped the Cougars' scoring with a 49-yard jaunt.

In the second quarter, the Falcons mounted one of their longest drives of the season when they marched 65 yards in 17 plays. Quarterback Jarvis Baker finished the drive with a one-yard TD run.

In this contest

against BYU, the Falcons had 25 seniors competing in their last home game, including 10 starters on defense. Prior to this game, the Falcons already had secured a trip to the Liberty Bowl for the fourth consecutive year.

AFA quarterback Jarvis Baker prepares to pitch the ball to a running back as he feels 770 pounds of BYU defense breathing down his neck. Photo by M. Phan

In a time honored tradition the football team stands at attention while the Air Force song is played by the Drum and Bugle Corps. Photo by K. Field





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against BYU, the Falcons had 25 seconds competing in their last game, including 11 minutes on defense. Prior to this game, the Falcons already had secured a trip to the Liberty Bowl for the fourth consecutive year.



BYU wide receiver Tyler Anderson makes a reception in front of Falcons' defensive back Carlton MacDonald. The Falcons' defense picked off two passes and held the Cougars to 12 receptions in the contest. The Cougars' ground game hurt the Falcons more than the air attack in this contest. Photo by M. Phan

BIRDS LAY GOOSE EGG

Season Ends On Sour Note

AT 1992 LIBERTY BOWL

It was offensive. It wasn't offensive. Take your pick. For Air Force Academy football fans, the 34th annual Liberty Bowl Classic (played 31 December 1992) proved to be both.

This is why it was offensive. The most offensive thing of all to Falcons' fans was the final score: Mississippi 13, Air Force 0. Yes, indeed, if this doesn't offend you, what will? The Falcons' offense surely was unpleasant, irritating, insulting, etc. Oh yeah, it was offensive.

Now, why it wasn't offensive. As stated ear-

lier, the Falcons' side of the scoreboard read 0 at the end of the game. The Falcons' finished the game with just 104 rushing yards and 185 total yards. The Falcons' offense was inside the Mississippi 35 yard line five times and could not put points on the board. Oh yeah, it was not offensive.

Before the game, Falcons' head coach Fisher DeBerry said Ole Miss had "an outstanding, stingy defense." After the game, DeBerry said, "I've got so much pride in what we're doing offensively, I never thought we could ever

be shut out." It certainly had been awhile since the Falcons had been shut out by any opponent...150 games as a matter of fact. The last time happened to be a 23-0 whitewashing at the hands of Boston College on 1 November 1980.

Ole Miss, which entered the game ranked sixth nationally in total defense (third against the run), did bend a little but never did break. The Ole Miss offense got all the points it needed on tailback Don Innocent's 5-yard touchdown run late in the first quarter along with two Brian Lee field goals in the second

and fourth quarters. The Falcons' outstanding players in the game (picked by reporters and broadcasters at the game) were fullback Joe Pastorello and cornerback Mike Rodgers.

"I think that will be the last time you'll ever see an Air Force team shut out; I'll tell you that," said Coach DeBerry. The Falcons concluded the 1992 campaign with a 7-5 mark.

By Bill Scharton

CLOSING THE DOOR. The Ole Miss fullback bolts through the line as Falcon defenders close in to make the stop. Photo by S. Ellis



NOT SO FAST. The Ole Miss offensive line opens a huge hole for fullback Marvin Courtney (27) as Mark Moody (36) makes the stop with an assist from Mike Rodgers (10). Photo by B. Scharton



FORCED TO PUNT. A familiar sight in the 1992 Liberty Bowl, Chris MacInnis (12) kicks one of his seven punts while Ole Miss free safety Michael Lowry applies pressure. Photo by S. Ellis



STOPPED COLD. Falcon defenders Mike Black (46), Eldrick Hill (40), Curtis Sutton (72), and Vergil Simpson (96) prepare to shut down the Rebels' ground attack. Photo by B. Scharton.

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By Bill Scharton

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SHORT GAIN. Jim Remsey (76) takes a good look at the Ole Miss defense as it puts a halt to a run by fullback Joe Parisi (39). Photo by B. Scharton

WRONG DIRECTION. Jarvis Baker (5) is knocked to the ground for a loss by the Ole Miss defense. Photo by S. Ellis

...PPED (L-R): Auburn tailback Mike Baker
...and Mike Carter (72) and Verge
...prepare to line up for the Rebels' ground
...play.

AIR FORCE FIGHT

Cheerleaders keep the spirit

FIGHT FIGHT

“U-S-A-F-A! Air Force! Fight! Fight! Fight!” Every home football game, the Air Force Academy’s varsity cheer leading team pumps up the eager fans for the coming battle, with the AFA battle cry.

The cheer leading squad performs at every Academy football and basketball game, home or away. From human pyramids to mid-air flips and somersaults, the men and women of the team perform incredible feats with ease. However the performance on the “fields of friendly strife” are the result of hours of grueling and long practices.

The cheerleaders started this year off, as always, with try-outs. All potential members must go through the yearly ritual, showing their abilities in partner stunts, dance rou-

tines, cheers and a “gymnastic mass” (a back handspring). To insure a top-quality unit, returning team members must go through the try-outs and there are no guaranteed slots for the former cheerleaders.

Their year long season requires that all the varsity cheerleaders maintain the highest possible physical fitness levels. The team prepares for their season with a surprisingly common work-out consisting of aerobic and weight training, and lots of running. Junior Kay Aquino explained: “the workouts give us the endurance we need to get through the football games.”

The team does not view itself as entertainment at sporting events, rather they see themselves as a means to focus and motivate fans. In addition to football and basketball appearances, the varsity cheer leading team serves as

an important PR tool for the Academy. This year the team socialized with the brass at the Corona Conference - before dinner - and tried to “liven things up.” They also judge high school cheer leading try-outs, and visit with local Girl Scouts Units. They also attended the regular - season football luncheons, hosted by head coach Fisher DeBerry

Finally, the team enters in the yearly Universal Cheerleaders Association Competition, although only as partners. After submitting a video taped performance, and a follow-on performance. Juniors Chuck Perkins and Val Nguyen were nationally ranked this year. The two follow in a long line of successful AFA cheer leading duo’s.

By Michael Grunwald

INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION Sophomore Yvonne Stevenson provides individual attention to a rather quiet section of the stands. True Falcon fan can't tolerate silence. Photo by J. Babinski



PUSH, PUSH. The mascot does push-ups to the beat of the drum. A push-up for every Falcon point is a USAFA tradition. Photo by K. Field



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FROM THE FALCON LOFT. Junior Tam Vo cheers the Birds on to victory. Senior Steve Higgins works the hoist as junior Chuck Perkins is nearby to assist. Photo by J. Babinski

GO FOR THE BOMB. "The Bird" demonstrates a move to the quarterback, one that can't miss! Photo by J. Babinski



CHEERING ON TO VICTORY. This "mini squad" leads the half the stadium with a loud and thunderous A-I-R ... a short moment later the reply arrives: F-O-R-C-E. Photo by J. Babinski

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S

Jayhawk	2 of 7
Air Force	5 of 9
Washington	2 of 11
Indiana	4 of 41
Adams State	2 of 7
Lobo	3 of 10
WAC Champ	3 of 9
NCAA	
District 7	5 of 21

WOMEN'S

Jayhawk	4 of 5
Air Force	3 of 9
Washington	7 of 8
Colorado	
College	3 of 4
Adams State	3 of 7
Cal Poly	
Pomona	2 of 15
NCAA	
Central	3 of 19
NCAA	
Division II	6 of 11

LAST LEG. Freshman John Mizell sprints past his opponent at the finish of the AFA Invitational. Photo by S. Weston



AND THEY'RE OFF. A gun shot echoes through the Rockies as freshmen Sara Whittingham, Dolly Patel and sophomore Renae Bartolone lead the Falcons. Photo by S. Weston



CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS

Strong program gets new coach

STAY COMPETITIVE

The men's and women's cross country season had about as many ups and downs as the hills that they ran over. It was as if their seasons were the exact opposite mirror of each other, the men's team had a strong showing throughout the year but were disappointed at WAC championships where they expected a higher finish. The women on the other hand ran their best at both regionals and nationals.

Perhaps the last comment painted a bleak picture about the men's season, nothing could be further from the truth. In all seven of its

meets the team finished in the top five. At one point during the season, these strong finishes ranked the team as high as 15th in the nation. According to first year coach Mark Stanforth, former coach at the University of California at San Diego, the men's strongest finish came at the Indiana Invitational where the team placed fourth out of 41 teams.

"Our best meet was pre-nationals at Indiana," Stanforth said. "It definitely stayed with us for the rest of the season, I think that's why we were so disappointed with our finish at nationals because we knew we could run better at least that's what our performance at Indiana had us believe."

The men's team placed third in the Western Athletic Conference championship which was the highest placing in the WAC of any Falcon team. However, after taking first in the WAC the year before, the team just wasn't satisfied.

"I don't think that mentally we were quite on," Stanforth said.

"But we'll never truly know the answer."

What the coach does know however is that he and the men are ready for an even better season and stronger team next year. Stanforth added: "Next year might be our best team ever but the WAC and district competition will be stronger than ever." Undoubtedly for the men, next year promises to be interesting.

Equally as interesting was the strong finish of this year's women's cross country team. Returning only two of the top seven runners of last season the expectation level for the Lady Falcons was not the same as that for the men's team. They proved however that they were a force to be reckoned with as they ended the season by finishing third in the regional meet and sixth at nationals.

"The women definitely improved a great deal over the season," Stanforth said. "By far regionals was the best race they had; they just got better and better."

The team's improvement and strength will definitely come in handy during the coming years as Division II, which the women compete in, is being restructured. If all goes as anticipated the Falcons will be moved to a new region with top ranked Adams State and Western State.

"Three of the top teams are going into the new region," Stanforth said. "We should be in good shape."

Yet another area where the women's team was in good shape was on the academic front. The top seven runners had an average grade point average of 3.26.

Stanforth said that he stressed for both the women's and men's teams that academics should take priority. "I don't want running to have a negative impact on academics," Stanforth said. "I stress that they must make good use of their time ... this gives them a great opportunity to make decisions on their own."



STRUGGLING FOR VICTORY. Junior Jennifer Robinson, midway through the race, beats out her Utah opponent. She was the fourth Falcon to cross the finish line at the AFA Invitational. Photo by S. Weston.

STRIVING FOR REGIONALS. Freshman Jennifer Kornacker strides to finish 12th overall in the AFA Invitational. She earned All-American honors after finishing 23rd at nationals. Photo by S. Weston.

I NEED THIS...PLEASE!
An Air Force golfer uses all his effort as he tries to recover from the sand.
 Photo by M. Sinning

FROM THE SAND.
Senior Rick Visosky digs a ball from a sand pit.
 Photo by M. Sinning



SCOREBOARD

Falcon Invite	14 of 24
Tucker Invite	15 of 18
UMSU Invite	8 of 15
UOP Invite	18 of 20
CSU Invite	8 of 12
International Intercollegiate	16 of 18
CSU Sacramento Invite	9 of 14
Pacific Coast Intercollegiate	10 of 24
Lexus Classic	17 of 18
Vanderbilt Invite	14 of 18
WACTourney	4 of 9



WHAT A DRIVE! All-Academic Candidate, junior Jason Vitas watches as he completes a strong swing. Photo by M. Sinning

CONFIDENCE, COMFORT

Golfers take 4th in WAC

ZONES IT'S ALL MENTAL

There's no denying it was the best of times, bar none, the men's golf team finished the 1992-93 with its strongest Western Athletic Conference finish ever. The team's fourth place finish can only remotely be compared to a strong season ten years ago in 1983 when the team placed fifth.

"It turned out that we met most of our goals," head coach Gene Miranda said. (In addition) "the J.V. competed in Division

II and won; there is a lot of promise for the future."

The WAC has some of the strongest golfers in the nation so the fact that the Falcons were able to place high was a tribute to them and the team's strong drive.

Team captain, senior George Koury said "this year we wanted to work hard and keep a positive attitude to compete with the top 20 teams. We found that by doing this we improved every

time we were on the course."

The high point of the season came right after the team played Santa Barbara and finished tenth, after that the Falcons beat Arizona who was ranked third in the nation.

"We did really well and beat quite a few top 20 teams," Koury said.

Coach Miranda attributed much of this success to the mental aspect of the game. He said that Dr. Don Green helped the team members build confidence and lower their comfort zones.

"The better a player gets, the more mental the game becomes," Miranda said. "When the pressure is high the

mental game takes over."

Undoubtedly the mental game did take over. Seniors Scott Hufford and Grant Johnson received All-American honors while senior George Koury was the team's MVP. In addition, Senior Charlie Wahl earned the honor of WAC Scholar and junior Jason Vitas as an All-Academic candidate.

Miranda added that he was looking forward to next year. He said: "We have thirteen returning and approximately six recruits for next year. They will continue to push each other to get even better."



WHERE'D IT GO?

Team Captain, senior George Koury watches as the ball sails down the green. Photo by M. Sinning

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM Back Row L to R: Coach Marti Gasser, Lt. Tracy Pritchard, Rhonda Mollura, Jennifer Patrick, Tamara Prasse, Carrie Loudermilk, Jennifer VanHeertum, Carrie Barker, Tracy Wilcox, Karla Rudert, Asst. Coach Sue Richardson, Lt. Cheryl Jones, Capt. Linda Huggler Front Row L to R: Kerry Kane, Michelle Vestal, Ann Marie Halterman, Kristin Hillery, Nikol Averbuch, K.C. Stevens, Liz Dow
Photo by M. Phan



GET OUT OF MY WAY
Junior Jennifer Patrick muscles the ball up for a jump shot. Photo by C. Grosjean



SCOREBOARD

UNC	64-56
Colorado Mines	87-42
Cal Stanislaus	68-72
Cal Hayword	52-36
Adams State	63-78
New Mexico	61-76
E. New Mexico	72-77
Rollins	81-69
Florida Tech	60-102
Bryant College	64-74
Western State	89-47
Denver	60-72
Metro State	50-58
Co. Christian	69-56
UCCS	58-66
Regis	47-64
USC	81-65
Ft. Lewis	79-66
Co. College	80-37
Denver	69-75
Metro State	43-71
Co. Christian	59-51
UCCS	64-90
Regis	63-60
USC	71-61
Ft. Lewis	63-58
W. Texas St.	73-50



ALL BALL Guard, freshman Ann Marie Halterman blocks a pass to an inside player. Photo by C. Grosjean

PLAYIN' "D"
Sophomore Nikol Averbuch puts pressure on the point guard in hopes of a turn-over. Photo by C. Grosjean



BRIGHT SPOTS

Team wants better than 500 season

OUTSHINE RECORD

The season was far from typical for the women's basketball team who finished with a record of 14-13. This was a far cry from the 20 plus wins to which they had grown accustom. But all was not gloom and doom, considering that the team had to find talent to replace the six players who left previous year.

"This was definitely not a typical season," head coach Marti Gasser said. "It was a little disappointing but the bright spots are that we started with a win and ended with a win."

The Falcons met the UNC Bears in their territory to start the season and brought back a 64-56 victory when they returned.

"In the past we've

always had trouble with UNC, but this year was different," Gasser said. "It also helped build up high expectations early in the season."

Although the team couldn't meet all these expectations early on in the season, the women continually improved once the second half got under way.

Junior Jennifer Patrick suffered a severe sprained ankle which gave freshmen forwards Carrie Loudermilk and Carrie Barker the opportunity to get in some serious playing time. In addition, freshman Ann Marie Halterman, a guard, split starting time with sophomore Tammy Prasse.

"We're returning with more experience next year," Gasser said.

"With more veterans we will have higher expectations."

Speaking of high expectations, seniors Kristen Hillery and Jennifer Vanheertum worked hard to stay motivated and keep the team motivated.

"They kept their composure, working with an extremely young team," Gasser said. "They were very patient."

This patience paid off for both the seniors and Gasser; they finished the season with a big win, 73-50, against ranked West Texas State. During the game Vanheertum scored 15 points and had eight rebounds; Hillery chalked up 18 points, five of which were three point shots.

"They (the seniors)

were sent out on a positive note," Gasser said. "Everyone had the games of their lives; it was a great show."

Gasser added that the end of the season will help motivate the team for next year. In addition the women's assistant coach will change. Janet Schafer of New Mexico State will replace Sue Richardson who is leaving to coach at the University of Southern Colorado.

"The season definitely had bright spots," Gasser said. "We've given the women a challenge to work hard and stay motivated over the summer so that next year is successful."



TAKE THE SHOT.
Senior Jennifer VanHeertum concentrates on the basket before making the shot. Photo by C. Grosjean

RECORD PUTS DAMPER

Minton's men never say die

ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The season's record, though it wasn't necessarily the message that men's basketball fans wanted to hear. Finishing with an overall record of 9-19 and a Western Athletic Conference record of 3-13, Minton and his men tried to focus on the season highlights.

The season started with a bang as the team won seven of its first ten games, and of those, six delighted fans at the home court.

After this fourth-longest home game winning streak, Minton had this to say: "This is a tremendous group of young athletes. I'm proud of the team and the individual players."

Unfortunately this success didn't last all the way through the season. Minton attributed this to untimely injuries

"(The injuries) were

disappointing, they didn't allow us to be full strength at key times," Minton said.

During the season, seniors Pat Sanders and George Irvin suffered sprained ankles that kept them out during important games.

Despite the injuries that lead to some disappointing losses, three players made names for themselves. Sophomore Otis Jones and senior George Irvin were the top Falcon scorers. In addition Jones was named to First Team All - WAC while Irvin received an honorable mention. Senior Brad Boyer received an NCAA scholarship award; this was the second time he had earned this honor.

Another season highlight came when that Falcons pulled off a nationally televised victory (71-51) against Fresno State.

"The guys who came off the bench played hard which is why we won by 20 points," Minton said. "It was a big game for us, no one was fazed that we were on national TV; we just went and played."

Yet another aspect that doesn't seem to faze Minton and his men is that next year the college shot clock is changing from 45 to 35 seconds. Minton said that he is excited to

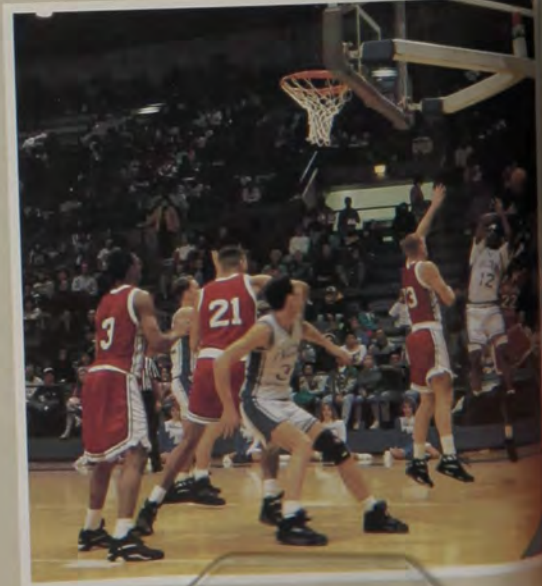
make this change and that the young players will make the transition easily.

Not only does the team work hard on the court but academics and military importance is stressed. Minton summed the season by saying: "(They're here) to play ball and play hard but most importantly to get an education and become leaders."



MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM
Back Row L to R: Chris Loll, Anthony Barrett, Charlie Nelson, Erik Coyne, Brad Boyer, Pat Sanders, Bryce Morgan, Brad Garey
Front Row L to R: Joel LaFleur, Mark Cozad, Steve Haase, George Irvin, Darren Hall, Otis Jones, Reggie Minton.
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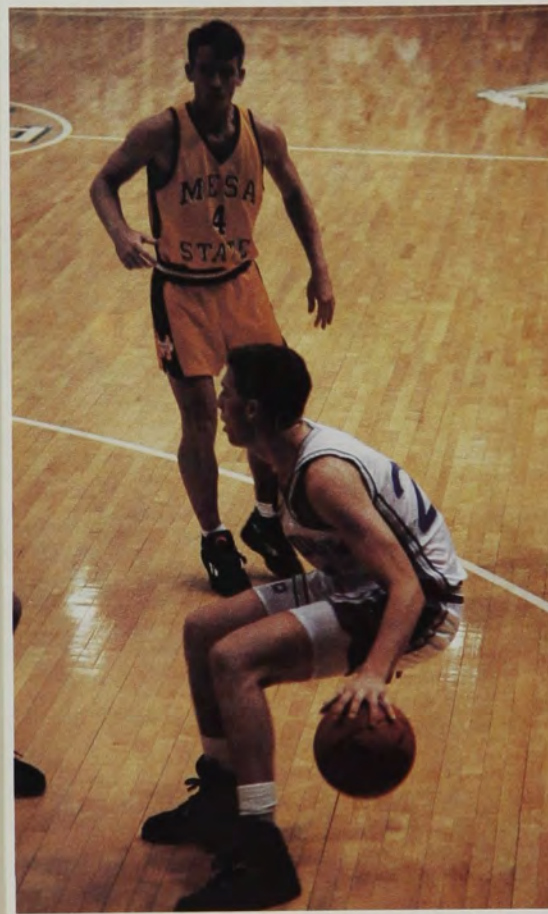
PREPARE TO REBOUND. Senior George Irvin takes a jump shot while his teammates get in rebound position.
 Photo by J. Babinski





LAY IT ON UP.
 Freshman Anthony Barrett beats a Mesa State defender and lays the ball up for an easy two. Photo by C. Grosjean

LOOKIN' FOR THE OPENING. Sophomore Chris Loll looks for an open man to pass to. Photo by C. Grosjean



SCOREBOARD

Valparaiso	58-66
Youngstown	78-82
Regis	75-64
Doane	90-53
Mesa State	88-76
Portland	96-65
Adams State	87-68
Vanderbilt	50-95
Rider	75-66
CSU	69-58
Wyoming	53-59
TX-El Paso	69-82
New Mexico	43-63
Utah	47-61
BYU	68-103
Fresno	71-51
San Diego St	51-59
Hawaii	59-74
San Diego	62-72
Hawaii	69-78
Fresno	61-58
Utah	61-87
BYU	80-98
TX-El Paso	46-68
New Mexico	60-80
CSU	55-72
Wyoming	58-64
Hawaii	54-62



PUSHIN' THE BALL DOWN COURT
 Freshman Joel LaFleur dribbles the ball down the court to while watching his teammates set up the offense. Photo by C. Grosjean

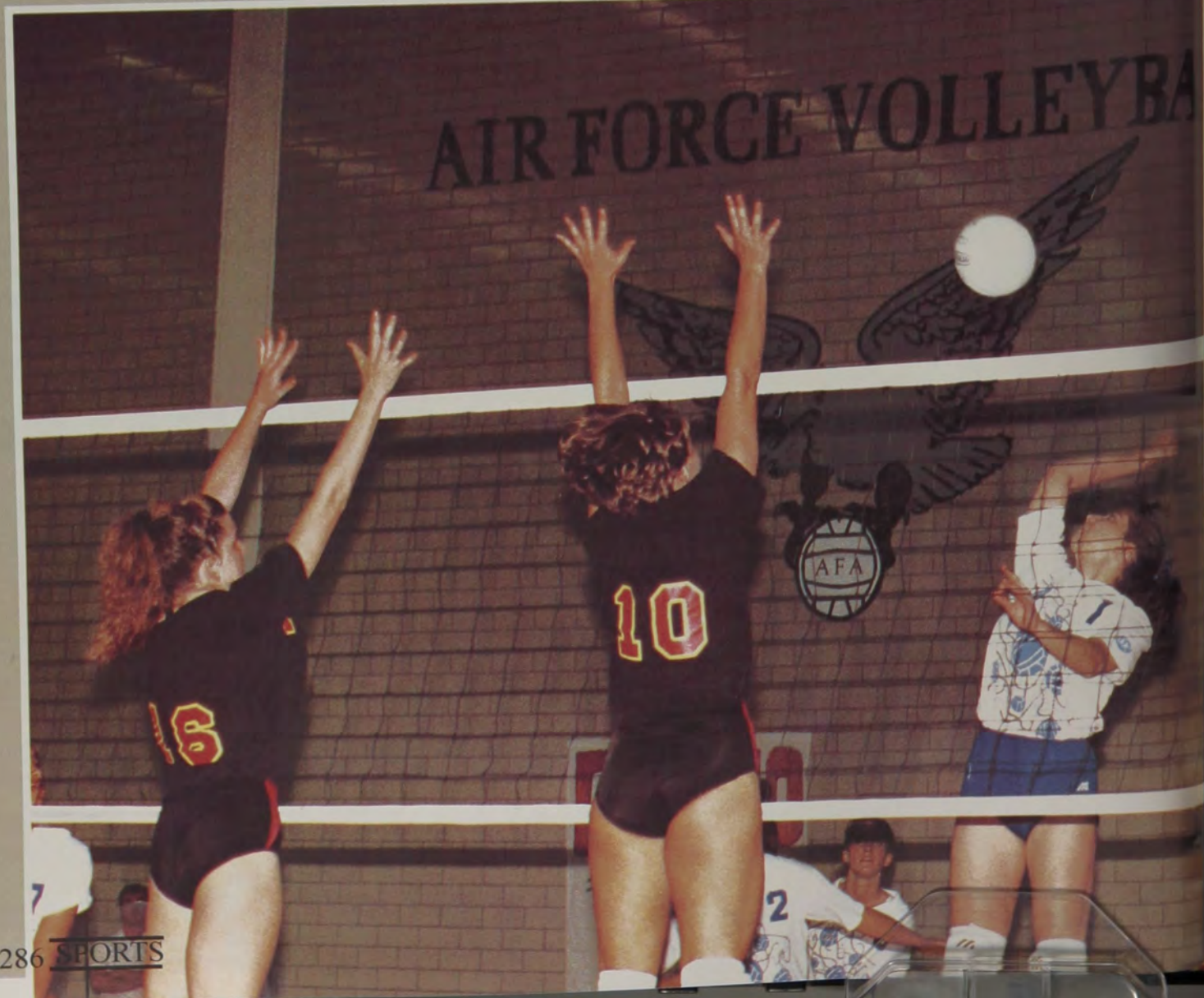
GOOD PASS. Junior hitter Betsy Moore sends a pass to a teammate. C2C Moore was a consistent performer for the Falcons all season long.
Photo by S. Weston



GOIN' SOLO. Sophomore Billee Gladen goes up for the solo block while teammate Niko Brooks gets ready to keep the ball in play if necessary.
Photo by B. Fallis



READY FOR THE KILL. Sophomore Tammie Smith, an outside hitter, goes for the kill as two opponents try to block the attempt.
Photo by S. Weston



SCOREBOARD

Overall Record	26-1
Game Record	96-7
CAC Record	10-
CAC Home	8-2
CAC Away	2-2
Home Record	9-7
Road Record	9-8
Neutral Record	10-4

SCOREBOARD

Overall Record	26-18
Game Record	96-75
CAC Record	10-4
Home CAC	8-2
Away Home	2-2
Record	9-7
Road Record	9-8
Neutral Record	10-4

SUCCESS CONTINUES

Coach leaves after 11 seasons

THROUGH SEASON

For Capt Bill Peer, head coach of the Falcons' women's volleyball team for the past 11 seasons, the 1992 campaign turned out to be a swan song. It was the final season for Coach Peer in what turned out to be an illustrious career at the Academy.

SERVE'S UP.
Sophomore Julie Adair prepares to serve the ball at one of the Falcons' home matches during the 1992 fall campaign.
Photo by S. Weston

Coach Peer closed out his Academy career with a win/loss record of 341-197 (.633) and he guided the Falcons to at least 20 wins every season. His teams cracked the top 20 rankings every year, captured two conference championships, made the NCAA tourney three times, and he was conference coach-of-the-year once.

The 1992 Falcons opened the season by winning the Nebraska-Kearney Invitational.

The team went on to post a 28-18 overall record and a 9-4 mark in Colorado Athletic Conference (CAC) play (third place). The Falcons led the CAC in blocks and digs and was second in the CAC in kills.

Senior Christy Eiler finished the season with a team-high 563 kills and was named all-CAC for the fourth consecutive year. She earned all-tournament honors in every tournament played.

Junior Lisa Harrigan

and sophomore Karyn Thomas finished first and second, respectively, in the CAC in blocks. Sophomore Billee Gladen led the CAC in assists with an average of 11.88 per game. This average placed her second in the nation at the Division II level.

The Falcons placed eighth in their own USAFA Premier Tournament. The team defeated fourth-ranked Cal-Bakersfield in five games to make the top 8 finish.

TIMEOUT IN HUDDLE.
The 1992 campaign was the final one for Coach Peer. He coached the Falcons for 11 seasons.
Photo by M. Phan



WRESTLING TEAM BEATS

Finishes season 10 and 1

BIGGEST RIVAL

The Air Force Academy's men's wrestling team finished up the season with big wins over tough opponents. However there were a few disappointing losses in individual competition.

The team's biggest rival, and the closest in ability, remained the University of Wyoming. With the Falcons and the Cowboys being so close to each other, the competition between the two has always been keen. Both schools have wrestled each other in individual meets and tournaments since the Air Force Academy started its program. This year, the Academy was able to defeat Wyoming in a close contest. This was the men's first victory over the Cowboys in almost ten years. When asked about how he felt after the match was over, sophomore Johnny Harrison remarked: "To beat them after all this time—Man, it felt GOOD!".

The team had the

opportunity to travel to California to compete in a large tournament, with schools from across the country. The team competed against an Olympic caliber team, known as the Sunkist Kids—this group was composed of the alternates for the US Olympic Team. Senior AJ Werner competed against one of the team members, and did surprisingly well. Losing only narrowly to his opponent, Werner was complemented afterward on his skill and speed.

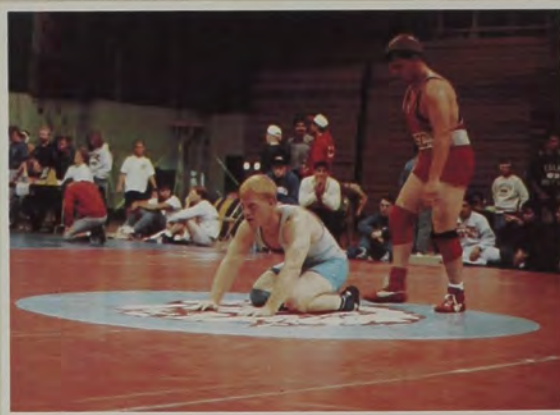
This year, sophomore Johnny Harrison and senior Wesley Winterstein went to the Men's NCAA National Wrestling Championships. Both athletes earned wild card slots from the WAC Championships—Harrison finished second and Winterstein finished third in their respective divisions. Despite their effort and hard work, both fell to their opponents in the first round of competition at Nationals.

Like past years, many of the team members continued the practice of dropping weight in the days before competition. The methods for losing the weight vary, but the most common practices were to work out harder, drink minimum amounts of water and to eat a little less. Coach Baughman didn't encourage rapid weight loss, rather he urged his players to eat sensibly all the time. The feelings of the team, though, was that a little weight loss before a match makes a competitor more hungry to win.

After a season of "cauliflower ears" (fluid build-up and

swelling in the ear lobe after being dragged across the mat numerous times), dropping weight, and two-hour long practices five times a week, four Falcon wrestlers hung up their uniforms and exchanged them for brand-new "Butter Bars." With the loss of four seniors, rivals may be inclined to think the Falcons will be weak next year. Johnny Harrison disagrees: "This was a very productive year, and with people like Brett Machavina, Jeff Dalrymple, and Bill Ward, we will be a team to contend with next year."

By Michael Grunwald



ANTICIPATING HIS DEFENSE. Rookie, freshman Billy Ward plans his strategy while preparing for an attack. Photo by K. Field

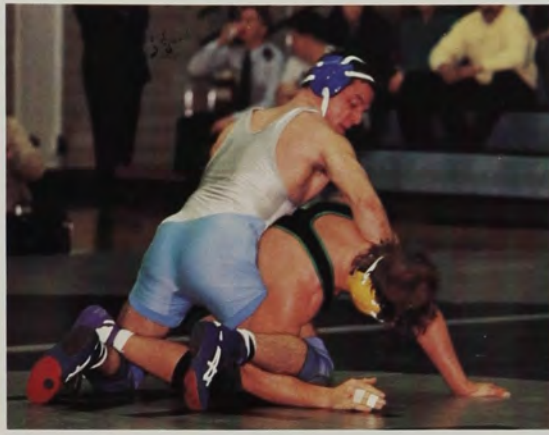
BLOCK THAT SHOT. Senior Ted Dewing blocks a chin shot by his opponent after which he continues preparing to slam his victim to the mat. Photo by K. Field





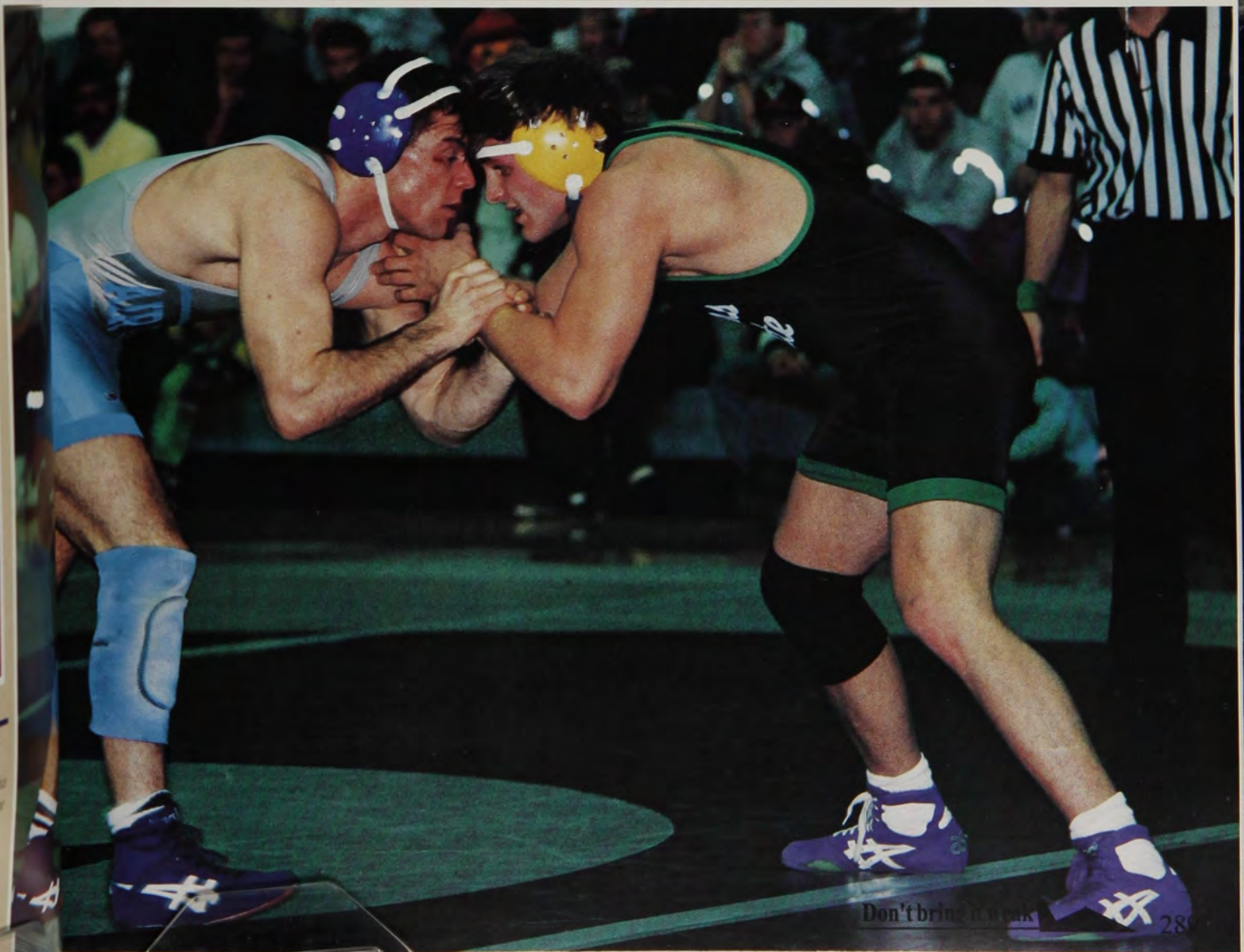
SMILE OF ENJOYMENT.
Sophomore Johnny Harrison smiles as he realizes he's caught his opponent off-balance and off-guard. Photo by K. Field

THE OCTOPUS MOVE.
Senior Ted Dewing uses every appendage to tie his opponent to the floor. Photo by K. Field



SCOREBOARD

Army	12 - 31
Fort Lewis	42 - 2
Colorado Mines	31 - 11
San Francisco State	24 - 10
California-Davis	34 - 3
Adams State	19 - 18
South Dakota	26 - 14
Western State	35 - 7
So. Colorado	24 - 13
Wyoming	26 - 12
New Mexico	36 - 6



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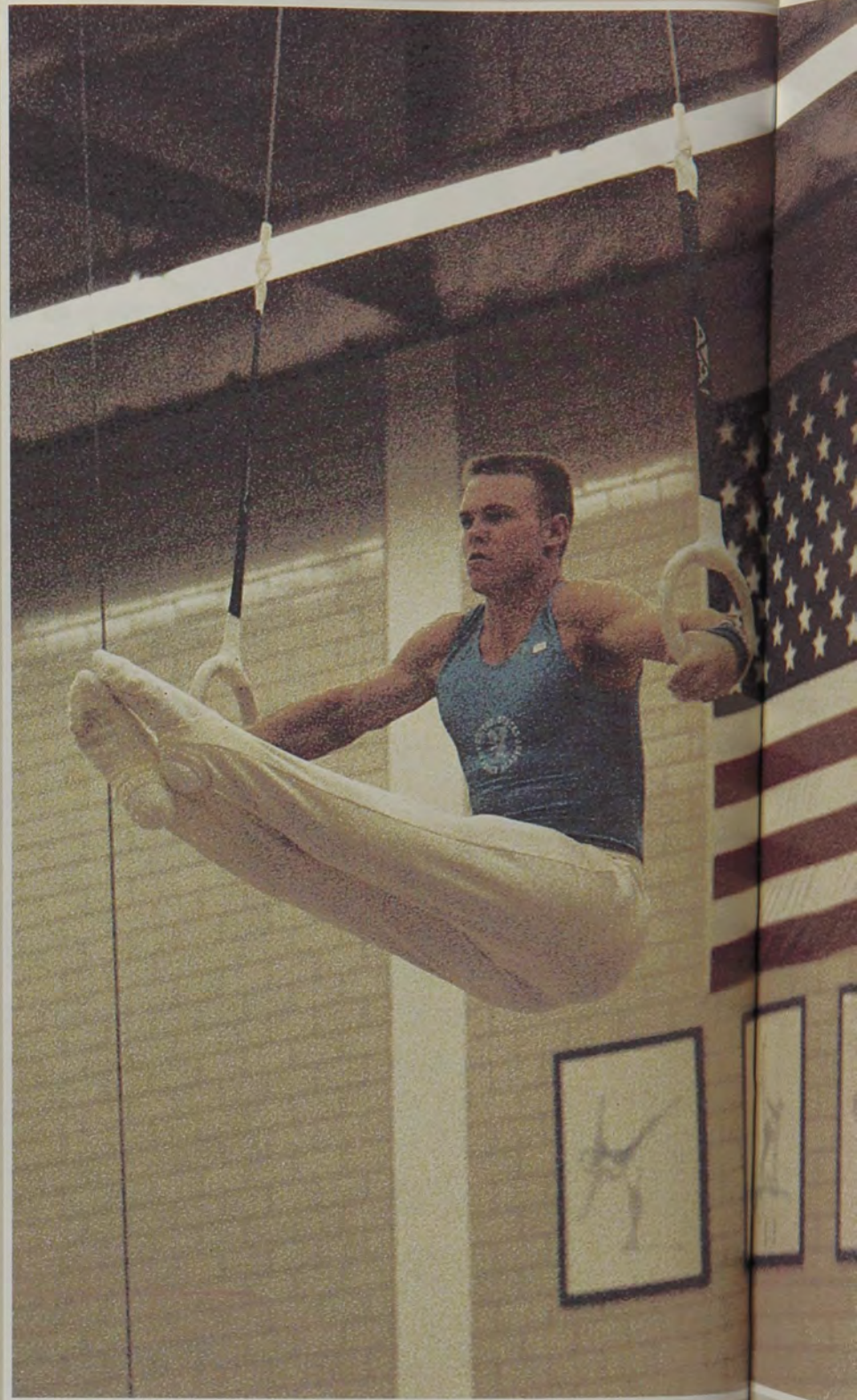
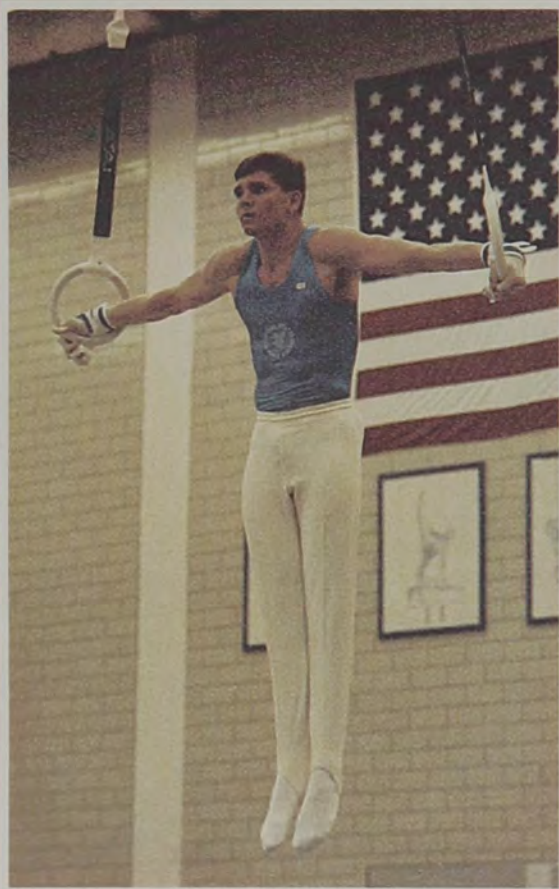
BLUCK THAT SHIT.
 Senior Ted Dewing
 made a name for his
 opponent after which he
 opponent preparing to
 take his shot in the
 mat. Photo by K. Field

SCOREBOARD

Rocky Mtn.	
Open	6th Place
Big 8 Invite	3rd Place
West Point	
Invite	8th Place
UNM	L 0-1
UNM	W 1-1
Iowa State	W 2-1
Illinois- Chicago	3rd Place
Triangular	
Univ of Wisconsin	W 3-1
UCSB Invite	5th Place
UC Santa Barbara	W 4-1
Iowa State	W 5-1
ASU	L 5-2
MPSF Championships	7th Place

REACHING THE PEAK.
Junior Mike Cline demonstrates a pike on the rings. Another illustration of skill by a member of the men's gymnastics team. Photo by S. Morris

IRON MAN DEMONSTRATES IRON CROSS. Senior Dave Douglas shows his might while demonstrating perfect body control in the iron cross position. Photo by S. Morris



MEN'S GYMANSTICS Front Row L to R: Pete Van Doren, Bob Copes, Mike Major, Maj. Brian Rizzoli, Jacque Jeffrion. Middle Row L to R: Asst. Coach Lt Sven Brown, John Hollis, Ryan Marshall, Keith Udcoff, Bo Neal, Tim Hess, Jim Miller, Brock Devos. Back Row L to R: Asst Coach CMSgt Don Meadows, Brian Stuart, David Douglas, Joel Jenne, Paul Cline, Troy Belin, David Cobb, Mike Cline, Coach Lou Berkel. Photo provided by team



MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Team finishes season 5 and 2

OVERCOMES OBSTACLES

Overcoming many initial problems, the men's gymnastic's team finished with a winning record of 5-2. With the help of all the gymnasts, team captains Ryan Marshall and Brian Copes led the Falcons on to victory.

Opening the season in a brand new conference, the Mountain-Pacific Sports Federation, the team posted impressive victories against New Mexico,

Iowa State, and UC-Santa Barbara.

"The greatest win came when we beat New Mexico," team captain senior Ryan Marshall said. "This was the first time that it happened in Academy history it was a good feeling."

The federation is a combination of the old WAC, Pacific Ten and Big West Conferences. The team will face other strong opponents like Arizona State in

the coming years.

Coached by LtCol Lou Burkel, CMSgt Don Meadows and 2Lt Sven Brown, the team was able to recover from the loss of five top performers from the class of 1992. A welcome addition were the six freshmen, Paul Cline, Jacque Foffroin, Mike Major, Bo Neal, Brian Rizzoli, and Keith Udcoff. In addition another outstanding Falcon, junior Michael Cline, was able

to set the school record in floor exercise. This was one of many individual and team records that was set this season.

"Cline was ranked number one in the nation going into Regionals," assistant coach 2Lt Sven Brown said. "Unfortunately he had a bad meet and didn't qualify for Nationals. Look for him next year, he's a strong team leader."

On the other hand senior Tim Hess did make it to Nationals and finished second on floor exercise at the NCAA Division I Championships in Albuquerque, NM, to claim the All-American status. His near perfect routine in the qualifying and final rounds secured a tie for second place which placed him .10 behind the Division Champion.

Ranked 21st in the nation at the close of the season, freshman Brian Rizzoli had this to say about the year: "When we started the year, we weren't a team. But, by the end, we came together and really made things happen."

By Michael Grunwald



AIRBORNE GYMNAST
Junior Jim Miller dominates the rings in an aerial somersault. He completed it with a smooth landing on the mat. Photo by S. Morris

SWINGING THROUGH.
Junior Mike Cline shows off his expertise on the parallel bars. Ability and strength are a must to perform well. Photo by S. Morris

TAKING A TUMBLE.
Junior Dawn Talty does a layout whip over in the second tumble of her floor exercise. Photo by S. Weston

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS L to R: Dawn Talty, Meghan McCann, Tanya Land, Jenna Barasch, Jeanine Stewart, Antoinette Valero, Shannon McGlenn, Becky Mosley. Photo by K. Field



WHAT FORM.
Freshman Meghan McCann executes a split leap on the beam, unfortunately this was one of McCann's only performances. She was injured early in the season. Photo by S. Weston



INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS

Lady Falcons meet the challenge

OUTSHINES TEAM RECORD

What the women's gymnastics team lacked in numbers they more than made up for in determination and commitment. Starting the season with a small team that got even smaller after the first meet, dropped the Lady Fal-

cons from eighth to eleventh in the NCAA Division II by the season's end.

A knee injury in the first meet ended competition for the season for freshman Meghan McCann and forced the team to compete against top Division I teams with the bare minimum of six women.

"The women had an outstanding season considering what they were up against," Coach Derick Mollenbeck said. "This year was the neatest year I've ever had with a team because they were so cohesive. They were totally committed to the team effort and showed no selfishness."

The Lady Falcons competed against teams such as North Carolina State, Wash-

ington University, Nebraska University and Denver University and although their team scores weren't always the highest, this tough competition led many of the women to qualify for Nationals.

"Qualifying for Nationals is based on individual and team scores not a team's win-loss record," Mollenbeck said. "By pitting the women against high caliber teams they were more mentally and physically prepared for Nationals."

And to Nationals four of the five team members nominated went. After breaking eight of her personal best records team captain Senior Jeanine Stewart qualified for 1st All Around. Junior Dawn Talty qualified as the 3rd All Around, while junior Becky Mosley earned the 1st alternate position for All Around. Mosley also earned 1st and 2nd alternate positions for floor exercise and balance beam. Sophomores Shannon McGlenn qualified as the 2nd alternate for floor exercise and

Antoinette Valero earned the spot of 1st alternate on the balance beam.

At National competition Stewart and Talty tied for 24th in the All Around competition Mollenbeck noted that this was amazing because ties rarely ever happen and especially between teammates.

"I am so proud of them," Mollenbeck said, "they are a very good team and showed a lot of courage in adverse conditions."

Mollenbeck added that the team's positive accomplishments helped to build a strong foundation for next year's team. Twelve recruits plus the returning team members will allow next year's team to compete with the maximum number allowed.

"We're going to be very, very, very good," Mollenbeck said. "They're amazing, these women gymnasts who come to the Academy don't have compete to keep a scholarship. They do it because they love it. That's amazing."



MAKING THE TRANSITION. Senior Jeanine Stewart transitions from low bar to high bar with a glide back-kick. Photo by K. Whittaker



JUST SWINGING. Junior Beck Mosely works to complete a backwards transition with a back straddle. Photo by K. Whittaker

IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE. Goalie, junior Gary Smagorinski looks to deflect the shot while his teammate rally around him in hopes to help. Photo by S. Morris



(RIGHT) I'VE GOT IT. Senior Tom O'Rourke, strips the ball from his opponent and turns to head down field. Photo by S. Weston



SCOREBOARD

CC	8 - 4
Alfred	7 - 11
Drew	15 - 8
Springfield	13 - 11
New Hampshire	9 - 13
Ohio State	19 - 8
Bucknell	6 - 16
Lehigh	11 - 15
Stony Brook	16 - 6
Notre Dame	9 - 12
Michigan State	11 - 14
Denver	11 - 12

LOOKIN' TO PASS. Senior Tom O'Rourke tries to hold off an opponent while finding someone to pass to. Photo by S. Weston



SEASON OF PEAKS

The best description

AND VALLEYS

The Falcons entered the season with hopes of winning the Western Lacrosse League and gaining a bid to the NCAA tournament.

"Our main goal going into the season was to win the WLL and go on to the NCAA tournament," sophomore John Hamby said.

The Birds opened their first WLL season in grand style, smashing rival Ohio State, 19-8. Two disappointing losses followed as the Falcons dropped

games to Bucknell and Lehigh. But, just when the season looked as if it was heading to the bottom, the Birds defeated Stony Brook, 16-6, for the first time in four years.

The win gave the Falcons momentum heading into a weekend showdown with WLL foes Notre Dame and Michigan State. A pair of wins would propel the Falcons into the NCAA's. But Notre Dame and Michigan State dashed the Falcons hopes. The Irish beat AFA, 12-9, while the Spartans won 14-11.

"That was a crucial weekend for us," junior Dan Bermingham said. "We just couldn't come up with the big win."

The Birds closed out the season with a 12-11 loss at Denver to the Pioneers. The loss put the team's record at season's end at 5-7.

Senior Tom O'Rourke led the Falcons in scoring for the second straight year. He rung up 23 goals, 25 assists and 48 points. Junior Mike Murphy was second with 43 points, while leading the team with 28 goals. By Matt Sinning

IS IT IN? Senior Tom Boushel (18) shoots to score Photo by S. Morris

JOIN THE HUDDLE.

These team members gather round the coach to get some last minute instructions before the scrimmage.

STRONG FRESHMEN

Diving takes three to WAC Championships SWIMMERS EARN BIG POINTS

Swimming their way to a fifth place finish in the Western Athletic Conference, the men's swim team had quite an exciting season.

The team started out the year by getting one of the largest groups of freshmen in many years. Members of the Class of 1996 were heavily recruited for their aquatic abilities. Among the two outstanding freshmen joining the team this season were Matt Davis and John Kalberer.

"These freshmen were probably the best we've ever had," five-year coach Casey Converse said. "Their combined scores were the highest of any class, hopefully they'll continue to develop and lead the way."

A prime example of the freshmen strength was seen in Matt Davis' performance. Davis set Air Force Academy records in the 200 Individual Medley (IM), 400 IM, and 200 Butterfly. He topped each of the old records by at least one second. In addition the 200 Butterfly was one of the oldest records at the Academy.

Once every season, the Falcons try to attend one major invitational swim meet to test themselves against challenging opponents. This year, the team travelled to Seattle, Washington, in December, 1992, to compete in the Husky Invitational. Air Force posted an impressive third place finish against tough competition, including the University of Washington and UNLV.

The year was not without its setbacks, though. The swim team lost one of its most outstanding swimmers, junior Drew Whitting he was dismissed for a series of infractions. Before leaving, Whitting was able to post twelfth and fourteenth place finishes at Nationals in the 500 Free and the 1650 Free.

Working along side the swim team was the men's diving team that helped to subsidize the points in many a Falcon meet. Three divers, sophomore Jason Lindgren, junior Jack East and senior Tim Songster, made it to the WAC Championship where all three scored well. East was a WAC Champion and Con-

verse said that both he and Lindgren will be the ones to watch next year.

The diving team is however losing its best diver, Songster, Converse said he will be missed and was happy that Songster's season ended as it did.

"Tim came back from a disappointing season," Converse said. "He dropped out in 1992 due to an acci-

dent but he was able to come back and be a finalist in the WAC Championship."

Undoubtedly those seniors that are leaving will be missed on the swimming and diving teams but with the extensive talent that is returning next year promises to be good. The team has set a goal of taking first in the WAC by 1995.

By Michael Grunwald



NOT JUST A BACK FLOAT. Freshman Paul Heitmeyer swims the backstroke in the Individual Medley. Photo by M. Phan

DOIN' THE FLY Junior David Squires works to finish 100 yard sprint against Reno Nevada opponents. Photo by M. Phan



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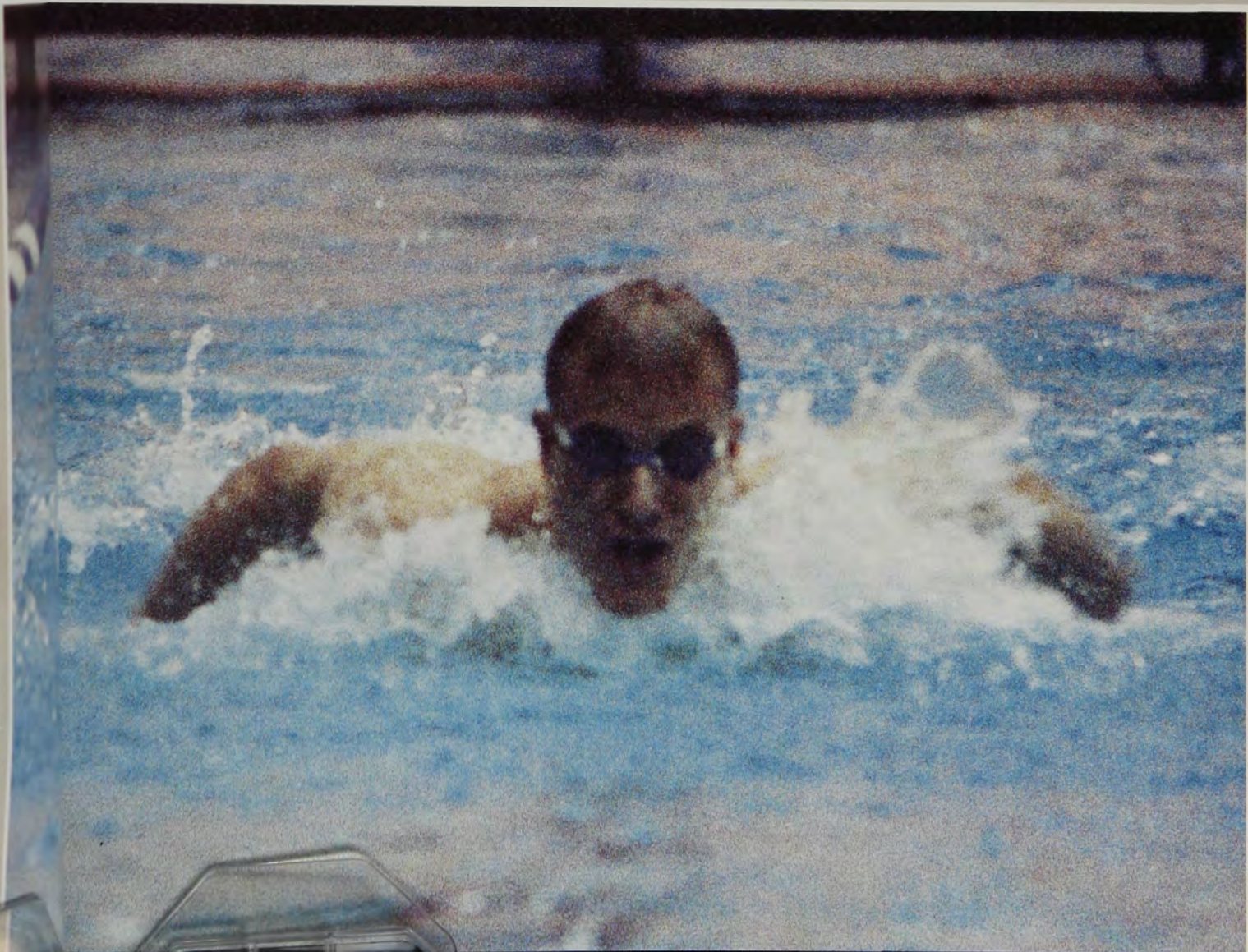
DIVIN' IN. Sophomore John Mallard (a team walk-on) starts a hurdle for his dive. Photo by M. Phan

STROKE, STROKE. Freshman Paul Heitmeyer swims the breast stroke of the 400 Individual Medley. Photo by M. Phan



SCOREBOARD

Early Bird	
Invite	1st Place
NMSU	129-94
Husky	
Invite	3rd Place
UC-Irvine	155-85
Wyoming	174-70
NMSU	173-68
New Mexico	84-159
Washington	110.5-94.5
BYU	71.5-116.5
Utah	146-137
Denver	181-54
WAC	5th Place
Championship	



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SCOREBOARD

Early Bird	
Invite	2nd Place
NMSU	138-95
CSU	108-192
UNC	174-125
Husky Invite	3rd Place
UC-Irvine	152-91
Wyoming	167-77
NMSU	164-77
UNC	165-78
NMSU	122-121
Washington	139-66
BYU	57-131
Utah	170-113
Denver	188-45
PCSC	1st Place
Championship	
NCAA Div II	5th Place
Championship	

PREPARING TO GO UNDER. Senior Elise Melberg competes in the 400 Individual Medley at a home meet. Photo by M. Phan



GETTIN' A LITTLE AIR. Junior Brenda Boeckmann is on the upstroke of the butterfly in a 100 yard race. Photo by M. Phan

CONCENTRATING. Junior Rebecca Currie preparing to dive at a home meet. She was a NCAA finalist in the 3 meter. Photo by M. Phan



GOOD CLASS BALANCE

Divers shine at NCAA's, swimmers at PCSC

KEEPS TEAM STRONG

Undeniably the stats speak for themselves, the women's swimming and diving teams were a force to be reckoned with and sources say that this is a trend that will continue for years to come. Overall the team finished in first place in the Pacific College Swim Conference, were 8 and 3 in their dual meets and ended up in the NCAA Championships.

"The key to this year's team was consistency," five-year coach Casey Converse said. "We had a strong junior class, great seniors and freshmen to help

out. We were well balanced across that board which is good because then you don't have to depend on one group of superstars."

Although Converse was first to say no one class had all the superstars he added that there were some outstanding individual performances. Senior Rachel Linnehan scored in four events in the NCAA Championships, and contributed to a new team record in the 800 free-style relay. In addition senior Elise Melberg returned to NCAA competition after missing it when she was a sophomore

and junior..

Although the NCAA Championship was the teams big focus, Converse said that the highlight of the swim team's season came at the Pacific College Swim Conference meet. This meet is made up of numerous schools that don't necessarily have a championship in which to compete.

"That meet is where we saw the greatest team effort and proved that we were getting better all the time, Converse said. "It was a good spring board to the NCAA's"

Speaking of spring boards, once again the

women's diving team showed everyone that they were a definite point scoring necessity for the team's wins.

"The divers continued to help out the team," Converse said. "We have a history of great divers and this year was no exception."

As on the swim team, the divers well represented the different classes at the Academy. Senior Sara Saxer was an All-American on both that 1 meter and the 3 meter while junior Rebecca Currie earned All-American on the 3 meter. Freshman Casey Cornish made honorable mention on both boards as well.

"NCAA championships was definitely their best meet of the year," Converse said. "They focused on that goal right away."

Team goals and unity was a big part of the women's swimming and diving team season. Converse said: "The women showed a lot of support for one another, you could see it especially in the relays where they had people cheering them on to swim faster."



TOE TOUCH. Freshman Casey Cornish touches her toes in a reverse dive. Photo by M. Phan

COME ON TEAM! Led by team captain, senior Erin Fuller these women cheer their teammates on to victory. Photo by M. Phan

SCOREBOARD

Riverside	10-2
CAL	12-3
Stanford	5-13
Claremont	9-7
Riverside	8-6
UCSD	6-9
USC	5-15
Santa Clara	12-11
Irvine	3-12
UCSD	16-11
Redlands	12-5
USC	5-15
Santa Clara	12-1
Irvine	3-12
UCSD	6-11
Redlands	12-5
Pepperdine	6-10
USC	5-15
UCSB	7-12
Chaminade	9-5
Riverside	8-5
Long Beach	7-8
UCLA	8-18
Long Beach	10-9
Santa Clara	12-7
UC Davis	8-1
UCSD	8-9

MAKING A SPLASH This player heads to the goal ready to score.
Photo by K. Field



ON THE MOVE.
Sophomore Garrett Lowe walks the ball in, attacking the cage to shoot. Photo by K. Field



IN FOR THE SCORE.
Senior Neil McCafferty takes a shot. Photo by K. Field

LINED FOR DEFENSE.
(L to R) Senior Brad Reed, Junior goalie Don Sheesley, Team Captain, Senior Ted Baudendistel, and Senior Neil McCafferty play man down zone defense. Photo by K. Field



WATER POLO PLAYS

Team says goodbye to 'F-Troup'

TOUGHEST SEASON YET

They played their toughest season ever and the men's water polo team came out of it boasting a tenth place ranking in the nation. Yes, the competition was fierce. The team played eight of the top ten teams in the nation and 16 of their 19 regular season games were against top 20 teams.

"This is the strongest class of water polo players ever to play at the Academy," head coach Maj Jeff Heidmous said. "... no group of athletes have collectively made as large of an impact."

Heidmous was especially referring to seniors Ted Baudendistel, Dan Farrington, Neil McCafferty and Brad Reed. Better known as the "F-Troup," they lead the team throughout the year.

Their impact was not

only felt at the end of the season but at the beginning as well. By the end of the first tournament the team's record stood at 3-3, which translated to 3-1 in the Western Water Polo Association and a 13th ranking in the nation.

The last loss of the first tournament was probably one of the hardest to swallow as it was a "grudge match" against #1 UC San Diego. Although the defense was on, the team's shooting wasn't.

The Northern California Tournament wound up about the same way; the team played tough but wasn't getting the shots necessary to win games. After playing eleven teams, the Falcons had four more wins under their trunks.

"The team played well enough to chal-

lenge the top teams in every aspect, except turn-overs," Heidmous said. "If we could put together the offensive end of our game we would surprise some teams."

And surprise them they did. They won four of their next seven matches; the Long Beach State 10-9 victory was especially sweet.

"This was the first Air Force team to beat Long Beach," Heidmous said. "and we did it in their pool. Things appeared to be coming together just in time for the Championships."

A main contributor to the Long Beach win was Baudendistel who shot a perfect six for six from the field. By the end of the season Baudendistel, received the senior Athletic Leadership Award, was an NCAA All-Ameri-

can, an All-WWPA selectee, a AFA record holder in steals and became the #1 scoring defenseman in Academy history.

During the first round of the WWPA tournament the Falcons beat Santa Clara 12-7, and then crushed UC Davis in a 8-1 win. These wins brought the team to its fifth straight Conference Championship game where they met up with UC San Diego for the fourth time in five years. At the end of regulation time the game was tied 7-7, from there it went in to four overtimes before UCSD pulled off a Hail Mary shot in the last seconds.

"It was a great game to watch," Heidmous said. "We out hustled them and were better prepared tactically; but it just wasn't meant to be."



The 1992-93 Men's Water Polo Team

A QUICK LESSON IN

Team finishes 11th in the nation

FENCING TERMINOLGY

Senior team captain Kevin Moffatt most eloquently summed up the men and women's fencing seasons and popularity when he said: "fencing is a unique sport that many have never heard of before; if you know anything about it you've probably done it." So for those of you who have not heard about it, let's start with a quick lesson about how this year's combined fencing team placed 11th in the nation.

The men's fencing team competes with three different weapons the foil, epee and sabre. With the foil, points are scored when the tip of the weapon touches the opponent anywhere between the waist and neck. Comprised of three walk ons and one recruit, the foil team was the most inexperienced of the three men's teams and ended its season with a 16-18 record.

"The foil team did well considering," Moffatt said. "They came through at some crucial times and played an important

role in those wins."

Equally as important for bringing home the points was the epee team. Epee is scored in a manner similar to foil, however the target gets bigger as any touch of the tip of the weapon to the body is considered a point. Lead by two sophomores Garrett Povar and Ben Maitre, epee had the strongest all-around team. They took first in the Western Region which qualified them for Nationals where they took seventh place. In addition Povar earned a spot to compete in the Junior Worlds.

The sabre team also earned a spot to compete in nationals, the

only difference was that in order for these members to score unlike the foil and epee the sabre is used to "cut" the opponent and everything from the waist up is fair game.

"This was the strongest showing from sabre in years," Moffatt said. "This was largely due to the freshmen, who after they got a little experience were really competitive."

While the men's team stayed on almost a continual upswing, the women's fencing team struggled a bit more. After losing two of the top four fencers seniors Heidi Gibson and Denise Chambers found that they had a lot of slack to pick up.

Gibson broke the season and her career victories as both a junior and a senior.

"This year was tough because we didn't have enough experience," first-year head coach Capt George Chandler said. "We were looking to repeat last year's Nationals performance."

Although the team was unable to do that, they did have an outstanding showing at the All Military International Fencing Tournament. After fencing teams from the U.K., the Royal Air Force, Royal Canadian Military Academy and West Point the women's team emerged the big winners.

Yet another victory that the women won was that next year they will be able to compete not only in foil but in epee as well. The women's epee competition will be a demonstration sport in 1994 and an intercollegiate sport by 1995.

"(Women's epee competition) is long overdue," Chandler said. "Many women have expressed an interest in it."

Once again Moffatt most adequately summed up the feelings of those who fence for the Academy. He said: "Fencing is mentally and physically challenging; once you do it you can't help but get hooked."

**LOOKING FOR A
OPENING.** Freshman
Garrett Gulish (left)
prepares to attack his
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one of two freshmen that
competed on the sabre
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ATTACK. Freshman Chris Dougherty (left) attacks his opponent with his sabre and scores a touch at the All Military International Tournament. Photo by J. Babinski



PARRY, THRUST. Junior Jeffrey LaRock (front of photo) successfully parrys an attack from his opponent from the Royal Canadian Military College. Photo by J. Babinski

HIT. Senior Heidi Gibson (left) attacks and hits her opponent. Teammate, junior Laura Regan records her score at the table. Photo by S. Weston

SCOREBOARD

Men's Epee
 31 - 2

Men's Sabre
 24 - 10

Men's Foil
 16 - 18

Team Record
 24 - 10

Women's Foil
 16 - 12 - 1

Don't bring it weak

TEAM OF 'NO NAMES'

Rifle finishes highest ever

GO TO NATIONALS

The men's rifle team didn't seem to have much working on it's side when the season started, it had a new coach to break in and the top shooter graduated leaving behind untapped talent.

"We didn't have any All-Americans coming back this season, head coach Capt Alan Arata said. "We were pretty much a team of no names yet we did well and made names for ourselves as the year progressed."

The rifle team finished the season 19-4, a far cry better than they expected. The only four losses came from com-

petition against schools ranked in the top eight in the nation.

Due to this outstanding finish, the rifle team qualified for nationals, where two of the six who qualified shot in both small bore and air rifle competition. The team's efforts paid off as they earned third place which is the highest finish for the rifle team in Academy history.

"By this time in the season we were certain that we had the ability to place well," Arata said. "We were able to pick the right day to put it together and we're happy we did."

Yet another reason

the coach was happy that they did well at Nationals was that it helped him recruit a couple top high school senior shooters in the country.

"That's what happens when you do well in Nationals," Arata said. "You are able to attract better shooters.

Speaking of shooters, individual recognition goes out to freshman Robin Orth who was the team's MVP; he placed third in a top tournament. Most Improved shooter went to sophomore Dan Wilcox who increased his score from 1034 to

1059. According to Arata this is an incredible increase. Special recognition also goes out to sophomore Brenden Roe, Roe had never shot before this year and was able to score 1106 by the end of the season.

Clearly, the team exceeded it's own expectations, so one can only wonder what the future has in store, Arata said: "Let's say next year we're going to be really good. We will definitely miss our seniors but we're lucky to have a talented group coming back."

THE PRONE COMPETITION.
Competitors shoot prone at sectional match.
Photo by A. Arata



STAND AND DELIVER.
Senior Paul Hibbard shoots standing small bore. Photo by A. Arata

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COMPETING IN AIR RIFLE. Team Captain, senior Pat McGlade shoots air rifle. Photo by A. Arata



THE MEN'S RIFLE TEAM L to R: Robin Orth, Pat McGlade, Justin Broughton, Paul Hibbard, Will Reinert, Brandon Pearce, Brian Curtis, Coach Capt. Alan Arata Photo compliments of the Rifle team.

25th HOCKEY SEASON

Tough luck sums up record

NOT WHAT EXPECTED

It wasn't how head coach Maj Chuck Delich had envisioned the consummation of Air Force's 25th season of ice hockey. To sum it up, it was an optimistic outlook turned bad.

In their season finale, the Falcons were shut out in back-to-back games for the first time in AFA history, dropping 3-0 and 4-0 decisions to the University of Alaska-Anchorage. The losses gave the Falcons an 8-20-2 tally for the season.

Despite the record, the Falcons did culminate some highlights: a home sweep of service academy rival Army (5-2; 4-1), a sweep and shut out of Holy Cross (4-3; 8-0) and a four game winning streak.

"I could see a four- or five-game swing in

our record this year, where we could have had 13 or 14 wins with any luck at all," Delich said. "But we just didn't get a lot of breaks."

One bad break was the loss of senior tri-captain and last year's top scorer Bob Ingraham for 10 games. Ingraham was lost after suffering a severe laceration on his left forearm five minutes into the first game of the season.

"I think what hurt us the most this season was the injury to Bob in the first game," senior Darec Liebel said. "We not only lost one of our top players, but one of the biggest leaders on the team."

"I would definitely say Bob's injury was a big key in the way the season went," senior

tri-captain Eric Rice added. "We never really came together without Bob there."

All totaled, tri-captains Ingraham, Rice and T.J. Courtney combined for 51 of the team's 221 points. While Rice emerged as the team's leading scorer with 12 goals, 15 assists and 27 points, Courtney finished fifth with 16 points on six goals and 10 assists.

At goalie, senior Darec Liebel and sophomore Mike Benson shared duties. Liebel, the starter of 19 games, finished with a save percentage of .846 and a 4-15-1 record. Benson notched a 4-5-1 record and a .860 save percentage.

With the return of 20 players, six of which finished in the top ten in scoring, and a good recruiting season, the optimism returns for the Falcons.

"If our recruiting goes well, we can add some depth," said Delich. "We should improve dramatically over where we were this year."

By Matt Sinning



FACE OFF. Senior T. J. Courtney works to gain possession of the puck after it was dropped by the referee. Photo by C. Grosjean

SCOREBOARD

Mass-Lowell	2-3
Mass-Lowell	2-6
New Hamp.	4-4
New Hamp.	3-6
Colo College	3-12
Salem State	6-7
Salem State	4-3
St. Thomas	1-2
St. Thomas	6-4
Merrimack	5-7
Merrimack	4-3
Notre Dame	1-4
Army	3-5
Providence	0-10
Providence	1-2
Mankato	5-6
Mankato	4-4
Cornell	2-7
Colgate	5-3
Yale	2-8
Yale	4-5
Army	5-2
Army	4-1
Holy Cross	4-3
Holy Cross	8-0
AK-Fairbanks	2-9
AK-Fairbanks	1-11
Colo College	2-6
AK-Anch.	0-3
AK-Anch.	0-4

HERE'S THE PUCK.

The battle in front of the opponent's goal continues while players Digeronimo, Bones and Decker work to get a good shot. Photo by J. Babinski

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Anch.	0-4
Anch.	0-4



MAKING THE STRETCH. Sophomore Mike Benson keeps his eye on the puck in an effort to stop it. Photo by S. Morris

DON'T TRY AND STOP ME. Sophomore Dan MacAllister appears unfazed as an opponent works to steal the puck. Photo by C. Grosjean



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MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

Members earn top honors

EARN NATIONAL RANK

The nationally ranked Air Force Academy men's soccer team finished a strong season with a disappointing loss to Southern Methodist University in the NCAA Division I playoffs. Led by the team's scoring duo, senior Dave Walick and sophomore Rob Behm, the team completed the year with a 13-6 record.

The team started out the year with long intense practices that lasted for two to three hours. The practices concentrated on tactics, shooting, and sprinting.

Even though the workouts were rough, Dave Walick put it into perspective: "We were intent on winning the national championships. Practices were the way for us to get there."

Even more intense was the new league that the team joined at the outset of the '92 season. Dubbed the "Super Conference," the Academy's men's soccer Team was added to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. That

has formidable opponents like the University of San Francisco. The men took it in stride, though, and tied for second in the conference at the end of the year.

The Falcon's season began on a rocky path, even though they were rated consistently in the Top 20. They never broke .500 until a very emotional and hard-won victory against #16 Illinois State in the Falcon Classic. After that stunning victory, the team never looked back as they marched on towards the playoffs where unfortunately the team lost in the first round but even that couldn't dampen the season's past victories.

One of the most memorable games for the Falcons was the win against the University of San Francisco. Winning the game 4-3 in a packed and hostile stadium was great, but even more important was that the school was their coach's alma mater. Louis Sagastume had both played and served as the captain of

San Francisco's soccer team. The win was a great morale booster for the entire team.

"All I can say is that it (the win) was a great gift from our soccer family," Sagastume said. "It was the climax of so many years of wanting to compete at that level; a great victory."

He added: "They came back from a deficit of three goals. It was a tremendous effort and probably one of the sweetest victories I've experienced as a coach."

Memorable individual efforts also ended in high honors for Academy players. Senior Dave Walick made All-American, and was the team's MVP. He set an Academy single season scoring record of 45 points. Sophomore Rob Behm captured the team's Most Improved Award,

and made All Far West. Chris Cullen was also earned All Far West. By Michael Grunwald

SMOKIN'. Senior Pete "Juice" Gbelia turns on the speed and beats a defender. Gbelia was one of last year's top performers. Photo by M. Phan



JUGGLING SOCCER STYLE. Junior Nick Gismondi takes time before the game to warm up. Gismondi was last year's second leading scorer. Photo by C. Harris





S-LIDE TACKLE.
Senior Gabe Macias performed another crunching tackle against a Cal Berkley player. Macias was one of the team's most consistent players.
Photo by C. Harris

SCOREBOARD

Stanford	1 - 2
Washington U	1 - 0
Wake Forest	0 - 1
Univ. of	
Las Vegas	1 - 3
Colorado Mines	8 - 0
Quincy	5 - 1
Illinois State	6 - 1
Western Illinois	9 - 1
Cal. Berkeley	6 - 0
Fresno State	3 - 2
San Jose State	
University	3 - 5
Sacramento	
StateUniversity	3 - 1
Univ. of	
San Fran.	4 - 3
Oregon State	3 - 2
Regis	8 - 0
O.D.U.	1 - 0
Florida Inter.	0 - 1
Tampa	1 - 0



FOOT-TO-BALL.
Sophomore Dan Warner, the Academy's goalie, drop kicks the ball down field. With the best view of the field Warner is able to hit an open man.
Photo by C. Harris

First Row L to R: Scott McDonald, Jeremy Tyger, Chris Cullen, Brian Gesuale, Jeff Sabella, Nick Gismondi **Second Row L to R:** Jeff Pulley, Jay Clark, Pete Gbelia, Matt Villela, Gabe Macias, John Liller **Back Row L to R:** Coah Hill, Leonel Gonzales, Maj. Paulik, Brian Bergeron, Gerald Fortuna, Brian Toth, Dan Warner, Marc Sands, Rob Behm, Dave Walick, Coach Lou Sagastume
Photo by M. Phan

WOMEN'S SOCCER JOINS

Individual success shadows first year record

INTERCOLLEGIATE RANKS

SCOREBOARD

UNC	1-2
Regis	1-0
Denver	1-3
CC	1-2
Metro	2-2
Colo	
Christian	4-1
Trinity	1-2
St. Mary's	3-1
UNC	1-5
Quincy	1-4
Mo. St.	
Louis	0-2
Metro	1-2
NE MO	4-1
Cal-Davis	1-2
Chico State	0-1
Colo	
Christian	4-1
Denver	0-4
Regis	1-3
Army	1-2

It was their debut in intercollegiate athletics and although the season record (5-13-1) said that the Lady Falcon soccer team had a tough go of it the coaches and players are first to claim differently.

"Some might consider the season disappointing," assistant coach Capt. Larry Friend said. "Not so ... we played nine of the top 20 teams in Division II and two Division I teams in the top twenty."

Friend continued by saying that many of these games were lost by only one goal.

Team captain, senior Pam Wise, a player that made the transition from club play to intercollegiate had this to say about the season: "Making the transition was great, at times we weren't used to playing such competitive ball, but our coaches reminded us

that we could do it."

The Falcons definitely did make an impression on those they played. Many a coach came up to head coach Marty Buckley and Friend after the game and commented on the women's play. Many said they were very impressed with the individual effort and the teamwork that the Falcon women showed.

"We are the only team in our league to play with one forward, five middies and four fullbacks, it's more of a counter attack offense," Buckley said. "A player must be very fit to play this."

Friend added that the team was fortunate to have strong athletes that were always fighting to do their best every game.

Apparently all this individual effort paid off. Senior Kim Schroeder, Adelle Belisle and Tracey Healy made first team

All Colorado Athletic Conference (CAC). Freshman Melissa Wainwright and sophomore Julie Pilkington made second team All CAC as well. The team members were not the only ones to receive high praise, in addition Marty Buckley earned the honor of All Far West Coach of the year.

Undoubtedly all of these accolades stemmed from the dedication of both the coaches and the players. The Lady Falcons practiced for two to three hours after school every day. Freshman Melissa Wainwright said she remembered practices as being long and hard, but fun at the same time. In spite of the great deal of time the women had to give up to play and practice, ten of the Lady Falcons made the Dean's List for the Fall Semester.

"These women

showed such tremendous effort throughout the entire season," Buckley said. "Although the record doesn't seem to say this the season was truly a success."

By Michael Grunwald

UNDER PRESSURE.
Tracey Healy (forward) puts a little pressure on the defense in hopes of winning the ball. Healy was the team's offensive MVP. Photo by S. Duvall



AFTER THE SHOT.
Senior Kim Schroeder watches her shot fall just short. Schroeder was the team's MVP. Photo by S. Duvall

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MAKIN' A BREAK.
 Sophomore Kristen
 Abbott beats the
 defender and prepares
 for a cross. Abbott
 played outside
 midfielder. Photo by
 S. Duvall

**FOCUSING ON THE
 STEAL.** Freshman
 Melissa Wainwright
 leads the opposition
 in an effort to get in
 a position to take the ball.
 Wainwright was Rookie
 of the Year. Photo by
 S. Duvall

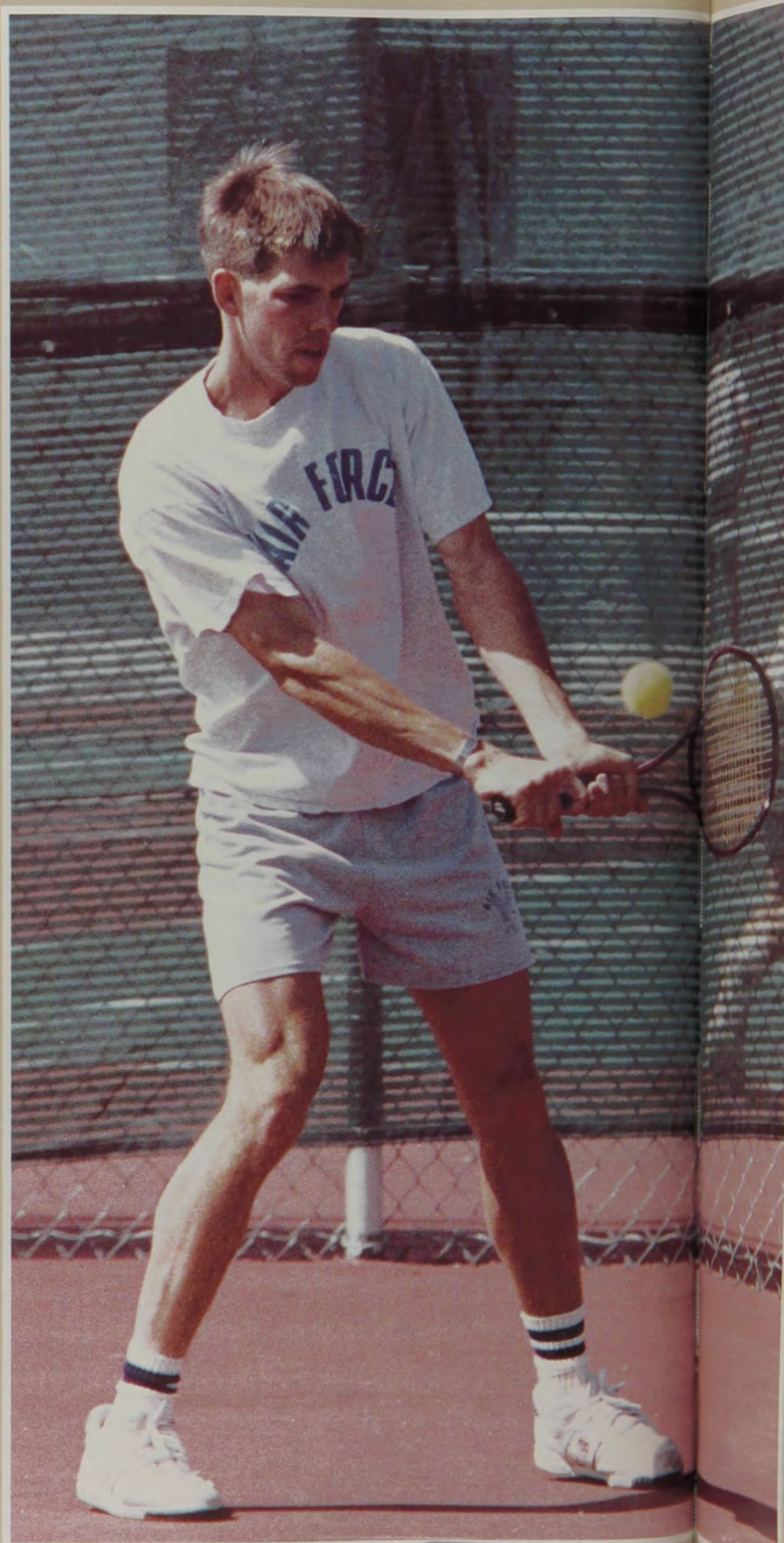
Don't bring it weak

MENS TENNIS TEAM Back Row L to R: Jerry Sledzinski, Trace Thurbly, Dan Oosterhous, Bruce Ybarra, Mike Bautista, Paul Griffiths Front Row L to R: Capt Mark Daily, Asst Coach Ryan Hill, Tim Piccin, Nico Adlung, Hank Buck, Head Coach Rich Gugat Photo provide by tennis team



PLAYIN' DOUBLES. Senior Dan Oosterhous and his partner work out the group dynamics of their play. Photo by B. Fallis

GIVING IT THE BACKHAND. Senior Dan Oosterhaus practices his form before an upcoming match. Photo by B. Fallis



WORKING THE HOME

Tennis has best season ever

COURT ADVANTAGE

The numbers are staggering. Let's start with 25-2, the 20-0 and finally 18.

The numbers all add up to one of the best men's tennis seasons in Academy history. The Falcons ended the regular season with a 25-2 overall record which is the 10th time under the

direction of head coach Rich Gugat that the Falcons have won 25 or more matches and the 17th year with 20 or more wins.

The two losses are the fewest ever in AFA history. Despite the fact the team finished sixth in the Western Athletic Conference tourna-

ment, Air Force closed out the regular season winning its last regular season matches.

The Falcons were especially tough on their opponents at the Academy. The team posted a 20-0 mark on its home turf. Dating back to last year, the team has won 27 straight at home.

"This is one of the best teams we've had here," Gugat commented. "We were very strong one through six."

Senior Dan Oosterhous and junior Trace Thurlby paced the Falcons all year. Oosterhous finished the regular season with a 22-3 record at No. 1 singles. He and No. 1 doubles partner Jerry Ledzinski were 21-4.

"Dan is a tremendous player. He is probably the best doubles player ever at the Academy and certainly ranks as one of the best all-around players," Gugat said. Oosterhous earned the Western Athletic Conference and District Sportsman Awards in 1993, along

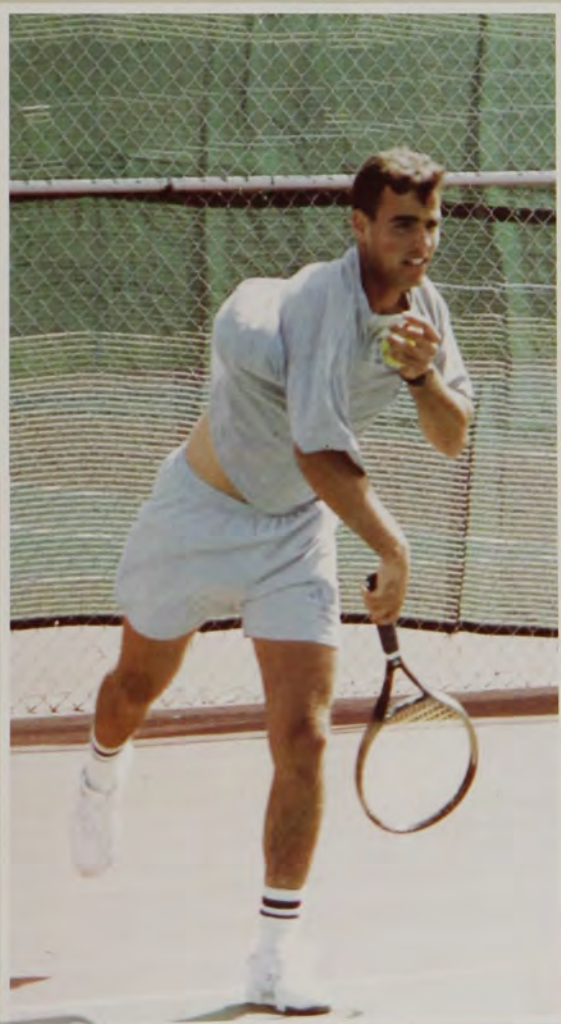
with the Academy's Athletic Excellence Award.

Thurlby notched the best singles winning percentage in Academy history at No. 5 singles. He finished the regular season with a 21-0 mark. He teamed with Mike Bautista to post a 20-1 mark in doubles.

"Trace is one of the hardest working players I've ever coached. He is a great role model for our team on and off the court," the coach said. Next fall, Thurlby will serve as Wing Commander, the highest position a cadet at the Academy can hold.

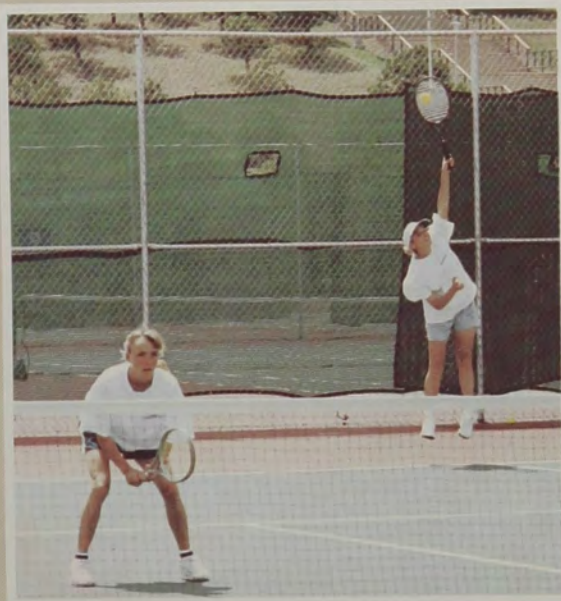
Ledzinski finished the season with an 18-8 mark and No. 2 doubles. Senior Bruce Ybarra was 14-12 at No. 3 singles, while Pual Griffith was 15-8 at No. 4. Bautista recorded a 21-2 mark at No. 6 singles to round out the team's top six.

Story printed at request of Rich Gugat, it originally appeared as a SID wrap up.

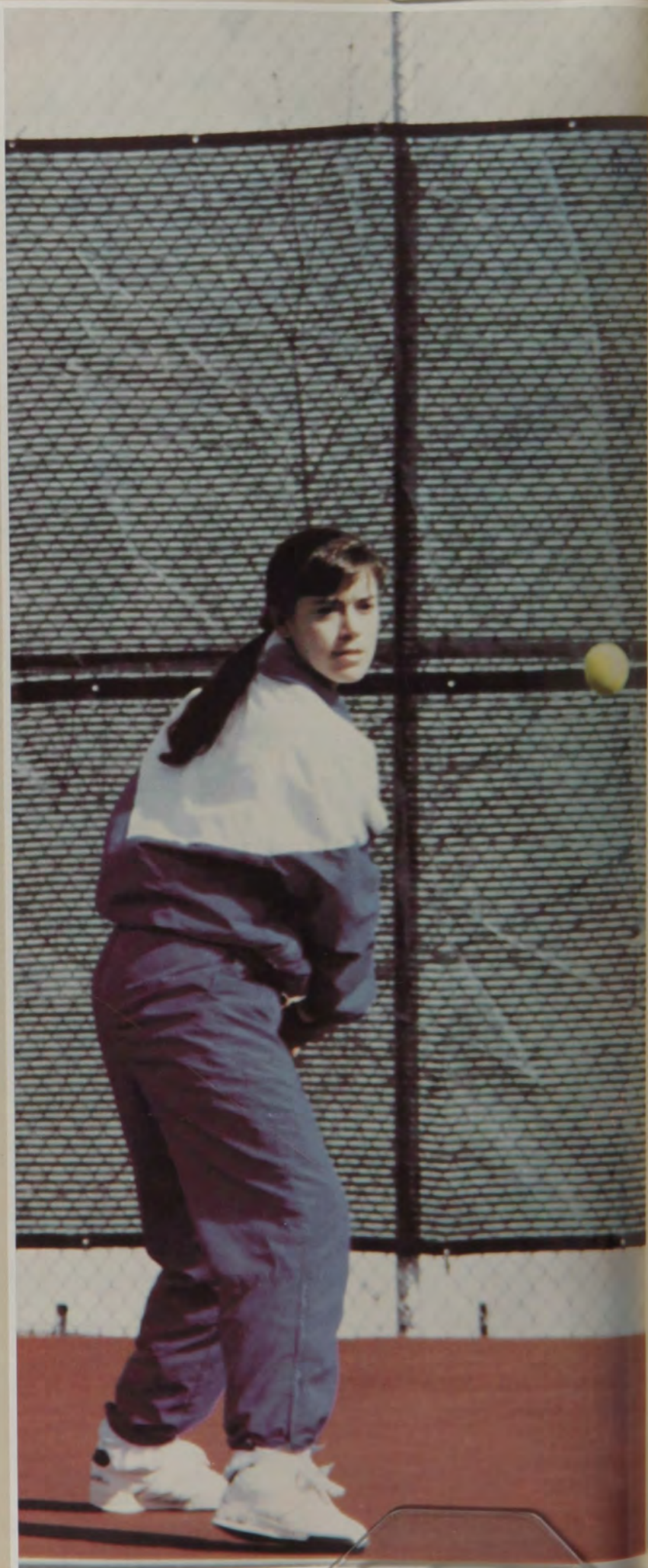


SERVE'S UP! Senior Bruce Ybarra practices an ace serve before challenging his opponent. Photo by B. Fallis

DOUBLES HEAT UP. Senior Kim Schroeder anxiously waits as junior Christine Rilovick pounds a serve in mid-air. Photo by B. Fallis



READY TO RETURN. Junior Laura Simmons returns the ball during a tournament warm-up session. Photo by B. Fallis



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT. Doubles partners freshman Angie Becker (left) and senior Laurel Scherer practice on USAFA courts. Photo by B. Fallis

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WOMEN PLAY

Injuries plague team all season

INSPIRATIONAL TENNIS

One word describes the women's tennis season ... inspirational ... The team had everything to look forward to going into the season, they were ranked eighth in the nation second in the midwest and second in the Colorado Athletic Conference (CAC). But by the end of the

season that tide had somewhat changed they ended up ranked 15th in the nation, third in the midwest and held on to second in the CAC.

The reason behind the sudden drop in rank was due to the injuries that some of the team members suffered. Junior Laura Simmons the team's #1 singles

player suffered from tendonitis in the shoulder at the beginning of the spring competition. In addition #5 singles player sophomore Amanda Krantz ripped her ACL and shortly after it healed suffered from a severely sprained ankle.

"Because of the injuries that we suffered a lot of people had to play in positions that they were not used to," third year head coach Capt Bob Swanson said. "They really buckled down and played good tennis. They played better than even my expectations; it was inspirational."

It took the players awhile to get used to their new roles but once

they did, success followed. The most outstanding performance came at the CAC Tournament. With two of the top players gone the #6 singles player played in the #4 singles spot and the #4 singles player competed in the #3 singles spot. Both freshman Angie Becker and senior Kim Schroeder won their matches.

"At this meet the whole team came together," Swanson said. "They played tough tennis despite the injuries and they were able to win all the points needed."

The hard work paid off even if the team's overall record didn't show it. Prior to her injury Simmons earned an All American award, qualified for Nationals at the Rolex Championship in Corpus Christi, was the team's MVP and won the Arthur Ash Jr. National Leader-

ship and Sportsmanship Award also sponsored by Rolex. Simmons was the only player in Division II to receive this honor. In addition Krantz and Simmons earned an at-large bid for Nationals when they were healthy in October, unfortunately when the time came they weren't able to play due to injuries.

"We've never had any injuries before this year, hopefully we won't have any next year," Swanson said. "Regardless of this I think they had a good year. Sometimes these seasons mean more than those that are 9-0 because this is where team character is built."



AND AWAY IT GOES.
Senior Laurel Scherer concentrates as she successfully returns the ball. Photo compliments of Coach Swanson



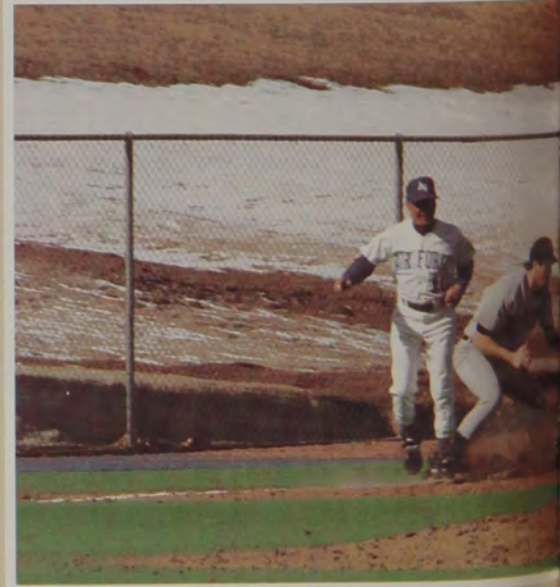
THE WOMEN'S TENNIS TEAM. Back Row L to R: Laurel Scherer, Laura Simmons, Angela Becker, Ann MacGhee, Kirsten Murray Front Row L to R: Amanda Steffy, Kim Schroeder, Amanda Krantz, Christine Rilovick. Coach Bob Swanson Photo compliments of the team.

SCOREBOARD

USC	8-1
UNC	3-6
Regis	9-0
Co. Christian	9-0
Denver	4-5
Chaminade	8-1
Grand Canyon	3-6
Florida Southern	8-1
Abilene Christian	2-7
UNC	4-5
Jacksonville State	2-7
North Florida	1-8
Valdosa State	1-5
Metro State	5-4
Co. Christian	6-3
Cal Poly SLO	0-9
Cal State LA	5-4
UNC	3-6
Indianapolis	6-0
Denver	0-6
St. Cloud	6-3
UCCS	9-0



SAFE! Junior Mike Lisch slides into third just before the tag. Lisch pitched for the Falcons. Photo by S. Morris



FEELIN' CONFIDENT. Junior Mike Manor, outfielder, smiles at the pitcher to let him know he will connect with the ball. Photo by C. Harris

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TEAM MAKES HISTORY WITH

Falcons upset ranked Minnesota

SEASON RECORD

Finishing the year with the second best record in Academy history, the men's baseball team compiled a 28-22 record during the season—and finished fourth in the Western Athletic Conference. This impressive final tally was made despite losing five seniors after last year's season—including All American, Troy Simon—and

WAITING FOR THE PITCH. Freshman Mike Sharp waits for the perfect pitch at a home game. Sharp's batting average was .207. Photo by K. Field.

a lack of support during home games.

The baseball team started out the year on a very rocky trail. According to sophomore Jim Ryan, "We started out the year as individuals; toward the end, we were much more team oriented." The turn-around was due to the coaches, Paul Mainieri and Eric Campbell, and the senior leadership of the team. The captains, seniors Manny Robinson, Kevin McCallum, and Lance Pilch, were able to rally the team, and get them

to focus on the fundamentals of the game. Once the change was made, the Falcons were able to rack up some very impressive victories.

The team's biggest rivals, as always, were Air Force's sister academies, Annapolis and West Point. Both schools put up tough resistance to the Falcons, and the playing during the games demonstrated the intense level of competition. The team's win against Annapolis was in doubt until the last inning of the game. With

the last man at bat, Air Force was able to strike hard against the Squids, and win the game by one run.

Playing against Army proved to be only marginally tougher. The Grunts put up a fight, and in the final deciding game of the series, the Falcons found themselves down by seven runs with two innings remaining. Refusing to give up, Air Force rallied back and won the game. The team didn't have long to celebrate because the final game was at home during

Recognition, and there was work to be done.

The biggest win for the season was supposed to be the biggest loss of the year. Air Force travelled to Tennessee early in their season to take on the University of Minnesota. Ranked eighteenth in the nation, Minnesota was expected to crush the Falcons. Despite everything stacked against them, Air Force won in an impressive 3-0 victory against Minnesota. By Michael Grunwald



GET DOWN. Junior Anthony Sansano decides to take the sliding route to the base to avoid being called out. Sansano played outfield. Photo by C. Harris

THE BASEBALL TEAM Back Row L to R: Head Coach Paul Mainieri, Steve Cowart, Keith Umlauf, Al Barker, Rob Lisch, Jim Ryan, Jason Rudd, Bob Olson, Vern Mullis, Manny Robinson, Assistant Coach Eric Campbell Middle Row L to R: Assistant Coach Mike Kazlauskys, Kevin McCallum, Greg Buckner, Chris Fitzpatrick, Lance Massey, Chad Day, Steve Sanders, Glenn Harris Front Row L to R: David Sanson, Tony Sansano, Lance Pilch, Rob Giannoni, Mike manor, Mike Sharp, Brian Oswald Photo by S. Morris

INDIVIDUAL EFFORT

Indoor and outdoor track

EQUALS TEAM SUCCESS

Sophomore pole vaulter Dave Pike was the most consistent performer for the Falcons during the 1993 indoor season. During the indoor campaign, he set a new AFA record by vaulting 17 feet 2 and 3/4 inches.

The AFA men's team finished the indoor season with a fourth place standing at the WAC championships. Senior Roscoe Moore turned in one of the top performances for the Falcons with a triple jump of 50-4. This jump put him in second place

on the school's all-time top 10 list.

Jeff Kuzma, a junior hometown from Colorado Springs, was the only Falcon to capture an individual title at the 1993 outdoor WAC Championships. In the 800-meters, Kuzma ran the fifth fastest time in school history (1:50.89) to take the gold.

The AFA men's team completed the 1993 outdoor campaign with a fourth place finish at the WAC championships, finishing ahead of New Mexico, CSU, Wyoming, and Utah.

C3C Pike, broke the school outdoor record

in the pole vault during the WAC Championships with a vault of 17-0 3/4. Another highlight of the meet came from junior John Gifft. He had the second best long jump in school history with a leap of 24-1.

Junior Shawn Larcher and C1C Moore added their names to the school's top 10 list in their respective events. C2C Larcher set a school record in the discus with a heave of 183-9. C1C Moore's triple jump of 49-10 3/4 became the second best in school history.

WITH DETERMINATION. Freshman newcomer Paul Gomez was one of the top performers for the Falcons in 1993 in both hurdles events—the 110-meter and the 400-meter. He shows his form here in a meet at the University of Colorado in Boulder. Photo by Graeme Badger

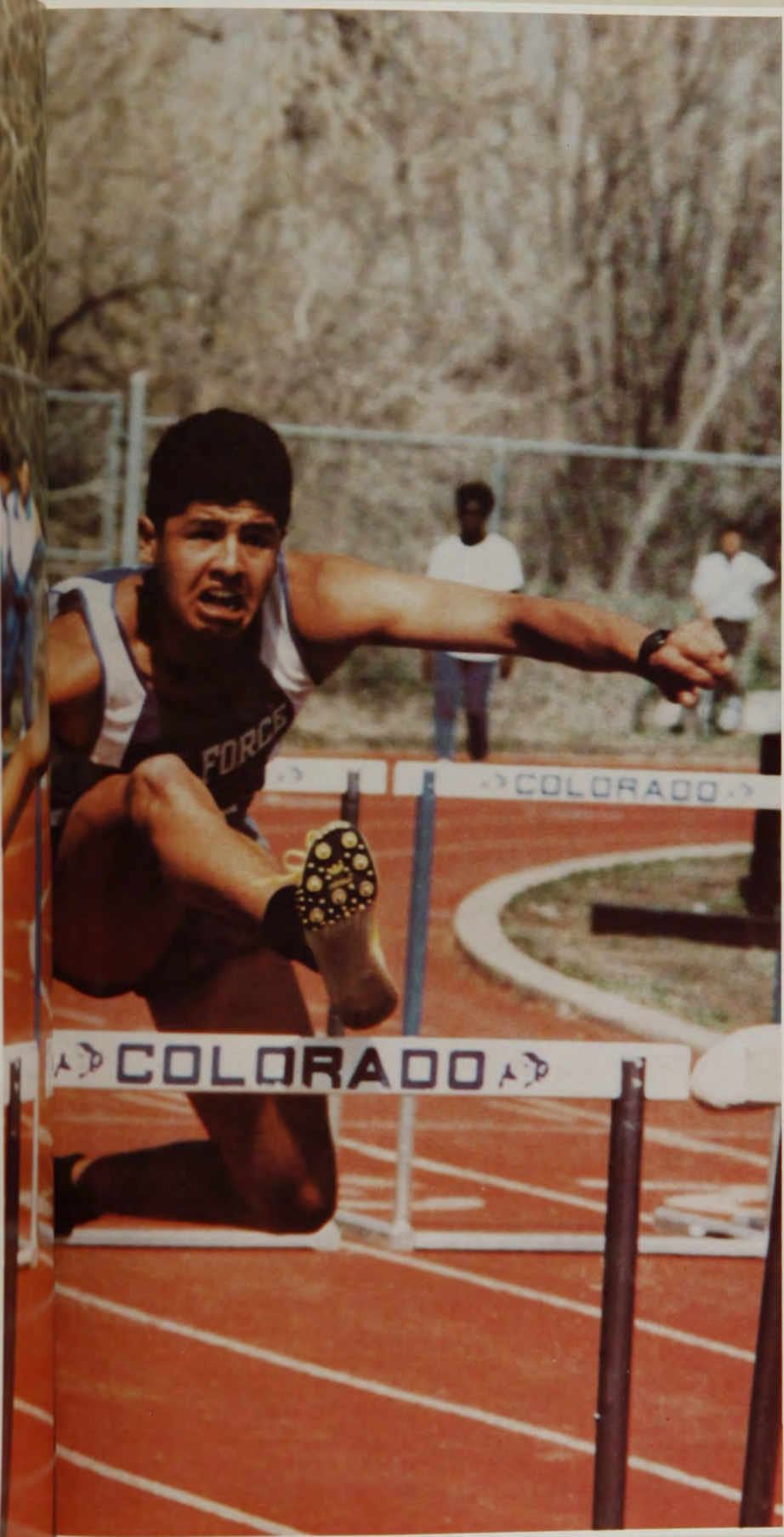
NECK AND NECK. Falcon hurdlers (l to r) Mike Turner, Tristan Lai and Jerry Loeffler are neck-and-neck in the 110-meter high hurdles event. Photo by Graeme Badger



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UP AND OVER. Falcon teammates Chris Ederle (on the hurdle), a sophomore, and junior Chris Lindhorst (in front) clear the barrier in the Steeplechase event. Photo by Graeme Badger



LONG LEAP. Junior John Giffit moved into third place on the AFA men's all-time top 10 list in the long jump with a leap of 24'1" during the 1993 campaign. He is shown here in an early season meet in Tempe, AZ. Photo by Graeme Badger



MAKING HER MOVE.
Freshman Jennifer Kornacker, shown here competing in one of her distance specialties, was one of the most productive members of the Falcons' team in 1993. She was the only freshman in the nation to earn All-American status in three sports—cross country, indoor track and outdoor track. Photo by Graeme Badger



OVER THE HURDLE.
Junior Brenda Smith displays good early season form in the 400-meter hurdles at the Nike/Arizona State Invitational. Photo by Graeme Badger



YOUNG TEAM MEMBERS

Indoor and outdoor track

DO THEIR SHARE



Freshman Jennifer Kornacker was the headline maker for the Falcons in 1993, both indoors and out. By earning All-American status in both indoor and outdoor track, she became the only freshman in the nation in 1993 to earn All-American status in all three running sports (also cross country). During the indoor season, C4C Kornacker earned All-American

status with a fourth place finish in the 3,000-meter run at the NCAA Division II National Championships. In the outdoor campaign, she put her name in the record books in two distance races.

She set a freshman record in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 18:00.80 and this also placed her in sixth place on the school's all-time list. C4C Kornacker also moved into fifth place on the

school's all-time list in the 3,000-meters with a clocking of 10:04.23.

Junior Brenda Smith was another top performer during the 1993 season. She qualified for the national championships in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 64.13. This time is the fourth fastest in school history.

Jana Kokkonen, a sophomore, made her mark in three events during the outdoor campaign. She moved

into third place on the all-time list in the 100-meter hurdles (15.00), fourth on the triple jump list (36-2) and fifth in the 400-meter hurdles (66.39).

Also breaking into the top five on the school's all-time list were Renae Bartolone in the 10,000-meter run (39.00.5) and Afia Malone in the 100-meter hurdles (15.39).



AHEAD OF THE PACK. Four Falcon runners lead in an 800-meter race. They are (left to right): junior Jennifer Robinson, junior Grace O'Neill, junior Amber Wimberly, and freshman Dolly Patel. All four runners moved onto the AFA women's all-time top 10 list in the 800-meters during the 1993 season. Photo by Graeme Badger



READY TO THROW. Freshman Eve Douglas concentrates on the runway as she gets ready to unleash the javelin. Photo by Graeme Badger

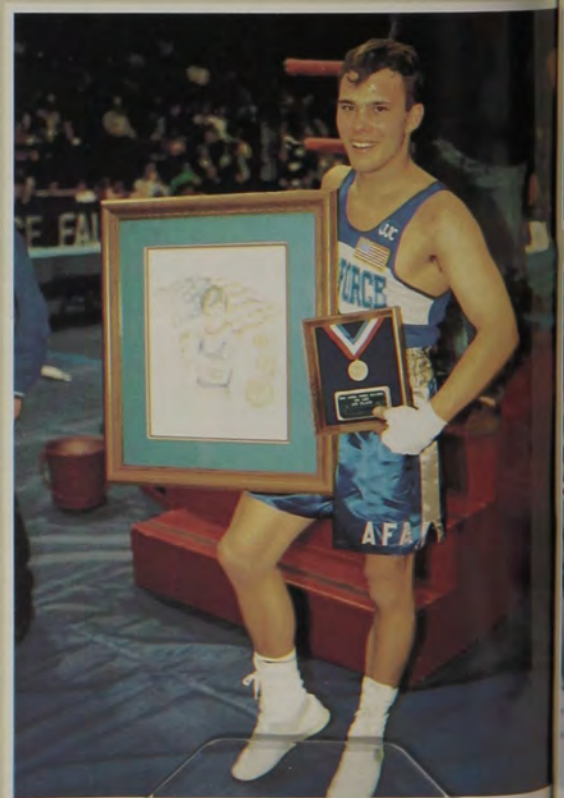


THE BIG BOYS GO TO BLOWS. Junior Chad Mathis gives a painful sigh as senior Roy Johnson is announced victorious. Photo by K. Field



A TIME TO REFLECT Junior Matt Glover takes a moment to gather himself after a rugged match. Photo by M. Phan

THE CHAMP. Senior Bryan Dunn becomes one of seven cadets in Academy history to win four consecutive years of fights. Photo by M. Phan



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WING OPEN RAISES OVER \$19,000

Twelve boxers earn spots for regional fights

FOR CADET'S AILING SISTER

The March 5 Wing Open proved to be a smashing success from both a pugilistic and a financial standpoint.

Each year, the Wing Open serves as a fundraiser for a charitable organization or an individual. This year, the Wing Open donations (a record \$19,800 was raised) went to Bernadette Thill, a 17-

year old with a rare kidney ailment that necessitated a transplant.

Bernadette is the sister of junior Joseph Thill. In addition to Bernadette, Thill has four more sisters and eight brothers ranging in age from 31 to 13. Raymond and Barbara are the parents of the 14 Thill siblings.

Thill got the ball rolling in 1992 when he asked his parents if it was alright to submit

Bernadette's name for consideration to the Wing Open organizers. After getting the nod, Thill provided the pertinent information and the Wing Open boxers and coaches selected Bernadette for the 1993 Wing Open fundraising effort.

"All the squadrons, through the MWR representatives, really helped out a lot," Thill said. "The support of the Wing and the crowd at the Wing Open was phenomenal. It demonstrated to me that there is a lot of compassion in the Wing for one of their own."

The 1993 Wing Open featured five returning champions and three of the five successfully defended their titles. C1C Bryan Dunn became only the seventh boxer in Wing Open history to win four straight titles a when he successfully defended his

156 lb. crown with a TKO win against C1C Alex Hinojos.

The bout that brought the packed house to its feet on numerous occasions was the 139 lb. matchup between two defending champions—C1C Craig Yantiss and C2C Arturo Alvarado. The two went toe-to-toe for three rounds with Yantiss earning a close, hotly-contested 3-2 decision. Yantiss also earned the John J. Clune Outstanding Boxer Award for 1993.

"It was a great fight," head coach Ed Weichers said. "Yantiss was really psyched up for this battle."

The other 1993 Wing Open results were: 112 lbs.—C1C Sean Amutan dec. C4C Chris Lantagne, 4-1; 119 lbs.—C3C Anthony Di Carlo (defending champ) dec. C2C Ron Watkins, 5-0; 125 lbs.—C2C John Frazier dec. C1C Brian Poole (defending champ), 4-1; 132 lbs.—C1C Ellis Johnson dec. C3C Jason Massagan, 5-0; 147 lbs.—C2C Todd Foster dec. C1C Josh Hartman, 5-0; 165 lbs.—C1C Joe Smit dec. C2C Marc Morales, 3-2; 175 lbs.—C2C Rocky Favorito dec. C2C Matt Glover, 3-2; 185 lbs.—C3C Jerry Sanchez dec. C3C Joe Difidi; Heavyweight—C1C Roy John-

son dec. C2C Chad Mathis, 4-1.

After the Wing Open, the AirForce Academy's "Dirty Dozen" successfully defended its Midwest Regional title on March 19-21 at the University of Kentucky by capturing 10 of 12 individual regional crowns. Regional winners included Lantagne, DiCarlo, Frazier, E. Johnson, Alvarado, Foster, Dunn, Smith, R. Johnson, and Mathias. Dunn was voted the outstanding boxer at the Midwest Regional.

The 10 regional winners qualified for the National Collegiate Boxing Championships on April 3-4 at the University of Nevada-Reno. All 10 of the AFA boxers earned All-American status by capturing first, second or third at nationals. However, host school Nevada-Reno dethroned AFA as national champions for 1993. First-place AFA finishers at the national event were Lantagne, E. Johnson, Alvarado, and R. Johnson; second-place finishers were Smit and Mathis; and third-place went to DiCarlo, Frazier, Foster, and Dunn.

"The Wing Open was highly successful and the team's performance at regionals and nationals was outstanding," Coach Weichers said. "The AFA boxing program continues to be highly competitive and brings national recognition to the Academy."

By Bill Scharton



CONGRATULATIONS. Junior Marc Morales offers his hand in a graceful defeat to his opponent senior Joe Smit. Photo by K. Field



RETRIBUTION OF COMBOS. Senior Brian Poole blocks a jab from junior John Frazier just in time ... to retaliate. Photo by K. Field

TOUCH THOSE TOES

Cadets see changes to the PFT

THE WING GETS FIT

Once a semester, almost three thousand members of the Air Force Academy Cadet Wing trudge down to the Field House to take the mother of all tests, the Physical Fitness Test (PFT). Sometimes referred to as "Sick-Call C o m m a n d o Manuevers," the PFT is a test of a cadet's ability to perform certain exercises in a given amount of time. The events are the pull-ups, long jump, sit-ups, push-ups, and the 600 yard run.

With the new Commandant, came many new changes to the PFT. This year, the cadet administrators were a lot tougher in enforcing the standards required to pass the test. This came as a result of many officers and cadets complaining that people were not doing the exercises correctly, or were going to their friends for a little help. Once standards were more vigorously enforced, many cadets found themselves on Athletic Probation—very unexpectedly.

The Wing was also surprised to learn that the PFT and Aerobics

Fitness Test (AFT) was not going to be given on the standard Lesson 11, but instead on Lesson 4. The reason given to the cadets was that officer-candidates should always keep themselves in shape, and not have to "cram" in the weeks before the test. For more than one cadet, this meant an intense three week workout in an effort to pass the test.

In addition, a new exercise was added to the PFT, it was first seen during First Basic Cadet Training. Cadets were required to sit on the ground, with their legs extended, and touch their toes for five seconds. This exercise was meant to test an individual's flexibility, fortunately, failing the event did not cause a cadet to fail the entire test, but it did result in several weeks at aerobics to improve on flexibility. The "Toe Reach" is now performed before the pull-

ups, and is the first event of the test.

Members of the Cadet Wing thought that the Department of Athletics was through making PFT/AFT changes for the year, however they were unpleasantly surprised when another change came down. Beginning with the Spring Semester of 1993, cadets with a 500 score on the PFT or AFT were no longer exempt from the test for the remainder of their cadet careers. The new change even removed exemption for 500-Club members. It did give cadets a two-semester reprieve from taking the test if a 500 was earned. The Director of Athletics, Col Kenneth L. Schweitzer, was understanding about breaking this news to the Wing only a few weeks before the test, and was kind enough to allow 500-Club members to take the PFT and AFT one month after the rest of

the Wing.

Finally, the Class of 1995 was forced to meet "new" standards on the PFT and AFT in order to own a car. In years past, a cadet needed only to pass the test with a score of 250 now with the new regulation, the second-class cadets are required to get over a 300 to get those keys. With a lot of grumbling, those cadets in the Class of 1995 went down a second and third time to take the two tests in order to get the minimum score.

Despite all the changes that were made, the Aerobic Fitness Test remained (thankfully) unchanged. The length of the run (600 meters) stayed the same, and the times necessary to pass the test didn't change. With firstties timing the events, members of the Cadet Wing huffed and puffed their way through and across the finish line.

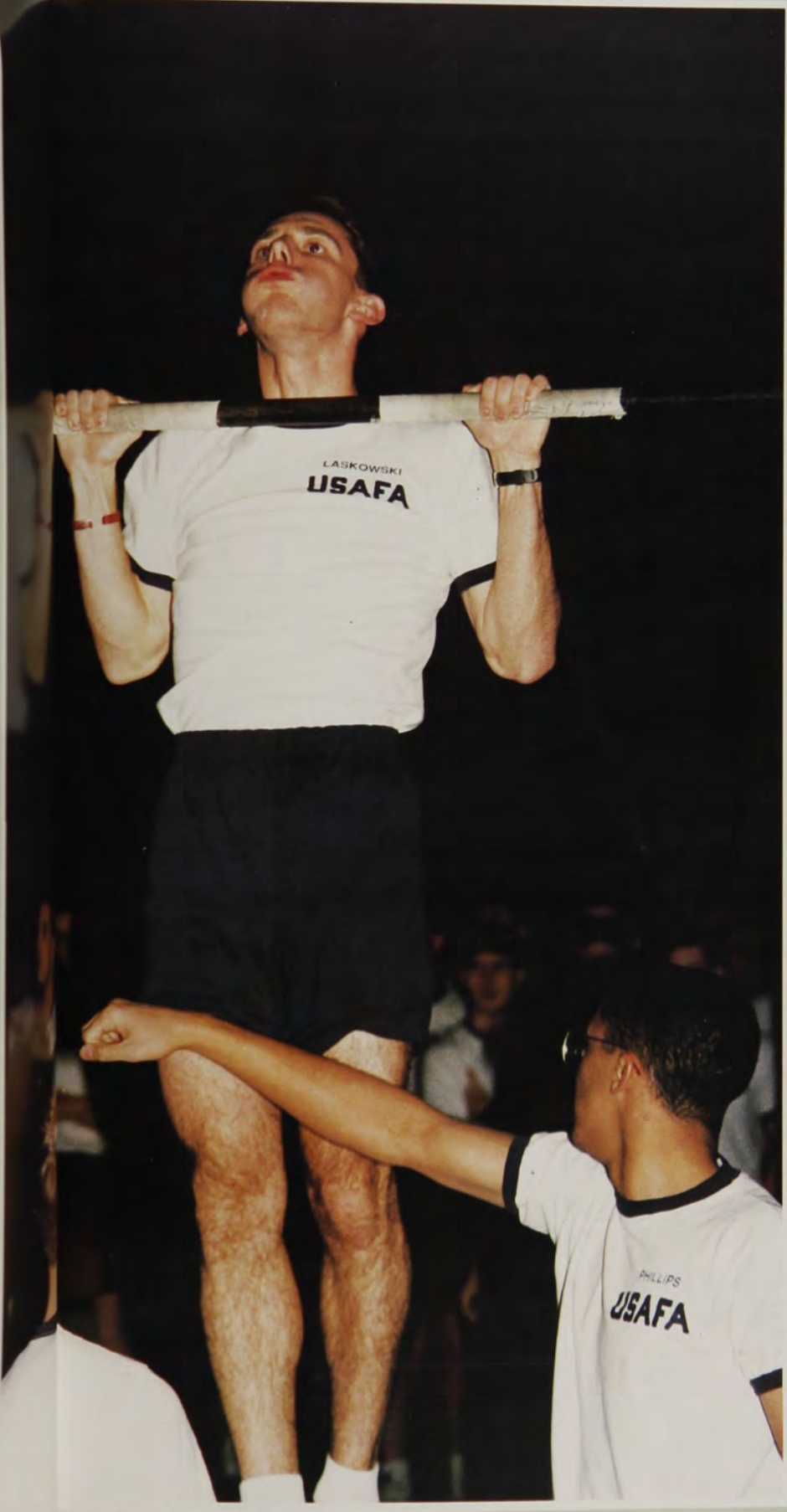
By Michael Grunwald

RUSH AT THE FINISH. Cadet Clark, McMillen and Phillips gasp for breath while leading the pack in another PFT completion. Photo by T. Havener



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EXPERT DEMONSTRATION. Senior Steve Laskowski completes a textbook pull-up. Even as he competes his exercises are exemplary. Photo by T. Havener

PUMPING IT UP. Junior Sean Madole squeezes out every last drop of energy to max the push-up station. After this station he has the run to look forward to. Photo by T. Havener



DEDICATION. This cadet proves that academics don't have to be sacrificed to prepare for the PFT. Time management is a valuable asset. Photo by T. Havener

Class is out for the day but the demands on a cadet's time are far from over. For the next two hours the gym will be packed with people who are getting physically fit. Every Monday through Thursday the intramurals program kept cadets busy.

In the fall spectators saw cadets battling it out in such areas as the ever popular flickerball field and team handball court. During the winter months the competition turned to basketball, wallyball and the most dreaded boxing. As the weather warmed, spring intramurals came and cadets participated in softball, flag football, mountain biking and water polo.

Get Physical

Resigned to participate in intramurals, most cadets try to make the best of it. For some they use it as a supplement to their daily exercise routines while others solely use intramurals as a way to stay fit. Whatever the reason they all have to play and making the best of it is definitely the way to go.

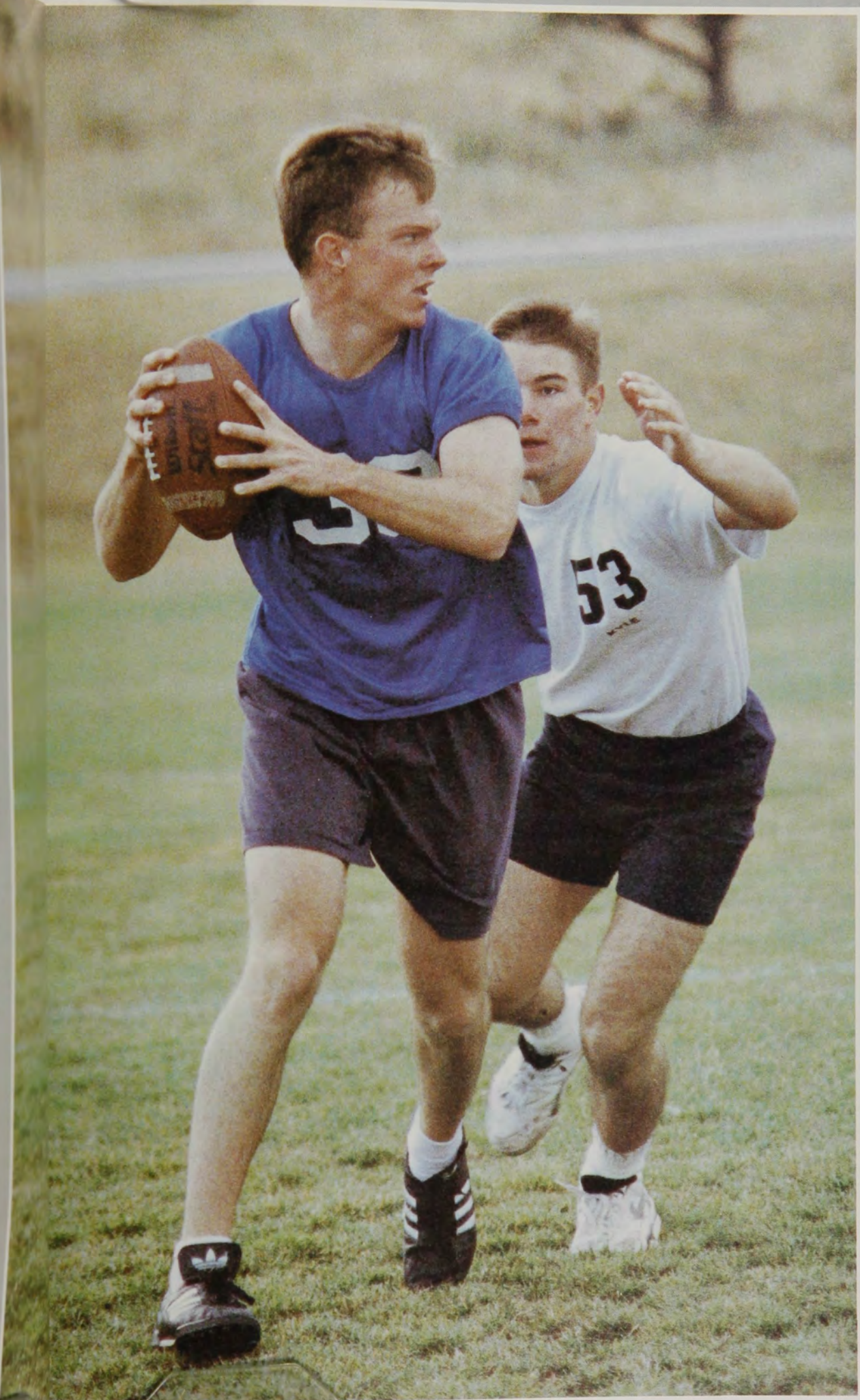
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Looking for the open player before getting tackled is what this quarterback has in mind. Intramurals were played Monday through Thursday. Photo by C. Grosjean

SUMMER DAYS GIVE WAY TO FALL HAZE

*Cadets return to
intramural madness*

Returning from Summer Programs, or fresh out of Basic Cadet Training, few cadet's minds are on Fall Intramurals. However, the third pillar of Academy life demands that every member of the Cadet Wing participate in yet another "cadet haze." Intramurals, however, give cadets a chance to vent their frustration from the day's activities on other "dinks". This year, cadets enjoyed this season a little less because of the increased emphasis on uniform and attendance policies. The Academy was able to use many of their "Rent-Lieutenants" (recent graduates) to enforce these unpopular directives.

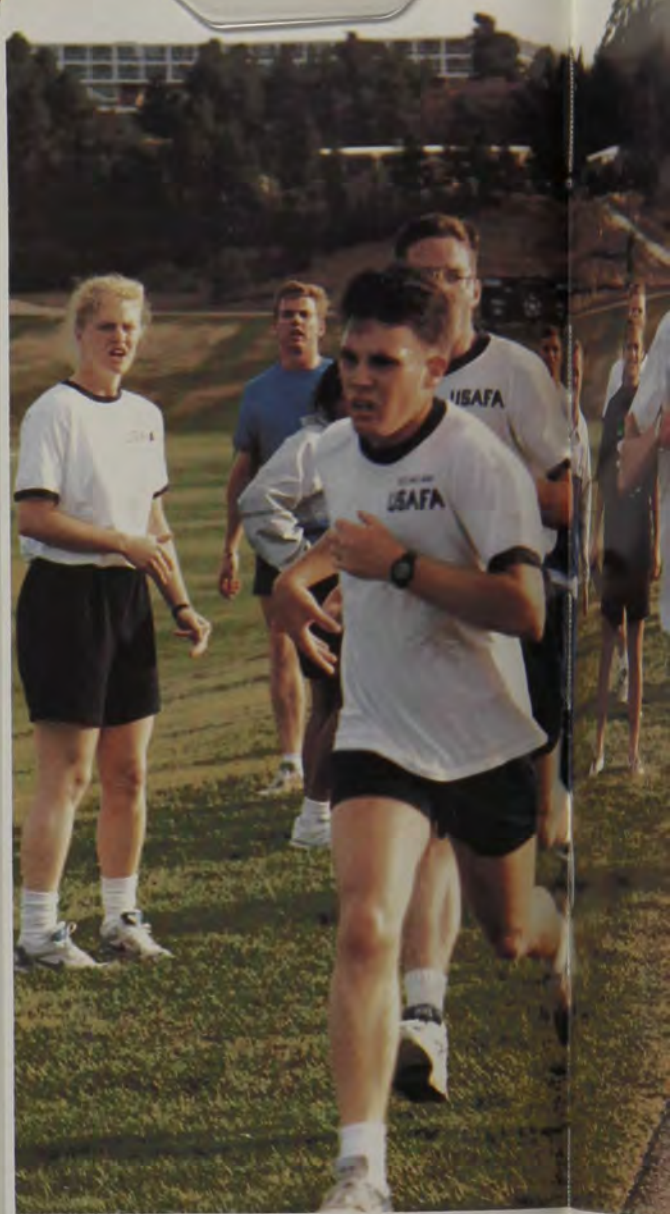
One of the most popular sports during the Fall season was soccer. This year, CS-11, Rebeleven, took the Wing soccer championships. The Rebel's team was led by senior Chris Thompson. The squadron had won the Wing Champs in soccer the two previous years, so setting Wing as their goal was

really quite easy for the team. Rebeleven almost didn't make it to the end, though.

They lost their first game during the play-offs, and because they had previously been undefeated, they were allowed to advance to the final round of competition. The final game was very intense and exciting for both sides of the match. The Rebels were down by one goal most of the game, tying the score with only five minutes of play left. The goalie for CS-11, sophomore Dan Rose, saved the day for the team when the championship was decided by a shoot-out.

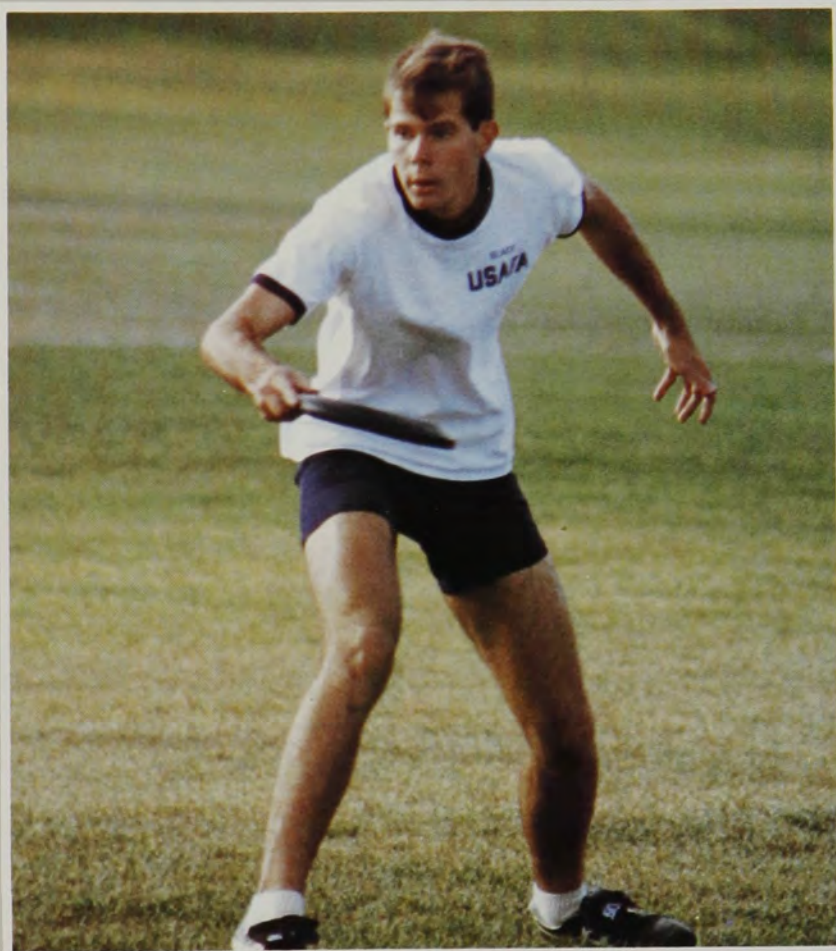
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GIMME THAT. *These players go head to head in an attempt to gain possession of the ball. Photo by C. Grosjean*





SECOND WIND.
 Senior Jeff McMillen
 races to keep his lead
 as his opponent Junior
 Tim Price-Williams
 draws dangerously
 near close to the finish
 line. Photo by
 C. Grosjean



STRETCH. Senior
 Heider Khan strains to
 complete his tennis
 serve successfully. The
 extra effort added
 power to his serve.
 Photo by S. Morris

READY TO PASS.
 Marking his target this
 ultimate frisbee player
 prepares to pass.
 Ultimate frisbee is a
 game of wind-sprints
 and graceful passes.
 Photo by M. Gaupp



THE BEST PART OF THE RUN. A tired runner anxiously prepares to cross the finish line where he can take a breather. Photo by C. Grosjean



OXYGEN BOTTLE ANYONE? The high altitude's thin air makes running a serious task for practically any cadet. Photo by C. Grosjean



WHOOSH - SCORE. This team handball goalie goes all out to block the shot, unfortunately his efforts are of no avail. Photo by S. Morris



IGNORING THE DISTRACTION. This ultimate frisbee player tries to pass around a defender. Photo by C. Harris



SUMMER DAYS GIVE WAY TO FALL HAZE

Giving recognition to the victors

The cross country champions were the War Eagles of CS-15. Led by senior Pat Castle, the team had early on set their goal for winning the championships. Castle admits the team was stacked to win, and they called themselves the "Dream Team" for that very reason. The War Eagles spent time praying before every race, and it obviously worked—as the results show.

Fightin' Fourth, CS-04, showed their athletic prowess by taking the Wing Championships in both tennis and ultimate frisbee. The tennis team went the whole season with only one loss to an opponent. According to senior Chris Nisco, "Most of the teams in Fourth Group were really bad, so we were able to stomp on them." The team's coach, senior Kevin Hash, put his players in slots by playing skill and their ability to play with a double.

Senior Dan Rhodes, coached Fightin' Fourth during its rampage on the way to the squadron's sec-

ond Wing Championship honor. Finishing out the season with an 11-1 record and averaging thirteen points per game, the team advanced to the final rounds. The final game was against the Nightriders of CS-18, and CS-04 beat them in overtime by a score of 12-11.

Rounding out the Intramural season, the CS-21 Blackjacks dominated the fight for the Wing team handball championship, and walked away with top honors. Finally, Cerberus, CS-03, was able to claim the title of Wing flickerball champions after an intense final game.

By Michael Grunwald

NEEDING 360 DEGREE VISION. This cadet quarterback passes the flickerball to a teammate while an opponent looks to hit him from behind.
Photo by C. Grosjean



SURVIVING WINTER INTRAMURALS

*Cadets endure arctic
athletics to keep fit*

With the "Dark Ages" rapidly approaching, Winter Intramurals is a season of playing in the snow on the way down to the Cadet Gym to compete against other squadrons.

This year's combined team of Squadrons 13/14, Bulldawgs and Cobras won the Wing Wrestling Championships. After a disappointing early loss in the season, the team rallied behind its coach, junior Eric Grace (CS-13) to take the title. According to freshmen Ed Stratford, the "team's only real competition was the combined CS-19/20 wrestling team."

The wrestling team had a very hard match in the final round against CS-15/16. After a lot of bruises, injured egos and sweat loss, the team from the Bulldawgs and Cobras claimed victory.

The Skyriders of CS-37 set Wing as its goal from the beginning of the basketball season. Realizing the tremendous amount of playing skill they had on the team, the prospect of becoming Wing Champions seemed reasonable. Finishing the season with an 11-2 record, the team had many close games against good squad-

rons. Sophomore Kevin Huebert explained that was because, "Everyone wanted to play—it's a fun sport that many are good at."

Playing the Grim Reapers of CS-31 in the quarter-finals, the Skyriders advanced to the final round with the help of many teammates, among them sophomore Phil White and freshmen Jeremy Klomp. Coach Amon Martin thought very highly of these two players, and mentioned that it was a team effort, and not an individual's game.

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EASY POINTS. "Grand Ma Ma makes a couple free throws for his team after being fouled. For teams that can shoot well free throw are easy points.
Photo by S. Morris

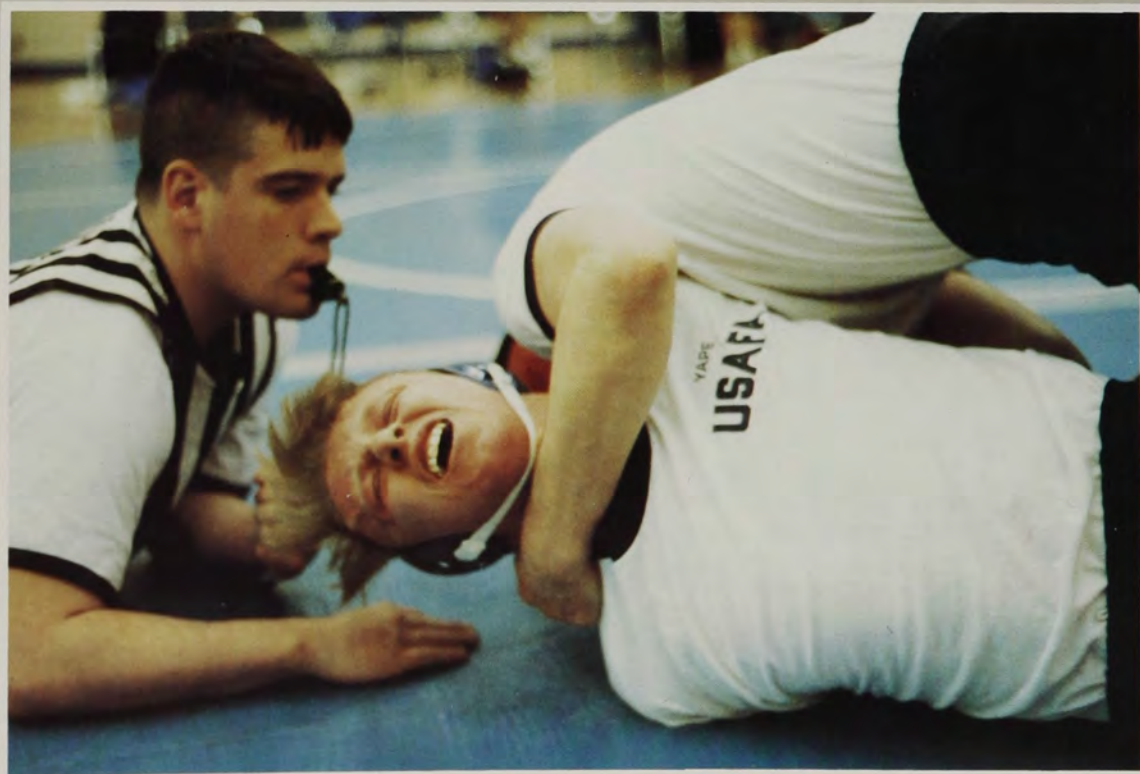




READY? This cadet prepares to serve up the racquetball to his opponent. A strong serve is the first step to winning a game. Photo by M. Gaupp



TWO ON TWO. These two man racquetball teams pause in between serves to catch their breath. Photo by M. Gaupp



IN A TOUGH POSITION. Sophomore Eric Yape tries to figure the best way out of a tough spot. Photo by K. Field

SURVIVING WINTER INTRAMURALS

*Continuing the look
at final scores*

The final game proved to be an emotional one, with both squadrons cheering on their team, but in the end, CS-37 took the title back to Sijan Hall.

When a racquetball team can go an entire season and not lose a single match, or game, it seems they are destined to be Wing Champs. That is exactly what happened to the Nightriders of CS-18. With the help of their coach, senior David Leonelli, the squadron's racquetball team was able to dominate the competition for the Wing Championship.

This year, the firsties on the team were the real backbone of the entire effort. According to freshmen Jess Melin: "the team did really well with the firsties leading the way. Next year, though, may be a different story." The dream almost came to a roaring halt for the team during their first game of the playoffs. They lost their first matches, and barely rallied for the win. After this near-disaster, the team practiced that much harder, and the results were well worth the effort.

The Knights of Thirt (CS-30), took the Wing Swimming Championship after a long, and sometimes frustrating season. Like most other Wing-bound teams, they set their goal early to take it all. Working and swimming hard through-out the season, the Knights were able to capture the Wing title after a rough final meet.

Some squadrons take aerobics seriously, others look at it as a

way of getting out of less desirable intramurals. The Wolverines of CS-19 felt very differently about Aerobics, especially after they won the Wing Championships. The intramural itself can be very demanding; cadets are required to use everything from the Stairmaster and the rowing machines, to the cycling bikes. The competition is made all the more keen by having video displays of where an individual is on the course as compared to his/her competition.

Slugging their way to the top of the heap, the Blackjacks of CS-21 captured their second Wing title of the year, when they won the final round of the Wing Boxing Championship. Going against the norm of sticking in freshmen who have nothing better to do, the Blackjack's developed a team that was capable of competing against other squadrons in the Wing. They competed so well, that they made it to the playoffs, where they won a hard fought match and claimed top honors.

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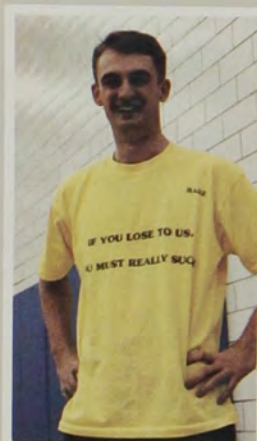
WAITING FOR THE WHISTLE. Sophomore Jerry Donahue mentally prepares to slip out of his opponent's grasp. Photo by K. Field



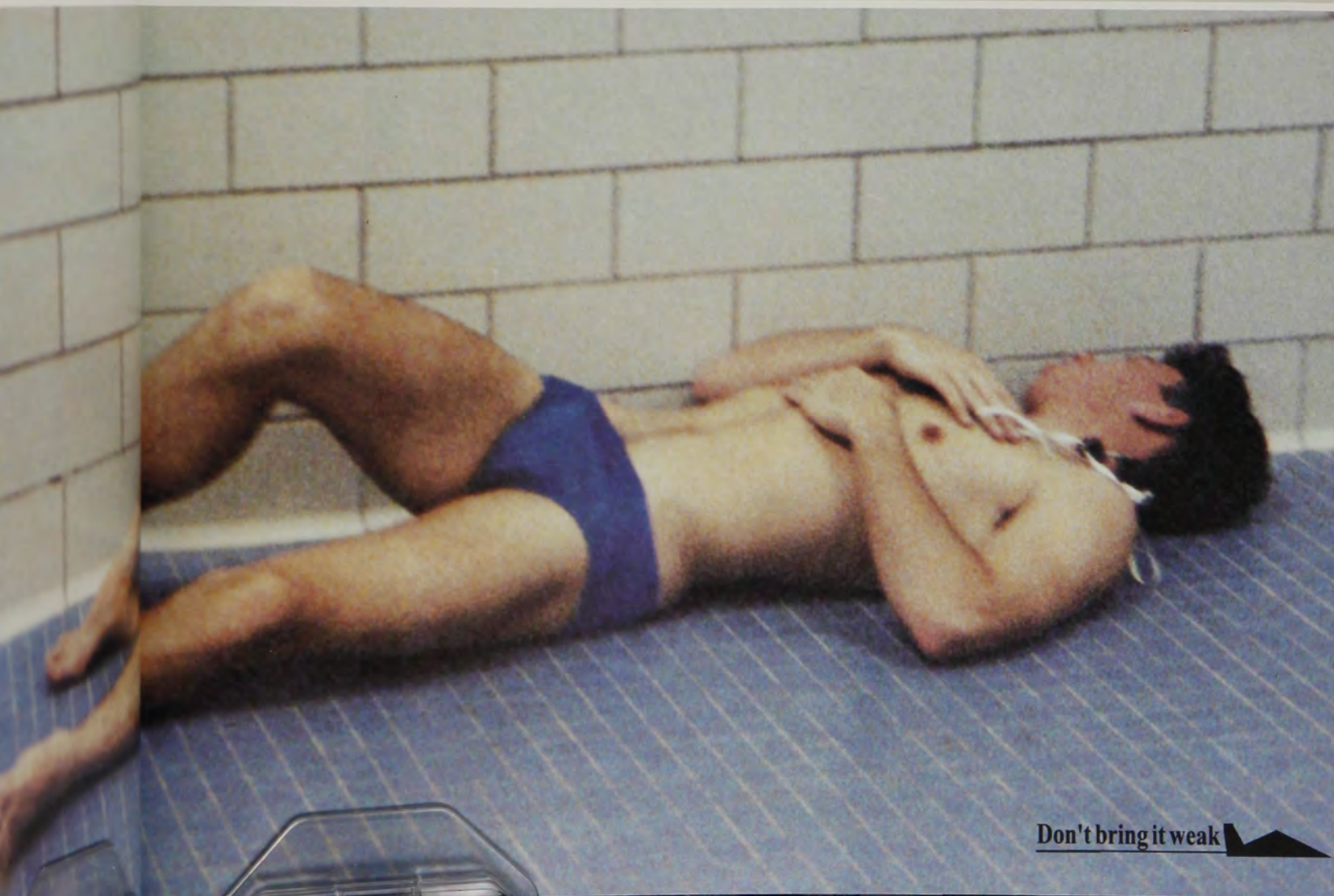
SLAM DUNK. Sophomore Charlie Baker demonstrates that even good players should beware of his dunk. Photo by S. Morris



TEAM MOTTO. Sophomore Charlie Baker sports his t-shirt that is meant to help make the other team over confident. The CS-14 basketball team did well in the season. Photo by S. Morris



CAT NAP. Junior Ken Yee takes a little nap after a team swim, water sport sports can be very tiring. Photo by S. Morris





ONE, TWO ... Senior Steve Scherzer completes the count during a wrestling match. Photo by T. Havener

WAY TO GO! Junior Carrie Bischel congratulates sophomore Andrea Rolfe as the Third Group A-Team won the women's basketball championship. Photo by S. Morris



SPRING INTRAMURALS HAVE SPRUNG

*Cadet "warriors"
enter last season*

With the returning of Spring and longer days, so comes another season of intramurals. For the Class of 1993, it would be the last intramural of their cadet careers.

When people think of summer and the beach, they think of volleyball. One of the Spring Intramurals is, not surprisingly, volleyball. The Tough Trolls of CS-20 captured the Wing title after what many on the team called "an easy season." The coach of the team, senior Steve Hodge, admitted he didn't have to do a lot to motivate the team, "They worked great together, I don't think we'll ever be able to put together such a cohesive group for a long time."

Falling twice to CS-07 early in the season, the team was more determined than ever to get to the top. The CS-20 volleyball team was stacked with outstanding players right from the start. Many of their starting line-up were intercollegiate or club players for the Academy.

Duece, CS-02, in spite of a few very physical and brutal games, came away with the Wing Water Polo Championship. Under the leadership of

their coach, senior Mark Arnholt, the team advanced to the final round with an "undefeated" record. The only game that Duece fell to an opponent was against the Dirty Dozen (CS-12) — however the game didn't count for competition, and sophomore Daniel Boyd was among the ones to claim an undefeated season for the team.

The final match of the season proved to be a real trial for the aquanauts in CS-02. After blowing away their competition in the early rounds of the playoffs, the team nearly ran into a solid brick wall in the form of the Thunderbirds of CS-27. According to Boyd, "the game was very brutal, and was very physical—on both sides. We were just a little more intense" he said with a grin. Continued on page 302



WOW, LOOK AT THIS!
Junior Carrie Bischel smiles in satisfaction as senior Michelle Walker examines her own championship trophy.
Photo by S. Morris

DON'T FORGET ME!
Senior Brian Landis defends his goal while the ball travels to the other end. Photo by M. Gregory

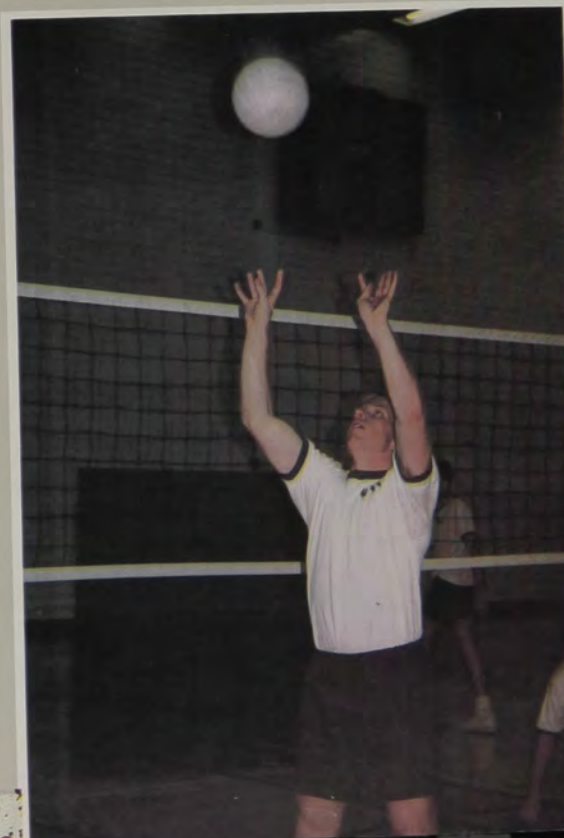
UP FOR THE BLOCK.
A cadet goes for the spike as another tries to block during an intramural volleyball game. Photo by C. Grosjean



SWING BATTER, BATTER!
This cadet waits for that perfect pitch ... but is that really homeplate? Photo by M. Gaupp



LOOK AT THAT!
A cadet practices setting high and tight before an intramural game. Photo by P.J. Pelkington





SPRING INTRAMURALS HAVE SPRUNG

*Wrapping up the
year of cadet
athletics*

With the Skyraiders of CS-37 nipping at their heels, the Grim Reapers of CS-31 captured their first intramural title of the year. Finishing an undefeated season, the Grim Reapers took the Wing Softball Championships. Junior Luis Linares remarked that the team's only tough competition of the year was the Phantoms of CS-24. The game against the Phantoms was close, with the Reapers narrowly winning by one run.

After the regular season was over, the team had to contend with two other squadrons in Fourth Group that were also undefeated, CS-37 and the Roadrunners of CS-32. Both of these teams fell away early in the competition for top honors, and the Grim Reapers were left to advance. The final game was against the Vikings of CS-09, and the Reapers took it with a convincing score of 6-3.

Rugby is one of those physical sports it's very popular with those cadets who like to rumble and "break things." Fightin' Fourth, CS-04, made their third

showing in the Wing Championships when they won the Rugby Finals. Coming off of an undefeated season, the team was psyched and set to take Wing.

The team was led by a very strong senior and junior class, including seniors Haider Kahn and Robert Reed. They admit there were a lot of tough games, "we were tougher" said freshmen Nate Downing. However, the final score of the Championship game was 12-4 with Fightin' Fourth on top.

And so the intramural season ended with very few cadets worse for the wear. The new champions now only have to look toward next year where they will be forced to defend their titles or lose out to a new powerhouse.

By Michael Grunwald

The four long years have come to an end and now it's time to say good-bye. Although the times seemed tough while here, most will only remember the good times.

For the Class of 1993 the memories of the friends and the good times cloud out the tougher times of Basic Cadet Training, Recognition and SERE. Undeniably, there was no easy way to the top for this class as they overcame great obstacles to recognize their dreams. Although some of their dreams differed in the respect that they all wanted different jobs, there was one that was the same and that was having the opportunity to

Memories

serve their country and be an officer in the United States Air Force.

As members of the class head off in all directions their mutual experiences and struggles will hold them together. There's no doubt about it, the men and women on the following pages are "Proud to be '93."

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*Dreams fulfilled,
these classmates
and friends hug
each other after
receiving their
diplomas on
graduation day.
Photo by C. Harris*

01 Mach One



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Matthew John Powell
"Matty"
Legal Studies
Arlington, MA



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Sean Michael Choquette
"Choco"
Management
Durango, CO

From the first day we come to USAFA we count down the days till graduation. Graduation is now here and the counting has stopped. Thanks to the Fellas in One and all my friends who made my times here bearable. Thanks Mom, Dad, Kris, Ray, Karin, Jenn. Without you guys believing in me and supporting me I would never have made it through. I love you all!

To the fellas — it's been great!! Thank God it's over, but I'm sure gonna miss everyone. Barbecues, BRONCO games, fishing and hunting trips, Power Showers, Movie Nights, "Freebird," "Crips Rule. I wouldn't have it any other way. FREEDOM! Let the games begin.



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"The trail is the thing,
Travel too fast and you
sing for." Louis L. Arm

See the Moguls, Shoot
Fish, Climb a Mountain
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Good Day '93: Good ?

Sean Robert
Biology, Ge
Cincinnati

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Graham David Allen
Management
 Reytown, MO

"The trail is the thing, not the end of the trail. Travel too fast and you miss all you are traveling for." Louis L'Amour

Ski the Moguls, Shoot the Rapids, Catch the Fish, Climb a Mountain, Bike the Trail, Pack to Camp: Weekends, the Only way to survive the Academy. I wouldn't trade the memories of friends and family for anything. Good Luck in the future, God knows y'all need it.



Douglas Edward Downey
"Double D"
Bachelor of Science
 Cedarburg, WI

Before I start my story I need to give credit where credit is due. Thanks Mom and Dad, Pat and Kyle who went through it right along with me. Now the story: racquetball with Michelle; a Jiffy P.B. snack; Jo - "I'm doing it again; Here Butkis - ouch; Pieces of Nissan everywhere; Is this your Blazer?; Moody's team vs. Downey's Team and Hotel Terrace. To the best friends. On to Hopper ...

Jarvis Romauld Abraham Baker
Bachelor of Science
 Fairfield, CA



Dayne Robert Fentress
"Troll"
Human Factors Engineering
 Parsons, KS

I've learned the rules and played the game; For 4 long years with no fortune or fame. I've dodged many bullets and been hit by a few; Been hit by a hammer and screwed by a screw. Some advice to live by when things get scattered; Slow yourself down and say "It just doesn't matter." I want to proclaim, Now that I'm done; This silly game's over, and Yes ... I WON!

W. Burke Beaumont
Economics
 Tucson, AZ

Never before have I worked so hard to get into a place and worked even harder to get the hell out. Before I go, I have to give credit to those who helped make my tour at this resort a little more bearable. Thanx to: Mom, Dad, LTC Ferry, Sue, John, Em, The Neumanns, Wes, Mishon, Matt, Bob, Carly, Z, Dennis, Renny and everyone else in Emulsionland.

Good Day '93; Good Night USAFA.



David Elliot Graff
"Graffman"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Fort Collins, CO

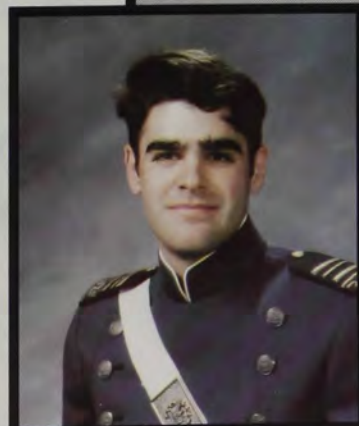
Hey Baby, what's happening? After a long four years I'd like to thank the special people who made it possible: Mom, Dad, Amy and Kevin, you've made the rough times seem so smooth. And to the fellas - All the good times and great adventures - You guys are the greatest. Keep in touch and I'll never forget you. And Jamee, our fun adventures together are just beginning - I love you!

Sean Robert Dariushnia
Biology, German Minor
 Cincinnati, OH

Bis vincit, qui se vincit in victoria (He conquers twice, who upon victory overcomes himself). — Francis Bacon, quoting Publius Syrus

I've learned to keep my sanity here by frequently wearing women's clothes, making a plethora of animal noises and asking the question, "Why?"

Duravi et vici; moo, cluck-cluck, woof!



Paul Anthony Jacquet
"A.J."
Behavioral Sciences
 Mitchell, SD

"Life moves fast, if you don't stop to look around every once in a while, you might miss it." — Ferris Bueller

Live every minute (of leave) as if it were your last. Thanks to all who helped me survive this "institution." Most of all though, thanks to my family and Rachel who supported me through the best and worst of times. Paul A.J. Jacquet

Grant Taylor Johnson
Mechanical Engineering
 Yakima, WA

*Regulators, Mount up!
 For tonight we ride.*



Peter Austin Olson
"PeteO"
Operations Research
 El Paso, TX

It's finally here, and I owe it to some great people. Thanks to my family: Danny, Jeff, Keith, Brian, Mom and Dad for the support and encouragement. For the home away from home thanks to Melinda, Kent, Betsy, Phil and Barb. You all have done so much for me. These few years have taught us all about each other, so thanks to the guys in One. And remember, "When in doubt, rack it out!"

"Long live the blue magnet."

David Robert Landry
"Diamond"
Computer Science
 Sterling, VA

Freedom is never free

To our Class of 1993: Where there is a visible enemy...

The world presents us with many opportunities. It's your job to take advantage of them.

"Lets go out and have some fun!" — New Order



Gregory Shawn Pece
Applied Physics
 Neu Ulm, Germany

"Next time round, when I'm reincarnated, I'll pick an easy way to make a living. My sponsors will be from the hookworm industry, my team the Cold Norton Pensioners' Karate Club, and my job to push a golf ball across Waterloo Bridge with my nose Christmas day for £75,000. Cash. Tax Free." — Ralph Hurne

Robert Joseph Myhre
Management
 Costa Mesa, CA

To the fellas - The greatest thing I could ever take from this place. Thanks Mom and Dad and though I often overlooked it, the guidance of the Lord Jesus Christ. If you play, play to win.



Orlando Sanchez Jr
"Juice"
Economics
 Carson City, NV

Ever so more than the books, the mandatory events or any of the training, stands the lessons learned and relationships formed. Thank you to all my family, Wendy, the Woodruff's and all my crazy friends. I LOVE YOU ALL! Thank you most of all Jesus for saving me and leading me in your ways not mine. Remember Guys, later on when things get rough. He will still be there patiently waiting with open and loving arms. Eph 4:1.

Tuan Minh Nguyen
Management, Spanish
 New Orleans, LA

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight (Proverbs 3:5-6)



Kimberly Nicole Schroeder
Behavioral Sciences
 Katy, TX

*Game on! ... Game off!
 I can honestly say that before this last year, it totally would have been worth it. (Ya - Probably!) Thanks to my team, you guys made my last year the best. It's tough to want to be here at times, but with best friends like you, I'd do it again in a second. To the Champ: I love ya kid Hang in there. Along with you and the rest of the team, I'll miss you and will never forget you.*

Jeffrey Ian Staley
"Stales"
Engineering Mechanics
Raleigh, NC

Special thanks goes to Michelle, Mom and Joel and Dad and Diana for all of your support and encouragement through the tough times. So long to the Graffman and the rest of The Fellas in the penthouse, may we ride again some day ... And to Scott, Mud, Fork, Smitty and the rest of the Young Punks, remember, "We didn't have fun, we just had adventures."



Darren Howard Van Zee
"Zee"
Bachelor of Science
Orange County, CA

Some of us just get lucky.
E Pluribus ...



Michael Joseph Tamburo
General Engineering
El Paso, TX

Thanks to God, Mom, Dad, Nancy, Larry, friends and family for all your support during my stay at the Academy. To all the remaining All Stars, congrats and we made it! Outstanding — Bandits! I wish everyone the best and may all your dreams come true. P.S. "Cheezers," Keep in touch!



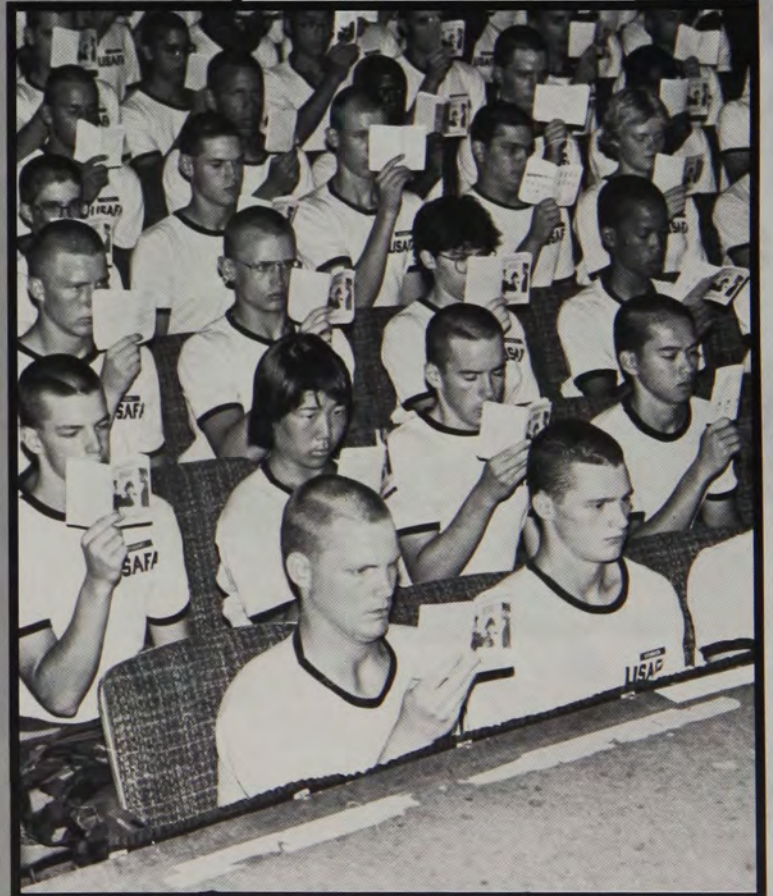
Michael Alan Wallace
"Mike"
Military History
Plattsburgh, NY

"I believe that man will not merely endure: he will prevail." — Faulkner
"Sometimes you've got to go against the grain." — Garth Brooks
"Some things are more important than squadron policy." — Me
I guess these three lines pretty much summarize my "cadet career." Special thanks to my family and friends, especially my parents, who lifted me up when life was down. "Airborne!" And to Kristin: "Until the sun doesn't shine, 'till time stands still ... " I love you.



David Allen Turner
"T-Bone"
Geography
Colorado Springs, CO

A special thanks to Mom, Dad, Chris, Steve, Shaun and Teresa for believing in me and supporting me. Thanks to all the fellas in one and the friends I've made. The friendships and memories are the most rewarding things I've taken from this place, I'll never forget it.



Standing at attention while the colors are posted, the Class of 1997 starts another day of Basic Cadet Training.

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Time to catch a few minutes to study, the Class of 1993 uses these spare moments to read over Contrails before the Heritage briefing begins. 345

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**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Andrew Kent Wolcott
"Scoundrel"
Political Science
Fairfax, VA

Hey Doc, I'm wearing the ring! I owe so much to my parents and Kim for their undying support that made those tough times a lot easier. Don, it's 10:46! Casey and Bullhide, Sigs, Lonesome dove, lifelong friends, The man in the mirror, 2% club. I'd buy this place, I'm proud to be '93, I did it for myself, but it's got to be better on the other side. - Gone Flying!



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Heinz Alexander Dueffer
"Doof, H"
Basic Sciences
Huntsville, AL

Hey! We made it. To all those who helped me through. - Thanx. Ghost, Wrap, The Ravman, Sloth, Evil, Stew, Don, Tiny, Brad, PacMan, Mark, Schlich, Ben, Ed, Dave, Katie and the whole gang - good luck you are lifesavers. To my family - all of you - Thank you. Proud to be - 93! Praise the Lord! Ps. 150



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James David
"Heavy
Political
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Thanks goes to my mom,
Danielle, and especially
support and encouragement
bashed alone.

The Delta House was ju
was the best!

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Thanks to all the assor
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years of buoyancy bear
you are (Pink) Lover.
COOLBEAR, DOOF, RA
All the NOBBLEERS, TOM
Pickster, SKIPPY, THE
and GERK, THE FAM
(1991). Without you guy
have been a better pers
Force Now!

Mark Douglas Arnholt
"Chet"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Bartlesville, OK

Carpe diem.



Douglas Wayne Gilpin
"Sloth"
Civil Engineering
 Salado, TX

Ma, thanks for getting this procrastinator in here. "Old Man" I probably would've quit or failed out if it weren't for you.

Everyone else is equally worthless!

Heidi Clara Bertram
Biology
 Oconomowoc, WI

Where's the gate?



Casey David Hackathorn
"Hack"
Civil Engineering
 Pittsburgh, PA

A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new. — Albert Einstein

I started with the Cavemen, grew up with Andrew and the Sigs and learned to live life with the Zoomies. Through it all our friends made it worthwhile. Lets not forget it.

James David Bottomlee
"Heavy D"
Political Science
 Tampa, FL

Coming to the Academy, I felt like an eagle; Born to Fly! Now, I compare myself to a Bumble-bee; statistics say neither of us Can fly but we both keep trying!

Thanks goes to my mom, dad, Denise, Ken and Danielle, and especially Rebecca for all their support and encouragement. I couldn't have finished alone.

The Delta House was fun, but aerotow south was the best!



Kelly Lee Harshbarger
"Ghost"
Civil Engineering
 Woodstock, VT

There once was a band of foul-mouthed roughians who terrorized the land called "the Hill." There was Ghost, Wrap, Sloth and Rico, Meyer, Riggs and Yak, one so old they called him Gramps, some Hindu guy, and a twig called PacMan ... but now they've gone to conquer new lands.

If I had to sum up my experiences here: Foolishly Uninspiring, Cordially Knavish, Utterly Secluded And Far Away!

Ravi Inder Chaudhary
"Rav-Man"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Fridley, MN

Thanks to all the assorted Losers, Lowlifes, Dirtballs and Scum Bags that made these years of buffoonery bearable. You know who you are (PinkLover, JUKE, WRAP, COOLBEAR, DOOF, RICO, CHET, SLOTH, All the NOBBLERS, TOUR FLIGHT, Schlick, Pilchster, SKIPPY, THE LINEN MAN, GERD and GERK, THE FAM and MS. AMERICA 1991). Without you guys, I probably would have been a better person. Let's go play Air Force Now!



Eldrick Lamont Hill
"SugarHill A.K.A The Hitman"
Civil Engineering
 Lauderhill, FL

Take the advice of one who has survived four years of USAFA: Never say never and learn how to laugh at yourself. You will be astonished at what these two principles can accomplish. I would like to thank my many close friends that taught me how to laugh. (Mob '93) Thanks Mom and Dad for your support. Finally, Thank God for getting me over. Guard and Guide. I'm OUTTEE!!

Patrick Brumell Hudson
 "Mookie, Hammer"
 Engineering Sciences
 Fayette, MS

Thanks to God, my family, the Rossignols, the Cruels, the "Hood," Congressman Espy, Eldrick, Rockie ("Nighthawk"), my high school and elementary teachers, and Dukes, Claude and Aunt Semonia. Thanks for molding me into the man I'm becoming. To the brothers and sisters behind me: Be strong kings and queens, and never forget our obligation to our people.

"Each One teach One!!!" — Malachi Shabazz As-Salaam-Alaikum!



Ryan Troy Nankivel
 "Evil"
 General Engineering
 Rapid City, SD

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"If you go you can make it, you have what it takes, but if you decide to quit there will be no shame and you can do anything else you want." — Ivor Engel

Sigs forever and good luck everybody.



Katherine Jean Knudson
 "Katie"
 History, Spanish minor
 Mandon, ND

"Live for today. Dream for tomorrow. Learn from yesterday."

If there is one thing this place did - it made us live for the day or at least the weekends, time in the Sports Bar and Top Off. We have all dreamed of when we would start a real life. Now we can. Thanks to all those who helped me make it through - Beth, Jody, Tracy.



Lance Benz Reynolds
 "Wrap"
 Chemistry
 Las Vegas, NV

I came here expecting the best. I was DISAPPOINTED. Finally, I realized I wouldn't want to die for my country with any other LOSERS (okay pave roads, mix chemicals and work the gate). Ghost, Sloth, PacMan, Meyer, Mex, Rico and Fisback (LOSERS) it was blast. Hopefully, we'll still be here to read this, Thanks Carolyn, Dad and Mom (especially for the admissions paperwork). This GAME is over and WE WON.



Yong Kwang Kuk
 "Rich, Yong-Yak-Puke"
 Management
 Chicago, IL

Graduating from this place seems more like a dream than a reality. What a dream!!!

Thanks God, family, sponsors and friends. Couldn't have done it without you all. Take care! God bless!



Edison Allen Riggleman Jr
 "Riggs"
 Computer Science
 Morgantown, WV

To Mom and Dad: Where would I be without you? I love you!
 To the Taylors, my second family: Thank you for believing!
 To my sponsors: God Bless!
 To Agnes, my card partner and third mom: May your kindness be reciprocal!
 To Schlich, Ruth, Tyler: Remember where you came from!
 To Mia: Thank you for being there. I will always love you!
 To the Lord Jesus: Thy will be done!



Benjamin Jacob Malisow
 "Slow"
 Military History
 Milwaukee, WI

Welcome to the Camp. I guess you all know why we're here. — The Who

You have to learn to take a bunch of junk and accept it with a sense of humor.
 — VADM James Bond Stockdale

Thanks to ML, the UCLAHGF, and Nish, who learned to hate. Without you, it would have hurt more and meant less.

We are all just prisoners here, of our own device'. — The Eagles, Hotel California"

Be a Leader, but never forget how to be led;
 Be Led, but never forget to look where.



David Edward Roszman
 Computer Science
 Lockport, NY



thing!

Patrick Lester Schlichenmeyer
"Schlich"
Chemistry
St. Charles, MN



2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!
Pops, Mom and Dad I love ya!
Ruth and Tyler I love you both, soon we will be a real family.

GB25 - Bakes/Stratro.
Remember where you came from Riggs.
Ron G. I finally made it. You're like a brother to me.
Schlich Dog in the house!

Michael Gordon Snell
"Gull"
Political Science
Fayetteville, NC



"Good morning, Radar! Time to get up. It's another busy day on Sesame Street. Let's eat breakfast! Let's clean up our nest! We have important things to do at play group. We like digging. We like swinging. We like playing. Quiet time! Bath time! Story time! Good night, Radar. Tomorrow is another busy day. Sleep tight."
Work Cited: — Smith Jesse. *Big Bird's Busy Day*, A Sesame Street/Golden Press Book, 1987

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Ducan Howard Stewart
"Stew"
Management
Lexington, AL



Well, we made it fellas! Thanks, Mom, Dad and Amy for making it easier. If I've learned anything while I was here (besides how to get away with breaking regs), it's that friends and family are what life's about. They (along with a "Tour" at Old Chicago's) help make sense out of this senseless place.

Michael Bradley Tannehill
"B.A."
Legal Studies
Jackson, MS



"The tide of life is sometimes very rough, but each storm ridden through makes us a better captain of our souls."

The last four years have been the toughest, yet the changes in my life have been worthwhile. Thanks Sigs for being the truest of friends. Thanks Mom and Dad for your constant love and support. Thanks Leigh for being my "best friend." Above all, thank you God for every-

Timothy Michael Telega
Interdisciplinary Studies
Birmingham, AL



Being at this place, one tends to lose all sense of reality. Thank you Poppy, Bubby, Nana, Dad, Mom, Mandi, Ben and Nick for having faith in me and helping me keep things in perspective. Thanks Val for being so wonderful and a great year. Thanks Jason, Kelly and the Sigs for always being there. thank you God and Jesus Christ for making this all possible.

Larry Lee Trittschuh
"PacMan"
Political Science
West Milton, OH



Thanks to admissions for mixing up the scores and letting me into this place. Mike, Wrap, Gramps and Ghost - It wouldn't have been the same without the Losers! My sources of inspiration: God, Mom, Dad, Scott, my friend(s) and family. Christy- It's been good and bad, but we made it. Thanks for not being here! The future is bright. Am I flying a plane or a desk?

David Travis Williamson
"Rico"
Aeronautical Engineering
Greenville, SC



If I had it to do over?
I'm glad I don't.

Wesley Todd Winterstein
"Snowman"
Bio-Nuclear Physics
Atlanta, GA



"Never ask for victory, only ask for courage, for if you endure the struggle, you bring honor to yourself, but more important, you bring honor to us all." — Frank Hagan

This journey would have been impossible were it not for Mom, Dad, Tim Jason, Stan and Kay, the Leggieros, Evil, the wrestling team, Scales, "Wayne's World," Mike and AIA, A.J., Thad, Robby, "the Cowboys," and all. I love ya'll.

03 Cerberus



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Ryan Burke Nichols
"Rybo"
Engineering Sciences -
Aeronautics
Dayton, OH

Thanks Mom, Dad and Lane. I couldn't have made it without you. Beefer, Horgs, Sunbeam, and the rest of my buds, you made it worthwhile. Somewhere I read "you can't presume life, because you can't predict death." That's true, and I have spent the money trying to prove it. I'm glad its over, but, I probably wouldn't do it again! "Fellas, is it spring break prep yet?" Keep your dreams!



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Robert Randall Tofil
"TOF, BEEFA"
Management
Youngstown, OH

Life moves fast and it will pass you by, especially at USAFA, if you're not careful. The money will come and go but the memories will last forever. So fellas, where's the ATM machine? It's been forever here, but some good times got me through. Thanks Briana, Tommy, Horgy, and Rybo and especially Mom and Dad. I'll see you in UPT???



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-Michelle Mix.

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Andrew C
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hazard - IT IS! - Mom
all so much, thanks for
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"I am but mad north
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saw." - Hamlet 2.2.5

Paul Andrew Bair
"Panda"
Computer Science
Wells, ME

"Oh they fight, for they are right, yes, but who's to say? Life it seems will fade away, drifting further every day. End of passion play, crumbling away, I'm your source of self destruction. Welcome to where time stands still, no one leaves and no one will. All that is, was and will be, universe much too big to see. Been cheated of my youth."
—Metallica Mix.



Arthur John Bryce
"Art, Buff"
Political Science
Trenton, NJ

"What I do today is important because I am paying a day of my life for it. What I accomplish must be worthwhile because the price is high."

Thanks Mom, Dad, Corky and Denise. Dogs and Deucers - Good Luck. I couldn't have made it without my friends. Well, it's time to go catch a few Z's.

Briana Colette Berezovytch
"Bri"
Basic Science
Austin, TX

To all those we leave behind, life is short so make the best of it and make it fun! To everyone from three, you're a great bunch of people and I'm glad to have known you. Good luck, don't stress. Rob come buzz Lynn and I in D.C. sometime!



Robert Anthony Bumpus
"Bump"
Social Sciences
Freeport, NY

Because I can! Thank to my family and a few good friends for keeping me sane and helping me through. Gonna miss you. Peace and God.

Thomas Gary Boushell
"Boush"
Astronautical Engineering
Perry Hall, MD

"Don't stop thinking about tomorrow. Don't stop. It'll soon be here. It'll be here, better than before. Yesterday's gone." — F.M.

I've always said, "You gotta create your opportunities." USAFA afforded me wonderful times and friends that are unequalled. Rupo, what can I say? Mom, Dad - We made it. I couldn't have done it without you and your number one. He kept me aiming high, too. They're right - I am the luckiest person in the world. Thanks for the role models.



Chad Douglas Collins
Engineering Sciences
Little Rock, AR

In four years, this place taught me that no matter how easy the job may be, there is always a way to micromanage it a little better.

Thanks to friends and especially Tina, for the good times that have made my stay here more bearable. Jon, I wish you could've been here, but I'm glad you didn't have to put up with it.

Andrew Goss Boyd
"Boyd-O, Birdy"
History
Mountain Lakes, NJ

I wonder where that fish has gone, wouldn't you like to know - Dad, it really isn't a fire hazard - IT IS! - Mom, Dad, Sarah I love you all so much, thanks for such selfless support. - The Ca ..., The Ca ..., The Ca

"I am but mad north-north-west. When the wind is southerly I know a hawk from a hand-saw." — Hamlet 2.2.378



Thomas Martin Dawson
"Tommy D"
Management
Carlsbad, NM

"Here at the frontier, there are falling leaves. Although my neighbors are all barbarians. And you, you are a thousand miles away, there are always two cups on my table." — Anonymous

No matter where I go, I'll remember my friends in the Dogs of War ... Tof, Bump, Judd, Myrt, Boydo, Alex, Calvin, Art. Thanks for teaching me about life and wisdom. Thanks and God Bless to my family, Don and Eleanor and most importantly to my love Tiffany. FTN.

John Christian Espinosa
"Christian, Red Rocker, Dude"
Electrical Engineering
Clarksville, AR

Following our instinct not a trend, go against the grain until the end. — Metallica

*Hee ... y! *u**in' A dude/babe! Whatever happened to common sense, open mindedness and autonomous thought?!?! My real friends - you're the feces! The Hinc's - you're the coolest ever! My family - you're my foundation. Janelle - you rock my world! I love and thank you all!*

If I don't see you again in this world, I'll see you in the next and don't be late. — Hendrix



Andrew Jason Myrtue
"Myrt"
Biology
Carroll, IA

I'm still having trouble with the fact that I volunteered for this. Nevertheless, it has come to an end and I want to thank those who made it possible. Thanks Mom and Dad for your love and understanding - you were always there for me. And to all the guys - Judd, Trev, Josh, Boyd-O and Pete - Oh, and that crazy Butler kid who kept my life interesting - thanks for the laughs and the memories. I'll never forget. How could I? As for those of you who truly belong at this place, I just hope that the rest of the world doesn't laugh too hard when you get out there.



Alexus Gregory Grynkeiwich
"Grynych"
Military History
Gray, GA

Thanks to everyone who made these four years worthwhile, even fun. If you keep the right attitude this place won't get you down, but it will build you up.

"Do your damndest always." — Cadet George S. Patton, Jr. West Point



John Christopher Odum
'O'
Applied Mathematics
Brandenburg, KY

Special thanks to God. Without him, nothing is possible. Also, thanks to my family who helped me get here, stay here, and hopefully leave here. Thanks. "This place isn't for everyone. I think, I made a bad decision." — Scharpen.

"After Beast, it's a normal college." Yeah. Right! I hope it's worth it.



Nathan Scott Hobbs
"Calvin"
Human Factors Engineering
Tampa, FL

Prisoner 655321 ready for a bit of the ultraviolence. All my love to you Miss Scarlet, you are WONDERFUL! Mom, Dad, E.T., Sarah and DACCT!

Finished! Thank God, the only one I couldn't have made it without!

The killer awoke before dawn, he put his boots on. He took a face from the ancient gallery then he walked on down the hall... "This is the end!"



Liesl Ann Raderer
"Wies"
General Engineering
Louisville, KY

Carpe Diem! What a better day to seize than the ones in front of me. It's been a long road and it's time to rage - you know what that means Birdman! Fellas remember Tabasco rings and distraction darts. Ty, never forget those rules or lack of. Special thanks: Tina "T", best of friends now and always. To the fam - thank you for the strength you've given me, I love you! Last and least, to the Academy S.M. '93!



Christopher Mathew Horgan
"Horgy"
Political Science
Tewksbury, MA

To all the great friends I've made, I just want to say: Here's to you, here's to me, friends forever we'll always be, but if by chance you disagree, @!?!& you, here's to me. Ry, Beef, all my buds in 3, and all the great guys I've got to know, thanks for the good times. Thanks especially to Mom, Dad and my family for all your love and support.

Someone said "The highest reward for a person's toil is not what they get for it, but what they become by it." Well, if that's true, then this place should pay off. We'll see.



Christina Marie Retta
Mathematics
Enterprise, AL

This place is like a roller coaster ride that never ends - full of ups and downs. Thanks to the great friends I made here I never had to jump off during the downs. For some reason though I only remember the ups. Stranguhuh? To the Dogs of War, I know I'll never have better friendships than those I have made with all of you. Special Thanks to Mom, Dad, Jen, Liez, Chad and God. I appreciate all your love and support.



Thomas Robert Rock Jr
 "Tom, Rock, Rockhead"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Annandale, VA

"Hey, what do you say we pull over and properly introduce ourselves?" From bad pickup lines to great ski trips to 22 hour weekends, this place, at least, has occupied my time. I couldn't have made it without the help of Mom and Dad. Thanks for all the support you have given me. To art, Andy, Mikey, Andy, Christian, Trevor and all the rest of you who have kept me in line, you've left a much bigger mark upon me than this place could ever hope to do. "Andy, you got the gleam in your eye after this weekend?!"



Neil Andrew Tarlton
Civil Engineering
 Malvern, AR

"With the benefit of hindsight, maybe it wasn't such a hot idea." — Nicholas Cage Raising Arizona

Thanks to everyone who helped me make it through. To my family: Jeff - thanks for helping me keep my perspective, Beth - thanks for keeping me laughing, Mom and Dad - thanks for everything - I'm proud to be your son. To my friends - well, put another six on the ice.

Jodel Samson Sanchez
 "Judd, Hoochie"
Management, Japanese minor
 Broadview, IL

Well, it really sucked! There's no doubt about that. Looking back, coming here wasn't such a bright idea. But, I realize now that the struggle was with myself. When I wasn't bitter I had a real good time. Wreckin' Crew, you made it all worthwhile. Together we learned the meaning of true friendship. I will never forget you. Mom Dad, and Jojo... I'd never do it over again, but I couldn't have done it without you. Thanx... to all of you who were there for me (you know who you are). Everyone else can go to hell!!



Maria Dorothy Thomas
 "Mia"
Economics
 Modesto, CA

I dedicate this to my family who has always been and always will be a vital part of my life. From so far away, they've helped me keep a positive attitude. There is nothing greater than the support through all the tears, the smiles in all my joys, the unselfish love of family. Now I begin a new phase in life, but I know I will never be alone.

Sergio Orlando Sandoval Rivera
 "Serg"
Management
 Santiago, Chile

The day has come when we see all of our efforts and sleepless nights pay off. This year we have to depart, some further than others, but can time and distance really separate friends, because every friend will have become a part of you. Thanks to those friends who made these four years possible; God, my parents, and all of you who through one way or another made these years some of the best in my life. Fly free and full of joy, over the mountains and the oceans and through eternity and we will meet again some day on a celebration that will never end.



Lynn Grace Vix
Biochemistry
 New Ulm, MN

At last it is over and to all we leave behind the end is soon near. Thanx to all who remind me of what is real in this world and that this place is a burden we bear in order to accomplish something that is real. Thanx to my family and sponsors who helped me through the most difficult struggles. Thanx to B, who hopefully will keep me sane during medical school as she has done the past three years.

Julianne Elizabeth Stull
Human Factors Engineering
 Peachtree City, GA

Wow - I did it! Miracles really can happen! Here's to all my true friends - you made it all worthwhile. The memories will last a lifetime.



Louis Paul Yeager
 "Lou"
Bachelor of Science
 Brighton, MI

Thanks to my family and a few good friends for helping me make it.

It's a great place to be from ... enough said!

04 Fightin' Fourth



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Frank Christopher Nisco
"Chris"
Aeronautical Engineering
Federal Way, WA

Nothing is guaranteed. You just have to give it your best shot and let the cards fall where they may. Thanks to everyone who made the time more bearable - Matt, Chantal, Suzi, Anton, Rich, Dave (Ponch), Koji and Kevin. Thanks Mom and Dad for supporting and believing in me. Thanks Rachel for putting up with this place. By now we'll be making up for the lost time.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Anthony Francis Novak
"Anton, Slovak"
Management
Redwood City, CA

"I wear the required uniform" — The Breakfast Club

To my friends I left in Cali and especially my Mom & Dad. Thank you for your friendship, love, and support. Without it I would not be here. To "The Breakfast Club,"; thank you the memories are forever. And to those departing with me, Nisco, Koji, Bennie, Thado, Hashman, the rest of 4th and Yoke - Good luck and God bless — John 15:13



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"But seek ye first the
righteousness, and a
added unto you." Ma

David Thado Abegg

"Aberg, Thad"

History, Russian Area Studies
Terre Haute, IN

"Rational resistance to an unwise urge." — Neil Peart

Thanks Mom, Dad, John and everyone else who helped to make this place bearable: E-balls, Rebs, Vinman, Coletrain, Nicko, Bendis, Koji, K-Squared, Maren, Slashes, Slovak, Nisco, Reindog, Roy, Heidi Ahren, Nandez, Bussdriver, Lewdog, Bolshoi Bob, Sherzer Meister, Hashman, both Major E's and my Sijan parking lot buddy - Randy.

"I wear the ring." — The Lords of Discipline



Aprille Marie Frazier

"Uh - preel"

English, Spanish minor
Duarte, CA

The ultimate measure of man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. - MLK, Jr

The life we have to live is very hard but God is good; so, with the help of God we can make our life better and not so hard. But God will always be good. - Love you, Mom! I made it! AMF

Richard Allen Benda

"Richard A."

Management
Chardon, OH

It has been a tough four years, but I couldn't have made it alone. Well, I might've, but it sure would've stunk.

Special thanks to Mom and Dad, Benny, Nas and Aberg. All I can say is I wish I were born a few years earlier. I've learned about gourmet coffee, Hemispheres and Marlboro, the Chaudoin/ Benda Bowl - a - thon, and CR. Proverbs 22:15 and all Springsteen lyrics (thanks Vin) Onward and Upward!



Ulises Gonzalez

"Gonzo"

Space Physics
Martinez, CA

As graduation approaches. My spirit yearns for the undiscovered country. I face the future not with fear or remorse, for I know the Lord accompanies me both in my heart and in the people whom I love. Thank you Mom and Dad for believing in me, and for being there when I needed you. Thank you also Rob, Trav, Mark and Roach Clip for helping me regain my faith.

Robert Quinn Borchert

"Borch"

Engineering Mechanics
Lena, WI

Every person must choose whether to personally accept or reject what Jesus Christ accomplished through His life, death and resurrection. Consider what really matters and choose wisely!

"I know whom I have believed and am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him ..." II Timothy 1:12

"He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."
— Jim Elliot



Brian Stafford Greenroad

"Road"

Modern History
Radcliff, KY

To the fellas (you know who you are) let us not lose sight of that which has brought us this far or forget those who fell by the wayside. And remember one way "My Way"

Thanks Mom, Dad, the Kerrs and the Beckelheimers I Love You All.

Maggie Lee Corbett

"Magpie"

Biology, French
Lexington, SC

"A friend loveth at all times and a brother is born for adversity." Prov 17:7

Special thanks and love to my family, Ace, the Human NMR, Yank, Jen, Beana, Sean, Coach, Willie and Honey. I never could have survived without y'all!" TK - Thanks for everything!

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt 6:33



Kevin Marc Hash

Civil Engineering
Hope Mills, NC

Thanks Mom and Dad for the support and the plane tickets home. Also thanks to; the guys from Eagle 8, Fightin' 4 and everyone else who made this place bearable. In four years here, I've grown older but not up so now it's time to have some fun.

Ahren Daniel Heidt
Space Physics
Boise, ID



"A soul in tension that's learning to fly. Condition grounded but determined to try."
— Pink Floyd

Thanks to my family, Kurt, Steve and to Graham for keeping me insane.

This place sucks.

Heather Marie Henderleiter
Human Factors Engineering
Lockport, IL



"But pain... seems to me an insufficient reason not to embrace life. Being dead is quite painless. Pain, like time, is going to come on regardless. Question is, what glorious moments can you win from life in addition to the pain?"
— Bujold

"... every life is noted and is cherished, and nothing loved is ever lost or perished."
— L'Engle

Thanks to both my families - the Henderleiter's and the Ernst's

Haider Ali Khan
History
Houston, TX



*Why do I need to wear shoes in the hallways? Thanks to everyone who matters; you know who you are. Here's to those who didn't make it this far ... And to all I could care less about, I still don't know what uncommissionable means. Overall, I think I learned a lot here ... and forgot most of it. What if I really want to have my hands in my pockets?
BOFI - HMWH*

Kurt William Kovalick
Engineering Sciences-
Mechanical Engineering
Flemington, NJ



"I could have missed the pain, But I'd of had to miss the dance." — Garth Brooks

Thank to all of my friends - you guy really helped to make this place bearable. I'll never forget all the good times we had. Mom and Dad, I can't thank you enough for all of your love and support these past four years, I couldn't have made it without you. I regretted coming here for four years, but now that it's over, I'm glad I did it.

Travis Anthony Mason
"Travadawg"
Biology
Columbus, GA



There is one love that will never change and never end. This love we all look for is only found by surrendering our hearts to Jesus Christ. The most important decision we will ever make in our lives is whether to say "Yes!" or "No!" to Jesus. The choice is individually ours.

Thanks Dad, Mom and Daniel! I love ya'!!! All right Fellas, Posse Up! Let's live dangerously in the hands of God!

Trevor Koji Matsuo
"Koji"
Management
Arvada, CO



Can't say it's been all fun, but what a ride huh? Thanks to; Northwestern Preppies, Red Eye, Fightin' Fourth and especially, Judy, Ted, Barb, Tammy, Mike, Grandparents, Hashi, Gull, Dooce, Thad, Richard Allen, Slovak, Kurt, Heidi, Crash, Timothy, Kyle, Rob, Jeremy - Sayonara

"It's time to see the world - It's time to kiss a girl. It's time to cross the wild meridian - Grab your bag and take a chance." — Jimmy Buffett

Elise Rae Melberg
"L.C."
Political Science
Lake Forest, CA



"Spent four years prostrate to the higher mind, got my paper, and I was free." — Indigo Girls

Where sanity's meaningless, there are only spirit and friendship. For spirit, I praise God. For friendship, thanks to Scott, Beth, Heather, Dudes with hair, and Chicks with hairy legs. Mom, Dad, Rory, Derek - I'm glad we don't have to do it again. Scott, your love got me through; let's enjoy life now.

Mark Andrew Nassir
"Nas"
Biology
La Jolla, CA



POSSE UP, FELLAS!

As we now saddle up and head down separate trails, remember ALWAYS what is most important in life: that Jesus Christ is the way, and the truth, and the life. Never stop living dangerously in his hands. Stand in the gap for the Prince of Peace. JUST DO IT.

Thanks Mom, Dad, and Mike for the constant love and support. I appreciate you very much. Also, thanks for the encouragement from all the others who gave so much of themselves. See you later!

Kevin Wayne Peters
 "Kevi-Kev"
Applied Physics
 Jacksonville, AR

It's been a long four years, but I'm finally graduating. Many people would probably ask, "was it worth it?" (especially you who are four degrees). I think it was. I have learned many things here and I don't have to worry about finding a job. I would like to thank Lori (you're the best), Mom, Dad and Stacy for your support these last four years.



Daniel Wade Rhodes
 "Dangerous"
Political Science
 Jonesboro, GA

I've spent the past four years resisting authority, attacking conventional thought and refusing to conform. Obnoxious Kafa shows, strange nights at the Annex, Boulder, CC, sunny afternoons of Bocci ball, BLACK leather jackets, sideburns, SNAKE, Chris, D, Rude - The people, places and things that made being in the minority FUN. Thanks for everything Mama!



"Tomorrow, will it really come? And if it does come will I still be human?" — Morrissey

Robert Dale Reed
Engineering Mechanics
 Fort Smith, AR

Thanks to my family, and Lisa's family who've supported me for the last five years, especially Mom and Dad. I wouldn't be where I am today if it weren't for them. Thanks Lisa for keeping me going and greatly improving the quality of my life, I love you very much. To my best friends - Chris, Tim and Brad - We'll always be true to the Hawk. We all finally made it.



Bryan Vincent Rogers
 "Bry-Guy"
Human Factors Engineering
 San Antonio, TX

Dad, thanks for threatening to kill me when I wanted to punch out of here. Mom, thanks for everything else. Jennie, thanks for taking the place of pilot training; you gave me something to look forward to after graduation. Sean, thanks for being a constant jerk, you made me tough. To my kids, you will only come here if I hate you.



Michael Francis Ruddy
 "Rude dog"
English
 Mount Prospect, IL



Richard Anton Rupanovic
 "Rup, Rupo"
Astronautical Engineering
 Brunswick, OH

The four years are over and I don't have anything significant to say except THANK GOD! It's time to move on to bigger and better things. Hopefully I will find out this was all worth it. To all my friends, but especially Road, Haider, Boush, and Trox - thanks, you made it bearable. And to my family, I could never have made it without you. I don't tell you I love you enough. I'll miss the people, but not the place, Hasta!



The Class of 1993 catches up on a little Contrails reading while waiting for the Heritage meeting to start.

Fightin' Fourth

Sean Morgan Ryan
"Sharky"
 General Engineering
 Charleston, SC

"I do not choose to be a common man. It is my right to be uncommon. I prefer the thrill of life to the guaranteed existence; the thrill of fulfillment to the stale calm of utopia." — The Creed

Congrats to all my buddies - maintain the intensity. Thanks Mom and Dad for being there every step of the way. ONWARD!



Roger Leroy Shreeve
"Raj, Papa Bear"
 Latin American Area Studies
 Talihina, OK

DON'T PANIC! Smile, its OKAY to be wierd. Lifes too short; carpe diem! Thanks to everyone: family & friends ('90 - '96), but especially to Doug, Albert, Brittany & John. I love y'all. II Timothy 1:12

"Don't be dismayed at good-byes. A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again, after moments or lifetimes, is certain for those who are friends; always remember, love knows no miles nor bounds." — Richard Bach

Andrew John Werner
 Bio-Nuclear Physics
 Schweinfurt, Germany

"When you've got three or four good pals, then you've got yourself a tribe. And when you stick together, then it's a posse." — William H. Bonney

Matt, Thad, Robby & Wes ® The posse. Great friends made it worthwhile. A roll with the Troll made it bearable. And Wes....well, we made it!





**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Christopher John Wolfe
"Wolfie"
Economics
Bonita, CA

Mom, Dad and Scott: Thanks for the support over the years. Couldn't have made it without you. I Love you all! Lobo 5 - We had some great ones - see you in Europe! Thanks for listening to me Jason - you're a great friend. It was an experience the foundation is built! FTN. Adios!

"I'll tell you what I think ... I think you're all @#!ed in the head." — Clark W. Griswald - "Sparky"*



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

John Martin DeStazio
"Marty, Staz"
Russian Comparative Politics
Benton Harbor, MI

Thanks Mommy, Daddy, Jenny and Jack '92. You are always there. Thank you Grandpa D. for sharing with me your dreams, wisdom, heart. I will never let you down. - Wisdom is the key. - I'll see you in Washington!

"Be sincere of heart and steadfast .. for in fire gold is tested .. Make straight your ways and hope in Him." — Sirach

Thanks God. I love you Trace. Thanks '93. Guy Lombardo!

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William Barker Bicksler IV
 "Bix"
 Biology
 Clinton, IA

What awful thing in life could I have possibly done to deserve living in this hell hole. Mom, Dad and Jen thanks for the support and love that got me through this place. Thank you Shaws for making me one of the family. I'll miss Lobo 5 and the good times spent together enduring this place. "I hate this f___ place!" A.P.R.

"When at times it may have appeared to others that I was hanging from a cliff by my fingertips, in my mind I was climbing a mountain."



Baron Vaughn Greenhouse
 "Bear"
 Modern History
 San Diego, CA

Who would have guessed grades would mean anything? Ah well, "preserve despite frustrations," right? So long to the elites + RPGers. We really needed to get out more. Ciao to G-Force, or what remains; guess it's me and you Sean. And to the boys who weren't as cool as Lobo 5 thanx for being there. Promises: ski more, keep in touch and procrastinate less. I'll try to start tomorrow. And to Bull Six, where I spent most evenings turn off that damn game (it's all you Ken!). Minimum effort, maximum output.

Jason Carr Bowers
 Biology
 Arlington, TX

Thanks and good luck to all my friends! Lou, Grant, Bake, CJ, Andy, Lobo 5, Staz, Landry, Vergil and the mob, Curtis, Dandy and the rest of the Falcons. You have all helped me get through this place. I'll always remember you all, and wish you the very best!



Carol Ann Heron
 "LCA"
 Biology
 Arlington, VA

I hope that this was all worth it.

Thank you so much for everything Mom and Dad! I would not have been able to make it without you or the great friends that I have made, throughout my life.

ILYGWCB!

Carpe Diem.

Landry Joseph Carr
 "Lando"
 American History
 Bunkie, LA

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I
 I took the one less traveled by,
 And that has made all the difference. —Robert Frost

Them was not one day in four years when I did not wonder why I came here. But I got through it. Thank you Mom and Dad, Maurie, Sarah and Willie. I could not have done it without my family behind me. I'm glad I did it but I'll always wonder about the road not taken.



Eric Paul Hoversten
 Civil Engineering
 Kenyon, MN

A big thanks to all who helped along the way!
 "In War, you win or you die" EPH

Years ago ... A boy on a farm looked up into the sky and saw an airplane. He dreamt of unknown places far away. Years from now ... I dreamed the dream and I dream it again.

"Blessed are the Meek ... " Matt 5:5

Daniel Joseph Carroll
 "Toke"
 Bachelor of Science
 San Antonio, TX

We came, we saw, we got kicked in the rear. Suck it up, BOHICA, F.I.L.M.S., IHTFP. Thanks to the big guy in the sky, Madre, Pops, little sis, Rik, Heybra, the Missile, Slow, Mike and Marsh. You made it bearable, nudge, nudge, know what I mean ... say no more.



Robert William Ingraham
 "Bob"
 Bachelor of Science
 Georgetown, MA

Thanks to Mom and Dad for all you have done for me over the last five years. Hockey kept me sane; thanks T.J. and the rest of the boys. The future looks great; especially with you with me Dannielle, I love you and thank you for being there for me. I honestly never thought I would make it; but I guess anything is possible - huh.

George Patrick Joyce II
 "Chimpy"
 Civil Engineering
 Oswego, NY



"Life moves by fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."

Lobo 5, Thanks for helping me look. Lacrosse made things tolerable. To all the guys on the team, PINKFACE, BOSCO, PLANET, TS, TO, remember "Doolies." To my freshman pals, we made it! Uniform is UOJ.

"Dream another dream, this dream is over!"
 — Van Halen

Martin James Moser
 "Marty, Elvis"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Casper, WY



"Two roads diverged in a wood, and I, I was lost already, so I'll just keep wandering around, smelling the pretty flowers and petting the furry animals."

Dad, you are the example I strive for. Mom, you kept me loved. Randy, you kept me punk! Kelly, Ha! I'm outta school first! Angie, "As you wish." Marty, Andy, Rod, Chris, Thundertirds, thanks buddies. God Rules!

Hasta La Taco, Burrito!

Stephen Raymond Odum
 "Steve"
 Human Behavior
 Lilburn, GA



No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it. Hebrews 12:11

Looking back, I wouldn't trade this for anything. The friends I've made and the tough lessons I've learned are invaluable. My thanks go to God who gave me strength, my family, BSUers, and all the friends who helped.

Jeffrey Carroll Quinn
 "Quinner"
 Management
 Chelmsford, MA



want to begin with a special thanks to my mom - without her love and support I would not have made it. I learned a valuable lesson here ... keep things in perspective and let your friends keep you sane. Thanks to all of those friends who made things worthwhile. And a special thanks to my family and Tanya ... I love You All.

Lawrence Adams Riley Jr
 "Larry"
 Modern History, Spanish minor
 Atlanta, GA



General Powell, General O'Davis, MLK, D.Y.R., thanx for all you've done for me. Following the bouncing ball (it lives in 15!) AFA track: the HMC, says thanx, Good Luck to the marine biologist! UPT: Used - to - be Pilot Training, Gospel Choir: thanx so much, keep praising Him. D.Y.R.: Keep smiling, keep sweeping. Of all the good things that happened to me here, you were the best. Lose the flakes, please!
PEACE

Alfonso Pablo Rosabal
 "Al, Fonz, Franco"
 Civil Engineering
 New York, NY



For the record, I just want to say FIFHTFP. I'll thank God every morning after graduation, because I'll be free from this living hell. Thanks to all the P. school fellas and to Lobo 5 for the good times and memories. Michellita, you're #1 in everything. Mama, Papa, Abuela and Ariel, I couldn't have done it without you. One day we'll look back on this and it will all seem funny. OOOH NOOO! The dogcatcher! Schwing!

Andrew John Sellberg
 "Andyland"
 Aeronautical Engineering
 Naperville, IL



Mom and Dad, thank you for all your support. Thank you, Sis, for all your advice on girls - it worked. To all the friends I've made here and will never forget - Marty, Brain, Huss, Bob, Chris, Scott all the rest who put up with my absent-mindedness. Also to the Arnolds and Jenni for keeping tied to the outside world.

Long live Cancun! Peas in everything!

Vergil L. Simpson
 "Vigil"
 Houston, TX
 Civil Engineering



Thanx to Mom and Heidi for the love and support needed to make it through. To the Lynch Mob (Spike, Harvey, Alex, Hop, Antonie, Yahikin, T.D., Heart and Soul). For not letting this place change us too much. Lots of luck to the X-men in trying to fill our shoes. Thanx to football for the experiences and the players (Dee, Bo, Puss, and Pansy Geek) for the memories. And to all of those still behind ... If not completely satisfied ... learn to live with it.

Kieran Peter Smith
General Engineering
 New York, NY

*"This is the strangest life I've ever known."
 — James Morrison*

Thanks Mom and Dad for all your support and guidance. And thanks to all my friends; Doug, Jay and my sisters - you kept me sane! LOBO 5 forever. We will all meet again, maybe take a little TRIP.



Aaron Caleb Taliaferro
Political Science
 Ft. Worth, TX

The best decision and the biggest mistake I ever made. Did I really do this? Thanks to the Healy's, Trivetts and all my friends for helping me out. Thanks to Kristi as well, you meant a lot to me. Well Mom, it looks like your stubbornness finally paid off. Hopefully, I'll continue along the way. Hey Chris! You're Phased MAN. You're Really Phased.

"Touchdown" — "Oh my

Marvin Alejandro Solis-Lopez
Astronautical Engineering
 Guatemala City, Guatemala

"No te porvencido, ni aun vencido; no te sientas esclavo, ni aun esclavo; tremulo de pavor sientete bravo y arremete feroz ya mal herido. Actua como el clavo enmohecido, que aun viejo y corroido, sigue siendo clavo, y no con la cobarde intrepidez del pavo que amaina su plumaje al primer ruido. Se como Dios que nunca llora o como Lucifer que nunca reza.



Rodney Earl Todd
"Rod Todd"
Engineering Science
 Loris, SC

Anyone can write any quote they wish, but basically what we have had these last four years is the biggest attitude adjustment anyone could ever wish for. Thanks to the Academy I understand just fine. — Perfectly.

Christopher Dale Stoik
Physics
 Rice Lake, WI

I served my sentence. See Ya! Outta here! Would I do it again? Not in a million years. If I take away anything important from this place, it will be the friendships I've made. You guys made this place bearable. Thanks to Mom, Dad and Liz for all your support; I never could have made it without you.

The stoikal philosophy: "Don't be phased!"



Ready, aim, fire, Heather Henderleiter works to successfully master firing the 38 caliber.

Lynn Vix, Class of 1993 receives some additional instruction at the obstacle course.

Aaron Caleb Tallia
Political Science
Fl. Worth, TX

The best decisions and the biggest
over made. That I really do that. The
Thank to Great as well as
for to me. Well, Mom, I just
couldn't really put off the
commute along the way. For the
Thank you. You're the best!

"Thank you" — "Oh my

Rodney Earl
"The Field"
Engineering
Lark, N.

Some can write and some
basically what we have to
write in the biggest class
one could ever work for. The
my! I understand just the



**Squadra Commander
Fall Semester**

Maren Lynn Hagedorn
Humanities
Spencer, IA

*The talks until 6 AM, the midnight excursions,
Pokey,
3 Delta 8, the frosting rose, the keychain and
the crab tree — you've all taught me so much.
The strength inside you has helped me survive.
To the rest of you: After all we've been through
and all we've done, in spite of the pain and
confusion, I still believe iaap. I just wanted to
be sure you knew.*



**Squadra Commander
Spring Semester**

Darec Gene Liebel
"Sumo"
Human Factors Engineering
Lake Shore, MN

*Thanks to all who endured USAFA as much as
I did, especially Mom and Dad. I could only try
repay your love! I often try to sum up life in a
few short lines. Unfortunately, those lines never
truly encompass my exact thoughts. Conse-
quently, I'll never use someone else's line.*

"There can be only ONE!" — Connor McCloud

*ONE what? You ask. ONE life, so make the
BEST of it!*

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Bradley William Bousquet
"Boo"
Human Factors Engineering
Winchester, VA

"it's a perfect day for dreams come true for thinking big and doing anything you want to do let's get happy!" — The Cure

The institution attempts for 4 years to make everyone the same ... but uniform dress doesn't equal uniform expression. Be what you want, but always be you. I hate what you hate, Gull and Dooce! Ty - Occasional out of sight ... Never out of mind! Friends, remember... TEN!! EU



Terence Edward Doocey
"Dooce"
English
Queens, NY

EAT WELL. GET LOTS OF SLEEP.
DRINK PLENTY OF FLUIDS.

Carrie Denise Brock
Geography
Conroe, TX

To my family and friends back home - thanks for the continual love and support. To Sue, Heidi, Jason and Chris for always putting up with me. Kristin - I couldn't have asked for a better friend. Thanks for the memories, for always being there, and for taking care of me. We did it! And to Jeff - This is just the beginning. Thanks for being mine. I'll love you Always!



Christopher Scott Hall
"C. Scott"
Military History
Douglas, GA

I can't believe I'm graduating from here (Neither can some other people). It seems like just yesterday that I was accepted to this place. I appreciate the support from my family: my mother and little sister Lindsay (and my "other" sisters Gina and Jennifer). Also, I thank Laura and Rick to let me come over and cool out whenever I want. Thanks to friends, Jerry, Chris, Doug, Steve and Dale.

William David Bryant
"Bill"
Aeronautical Engineering
Escondido, CA

"Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not become weary." — Isaiah 40:31

First and foremost I would like to thank the Lord for giving me the strength to survive every day. I also want to thank Mom and Dad, Barbara, Sherry, the Bonnins and a host of others too numerous to mention for supporting me through the last four years. We are outta here!



Susan Lynn Healy
"Sue"
Biology, French minor
San Diego, CA

Now I appreciate life for all it can be and can't wait to see what is next! My family will always have my undying love and thanks. Kelly, I'll never forget your endless support and the great memories we've shared. A big thank you to my friends and the soccer team who have made everything so much nicer and worthwhile. Kelly F., C'est toujours la fête! Vive la France!

Tyrell Andrew Chamberlain
"Ty"
Aeronautical Engineering
Littleton, CO

"For long you live and high you fly
And smiles you'll give and tears you'll cry
And all you touch and all you see
Is all your life will ever be." — Pink Floyd

William: Always us! So many friends I'll need forever (I'll see you at the pizza place). To everyone, to the memories, to us. I love you Mom and Dad! E.U.



Harold Clifton Hicks II
"Stiff"
Engineering Sciences
Knoxville, TN

Thank to all y'all - Tax, Ben, Amon, Kev, Dooce. I'm runnin' with ya. God bless my parents, Harold and Carmen, for doing what they had to, to get me here. And to everybody else, " _____ " all y'all!

Dale Cecil Hoover

"Dos, Hoover, Guard, Huevos"
Management
 Parker, AZ

I want first to thank Dad, Mom and Sis, your constant love and support was the on constant in my life of continuous change. To everyone I shared blood, sweat and tears with, and especially the crew of Six... YES! SHO - RYU - KEN! As far as USAFA goes, I'm joining the NAVY.

"Choose to chance the rapids, and Dare to dance the tides." — Garth Brooks



James Harold Lawrence III

"Tax"
Bachelor of Science
 Westburg, NY

Thanks to everyone who helped me make it through. Amon, Ben and the rest of the crew. I could have never made it without you. I must especially thank you, Mom and Dad. Without your guidance and wisdom none of this would have been possible.

Steven Paul Horton

"Snortin'"
Military History
 Altus, OK

Europe 92, Cancun, midnight football, Colorado State Fair road trip, partying wherever, etc. I'll never forget all of the good times or the friends I made here, because they're the best I've ever had. I'll also remember the support my family gave me. Thanks. Whatever I end up doing, you know I'll be having a good time.

"Nothin's gonna stop me, nothin' will discourage me." — Van Halen



Ryan Thomas Marshall

"Rymar"
Biology
 El Dorado Hills, CA

Christopher Arlen James

"C.J."
Bachelor of Science
 San Antonio, TX

Now I appreciate life for what it is... I want to see what is next. I don't know my ending, but I will never forget your endless support and encouragement. I'll be in my friends and the crew that made everything so much more fun. Kelly J. C. for support and love!



Tuan Hoang Nguyen

"Nagumo"
Economics
 Santa Rosa, CA

To those who have helped me develop my dreams - Thank you.

Christopher Latham Kirby

"Snake"
Biology
 Pearl, MS

First and foremost, I want to thank my family for all their support. I could have never made it through this place without them. Although at times I hated this place because of all the nerds and fat "people," my friends made it tolerable. There are a few, and I do mean few good guys round here - thanks for telling me to shut up and to have another.



Ronald Frederick Peterson

"Ron"
Humanities
 Las Animas, CO

Thanks to all my friends. You've made this place bearable. Jerry, you were a pain ... thanks for being my roomie. Mom, Dad, Jake, Jamie thanks for all of your love, understanding and help through the years. I love all of you. The difficulties of life are intended to make us better, not bitter. SHO - RYU - KEN

Andrew Dorvan Schad
Latin American Area Studies
Honolulu, HI

Thanks Mom, Dad, Ben and Jen - I couldn't have done it without your support. Sumo, D-Boof and Mike - you guys made this place worth it.

Never say die at 20 - 20 and never, ever stop shooting for the bottom board ... if in doubt, roll it out.



Douglas Ralph Torluemke
"Turtle"
General Engineering, Spanish minor
Tulsa, OK

Thanks to Mom and Dad for keeping me here. Thanks to all my friends for staying here with me. The wide variety of activities made it all worthwhile and remember: Just because you walk away from a landing doesn't make it a good one.

Jerrold Edward Scholz
"House"
General Engineering
Bethpage, NY

Looking back it seems that I was born became self-aware and then came to the Academy. Goes to show you how far I have come in four years. Thanks Ronbo, Bear, Hoover, Dooce and C. Scott for making these years in Six bearable. Thanks Mom, Dad, Kris and the rest of the fam for always being there. SHORYUKEN!

*"Do or do not, there is no try."
— Famous Intergalactic Philosopher*



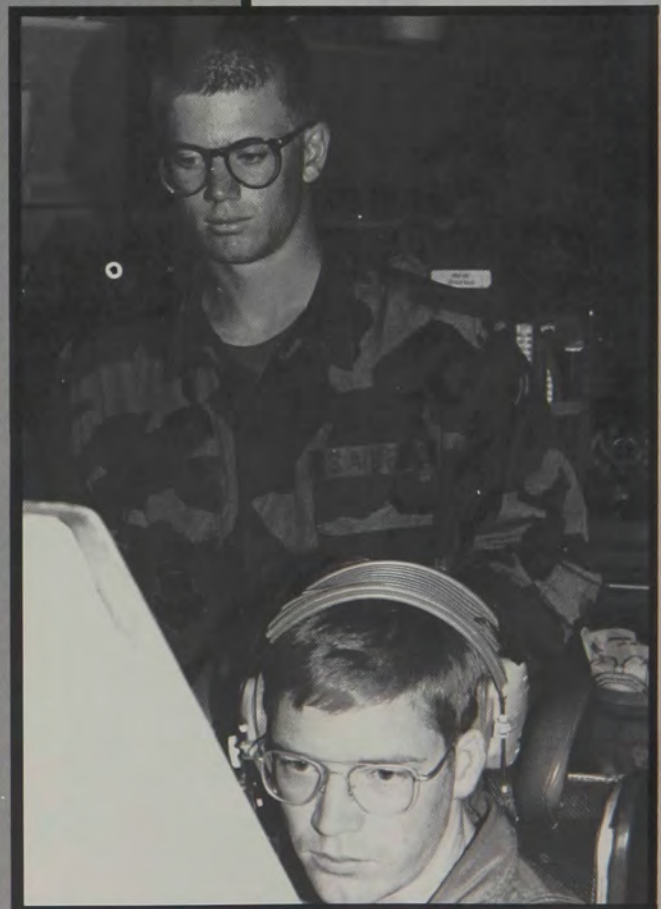
Timothy John Vituszynski
"Vito, Wing Cynic"
American History
Leesport, PA

My education has been so well rounded it's pointless. But, I never let the Academy get in the way of my education. Mom, Dad, Bro, Sis, the Boys, we beat the bad guys. Thank God for weekends, spring break and my friends who never said die. USAFA will never look so good as when I view it for the last time in my rear-view mirror. Alpha Mike Foxtrot. DFWU.

Matthew Aaron Sinning
"C-5, Sinbad"
English
Van Wert, OH

Mom, Dad, Nate and the Klostermans: Thank you for all your support and love. I love you. L & D Crew: You Are Burning Me Out! Camping trips; 7:30 AM golf; barrel stands; boxer parties, moons, for a good hootch everytime, I choose the Bear; and Cadet Man, Cadet Big Man. You guys made it bearable. Melissa: "True love, never fails, it persists through time" - MAS I'll love you forever.

"Insist on yourself; never imitate" — Emerson



Kevin Lane Sutton
"Rackdog"
Political Science
Ortonville, MN

Thanks to God, my family, my friends and the man in the mirror. Success requires a team effort. Good luck '93!



Andy Schadd looks over the shoulder of a navigator during his T-43 orientation ride during Beast 89.



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Brian Douglas Burns
"Burnsie"
Social Sciences
Iselin, NJ

Well, it's over. I won't miss this place, but I will miss the people. Thanks to Dick, the smelliest roommate one could hope for, Mike, Bo, Ton, Tim and all the fellas for making it bearable. Thanks Mom and Dad and family for the support and food and especially the love, and Shonda for being there - I love you.

Remember: Drink deep, for the cup shall not last forever ...



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Michael Richard Koster
Bachelor of Science
Colorado Springs, CO

Follow Him, follow Him, yield your life to Him, He has conquered death, He is King of Kings. Accept the joy that He gives to those who yield their lives to Him.

Thanks Mom, thanks Kelly Leigh. I love you both.

Saved by grace alone, this is my plea; Jesus died for all mankind, and Jesus died for me (and you). Ephesians 2: 8-9, John 3: 16

07 Seagram's



Kevin Joseph Basik
"K, Trunk, Zipper, Honk"
Human Factors Engineering
Marco Island, FL

Six short years of college. I laughed at myself, at Wing Staff and possibly my decision to come here. Never a better group of fellas. Study Naked Nights, GC's, a lot of Buffett and good dudes kept me sane. An Island boy survives the U.S. Day Care Center, avoids social retardation and may have learned something by accident. We shall all rage again. It's always happy hour at HOFNAR's!



Bret Allen Carter
"B.C."
Management
Menomonee Falls, WI

What can I say, so many good times and stories I wouldn't know where to begin. You know, you could be in a place called hell but as long as you got a few friends to get you through you're gonna be all right. Love you Mom, Brian and Greg ... my family. And to my other family ... "fellas, If we're gonna go down, let's go down together."

Bradley Charles Bird
"Birdman"
General Engineering
Sealy, TX

Parades, formations, inspections, academics, late nights and nerds, nerds, nerds ... Need I say more? Good friends overcome hard times and a cold beer and Jimmy Buffett will always help out. Thanks Mom, Dad, John, Sara and Tammy, real life starts now.



Sean Patrick Cavan
"Caveman"
Civil Engineering
Dunwoody, GA

"If we weren't all crazy we would go insane."
— Jimmy Buffett

Was it worth it? Ask me again in a few years. Looking back now I know I could not have made better friends anywhere else. To the Zoomies and the rest of my friends, thanks for the memories. Thanks Mom, Dad, Mike and Ashley I couldn't have made it without your love and support.

Tony Leonard Bishop
"Bis"
Electrical Engineering
Spartanburg, SC

Well, that sucked. I will always cherish the initial misconceptions I had about this place, Mike, thank for pullin' me through. Bill I told you you'd get married first! Mark, Brian and MadDog, thank for forcing me to have a good time. Steve, thank for makin' me smile when no one else could. To everyone else left behind remember, start slow and taper off — Walt Stack



Michael Wayne Fowler
"Mike"
Military History
Ventura, CA

Well, we're done. Get up! Thanks for all of the war stories. Let's go to Don's and put a few more on the wall, plus or minus seven. Ever though he may throw me, the pattern is still full.

Steven Bogart Burick
"Bo"
Civil Engineering
Santa Cruz, CA

"It's so easy to laugh, It's so easy to hate; it takes strength to be gentle and kind."

Love and thanks to Dad, Johnny, and the Mannix family. Monica, I love you more ... To Team Weasel: Don't threaten me with love, Baby, it's six feet and grinding. To Gomer, Chad, Tony and Burnsie: It's your buddies that kept you from snapping. IHTEP



Peter Adolphus Gbelia Jr
"Juice"
Political Science, Legal Studies
Portland, OR

To the five best friends and the greatest platters Wally, Clark, Gabe, Jeffe and of course "Juice." ... These were the best of times. These were the best of times ... we have finished this fetal experience and have been born again into a new beginning ... so just do it, with a feeling and let the trumpets sound! — Juice

Vincent Joseph Harrill
"Vinnie"
Economics
Burbank, IL

Thanks goes to my mom, dad and my bro's at home, to Stach and Double, to my favorite aunt - Joann, to my "Manitou family" and to grandparents for all their support throughout the past four years. Thanks go to Sooch, Tim, Mike, Noah and the others in "Naughty Night - Club" nine and "Smooth Seagram" Seven for making it fun.



Kevin Douglas Loucks
Chemistry
Scotia, NY

I have been "comfortably numbed" by this whole USAFA experience - mellow is the key. Debbie Guck - maybe someday (Ha - Ha thanx K.), MD&B, Lise, Katie, Sandy, Dave, Barnstormers, Rally - ers, Seagrams, The Fellas - if it weren't for the good friends made here, I'd be tempted to say it wasn't worth it - take care, kids.



Andrew Canon Jank
Operations Research
Houston, TX

To my friends and family - THANKS. I love you all. My stay here wouldn't have been half as good without you.

"If you dance on the ledge long enough, eventually you'll fall off." — Russ



Timothy Scott Merry
"Heh"
Geography
Tacoma, WA

No words of wisdom here - just random thoughts; it's all I'm capable anymore. I leave with shattered ideals, broken dreams and a twisted mind ... thanks USAFA! Now, I'm only a rebel, so this remark is profane, racist, sexist, libelous and makes overt references to alcohol. Anyway, sincerest thanks to those who were my link to sanity - family and friends (yes this was done at the last minute). Luck to all.



Debora Marie Lesman
"Debbie"
Human Factors Engineering
Miami, FL

When the rack stick hits one must obey...

Thanks Mom and Dad for always being there. Words can't say how much you've done for me ... I love you! Thanks also to everyone else who believed in me - you'll always have a special place in my heart. Most of all, thank you, God, for countless blessings and for giving me the strength to survive. I DID IT!!



Mark Wayne Phipps
"Fractal"
Physics
Mesa, CO

I tripped three times, plus or minus seven, and then received the bill, but through it all I remained faithful.

We're Done, Get Up!!



Anthony Jess Lomelin
"Quatto"
Biology
Griffith, IN

have nothing witty to say. I would however, like to thank everyone who helped me through my four years of hell on earth. Thanks for the good times Bo, Brian, Tim and Chad. Thanks for all support Mom and Dad. I love you all.

I'm free and I'm happy... " — Violent Femmes remember IHTFP.



Michael Francis Pirrone
"Wop, Petee"
Basic Sciences
Lockport, NY

Thanks Fractal, Mike, Brian, Tone, Steph (stractness and Denny's), Sass (Chop), for being the best friends - Stay True (plus or minus 7), Don't Stress and ... Battering ... you're DONE, Get Up! For the Trolls (JT, JW, PC) - Proud to Be! To Capt. Ratt and the Air Assault Boys (Roy) and CDI - HUAH FOREVER! Thanks Mom and Dad for everything, IWNHMIWOY. And Tara - I'm so proud of you, I will love you always!



James Allen Ramsey
"Slim Jim, Jim"
Management
 Rockford, IL

Well we are finally at the end. Thanks to all those who supported the Falcons through the season. To everyone, make a difference in the Air Force.



Timothy Allen Songster
"Songbird"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Franklinville, NY

YES THEY DO JERRY. There are two roads to happiness, the North and South Gate. To all my family, Love. And to God, everything - because He gave it to me. To friends, Thanks - Sniff, Chuck, Viny, Super Chemo, Jerry, Terry and especially Dad! Cheryl, "Sweetness," for giving me something to look forward to! I Love You! Finally, This one's for you Rick - wish you were here! I Love You!

Timothy Rudolf Richardson
"TR"
Computer Science
 Amsterdam, Holland

Thank you, Marie, for all your love and support, for being there when I needed you most, for your friendship and for standing by me unconditionally. I will always love you. Tremayne and Anthony, I have truly learned what the words brothers and family mean. And no matter where life takes us I know we can always count on each other. I love you both. Mom, you will always be my best friend.



Trent Clarke Tuthill
Bachelor of Science
 Redding, CA

"What a long strange trip it's been."

There has been a lot of great times away from here. The only thing I'll take away from here is "PALS." They're the one thing that kept me here. Thanks Mom and Dad, Mark and Tori. You guys have always been there and supported me. The last thing I'd like to say is challenge the system, other wise your college days will get boring.

Scott Edward Sheehan
Civil Engineering
 Birmingham, AL



Jeremy Micah Siegel
"Jerry, Mr. Snuffaluffagus"
Human Factors Engineering
 Hollywood, FL

No they don't Tim!

Big thanks to the fellas of Seventh squadron, the remaining Northwestern Preppies, Mom, Dad, Major Isner, Captain Flynn and Jimmy Buffet. You guys got me through this place and I owe you my gratitude.

"... growing older but not up ..." — J. Buffett

Mom, Dad you can breathe now!



Basic Phipps gets trained while on the Obstacle Course in 1985.

Kristin Shizu Uchimura
 "Uch"
 Social Sciences
 Tacoma, WA

One day the Zoo will Fade to Black. But forevermore fellas, family, babies, Kim, Kelly, and Dads, thanks for teaching me the "real world." MOM and PUNKY: you're the best ever. Your strength and compassion lives on everyday - gan' batte kudasai.

We arrive a bunch of individuals, but leave together on different paths. Never take anything for granted. Live with no regrets. 10071/2/712. Porsche 9 - something. Don't tell me I didn't tell you so.



Brian Dean Vigil
 Management
 Roberts, MT

The one thing I will cherish as I depart the "hill" are the friendships I have gained. I have never been around more faithful and family oriented people in my life. But if you ask me to do it again, I would simply reply: "Negative ghost rider, the pattern is full. You're done, get up."

Lori Renee Van Dyke
 Space Physics
 Overland Park, KS

Peace at last!

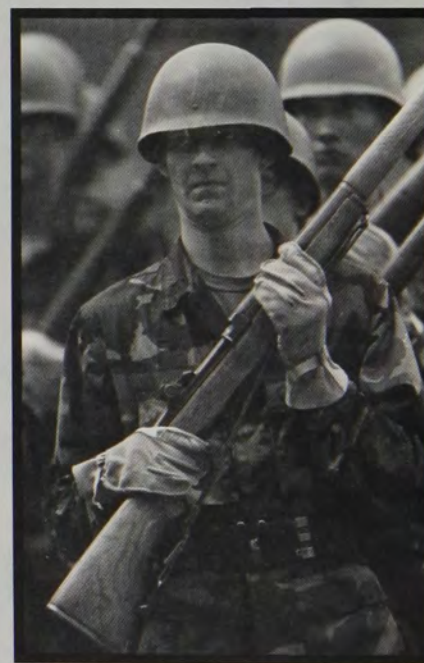


Richard Lyn Visosky Jr
 "Dick"
 Management
 Covina, CA

At the Academy there are about 90% nerds, but the other 10% are the greatest guys in the world! Thanks to the Fellas in Seagrams, the Homer's Crew and the Golf Team (think team) for all the wild times. "Hey, hey what can I do!" To my family, Richard and Mary and the Muehs - I thank you and love you all.



Richard Rupanovic and Chris Pulvar clearly know here they're leaded. Or do they?



Dan Rhodes tries his best to look stract during his first meeting with the Assault Course Cadre.

Eagle Eight



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Darren Lee Kraabel
Engineering Mechanics
Menahga, MN

That which we obtain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly. The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. — Sir Thomas Payne

Thanks to Pinochet, Zach, Tommy, Brady and Lamar. I'll see you on the slopes!

"Rack Time ... Rack Time"



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

David Wayne Fujimoto
"Fuj, Fuji, Moto, Pan"
Basic Sciences
North Andover, MA

"It was the best of times ... It was the worst of times ... but we will always have each other."

To all my friends - Carpe Diem!

"If a military leader is filled with high ambition, and if he pursues his aims with audacity and strength of will, he will reach them in spite of all obstacles."



Stephen
M
C
We made it
Pat, Steve, Ch
"You love a lo
woman or hor
lovely as a grea
ty to lose in
airplane he lose
will be forever.
Thanks Mom - D
- God
Robert
M
V
To everybody in
thanks for all the
Dad and D for all
have served and
knew
"Out here in the fi
get my back into my
to prove I'm right.
— The Who
Joseph Ch
"c
Political Scie
Philade
"These who dance are
those who don't hear
Thanks for hearing
Trey, Brian, Jeff, Jew
the Creamed Beef Sa
about Dennis and Fa
friends, see you in the
mid. Mom, I Love you
made it here without y
Ellis Edw
"Tripp
Social Sc
San Anton
I've finally ended the re
L.A.P.A. I couldn't have s
tough times without th
from Mom and Dad. Th
being there when I neede
thank my roommate, the
eyes and all my friends w
many great times with N
force.
"Let's get on with it!"
"Time"

Stephen Michael Anderson
"Troll"
Military History
Goldsboro, NC

We made it Kayt - I love you! Thanks guys Jay, Pat, Steve, Chris K., F, John, Fern, "8"

"You love a lot of things. But there isn't any woman or horse, before not after, that is as lovely as a great airplane. Man has one virginity to lose in fighters, and if it is a lovely airplane he loses it to, there is where his heart will be forever." — Ernest Hemmingway

Thanks Mom - Dad - Jen - Den - Lynn - Chris - God



Christopher Theodore Friefeld
"Frude"
Political Science
Glenview, IL

Time for me to fly ... — REO Speedwagon

Hell, what do they know anyway! Actually, this place is worth it. If for nothing else, the friends that I've made here. You all made eighth squadron a pretty cool place to be when we weren't at Old C's. (Yes, Capt. Tremaine, I'm old enough now!) To all who remain at USAFA, remember: It ain't nothin' but a thing! FUN CHECK!

Robert Scott Callihan
"Calli"
Mathematics
Vernon, CT

To everybody in RATS, Evil 8 and Golf Co. - thanks for all the memories! Thanks Mom, Dad and D for all of your support. To all who have served and to the grandfathers I never knew.

"Out here in the fields, I fight for my meals. I get my back into my living. I don't need to fight to prove I'm right. I don't need to be forgiven." — The Who



Robert Andrew Harris
Management
Fairfax Station, VA

"Once in awhile you get shown the light in the strangest of places if you look at it right." — GD.

The saga has ended. Thanks Mom, Dad and Cliff for all of the love and support you've given me. Good luck to the boys at Johnny's and to the ZOOMIES who taught me to journey the path less traveled. In a place that whispers lunacy, it is you who kept me sane.

Joseph Charles Crozier
"Croz"
Political Science, Economics
Philadelphia, PA

"Those who dance are often thought insane by those who don't hear the music"

Thanks for hearing the music Mark, Scott, Trey, Brian, Jeff, Jewski and Lisa. Remember the Creamed Beef Society. Thanks for the tattoos Dennis and Fern. To all my "Econ" friends, see you in the business world - Optimal. Mom, I Love you and I wouldn't have made it here without you. Peace.



Gina Lee Hilger
"Beana, Worm, Foot"
Political Science, Legal Studies
Blue Ridge, VA

Hello and Good-bye! Holy Cow! What the HELL was that? Camp USAFA? Great break. Wicked awesome. Wanna race? Wanna be slim? Cheesecake. Worms. Chicken Wings. Breadsticks. Loaves. Teeth. Napalm cornflakes. Funyuns. CWDF. B-52s. Sucker ... No way! Way. Huzzah!!

Death Be Not Proud

To the softball goobs, the basketball goobs, the worms I ate, my coaches, friends, family and the Amazon Tent - y'all are the best, I love you guys.

Ellis Edwin Eaton
"Tripple E"
Social Sciences
San Antonio, TX

I've finally ended the roller coaster ride at USAFA. I couldn't have survived all the challenging times without the love and support from Mom and Dad. Thank you for always being there when I needed you. I also want to thank my roommate, the swimmers, the polo guys and all my friends who I have shared so many great times with. Now .. The Real Air Force.

"Let's get on with it!" "Rack Time ... Rack Time"



Jennifer Lynne Knorre
"Jenn"
Political Science
Seattle, WA

Nothing that is ever worthwhile is easy. After four long hard years of occasional struggle and doubt, I am so glad I stayed. However, I could not have done it alone. Mom, Dad and Elizabeth - your constant support led me through the tough times. To all my friends who got me through - Thanks, I love you all!

"Only the dreamer can change a dream -" 1989

Christopher Paul Korger

"Korgs"

Military History
Madison, WI

"You know you got to go through hell before you get to heaven." — Steve Miller

We're outta here! Thanks to Mom, Dad, Kate, The Posse, Herlongs and all the lads in the squad. It was the best and worst experience I've ever had. All in all I learned more about myself that I ever thought I could. Here's to 498, Nav Trips, great friends and good memories. See ya!



Fernando Molina

"Fern, Spic"

General Engineering
West Covina, CA

Dad, Mom, my brothers and sister thanks for the love, support and friendship. I love you guys! A person's friends make him who he is. Frude, Kraut, Korg, Batman, Troll and Croz you made me the kind of guy I'll shelter my kids from. Mari, you added the fairy tale. Babs I miss you. I went to the forest to live deliberately ... And not when I had come to die, discover that I had not lived - Thoreau

A lesson from Dad: DON'T SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF. FUN CHECK!

Daniel Lambert

Biology

Evian-Les-Bains, France

The Dream Soldier

On a day so cold dreams froze,
I had a frightening dream
In the early afternoon
My dream put on its hat and went on ~
I locked the door ...
On a day so hot dreams melted,
I had a strange dream
In the early afternoon,
Only
my hat
came back — Amy Katherine Selway



Stephen Donald Nelson

"Steve"

General Engineering
Greenland, NH

At USAFA where the days go by like weeks and the weeks go by like days I have made the friends of a lifetime. Kong, Frude, Fern, Troll and Jonny, I'll see you in the Wild Blue or behind the crescent wrench.

To my 2 families thanks I never would have made it without you.

Remember to "Always look out for #1 but don't step in #2." — Rodney

Ronald Lopez

"Ron"

History - East Asian Studies,
Japanese minor
Miami, FL

What? These are due when?
Oh well, what's another missed deadline!
I want to say thanks to Mom, Dad and Rey - I couldn't have done it without your love and support; to Dizzy and Vicky for making my last year here tolerable; and finally to Yoshiko - I love you. My advice to the fools who follow:
- If you sleep 12 hours a day you're only here for half the time
- If you wait 'til the last minute to do something, it only takes a minute to do
- and if you can take Stop Out and have a life for a year, do it! (92 + 1)



Steven Rothstein

"Stein, Pops"

Biochemistry
Willow Grove, PA

To friends, debate and the endless pursuit of ... well, you know the rest. It's been five long years, am I eligible for Social Security yet? The part of the Academy I will take with me is all the friends I've made, while there are too many to list I thank each one of you! Never say never. Bott warriors, Unite! Jen, do you believe in fate?

Mark Adrian Michalicek

"Adrian"

Space Physics
Cedar Rapids, IA

<IFO> I want to thank all my fellow Physics majors and members of Eagle Eight for all the help and friendship in the good times and bad. You made it bearable and I am forever grateful! Thank you Kim for all your love and support over the years. It really meant more than I can say. To all, the words of a wise man:

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around, you might miss it!" — FB



Jeffrey Thomas Sabella

"Jefe"

History - Area Studies
Clearwater, FL

Crazy after four years of thinking, I don't really have anything good to say. Thanks Mom, Dad, Celeste and the rest of my family. Theresa, needed your support badly - thank you. Teammates, you made things bearable and helped put stuff in perspective; your houses are my houses - wherever they may be.

David Christopher Sasser
"Sass"
Human Factors Engineering
Bellevue, NE

I have traveled here for a challenge and encountered myself, my capabilities and limitations. I'm a simple, hard-working black man with a good heart and strong mind. Also, I've unearthed my aspirations: to do my family and its name proud, to be honorable and respectable just as my late father, and to strengthen my sense intrepidity to conflict. I sought, achieved and yet still strive.

Thanks Mother! I love you!



John Christian Walker
"Johnny, Kemo"
Bachelor of Science
Jacksonville, IL

*"A soul in tension that's learning to fly
Condition grounded, but determined to try
can't keep my eyes from circling the skies
Tongue tied and twisted, just an earth-bound
misfit, I" — Pink Floyd*

Dennis Neal Snelling
"Kraut"
History -Western Europe
Frankfurt, Germany

*Since coming here, I've learned two things:
You can do what you want, but you have to
suffer the consequences, and that we're not
here to build leadership, we're here to build
tolerance.*

*Sanity is but a state of mind, and if you think
you're insane, you're not.*

*Thanks to good friends, Jennifer, family and
loved ones who made it bearable. Time to
move on to greater adventures! Carpe Diem*



Neal Thomas Williams
"Bigun, X-man"
Biochemistry
Marietta, GA

*Thanks to my parents for all their love and
support. Thanks to my squadron friends for
making these years special, interesting and
profound. May all our dreams be realized.*

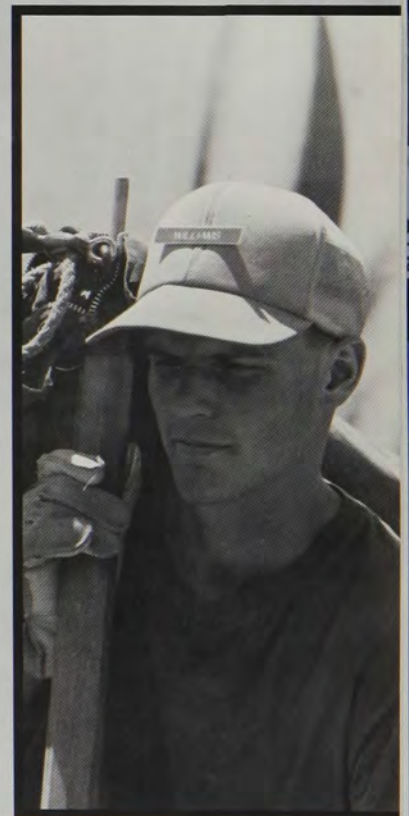
*"Nor deem the irrevocable past wholly wasted,
wholly vain, if rising on its wrecks, at last to
something nobler we attain." — Longfellow*

*"to strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield" —
Tennyson*

*To Kelly, my enduring love and friendship,
thanks sis!*



*Heading to the gas tent, these 1989 Basics prepare to
experience the joy of a mild tear gas.*



*Neal Williams sets up a tent in Jack's
Valley during his 1989 stay.*

Viking Nine



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Daniel Eric Szarke
"Dan, Sparky, Shark, Dano"
Economics
Perham, MN

Thanks to Mom, Dad and everyone else who has given me the great support!

"It isn't our position but our disposition that makes us happy." — Anonymous



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Sean Kennedy Rivera
"Riv"
General Engineering
Woodbridge, VA

There were good times; there were bad times; and there were worst times. Survival equated to success. I take away from this place many positive and some negative feelings. Thank you for all your support Mom, Dad, Michelle, Rob, Elizabeth, Ma Ma, Titi Ana, etc. I love you all. To all my Friends: Queze, Nico, Roz, Tuong, etc. thanks for the great times. See ya around!!
KMA



Michael
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good for you? Whe
here are the memor
all, the beer tree,
Kansas experience,
To all the girls we've
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on do it for the stor
Mom, Dad, you're the
David Ar
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ready. I was curious
gen. That's all it was:
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all, Larkie and all the
experiences will be
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LAD's, Love Ranch 91
ing the bonds of realit
Richard Lynn
"Boo
Mathematica
Owasso
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working is ever as bad as
between, there, i
Thanks Mom, Dad and A
love it without you. My
when times got tough. Jo
I keep a good mean de
Ery Heath. Let's for
H- Ma
Engineering M
San Jose,
With Buddha, it's finally
my mom for her suppo
setting the example. It
I have grown more dar
than any other place,
four years of my life.
times here at the Acc

Michael Scott Bergner
"Mike"
Geography
Evergreen, CO

Boy, all this work for such a short climax. Was it good for you? When the dust clears, all we'll have are the memories. Keepin' Skeggs out of jail, the beer tree, three day disasters, the Kansas experience, etc. - of course Jim, Fuji - To all the girls we've loved before.

"If you ever wonder why you ride the carousel, you do it for the stories you could tell."

Mom, Dad, you're the best!



David Michael Castaneda
"Cast"
Space Operations
Las Vegas, NV

I can't say I'd do it again, but now I have no regrets. Thanks to all those that made it happen: Mom, Dad, Jeannie, Chris, George, all of my friends near and far and finally the man upstairs who controls it all. If you keep your goals focused and your dreams alive, there is nothing that you cannot achieve.

The sky is not necessarily the limit anymore!

David Arthur Blake
"Birdie"
Management
South Weymouth, MA

"Let's just say I was testing the bounds of reality. I was curious to see what would happen. That's all it was: just curiosity." — Jim Morrison

Thank you Mom and Dad, I love you! Thanks to the Shaky Crew (Mas, Bigman, Knip, Fies, Leif, Kerke and all the others), our times and experiences will be engraved forever in memory. Wearing the wife beaters at Foley's, L&D's, Love Ranch 91/92, etc. Just keep testing the bounds of reality!



Michael Alan Cizek
Operations Research, Economics
Chesterfield, MO

Richard Lynn Bookout Jr
"Book"
Mathematical Sciences
Owasso, OK

"Nothing is ever as good as it seems and nothing is ever as bad as it seems, but somewhere in between, there, reality falls." — Unknown

Thanks Mom, Dad and Andy. I couldn't have done it without you. My pals kept me going when times got tough. Joel; Todd; Rat, you can't keep a good man down; Dave remember CAE!; Hey Heath, let's finish the game. 'ee Haaa!



Joseph Kyle Clark
"Big Man, Special K"
Bachelor of Science
Hartland, MI

Late nights at Foley's with PC, Traditional L&D's, Love Ranch 91/92, The Bear, these times will not be forgotten.

Thanks Mom, Dad, Kent, Lindsay, Mas, Birdie, Leif, Knip, Fies, C - 5, Brad, Germ, D - Hall, Zad, Steve and the rest of the Shaky Crew and hoops team. Also, a special thanks goes to those who said I'd never make it through five semesters of Ac Pro and two ARCs, well, here's to you ...

Tuong Bui
"H - Man"
Engineering Mechanics
San Jose, CA

Thank Buddha, it's finally over! I want to thank my mom for her support and my brother for setting the example. It's strange to think that I have grown more during my four years here than at any other place, yet it has been the best four years of my life. Despite the many tough times here at the Academy, life is still good.



Wayne Andrew Dahlke
"Wayno"
Political Science
Tigard, OR

I want to thank everyone who has helped me survive this place, Hello Real Air Force; I'm coming back. To all the Crew remember: I've lost all respect for that B.H.M.F. To Jody, all my love. And to my mom and dad, thanks for everything.

Andrew Raymond Dean
"Reginald"
Engineering Mechanics
Indianapolis, IN

"I got news for ya pal ... They're gonna nail us no matter what we do - so we might as well have fun."

I would hate to think that I agonized over this and it still turned out stupid. So, I'm just gonna stop writing.



James Edward Key III
"Jamie"
Legal Studies
Bedford, TX

Rocking this boat has been far easier than I could have ever imagined, and I have taken much pleasure in doing just that and countless other "wrong" things. What reaction is expected to a mindset which defines freedom as the privilege to choose within narrowly set boundaries? There were those, however, who took the time to share a smile; all of to whom I am indebted, for without your support I would have collapsed during this diversion.

Kenneth Paul Germann
"Germanski"
Aeronautical Engineering
Madawaska, ME

Laughter, family, friends, God and Laughter - thanks to the fellas, KAFAs, and shmarms for teaching me the importance of these. Mom and Dad - you've been the best. To boldly go, can't live with 'em, Casanover, Hey Ariel/Belle!, Enginerd, "Kiss Off," "I'm not stressed!" "Do your best," "I Cor 13: 4-7, Shmarmy Streak? To roomies, Jon, Jamie, Gaëlle - Thanks.

"A lifetime 's not too long to live as friends" — Michael W. Smith



Michael Edward Knipper
"Nip"
Political Science
Picayune, MS

I have just two words to describe my thoughts toward this bewildered delusion of reality, Burnt Out!

Without Homer's, Foley's, The Love Ranch, Big Man, Birdie, Dick, Mas, Fies, Leif, Hooks, Culby, Kegs, Bust F, Rocky, Sinning, Sauce, Morgs and Kirk, I might never have made it. Not to mention, you Mom and Dad, Thanks, I love you. Yes, now it's time to Levon, can't say I'm upset though, because as you know, I'll decide ... (Clark I'm gonna get you something real nice.)

Gaëlle Jehanne Madelaine Glickfield
Bioenvironmental Engineering
Coral Springs, FL

To my family - I love you forever, no matter what. "My mission drive, is to open up my eyes ... To realize ..."
"Can you tell a green field, from a cold steel rail ..."
"Do I belong to some ancient race, I like to walk in ancient places ..."
Drink from the vibrant depths of life - it is beautiful. For the some with whom I shared, I hope I don't have to miss you ...
"As I watch the sun go down, watching the world fade away,
All I want to do, is kiss you once goodbye, ..."



Derek Curtis Leivestad
"D, D - Man"
Military History
St. Peter, MN

Special thanks to the following:
Mom and Dad - For your understanding and support.
Woody - Go Blue!
Jake - There's fun to be had on Hwy. 83!
My brother Damon - This one's for you bro!

To everyone else, thanks for the good times and great memories. To my friends still there, just remember - If you try to follow all the rules you'll go insane!

Patrick Forrest Hopper
"Hop"
Management
Memphis, TN

Thanks to God, my family and the best friends ever! I wouldn't have made it without you three. To all the great times, "Here's what we'll say ..." "From Downey, Group training in Boulder, Lisa, and Lei's, Mall Crawl, Tech, Brass knuckles in Hawaii, international tour, brown cow, Nina's, Amy bring five friends, Top Secret Security Detail, Is there a Bob here? Hood back built for speed, pink snapper, see Stattdiller.



Rachel Carson Linnihan
English
Appleton, WI

Don't ask me if I'd do it all over again. Maybe if I knew all the answers, but then again - NO WAY!! E, Stacey, Winnin' Swimmin' women - y'all made it fun. BTGH - always be a STYC. I never knew I could have so much fun with my swimsuit on! Thanks Mom, Dad and Fam, The Dorlacs and Joe. Your love carried me through. I love you all. See ya!

Steven Michael Masiello
"Mas"

Legal Studies
Duxbury, MA

Thanks Mom and Dad, the "Shakey Crew" (Dave, Bigman, Knip, Leif, Fies and Kerkie) who could have a good time at an insurance seminar. Love Ranch 91/92, weekends at Foley's, traditional L & D's where I learned more than in class and the many good times that will be remembered. Some of us are Burnt Out, some are slingin' it, others are asking questions, but I'll still Bitch about it anyway. Here's to all of you ...



James Arbon Orahood II
Political Science
Ft. Rucker, AL

It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena ... so that his place shall never be with those whose cold and timid souls knew neither defeat nor victory. — Theodore Roosevelt

I want to thank my family.



Michael Norman Mathes
Modern History
Northville, MI

The years here numbed my senses and strained my mental health, so when I think of USAFA I scratch myself.

"I got news for ya pal ... they're gonna nail us no matter what we do - so we might as well have fun."



Roderick Cordell Owens
"Rodney 'O'"
Engineering Sciences
(Mechanical Engineering)
Houston, TX

"It is only after the deepest darkness that the greatest light can come; it is only after extreme grief that the greatest joy can come; it is only after slavery and prison that the sweetest appreciation of freedom can come." — El Hajj Malik El - Shabazz
"Free at last free at last, Thank GOD Almighty I'm free at last!" — Martin Luther King, Jr
I would like to thank the Lord, Mom Dad, family and friends for helping me survive five hard years. As-salam-a-lakaam (Peace - positive education always corrects errors)



Norman Todd Nilson
"Todd"
Management, Spanish
Moraga, CA

Here's to: Mountains, ski trips, rear wheel shocks, Burns Brothers Truck Stop, Europe, Boomer, The Stump, the Billadoma, psycho chicks, Brass horses, Loaf and Jugs, motorcycles, Denver Dances, Chile, The Crystal ball and the six year plan.

Thanks to God, Mom, Dad, (TED)², Finks, Rick; you made this place worthwhile.



This 1989 BCT Element and leader have a "family photo" taken in front of Gretch's Kitchen.



This Basic maintains a low profile while keeping an eye on the enemy during Air Base Ground Defense maneuvers.

Viking Nine

Reuben Ray Ratcliff
"Rat, Foot, Ben"
Operations Research
 Carmel, NY

Thanks to my mother, father, sister Kim and brother Dwayne because without their guidance and support I would be nothing. I thank the boys Amon (A.A.), James (Sloth), and Larry. The boys would like to say to all the women who helped us in our time of need - sorry. I had fun with the Vikes of Nine (Rick, Dave, JR., D, Hot Rod, Son ...) Remember F.I.



David Scott Riddle
"Riddler"
General Engineering
 Stony Brook, NY

They say you get out of USAFA what you put into it... too bad we couldn't put UPT slots into it. I learned a lot here but I'm still looking for cheeseburgers in paradise. Thanks to my family and everyone who got me through this place, especially my roommates the Mikes.



Miriam Jeffreys walks down an obstacle with a great deal of care during her 1989 trip through the course.



Bryon Telesforo Rodriguez
"Queze, Telesfro, Bean Dip"
Biology
 Walsenburg, CO

As I was told I kept my sense of humor. Despite "the days without sun," it kept me going as did all my friends: Riv, Duff, Sean, Mike, Nico and all the rest of OLE 25.

Times were good. Times were bad. Time kept going, now its gone, Dilligaf? Of course! - M.O.P.Q.

Special thanks to my family, I love and owe you so much, and to the good Lord above.



William Patrick Shea
"Pealice"
Geography, German
 Downers Grove, IL

Hey, did my alarm go off? When's graduation?! Someday, I will look back in fond remembrance of the splendid time here and character built amid tumultuous trials. And then monkeys will fly out of my butt.

"I got news for ya pal... they're gonna nail us no matter what we do - So we might as well have fun."



Jacob Dale Trotter Jr
"Junior, Trott Man, Everlovin"
General Engineering
 Aurora, CO

Thanks to everybody that has helped make this place a memory and no longer a reality. Special thanks to Mom, Dad and my sister Monica. Without your support I wouldn't be the person I am today. Very special thanks to Kristin. Without your support I wouldn't have made it. I love you baby and I always will.

To Derek: Yeah, Highway 83 was a good time. To Rat, Rod and CJ: Thanks for all the fun. Famous last words: F.I.

David Scott Riddle
"Riddle"
General Engineering
Stony Brook, NY



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Paul David Copioli
"Cope"
Aeronautical Engineering
Sterling Heights, MI

The past four years have been... Different. If asked to do it again... Hell No! But I wouldn't trade the experience for anything.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Sammy Layne Tapper
"Tap"
Bachelor of Science
Longview, TX

Thanks to Mom, Dad and my pillow for your love and support. Keep the perspective. Every nickel counts.

10 Tiger Ten

Bryan Telesforo
"Queer, Telesforo"
Biology
Wabersburg, GA

William Patrick
"Pattie"
Geography, Gen Ed
Downers Grove, IL

Jacob Dale Trout
"Junior, Trout Man"
General Engineering
Aurora, CO



Do Derek, Yeah Highway 63
To Mac, Rod and CJ. Thanks for
Famous last words: F.I.

Mark Steven Belter
International Relations
Orlando, CA

Looking Back, I can see how short a time this really was, but each day still takes a lifetime. Thank you Mom, Dad, Mitch, and Matt for giving me the support I've needed. My only advice to my friends, since none of us are wholly sane, is: sleep, for "Dreaming allows each and every one of us to be quietly and safely insane every night of our lives."



Christopher Ethan Cronce
"Chris"
Bachelor of Science
Annapolis, MO

Mom, Dad, and Corrin, thanks for standing by me. I'm sorry about the gray hair, though it does look good. Sharon, your strength and your love pull me through the tough times. I can't wait for the future (19 June 1993). I love you. Mark, Hans, Greg and the rest, thanks for keeping my spirits up when things were going downhill. And God, thanks for listening. USAFA, great to be from, not at.

Bradley Sheridan Boyer
"B"
Human Factors Engineering
Davenport, IA

"There's no such thing as an easy two." Thanks to the people who helped me through this maximum security kindergarten: Mom and Dad, Aaron and the guys who were proud to be Tiger Tenth, the fellas on the hoop team, and most importantly the boys of the 1303. You made this place worthwhile, for always and forever you will be my friends.

"It's never too late to have a happy childhood."



Eugene Mickey DeHerrera
"Mean Gene"
Legal Studies
Boune, CO

"...and when the clouds of dust cleared amongst the ruins and debris, left standing beside me were my God, my Family, and my Friends. These three are the steroids of my life, especially those who make and adore the baby elephants. Those two, are pure, testosterone!"

Until we meet again.

Arthur Charles Carlson IV
"Charlie"
Human Factors Engineering
Phoenix, AZ

Parole... Finally! I have served my punishment, yet committed no crime. We all weren't commanders, but we all had an influence on this institution. "Still waters run deep." Thank you Mom, Dad, and April for supporting me and always giving me something to smile about. I love you. Thank you Lord for always giving me strength to press forward. PH 4:13



Akinsheye Xavier Dorsett
"X"
Aeronautical Engineering
Bronx, NY

I would like to thank my grandparents, mother, brother, Don, Linda, David, Steve and Kathryn for getting me through this place. To all the fellas I leave you with this.

"Armed with the knowledge of our past, we can with confidence charter a course for our future. Culture is an indispensable weapon in the freedom struggle. We must take hold of it and forge the future with the past." — El Malik Shabazz

Joseph Anthony Collins
"Joe"
Economics
Valdez, AL

I always thought the farther away I was from this place the prouder I was to say I went here. Right now I'm so close to this place I can hardly stand it. The thing that made it all worth while was the support of family and friends. Many thanks to Mom, Dad, and all the friends I've made here. We made it, Laura! You're the best.



Carlos Moyano Fraga
"LOS"
Chemistry
Houston, TX

Thanks Mom, Dad and Bo for your encouragements and support. Thanks also to my friends for life and the weekends spent far away for thew zoo.

Aaron William Gittner
"Git"
Mathematics
Charlotte, NC

It's 3am and the Academy doesn't know where I'm at. After three years of rooming together, I have come to the conclusion, Brad, that if it wasn't for 1303, you wouldn't own any stuff. Layne - you have a nice harem, wish you could make up your mind though. Nish - it's a real nice 'vette, but why buy it if you are going to leave it at home.



Brian Patrick Murphy
"Murph"
Management
Indianapolis, IN

These past four years definitely contained some major experiences that I'm glad I had a chance to encounter. Not just for the things I've been through, but for the dudes I've been through them with. I'd like to say thanks to my family and friends back home for encouraging and supporting me and to all the fellas who helped make this place fun, sometimes.

Kemuel Alan Kimbrough
"Kem"
Legal Studies
Atlanta, GA

"Those who expect to reap the blessing of freedom, must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it." — Thomas Paine
Boy, have we been undergoing the fatigue?? It's finally over though. There are too many friends that helped me through this place to try and name them all. Still I will say "Thanks" to Fish, Chaz, CJ, Juice, Teddy and Bruce. Also I thank my mother and grandmother and the Rodriguez family (especially Christina and Alexander) for helping me get by.
Peace, KBK Kem



Scott Michael Nishwitz
"Nish"
Engineering Sciences -
Aeronautics
Dubois, WY

"Only as high as I reach can I grow, only as far as I seek can I go, only as deep as I look can I see, only as much as I dream can I be."
I'd like to thank... My parents and grandparents, without your support I never would have made it. My Dubois friends, who kept everything in perspective. X, Los, Tap, Git, Hoop, Daves... I'll see you around.

Frank Joseph Leggio III
Economics
Herndon, VA

It took five years to do it but it's finally over. Thanks Mom for the motivation and Dad for the direction. I couldn't have done it without you. The friends I made I'll have forever. I'm just glad it's over. REMEMBER: "Yeah, it was!"



Alain Donald Poisson
"Fish"
Legal Studies
Hooksett, NH

"The ends I aim at shall be my country's, my God's and truth's. I was born an American; I live an American; I shall die an American." — Daniel Webster
Thanks Ma, Dad, and my other mom, for without your support, I would not have made it. To the guys, always remember the good times. And to Karen - your are the wind beneath my wings and without you I am nothing.

Charesse Earlene Melick
Char
Soviet Area Studies, Russian
Minor
Denver, CO

JO, FREEDOM IS NOT FREE
REMEMBER: If you're gonna do it, DO IT RIGHT!! HAWGS: JOVI, WORD!, FTN. TIGERS - Paul and Todd forever my buddies.
RO - Hang in there, but REMEMBER '93 is 'ill better!! Mel, my 'LIL SIS and Scott, take care of her !!! THANKS to Ma, Pa, Kara Jo and sisters. Grandma, you got the best seat in the house.
HIS ONE'S FOR YOU, BOOMER! YOUR KINGMAN



Todd Michael Seger
"Segs"
Aeronautical Engineering
Mount Clemens, MI

I guess were are not supposed to cherish these past four years - so I won't. Always concentrate on the Big Picture - the rest amounts to nothing. Brad - dream a big dream and it will be yours to live. A big cookie is in order for all my great friends and loving family. I love you all very much. I live to fly: WORK HARD - PLAY HARD - STAY HARD.

Jeffrey Paul Shooner
 "Spooner"
 Political Science
 Louisville, KY

"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death." — Romans 8: 1, 2
 Thank you God, Mom, Dad and everyone else who supported me at the academy. Chris your a great roommate. Fan the FLAME!



Vu Dinh Tran
 "Vu"
 Biology
 High Ridge, MO

This place is supposed to build character and help you mature. Right? I'm proud to say that I'm happy with who I was and who I am; meanwhile, hoping to be a kid forever. I thank my family for the support and inspiration to help me take that extra step. To the friends that made this place a little more bearable and a bit more enjoyable, thanks for the memories. Lastly but not least, I thank God for giving me the strength, courage, and wisdom to strive, survive and stay alive.

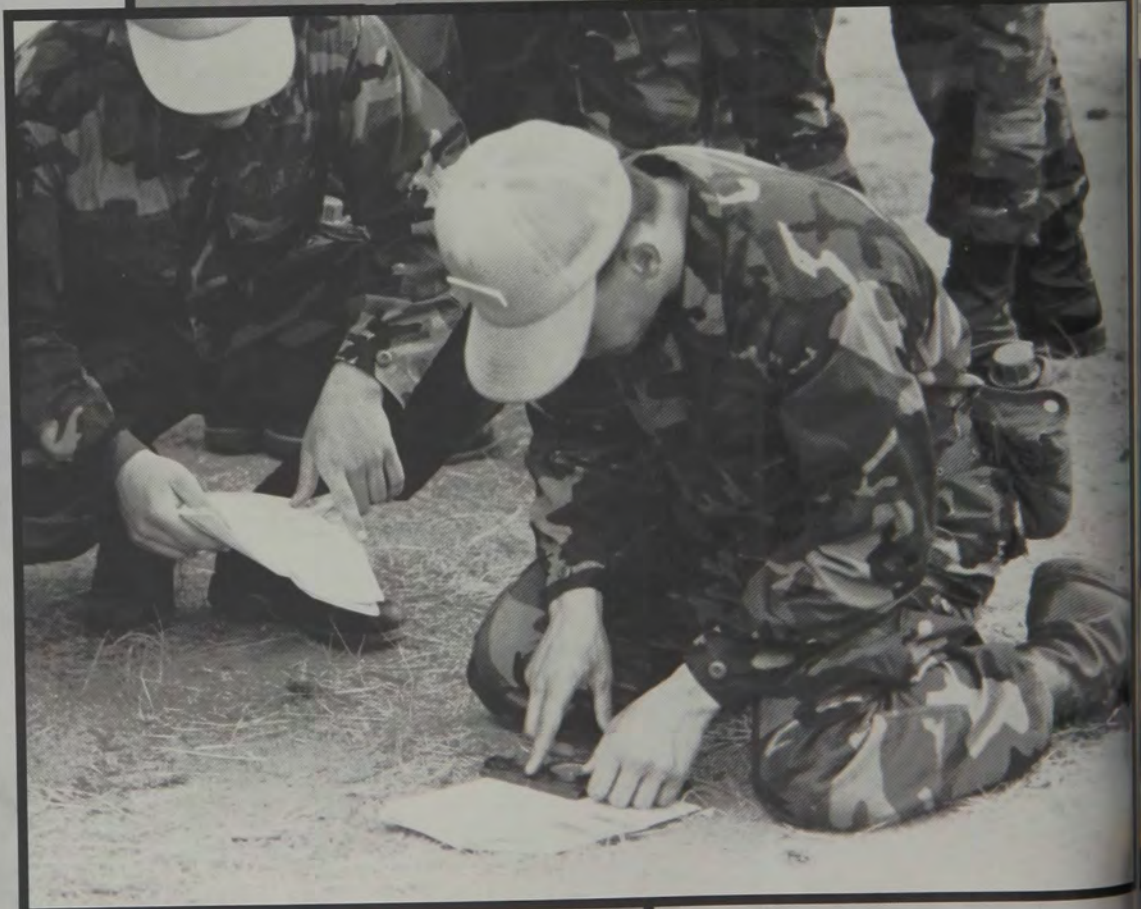
Christy Ann Tanner
 Latin American Area Studies
 Roseburg, OR

It's all what you make it!!! And it's all over - Praise God. My family supported me, my God carried me. By his grace I came here; by his grace I left here. A great thanx to Dad, Mom, Lori, Craig, Kim, Jo and Kirk. And to Rod: you made the difference, I can't wait for what's to come. Love you all. — Proverbs 3:5-6.



Christopher Dean Whyte
 "Gramps"
 Management
 Troy, MO

Thanks to Jeff for putting up with me as a roommate. Thanks to Mom and Dad for always being there. Thanks to Shelley for being the most important person in my life. And Sean, you know what I say about this place!



Tiger Ten

Basics learn the art of orienteering, during 1989 Basic Cadet Training.

Vu Dinh Tran
"V"
Biology
High Ridge, MO



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Jeffrey Warren McMillen
"Mac"
Mechanical Engineering
Shrewsbury, PA

To the best squadron in the wing, I leave behind my legacy of nicknames: Freu, Pwan-anch, Toller, Baw-er, Squiddy, Trainicheck, Loochay, etc. Thanks to those that stuck by me, especially Pul, John, Chris, Amy, Paul, and of course Mom and Dad. To those determined to fly, good luck!

If the dream is won, though everything is lost, we will pay the price, but we will not count the cost — Rush



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

**Christopher Michael
Thompson**
"T"
Engineering Mechanics
Cedarburg, WI

What can I say? It's 3:30am, and I just put out two Mech forest fires. Now, I'm supposed to dream up a meaningful blurb about my graduation which lies somewhere in the infinite dimension called second semester. I can only thank everyone who has helped me make it through. To Mikey, Goose, J, Wilson, Juke, Pizz, William, Cathy, David, Mom and Dad... "We did what it took..." CMT and JTH

11 Rebeleven



William Scott Bell
"Scott"
Astronautical Engineering
Beesley's Point, NJ

"Yesterdays are over my shoulder, so I can't look back for too long. There's just too much to see waiting in front of me and I know that I just can't go wrong." — J. Buffett

I have shared great experiences with the best friends anyone could have. I'm looking forward to life's challenges and what lies ahead. Thank you to my family - I couldn't have made it through without you! I love you!



Ty David Hachtel
"Squid"
International Relations, German
Fort Atkinson, WI

I thank my family for their many kicks in the butt to push me forward. I'm glad I stayed, after all - you only live once. I believe that nothing is free, and as for the education here, they took every nickel from my arse. I am proud to have escaped this place with my sense of humor and sanity intact. Auf Wiedersehen!! Again.

Crista Lenette Davis
"Cristay"
Human Factors Engineering
Dekalb, IL

"In the act of resistance the rudiments of freedom are already present." — Angela Davis

I always knew I had a choice and in that way I was free. Thanks to my friends and family for being there for me - especially my brother Aaron and of course THE CHICKEN! Without you, my life would have been void of laughter. Last, but not least, thanks to the Lord for pulling me through.



Steven Arthur Higgins
"Superman"
Management
Houston, TX

Well it was a long time getting here, but it's finally over. Mom and Dad, I can't thank you enough for all you've done. I don't think I would have made it without you. I'm glad I did it, but there's now way in Hell I'd do it again. "Some men see things as they are, and say 'why?' I dream of things that never were, and say, 'Why not?'" To Rick, thanks. You are a true friend. We've learned a lot together, but remember it gets better from here.

Jessica Sloane Englert
"Peterson"
Operations Research
Richmond, KY

"Nothing is as good or as bad as it seems at the time." I thought this many times while I was at the Academy. Amazingly, I am realizing I have had opportunities here that I wouldn't have had anywhere else. I say thank you to my family, and to the friends who always made me smile.



William Robert Hurtle
"Snickenbauerschiueltauston"
Chemistry
Katonah, NY

You've given me so many opportunities, yet you've taken so many away. Was it worth it? Perhaps. As Felix the Cat once said "Meow." Translation: Thanks to everyone who helped make it worth all the trouble, 'cause the system sure as hell didn't.

Heidi Elizabeth Gibson
Biology
Manhattan, KS

"Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses." Ecclesiastes 3:1

I have lived the dream, now it's time for a new one. I will take with me strength and wisdom, and leave behind the cynicism. Thanks to all my family, friends, and teammates who made me see that the bad times don't last. Brian, it's time for the white picket fence! Faith Always



George Joseph Koury
"Gravy"
Engineering Mechanics
Albuquerque, NM

B and the Fam: For your support and encouragement a simple thank you would never do. These three words will have to do: I LOVE YOU! Brad: Backgammon, connect four, Gin, Mario. Thanks. Remember we're "LEAVIN' HERE BETTER MEN." Strappers: It has been fun. "Back slow and through; It's pretty much GRAVY!" Good Luck!

Jeremy Dugas Lloyd
"Jay"
Biology
Luberton, TX

Thanks to the fellas who made this place worthwhile. I hope when we read this, we all made it out together. Through it all, remember: "Today, Tomorrow... No problem, man!"



Glenn Allan Maxwell
"Max"
Bachelor of Science
Oakwood, IL

I came to the Academy with high expectations of service to country and of becoming an officer. I now find it amazing that after being here; the system has stamped out my drive to serve my country and has made my number one enemy officers. I have looked at this and, were it not for my friends & family, I would have left this place a long time ago. Thank you all I only wish I can someday repay your favors.

Richard Charles Luce Jr
"Rick"
Astronautical Engineering,
Engineering Sciences
Auburn, MA

"We choose to do these things not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

Thanks to all my family and friends (especially Scott, Allan, Steve, and Ken) for helping me follow the path less traveled. I will continue to follow my dreams and my imagination will be my guide. Whether they lead to Mars, Saturn, or Disney, I will know I've done my best and had a good time doing it!



Daniel John Oosterhous
"Goose"
Civil Engineering
Texarkana, TX

What now? UPT? CE?

As one challenge is overcome, another more difficult one will begin. But what is life without a good set of challenges? Thanks to Mom and Dad who somehow guided me here and always believed in me. All my friends Bruce, Chris T, J, Mike, George, Coach, Alli - you've all helped to make this place fun. Stay tough team.

Hey Goose. wake me up in 15 minutes.....

Michael Lee Matthews
Aeronautical Engineering
Chatham, IL

Well Dad, when I left for this place, I told you I would make it, and here I am. I've got to mention all the guys in Reb-11 (you know who you are). We shared some great times! I would do everything again just for you all. Special thanks to Mom & Dad and Chris. You helped me through all the tough times. One down-five up and I'm out of here.



Mark Anthony Pizzimenti
"Pizz"
Modern History
Davie, FL

For all that which I learned - understanding true and unmistakable. Can I grasp what I yearned - knowing the past is but forsaken? Onward I surge, outward bound; For I will never stay on the ground; Fortune ringing its wondrous sound. Until the day when it all ends; Sublimely I remember forsaken days. Always proud of glory's trends - Following a road of mysterious ways; And the wounded heart surely mends. — M.P.



One of many gatherings down in Jack's Valley during 1989 Peast, this one brings smiles to the faces of the listeners.



Christopher William Pulver
"Pulverize, Pulv"
Aeronautical Engineering
Rochester, NY

Thanks to all the people who got me through this place especially Mom, Dad, Jen, Christa, and everybody from the squad. This palace tested my sanity. Only music, driving at 120 mph, and getting out of here whenever I could kept things almost normal (whatever that is). Live life to the fullest, but take time to punish (soccer). And remember Hachtel always check driver's licenses first.

Bradley Saceem Reed
Social Science
Tigard, OR

For a year people told me to stop gazing at the mountains. I still look there everyday and wish I were there. May I never waste my time feeling indifferent - like I have here. Life is too short to waste time tucking in your shirt. Always remember to smile for people who love you. Thanks F-troop, GK, Coach, Joe, Col Bill and the team. Don't forget to look on the other side of the mountains. - It's beautiful overthere.



Andrew Edward Travnicek
"Trav"
Aeronautical Engineering
Coral Springs, FL

"Expecting the world to treat you fairly because you are a good person is like expecting a bull not to attack you because you are a vegetarian." — Dennis Wholey

Life: Celebrate it with your Lord; ponder its mysteries; but share it not with Misery - drive on!

Joel Boyd Robb
Biology
Watertown, CT

Hot damn, here I am! For those of you still at the Academy reading Polaris, I feel sorry for you. It's over for me. Much thanks to Kim, my family, Bill, Byrl, Ken, Ef, Skip, Dean-0, Jay, Piz, Josh and those too numerous to mention. TRUE BLUE '93!



Christopher William Wilson
"Topher, Chilly Willy"
Human Factors Engineering
Dubois, PA

My experience her can only be described as one "on wings like eagles." This I owe to all the fellows, flying, and my wonderful family. Thanks for everything!



From the Valley they return, the Class of 1993 gets one step closer to Acceptance.

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Andrew Edward Travita
"Trav"
Aeronautical Engineering
Coral Springs, FL

"Expanding the world to meet you and
knowing you are a good person is like
a ball, not to attack you because you
are important." - James Phelan

Life: Godman is with you Lord you
remember, but there is not with them
yet.



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Michael Alan Charecky
"Norm"
Biology
Brookfield, CT



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Kelly Leo McJoynt
"McJ"
Space Operations
Owensboro, KY

*Thanks to Mom and Pop, the Dirtiest Dozen of
them all. Pass the beer nuts. Rally! Rally!
Rally!*

"Life was never meant to be difficult."

*Special thanks to my buds from Deuce: Big Al
and Gio - I'll never forget you guys. Finn, BB,
Kubs, Jason, Darii, John and Heidi - it was my
loss when I left. As far as Dozen goes, it
could've been worse. Leif, Troy, Jorge and
Bob thanks for getting me through the last two
years. Matt and Kent - GO PACKERS! I will
always be TRUE BLUE '93. P.S.
Thanks Mom and Dad*

12 Dirty Dozen



John Chambers Ayres IV
"Jay"
Bachelor of Science
Cabot, AR

*The Heavens were the grandstands
And only the Gods were spectators
The stake was the world
The forfeit was the players place at the table ...
It was the most dangerous of all sports
And the most fascinating ...
The average life of a fighter pilot was 48 hours
And to many, it seemed an age. — Elliot White Spring*

I didn't do it!



Kent Russell Engebretson
"Cheese"
Electrical Engineering
Black River Falls, WI

Thanks to Mom, Dad, Karla and Kristi - I couldn't have made it here without you. Thanks also to the guys from Mach One and Dirty Dozen - The friendships we've made will last forever. I would like to thank the Lord, who supported me when no one else could. Lastly, I would like to thank the Academy. The opportunities were endless and the experiences were unforgettable.

John Edward Brandmeyer
"Brandy"
Social Sciences
Rock Island, IL

When they said "You got to go through hell before you get to heaven," they weren't kidding. Now, let's just hope heaven is around the corner. I would like to thank Mom, Dad, Shorty, Elaine, LTC McGrath, Capt Ludwig (Von) and everyone else who made this possible. I will never forget your gestures and support. This one's for you F.B., "F.T.D.W. M.U.T.D.W.D.

By God's grace!



Matthew Noel Forner
"Comrade"
Middle East History
Cleveland, WI

I told my congressman that I was committed to finishing. I didn't do it alone. God pulled me out of some tight spots and Mom, Dad and sisters, especially Carol, were there. My friends here made it the most worth while: Lance, Herman, Cheese, Clint, Steve, RATZ, Dozen and everyone else. Most important, I've learned to be an example in all you do, be nice to others, and trust in your friends.

Heidi Lynne Carter
Human Factors Engineering
Poquoson, VA

*"But always remember, the hills ahead
Are never as steep as they seem,
And with faith in your heart start upward
And climb, till you reach your dream ..."
— Helen Steiner Rice*

Thanks to God, my mom, Dad, the Sumners and Steven for their and love that have helped me through. I couldn't have it done it without the support of y'all, my family and friends. May we continue our freshmen "BlackJack" reunions, I'll miss you guys - Brendan, George, Rob and Jason. Take care and always smile.



Paul Frederick Gehreng
"Herman"
International Relations,
Russian minor
Damascus, MD

*"This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. It is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."
— Churchill*

Thanks to my parents, my friends and most of all to God; I couldn't have made it without you. We'll always be the "Dirty Dozen." It's all been worth it. I've travelled the world and made dreams come true. Through all the pain, never forget the goal.

Earle Bryan Combs IV
Engineering Mechanics
Atlanta, GA

Mom, Dad: Well, you an quit worrying, I finally made it (249 tours later). Thanks for all of your understanding when I screwed things up. You guys are the greatest!

Mitch, Dig, Kev, Smitty and a ton of others: You all are the best friends a guy could ask for. Thanks for helping me keep my sanity.

"I've passed out and I've rallied, and I've sprung a few leaks" — J.B.



Todd Frederick Graves
"Digger"
Engineering Mechanics
Marblehead, MA

Well it's about time. It's been a long, hard road and without you, Mom and Dad and your support I couldn't have done it. The only thing that kept me here for four years was the fellas. A guy doesn't set better friends than Earle, Smitty, Chi and the rest of the guys. It's been fun guys, but it's time to move on.

*"What a long strange trip it's been."
— Grateful Dead*

Steven Edwin Haase
"Sandy"
Civil Engineering
South Lake Tahoe, CA

Thanks Mom and Dad for everything! Also to everyone whose been there through the years. Zad, X, Brian, B-Ball, and of course Mara, Karin, David, Jerod, Lissa and everyone! I'm glad I came, I can't wait to leave. As Bon Scott said:

"Thank you, Thank you, Thank you people, Thank you, Thank you, I'm glad you liked the show yes; Thank you very much folks. Good night and God Bless."



Brian David Landis
"Toon"
Space Operations
Crystal Lake, IL

I want to thank my family and friends for all the help and support I've got here over the last four years. Thanks to all the guys who kept me sane Norm, Trox, Hermann, Cheese, Comrad and especially to Tara and my roomdog Sandy for putting up with me for three years. I'm not sure I'd do it again, but then again I don't have to. Pain is temporary, pride is forever. FTN

Tiffany Ann Handel
"Tiff, Spiff"
Management
Universal City, TX

Thanks to all the people I've grown to know over the years here. You made life here much easier!

"I no doubt deserved my enemies, but I don't believe I deserved my friends."
— Walt Whitman (1819 - 1892) American Poet

Tom - thanks for your patience, understanding, love and friendship. You are truly my best friend.



Leif Eric McPherron
"Leifer"
Biochemistry
Snohomish, WA

Thanks to God, Mom, Dad, Sonjia, Nana, Sheila, Kyle, Mas, Knip, Birdie, Fies, Kerkie, Mattie, Brian, Jim and the rest of the Shaky Crew. Traditional late nights L & D's, Foley's, Homie's, the Love Ranch, Sonjia's, and four years of 'hagen. By the way, I was slingin' it.

Troy Raymond Harting
"T. Roy"
Management
Fallston, MD

"Whatever crushes individuality is despotism, by whatever name it may be called" — John Stuart Mill

To the ones who told me an individual would never make it through this place - you lose. Muchas gracias to my folks for funding my "free" education, and to all the fellas ... if it weren't for y'all it would have been an even more miserable four years. And hey Corey - don't you ever die! SEE YA!



Roscoe Michael Moore III
"Rocky"
Astronautical Engineering
Rockville, MD

The Ancestors were strong to survive the boat ride from Africa, and the tribulations of slavery. Their strength and courage, in the face of the worst adversity, will not be forgotten. I thank my parents and grandparents who reminded me of my link with the Ancestors. During the hard times, this link, and my friends Pat, Lance, Troy and Mike J., Kept me solid. Don't let them get into your head!

Miriam Denise Jeffries
"M, Mir"
Engineering Sciences
Colorado Springs, CO

I finally made it! Without the love and support of my mother and sister, I would have never made it. To my best friends, Patrice and Larry, thank you for being there for me. Remember: "... do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about it's own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." — Matthew 6:34.



Lansing Robert Pilch
"Lance"
Electrical Engineering
Stockton, NJ

I would first like to thank Mom, Dad and the whole family. Rich, you are the best bro a guy could have. Thanks also to the baseball team, including Todd and Trey, for helping me put things in perspective. Rock, the porch, and the rest of CS-12: Keep in touch! To everyone else who has touched my life in a positive way, I will never forget you. Thank you!

Corey Regis Sanchez
Legal Studies
 Denver, CO

Man's flight through life is made possible by what he knows ... or something like that. Thanks emerson, thoreau, mi familia & troy; don't you ever die; SCA



Paul Michael St. John
Computer Science
 Laurel, MD

To my parents: Thank you all for the love and support you've given me these past four years. In the darkest of times, you were there, in spirit if not in body, and that brought me through.

To my friends: We made it through this place with sanity intact. Now, we're off to join weeman in the "real" Air Force." Good luck and keep in touch. Friends like you a rarity in this world.

Patrick Chapman Smith Jr
"Smitty"
Management
 Sylvania, GA

Well, I made it Mom and Dad!! I hope I didn't make you worry too much - I only had 275 tours. I couldn't have made it without you Mom, Dad, Michael and your love and support. And Janet, what can I say, thanks for the love and support also. I love you all. And boys - Earle, Digs, Kev & others - you made it all worthwhile. But most of all, I thank the Lord.



Jay Christopher Troxell
"Trox"
Computer Science
 Herndon, VA

To Gordon and the Rally Club: Never say dry. To Toon: "Trust me, I'm a professional." To the baby of the squad, Norm: Now we can afford better than Mr. B Lite. To the rest of the UADC: Moose says we all have drinking problems.



A 1989 Basic futilely tried to run across the wet log but insted ends up crawling through the water.



At the Assgail Course these Basics from the Class of 1993 practice proper grenade launching technique.

Paul Michael St. John
Computer Science
Laurel, MD

To my parents: Thank you all for the support you've given me these past four years. In the darkest of times, you were there if I was in trouble, and that brought me to this point.

To my friends: We made it through the toughest year of our lives, we're together now in the "real" Air Force. "Going home" is a great feeling. Friends, like you, are the world.



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

William Rufus Thomas III
"Will"
Engineering Science
Dallas, TX

Four years have passed that cannot be summed up by a few words, for the experiences and memories will be with me always. I can only give thanks to Christ for carrying me through the years, my parents for their undying support and devotion, my brother and sister, and those friends that touched my life.

A smooth sea never made a skillful mariner.



Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

Matthew David Fuller
"Matty"
Human Factors Engineering
El Cajon, CA

A: "Life is too short to approach any part of it sourly." — Fred Gibson

The Academy is the ultimate test of a person's ability to keep this attitude. Thank you Mom and Dad. Your support and guidance helped me more than you know.

"Learn to wish that everything should come to pass exactly as it does." — Epictetus

13 Bulldawgs



Todd Jess Baker
Engineering Mechanics
Salt Lake City, UT

I would like to thank Mom, Dad, Dan², Todd and Eric for being with me during the various experiences over the past six years, such as BEAST '87, 4^o year, cliff climbing in San Fran, Denver Dances (ASIF), Denmark, CATM, Adventure Club, pushing trucks at 3:00 am, rings, cars, psycho - hose, beast mental chicks, Group, Bulldawgs, etc.

Always remember Proverbs 21: 9 & 19 and life will be good!



Troy Allen Giese
"Goose"
Astronautical Engineering
Midland, TX

During four years at USAFA, I've learned about myself and about lifelong friends. Thanks Mom, Dad and the rest of the family for your support. To Rock, Dog, GP, Scott and everyone else- you've made it bearable. Lastly, Cindy, thanks for being there. I love you.

To live each day as though one's last, never flustered, never apathetic - here is the perfection of character. — Marcus Aurelius

Good Luck Dawgs. Later Dude!

Jeffery Eugene Daniels
"J.D., Yiff, Jeffy"
Management, Spanish minor
Ft. Worth, TX

Thank you, Mom and Dad, for loving me. Thank you friends and family who prayed for me. Thank you, God, for Your Grace, Your Compassion, and Your Love. Without Your Son, none of this is worth anything. Hebrews 12: 1 - 3



Ali Hazar
Electrical Engineering
Izmir, Turkey

When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life in such a manner that when you die the world cries and you rejoice.

David Warren DeGraaf
"Dave, Big'en"
Human Factors Engineering
Spring Arbor, MI

E: I can definitely say this has been the longest four years of my life. I thank God, my family and friends, I couldn't have done it without you. Thanks Hudý, Matty and Barney for all the excitement. Just barely a centurion, 104. Mom, Dad, it's over, you can relax now, in-hale.

"It's not the size of the dog in the fight, but the size of the fight in the dawg." Good deal, I'm gone ...



James Henry Joseph Hudepohl
"Hudý, Hüge"
Behavioral Science - Human Behavior
Cincinnati, OH

*T: I would like to begin by thanking God above, my family (that includes you, Ray and Linnea), and my buddies - Adam, Dave, Matty and Barney (look out for the prairie chicken-beck!!) - each of whom have helped me in one way or another. If I learned anything after these five years, it's that "mental toughness is to the physical as four is to one." — Bobby Knight *Any* dream or goal can be realized through desire, determination and dedication - combined with a lot of patience!*

Daniel James Ely
"Dan, Evil Ely"
Engineering Mechanics
Tacoma, WA

Thanks to (Ted)² and the adventure club I made it through this place with most of my sanity intact.

*Thanks Mom and Dad
Work hard, play hard and Be wise!*



Cindy Lynn Hustedde
Mechanical Engineering
Trenton, IL

It was only by chance our paths have crossed. How lucky I have been. The friends I have made will always be in my heart. There were good times and bad, I never could have made it alone. Mom, Dad, family and friends you all have meant more than I can say. Troy, no matter what life brings our way... I will always love you.

Vandon Ellis Jenerette IV
"Van Dog"
Bachelor of Science
 Frankfurt, Germany

Hey USAFA, want some pizza? Well, have a piece of... A piece of my mind, right here in writing, on a page only a few folks will see. To those who will, I love you and thank you all. Thanks to God. Thanks to Mom and Sis. Thanks to those of you that are in here with me, in these pictures, those of you who I knew: Goose. Roc. Willy T., J.C. A., all of you. Thanks & Love. Peace



Robert Paul Petty
"Rob"
Military History
 Bryan - College Station, TX

I hate this place, not the people.

Robert Daniel Jones
"R. Dan"
Space Physics
 Langley AFB, VA

Thanks Mom, Dad, Dave and the rest of my family. I love you guys. All my thanks goes to the Watrys for making me feel like a part of the family. Hawgs, FTN! Physics majors, it was one helluva ride and IFO! Dawgs, friendships are forever. Craig, a man never had a better friend. Finally, while I majored in physics, the Dean majored in proctology.



Kenton Ambrose Phillips
Management
 Atlanta, GA

Thanks God, Mom and Dad and other family members and friends for your support and guidance over the past four years.

"The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor."
 — Vince Lombardi

Stephen John Laskowski
Western European Area Studies
 Hütschenhausen, Germany

So you're left with your thoughts and where do you go out the window or an open door. And once you believe they could keep you awake — it's so deceiving.
So you talk to yourself and what you know
You answer back with a "Don't Say So"
And once you believed you had something to say ... It's so deceiving.



Patrick Eric Poole
"Barney"
Human Factors Engineering
 Concord, NC

M: A wise man once said, "It's your life, live it."

The last four years have definitely not been mine to live. Maybe graduation is like rebirth, and I will once again be able to experience the pleasure of life on my own terms. Thanks to Hudy, Matty, Dav, CLW and especially Mike and Tim for the good times. Most importantly, thank you Mom and Dad for always being there with the support I needed so much. I love you.

Guillermo Antonio Palos
"Memo"
Bachelor of Science
 Azusa, CA; Tonalá, México

To all my friends: Take care all you Dawgs.
To USAFA: My Ring says it all!
Mamá y Papá, les debo todo. El amor, el cariño, y el apoyo que me dieron era mi fortaleza. Oye. — Carnales, I'm back! Chuey Pablo, Let's get the cars going. The Lagartijas are waiting. Vamonos! Laurita, tu tío ya no está en Colorado! — en Azusa. Palos, Martinez, ¡alás, Arce, Luevanos, Haydens, Una familia, gracias A Dios!



Eric Walker Rice
"Bones"
 Minnetonka, MN

E: Thanks to all my family and friends who helped me through this place. The only thing I learned here is that you can't trust anyone, so why not write your own rules. And, get it together too.

Jason Ramon Schott
Astronautical Engineering
Gackle, ND

Another step completed in life's journey, and again I couldn't do it alone. Thanks Dad and Mom for always listening, Eric for putting up with me (you're still my hero), and especially Jesus Christ for being my guide and comfort.

"The whole aim is to lift the critique from a set of complaints to a set of purposes ..."
— Barzun



Craig William Watry
Aeronautical Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO

Go placidly amid the noise and haste and remember what peace can be found in silence

— Desiderata

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; It is not a thing to be waited for, but a thing to be achieved. — William Jennings Bryan

A special thanks to Mom and Dad, Bryan, Dan and the rest of the bulldawgs.

Eric Alphonse Schroeder
Engineering Science
Astrodynamics Track
Jordan, MN

"A manager does things right ... a leader does the right thing."

I want to take a moment to show my appreciation for everyone who remained a good friend through it all. Thanks to everyone who believed in me, especially my mother and father - Mom and Dad, you're the best! But most importantly I thank the Lord for giving me the desire to serve Him and my Country.



Pamela Dawn Wise
"Pam"
Astronautical Engineering,
German minor
Altamonte Springs, FL

Mom, Dad and Paula, thanks for all your love and support. I could never have gotten this far without the help of my family and friends. I will cherish the friendships made here for a lifetime: Cindy, Kim, Will, the Bulldawgs and the Tigers (Huzzah!), Protestant Choir, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, my PRC family and especially the Women's Soccer Team (Crunchies, no hugging, recover, go Birds!) Phil. 4:13 Keep dreaming, keep believing ...

Scott Anjier Steere
Mechanical Engineering
Plano, TX

Well, it was hell every step of the way, but with all the suffering came rewards! I may not have done it the right way and it certainly wasn't the easiest way, but like Orlando said - "I did it my way! Damn them all, I did it my way!"

To my Lord, my family and friends (you know who you are!) - Thanks for keeping the faith when all my hope was gone!

Take care and best of luck Dawgs!



Robert Bruce Ybarra
"Flash"
Social Sciences
Austin, TX

I will never forget the things that I gave up for this place, because they were traded for priceless friendships and great experiences. May all that we have endured always be remembered, so that when we feel like quitting - we will still give 110%. Always keep a good attitude and stay humble, but NEVER lose your fighting spirit ... nip, nip, kill!

*Thanks to those who gave faith when spirits were low, also to my loving family and friends.
GIG'EM AIR FORCE*

Donna Leigh Vines
Management
Senatobia, MS

Thanks Mom and Dad for all of the support. I couldn't have made it without you.



Bruce Ybarra prepares to descend the wall at the 1989 Leadership Reaction Course

Craig William Way
Aeronautical Engineer
Colorado Springs, CO

Go placidly amid the noise and see
remember what peace can be found in
—Denzel

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is
of choice. It is not a thing to be waited
for, it is a thing to be achieved. —William
Pitt

A special Auntie is born on Thanksgiving
and the first of the holidays

Pamela Dawn
"Pam"
Aeronautical Engineer
German
Alamogordo, Springs

With Dal and Paula, there is
and support. Consider me
without the help of Dal and Paula
through the Foundation and
I love Dal, Dal, Paula, Dal, Paula,
Tiger, (Lizack), (Denzel), (Lizack),
and Lizack, on 10/10/10
the Women's Soccer Team
hanging around, go home!
Keep dreaming, keep dreaming!

Robert Bruce
"Bob"
Social Sciences
Austin, TX

I will never forget the time
this place, because they were
like friends and great
that we have endured since
so that when we feel like
give 100%. Always keep a
stay healthy, be happy and
great... see you all!

Thanks to those who give
were love, able to be living
GOD IS OUR FORCE



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

William Dale Hollis
"Dale"
Social Sciences
Topeka, KS



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Kenneth Oscar Field
"Ken O"
Political Science, Spanish
Grand View, ID

Learning from one's experience can be painful, but it's inevitable. Four years here was no exception. Regrets and wishes I would have acted differently will always be a part of me. Without friends, I could have never made it. To my parents I've always loved, Charlie and Ethel thanks for your understanding and concern. To everyone else who affected my life; Kristen, Sean, Morgan, thanks as well. Learn what you can and move on; you can't go back!

6 years - that's about 1/12 of my life expectancy, that's how long ago it was when I got off the bus as Basic Cadet Ken Field. Since then I've learned about sucking it up, sticking together, love, pain, hunger, pride and leadership, but more importantly, I've learned about myself and that I have a lot more I need to learn. I can't about thank everyone I should - but I will thank my Heavenly Father and Savior Jesus Christ. They make everything possible. Luv ya!

14 Cobras



Luciano Thomas Hidalgo Amutan
 "Sean, Crouton, Moo"
 Space Operations
 San Jose, CA

Hawks '89 - '90, FTN! Kobras strike twice! KYSOA, Lobster, KOOKOOKATCHOO! Nicky, UH-UNGAWA!
 LMLP, Hollis, summer '92, LMTPL, Dan, Abdou, Boner, Gonzo, Joe, Charlie, Kristen, Madj, Ray, 'Licia Thank God, best friend Ethel, even my family, AT&T, Visa, Continental... Domine, consummatum est. Never knew how strong I was until pushed to the limits of body, mind and spirit. — 1 Corinthians 13, 17 July 1991, 1993(?). Ethel, I love you.



Vincent Michael Durant
 Aeronautical Engineering
 Pekin, IL

Graduation, whoa, it's finally here! Sometimes you have to just sit back and wonder what it's all about. I know that none of us will admit that we will miss this place, but I will always remember the friends I made here. I guess we will be moving on to new and better things (just remember: FAC). Thank you Mom, Dad, Connie and the rest of my family. You were always there for me.

Darin Gregory Booth
 "D. Boo"
 Management
 Guymon, OK

The friends I've made here are irreplaceable. I thank this place for that. It was worth all the B.S. Thanks to my parents, Andy, Monte, T.J., Rhett and all the guys in 14 who were always there to make the restriction a little less restricting. I'm just glad this is over!!



David James Gonzalez
 "Gonz, Nugget"
 Management
 Plantation, FL

They say, "One day you'll look back at your time here and smile." IDIOTS! I'm gone and I'm happy. Mike, Bone - you made it almost bearable. Think pink, drives to OK, who's the new guy in the squadron? Ottis. If I could do it all over again, I'd stay home! The sky's the limit. Wait, I didn't get a UPT slot. Sir, will that be one sugar or two?

Michael Borys
 "Goose"
 Human Factors Engineering
 North Arlington, NJ

"I say what kind of future IS this?
 I thought things were supposed to improve!
 I thought the future was supposed to be better!"

— Calvin and Hobbes

Thanks to my family and friends for your support and making this as enjoyable as one could hope. I will always remember "Air Assault, Well Slung, Hoah!" and Millsy and Wolfy, the best Amigos anyone could have.Just start the car!



Michael Wayne Kram
 Mathematics
 Ozark, MO

I thank my Lord, Jesus Christ, for giving me hope throughout my life, especially during the hard times. I'm thankful for the friends he gave me through this place; Lisa, Jeff and Gary, whom I learned so much along with. I John 3:16

James Morgan Curry
 "Morgs"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Maitland, FL

The things I thought about:
 Mom, Dad, Dylan, Joee, Kaitlin, Dale, Eric, Jason, Geof, Mike, Ron, Jeff, Tim, Lise, Kerry, bubble stuff, Play-Doh, The Doors, 14,000 Things to be Happy about, "Break on through..." - Jim, "Where do these stairs go? They go up."

-G.B., "You may say I'm a dreamer" — John, "Those who cannot laugh are either blind to nature of ignorant of themselves." — Me, "Beautiful Friend, The End" - Jim, "Schwing!" — Wayne



Timothy John McDonald
 "T.J."
 Biology
 Brighton, MI

A young man asks his father what it takes to be happy. His father pauses and responds "A few friends for comradery, 9 family members for love and support and 1 God to give you the chance." Seems like that's all it takes. Surround yourself with good people, and you don't need an excuse to smile. Ski fast... safety last!



Dawn Marie Muzyk
Political Science
Princeton, NJ

Made it to this day by myself and have no regrets. I look back in time and remember how desperately I wanted to get in this place and I'm glad I didn't throw it all away when things got tough. To my very best friend Matt, I Love You. Mom, Dad, Scott - keep hanging tough, things will turn around. If it ain't hard, it ain't Guard. SEE YA!



Craig Steven Releford
"Kegger"
Bachelor of Science
Snohomish, WA

Look around and choose your own ground, for long you live and high and fly and smiles you'll give and tears you'll cry and all you touch and all you see is all your life will ever be. — Roger Waters
I would like to thank my family & friends for their support. As you all know this is a good place to be from - not at.



David Charles Myhre
"House - Boy"
Human Factors Engineering
San Antonio, TX

*"I'll give you a hundred bucks for the SV5-J and the House-boy."
Someone once told me that the best gift you can have in life is to be comfortable in your relationship with other people. I would like to thank my friends here at USAFA for helping me gain that gift.
...Hey Wobb, ask your mom to explain the "L-rule" to you sometime.*



Michael LeRoi Rodgers
"Spike"
Civil Engineering
Goose Creek, SC

In the quest for knowledge here at USAFA, these two phrases sum up the essence of Academy life. "Don't get clipped" and "Don't come up short." Thanks, but no thanks. Peace, Spike



Geoffrey C. Nieboer
Military History
South Bend, IN

To the future, the undiscovered country. For Morgs, good luck and can I please sleep with the window open now? Here's to us. The Thinker, The Fighter, The Patriot and the Emperor. "I've beaten you before..." "I recognize the stench of this one's soul." And of course one for the Weej Mon. "Can I choose Phobe again mon?" "I think I need to go rack now. But remember, Don't panic



Jeffrey Martin Seibert
"Cyborg"
Management
Winder, GA; Rome, NY

I am grateful to have been able to get through here, and to meet challenges in leadership that are wholly unavailable at any other institution. To those I have lived with in Cobra Fourteen, and to the others with whom I have worked around the Wing: I am grateful to Jesus Christ for the experiences we've shared, and I pray that you will have the privilege of getting to know Him as your Savior, Lord and Friend.



Garrett Johnson Ogdin
"G-money"
Political Science
Powell, WY

There'd be no truck drivers if it wasn't for the trucks.



Abdoulaye Seydi
"Ganjaman"
Civil Engineering
Dakar, Senegal

Rastaman live up. Bongoman Don't give up. Congoman live up. Bingyman don't give up. Keep your culture, don't be afraid of the vulture, grow your dreadlocks, don't be afraid of the wolfpack. — Bob Marley
Time to exit the hole - It has a bottom after all! Salam ...

**Joseph Engelbert
Stattmiller Jr**
"JoJo, Mingmiller"
Human Factors Engineering
San Antonio, TX

...From Hopper. Thanks Mom, Dad, Friends - You're the best. Hog tied in Mazatlan - Pelayo - Shaved Persian - Groceries/Joe's/Beach... I wasn't at Heather's! 3.4.1 - Chico's - Mrs. Downey - Dod Dogs - You're Superman!!! Beerball, New Orleans, 630 - No Helmets - Bare back or none at all... arf, arf. TERRACE. The Plumber - I'll clean your pipes for free - Your stay here will be most unpleasant. Jaeger - HERE'S TO YOU BLANKIN' OUR BLANKS!!! SEE MOODY...



Michael Richard Williams
"Batman"
Human Factors Engineering
Horseheads, NY

If I had a dollar for every day of fun that I've experienced here, I'd have about a dollar. Lemonade??? take it easy itchy... The one best lesson that USAFA teaches you is that good friends, loving family, a nice, legal off-base apartment, and a fast Harley can get you through anything...not that I'd know, of course.

Joseph George Sucich
"Sooch"
Management
Chicago, IL

"I fly, so I envy no man!"
Thanks Mom, Dad, John, Terri, Cathy and all my friends for getting me through! I'll always remember the fellas, the team and all the good times we had. Since I missed four years of my life here its time to start living. Just remember fellas Friends Always Care! — Sooch

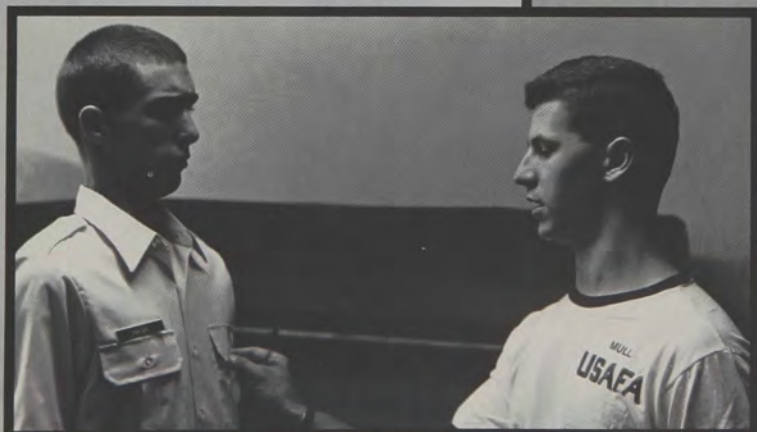


Darren Wayne Wobb
"Darren"
Political Science
Hollywood, FL

Thanks to Mom, Dad, God, and the ratio. Thanks to all my friends, we made the best out of a bad situation.

John Paul Svoboda
"Bone"
Chemistry
Lubbock, TX

To all my friends, It's about 10 'til, Buttnugget; LMLP or LMTPL, Moo; Keep your shoes on Al (KYSOA). To the Chemistry Dept: "To spend too much time on studies is sloth." — Francis Bacon
To all that go to UPT, "do one more roll for me." "Courage must come from the soul within, the man must furnish the will to win. So figure it out for yourself, my lad." — Anonymous



Kevin Hash, Class of 1993 gets his uniform inspected during a BCT SAMI by Cadet Mull.

Mike Rodgers supports the board for one of his classmates to cross the sandpit during BCT in 1989

Michael Richard Williams
"Batman"
Human Factors Engineering
Horseshoe, NY



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

Todd Andrew Ernst
"Ernie"
Political Science
San Antonio, TX

Michael Boone McNeill
"Pipes"
Basic Sciences
St. College, PA

The Academy has taught me several things. It has given me a good education, taught me the value of a supportive family, the importance and strength of good friends, but most of all, being here among this cross-section of America's youth I have learned that my height bracket is grossly misrepresented. Yeah, tall guys are cool, but I never met a short person I didn't like.

Thank you God, Mom, Dad, Jim, Bo, Kathy and Mara. I could not have done it without you. Mara Skirmants I look forward to spending a lifetime with you - you have definitely made my life a joy. J.T. and Scott thanks for all the laughs - wish you the best in all you do. God Bless and take care.

Long live Batly, Harry and the Class of '93!

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Mark Anthony Antonacci
Biology
 Hampshire, IL

Just in case you still don't know how to pronounce my name - it's (an ta*nay*see). I've learned many valuable lessons during my years here, like: "Look both ways before starting to change lanes," and "Texaco stations are nice to visit, but you don't want to spend the night at one." But most importantly, I've learned that people can make the worst times worthwhile. Special thanks to Mom, Dad, Steve and Leah, Diana, Laura and Scott, Jay, Brad, Pépe and all my friends.*



Patrick James Castle
 "Casman, Rook"
Chemistry
 Sioux Falls, SD

"After crosses and losses, men grow humbler and wiser." — Ben Franklin

Remembering the cross and Phil 4:13 strengthened me in the wake of many challenges. I did not allow the Academy to engulf me, by clinging to the never ending support of my mother and father, brothers, Skydog, C.A. Kay, Donna, Gladys, grandparents, the C.I.A. and many others. I LOVE YOU! Straight up, Bry, I wouldn't even hesitate ... Overhead? G.B.Y. I PETER 5:7



Darby Lee Benson
 "Darb"
Engineering Mechanics
 Springfield, MO

TIME, to ride around on a piece of ground in my hometown. My motorcycle is waiting for me to be released.

Graduation is not a time to congratulate accomplishments, but rather a time to be released from prison. No, I would not do it over again.

To Chris, Mark, Bill and the other fellas — hang in there, it's time to make a difference. I love you Mom.



Bryan Burnham Clark
Political Science
 Billings, MT

Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength. But let him who boast about this: that he knows and understands Me — Jeremiah

As a deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. Taste and see that the Lord is Good. — David



John Thomas Briner
 "J.T."
Social Sciences
 Sanger, TX

If I was stripped of all that I have acquired here and allowed to take only two things from USAFA, it would be the attitude and the friendships I have gained here.

"Life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it." — Charles Swindoll

Special thanks to Mom, Dad and Rich; I wouldn't have made it without you. Thanks to Kirk, D.B., Ernie, Pipes, Job and the rest who made hell a cooler place!



Phillip Vernon Franklin
 "Young One, Sweet P"
Behavioral Science
 Springfield, MA

Much thanx to Mom, Doc Frank, Michelle, Jason, Damon, the Deboises, David, Kevin. I've learned:

- 1) "A dream deferred" - "does fester like a sore"
 - 2) Always "be true to the game"
 - 3) 211 - a lot of tours
 - 4) Remember where you came from
 - 5) "Erik and Eric need to come out of the closet"
- To those I forgot - Thanx. To those I didn't forget - "Here's to you, S.M. D..." Peace - n - Serenity to all.*



Darran Richard Britton
Humanities
 Kingwood, TX

*When I heard the learn'd astronomer,
 When the proofs, the figures, were ranged in
 columns before me,
 When I was shown the charts and diagrams, to
 add, divide, and measure them,
 When I sitting heard the astronomer where he
 lectured with much applause in the lecture
 room;
 How soon unaccountable I became tired and
 sick;
 Till rising and gliding out I wander'd off by
 myself,
 In the mystical moist night - air, and from time
 to time,
 Look'd up in perfect silence at the stars. —
 Walt Whitman*



Troy Daniel Havener
General Engineering
 Cumming, IA

*I came without a clue
 They dressed me up in blue
 I worked hard as a cadet
 And what did I get
 The BEST thing is LEAVING the ZOO!
 Thanks to Ma, Pa and Tracy. But most of all -
 THANKS TO GOD! He stuck with me through
 it all!*

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth." Psalm 34:1



Joe Dawson Houk
Political Science
Fairview, OK

I would like to thank all of those who have helped me make it through these years, especially my family, the Freeds and the Shephards. I would also like to remember Phil and Grandma Lee. You two have made a tremendous impact in my life, and I will not forget you. Finally, the WarEagles. We have seen it all! I count you guys as some of my best friends. Thanks!



Kevin Wayne McCallum
"Napes"
Aeronautical Engineering
Lancaster, SC

When I read this in October 1993, I hope it feels as good to be away from the Hill as it seems like it will now. Thanks to the guys on the baseball team and in the squad, you could always make me laugh. Mom, Dad, Larry, David: You were always there. Thanks! And finally, Amy. You're the greatest thing that has ever happened to me. Strange that it happened here, isn't it?



Erik K.H. Hoxie
"Hox, E.K. - H., Hauk"
Biology - Pre - Med
Hemet, CA

Thanks Mom, Dad, Glenn, Dennis and all the other family and friends who supported me through the trials, tribulations and travesties. Yes, I am finally graduating and once again, the sky is the limit. Eric and Phil, you will always be weaker than I. Lette, to bad you weren't here for my final year. Bye Academy and thanks: Damage assessment is underway. Hasta la vista baby!



Donald Kevin McFatrige
"Fat"
Space Operations
Dallas, TX

*Two things I've learned: First, it's not what you're doing that matters, it's how much fun you have doing it. Second, if things get too stressful, take a nap. Thanks to Mom, Pop and Cathy - your love and support helped me more than you'll ever know. I'll never forget the great friends I made. The quality of friendships made here is what separates the Academy from normal schools. "If we couldn't laugh, we would all go insane." - Jimmy Buffet
Go Cowboys!*



Julie Kay King
"The Blonde One, Blondie,
Goldielocks, Jules"
Political Science
Fairmount, IN

Where do I begin? From my fellow Sea gram's smacks to Evasion Squadron '92 and all those in between, I will remember you with fond memories. Karen - three years weren't that bad: Victoria's Secret, May D & F, facials, need I go on? Most importantly - Paul my love, it only takes a minute to say, but a lifetime to show how much ...



Eric Russel Morrow
"E, Shamu, Morceli"
Political Science
Santa Monica, CA

0.73 ... what a way to start my Air Force career. I've had fun, though. Thanks to all my roommates, especially Brent and Derek. Baby Ratz, never forget where we came from. Gross out, weekends in Denver, ski trips - they made freshman year worth it. WarEagles - we've seen Bobby come and go. Let's get out there and be real leaders. "Do as I say not as I do" ... NOT! What have I accomplished at USAFA? Well, I'm a Double Centurion!! I'm outta here!



Karen Lee Lopez
"Lopes, Pez, Consuela, Vasquez"
English
San Antonio, TX

*Momma: You're my strength and my confidence
Kevin: '81 to '93 Rob: Thanks for the support. I love you - Bros. Paulette and Suzy: You were my sanity. Julie: Thanks for the memories. Tim: Reach for the stars. Most of all Daddy: I wish you could have been here - This one is for you. Finally, Jehovah: you carried me through the trials of my life - Thank you for never getting tired. I could not have made it without you.*



Michael Huynh Phan
"Chi"
Biology
Rochester, MN

*I had a lot of fun along the way, but I am glad it is all over! Thanks so much to my family for supporting me and helping me through. I love you very much. Thanks so much to Priscilla for listening to all my gripes and keeping my spirits up. To all my buddies (you know who you are), thanks for the great times here, being there for me and making every step a happy one. I love you all. - Chi
Shower the people you love with love.
-- James Taylor*



Mara Anna Skirmants
Operations Research
 Warren, MI

The Academy has made me look in the mirror and has caused me to grow up emotionally and spiritually. I became a Christian my sophomore year, through Christ I have learned forgiveness, peace and most of all love. Mom and Dad, your encouragement has been wonderful. Michael McNeill, I will love you always. Phil 4:6-7



Scott James Weber
 "Web's"
Bachelor of Science
 Chicago, IL

Thanks Mom and Dad so much for all your help and support. Now that I've finally made it, let's hear no more about my grades. To Col Shadd and the Falconers, keep 'em flyin'! Eh Hoimel, is that your buddy? Tom, Rhonda wants you! To Mark, my roomdog, thanks for your help and the good times these past three years; hippyck will always be stuck in your head. Later Bra!

Christopher Joseph Valvo
 "Boko"
Geography
 Kenmore, NY

I really never planned on being an officer but, they wouldn't let me fly with stripes. I can't say this was the best time I've ever had but, I wouldn't give it up for the world and I sure as heck wouldn't do it over again. Thanks to my family and all my friends back home and at the Academy.



Christopher Andrew Wyckoff
 "Wycks, Haristos, Hairbear"
Political Science
 Stockton, CA

*... imagine that, me workin' for you' — Tesla
 No matter how much B.S. you are submitted to here, never let it change your character or personality. Never lose yourself in the pressures you endure and believe in your dreams. Life is too short to stress. So take a shot or a pinch and relax. Thanks to my family, Gina, friends, Darb, Moose, and the rest of the fellas. Respects! M.S.S.*



Scott James Weber
"Web's"
Bachelor of Science
Chicago, IL

Thanks Mom and Dad to much for help and support.
Now that I've finally made it, let's move about my grade. To all those followers, keep on going! To those who don't, I'm sorry. To those who do, thank you very much. To those who don't, I'm sorry. To those who do, thank you very much. To those who don't, I'm sorry. To those who do, thank you very much.

Christopher Davis
Wyckoff
Wyckoff, NJ
Political Science
Socorro, NJ

... maybe that we were in a...
No matter how much I...
to have...
let it change your character...
I have...
and believe in your...
there is...
... Thanks to my...
... and the rest of the...
... 11.11



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

David Michael Benson
"Benny"
Electrical Engineering
Ocean Springs, MS



Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

Michael Gary Nelson
"Nels"
Legal Studies
Miami, FL

Well she's gone, "Hi 'yever," so are we! Thanks to Uncle Randy and Aunt Diane, "Big H" and Pop. Thanks Mo and Lo! Y'all are the greatest!! Thanks to "The Eight" (Col Vega) and all the fellas down at the 1303. Thanks, especially to "Brew," the best roommate a guy could have. Boxer Bash and Jello shots anyone? Bump? God Bless the greatest country and the Air Force on Earth!
"Night" - Two Can

"When the situation is obscure, rack."
"Fogarty taught me more than M-5." "If combat comes there are only two ways to go; suffer and win or suffer and lose. In either case you fight, and in either case you suffer ... Gen Beckel

Here's to the Chicago 7, JABS, Scooter, Don, Andy, IHDH, Irreverent "Brickas," Coast Guard, Third person identifiers, the Hawks of '93 and four years of general payment. Thanks to all! Lacy ... Tense ...!

16 Chickenhawks



Donald Victor Bohney*"Bones"***Aeronautical Engineering**
Schererville, IN

Thanks to Mom, Dad, Bump, Brownie, Jay, M.C., the Morrells and the guys at 1303. I couldn't have kept my sanity without you. In retrospect, It wasn't all bad. I wouldn't trade the friends I've made for anything.

- I've seen a lot of things, but I have not seen a lot of other things - JCM

- "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 TIM 4:7

**Joseph Cartharn III***"Joe"***Civil Engineering**
Chicago, IL

I want to thank my family, my mom and dad, and my sponsor family the Sicilianos for their love and support. I know I would not have made it without it. I want to thank all of the wonderful friends I have made here; Clint Mixon. I thank my wonderful fiancée' Elizabeth McCright. I love you dearly. I can't just go without leaving one more thought to all those that follow: put your trust in the LORD. I thank the LORD for all the blessings that I have received. Strive to be happy ... GOD Bless.

David Lee Brewer*"Bud, Brew"***Human Factors Engineering**
McComb, MS

Two roads diverged ... sometimes I think I took the wrong one! Thank you God, family, friends and Falcon Football. Benny and Bump you made it bearable. Thanks! Going from a .89 GPA to Sup's List and from scared of heights to freefall (and almost dying) didn't change me. It matured me. Now I'm living proof that "You can take the boy out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the boy."

**Jay Leon Clark****Management**

Phoenix, AZ

Acacia Boys — Only \$80 a month! Best deal I ever got. Jay, here's Wally, Juice, Gabe and Jeff. The rest of you can go — thanks for trying out. Who'd have guessed it? Birds — you guys made it all worthwhile. Thanks for everything. It's not that we didn't know the rules — we just didn't care. The greatest challenge of life is to decide what's important and disregard everything else. Life is short. Play hard.

Mark Alan Brown*"Brownie"***Aeronautical Engineering**
Otterbein, IN

Dreams ... that's what it's all about for me. Due to the unwavering support and inspiration of my family and friends, I've had the good fortune to accomplish more than I ever thought possible. Thanks Mom, Dad, Bump, Bones, the McDevitts and all of my family.

*"Days turn to minutes and minutes to memories
Life sweeps away the dreams that we have planned ... " — JCM*

**Donald Wayne Cloud***"Don"***Computer Science**
Charleston, SC

I would like to thank God, without whom I could not have made it through these four long years. To Mom and Dad, thank you for standing by me and supporting me all this time. To Scooter, Fro, Nels, G-ringer, Jabs and Dodger, thanks for all the good times and good memories. To Trish, thanks you for being there and for being my family away from home. I wish you all the best as we go our separate ways. Remember everything we have been through. (from IHDH, The Chicago Seven and Graduation) and everything we will go through.

Scott Allen Bumpus*"Bump"***Civil Engineering**
Mayfield, NY

What a long strange trip it's been! Thanks Mom and Dad for always being there for me. I love you both. Hey Brad, how 'bout a ski trip to Copper? Brownie, so much for your sweet Indiana farm boy innocence. Bones you really need to write a book. Benny and Brew, the war is over and y'all didn't win. To the 1303 Crew, let's always remember boxer bashes, CSU runs, green beer and of course Jello shots. MC, let's go to Giovanni's. And to the most beautiful girl in the world, Lori, I pledge to you my eternal love, for all the support you've always given me. I Love You.

**Stephen James Dodge***"Dodger"***Political Science**
Cincinnati, OH

*Work hard to prove that you really are among those who God has called chosen.
— 2 Peter 1:10*

Destiny is no matter of chance, it's a matter of choice. Success is not something to be waited for. it's something to be achieved. — W.J. Bryan

The horizon is filled with excitement and uncertainty ... so much to do so much to become ... the struggle had just begun. Thanks to the many family and friends who have, and will help me to Seize the Day!

Christina Anne Frisbee
"Whamo, Euthyphro"
Bachelor of Science
 Lewistown, MT

This is not the end! It is only the beginning! Thank God! As I look back, the road has been rocky and twisted. My soles are worn, but I must smile, because for every unexpected rut that tripped me there were strong hands to pick me up. Thanks Mom and Dad. It's been an education and many lessons learned, but I must say I'm ready to move on.



Scott Townsend Harbort
"Scooter"
Management
 Americus, GA

In retrospect, Clemson looks very appealing!

Thanks to God for blessing me with this experience. Thanks to Mom and Dad for your continued love and encouragement. Thanks to Don, Nels, G-ringer, Jabs, 'Phro and Pace for all the memories. IHDH! Thanks most of all to Janet - you make this experience worthwhile. I love you.

"There will come a time when you believe everything is finished. That will be the beginning." — L'Amour

James Manuel Gehringer
"G-Ringer, Jimmy G"
Chemistry
 Bloomfield, NJ

It's been a long four years of being over-worked, overtired and underpaid. But I survived with help from God, my friends and lots of black coffee. I'm not sure, but I think I even had some fun along the way. To Mom, Dad and Annie: Thanks for being the greatest family a guy could have. Dreams die hard, so I pray for the strength to make mine come true.



John Jerome Jablonski
"Jabs"
Management
 South St. Paul, MN

Well, stick a toothpick in me and pull it out dry 'cause I'm done. I'm ready to kick this overgrown kindergarten and grab the real world by the short hairs. There will always be a cold one in my fridge for all the Chickenhawks. Especially Nels and Roy, the best fat psycho roommate a dumb Pollack could ever have. IHDH with all my heart and soul.

Karen Marie Gremba
History
 West Mifflin, PA

"What lies behind us and lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

Thanks to my family and sponsors for all your love and support and Chris, you've really made this year special. A special congrats to all my NMMI, Mach 1 and HG friends. We made it!

"If you have accomplished all that you have planned for yourself, you have not planned enough" — Meggido Message



Roy Lee Johnson III
"Boywonder"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Higginsville, MO

Thanks Mom and Dad. Jabs you're my favorite Pollock. Thanks Rod for enlightening me and keeping me out of trouble. Bunster Dunster and the Boywonder. Thanks Coach Weichers for helping me to become a better person. To the Boxing Team, you all are the best. DFWU. IHDH. Good luck Fellas. Huah!

*"That which does not kill us makes us stronger" — Nietzsche
 Tough times don't last; tough people do*

Albert Guerrero
Biology
 McGregor, TX

*Thanks Mom, Dad, Kris and Victor. To Doug, my great friend for five years. Thanks for the great scenarios, inside jokes, and, of course, film theory. Kurt, I'm glad we shot presidents together. To the team: the only thing that mattered. (What's Up!) To AFA-NIET, may we all QUAL and to DSR - TKA and the fourth place DI. "Keep passing the open windows."
 — John Irving*



Matthew Walter Lacy
"Matt"
Military History
 Toms River, NJ

The lessons that count I learned on the Guard: only action counts - words mean nothing, leaders can be made, warriors MUST be made, comfort is not in the equation, weakness has no place, strength and pride go hand - in - hand, commitment is a continuous process. To those who wear the patch, past, present and the future - a salute from the heart. "You are the ones who are trained to fight. Your is the profession of arms." Slow, Nish Nels, JT, Grynch and above all Dawn - the time has come!

Michael Eric McClung

"M.C."

Political Science

Papillion, NE

Thanks to Mom and Pops "I paid my money and took my chances." the McCaas and Newberrys for being there, the Hawks of '93, the BEST, BCT 92, you think they heard us? KNG, My first true ..., the Fellas at 1303, except the ones that owe me rent \$ and to God, you da man.

"You can integrate the h ___ out of a polynomial but that doesn't do sh ___ for soldiering."
— M.C. Chung



Mark Duran Sanchez

"Paco"

Bachelor of Science

Ozona, TX

I would like to thank God, but after the Bobbitt thing, the Ac - Pro thing, the Jeannette thing and the life - in - general thing - it just wouldn't be right. Instead, I would like to thank the Deja Vu Dancers, the Crooked dealers at Cripple Creek and Gen McPeak to who I lose my girlfriend, my money and my pilot slot. About the only thing I didn't lose was my virginity. Any takers?

Clinton Alar Mixon

"Mix, Meesone"

Political Science

Baygall, GA

SJC "And the life of man, solitary, poore, nasty, brutish and short. The Passions that encline men to Peace, are Feare of Death." Hobbes The Three Rules. The three passwords. IHDH Medieval Knight, Crazy Pirate, Lonely Cowboy, Rose with Thorns, Insane Lunatic Nice Guys come in last and to all those struggling,

"If we couldn't laugh we would all go insane."
— Buffett PAH



Tyler Scott Shedd

"Big Bad Daddy from Cincinnati, Scooby"

Geography

Cincinnati, OH

All I'm saying is don't forget who you are, where you're from, what you stand for and you'll go far. I would like to thank my fellow Falcon buddies who have made the past five years very enjoyable. If you ever need me I'll be there. But I ain't gonna lie like you, Paco, you need to say something about the Leann thing. To everyone else - hit pay dirt with Kdirt!

Andrew Erle Moore

"Doc"

Biology

Brownwood, TX

Thank you God, Mom, Dad, Tim, Jenny, the rest of the family, the Rushs and all the fellas for getting me through this place. Take care and God bless. Happy flying '93! Now, turn your head and cough.



Mark Duran Sanchez
"Paco"
Bachelor of Science
Ozona, TX

I would like to thank God, but after that
thing, the Ac - Pro thing, the Academy
and the life - in general thing - (I can't
bring it out, I would like to thank
the Academy, the Cavalry, the Academy of
Chick and Gen McPeak to who I
preferred, my money and my pride in
the only thing I didn't love was my
my father!

Tyler Scott Stahl
"Big Bad Daddy from
Scotty"
Geography
Cincinnati, OH

All I've wanted is to be a
where you're from, what you eat
you'll go for. I would like to thank
Father, Mother who have had the
most very important. I would like
to thank, the Ac - Pro thing, the
Academy, the Cavalry, the Academy of
Chick and Gen McPeak to who I
preferred, my money and my pride in
the only thing I didn't love was my
my father!



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

**Lawrence Johannes
Spinetta**
"Larry"
Operations Research, Economics
Danville, CA

... Feeling good. The Academy was more than
just "Life, love and flowers." I couldn't have
made it thru without the little greasy kid Russ,
sensitive John and my "bestest buddy" Beas.
You all sure have come a long way. To my
friends, good luck. All else, FYGYL. Thanks
Mom, Dad, Peter and my good sister Anita.
Peace.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

John Kevin Lussier
"Loose"
Engineering Sciences
Mechanical Engineering
Bristol, TN

Looking good ...
"We've got to get out of this place, if it's the
last thing we ever do ..."

I want say thanks to God (Psalm 121) Mom
and Dad, family and friends (esp. Larry, Beas
and the greasy little monster) whose never
ending support helped me make it through.

"The dream is over ..." John Lennon

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Christine Grace Bailey
"Bails, Rook"
Aerospace Physiology
Antioch, TN

"Jesus led me all the way."

Mom, Dad, Sis - your love and support means more than you'll ever know. Boom, my big little sister, the best friend I've ever had. Remember Ecc 10:10 and March 6th I love you and miss you already. Winky, Slim, Mitch, Chuck, Schmoo, Numby, Scooter etc. - ladies you made it fun. Don't become intercollegiate blows! Hey Andrea, that's a joke.



Richard Scott Frisius
"Friz"
Electrical Engineering
Holden, MA

I could be sleeping, but I'm staying up to write this blurb instead ...
Mom and Dad - thanks for all the support in the good times and bad. Thanks to all my friends for sticking with me in spite of all my liberal minded philosophizing.
"Life is just a candle, and the dream must give it flame." — Rush
"Eyes that sparkle with joy need no make up."
— Fortune cookie. Some day I'll find them.

It was a long four years and I learned a lot, especially about myself. Was it worth it? Ask me in another four years.

Steven Matthew Beasley
"Beas"
Biology
Marietta, GA

Looking good ... This place, as much as I hate to admit it, has had its effect on me, but it has brought me many great friends along the way. Thanks Mom, Dad and Dave for your support - I could have never made it without you. To Nicole, I can finally say the wait is over. Finally, to those who didn't know me - don't mess with my food.



Timothy Todd Alan Gillespie
"Tim"
Aeronautical Engineering
Fenton, MI

Cease to resist
Giving my good-bye
Driving my car into the ocean
You think I'm dead
but I sail away on a Wave of Mutilation ... — Pixies

The word of the day is steatopygic. Yeah ... whatever.

Matthew Paul Benivegna
"Benny"
Civil Engineering
Brighton, MI

Well, our rings aren't worth anything, most of us won't go to UPT and worst of all the Sports Bar raised prices ... but at least we have our health!! To the fellas at ZRFC - a loud wwaahoooo, SCA? who needs it, never perpetrate as a perpetrator refugee in the back of a bun track. Oscars was fun ... while it lasted and no more boxer nights at Johny's of KU Stop Out is where it is at!!! SD&RR ... CDM ... and the Shmoo Rules! Benny



Noah Himes Greene
"Himes"
Mathematical Science
Philadelphia, PA

"Turn everything red and the dream is complete, with the sound of your world, going up in fire, it's a perfect day to throw back your head and kiss it all good-bye." — The Cure

"Wish You Were Here." — Pink Floyd

David Brooks Dunn Jr
Electrical Engineering
Port Huron, MI

Thanks to my parents for getting me in, my friends for getting me through, Al and Rob for keeping me in touch and my instructors for passing me even though I can't read.

"But remember Sicily. And this is key, it's not the thing you fling; it's the fling itself" — Chris in the morning.

Yeah, whatever. NIS.



Andrew Frank Johns III
"AJ"
Management
Smyrna, TN

I always wanted to come here, ... so I left after my first two years. I had fun, but came back. I've seen a lot of good friends leave, some this past graduation and some got bootied. Friends get you through this place. Thanks Mom, Dad, Jamie, Sandi and all my good friends. I couldn't have done it without you. LONG LIVE BOB'S UNDERGROUND!!!

William Ransom Jones
Civil Engineering
Murfreesboro, TN

I can not share your laughter, ship of fools. To Smitty, Russ and the rest of the filth, keep the faith, 630 lives forever. To my family, thanks for seeing me through. To Jim, it's been a long five years. And to the ZRFC, keep on driving them wheelbarrows. I don't know maybe it was the roses.



Mark Keoki Moody
"Moods, Foody"
Bio-Nuclear Aerospace Physics
Makakilo, HI

*From Statmiller
It sucked! Thanks to God, family, friends JoJo, Hop, Doug, Cates... Cancun- "She's...jokin'"," What's this Mud? Fat Foody's; Mrs. Statmiller, Melons, Hairgrowers, Brisas, Brown Cow... Horseshoe; Follow me guys. Free Maxima Speed Back. 40°. Dunnster's Lawn. Restriction? -Xcellent Deadbeat, Lollapalooza, C.H., 13 Days, Aescept the Schallenge! Louis Surfer." But it feels so good!" Prove it: Blame Hop. Bus Ride. Hairball! "Here's what we'll say" LA or BUST.*

Christopher Goodwin Kilbane
"Killer"
Biology
Newbury Park, CA

Behind the bars of the Stalag developed friendships that will last a lifetime. Escaping to 1303 kept life in perspective. What I learned in four years is to never give up your values and to stand up for what you believe in, no matter what the cost ... thanks RMP.



Deborah Ann Parlin
"Debbie, Deb"
Biology
Farmington, ME

"When it all comes down ... if there's anything good that happens in life, it's from Jesus."

I want to thank God, Mom, Dad and Sue for helping me to keep a good attitude for my four years here. Last but not least, Thank you Tom! Your support has helped me through it all. I love you! For all of my friends still at Camp USAFA — Keep smiling! Boooo!

Kyle Henry Kost
American History
Catskill, NY

"Know my son, with how little wisdom the world is governed." — Gustavus Adolphus

"{Folly} is acting according to wish while not allowing oneself to be deflected by the facts." — Barbara Tuchman

If only some at USAFA would read more history. I'm glad I didn't ever buy the party line. Thanks to friends and family who supported me and never let me forget who I truly am.



Bruce E.M. Porter
"Porterho Juice Bruce"
Bachelor of Science
Colorado Springs, CO

I thank God for my irrepressible sense of humor. Thanks Ma for teaching me that in life, sometimes you've just got to play the game. Ma, Mr. and Mrs. Sage, Linda I owe you the world. Capt Mullis, Maj Hogan, your motivation and dedication were phenomenal. Thanks! Mixed in with all the strife I had some great times: South Padre, Baja, San Francisco Beer Festival and friends that made the stay worthwhile. Stalag "We're not alcoholics, we're drunks. Alcoholics go to meetings." Work hard, play hard, stay hard! USAFA Prep '89 PRO 5/8. It's been real. PEACE!

Andrea Lynn Miller
Mathematics
Pueblo, CO

I've grown up a lot here. I've learned to trust in people, in myself but most of all in God. I thank my family for all their support. I would never have made it without them. To my roommate Chris, thanks for putting up with me and "Hey, I don't get it!" To the rest of my friends, your friendships have meant the world to me and will last a lifetime.



Nicolas Ramos Jr
Nico, Nick, Nikoli
Social Sciences
San Isidro, TX

"I've served my sentence, but committed no crime." — Queen

That pretty much tells it all about USAFA. I have no regrets to voice out. I'm only grateful that I survived. Stalag helped me out. But the greatest inspiration came from my family. Mama y Papa, gracias por todo el apollo. Ustedes me enseñaron como luchar. Norma, Ed and Abel thanks for pushing me I needed it. Finally I love you Mayra. Here's to the future the stars hold. Viva La Raza!!! Scherz, Killer, Stu, Rans - Adios!

Walter Heinrich Reiss III
 "Walt"
Engineering Mechanics
 Seaford, DE

It takes the strength of friends and family as well as the ability to take a step back from the grind and watch the seasons change on the mountainside to survive four years here. I want to thank my parents and Heidi for their constant love and support through good times and bad. I also thank Jen for giving my life direction as we plan our days together.



Gregory John Spicka
Astronautical Engineering
 Loveland, CO

Thanks to my family and friends. I couldn't have made it without you. Psalm 107. Go Notre Dame ...

Stephen Charles Scherzer
 "Steve, Schrez"
European History
 Toledo, OH

*My family got me in, my friends got me out. Thanks Mom and Dad, La and KJ - I love you all. I will always remember the two-fister, the Mexican, Himes, Dave, we made it and they can't take that back.
 "This above all: To thine own self be true ..."
 Shakespeare*

*The child is grown
 The dream is gone
 and I have become
 Comfortably numb." — Pink Floyd, The Wall*



Brian Richard Stuart
 "Stu"
Economics
 Cincinnati, OH

R- I fought hard not to let this place change my beliefs and who I really am. Always help out your friends and never compromise your values. Mom and Dad - you're the greatest. Without the Nunya's crew, I would have lost my sanity. Also, thanks to coaches and team, it was worth it. Killer, do you need some new tires?

Michael Thomas Sheredy
 "L.O.A., Mitch"
Civil Engineering
 Binghamton, NY

"The call" is only heard by a select few, and answered by even fewer. My hat's off to my mentor - Beth. What will I do without you? Special thanks to the Moron Triplets for making life possible here. As for everyone else, thanks for the lessons learned (BCT, OPS, C/O '94, '95 and '96 as smacks) and all the memories. By the way, I'm adding another ego stone to my class ring. The glory is in His name.



Russell Francis Teehan
 "Schweepee"
Physics
 Braintree, MA

Thanks to all the 630/611 boys for keeping me sane and not letting them change me. Thanks Dunc and Marty for a home away from home. Everybody makes it Dopey. I'm not sleeping with him, Dutton's car, giving own nicknames, all-nighters, soft-serve. Dré, D-Rich ... EU. PC ... practice for Europe. New Orleans ... Reggie. I hope I've pulled my last all-nighter.

Timothy Maxwell Smith
Bachelor of Science
 Dillingham, AK

Well I guess it's over finally. They took all of our unalienable rights away, then gave them back one at a time which they called privileges. The things they couldn't take were the friends and the good times. Go Notre Dame ... Thanks Dad and Mom.



Class members of 1003 take a break during Air Base Ground Defense training.

Gregory John Spick
Astronautical Engineer
Loveland, CO

Thanks to my family and friends
I have made it without you John
I love you.



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Paul John Cover
Engineering Sciences -
Mechanical Engineering
Redlands CA

*I came to fly, but stayed for other reasons, some still unknown to me. Thanks Dad for encouraging me (the third time's a charm), Mom for the support (do I have to pay for my own phone card now?), Michelle, Denise and Sean for listening to the constant complaining (I really did think I would be on Ac - Pro)
- Job you have implied consent to use my underwear, but please don't ever use my toothbrush!
- Remember, Margaritaville is anywhere you want it to be baby!
- Lastly, the fat lady's singing and I'm outta here lookin' for a thin one!!*



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Douglas Edward Pritchard
"Dep"
Political Science
Worthington, OH

*- This place has taught me everything,
For now I know that I know nothing.*

*- I thank God for his patience, love and mercy,
Brian and OJ for true friendship,
And all the guys in the squad for all the fun*

*- Now let's go see if the grass really is greener
on the other side.
- P.S. "He was a good man."*

18 Nightriders



Brian Richard...
Economics
Carmel, IN

I thought here we're in a...
my high school and who I had to...
and your friends and were...
wishes. Here and I...
Without the...
my family...
it was worth it. Like in...
me!!

Russell Francis...
"Schwee"
Physics
Brazoria, TX

Thanks to all the...
and not letting them...
Dad and Mom for a...
Everybody makes it...
with him. Dad's...
all-nighters, soft...
the...
PC... practice for...
New Orleans...
I hope I've pulled my...
last day!!

Class...
break during...
training

Tammy Michelle Carlgren
 "T"
 Behavioral Science
 Grand Island, NE

Thanks Mom, Ed, Grandma and Grandpa for your support, love and prayers. Thanks to God for answering them. Buffy, here's to the times that should've been. Sarah - thanks for being there for me, and for shutting the windows. To my sponsors, friends and family - thanks for everything. To the team - keep believing and keep dancing!! Most of all, John, I will always believe in Orion and Fairy tales ... muchas and muchas.



Brian Wesley Gienapp
 Engineering Sciences
 Chippewa Falls, WI

I entered here with my eyes set on the stars, I leave realizing no star is brighter than the knowing eyes of a friend.

Barry Glen Coggins
 "MCD, Cobbler"
 Engineering Mechanics
 Columbus, MS

If you're gonna walk on the edge, you might as well run. If that gets boring, pull low. The ground rush will do the rest. Thanks Mom and Dad, Ryan and Teresa, and the Blue Magnet Lounge. "Reality Check Required At The Door!" To the Team - we toast our hearty comrades with whom we've fallen through the skies ...



Marc Thomas Holloway
 "Shifty, Hollow"
 Economics
 Haddon Heights, NJ

"The Academy Experience?" - "To make you so well rounded, you're pointless." Yes, it was nice to be an Econ major - time for bed! I don't know who's worse, John Elway or the average Texan. Oh well, as long as the Eagles win the Superbowl. Ice skating anyone? Thanks for all the memories Stephanie and all my friends in Horny 18, I'll never forget you. I love you Mom and Dad, thanks for all the support (and \$). F&I 'till I die!!

Matthew David Conlan
 "Stick"
 Economics
 Daytona Beach, FL

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7. Yeah, but would I do it again. Who cares, I don't have to! The only way to keep your sanity is to lose it from time to time. Thanks guys, you kept me sane, except Vince, for you the word bizarre comes to mind. To all the Nightriders, thanks it's been great. Horny - 18 forever!



Dwayne Apisa LaHaye
 "Paco"
 Social Science
 Baton Rouge, LA

"Choose to chance the rapids and dare to dance the tide." — GB

To my parents who will always love me no matter what, I appreciate everything. To the fellas - my angels, my devils, I never would of had so much fun getting in trouble without y'all. Those summer nights, Schwing Breaks, and "ski" weekends are gold. Hindsight is always 20/20 but only the good die young. Laissez les bon temps rouler!" EU ...

Eric Paul DeLange
 "Delerious"
 Operations Research
 West Hills, CA

My gratitude to God for getting me through will not be expressed in what I say, but in the way I lead my life. Thanks Mom and Dad for the unwavering love and support. I would like to tell the Adventure Club that the Adventure has only just begun and to the Nightriders of '93, thanks for adopting me. Is the gummy bear still on the fan, Mike? 2 Nephi 25:26



David Ray Leonelli
 "Fozzie"
 Engineering Sciences
 (Mechanical Engineering)
 Tooele, UT

If all I got out of this place was friends then it was worth it. F&O til I go.

Brice Warren Middleton
 Political Science
 Pearland, TX



Job Wilson Price
 Behavioral Science
 Pottstown, PA

Thanks Mom, Dad, Grammy and Bronwyn for believing in me. Without your love and support I wouldn't have made it. Paul, thanks for everything, especially the toothbrush!

Words of wisdom for those still enjoying the USAFA experience:
 The race does not always go to the swiftest, but to the one who keeps running.
 Success is getting up one more time than you fall down.

Tyler Kennedy Moore
 "Tik, Ty, Teek"
 Latin American Area Studies
 Spokane, WA



Robert Crawford Ricks
 Management
 Duncanville, TX

"Life is no brief candle to me. It is a sort of a splendid torch that I have got hold of for a moment." —George Bernard Shaw

"Success isn't a destination, it's a journey. You'll find successes in many things along your way. If you only find success at the end of the road - it's too late - the journey's over. Enjoy all of your successes right now, today and tomorrow" — Unknown

**Ronson Oshiro Elesarke
 Nguyen**
 "Gwitch"
 Electrical Engineering
 Honolulu, HI



Horatio Lamar Rodgers
 "Rick"
 Legal Studies
 Houston, TX

I would like to thank the Almighty God for giving me the wisdom, patience and strength to make it. Thanks to my family- Mom, Dad, Courtney, Dwight II and Jason; for without them there would be no more me. Xtra special thanks to my brother Juan Silva USNA C/O 93. We made it!! Peace to D. Banks, you'll never be forgotten.
 To BUC ... stay BUC
 To all others good luck!!

First of all I would like to thank my family for all the love and support. To the guys in 18, thanks for all the fun times and the general craziness that keeps us all sane. By the way, when I said "guys" I meant it in a generic and non-gender-specific sense and hopefully I didn't offend anyone. Finally to all the PTWOBS, Blue Skies!

"I spent four years prostrate to the higher mind, got my paper and I was free."
 — indigo girls

Erik Martin Olness
 "E"
 Civil Engineering
 Morris, MN



Sarah Jane M. Saxer
 "Maude, Bird"
 Humanities
 St. Charles, IL

I love you Mom and Dad - You can stop worrying now. Thanks MC, Becky, Sloane, Jay, Jack, Tammy and Nightrider friends. Good luck drivers! (Rebecca - 11th dive?) Big ADA for Kevin.

Thanks to my family, Earl and Sarah T., and Clark— You've taught more about life than I could ever learn in some boring classroom. Patience is the key to keeping your sanity here. That and a quick sense of humor. I've learned so much here I can't remember 90% of it.

Vincent Joseph Sei

"Opus"

Aeronautical Engineering
Albuquerque, NM

A hundred times everyday, I remind myself that my inner and outer life depend in the labors of other men, living and dead and that I must exert myself in order to give in the same measure as I have received and am still receiving. — Albert Einstein

Thanks Mom and Dad. To all Snoopy Troopers, past and present God's speed. Matt we made it!



Hassan Aziz Siddiqui

"Huss"

Engineering Sciences - Mechanical
Jones, OK

I thank God for his infinite love and guidance, Mom and Dad for always being there, and my friends for making this place as enjoyable as possible. Remember to never lose sight of the big picture.

"I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who has sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned, he has crossed over from death to life." John 5:24

William Spyro Speros

"Wispy"

Engineering Sciences
Erie, PA

Thank you... To B-Bo, T.K., Dingle, Mar-Mar, Old Man, Dep, Crawford, Delirious, my brother Olaf, Marc, Napper, Fozzie and Sid for both the laughter and the tears. To J, for being there across the miles and years. To the Zoomies, from Daffy Duck, for teaching me what kind of day Friday is. And to Mommy and Polly, the greatest family in history. I love you.



Travis Wayne Tucker

"Tuck, Trav, Tucker"

Middle East Area Studies
Tulsa, OK

Nightriders remember this: As it is written. There is none righteous, no not one. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin, so death passed upon all men for all that have sinned. The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Michael David Young

"Youngster"

Military History
Atlanta, GA

I still don't know why I came here ... But, I wouldn't have made it without Dad, Mom, Chris and the Boys: Wisp, TK, Boachie, Mike and Eric. You all helped me keep my sanity throughout all of the broken chairs, doors and windows. Shoe - we should have run to the BUFF and back. 18 - take care, and for God's sake, "Be Horny." Joanne - let's go start our life together.



William Speros gives the thumbs up confirming that his mask is clear.

Hassan Aziz Siddiqui
"Hass"
Engineering Sciences -
Mechanical
Jones, OK

I thank God for his infinite love and grace
blessing me and Chad for always being there,
friends for making this place as enjoyable
as possible. Remember to never lose sight
of your prayers.

"I had you the truth, whether I believe
and believe that you had sent me to be
with you and will be considered, to be
near you in death is all." John 13:36

Francis Wayne Tucker
"Frank, Tom, Tucker"
Middle East Area Studies
Tulsa, OK

My prayers remember that it is in
the name of Jesus that we live,
and come from the Father,
God. Therefore, as to me and to
the world, and death to me,
I am not afraid for all that I have
because I know that I have the
witness of one who has died, but
is now alive through Jesus Christ.



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

Scott Michael Knaub
Electrical Engineering
Yorkville, IL

Thanks Mom, Dad, Lisa and Pete for all your support. You made the most difficult times that much more bearable. To those in 19, thanks for all the good times and showing me that there is much more to life than hard work. Finally, thank you God for giving me the ability and strength to survive this place, but most of all, for just being there ...



Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

Charles Duke Motsinger
"Motts"
Biochemistry
Dallas, TX

I would like to use a quote from my role model Major Clark, "Blah, Blah, Blah, Blah, Bad Cadet. Blah, Blah, Blah, Blah, 20-20 and 1. Blah, Blah, Blah, you'll never get your car out of the impound lot. Blah, Blah, Blah, cut your hair and your sideburns. Blah, Blah, Blah, Blah, late graduation, Blah, Blah, Blah, Blah."

19 Wolverine



Michael Addison Blazes
"Mike"
Engineering Mechanics
Dallas, PA

Worked hard, played hard. Missed a lot, learned a lot. Mom, Dad, Dave, Chris, knew I could when I lost hope. Gim'me some bumps at Telluride, Jimmy Buffett, if only they knew. Drink a brew. This is going to make a great movie someday.



David John Douglas
"DDoug"
Social Sciences
Rowlett, TX

I thank God first. Everything I'm blessed with is from God above. Thanks to Mom, Dad and Nathan for always being there for me. Thanks to my friends in CS-19 and on the team; they will always be close to my heart. If I had a choice, I'd do it all over again. GO COWBOYS!!

"Run in such a way as to get the prize." (1 Co 9:24)

Emille Marcus Bryant
"E, Ishmael"
Bachelor of Science
Portland, OR

*Mom: I love you, thanks is a heinous understatement
Pat: I'm moving now, thanks "everyday"
Dad: You have been there for me, I love you Nana and Papa: You are my heroes
Brother unite in the cause or ...
Thanks Brothers, my back is/was got! I'm out, stay black, As-Salaam,-Alaikum, Matthew 7:1-5 (read it)
"I'm not Kurt Gowdy, but I'm Audi Sayonara!"
— Das Efx*



Frank Joseph Fleitas Jr
"Pig"
Bachelor of Science
San Antonio, TX

Thanks, Dad, Mom, Shannon, Kate, Amy, Cliff and Anne. Y'all stuck with me through it all. Thanks Charlie for putting up with me all of the Camels. Thanks to the PIGS, Word! Thanks to GM for my Vette. Thanks to my lawyers for helping me out. Thanks Shifty for not busting me for dragging. Thanks to those who showed me what an officer shouldn't be. Thank God I'm outta here!

Vo Gia Cheng
"Sandman, The EVIL Dr. Chang"
Chemistry, Chinese - minor
La Puente, CA

*"...gazing up at the dark sky spangled with its signs of and stars, for the first time, the first, I laid my heart open to the benign indifference of the universe. To feel it so like myself, indeed, so brotherly, made me realize that I'd been happy, and that I was happy still"
— The Stranger, Albert Camus*

Be careful what you wish for, it might come true. Don't worry be happy.



Theresa Lynn Hoeft
"Terri"
Operations Research
Moorhead, MN

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; from where shall my help come? My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth ...

Faith, friends and family helped me through; Mom was my guardian angel and David gave my life new meaning. Thank you and I love you.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want ...

Kieran Thomas Denehan
"Pops, Kiki"
Military History, Spanish
New York, NY

II Tim 4:7. Tammy and Boogs, Poppa loves you. Mom and Dad, thanks for six years of support. Adios, Playboys. Almighty Father, thanks for getting me through. CW-SMD. To all the blue ribbon winners here at the dog and pony show, "I will turn your face to alabaster, then you'll find your servant is your master." Now it's time to get off the porch and run with the big dogs.



William Douglas Jeffrey
"Biscuit"
Military History
Sheridan, AR

I got what I wanted out of this place, but it was like pulling teeth through my - well you know. Now, good grief, how things are different than in June 1989. But all the old rules are off. It's a wide open world. No promises, no guarantees. Mark your mark! LET'S GO!

Success is never final, failure is never fatal - IT'S COURAGE THAT COUNTS!"

Glen Alan Kading
 "Maddog"
Electrical Engineering
 Bennington, NE

When times are tough, you have to look at what you have and will accomplish to justify being here. If that doesn't work, you just have to laugh and hope for that Publisher's Clearinghouse Sweepstakes to come through.



Dayton Odell Nooner III
 "Glunk, Baby Huey, Swamp Kitty"
Electrical Engineering, German
 Shreveport, LA

Thanks to my family, friends and my main man upstairs for getting me through these past four years. I couldn't have made it without you all. To the Playboy gang, thanks for good friendship, good times and the millions of nicknames you've given me. I'll never forget you fellas.



A bit of advice, "Sometimes you've just got to sit back, relax, laugh, and take life for one big practical joke." USAFA, maybe?

Anthony Sean Martinez
 Economics, Spanish minor
 Antonito, CO

I thank God for my family, friends and the opportunity to succeed in life. I will serve my country well and never forget what the Academy has taught me - "Success is a journey not a destination." For me, coming to the Academy accomplished a life-long dream. But, it's been much more than that... It's been my first real challenge - my first real success. God willing, there'll be many more. (Phillipians 4:13)



Stacey Lynn Oswald
 "Stace"
Civil Engineering
 Grafton, WI

I can't believe it! The nightmare is almost over. Good-bye hypocrisy, good-bye stupid rules. Hello freedom! Thank you Matt for making the last two year bearable, I love you. Thanks Mom and Dad for getting me through the first two years. Thanks to God most of all, who gets me thru each day.

I dedicate the last four years of my life to my dearly departed father USAF Retired MSgt Arturo R. Martinez

Patrick Erin McGlade
 "Pat, Stealth"
Middle East Area Studies
 Spokane, WA

Thanks to Mom and Dad and my family. To the guys on the team, thanks for the memories. Thanks to everybody else who has helped me through. Remember - "These are not alabaster cities untouched by Human tears." — H. Ross Perot



Mike Eddie Rice
 "Vanilla Bilbo Nappy"
Engineering Science
 Steamboat Springs, CO

Sandals, Tie Dyes, Jimmy Buffet and brew. A man's gotta have priorities.

Robert Joseph Morris
 "Mo"
Management
 Omaha, NE

People say life's a journey. But I'm tired of wasting my precious time in transit! I say, if you want to find out where the road goes, get in the fast land and hit the gas! — Calvin



Eric Matthew Ritter
 "Tex, Bitter"
Chemistry
 Barboursville, WV

It was bad and good, there were fun times and sadness, but like everything else, this too has passed. Thanks to all the family and friends that have helped me make it through. Never be too serious, and when in doubt, drink a BREW!

Thanks to God, my family and the fellas, fly straight and true, good-bye T all always love you.

James Ray Sayres III
"Jimmy"
Bachelor of Science
Elkins, WV

It's great to finally be getting on with my life. If you stay in one place too long ... you don't go anywhere. While at the Academy, I've made some of the best friends I'll ever have and I'll never forget them. Thanks to my family and friends (especially Mom) for always being there, but most importantly, thanks to God. If it weren't for you I could never have made it. James 1:12



Charles William Wahl
"Twinkie"
Human Factors Engineering
Phoenix, AZ

I want to thank the Lord, my family and my friends for helping me survive. To Frank, my roomie Pig, we made it and we had fun. To Dale, thanks pal we graduated! To Jodee, I love you bud, thanks for always being there for me. To all my golfin' buds, take it deep and always remember, THINK TEAM! I love all y'all and I won't forget you.



Kiley Franklin Stinson
"Churchmouse"
Biology, Spanish
Erin, TN

"Life's a dance you learn as you go. Sometimes you lead and sometimes you follow."

You have to "choose to chance the rapids and dare to dance the tide ... there's bound to be rough waters and I know I'll take some falls, but with the good Lord as my captain I can make it through them all." — Garth Brooks

Thanks to everyone, especially the Lord, who helped me through USAFA.



Scott Arthur Wood
"Woody"
Political Science
Valle Vista, CA

Thank you Lord for always picking me up when I have fallen. Thanks Mom, Dad, Angie, Holly, Nooks, Scott, Pat and the rest of the guys of Playboy 19 (Here's hoping we all fall victim to the other side). Hopefully we will look back on Camp USAFA and say "Oh yes. It's very nice, but why did we have to take ENGR 410."



Darrell James Vanas
"D.J., Papoose"
Management
Biloxi, MS

I was always consistent when it came to school. Never above a 2.5 - that was my rule. I rolled with the punches, yet took quite a few. Now I say farewell to the infamous Zoo.

Laugh in the face of danger and never fear another. You only die once. I owe the world to my mom, dad, Kim, the Hornyaks and my friends who kept lying me so I'd stay.



Chad Phillip Wyatt
Civil Engineering
New Knoxville, OH

Thank you Lord for getting me through this place and for giving me the greatest parents and sister in the world. I love you. I couldn't have done it without you. And thanks to all of my family and friends who believed in and supported me. What a friend we have in Jesus! Matthew 16:24-25



Andra Leigh Van Poppel
Aeronautical Engineering
Hays, KS

Thanks to all my friends, especially Chris and Chuck, to the Echols for opening their home to me and finally to my family and Tom for their continual love and support. I couldn't have made it without you!

"Day turn to minutes, minutes to memories. Life sweeps away the dreams we have planned You are young and you are the future so suck it up, tough it out, and be the best you can."



Mealtime at Mitchell Hall, 1989 Basics relearn how to eat, only this time it's according to the Academy's rules.

Charles William Hall
"Twinkie"
Human Factors Engineering
Phoenix, AZ

I want to thank the Lord, my family and friends for helping me survive. In the summer of '93, we made it and we had a little. Thanks for all the good times. I love you and thank you for always being there. I'll always remember YOU! I'll always remember YOU! I'll always remember YOU! I'll always remember YOU!

Scott Arthur Wain
"Wain"
Political Science
Vale, Va. CA

Thank you Lord for always being there when I need you. Thank you Lord for always being there when I need you. Thank you Lord for always being there when I need you. Thank you Lord for always being there when I need you. Thank you Lord for always being there when I need you.

Chad Philip Frost
Civil Engineering
New Knoxville, OH

Thank you Lord for getting me to this place and for giving me the great and color in the world. I love all I have done without you. I thank my family and friends who have supported me. Please contact me at Matthew 16:24-27



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Joseph Curtis Thomas
Civil Engineering
Perry, GA

Well, I can't believe I'm finally out of here! I never would have made it if it weren't for the support of my family. I owe them everything. Oaf, Boo, Little Stevie, Zerks, Cold Cheese, Mom, Skeezer - thanks for all the good times. To all the Trolls past and present - When the gray hair sets in and your wife just had her second hip extension, come on in for some of Mrs. T's neckbones! (Mrs. Moore can come too!)



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Stephanie Ann Jarl
"Steph"
International Affairs,
Russian minor
Morro Bay, CA

USAFA has been ... #&!@??%!# ... ! That's the only way to describe it. I guess I could say living up my own expectations was the toughest battle and it sure is funny how things never quite turn out the way you expect, but then it always gets better!! Thanks Mom, Grams, Patty (3rd times a charmer). I'm so lucky to have you. To JB and Vern, an unbeatable team!!*

20 Trolls



Christopher Hamilton Baker
 "Bake"
 Bachelor of Science
 Colorado Springs, CO

If you want to test a man's strength give him adversity. If you want to test a man's character give him power! ... So many fail. "I got by with a lot of help from my friends!" Strength in numbers. The fellas forever.



Todd Alayyan Brooks
 "Bozack"
 Civil Engineering
 Oakland, CA

Growing up in the world, I've learned that you're born either a punk or a player. Being at the Academy I've learned how to play with the punks. Proper respects go out to Mom, Dad, Scott, Marc, all my relatives, KAM, and all of my partners. Each of you fools who think you're one of my partners ... LATE. RIP Grandpa Martin, Grandma Brooks and Aunt Judie. I'm ghost.

Robert Shawn Barker
 "Rob"
 Engineering Mechanics
 Noblesville, IN

I followed God here trying to "count all the things but loss." It hasn't been easy and it seems to have cost plenty, but I trust Him to "complete the good work he began in me" seventeen years ago when I accepted Christ as my savior. I wouldn't be where I am without God and the support of my amazing family. It wouldn't have seemed worth it without the friendships I've made here.



Christopher Paul Chaplin
 "Chappy"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Overland Park, KS

"Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in LORD will renew their strength." — Isaiah 40:29-30

This place has often made me weary. I wouldn't have made it without God. I thank Him for my family, friends and Intersarsity. I wish it could have been more fun, but you know it has to be hard, "Everyday, every damn day!"

Troy Lee Born
 "Swiss"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Woodland Park, CO

First and foremost I would like to thank my family - Mom, Dad, Scot and Beth. Without your support I would have never made it, your love, caring and advice along the way made this possible. To my other brothers - Sean and Paco, thanks for everything. The bachelor pad still hasn't been "broken in." Remember Syuk posers never win! Respects to the fellas



Konrad S. Cote
 Bachelor of Science
 Mission Viejo, CA

The Academy turned out to be a roller coaster full of highs and lows. I'm glad the ride is over. Thanks to a very supportive family and friends - thanks for being there.

"He will keep in perfect peace, all those who trust Him" — Isiah 26:2 which is God's way of saying don't sell yourself short because He's standing right behind you. Good luck, '93.

Robert Charles Brogan
 "Bob, Brogs"
 Human Factors Engineering
 Marshall, WI

The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child. I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Thanks to the good Lord for carrying me through the rough times, my family for their support, and my friends for the great memories. To the Team — Blue Skies ... safety! PTWOB # 043



Ralph Andrew Gordon
 "Flash"
 Human Factors Engineering
 Pittsburgh, CA

"In order to live free and happily, you must sacrifice boredom. It is not always and Easy choice." — Richard Bach

Thanks Mom and Dad for all the love. Good luck Tony, you'll make it. To Chuck, Bill, Eric and all the other true friends: "When the going gets tough ... I quit!"

Stephen Grace
Civil Engineering
Longmeadow, MA

Thanks Jim and Jack for keeping it interesting.

It always seemed like I had 150 things to worry about, but I guess I always had 151 to calm me down. When I came here, I don't know if my goal was ever clear, but now I think it is. This place might have given me all the tolerance I'll ever need, but I'll need some more proof to be sure.



David Hall Johnson
"Clue"
General Engineering -
Aeronautical
Oxford, NC

I will instruct you (says the Lord) and guide you along the best pathway for your life; I will advise you and watch your progress. PSALMS 32:8

You never know what Jesus will do with your life, especially if you want to be a pilot! Thanks Mom and Dad, Paul, and the team ...

Blue Skies ...

Timothy James Hens
"Chubbs"
Civil Engineering
Hamburg, NY

"It was always us against the system, that which steals the human spirit." - Bodhi Zafra

Like I always said, "if you're walking on thin ice you might as well dance." The fellas and ruggers could possibly be the best dancers I know! Just friends - Quack!

"I love the friends I have gathered together on this thin raft ... we have built pyramids in honor of our escape." — Jim Morrison



Yong Syuk Kim
"Syuk"
Social Sciences
Alexandria, VA

To my family: You are the ones that made this possible.

To my late grandmother: This graduation was dedicated to your memory.

To the manic depressant, the little Mexican love god, the cheesy one and the roomie: Remember to spell it with a "Z" and not an "S" because to Poze is live and to Pose is to fake.

"Livers" don't fake and fakers don't live.

Stephen Lowell Hodge
"Lamont, Cochise"
Humanities
Ft. Walton Beach, FL

Those I was fortunate enough to call friends made this hiatus in Life worth it. It took some serious searching at times to find beauty in the sludge; the friends had on the hip waders. I thank my parents, family and friends who may never know how much they have done. YAAAAAAA HOOOOOO!



Mary Lee Lester
"Mo, Mama Nav"
General Engineering, French
minor
Lafayette, CA

"The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet." — Aristotle
I can't say I enjoyed the last four years but I did learn a lot, about myself and others. I'm thankful for the unique opportunities and especially for the friends who helped me make it through. Thanks to the 50th for getting me out every few weeks.

"Gonna stand my ground, won't be turned around and I'll keep this world from draggin' me down." — Tom Petty

Joseph Haner Imwalle
"Joe"
Basics Sciences
Auburn, CA

The Air Force Academy supports the old adage, "You can't get something from nothing." The education may be free, but it's paid for with blood, sweat and tears. Thanks to all the people in my life who supported me throughout my four years here and my one year pseudo-Stop-Out. A very special thanks to my parents and sponsors for being there during the good times and the bad.



Joseph Donald McFall
"Boo"
Aeronautical Engineering,
Spanish minor
Maple Valley, WA

For so long, I wanted to come here. I got here and spent the last four years wanting to leave. I've never hated something so much in my life, but I didn't let it beat me. Thank you God for giving me the will to fight. I owe my wonderful family everything. You've always been there for me. Z, Stevie, Wally and all my friends: Thanks for getting me through.

Karim-Adeen Ishaq Moore

"Skeezer, The Gaffler, Bernie"

Civil Engineering
Philadelphia, PA

I mostly give thanks to all those who already know they deserve it. Those who don't, I give no props. For all my family, friends and partners, I'll make sure to throw up the peace sign. But for all the frontiers and fakers, I give the Gasface. And in the Oakified words of Bozack, I have one thing left to say: "Late."



Eugene Edwin Stein

"Euge, Huge"

Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies
Riverdale, GA

Mom, Dad, Tom and all of my brothers and sisters thanks for all your support in getting me through here, I couldn't think about trying to survive this place without all of your support. To all the fellas it's been fun keeping the tradition, it's because of all of you that I still have some sanity. Flipper lives!

"Hard work never killed anybody, but why take the chance!" — C. McCarthy

Shamuse Allen Prindiville

Management
Rice Lake, WI

How typical, I don't even have time to think up a good blurb. Thanks to everyone, my parents, the fellas, couldn't have, made it without you. Now I can get the wind out of my face.



Shelley Renee Strong

History
Belton, MO

A big thank you to my mom and dad for supporting me through rough times. Also, K and Stephen for just being there always. Thanks to the Trolls, softball, Julianne, Mary and Rook ... you all made this place bearable. But a special thanks to Chris - you are the bestest!

Jeffrey Aston Reid

"Oaf, Ogre"

Bachelor of Science
Valley Stream, NY

"The world's great men have not commonly been great scholars, nor its scholars great men" — Oliver Wendell Holmes

Mom, Dad, Grandma - THANK YOU! Chubbs, Cochise, JT and the rest of the Trolls, we did dance through this place. If the ice don't break it will be miracle.

"Don't hit at all if it is honorably possible to avoid hitting, but never hit softly." — Roosevelt

Remember - JUST DO IT IHTFP



Russell William Workman

"Workdog"

Operations Research
Cumberland, MD

"Complaining is never any good: it stems from weakness" — Nietzsche

If a person graduates here without turning into a whiner, they're going to be O.K. Thanks to my awesome parents and sister for helping me keep a good attitude. I'll see my OR buds on Wall Street. And remember, it's only funny until someone loses an eye ... and then it's still pretty funny!! Call you ... as far as you know!

Patrick Dooley Sanders

"Stretch"

Bachelor of Science
Dallas, TX

It's hard to look on these last four years and not laugh. What a hole! They tell me I will learn to appreciate it; WHATEVER. I could not have made it through without the support of my loving family and the fellas who made it almost bearable.

"I don't care what you say anymore, this is my life; Go ahead with your own life and leave me alone." — Billy Joel
See Ya!



Kenneth Gene Zerkel II

"Z"

Operations Research
Anchorage, AK

I tried it, I didn't like it, but at least I made it. Dad, Mom and the family - you helped me exceed when I just wanted to endure - Thank you. Stevie, Boo, Andy, Russ and everyone - don't regret it, just forget it. I couldn't have made it without you guys. Thank you God - I'm still standing. Call you ... as far as you know!

Eugene Edwin Ste
 "Eugy, Hugs"
 Advanced Interdiscipl
 Studies
 Riverdale, GA



**Squadron Commander
 Fall Semester**

Waylon Scott Richards
 Military History
 Aurora, CO



**Squadron Commander
 Spring Semester**

Julie Catherine Anderson
 "Jules"
 Legal Studies
 San Diego, CA

*See ya! Wouldn't want to be ya! That about
 sums it up for me. Thanks to Mom and Dad
 (both sets), Scherz, all the Blackjack in '93,
 but especially Jas and Jimmy for keeping me
 in line. I hope someday those people who
 whined and complained for four years here
 realize the caliber of friends they made here.
 It's better to burn out, than fade away!*

*To Mom, Dad, Heidi, Whitney and all my
 family who supported me, I owe everything.
 Good health and great times to all my Mighty
 Mach classmates and especially Blackjacks
 Grads. J&W nub u. Christy - Always taking
 care of me, literally! Friends Forever, could
 never have RAGED without you. Volleyball
 Team - Never forget MOOGASTATE! I LOVE
 YOU ERIC We're just getting started Bear! J-
 Man is mine and I'll be your Scout for life.
 Reach For The Stars!*

21 Blackjack



Shelley Renee Ste
 History
 Belton, MO

Russell William Ho
 "Woody"
 Operations Reser
 Cumberland, VA

Kenneth Gene Le
 Operations Reser
 Anchorage, AK

Henry Alexander Boilini
 "Hank"
 Biology
 Boulder, CO

If you ain't liking it, you shouldn't be doing it! Unless of course, you can't afford to do what you like, then you may up at the United States Air Force Academy.



Abdellatif Fares
 "Abdu"
 Civil Engineering, Mathematics
 Fquihben Salah, Morocco

Guess what? It is over four years of work, policies, regulations and fun are over with. Thanks to God and to my parents Haj and Fatna for being there for me. I wouldn't make it without all their supports and help. But thanks to me too for working hard., Thanks to my girlfriend Cristina for supporting me all the time. Jim, JJ, James. Waylon, Jason, Abdou, Joe, Brian, Juile, Steve: It was a lot of fun and experience knowing you. I had the best time with you all and learned a lot from you all. I'll be there for you at anytime. Don't be afraid to knock at my Door tomorrow. I love this place, but I love getting done with it even more. Thanks and by Gimp.

Matthew Jurgen Breden
 "Matt"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Taylorsville, NC

Yeeee-hah! I finally made it. Thanks to my family and friends who helped me out when I needed it. Special thanks go out to my mom and dad, Broden, Will, Ravi, Ron, Ellis, Croon and Corley. Where's the B.F.? Crefeld, you're a good weenie. I hope everyone else is as proud as I am to finally graduate. Four years behind me and I say, "Let's get on with it!"



Todd Linn Gorsuch
 "Sweet T"
 Interdisciplinary Studies
 Marietta, GA

Well, it's finally over. Hopefully I can start living life again. My greatest admiration and thanks go out to my mom and dad and Terry for putting up with my constant complaints. I could not have made it without you. Thanks BP, Trent, Rob, Luke, Phil, Rico for helping to keep me sane. Remember, we do only go around once so there's really no time to be afraid.

Jonathan Marinus Crefeld
 "Jon, Cadet Crefeld"
 Humanities
 Pompton Plains, NJ

1) 3 guns to stick to
 there are no short cuts.
 never let the bastards wear you down.
 everything's gonna be all right.
 2) words to live by
 Son, if yer tired a livin' mos' likely yer jes tard.
 Get on t'bed now, and remember it ain't ner too late or dark-out to dream.
 3) the young guns
 Bredo, Willow, Scotto, Roderigo, Twojames, JJ, 1/2 pint, Feny, the stract Blackjacks, Skinner, Privrat, Velloff, Verchinski, God-speed ya 'fellas. Come back on your shield or not at all!



William Albert Hastings
 "Will, Psycho"
 Latin American Area Study
 Arkansas City, KS

Tyranny, like hell, is not easy conquered, yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value.
 — Thomas Pain, *The American Crisis* (1776)

I attribute my making it through this place to my family and friends for if they were not there. I wouldn't be here.

Joseph Bryan Dunn
 Interdepartmental Studies
 Englewood, CO

To the fellas - Respects, You're the best friends I've ever had (the world is ours!) Kevin, se ya on the other side. To Coach (my second father), Wile and Jenson, thanks for teaching me how to be a winner - To the team - keep the faith. Without my family, I never would have made it Mom, Dad, Steph, Casey and Corey, thanks for believing and putting up will all my B.S., I love you!



Jon Morris Johnson
 "J.J."
 Biology
 Fountain, CO

It was the greatest experience of my life (not)! "Life is not fair, because fair is dedicated by the person making the rules." — said a very wise man (my dad)

I'll always remember my friends and you'll always be like family. KMAYSBMALCH - RUNNING Scared. Thanx bro, Mom and Dad. Love You.

Wistaria Jermaine Joseph
 "Wisty, Tia"
Business Management
 St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

I have made some really good friends here (WLC, Gospel Choir; kBk, Blackjacks). But I am ready to blow this joint!

Thanks to God, my family and my friends. MOMMY — You are my strongest supporter and mentor; Thanks! DEX — You've waited five long years, but now it's our time to finally be together. Thanks for being my best friend and for being there for me always. I LOVE YOU!



Amy Jean McCain
 "Ames, AJ"
Engineering Sciences
 Gallipolis, OH

I never would have survived the past four years without the love of God, family and the best of friends. Mom and Dad, I couldn't have done it without your love and encouragement. Jany, remembering TCU, I'd never have believed we made it. Ty, thanks for always carrying a spare hug and Steve, thanks giving me all the motivation, smiles and sarcasm that I ever needed.

Jason Walter Kimbel
 "JoBoo"
Astronautical Engineering
 Moline, IL

"When I was young it seemed that life was so wonderful, a miracle, oh it was beautiful magical... Then they sent me away to teach me how to be sensible, logical, responsible, practical. (there) They showed me a world where I could be so dependable, clinical, intellectual, cynical." — Supertramp

Thanks to the "fellas," especially Way & Imelda, for making life here tolerable. To my family I made it thanks to you.



James Robert Ney
Military History
 Parsons, KS

It's been a long four years. It wasn't pretty but it's over. Thank you Mom and Dad for making it bearable. I could never have done it without your support.

Michael Brody Pettit
 "B.P."
Interdisciplinary Studies
 Ardmore, OK

It's over! Thank you Mom, Dad, Tara and Stacy for the four years of support. To all the fellas who knew what this place is really about, we survived, T.T., T.G., R.H., L.A., M.R., J.P., E.C. and the Chosen. Oh! Don't forget Phil's. Most importantly, thank you God, we made it! I Thess. 5:11. Always remember "It isn't the load that weighs us down - it's the way we carry it."



Richard Roman Pietrykowski
 "Rico"
Operations Research
 Pewaukee, WI

Why? Cuz' we got paid. Thanks to Mom, Dad, Dawn and to the cynics - Hank, Todd, Juice and Sully - for keeping things in perspective. USAFA took four years but gave some great friends. TANSTAAFL



These 1989 Basics Brian Dunn, Troy Havener and Cord Byrd learn teamwork, a necessary ingredient to escape obstacles on the Leadership Reaction Course.

Stephen Christopher Rodriguez
 "Steve, Elvis"
 European Studies, History
 Riva, MD

It's been a long six years through USNA, VF and USAFA. Just remember, it's the hard times that make the good times worth living; We've had plenty of both. I'd like to thank: my family and friends (especially Troy, Abdu, my roommate and the Blackjacks): all those who challenged me; my country and God. March to the sound of the guns; go hard or go home!



Scott Thomas Wallace
 Engineering Sciences
 Bellevue, WA

It was truly the best: The best friends, the best times, the best place. Mom, Kel, Clint, Jen your support made the difference. Todd, Joe, Nat, Brian: Thanks and the best of luck, maybe we'll do it again sometime.

*"There are no mistakes. The events which we bring upon ourselves, no matter how unpleasant, are necessary in order to learn what we need to learn." — Richard Bach
 God bless.*

James Samuel Sparrow
 "Jimmy"
 General Engineering
 Sharon, SC

Despite what some people say this place hasn't gone by fast. I'd like to thank everyone - Waylon, Brian, Scott, Abdu, Wilbur, Matt, Mike, my wonderful parents and most of all God for helping me through it all. We've had some good times that I'll never forget. Bye Gimp. To Shawn and Tim back home I thank you for keeping everything in perspective for me. The South will rise again!



Brian Scott Williams
 "B.S."
 Engineering Sciences
 Sapulpa, OK

Every year here, I told myself that if I could just make it through that year, the next one would be a piece of cake. Every year I found out how wrong I was. All I can do now is look back, feel sorry for all those poor bastards behind me and thank everybody that helped me through it. Thanks Huss, Scott, Brandon, Rob H., Kads, Jimmy, Criminals 801406 and 50603. Thanks also to Mom, Dad, the grandparents, Carol and family and all my friends back home. I still got 'em all fooled!

Jason Kelly Sutton
 "Pumpkinhead"
 American History
 Lakeside, MT

Thanks Mom, Goonze and Tree! I have finished the race. 2 Timothy 2:3-5



This 1989 Basic clears the sand pit and avoids the wire.

This Basic from the Class of 1993 scales the sand pit while trying to avoid the wire.

Robert Edward Allard

"B.A."

Management
Monument, CO

Was it over when the German's Bombed pearl harbor? Hell No! It's not over till the fat lady sings and dams if she's not a whole lot of woman! Howard, Mother, Tina and Shanna thanx for giving me hope when I thought there was none. To the Fellas in CS-22 especially Zub's you guys made it all worthwhile, LIAHO. The best of luck and time for one more toast. Here's to Gunsmoke....



Scott William Davis

"Biscuit, RBB"

Aeronautical Engineering
Punxsutawney, PA

Thanks Mom, Grammy, and Grampy for giving me your endless love and support. To the boys of 22, Sugar, Garzaman, Sleeze, Eric, thanks for the good times. Hey PTWOB's, we made it! Just remember,

"Like a phoenix ascending from the ashes, a new generation shall rise up, a generation bold and daring, unafraid to conquer the challenges that paralyze men's souls. They shall be called an endangered species. We are they!"

Robert Casanova Arzola II

"Bobby, Bob"

Operations Research
San Antonio, TX

Thanks Mom, Dad, Mona, Letty, Hally, and Los Valdezes. I couldn't have done it without your love and support. Friendships, that will last a lifetime, have made it all worth it. I'd do it all again if only for that. Best of luck to you all in every endeavor.

"Life's unfairness is not irrevocable; we can help balance the scales for others, if not always for ourselves." — Hubert Humphrey



Robert E. Garza

"Garzman, Rob"

Electrical Engineering
Wheatland, CA

To Mom and Dad and all of my family, Thanks for all of the love encouragement. It really kept me from going crazy sometimes. To the fellas, what can I say? Meadow Muffins, the Dead Beat, Jimmy's, Red Robin, Old C's, water-skiing, line dancing, car shopping, go carting, hotel parties, dollar movies, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Washington... the memories are endless. And Europe is yet to come...

Gilberto Barrera Jr

"Gil, Nine-mil, Taco"

Political Science
Laredo, TX

Thanks first and foremost goes to all of my family for their support and love. Mom, Dad, all my brothers, cousins, aunts, uncle and of course Grandma. To the doggie, of the debate team - Remember the fun, the friendship, the quote. Thanks also goes to the smacks, of 4°, class of '93 and the "boyz" of 22, for the good times and not so good. Have a taco for me.



Lance Edward Gill

Bachelor of Science
Stillwater, OK

What can I say, but: Husky thunder, Dandy Dan Brackett, Mighty Mach I, the evil 8, Spring break '91, Lastly and leastly Major Taylor. Finally, thanks Mom and Dad, Col Pine, Aaron, Scott, Mike. P's in the house!

Eric Dewayne Buhr

"Evil"

Space Operations
Goldfield, IA

If my picture is here, I guess I made it. Wow. 4 years of nickels from the posterior and 300 tours later, IHTFP. First, thanks to my family: Dad & Cheral, Mom & Lyle, Dan & Sarah. Thanks for the love & support. To my compatriots, thanks for the great memories. Ralph, Bill, Chuck, B.A., Scottie, Kevin D. and all the rest, couldn't have done it without you. Rock ON!



James Scott Griffin

"Grif, Gree, Big Money"

Mechanical Engineering
Katy, TX

Thanks Mom, Dad, Christie, Laura, Charles and Calvin. Love ya'll tons. See ya later Piñé, Shabba doo, JP on the keys, yellow Flash, Mannyquin, Quinna, Dave & Shawn, etc. Four long years, but I survived. Bohica Chica, Padre, Chernos, Mexico, Texas is the best. Thanks for the million great times, Mike, Love ya like a bro. See Y'all! Evil Eight! Thanks for putting up with me, Christie. I love you.

Joanna Lynn Hartley
"Joanimal"
Aeronautical Engineering
Lowell, OH

The Body achieves what the mind Believes. I thank God, Mom, Dad and Angie for helping me keep faith in myself. Though the days seemed to last for weeks, looking back the years have raced by like a few brief months thanks to all the support I've received from friendships that will last a lifetime. Thanks to Christy, Amy and Patrice for keeping me sane and every cadet who ever attempted to deprive me of more sleep during class.
"If it weren't for the rocks in its bed, the stream would have no song." — Carl Perkins



Lava Patrice Jackson
"Patrice, Patatriss, "Lava""
Operations Research
Clinton, MD

Without the caring support of my precious family, it would have been difficult making it through. (I LOVE YOU ALL). And what about my friends? They are the greatest! Thank you for your love, patience and memorable moments.

Most of all though, I thank God. I thank Him for being an overwhelming comforting presence in my life (Phil 4:7)... and for the faith, hope and love he has given for me eternally.

Nicholas Alan Hlavacek
"Nick"
Space Physics
Springfield, MO

"... I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me... forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Phillipians 3:12-14

Thanks and Glory to God! To Monique, Sugar Mike, Physics Buds, Friends and Family; my love and thanks. God be with you all.



David Lawrence Morisey
"Dave"
Aeronautical Engineering
Walnut Creek, CA

Whew!

Frederick J. Humphrey III
"Fred"
Military History
Moorestown, NJ

"The universe is so vast and so ageless that the life of one man can only be justified by the measure of his sacrifice." — Pilot Officer V. A. Rosewarne, RAF
Thank you Lord for keeping me going during the good and bad times in my life. Thanks Mom, Dad, Ian and the Doyles for all your support and encouragement through the years. To all my friends in CS-22, thanks for all your friendship and humor. I salute you all. It's time to press on and make things happen. Europe 93 - here we come!



Michael Jared Pine
"Mikal-J, Pine"
Human Behavior, Leadership
Colorado Springs, CO

Breaking through to the other side and they have never or will ever catch me ... never! Thanks: Mom, Dad, Tami, the Fonz, Gree, Shabba-Doo, JP on the keys, Yo-yo, Hopperson, Quinna, Moods and Yellow Flash. I was in with four and out with 32 plus, clock-check-hair, "the list," I've got the aura snappa so beware Grif... you're the best!

Cristine Renee Hunt
"Cristy"
Biology, Biochemistry
Lander, WY

"To be nobody-but-yourself in a world which is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else - means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight; and never stop fighting." — E. E. Cummings

Life's too short to do anything you don't like for too long - but we're still here... Thanks to all the individuals who helped me survive: my family, friends and most of all Dean!



Jon Davis Pruett
"JP"
Interdisciplinary Studies
Baton Rouge, LA

Danger the drug that takes you higher! Thanks to my family for being there - no matter what. To all the fellas - you're the best. Thanks for all the great times, they will never be forgotten.

Roy Manuel Robinson

"Manny"
Baseball
 Austin, TX

My prayers and love go to my family and to all who have believed in me, persevered with me, and helped me to grow. Remember in life to put God first, have Jesus as your Best Friend and the Holy Spirit as your guide.

My heart will always be between the white lines.



Wilhelm Roderick Walke

"Wil, Kaiser"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Chicago, IL

Thanks to Mom, Dad, Erika, Heidi and Gram for their support and understanding. I hope I take the lessons learned here, both positive and negative, and someday achieve the potential I know I have within me.

Christopher Noel Sandys

"Snake"
General Engineering
 Toledo, OH

Yo Heroes! "Never get off the boat unless you're goin' all the way!" Workdog, Link, Craig, Dan and Hack: Men who wrote the book on friendship and good times. May your desk in the Chair Force always be clean.

"We met as soul mates ... " — Billy Joel

Four years for this? Oh well, better times and places yet to come. Mom and Dad, you made it all possible.



Andrew Christopher Walton

"Drew"
Electrical Engineering
 Burlington, NC

Thank you Mom, Dad, Charlotte and Jeff. I couldn't have made it without you. Thanks also to Christina, for always supporting me. Thanks most of all to Jesus Christ, my Savior. "For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." — Colossians 1:14

John David Slezak

"Sleeze"
Applied Physics
 Bay City, MI

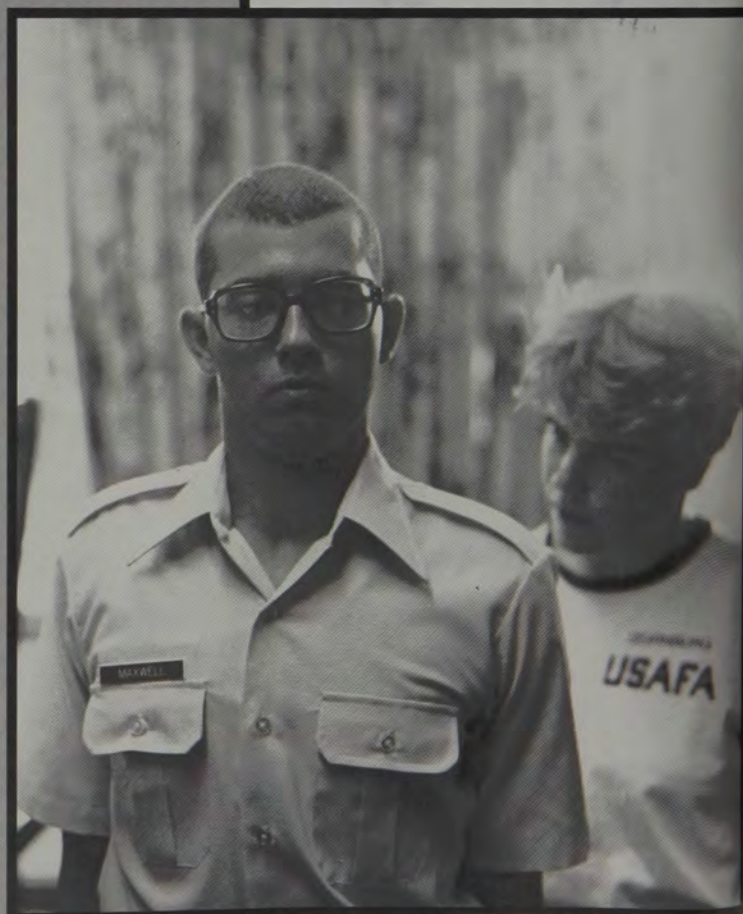
Obligatory thanks to each and all who helped me finish my four years of frustration and anguish here - you know who you all are. Live fast, play hard, sleep late, eat much, drink more, drive fast, hit hard, party late, laugh much and love more. Life ain't worth livin' unless your livin' your own life. If you can't be good, at least be good at it.



Samuel Arthur Valdez

"Sam"
Electrical Engineering
 Raton, NM

Thanks Mom, Dad and Steven for all your prayers and support. Without you an the Lord, I could have never made it through four years. Bob and mis amigos from CS-22, thanks for the great times and getting me through the rough ones. I'll treasure the many friendships made here. They don't get much better than this. Rich and Kevin, stick with it. I look forward to your June Weeks.



Shawn Donald Welsh
 "Grapejuice, Buck"
Human Factors Engineering
 North Platte, NE

To sum is up, "I took the one less traveled by..." I'm thankful to God for carrying me for five years, for the endless support from my family, special friends and of course all you guys I will never forget. I never would have made it without you all and the memories of those gone before me. I love ya all and owe you everything. Pals, the Chosen, the Eight, the Ebb of the Tide, TKO, STP. "Turn the Page", Godspeed, Isaiah 40:31. "...and that has made all the difference."
 For my children, and my children's children.



Aaron Tsau-Yuen Yu
Biology
 Albuquerque, NM

Finally, it's over! Making the Zoo a 5-year experience has really been hell, but I'm glad I persevered through it all. Thanks Mom and Dad, Ken and Corinna for all the love and support - you're the greatest family one could ever have! Thanks a bunch to my friends who made this place bearable; especially Bruce, Lance Scott, Jon, Manny, the rest of the "Evil-8", and the Hurleys. You guys are the best! 2 Timothy 4:7



Todd Lawrence Wieser
 "Weez"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Milwaukee, WI

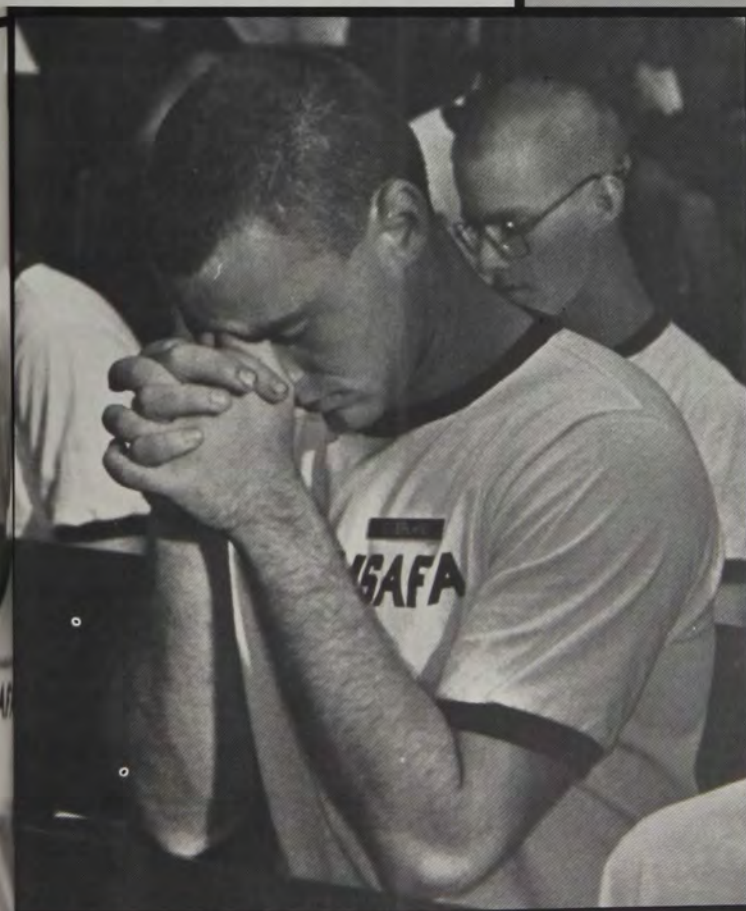
6 yrs For a bachelors and a bar, life's rough but good. It's been a long and hard road, but one well worth the travel. I'll never forget the friends made or the times had. Thanks family and friends I've learned and we've shared a lot.

"Damn the one who desire's change but doesn't do a thing about it." — Todd L. Wieser



Iftikhar Zubair
 "Zub"
Electrical Engineering
 Swat, Pakistan

Seven years of being a cadet and it's finally over! Thanks to Mom, Dad, Annie and F.N., who made a greater sacrifice than me to the woods of 22. If you find yourself in my neck of the woods you know where to find me. What about Bob? It wouldn't have been the same without you. To the Momineen out there, remember "Go forth, light armed and heavy armed, and strive with your wealth and your lives in the way of Allah! That is best for you if ye but knew" — Al-Qoran IX : 41
 Here's to Kashmir and Al-Aqsa!



Daniel Overland takes time to pray for more strength to make it through 1989 Beast during evening chapel.



The Interceptors of 1989 take a leisurely run during morning physical conditioning.

23 Barnstormers



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

David Harvester Pope
"DP"
Political Science
Scott AFB, IL

"If a man hasn't discovered something that he will die for, he isn't fit to live." — MLK

From Blackjacks to Barnstormers, it's been four memorable years. Muchas gracias to the fellas in 23. Randy, here's to great friends. Vic - stay strong. Of course the greatest thanks go to God and my family. Lynnae, we now begin our lives. To the suckas: BATTERING...RAM!! And so it ends ...



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Edward Joaquin Alcocer
"Ed"
Geography
Burbank, CA

Thanks God, Mom, Pop, friends, CS-15, CS-39, CS-23 and Dr. Seuss. We'll find something new to do now. Here's lots of blue goo now. New goo. Blue goo. Gooley. Gooley. New goo. Blue goo. Gluey. Gluey. Gooley goo for chewing! That's what the goo-goose is doing. Do you choose to chew goo, too, sir? If, sir, you, sir, with the goo-goose, chew, sir. Do sir. Greetings and salivations to places besides here!



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Electrical
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can't say I regret it, B
trip it's been."*

Kenneth Edward Balkum
 "Ken, Big K., Monchichi"
 Economics
 Oceanside, CA

"Learning that we're only immortal for a limited time." — Rush

These four years have been the most difficult, but rewarding of my life. I leave this place with no regrets. Rob, may we never hit bottom at the same time. Chuck, stay in touch. James/Thomer, hang in there. Thanks Dad, Mom and Rich for supporting me. And most of all, thank you Lord for making all of this possible.



Daniel Curtis Engbersen
 Behavioral Engineering -
 Human Factors
 Hollister, CA

This place is a four year continuum of opportunities. Opportunities to extract meaning from life; the extraordinary from the mundane. In spite of it all, the value of the people and memories shines through. Aaron, (TED)², you made all the difference. Mom, Dad, I love you. Without you, graduating from this institution would ever have remained a dream. Expose your limits: between thought and action lies art.

Andrew Robertson Carlino
 "Andy"
 Political Science
 Thornwood, NY

Thanks Mom, Dad, Peter and Sarah for everything, without you guys I would have never made it here. Thanks to Todd and Bob, without you guys I would have never wanted to be here. Well I slept 12 hours a day but that didn't help. Rude Dogs says, "Get Bent." Hicks Marry Within His Consanguinity.



John Michael Fitzsimmons
 "Fitz"
 Bachelor of Science
 Ventura, CA

The kids don't care about books or rules. All they want to do is burn their schools. Burn 'em down! Thanks to Roushead, the Four, Rastas, Gumby and Droopy for keeping me from torching this place. The "KID" says good riddance to bad baggage. Later days!

Deron Arnold Christy
 "Dagwood"
 Economics
 Grand Rapids, MN

Thanks to my parents, brother, family and all friends made previously here. Thanks to all teammates I've had here (and elsewhere). Remember Chicago, WOLWB! Mostly, thank you Dierdra, I Love You!
 "... So often time it happens we live our lives in chains and we never even know we have the key." — The Eagles
 "... Once free to roam the bountiful earth they hence discovered all her worth ..." — Johnathan Lindsey Sheehan



Robert Lee Gregorsok
 "SOK"
 Biology
 Port Clinton, OH

Great times right from the start ... Horny 18 and the CSU brew crew. Momentary setbacks - No regrets. Like water off a duck's back. Friends made the difference ... Andy, Todd, Gus and all the rest. Howling Mad Wolves Have Claws. Mexico - No man, 3-6-9 margaritas! Hawaii. I'm leaving USAFA with a tin ring, a snazzy blue suit and J- (HF&NA). Everything happens for a reason. Start it.

Robert Anthony Dam
 Robby
 Electrical Engineering
 Ingleside, IL

Is it really over? I guess procrastination works after all. Thanks Mom and Dad for everything you're both the greatest. I also thank God for keeping me sane, USAFA for always sending me elsewhere (Stop Out, France, look out Harvard!) and my friends and the fellas of RFC for the great times that kept me going. I can't say I regret it, but "what a long strange trip it's been."



Jonathan Todd Hamill
 "Todd"
 Operations Research
 Ft. Smith, AR

After finishing this place, I'll feel like a million pesos! Thanks to everybody! To those who know, beware of any Haminals making wild howling cries.

Katherine Yvonne Hanson
"Eve"
Behavioral Science
Middlebury, VT

"Buck up little camper, it's not that bad. Just point your skies down hill and go; if you're about to hit something, turn.
— *Better Off Dead*
Words alone can't sum up the tears, laughter, anger and joy that I have experienced these past four years. Thanks Mom, Dad, Caleb and all my close friends that I couldn't have survived without. 20-93 - good luck! To the shmucks - have a good year! "... you're hungry?" "Just playing the game." Quack!



Robert Ross Powell
"Rob, Pole, Pipsqueak"
Political Science, Economics
Ocean Shores, WA

Ken, may we never bottom out together. Chuck, no mumble pegging! All my love and thanks to my mom and dad. A special thanks to my sister, Jody - I never would have made it without you. All thanks 2 God. D&C 122:7

"If we close our eyes we'll maybe realize there's more to life than what we have known."
— *Queensryche*.

Grandpa - wish you could be here!



Brian Kenneth Hellinger
Political Science
Bakersfield, CA

You may fool the whole world down the pathway of tears, and get pats on the back as you pass, but your final reward will be heartache and tears, if you've cheated the man in the glass. Good-bye friends a new life awaits at Junkyard peak. Forget it and Drive on.



John Frederick Price Jr
Political Science
Prince George County, VA

It's been a wild ride since the first day in Aggressor A-Flt, but I'd do it all again. Thanks to God for helping me make it. (Phil 4:13) Thanks Mom and Dad for all the love and support. Thanks to Mach 1 '93 especially CLB, DZ, KRE, MSH, DVB, LVH, DVP, LJK, MDT. Thanks Stephanie for making this year the best yet. Remember, Freedom is not free and Jesus is the answer.



Jeffrey Bernard Kubik
"The Kuber"
Electrical Engineering
Glen Burnie, MD

Well, it's been an exciting, frustrating, trying four years in which I have shed. Blood, sweat and tears at USAFA. Endless thanks goes to my mom and dad, brothers and friends who have provided me with encouragement to conquer all obstacles.
"I came to USAFA as a naive fool, thinking flying airplanes would be real cool. But, then one day, Congress took my dreams away.
So now I'm stuck with only flight simulators to play."
Why me '93?



Shannon Lee Rogers
"Captain"
Social Science
San Antonio, TX

Looking back at the last four years of my life. I see trials and tribulations, hardship and strife, BCT, SERE and T-41 what for? But through all of this, the friends I have made will stay with me forevermore. Thank you my friends for all you have done, I wish you the best in the future to come.

Thanks Mom, Dad, Jami and Laura, your support has been the light at the end of the tunnel.



Gabriel Macias
"Gabe"
Human Behavior
San Antonio, TX

First I must thank all those who made this possible. Thanx Mom, Dad, Marc, Deno, Esmy, the Eggums, Todd and most especially Amy. Thank God for soccer and the fellas. Wally, Jay, Jefe and Juice, thanx for making the worst four years of my life into the best four years of my life. The best part of my Academy experience is knowing it's over!! Amy thanx for all the support and all the patience. Now it's just me and you babe. DESBU!!



Thomas Christopher Rosa
"Link"
Bachelor of Science
Bayville, NJ

SEMPER FI!! Well, miracles do happen. Thanks Mom, Dad and Marc, you were the supporting thread that pulled me through (SNAKE) Chris, JEFF and the times we had, they will last a lifetime, as will our friendship. Anytime, anyplace, anywhere, pick up the phone I'll be there!
To Meghan, you are the driving force in my life, stand by me and success is imminent. EVERYONE ELSE ... GOOD LUCK IN PLANELESS AIR FORCE!



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Robert Ross Powell
"Rob, Pole, Pigeon"
Political Science, Economics
Ocean Shores, WA

Kurt Michael Schendzielos
"Schen, 5+11"
Political Science
Colorado Springs, CO

It is unfortunate that I was not able to graduate with everyone in '93. This class was one of my closest families ever. My heart belongs to Robin, my sanity to Forensics, my soul to '93. I toured three groups and three squadrons in three years, worked in the "real world," supported a family, but only with your support. Good tidings to all who graduated, and God's speed. Schnoz 93 1/2.



Randolph Brian Toris
"Randy"
Legal Studies
Redondo Beach, CA

First and foremost, I have to thank God for my success and especially for the love of my life. I pray I can repay the love she's given me. Love and thanks to my mom and family ... your support got me through. Y especialmente para mi padre que me esta viendo del mejor asiento en el mundo. Thanks Dave and Barnstormers ... battering ram! Hey, someone stole my lovely parting gifts!

John Frederick Pro...

Russell Scot Strasser
"Rusty"
Economics
Dayton, OH

*Two roads diverged in the woods; I took the long hard one. It is mostly behind me now — I MADE IT! Will miracle never cease? Mom and Papa, Ricky, John, Aaron and especially Angela - thanks you for your support, love and perspective.
"What lies before you and what lies behind you are but tiny matters to what lies within you." — Emerson
Thank you, Lord, for your strength, perseverance and love. If my experiences show me anything, it's that Jesus is alive and working. May I always work for Him. Col 3:23 Mark 16:15-16*



Aaron Matthew Vance
General Engineering
Tyrone, PA

"It's easier to ask forgiveness than to ask for permission." — Stewart's Law of Retroaction

"Long walk? Yep ... what movie? In fact, there was much negative walking. Couldn't have made the journey without Mom, Dad and the Lord. Thanx Russ, Dan and Kurt for making this place a "reality."

"each helps the other and says to his brother 'Be Strong!'" — Isaiah 41:6

Shannon Lee De...



Charles Junior Wallace II
"Chuck, Mav"
Electrical Engineering
Paragould, AR

*It's been the best of times
It's been the worst times*

It's over! Big K - April 1", Pole, O-Course, the beater - you made it great. Joe, James, Chris and anyone else who cares - let me know when it's over, we'll party. Kubs, Garzman - EE RULES! Let's do something real now! Joe, Mark, Trey - you guys are the best. To GOD, my family and Joni - I love and thank you for everything.

Thomas Christopher...



Tracy Sharon Werner
"Chica"
Mathematics
East Northport, NY

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." — Phillipians 4:13

Ain't that the truth? If it wasn't, graduation would never be possible. Thanks Teri for putting up with my periods of insanity. Thanks Dan for always being there. May we all reach our goals and hopefully "soar on wings like eagles."

Andy Carlino and his classmates practice dressing right for a 1989 drill competition.

24 Phantoms



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Dustin Zierold
"Z"
Biology
Taylorsville, UT

Phantoms, slaughter, dude catch me, Kooner, Matty, Bear, Meatheads, airborne - whatever, too close for missiles, 90210, Mach One never go blotto, sweet Bohica Snafu GR, I gotta study. '93 I loved it, we're not gonna learn from it - we're gonna learn from what we do with it. Thanks Mom, dad, Yvette, Missy, Mindi. Work hard, never quit, always win, and I'll see you on top. Done. Onward.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Peter Robert Wilkie
Civil Engineering
Parker, CO

Thank you Mom, Dad and Stephanie for your loving support and prayers. It's because of you, I toss my hat, and to all those who gave their all on Saturday afternoons for each other, remember! Execute aggressive fundamentals and have fun out there.



Kirsten
Engin

*If I had a dime
Michelle, Kristin
sure I'll see you
always there Jo
Waddya mean it
sleep. Thank you
you Edward, for
life with you. Es*

Roberto

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it! And now we ha
celebrate. Thanks
Clara and Lisa for
the years. R.A.B.*

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- Robert Frost
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Kirsten Marie Ahlberg
Engineering Mechanics
Denver, CO

If I had a dime for every stair I've climbed ... Michelle, Kristin, girls' night out? Todd B., I'm sure I'll see you. To the "guys" of 24, you were always there for me (We'll break his legs!). Waddya mean it's cold?! ... I need to get some sleep. Thank you Mom and Dad; and thank you Edward, for letting me spend the rest of my life with you. Esc ... transfer ... save.



Brian Wayne Cassada
"Cass"
Middle Eastern Studies,
Arabic minor
USAF Academy, CO

I would like to thank this place for what I've learned. The Academy proved the power of prayer, tested and proved my faith. Thank you Lord for helping me through. Thank you Mom and Dad, you deserve the golden bars as much as I do. Without you I might have quit or given up. I hope I did you proud. Thanks Brad and Joe. You're the best friends I've got. Thanks to my church family for your prayer and support. Praise the Lord, the blood of Christ still saves. Isaiah 6:8

Roberto Aniello Balzano
"Balz"
Human Factors Engineering
Deer Park, NY

Four years of hell have come and gone, and now there's only memories. Through the good times and bad, there's always been one person beside me - I love you Lori-Ann. We made it! And now we have the rest of our lives to celebrate. Thanks to my older sisters, Maria, Clara and Lisa for toughening me up through the years. R.A.B.

- Intelligenza, Forza, Corraggio, e Salute



Joe Albert Limbo DelCampo
"Limbo, D.C."
Operations Research
Cherry Hill, NJ

Pass through fire to the light - Lou Reed

Thank you, family for helping me through. Nanay, Jannette and Clarissa, I would be lost without your support. Jaime, thank you for being an inspiration. Mom and Dad, I could have never done this alone. you have given me things I cannot repay. My eternal love and gratitude.

C.W. I think it's o.k to start laughing.

Barry Neal Behnken
"Bear"
Applied Physics,
Aeronautical Engineering
Incline Village, NV

*"The best way out is always through"
- Robert Frost*

To Mom, Dan and "Dear Old Dad": I hope I made you proud. Dustin, Carl, Wayne and Dave: thanks for the insightful B.S. sessions and sanity - preserving weekends. You all taught me the most important lesson life has to give: nothing of substance can be accomplished alone. To the Zoo: thank for opening the cage - You tore out my heart but made it stronger in the process ...



Wayne Allen Denson
"Wayner"
Political Science
Texarkana, TX

*Dustin, Minda and med-school. Carl, Kodiak and cows. Barry and a strange obsession with anti-matter. (Lew and his hiding place in the top of the closet.) We went through a lot, but we made it (one way or another). Thanks!
"Dude, catch me!"
— Anonymous 15-year old at a Slaughter concert*

Mom and Dad, thanks for helping me pay for school. I love y'all. Jeremiah 29:11

Matthew John Carpenter
"Matt"
Political Science
Montgomery, AL

*Thanks to the boys: Marcus Anthony, Julius Caesar, Augustus and Petruccio; never forget "Friends, debate and the endless pursuit of ... Proud Blackjacks. Hard Core 24 Phantoms. Thanks to Dustin (Dr. Z), Canada, Jany, Kristen, Lee, Wayne, Barry, Carl, Paul, Kurt, Doug, Gilly, Rippin' and the Doggies; especially to my mom, dad and brother.
"But your final reward will be heartache and tears,
If you've cheated the man in the glass.*



David Jonathan Grover
"Dave"
Operations Research
Omaha, NE

*I'm flat on my back out at sea
hopin' these waves don't cover me
I've turned and tossed upon the waves
I feel the darkness ...
I feel the grave ...
But I still believe. — The Call*

Mom, Dad, Mark and Dawn: I love you! Barry, Joe, Dustin, Wayne, Carl and Rocky thanks for being great friends. Thanks Peggy, Doug and the Francks for a home away from home.

Paul Arthur Hibbard
Aerospace Engineering
Stamford, CT



Matthew Harley Smith
"Harley"
English
Christiansburg, VA

OK, my senior blurb has to be limited to seventy words, cannot contain profanities or overt references to alcohol, and Cadet Wing Media will edit libel, sexism, racism and obscenity. In that case I will simply utter two words that have helped me through my military career thus far:

"NO COMMENT"

Timothy Robert Kirk
"Captain Kirk"
Biology
Victorville, CA

This will be short because:
"Brevity is ... wit."

I've gone many miles and kept the promises ... I must thank Mom, Dad, Mark, The Prayers and Great I AM. To know Him is what eyes and ears are for. And run on, my lovely Stallion: You have brought me great joy. Remember: The military option is ALWAYS available. As George Washington said in his "Farewell to the troops": Farewell Troops!



Jason Eric Thomas
"JT"
Electrical Engineering
Morman, OK

I have always had two best friends: Mother, Father, thank you for everything. I moved from being a Radical to a Phantom, and found friends as both. There is only one Patch at the Academy. Practice, Smack Year, the wall, popcorn, PT, ski trips, USC, New Mexico, cadre team, color guard and a "coke on the cadre." Here's to the ten in '93 HG. And as always, ah-one, two, three ...

Carl Lee Kohntopp
"Coner, Topp"
Bachelor of Science
Buhl, ID

This institution isn't for everyone. Maybe I shouldn't have come. All I can say is that I am a survivor. To John, Michael, Gus, all my friends and especially Mom and Dad — Thanks, I never would have made it without you. Isaiah 40:31

Skeeter, your footsteps are hard to follow, but if I ever get to fly, I would be honored to be your wingman.
I shall finish the game.



Eric James Thorley
"Thor, E.T."
Biology, Russian minor
St. George, UT

91/93 was it worth it? YES! Thanks to all my friends and family who helped me along the way, especially Bill. I love you Mom and Dad, for I truly was "born of goodly parents." To John, Lee, Matt, Dustin and the Phantoms of 24, I salute you. May we meet again. Thank you Lord. Psalm 23, 1 Cor 10:13, D&C 122:7.

"Some said there was No Way Out, but I survived to tell about it." — Yuri

Frank Philip McClung
Far East Asian Studies
Birmingham, AL

"I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me - the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace."

Thank you Sonny and Mom for supporting me in Taiwan - I love you both, Asoni, thank you for your love and patience.



Michael Glenn Tison
"Mike"
Aeronautical Engineering
Hampton, VA

Life is a lot better once you discover what's worth living for. (Rom. 10:9) I wish that everyone would discover the joy, peace, strength and life which Jesus Christ promises and provides to all who have a relationship with Him. (Rom. 5:1-2) It's been a great five years - especially the third one! It's been tough but I'll never regret my decision to come here. Thanks to all my friends and to my wonderful family.

Janelle Kirsten Viera

"Jany"

Human Factors Engineering
El Cajon, CA

So do not worry about tomorrow; it will have enough worries of its own. There is no need to add to the troubles each day brings (Matthew 6:34). Thanks Mike and Sandy for getting me here and getting me through. Heidi, Matty, Ang, Rog, Kristen and "the guys in the squad" - thanks for the fun times and the much needed smiles during the not so fun times. Congratulations Mom and Dad ... you made it!



Gregory Scott Weaver

"Grr"

Physics
Dallas, TX

Sexist, homophobic, closed-minded, frightened, blindly serving robots who haven't lived with any kind of reality: cadets. I've seen little respect for human life here. The world isn't white, male and American. Accept differences, don't fear them. Didn't somebody once say that the soldier above all others prays for peace? I look forward to entering a beautiful world of different people and places. Thanks to Barbara, my family and my friends for reminding me what's real. Peace and knowledge.

Lee Francis Walker

"Sky"

Computer Science
Stafford, VA

Wow! Some four years! Thanks Mom, Dad, Steve and Katie for your support. And to my friends in 24 and S.J., the times were great ... I'll never forget. See you on the outside!



Duncan Lewis Williams

"Cecil"

Traditional Physics
Niceville, FL

If you always expect the worst, the only surprise you'll have is a good one. Party hard, and to the good friends be true, because everyone knows good friends are few. Thanks to all in my squad who bailed me out (which is almost everyone) and to Saucedog, Jerry, Nugget, Cashus, Dirty Kid, Nasty One, Smitty, Rans and to the Raging Hispanic. Long live 630 AND 611!



Mike McNeill, Class of 1993, scales his way to the top of the rope climb obstacle at the Confidence Course.



Wendall Jay Williams

"Jay"

Social Sciences
Dayton, OH

Thanks Mom and Dad for the love and support, especially for the four cars in two years. I couldn't have driven without you. Thank the Lord for allowing another problem child from the Prep School Class of 1989 to finish this place, because we sure lost a lot. And my brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi, long live the "Dreamer." Peace!



Jason Ronald Wilson

"Jay"

Astronautical Engineering
Brookville, OH

Four years have past and I hated every last part of it. The only way I made it through was with the boys of 630 and 611. Jerry, Bill, Dincan, Russ, Ransom, Smitty, Manny, Ian, Sean and Tony; bottoms up. Finally I have to thank Mom and Dad for trying to keep my head on straight, and for all their support. Good-bye and good riddance.

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**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Leonard John Kosinski
Operations Research
Bullhead City, AZ

Kosnapeski or Slimpovski or Slimjinski or ... came to Redeye from the warped yet proud lineage of Mighty Mach One. His intensity, although second to none, never failed to trip up his tongue. He really took it to them at Navy, though, and brought home Jen. Stop PINGing, Len, the zoo's through! Rock Hard



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

William David Bowman
B-Bo
Civil Engineering
Austin, TX

A second generation B-Bo at USAFA, Billy took his legacy to new heights. Wing OPS NCO, SQCC and a new Melvin in his spare time, his service dress is permanently faded from a star and wreath. From Delta Tau to Red-Eye, this pseudo-Texan, has set the standards and excelled at USAFA. He's a good man to know, doesn't burn bridges, yet could probably do a damn good CE design of one. Keep it up and good luck, Bill.



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George T
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you get the HORNS"
-An Anonymous Game
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"Billy
Bachelor of
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through the Tough times
from just ain't enough!!

John Andrew Alexander
"Drew"
Operations Research
Colorado Springs, CO

Friends are forever



Joseph Edmund Fletcher
"Fletch, Erwin M., Smokin' Joe"
Aeronautical Engineering
Sao Paulo, Brazil

*It's better to want something you can't have, than to have something you don't want." Grandma H.
Roach: You're the best! Thanx for puttin' up with me. Wee wee, mon sewer!
Hoss: Remember Joe Yezzi's Talon! Play hard; ski harder!
Don: Marry a deaf, mute. Take care, buddy.
USFA clinic: I'll be back!
Aaron: Florida's hot and wet! Troy H: O! Mom, Dad, Amy and All: Words don't even start to describe to describe my love. Thanks.*

Jennifer Lea Brown
"Downtown"
Human Factors Engineering
Dallas, TX

Thanks Churd for being the strack one so I didn't have to, Rob for always making me realize my bad days could be as bad as your good ones, and to people with smaller noses who give me more air to breathe. Bye Redeye - I leave you to go drink my Diet Pepsis and eat my Cocoa Puffs. I love you Mom and Dad! Good luck KEV, TIF, MIC.



Kelly Jean Flinn
"Kels, KC"
Biology, French minor
Atlanta, GA

*"The hardest years, the darkest years, the roarin' years, the fallen years, these should not be the forgotten years. The hardest years, the wildest years, the desperate and divided years. We will remember." — Midnight Oil
My everlasting memories: soccer, roadtrip! Kegger - BLONDIE, Jessica - Schwartz, Neal - 10 1/2 years, Sue, Chincho and the French Exchange = the best kept secret!
Remember: Don't sweat the little stuff! C'est le destin!*

George Thomas Clark
"Jorgé"
Political Science
Elberton, GA

*I made it! ... Barely.
What's next? After four years at USAFA, what is there? LIFE!! Mom, Dad, family and friends - thanks for your love and support. Bill, Fang, Harlie, Dane - thanks for all the good times.*



Anthony C. Gomillion
"Gomer"
Civil Engineering
Knoxville, TN

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness." — (2 Cor 12:9)
Lord, through the all-nighters, marginal grades and consistent shortcomings nothing has ever been evident. I gave You so little; You blessed me with so much. Thank you for my family who gave me love, my brother who gave me hope, my friends who gave me support and Your Son who gave His life.*

William John Cliff III
"Billy C"
Bachelor of Science
Clearwater, FL

i uSually claim Charleston as my hometown, but when you're A military brat ... i learned that no matter your intentions, if you're in the wrong Place at the wrong timE, you are hosed!!! anyhow, it's finally over, and i made it!! i'd like to thank God, my family, geOrge, kim, And the rest of redeye for helping me through the Tough times ... by the way, five floors just ain't enough!!



Leo Yakichi Green
"Leo"
Management
Columbia, SC

Thanks to my mom and dad for teaching me to never lose sight of what's really important. God. Family. Country.

Thomas Lyle Hermel
Civil Engineering
Waterville, MN

I shall thank my God, my family and my friends forever. I've come a long way in a short time. John 20:27 stop doubting and believe." 1 Thessalonians 4:17 "After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever."



Donald William Lewis
"Dinky, Donnie Lew"
Political Science
Brighton, IL

Even though Academics is important throughout college, college life is also about making friends, experimenting, cooperating, determining relationships and learning about life in general. I learned that USAFA is not so different from other schools in this respect. And so I thank Manny, Nathan, Scott and Paul for experiencing college life with me. You are close to my heart and will be remembered always — keep in touch. Thanks God, We made it! - Isaiah 43.

Brandon Robert Hileman
"Hilewoman"
Aeronautical Engineering
Massillon, OH

Woman was the archenemy of the system. He never passed up a minute for extra sleep, (even that of assembly) and he could rarely be found in UOD. The Young Einstein (illegal still at graduation!) even earned a degree without studying, always forsaking it to do anything else. Every weekend (how many passes?) saw him in Golden with his better half Kara. But that didn't prevent the conception of BUDA! Take care of my baby, Brandon. See ya!



Michael Gerard Lipinski
"Lips"
Geography
Baltimore, MD

"The fat lady ain't singing, but she's clearing her throat."

Many thanks go out to everyone who made this experience possible, especially Mom, Dad, Big Sis and my little bro. Without your support, I couldn't have made it. In the immortal words of Ted "Rhino" Ely: "Keep your ammo dry and your throttles at full!"

Ozel Kirkald III
"Big Oz"
Bachelor of Science
Campbell, CA

I witnessed many I knew stumble and fall along this road. Sometimes I couldn't see my way through it all. Sometimes I wondered why I should try. Despite myself, it's over. Here I am. Poised, overlooking the rest of my life. Lesson learned, I anticipate the future. There's always time left to make things right. I'll see my dreams come true, or I'll never stop trying. My life is mine.



William Breck Morrison
"Breck"
Political Science
Silver Spring, MD

As days felt like weeks and weeks passed like days, I am thankful to my Mom and Dad for participating in this, my longest game. I owe Julie more than words can express for changing my two year tunnel into life long dreams. I love you! I see a lot of time on the other side.

We released ourselves of our own recognition.

We felt the institution no longer had anything to offer us. — Raising Arizona

Kevin Joseph LaRoche
"Roach"
Engineering Sciences
Winslow, ME

*MOM, DAD, JIM, JEFF - Thanks for all the strength and support you give me. MOM (2,3) - Thanks for always being there. I LOVE YOU ALL.
JOE - You're a great roomie. Your attitude toward everything kept me sane. Keep your head up and do your best because you deserve it. Never forget "Fire Marshall Bill" and "Pat."
ANNE - Merci d'avoir été avec moi pendant ma dernière année. Je t'amie beaucoup pour toujours.*



Paul James Myrick
"P.J."
Operations Research
Wolf Point, MT

I'd like to thank my wife Tamara for raising the kid, watching the house, and keeping the motorcycles running while I've been away.

"All men are like grass..." 1 Peter 1:24-25

Troy Frederick William Niehaus
Russian History
Indian Harbour Beach, FL

"The future is not set. There is no fate but what we make of ourselves."

Mom and Dad - Special thanks from VISA for helping me keep a good credit rating. To all of my friends - Thanks for understanding me. Friendship is what life is all about. Nicole - "It all comes down to me and you." BOHICA - But keep a smile on your face and always question authority - It works for me.



Thomas Joseph Thomsen
"T-Bone, T-Biscuit"
Mechanical Engineering
Stillwater, MN

Special appreciation to my parents, family, and Teri. Without their continued support I would not have made it. I have learned many things these four years, but most of all, I know that you must learn to laugh at life, or it will laugh at you.

"So how about a little something, you know, for the effort?" — Carl the greenkeeper

Manuel Ros Ocampo
"Manny"
Electrical Engineering
Los Altos, CA

"Pain is temporary, pride is forever." BCT 1989, Cobras B-flight. Now I know what it really means! Thanks for the good times to Don, Joe, Paul, Leo, Big Oz and the rest of the Red-Eye crew. Special thanks to Mom, Dad and Kim for being there always. Good Luck red-eye. Remember, "take care of your people."



Martin Edward Timko
"Marty, Party"
History Area Studies
Euclid, OH

An enormous debt of gratitude goes to L. B. J. and M. A. T. T. I owe you much more than one!

*"I was taken to a beautiful place. I was loved, I was protected, educated."
— A. Schwarzenegger "Twins"*

Jonathan Dean Tamblyn
"J.T."
General Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO

Yet another chapter closed. I am grateful for it, and eager to see the next.

"He is no fool, who gives up what he cannot keep, to gain that which he cannot lose." — Jim Elliot (Missionary killed by the Auca Indians in Equador)

Luke 9:23-25



Linda Michaelle Walker
"Mick"
Military History
Memphis, TN

Here's the most important stuff first: Mark, I have one thing to say = "MY WIPS!" Here's to forever. It must be camel night - the incense is burning. I'll miss you scrummies and backs. B.B. you're always in my memory. I owe Jen my eternal hatred of Peter Gabriel. SAMI prep. - what is 1941 about? Thanks Mr. Waiter, I graduated anyway. Troy, I enjoyed smearing shaving cream on you. See you in TAHOE!



The Class of 1993 Basics experience yet another time honor a tradition of running through the Valley.



John Alton Webster
Political Science
Beaver, UT

After 6 years, 5 flights of stairs, 4 AOCs, 3 Comms, 2 Supts and one Cadet Wing Hostess, I'm ready to leave. Thanks to the American Taxpayer for my education, room and board, and paying my telephone bill. Thanks to the Academy for enlarging my understanding of "integrity". Thanks to Redeye for making me feel at home. Thanks to my family for their unremitting support. Thank you Father for being my best friend.

"There is no defeat except within, no really insurmountable barrier save one's own inherent weakness of purpose" — Author Unknown

26 Barons



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Tyler T. Prevett
"Ty"

Human Factors Engineering
Westford, MA

Can't believe it's over; can't believe I came here. I'll try to keep my faith, friendship and sense of humor with me and if I lose it, I'll just call Monte, my family or friends who taught me to begin with. Everything is changing, and our lives with it. But, at least there will always be small boys.

All you need is Love. — The Beatles



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Mark Eugene Butler
"Butter"

Bachelor of Science
Baltimore, MD

Thank you Ma and Leon for your love, prayers and support. I have learned more than anyone will ever know — greatest of all: excellence. Finally, look at me y'all I is college graduate!



Michael
"BM"
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etc., for putting things in
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cause." — Jimmy Buffe

Michael Steven Ballek

"BM, Smilin' Mikey"
Biology
Chesterland, OH

Mom, Dad and Lisa - I can never say it often enough, but thank you for all your support and love. To all the friends I've made here - you've made the longest four years of my life seem like the shortest, too! Take care, we'll see you later!

"So often times it happens that we live our lives in chains, and we never even know we have the keys." — The Eagles



Jon Charles Frisbee

"Friz"
Mathematics
Northville, MI

When I first applied to this institution, they told me I was competing with the nation's finest, if that was all true then this nation is chuck roast. As for myself being accepted here, if they thought I was part of that group, then ha-ha you suckers. Thanx to my great family, Peea, Benny, Leif (Pumpkin Head), Shannon, Greener, Bulge, Wunder, Beavers, Chubbers, Luke, Ed and we're going to Boulder Crew - well, whoooooooaa, Adios My Friends! AMF to the rest! WHOOOOSH!

Jason Joseph Bock

"Jay"
Economics
Brooklyn Park, MN

Football was fun while it lasted and it also served its purpose. Greener, Matty B, Tony, BM, Tommy, D.D. and most of all Shannon. - Good friends forever. A Pirate two hundred years too late — J. Buffet...FIFHTEP... Good luck Bubba and carry on the tradition... There comes a point in every person's life when you just have to say what the hell - and go for it... Have Some Pride ... Thank God for pals!



Matt Eugene Greene

"Greener"
Civil Engineering
Pea Ridge, AR

I sincerely thank God, Dad, Travis, Mom and her memory, the Best grandparents, the Andersons, JenDick (ditto) and all the others who pulled me through this place. "I like my friends and everybody else can ... " so here's to Hoodlum, Lumbo, Matty, Bocker, Tony, Friz and all the other fellas: "It ain't easy having pals." Nothing worthwhile ever came easy, but neither did the Academy. Thank goodness for Buffett, Fletch ("This is the nicest place"), Beach-rakin' /Bar-tendin', Cheers, Kelly's, Hannah's, Copenhagen and Lite. Finally I Found Hats That Fit Properly.

Unes Aaron Booth

"U.B."
Political Science
Peoria, IL

*Life's sweet leisure on the hill,
The strength to finish was through the will.
Friendships brought on strength of heart
and bonds that live forever.
Good and bad times from the start,
but quitting was a never.
Support from family was a must,
Through cynicism did a bound me.
Life's sweet Leisure on the hill
was family, friends around me.
Mom, Dad, Shelly, Thank you for supporting
me in my endeavors.*



Kimberly Joy Infanger

"Fang"
Bachelor of Science
Billerica, MA

Roll with it! Everything bad usually gets worse but passes eventually! Thanks Mom, Dad, Karl, Kristen. To the Barons, especially Sconi, Brian, Hootyucker, Brock, Todd, Mark and George and Billy with the 25ers, you were my friends, brothers and the reason I survived (Inconceivable!). I'll never forget you! Sue you taught me juggling and closet space. Thanks! Drago, Natasha, Nicoli, Nadia - infamous four of SERE '92! Huzzah! Every weekend should be Oktoberfest!

Matthew John Borszcz

"Matty"
Human Factors Engineering
North Royalton, OH

RULES ARE FOR GAMES, I DON'T PLAY GAMES! I learned much, especially from numerous weekends on the tourpad. Three alcohol incidents is enough to drive a man to drink! Thanx to my family, Mom, Dad, Maridi etc. ... for being there! Thanx: Shannon, Tony, Greener, Jay, Friz, Bubba, Kelly's, Hanna's... etc., for putting things in perspective, Greener, FIFHTEP, beach raker/bartender! If you wait till the last minute it only takes a minute. "If we weren't all crazy, we would all go insane." — Jimmy Buffett



William Charles Lane

"B' Lane"
Human Factors Engineering
Chandler, OK

"My sole intention was learning to fly, condition grounded, I'm returning to try. Gotta' keep my eyes from the circling sky. Tongued and twisted, just an earth bound misfit - I ... " — Pink Floyd

To those who made my coming here possible, (Mom, Dad and friends at home) and to those here who made it bearable; (CS-25 4's, the buds in 26 and my brother Ted) Thanks.

David Michael Leazer II
"Night Stalker"
Political Science
Las Vegas, NV

Thanks to my father in heaven, my parents and the Mikes. I've learned so much from my time here. Probably the most important thing is that you should always use cash! It's much better being a fourthclassman than in high school. It's much better being a firstie than a fourthclassman. I hope being a lieutenant is even that much better. Finally, my close friends, I will miss you.



Jeffrey Mark Nedrow
"Ned"
Biology
Selah, WA

"It's the end of the world as we know it (and I feel fine)" — REM

Thank God I made it without losing all of my mind. To Mom, Dad, Steph and Amy - thanks for all the love and support. To L.O., UB, BM, Blane, Face and D. Rich - thanks for creating some fun and levity in an otherwise dark environment. Good luck to us all.

David Allen Lombardo
"Lumbo, Moony, Virgil"
Astronautical Engineering
Concord, CA

I want to thank my family and all the great friends I have made along the way for all their love and unyielding support. God bless you!

Although I may not be able control the winds that blow, I can always set the sails. — Mildred N. Hoyer

To my roommate, Greener and the fellas of two-six, I couldn't have made it without ya! Livrig Lives!



Julie Lynn Nep
"Jules"
East Asian Studies,
Chinese minor
Akron, OH

"For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

I thank God for the strength, ability and determination - without Him it would not have been possible. Thanks Mom, Dad, Lisa and Johnny for your love and support (and prayers!) Breck, thank you for sharing your love and life with me. I look forward to the years ahead of us. I love you.

Anthony Robert Meyer
"Tony"
Bachelor of Science
Denton, TX

Falcons - thanks for all the memories. To the F.O.L.A. - T.N.S.O.O.N. Greener, Matty, J. Bock, Fris and Shannon. Y'all made this place bearable. You kicked me when I was down and never tried to cheer me up. Bubba - carry on the legacy. Big Daddy Taddy - You'll always be my brother. "Pain is temporary, pride is forever."

You have to question any school that would let me make the Dean's list.



Lance Matthew Orr
"L.O."
Political Science
Columbus, OH

*"Gather yee rosebuds while yee may, O! time is still a flying
And this same flower that smiles today,
Tomorrow will be dying." D.P.S.*

Thank you to my family for the endless support which has sustained me for the last four years. Thanks also to the numerous friends I have made here for all the memories. After four years of trials in darkness, it is time now to emerge.

John Santonio Morales
"J.M., Morals"
Chemistry
Los Angeles, CA

I still don't know why I did it, but I did. Thanks to my family for the support and thanks to Gretchel for always being there when I needed you. To all my friends I bid you a fond farewell, I will miss you all more than you know. Wee mon, here we come!



Charlene Valerie Purtee
"Charlie"
Humanities
Olympia, WA

*Thank you:
Lord, for strength,
My family, for support,
Debbie, a faithful friend,
The Austins (my Army family), for love and guidance,
The OCF Gang, for love and friendship,
Preppies, Squadmates and Friends who made this place home.
"Perhaps love is essential because it's unnecessary." — J. Barnes
"May the road rise up to meet you ... and until we meet again, may the Lord hold you in the palm of His hand."*

Derrick Bernard Richardson
"D. Rih"
Management
New Orleans, LA



Thank you Mom, Pop and Jason for your prayers, sacrifices and support. These five years are dedicated to you. You are my motivation and I love you. Thanks also to the Woodfords for the getaways.
To all my friends and classmates, I wish you a Peaceful Journey.
To all the critics, oppressors, pests, antagonists and Mark B. I leave you with one loud and final SILENCE!! EU.

Mark William Visconi
"Scone"
Political Science
Garden City, MI



Mom, Dad, Beth, Bob and Paul ... Thank you. You were my hope and inspiration to excel - and to make it day to day. You meet the best friends of your life here. CJ, Three, Face, UB, MJC, Fang, Stein and all the "Romans." Thanks for making this place bearable, maybe even fun.

"Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear - not absence of fear." — Mark Twain

Michael James Schar
"Face"
Aeronautical Engineering
Camarillo, CA



Nothing in life worth having ever comes easy. What a time, though. Lumbo, it's hard to believe we finally made it through reaching our goals. Congrats. Thanks Dave, Mikey and the rest of the gang that helped me maintain my sanity. I couldn't have done it without you. I have only one worry now - how do you cook?

Charles Edward Westbrook III
"Trey, Boy, Loaf"
Political Science
Katy, TX



To God be the Glory, the Honor and the Praise! Thanks, also to Mom, Dad, Tiff and Debbie, without whose love and support I would have died of depression, destitution and STRESS! Chris - I love you bro! Ecc. 4:9-12 Scon: Joey, Matty, Steve, D, Face, Charlie, Kim - Friends Forever! To Friends, Debate ... Work expands to fill available time. If you wait till the last minute to takes a minute to do!

Matthew Raymond Tramonte
"Monte"
Bachelor of Science
Chelmsford, MA



First and foremost, thanks Mom and dad for all your love and support. Though often unmentioned, it was never unnoticed. And no Mom, I don't regret it! To the friends that I have made, I can't say enough except - anything, anytime, anywhere. That goes for squadmates, hockey fellas and to Ricky and Adam, two of the best friends and brothers a guy could have, period. And to Tyler, there will never be another you, stay squirrely. To future Barons, "Keep a heads up, there's a lot of stuff coming down from group."

Russell Michael Wolfe
"Russ"
Civil Engineering
Dover, DE



I've learned that a flawless profile, a perfect body, the right clothes and a great car can get you far at USAFA, almost to the top, but it can't get you a pilot slot - isn't it great we're all better people? (Just kidding, I'm really not bitter). Thanks to Mom and Dad, my big bros and especially God for getting me through this place! I know the future is good!!



Up and over, this Basic from the Class of 1993 prepares to scale the down side of this obstacle.

27 Thunderbirds



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Aaron Bradley Freed
Operations Research, Arabic,
French
Bothell, WA

*"Sometimes the load is heavy
And Sometimes the road is long
And sometimes, Lord, this heart of mine
Is not so very strong.
But Thy will be done, Lord, Thy will be done."
To be honest, if this place didn't suck so much,
we wouldn't have anything to brag about
when we go home. Thanks, Mom and Dad - for
everything. Mara, Mike, Trina, Troy - you've
made it all worth while.*



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Darren Lamont Hall
"Duffy"
Aeronautical Engineering
Newport News, VA

Ay Man, you know Steve? — D. Hall 01 SEP 91

*I would like to thank the lord for giving me the
diligence and determination to rise above
adversity. I give thanks to my family for help-
ing me get through... Thanks Mother "Love
You"! The shoutouts: my partners in crime,
GS and MED, OT, The hoop team, the Lench
Mob, Delano, T-Roy, Solo, Akin, "L" I love
you, Newport News!*



Jonathan A.
History - Russia
Russ
Ketterin

*I told myself to never
pray that I will not act
sarcastic cadet upon
the Fam: Mom, Dad,
always supporting my
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Jonathan Ashley Boyd
History - Russian Area Studies,
Russian
 Kettering, OH

I told myself to never forget how to laugh. I pray that I will not act like a typical cynical, sarcastic cadet upon graduation. Thanks to the Fam: Mom, Dad, Laura & Bentley, for always supporting my decisions without always asking why. Thanks Kev, Nate, Spuds and all my friends for keeping me sane. Remember: sometimes you win; sometimes you lose; sometimes, it rains. FUJIMO. TCB. OK, then. I can still smile.



Joel Clark Dunham
Modern History
 Fosston, MN

"Dunham, a lot of people didn't think you'd make it this far." — Reggie Minton

Wow, I made it. I hope. Doty and MOCUS. BOFI. OZ, tequilla, Bahamas, Santa's Scorn and Stop Out. Rick and hunting. Randy, dancing and cheap wine. Kevin, Scott and alcohol. Thanks Clara for adopting me. Thanks Darrell for being my best friend. Butch and Sharon, I love you. This place is a joke without a punchline.



Larry Delano Card II
Engineering Sciences
 Anchorage, AK

Thanks Mom and Dad for teaching me that there is no substitute for a job well done. I would have never made it this far without you. Miriam thanks for making this place much more bearable.

"Without confidence you are twice defeated in the race of life, with confidence you have won even before you have started." — Marcus Garvey



Todd Allen Dykstra
Biology
 Hudsonville, MI

There's no way I could have done it by myself. Thanks for the support Mom, Dad, Matt and Tim. How many days Julie? Thanks for waiting! I love you all! You're the best. Thanks to the fellas for friendships and great memories: Dayton, Joe, Lance, Andy and Matt. Most of all praise God for the strength he gives me. Phil 4:6,7



David Swift Carroll
"Big Dave"
Management
 Plano, TX

First, thanks to my whole family, especially Mom and Dad, for all the fellas, past and present, for always being ready to have a good time and a few laughs. Ed McMahon ain't got nothin' on me! Some highlights: the ladder, Dirt Shoot, Bottle Dancing, Tech, Big Dogs, Rafting Trips, Sting, Psychos and Cheezy Lines. Good-bye Colorado (Crunch)!



Jeffrey Roy Hasbrouck
"Hasbro"
Bachelor of Science,
Management emphasis
 Pierce, CO

If at first you don't succeed, try, try again - even if it takes six years. It took me longer but I had more fun.

Thanks Mom and Dad for not giving up. Lil sis you're really growing up. To my Babe, we've almost got it made. USAFA, you couldn't take everything away! A special thanks to CS-27 for making my TDY truly enjoyable.



Rhett David Champagne
Mathematics
 Hahnville, LA

Veni, Vidi, Biberi!
For four years, so far, I've given up most of my freedoms to be able to defend them for others one day. I'm not sure exactly what I've learned in this time, but it best have been worth it. I guess I'm the only one who can make sure it was. I'll never forget the Tarantulas, Eagles, and T-Birds; thanks guys! Mom, I'll love you always!



Michael Scott Hayes
"Purple"
Mechanical Engineering
 San Antonio, TX

Done. Many thanks go to my family, 1st squad dools, the Acacia House Fellas, and Jen. All of you have helped to make these four years go by with the least amount of pain. I'll see you all on the outside, especially Jen. Yes Frank, I do believe Louisiana is the Pelican State.



Dayton S. Kobayashi
Biology
Sterling, CO

Despite the fact you get a sick feeling coming back to the Academy on Sunday night, I take from this place many true friends and fond memories. Mom, Dad, Ky and Todd - I thank God for such a loving, supportive family. Grandma and Grandpa - thanks for your love and prayers. Todd D. - I couldn't have asked for a better friend and roommate. Joe - start working out. Paula - keep laughing. God bless you all!



Trina Kay Mayhill
Behavioral Sciences
Syracuse, KS

Thank God for a wonderful family and caring friends. You made it all worthwhile. Maggie - It's been a long run, MY HANDS! Amy - I know I'm right! Jo - Missed you. Kevin - I'll never forget you. Aaron - Thanks for listening. Talent is scarce - use it! Ali - stay calm. If someday I see that life is not what I expected, then I will know I was right about life. Tears - R.C. Thanks!

Randal Dale Koenig
"Ranme"
Space Operations
San Diego, CA

I'd just like to say, "I couldn't have made it through here without myself."

Although I'm the best and I'd like to say more about myself, this is my one chance to self-immortalize. In all our life, time is the sole thing we control. Where we end depends on how we spend our time. Was this place worth my time? What do you think? FA - Thank You God



Grant Douglas McKenzie
"Spuds"
Aeronautical Engineering
Sandy Hook, MS

Thanks to Mom for the food, Dad for the money, Corps for the good times, and Heidi for making my life complete. "Going Out in a Blaze of Glory." Beat Navy and LOTI to all.

Gloria Maria Lorenzo-Luaces
Space Operations
Miami, FL

"My precious child, I never left you during your time of trial. Where you see only one set of footprints, I was carrying you." - Only the Lord knows how many times he saved me.

Well, I guess I can breath now... It's over! Without my family and friends this place would have been impossible - Thanks for the strength and courage you gave me and especially Mom and Dad for your love and support. P.S. I wanna go HOME!



John Elwood Meier
"Betty"
Economics
Pierce, NE

All the great men in history are dead and I'm not feeling to well myself. Don't worry though I'll pull through, after all I made it through here. Mom, Dad, Michelle and everyone back home your support made the difference. Thanks to all my friends for helping me to live fast and keeping me from dying young. We finally conquered this place, next the world.

Timothy LeRoi Martinez
Engineering Mechanics
Roswell, GA

Things can only get better.



Kyle David Mikos
"Bilbo"
Operations Research, Economics
Tonawanda, NY

Thanks to my mom and dad for always being there for me. Thanks to my friends both here and at home for making the times away from here a lot more fun. It takes a big man to cry but, it takes a bigger man to laugh at that man. It's all over and I'm still only middle aged!

Thomas Peter O'Rourke
"T.O."
Management
Mastic Beach, Long Island, NY

You do not learn how to lead people in the classroom. You develop leadership traits on the athletic fields. Motivating people toward a common goal is much harder when rank is not present. Always give it your all, strive to improve, and never settle for second best. LA-CROSSE - the fastest game on two feet... 1, 2, 3... GO BLUE!



Gerald Lance Teel
"LT"
Geography
Houston, TX

"Climbing K-2 or floating the Grand Canyon in an inner tube; there are some things one would rather have done than do." E.A.

I have learned more from 4 friends, 4 mins of prayer, 4 hrs of Rugby, 4 days of hiking, 4 weeks of travel; than 4 yrs of school. To those in front God Bless; To those leaving God speed; To those behind (Doug, MAH, Heidi, Zoomies) God help!

Marc Andrew Sheie
"Mama"
Modern History
Madelia, MN

Thanks, Mom and Dad, for all your help, support, and love. Friendships are the most worthwhile thing we get here. To the best: George, Bosco, TO; Pikes Peak or Bust TS, Duke, Tower, Rob, Andy, Steve, Doug; Duke, we're not listening to you anymore; Fab 5 over Lobo 5 any day; Oz to Joel - Road Trip; Lax Team - Doolies, Green Turtle, DG's are ours.



Andrew Robert Truitt
Management
Houston, TX

Thanks to my brothers Lance, Todd, Doug, and Marty. Peace and Grace be yours abundantly through Christ, Extra super special thanks to my best friend, Heidi. Guess what? You know! D-Hall-Peace. I encourage everybody to seed the reward that God has kept for us in heaven. It is eternal. Nothing in this world can compare. The only way is through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Alice Malinda Ward
"Ali"
Management
Evansville, IN

Thanx Levi & Biscuit! Creativity amidst conformity. The Tao of Pooh. Football season. Mazatlan. Sewing circles. California. Table table. Happy Canyon Rd. Norris loved us. CPR. Reggae on the rocks. P.D.A.S. B.W.A. The illusive Croco-Al and Jenn-Stimpy. Grapefruit Bugs. Monopoly. I'm in cowboy hell - twice. I miss you already. Coffee talk. Who the bug is Libby? Spontaneity! Denny's at 2am. San Dong. Reba -oops. WHIZZER STARTED IT ALL! AKAK.



Anthony Gomillion (bottom rung) works to make it to the top of the obstacle with the help of a 1989 Cadre member telling him that he can do it.

28 Blackbirds



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Natalie Sue Wittman
Aeronautical Engineering
Roscoe, IL

My family, my friends and especially God - THANK YOU Never have I loved friends so deeply and so well ... Can I tell ya? Zoomie Rugby, Buffy, The TT, I hope so, Push it UP, The beagle, wow!, Countless QT.

"Now Glory be to God who by his mighty power is able to do far more than we would ever dream of... beyond our highest thoughts, desires, prayers, or hopes..." Ephesians 3:20



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Michael Dwain Love
"Doc"
Management
Grand Prairie, TX

"Of all the means to ensure happiness throughout the whole of life, by far the most important is the acquisition of friends." — Epicurus, Sovran Maxims, No. 27

I guess I'll be set for a great life then. To the true PTWOB's, Blue skies.. To the Blackbirds, push it up! You're da best. Regulators, It's time to skin out. We ride!

"His epitaph read but one word, Pals." — Young Guns II



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always...Push it UP!

Christopher Lawrence Bennett
"CB"
Mathematics
Fairfax, VA

Mom and Dad, your love and support have made my success possible. To JP, Chief, Rosie, LV, Swartz and all who have influenced me through these four years; The worst of times become the best of times when you are among friends. I thank you all. To the Morrells and Sheltons, I thank you for years of kindness and support. To mighty 28, keep pushin' it up, to my friends in grey, go ducks! "Let the fun begin."



Jeremy James Fenceroy
"J.J."
Russian Area Studies
Sioux City, IA

I'd like to thank God, for helping me through each and every day; the Gospel Choir, which has been such an inspiration to me, my boys Tommy D. and Tim Heider, for the memories and all of the other great friends I've made here who helped me discover exactly who I really am.

"It's so hard to say good-bye to yesterday."
— Boyz II Men

Adrian Neal Clarke
"Adge"
Social Sciences
Las Cruces, NM

Here's to legends, wizards, pals, titans, groovers and friends to the last. Here's to the boys. Here's to us. Mount up, we ride.

"Mav, you still got the number of that truck driving school? I think I'm gonna need it..."
— "Top Gun"



Christopher J. Galfano
"Galf"
Biology
Chicago, IL

"Men I now know, do not fight for flag or country, for the Marine Corps, for glory or any other distraction. They fight for their friends. Any man in combat who lacks comrades who will die for him or for whom he is willing to die, is not a man at all. He is truly damned."

— William Manchester
To the blackbirds who made it all worthwhile, Leif, Doc, Kerk, Dings, Adrian, J.D., Dag and L.V., Semper Fi!

Nathan Eric Drummond
"Nate"
Geography
Five Points, OH

To Jay and Lisa, Mom and Dad
You made life here endurable
Thanks to God and O.C.F.,
four years have been-well, bearable
To friends I've made here, thank you all
for being a friend to me
I hope we'll meet again sometime
if not, don't fail to see
the message in the life I live
don't put it off today
accept Christ as your savior now
He'll be back any day.
John 15:13; Prov 3:5-6; Eccl 12:12



Don Anthony Gantham Jr
"Dag, Georgia Cracker"
Biology
Augusta, GA

The 1993 Blackbirds continue to PUSH IT UP even today. Thanks for all the good times and the good friendships, fellas. From the roommate game, to the camping trip, Halloween, the ski "trip", to the Spring Break Odyssey - you became my closest friends. Thanks to Big D, Mom, BGen and the Sampsons, and the rest the Blackbirds! Yo Adrian, we're outta here!!

Leif Erik Eckholm
"L.E."
Mathematics
Stevens Point, WI

I never really wanted to fly, anyway... I just came here for the social life. All the Gestapo weenies... Thank you. I know I talk in formation, I chew gum in uniform and yes my sunglasses are mirrored. I guess I'm just not officer material. But I'll say this. I've had good times and made great friends and I'm convinced that's what's really important. Life is short. Play hard! No one gets out alive. To the Montana River Boys, I love you guys. And always... Push it UP!



Kristin Ann Hillery
"Pooh"
Bachelor of Science
Horicon, WI

What would I have done without you? Thanks Perdy, Chuck, Keri, AC, the Hoopsters and all my friends. But, especially to you Carrie — I would never had made it without you. I LOVE YOU ALL.

Runnin' out of self control
Gettin' close to overload
Up against a now win situation
I'm ready for all long vacation
Be good to yourself, when no one else will
BE GOOD TO YOURSELF! — Journey

Jeffrey Doain Holt

"J.D."

Graduation
Oak Park, IL

Not the sharpest cadet. Definitely not the smartest cadet. But I wear the ring, and I toss the hat with all of you! Years from now, only the memories of my friends will remain. "And now here is my secret, a very simple secret: It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye."
—ADSE

Follow your heart...



Theodore Thomas Lane III

"Lowys"

Chemistry
Chandler, OK

Since they won't print what I really think about this place I'll leave it at this, "I bought me an illusion and I put it on the wall, I let it fill my head with dreams and I had to have them all, But oh the taste is never so sweet as what you'd believe it is - well I guess it never is" - Gn'Fn'R's

Lawrence Van Hopkins Jr

"Hopi"

Political Science
Melbourne, FL

Thanks to Mom and Dad for all your support and encouragement. I owe it all to you! This place has taught me many lessons, but the most important lesson learned is that friends are forever. Thanks Len, Le, Dings, JD, Galf, Dag, Adrian, Rosy, Andy and the rest of the Blackbird Crew for making these days more enjoyable. Remember, Blackbirds PUSH IT UP.



Lisa Marie Lau

Bio-Environmental Engineering
North Branford, CT

Mom and Dad, Thanks for the love and support.

Zoomie Rugby... Enough said. Go Green Machine! Uncle Remus - Don't burn out - Buffy, the memories will always remain. Beagles you'll be missed but never forgotten. Lance, thanks. The Lord gave me the strength, great friends made it worthwhile.

"You reminded me about what the most important thing in life is... Friends, Best Friends... It's funny how a little place like this brought so many people together." — Igdie Threadgoode

Christopher Leonardi Juarez

"Chief"

Management
Oak Brook, IL

Pumpkin Head, Galf, J.D., Adrian, Dag, Cupie, and the rest, thanks for the past 3 years. You made it worth while Flounder, Brick, Mess, Chowder and Lindwhore, You're the best teammates I could have... Mom, thank you for having faith in me and for having the door open if I wanted to come home, I love you... Billee, thank you for making my senior year the best here.



Brian Hamilton Leich

"Bry"

Human Factors Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO

"In the hour of darkness and peril and need, The people will waken to listen and hear; The hurrying hoofbeats of that steed, And the midnight message of Paul Revere." — H.W. Longfellow

I was so deceived into believing this place turned out warriors; instead I found a school to develop skilled technicians. Mom, Dad, Karen and Kristen thank you for all the love and support in my futile quest. Semper Fi!

Aaron Glenn Kerkman

"Kerky, Sprout"

Astronautical Engineering
Menominee, MI

My only regret is that I never mastered the art of marching. I think I needed more practice. I feel bad for the people who live in the rooms Fred and I lived in. To the people who told me I was a bum, easy tough guy! Later on, Jack. The pack is BACK!



Andrew Carl Maas

"Andy, Pipes"

Aeronautical Engineering
Coon Rapids, MN

Pride does not come from the rank on your shoulder, the position that you hold, or the school you attend. Pride is derived by pushing yourself beyond what you thought was possible, regardless of your rank, your position, or the name of the institution on your diploma.

Thanks to the family and friends who have earned my gratitude, but have rarely heard it.

Jeffrey Charles Mabry
"Dings"
Basic Science
Melbourne, FL

A pilot? Who, me? I always wanted to be in a band anyway! I didn't have the best grades, Dad, but at least I was never on Ac Pro! The most important thing I'll take away from here will be my friends - I love you guys. Hook, Giant, LV, Doc, Dag, Adge, JD, etc.. You guys are da best! I'm serious! Push it up and I'll see you all on the other side.

"Although it's just a memory, some memories last forever." — Neil Peart and the boys



Jimmie John Rohrer
"J.J., Jimmie John,
Swinging Fury"
Operations Research
Issaquah, WA

Thanks Mom and Dad for helping me keep life in perspective and remembering the importance of today. "When you wake up in the morning, Pooh" ask Piglet at last, "what is the first thing you sat to yourself?" "What's for breakfast," said Pooh, "what do you say, Piglet?" "I say, I wonder what's going to happen exciting today." said Piglet. Pooh nodded thoughtfully. "Same thing" said Pooh. Thanks guys!

Kevin Michael Mulligan
"Mugsy"
Geography
Mesa, AZ

Is it over? Are we there yet?
Who said it was gonna be easy?
Thanks for all your love and support Mom and Dad (and Bridget too!). I don't know what I would have done without your advice and long talks on the telephone. To all the fellas: Timmy, your the greatest friend a guy could ever ask for. Moony, may you one day fly higher and faster than all the rest. Hoiby's Heroes, we did it! One final piece of advice... "Never get into fight with UGLY people because they have nothing to lose" — Unknown Jerk



Anthony David Rosello
"Rosy"
Engineering Science
Strabane, PA

Mom, Bob, Dad, both Grams, Ellie and Stacy, thanks for your support. You have all lightened my load during the four year journey. Brad, good luck and enjoy your time at USCGA. To my friends, I'll never forget the good times and the serious talks: during four-degree year, at USCGA, on the ski trip, and over the past three years in 28. Courageous convictions will drag the dream into existence... everybody got to elevate from the norm - Neil Peart

Frederick DeWitt Phelan
Humanities
Greenwich, CT

To my family - Mom, John, Tim and Lisa - rest easy, I made it. To all the polo dudes, past and present - especially F-Troop, coach, Joe and Bill - Thanks. I will be forever proud of our friendships and accomplishments together. To the system - you've done nothing but try to burn me out for the past four years.. congratulations - you succeeded.

P.S. It's too bad we were not allowed to have a house downtown - Oh well.



Jeffrey John Salsbury
"Smokin'"
Biology
Columbia Heights, MN

"When you think you're about to go over the edge, remember that God, in is infinite wisdom, mad the world round." — Unknown
Remember: "Always lead from the front." — Dwight D. Eisenhower
Thanks: Mol, Tom, Stan, and my friends here and back home for their support; Mom for the hundreds of letters bringing sanity to the insane; Dad, whose quiet pride in me encouraged me more than he could imagine.

Aaron Conklin Rarey
"AC"
Military History
Bowling Green, OH

Are we done yet?
Thanks to Mom, Dad, Family and Friends for "keeping the faith." To all my buddies: it never got any easier, but we made it. Thanks for making this place bearable.
"A soul in tension that's learning to fly
Condition grounded but determined to try
Can't keep my eyes from the circling skies
Tongue - tied & twisted just an earth-bound misfit, I" — Pink Floyd



Mark Burton Waggoner
"Wags"
Bachelor of Science
Ennis, TX

I'd like to thank my family and friends, especially Caroline I'd have never made it without them. And as far as the future is concerned: "A day in the game is worth a year of memories" — Garth Brooks I hope we get the chance to play in the game.

20 Black Panthers



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Brian David Turner
"Conan"
Engineering Science
Astronautical Track
Talent, OR

I may have tried my best, but it was the support that gave me endurance. Thank you: my family at home I love you. Mom you can stop worrying; I survived. Dad, having a role model makes it easier. Anne Marie, Graduation '93, Congratulations Mark, GO BEARS! My best semester. Thanks For the friends - 29, Hank, Jim, Glenn, Paul, Anthony, etc. You are the best friends I've ever had. Don't lose touch. Job 42



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Jason Allen Breeden
"Toon"
Chemistry
Bloomington, IN

Four glorious years have ended, only to leave me with the rest of my life. To Charez, I told you we would make it. To the T-Birds, how many of us are left? Seifs will always be a second family. What's wrong with my hair, yes I am hungry again, do I really look like a cartoon, and may the three day disaster live in infamy. Friends made it all.



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James Andrew
"Botswan
Western European
Grey Eagle

They out spoke brave Ho
the Gate. To every man
looked soon or late.
to better than facing fear
kind of his Fathers and the
folk" - Thomas Macaulay
To the best of my ability I
was in question
to never look me seriously,
now

Henry Prentice
"Hank"
Electrical Engine
Plant City, FL

When I miss I'll miss as we
of friends - you guys. I'll miss
of Bruce and Don positive a
I don't complain. And fin
of hope and Jesus is Lord

Charles Michael Bartenfeld
"Bart"
Military History
Atlanta, GA

They are different men here, men I cannot properly understand whom I envy and despise.

— Erich Maria Remarque

Of all man's miseries the bitterest is this: to know so much and to have to control over nothing. — Herodotus

Do the Bartman. — Bart



Jason Edward Butchko
Civil Engineering
Carlsbad, CA

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all ceation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Jesus Christ our Lord."

— Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)

Thanks to all my friends that made this place bearable when it seemed unbearable. Thanks Mom, Dad and Tif for your unconditional love and support. Kim, I love you ... thanks for being that awesome woman that God meant just for me!!

John Thomas Bauer
Biology
Buffalo, NY

These have been the longest four years of my life and yet the most rewarding. Thanks Mom, Dad and family for your support. Will, Glen, Napes, Tommy, Jay, Opie, Dos, Pizz, Crista, Ernie, Dan, Wade and all the fellow slugs: No man is a failure who has friends. Two roads diverged in a wood, and I - I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.



Jason Randolph Canada
"Chavez"
Legal Studies
Fairbanks, AK

It has taken me five long years to get through this dump and I could not have done it without all my friends. Thanks to my family, Alex, Jason and kiddo for maintaining my sanity. I've stabbed a lot of you boys, but it was all done in love. 'You've got to get through the negative before you can get to the positive.' Love ya Jen and little Jack.

James Andrew Berscheit
"Botswana"
Western European Area Studies
Grey Eagle, MN

"Then out spake brave Horatio, the Captain of the Gate. 'To every man upon this Earth, Death cometh soon or late. And how can Man die better then facing fearful odds, for the Ashes of his Fathers and the Temples of his Gods.'" — Thomas Macaulay

Sir, To the best of my ability I cannot recall the events in question.

Life never took me seriously, so I returned the favor.



Robert Brian Copes
"Opie"
Human Behavior
Meridan, ID

They said Hell would freeze over before I graduated. Well, the price of a parka is pretty high now. Mom, Dad, Brent I would not have made it without you. Dos, Jay, Tommy and all the boys you made the good times better and the bad times bearable. Kandi, you stole my heart and it was the best thing I ever lost.

Falcon gymnastics: Ringmen remember "Real men pull out."

Henry Prentice Buck
"Hank"
Electrical Engineering
Plant City, FL

The main thing I'll miss as we graduate is all my friends - you guys. I'll miss you, Conan, Scott, Bruce and Dan positive attitude, persist and don't complain. And finally, fight the good fight and Jesus is Lord.



Terry Glen Courtney Jr
"Dos"
Human Behavior
Millstadt, IL

"It takes a big man to cry; it takes a bigger man to laugh at him."

To four generations of A.F. Hockey: You guys are the best vacationers; Scrog Clam; Murph's Probes: Let's B.S.; Books and me aren't getting along; merixo Vanya; couch was hard, music was loud. I found an unanswered prayer.

Thanks Mom, Dad and Weeze.

**Thomas Robert Alexander
Doyle III**

"Tommy, T.D., Heavy D."
Bachelor of Science
Danbury, CT

"I've felt like a one legged man in a butt kicking contest with the Dean ... but look who's hopping a way!"
Mom, Dad and Family, I couldn't have hopped without you. I love you. Zack, Jason, Johns, Dos, Opie remember Kad said ...
If you must lie ... lie to save a friend
If you must steal ... steal a woman's heart
If you must cheat ... cheat death
If you must drink ... drink with me!



Timothy Scott Koons
"Kooner"
Human Factors Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO

Well, four years of programming completed! Thanks to everyone who helped me through. Especially the guys from NWP's, Mom and Dad and a special gratitude to God who over saw every step that I took. From this place, I've learned to hate golf and never question authority. JJ, Be the Ball and Jerry, don't ever loose your bathing suit. See you all later, this brick in the wall is outta here!

Jason Scott Fogel
"Fogs"

Human Factors Engineering
Savanna, IL

Tommy, John, Charles, Dos and Opie - you made it worthwhile!

Mom, Dad, Barb and Kris - Thanks for everything. I couldn't do it without.



Michael John Meyer Jr
"Blues, Scam"
Aeronautical Engineering
Lake City, FL

Today's Tom Sawyer ... by God, I think I made it!
Stranded in dreamland ... thanks Mom and Dad?!?
The sky is cryin' ... I love you, Lisa
It's floodin' down in Texas ... without Steve, Jeff, The Affordables, we've got ... "underwear" — Erin go Braugh — Sinn Fein
Learning that we're only immortal for a limited time roll the bones.
SRV lives on!

Christopher Wesley Gray
Behavioral Sciences
Katy, TX

My four years here have been worthwhile because they have stretched my limits and made me a better person. I'll never forget the friends I've made. God has blessed me indeed (Proverbs 16:3-4). I love you Mom and Dad!

The motto for 1992 — straight from the Good Book:
"Are you unmarried? Do not look for a wife."
MANLY MAN LIVES! (BT²R)



Alexander John Napier III
"Napes, Napity-Napes, Nipplehead"
Human Factor Engineering
Shreveport, LA

"Sometimes nothing can be a pretty cool hand."
— Paul Newman

Thanks to Mom and Dad, Kathy, Patsy, Mary Frances and Eileen. You're all the best. To the 5% of the people here that made it worthwhile especially the boys of Nunya's - THANKS - I've learned a lot. No regrets and remember where you're from!

Scott Anthony Hufford
"Scooter"
Aeronautical Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO

The most important thing I learned here at the Academy is this - Love your family, hold on to your friends, and never let go of your dream! The Manly Man Lives the GC will never die! Proverbs 25:24



David Scott Robertson
"Dave, Spanky, Cueball"
(Graduation) Bachelor of Science
Wilmington, NC

To Mom and Dad, Thanks you for everything. To Lisa, I love you. Thank you for being there. To the Black Panthers '93, I Have Truly Found Paradise.
To DF, CW, AH and any other acronyms I might have missed, I quote:

"You do not rise by the regulations, but in spite of them." — Winston Churchill

Glenn David Roettger
 "Big Daddy"
Chemistry
 Princeton, WV

From the very first day, all we want to do is leave. As graduation nears, I find that part of me wishes I could stay and relive all of the good times. It has been definitely worth it. Thanks to Bri, Paul, Pat, Woody, Lance and Allen who have made the tough times bearable. A special thanks to Mom and Dad, I could never have made it without you.



Jennifer Lynne Van Heertum
 "Brickster"
Bachelor of Science
 Tampa, FL

Thanks to my family for all the support - I really couldn't have made it without y'all. Marti - Thanks for making me stay here. Hoops - you kept me sane! Pooh, JP, Krane, Sprout - Love Ya.



"Farewell to you and the youth I have spent with you. It was but yesterday we met in a dream. But now our sleep has fled, our dream is over, and we must part." — Kahlil Gibran

Amy Lynn Santmeyer
 "AJ"
Material Science
 Carefree, AZ

Late lights and long nights. Who talked me into this major anyway? We said hello to new friends and good-bye to some very dear ones. To the Panthers, we went through the fire together - literally. To the Chem guys, I couldn't have survived without you. How many things are left on that list anyway? When it's all said and done, remember... Why die tense?



Jeffrey Alan Veyera
 "Teflon, Mr. Anarchy, Voltaire"
Military History
 East Providence, RI

*"Anarchy wears two faces, both creator and destroyer" — Moore
 Thanks to all Veyeras and Maloneys, The Slug Council, Fabes, VD Staff, numerous friends and numerous foes, and every officer who could be charmed, begged or conned into looking the other way.
 "Everybody threw the blame on me ... they nearly always do. I suppose it is because they think I shall be able to bear it best." — Churchill
 Viva la revolucion!*



Charles William Stevens
 "Chuck"
Electrical Engineering
 Owosso, MI

Never start what you can't finish; if this is in the yearbook I've finished! Thanks Mom, Dad and all of my family for the support. I've made a lot of good friends and had some good times. If I had it to do over again I'd be a forest ranger.



William Lee Warbington Jr
 "Warb"
Humanities
 Portland, OR

Thru SAMIs, S.K.O., UPS, H.A.P.E., 225, 111-1, Weinberger and mediocrity. By Buff, beaches, late nites of E.M. 120, the Genius King, E.P.H.: local god, Kemper and Copper, home, Nut of CU, a 66 Wildcat, the "Happy Campers", survival, #24, the Winnipeg war heroes, grandparents, fried cheese sticks, Chateau Point, some stupidity. To fellow pseudo-granola, narcoleptic, lunatics: take time to pause and stomp on the flowers.



Patrick Wade Thompson
 "P.T."
Human Factors Engineering
 Kyle, TX

*"Time of your life huh kid?" — Yeah Right.
 To Rob, J.T., Jimmy Dean, Bri, Woody and the happy campers of 29 - you guys are what this place is REALLY all about. Someday we'll look back and laugh at this zoo... But for now. "Don't waste time looking back. Your eyes are in the front of your head."
 Mom, Dad and Anessa, thanks for all the encouragement, support, love and perspective. I couldn't have made it without you.*



James Lee Woodhead
 "Woody"
History
 Montoursville, PA

*I came, I saw I TRAINED!
 "There is no remedy for stupidity." — Nietzsche and Nestroy
 Dad - I should have declared C.E.
 Mom - Thanks for your love.
 Pat and Brian - thanks and good luck!*



30 Knights of Thirt



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Evan Carleton Dertien
Electrical Engineering
Colorado Springs, CO



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Brady Peter Hauboldt
Engineering Mechanics
Mosinee, WI

It is important that everyone knows that "I came here for ambiance." Thanks Mom, Dad and Mrs. Enright for making it all possible. To all the guys who kept this from being the worst four years of my life: Keep up the discontent, it's good for us! Where did all my hair go?

"If you figure out that you don't need to figure it all out, you are finally getting your [act] together." — Jimmy Buffett, 1992



Andrew
Electrical
Camp

Thanks to Mom, Dad
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from Days to 30 -
and will stand by you
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Andrew John S
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Political
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Brent Darr
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Martin James
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Canton, OH

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Andrew Bruce Adams
Electrical Engineering
Camp Hill, PA

Thanks to Mom, Dad, Ward, Billie, Ann and Rob. I LOVE YOU. Thanks to all my friends from Dogs to 30 - I will never forget any of you and will stand by you to the end. Thanks to the Lord without whom nothing would exist. Those like us - we're a vanishing breed, Shinshido-ryu Isshin-ryu Gentlemen, Warrior and Scholar. Long live the fighters. God Bless America.



Stephen James Cox
"Da Man, BeBe"
Civil Engineering
West Bay, FL

"Do not look back. And do not dream about the future, either. It will neither give you back the past, nor satisfy your other daydreams. Your duty, your reward - your destiny - are here and now." — Dag Hammarskjold

"Crawdads", "Knights", "The 3 Rules" CAM and PAH, "BeBe Kids" and the Behame Gremlins. You made it all worth it. Thanks Mom and Dad, your love and support made it all possible.

Andrew John Sinclair Beater
"Beat"
Political Science
Millbrae, CA

Thanks Mom, Dad and Sue and Ed for your love and support. Groovy, Bowe, Martan, Goof, Kirk and my best bud from day one Hank - thanks for helping me forget what I did the night before. Hey Mart I think the fat lady's at the patch.



Daren Sherman Danielson
"D"
Biology
Stillwater, MN

Well, the leaves have come to turning and the hay is in the barn. Bridges are for burning, so don't you let that yearning pass you by. I do not claim that I have already succeeded, the one thing I do however, is to forget what is behind me and do my best to reach what is ahead. Thanks to JT, God, the family and the fellas. FTN. STP.

Brent Darrin Bell
Human Factors Engineering
Dublin, OH

Well, what can I say, I made it! - But not without help from the Lord, my parents, family and friends - thank you all who gave me advice while dealing with this place: parents, coaches, family and dear, dear friends.



Ted Allen Dewing
Human Factors Engineering
Phoenix, AZ

"He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."
— John 3

When it's all over there will be no singing for the lost - weeping and gnashing of teeth will be the chorus. Guys, please think on this now! It maybe your last opportunity to turn from death to life.

Martin James Bowe
"The Bird"
Mechanical Engineering
Canton, OH

Was the grass greener on this side?
I don't know, it was too covered in manure.

Thank God for those who stuck by me: my family and friends — Paup, the B-tree Boys (almost half graduated), Cuz, Wayne, Stop Outters (Go Bucks!), the Rodeo Crew, Saul, Bob, Beat, Hank, Groov, Buckman, the Discontented Drunks of Thirt, the Cheerleaders, Gene ... the list goes on, ... always.



Bryan Daniel Gillan
"Bry"
Mathematical Sciences
Ridgefield, CT

- No bird soars too high if he soars with his own wings.
- We all live under the same sky, but we don't all have the same horizon.
- Follow your dreams, reach for the stars, the sky isn't too far to travel.
- Blue Skies ... EFS, The PTWOB Inquisition, Once a PTWOB ...
PTWOB #042, friends will be friends, PALS, F+I till I die, Isaiah 40:31,
It was the best of times

Now will someone please go get the fat lady?

Joshua Thomas Hartman



Carlton Raynard McDonald
 "C' Breeze"
 Bachelor of Science
 Jacksonville, FL

The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather in a lack of will — Vincent T. Lombardi

I hope that we all find the will. Peace to all my boys. (B.K.A. Lynch Mob)

Jeffrey Michael Janey
 "Janowitz"
 Social Sciences
 Columbia Heights, MN

Three Chinamen are playing fantan. Someone runs up and says, "Hey, the world is coming to an end." The first one says "I best go to the mission and pray." The second one says, "Well hell, I'm going to go buy a case of mescal and six whores." And the third one says, "Well I shall finish the game. I shall finish the game."



Wayne Steven Myers
 "Wayne-O"
 Engineering Science
 Springfield, VA

Some people use this space to tell about fun times they had here, but I am under the Honor Code, so I guess that's out. I would like to thank my supporters in the outside world (Mom and Dad, Keeth and Wendi, Angie) and the people who made my experience here memorable: Dan-O, Pajj, Truj, Fox, Jeanne, The Brewers of America and the woman who broadsided me on Academy. Thanks.

Daniel Robert Kuzmic
 "Book'em"
 Management
 Tahlequah, OK

Just a sincere thank you to the following people: Mom and Dad, Mark and Kim, Charlie and Mr. and Mrs. Horn. You were there for me when the Air Force wasn't.



Harvey Frey Newton
 "Groovy"
 Management
 Columbia, SC

Life is short, so play hard!! Thanks Mom, Dad, Jay and Royce for believing in me. To my friends: You were the best part about this place. Now, let's get the hell outta here!!

Beat, Bird and Buckman, I think I hear the fat lady.

James Andrew Martin
 "Buckman"
 Bachelor of Science
 Cadiz, KY

Mom and Dad, thanks for all your love and support. Groovy, Ban and the Bug, you were a great roomie. Beat, there is good juice and there is juice, there is no bad juice! Bird, get plenty of roost time! Fellas, I think I feel her coming. Just to set the record straight, I came here to be a missile officer but I hate the numbers 1 & 225 for some reason#@.*



Rauhmel Fox Robinson
 Human Factors Engineering
 Bay Area, CA

I've accomplished my goal and I've learned it takes more than brilliance or ingenuity to get a person through this place. A person needs God, family and friends. When I was in need, all of you were there for me. I'm grateful and I won't forget. Peace and Love. CHI RHO 1 Kings 2:2-4.

Jeanine Kaye Stewart
Biology
 Odessa, TX



Daniel Jacob Watola
 "Danola"
Human Factors Engineering
 Tacoma, WA



I'm told my memories of USAFA will grow pleasant with time. No wonder our first reunion is in 2002. It hasn't all been unpleasant — thanks to Wayne, Señor Trujillo, Book'em, Blonde Contortionist, T, Blond Thunderbird, PT, Hanko and Aquaman. Special thanks to Dad for the inspiration, Mom for telling me I could when I couldn't, Dave for being my brother and Bart and Fritz for meeting me at the door.

In the battle of life it is not the critic that counts. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marred with dust and sweat and blood.
 — Theodore Roosevelt

Thanks to the Falcon gymnasts for the precious moments that will be treasured in my heart forever. Thanks to my family and those who took the time to stop, smile and show that they care.

Ronald Fred Stuewe Jr
 "Stu"
Human Factors Engineering
 Papillion, NE



Stacey Ellen White
 "Green"
Biology
 Elliott City, MD



Mom and Dad - trust me! I love you. Cheryl, you reminded me that things could always be better. You're the best! I'll never forget the swim team, our "talks", grapes and juggling. Thanks to the best friends one could ask for. It's just the little things in life, so make them count.

"And if you never had you should, for these things are fun and fun is good." — Dr. Seuss.

Thanks Mom and Dad for all of the support and cookies. To the fellas (You know who you are), I owe you one. You kept me insane amidst all the conformity. All I have learned these past four years boils down to one word - Pals.

I'd rather laugh with the sinners than cry with the saints. Sinners are much more fun.
 — Billy Joel

Paul Martin Trujillo
 "Truj"
Biochemistry
 Killeen, TX



Jonathan Joseph Wieland
 "JJ"
Human Factors Engineering
 Elma, NY



The pain has stopped! Thanks PALS. Live to ski, ski to die.

"Just like children hiding in a closet, Can't tell what's going on outside Sometimes we're so far off the beaten path We get taken for a ride ... Remember in this game we call life that no one said it's fair." — W. Axl Rose

Mom, Dad, Mitchy, Laura, Jason, Alex, Scott and Chippy, thank y'all for bringing me up all those times the Air Force brought me down. I couldn't have made it without y'all. Kosmo, Danno, Neaner and you 29 pukers, thanks for all the good times. For all those that remain behind. FIDO (F. It Drive On). You will make

IRBORNE!!

Kevin Scott Williams
 "K. Dubbs"
Management
 Omaha, NE



Stop the pain! That sums up this kindergarten for overachievers. Thank God I'm done. Would I do it again? Are you kidding? The memories amount to one word - "PALS." I'll always remember getting busted at CSU Frosh year, ski trips, concert Casanovas, baseball road trips (Manny, Brody, Luke) and other wild weekends I can't fit. Thanks to my family, Kris, Kasey and the fellas in 30 and 18. Can I be treated like an adult now?



Jeffrey Janey looks at his compass to decide in which direction he should begin his venture.

31 Grim Reapers



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Michael Maynard O'Connor
"O'C"
Biology
Cranston, RI

Thanks to my family for all the support and love on this long and crazy journey. Thanks God, T.S. and the fellas for being my best friends when things got to be the worst. Thank you Heidi for reminding me of my mortality and encouraging me to strive for my dreams. "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I, I took the one less traveled and that's made all the difference." — R. Frost



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

James Richard Rosales
"Rico"
Civil Engineering
St. Louis, MO

Mom, Dad and family - you helped me make the best of the last four years. To all the fellas - couldn't have any better friends then you guys. To He who gave me the strength and the endurance - thank you for your unconditional love and support (and June 2nd). And Berg, this one's for you bud. "With God all things are possible." — Mark 9:23



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hanks, my family - thanks
hanks, Mac - thanks for the
hanks for trusting
hanks. The team - thanks
conversations, dogs,
out in the real world.

John T. F. D'A
"Zio"
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Zachery Charles Barber
"Zach"
Biology
Cheyenne, OK

I came, I saw, I didn't like it, but I'm gone. I came with dreams. I leave with memories. Thanks to Dad, Mom, Melanie, Carrie and Ti. I couldn't have made it without you. To TD, Zio, Darren and the guys:

I don't care how liberated this world becomes, a man will always be judged on the amount of alcohol he can consume, and a woman will be impressed whether she likes it or not.
— Coglin



Joel William Gartner
Modern History
Topeka, KS

Thanks, Mom and Dad and the other 2 J's. I love you guys. Jenni and Chuck - do you know all you want to? The Behrens and Muhlenbergs - I know you had no idea what you were getting into. Thanks. Rick, Jennifer S. Grandma and Grandpa Mc, Grandma Gartner and Kim - heartfelt ditto. Smile! They never did pay me enough.

"For one brief, shinning moment, there was Camelot." — T.H. White

Mari Dawn Brenneman
Astronautical Engineering
Ft. Washington, MD

To my family, Thank you. I love you.

"Friends are friends forever, if the Lord's a Lord of them ..." — Michael W. Smith
I will never forget the friends that I have made here. For everyone on Corps, Thank you. You are like a second family. I never could have made it without you.

Music gives peace to the restless and comforts the sorrowful. They who no longer know where to turn find new ways. And those who have despaired gain new confidence and love. Thank you, Lord.



Christopher Aaron Gering
"Herman"
Mathematics
Las Vegas, NV

Mom, Dad, Don, Susan, "little Herman." You helped me through USAFA and reminded me that this experience will be worthwhile some day. The One on the Throne deserves the most thanks though: Psalm 22:9-10.

Denise Michelle Chambers
"Deni"
Economics
Albuquerque, NM

"That which does not destroy me, makes me stronger."

After five years at USAF, I could change my name to Ulga. To all of my pillars of strength, thanks, my family - thanks for not hanging up on me. Mac - thanks for the laughs; Kooskoos. Heidi - thanks for trusting me; keep the faith always. The team - thanks for the "entertaining" conversation, dogs, cadavers, etc. See you out in the real world.



Ian Evan Griebel
Operations Research
Copper City, MI

After these past four, I'm ready for anything. Thanks to my family. I wouldn't have made it without you. If there's one reason I'm glad I came here, it's all the friends I'll never forget. Especially the 630 boys ... What can I say? I love you guys. As for the future ...

"It's quite beyond my control." — Le Visconte de Valmont

John T. F. D'Annunzio
"Zio"
Human Behavior
Charleston, SC

To Mom, Dad and Ma: Thank you for your love and support. Zack: "I got to get up even though I don't want to;" Thanks brother. My friends: Thanks for being there and helping me through this place.

"You can't always get what you want, but if you try sometimes, you just might find, you get what you need." — Rolling Stones



Michelle Marie Kazmier
Engineering Mechanics
Evergreen, CO

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty; to find the best in others; to leave the world a better place ... to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."
— Emerson

I thank God for all who have stood behind and beside me. Ecc 4:9-12 J - Thanks for the dance.

Christopher James Lavallee
Military History
 Woonsocket, RI

"It's too bad that whole families have to be torn apart by something as simple as wild dogs." — Jack Handey



Christopher Scott Pluhar
"PLU"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Indianapolis, IN

This commitment has been full of excitement, uncertainty and dreams. I thank my God, my mother and my father for all the support. Gru, remember: changes in latitudes, changes in attitudes. Bob, thanks for putting up with me. Only time will tell if all this was worth it, I think it will be.

Mark Wayne Mirelez
"Tex Mex"
Legal Studies
 Uvalde, TX

Through the strength of the Lord and the love of my family and friends, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith." (2 Tim 4:7) Grim Reapers - Only by some weird act of God did so many of us manage to graduate. Drive carefully.

"Talk is cheap and words are plentiful, but deeds are precious, so let's get on with it." — Ross Perot



Brian Lamont Poole
"B. Poole, Nig Poole, Dipole"
Behavioral Science
 Columbus, OH

Once and for all I didn't go to school for free. Four years of hell ain't no joke ... unless you make it one. I made it by not giving any crap; not taking any crap; by not being in the crap business. Thanks to everyone who made the road a bit easier as I hope to give back and aide those who follow me. Audi 500, outta USAFA, into REALITY!

Charles Yoshio Murnieks
"Chuck, Merni"
Civil Engineering
 Sacramento, CA

Thanks to everyone who made this dream come true ... My family, friends, Pete, Sunshine, the rest of the Reapers, the Smacks of 4, the boys of CE, the Lord, but most of all ... my mother. Mom your courage and love meant more than you will ever know. Thank you.

*"If you're not in it to win it, then get out." — M.M.
 Carpe Diem*



Derek Shane Prothro
"Pro"
Human Factors Engineering
 Alexander, LA

I would like to thank the almighty God, because he's my Alpha and Omega. Thank you, Mom and Dad for being me support group through the good and bad times. To the family, I say thanks for the letters, phone calls and words of encouragement. Peace to everyone in CS-31. Finally, Peace to the boys and remember, we've come this far, but we have a long way to go.

Robert Allen Nelson III
Modern History
 San Antonio, TX

Well, if i graduate or not, I had some pretty good times. T.S., I still think we would be had a better time at ASU! I want to thank the fellas, O.C., Stretch, Plu, Pro, Zach, Zio, B.P., Cheech, Wyciff and the girls in Boulder. Scrappy - save me a chair up at Minot! Mom, Dad, thanks, I love you both. Lou, she really was 19!



William Lewis Riggle
"Bigs"
Political Science
 Parma, OH

"Ain't got no regrets. I ain't losing track of which way I'm going. I ain't gonna double back, no." — Lou Gramm

Mom, Dad and Steve — I could not have made it through this place without you. Thanks for all the love and support. I would also like to thank God for pulling me through the toughest times. Fellas, could not have done it without you. This place was "Brutal." See ya.

Jeffrey Clifford Russell
Aeronautical Engineering
St. Clairsville, OH

Look to the future.



Thomas John Stephens Jr
Civil Engineering
Littleton, CO

"We must remember that one man is much the same as another, and that he is best who is trained in the severest school." — Thucydides
Thanks Mom and Dad, Kathy and Colleen - your support was my inspiration. To Mike, what an interesting and fun three years. [En Berlin] I'll always remember Vince, Hoss' Sunday Night Story Hour and the Lax Boys! The reason for coming here was not my reason for staying. I came with the sound of rotors in my ears but all I have now is my front end loader.

Edward Tadd Sholtis
"Big Daddy"
English
Middletown, PA

"Thou seest I have more flesh than another man; and therefore more frailty." — I Henry IV, III, iii. 165-167.

To my parents, who set me on the road. To Tony, Kelley, Denny, Matt and Bobby, who made the journey easy. To Kim, whose patience and love will see us through those unbeaten ways ahead. For a man of many words, the only ones that seem appropriate are "thank you."



Kelley Michael Vanderbilt
Aeronautical Engineering
Shillington, PA

Persistence is the key to success - if you never quit you never fail. With the help of friends, this belief has gotten me everything I ever truly wanted. Thanks Mom, Marnie, Paula, Steve, Jeff Jones and especially my smelly roommate Todd for the support and direction you have given my life. I wouldn't have made it without each of you.

Robert Allen Young
Management
Buda, TX

Thanks to everyone who helped to make this place a little more bearable: Zach, Zio, Squire, OC, TS and Ian. Special thanks to my family - you made life a lot easier. Finally, thanks to Amber for many good times and some bad times - I love you and I'll see you in a year.

Blow ye winds like the trumpet blows; but without that noise. — Jack Handey



Evan Dertien stands at attention while he receives his boards during the 1989 Acceptance.

32 Roadrunners



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Derek Van Powell
"DP"
Astronautical Engineering
Moreno Valley, CA

I want to thank God for making this possible. Thanks Mom and Dad for your endless support. Thanks to all my friends who, without you, I probably wouldn't be here. Thanks to Sandi who convinced me to stay. We've all realized that learning is a painful process. Someone said that the first step to knowledge is to know that we are ignorant. After 5 unforgettable years, it's about time for us to see what life is really like and to realize how much we really don't know.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Brent Joseph Unger
"Pookey"
Modern History
Colorado Springs, CO

I thank the Lord, my family and a few close friends for helping me survive this place. I've learned that, in the end these are the things that really matter in life.



Raymond Be
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To my family. Thank
to have been my jour

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Raymond Bernard Abarca
"Bernard"
Mathematics
Lubbock, TX

To my family: Thank you for love and support. You have been my foundation.



Marcul Pitt Cavil
"Cavil"
Political Science
Austin, TX

*"Above olive trees I rise like the sun
Where there is light, I enter absolute.
When there is darkness there is none of me.
As the moon comes, I rise.
I am sworn to life. I'm bound to death
I take my oath under the sun." —X-Clan
A lot of good cadets were kicked out
A lot of bad cadets were allowed to stay - Go
figure,
For all those who doubted me here's a Nat
Turner lick.*

Mark Richard August
"Mark"
Electrical Engineering
North Kingstown, RI

To my mom, thanks for listening to me. To my dad, thanks for being that rock of experience and reason for me to base some tough decisions. To Matt and Melanie, thanks for being there for me when I needed it. I need to pay a special thanks to my friends John, Bear, Paul, Geof and Shannon. " have been and always shall be your friend" and "Live long and prosper"



Stephen Paul Chambal
Mathematics,
Operations Research
Millington, MI

Family, friends, & R.J.W. without people like my brother, Craig and my roommate - OV - I never would of finished with my sanity. Thanks. Stephen P.

"...and the adventures continues..."

Laura Renee Barker
"LB, Bark, Ma"
Biology
Albany, MO

*Thanks Mom, Dad, Brian & Joe for all of your love & support! Mom, thanks for all of the great care packages & Dad, thanks for giving them the seal of approval! MO, "thank you for being a friend!" I can't read lips! Schwing! Joe, remember the toilet paper method! Debbie, Ohhh! Coke! Oh gee, don't remind me!
"One man makes a difference and every man should try." — JFK
"I'm third — God is first, others are second and I'm third."*



Michael Joseph Chiavacci
Management
Danvers, MA

I first want to thank a few good friends who helped me put the Academy in the right perspective: Jack D., Jim B., José C. and especially Jeger! I also want to thank my family, parents and friends who made it all possible — and especially the Big Man.

Michelle Naomi Barrett
"Mo"
General Engineering
Annandale, VA

*A toast to: late night laughs, toothpaste fights, drawstring checks, girls' nite out, beer bonding, road trips, anal retentiveness and just acting crazy! Thanks Lord for opening life's doors; Mom and Dad for your never ending love, support and patience; and to all my friends, especially my roomie, Laura, for making this place worthwhile!
"Everyone grows old, not everyone grows up!"
"...It's never easy, letting go." — SB*



Gregg Jason Garcia
"Jerry, Garce, Frank"
Aeronautical Engineering
Hillsboro, IL

If someone's reading this, I guess it means I might have graduated. If so, I'd like to thank everyone who made it possible: Mom & Dad and all the good friends who helped me get through (and helped me almost no get through). I'll never forget the times we shared and I'll leave with the satisfaction of knowing I wouldn't have done it any differently.

Clifford Michael Gruen
 "Grudog, Cliffy"
Economics
 Miami Beach, FL

Yes, it was so much glory and so much Glory and so much Anguish. The real challenges turned out to be so... unexpected. Marble and glass ideal. Prison of body and soul. But, the fury has bred passion. thank you Mom, Ronnie, Sam. Love, always. Thanks, my friends, especially Plu (Bodie lives, dude!), Carl, Frankie, Keen (the Universe), George; Allstars and Roadrunners. Thank you, God. I pray, Michael, be a good man. Mind and Heart! Life is beautiful.



Daniel Wayne Overland
 "O.V."
Biology
 Duluth, MN

"Sights such as these are reserved for those who will suffer to behold them."
 — Eric Sevard

Thank you to all those who helped me suffer, the sights are wonderful. Now, it's time to go fishin'

Robert William Jackson II
 "Rob J"
International Affairs
 Jackson, MS

"Fivesome," "The Circuit" ... It's been a long hard journey with many unexpected twists and turns but I've made it ... by any means necessary.



Seung Uck Paik
 "Oogy"
Economics
 Mount Prospect, IL

You know you've been here a long time when you've witnessed two Olympics, two presidential elections, two Bulls championships, the fall of Communism and three Commandant of Cadets! Thanks God for letting me be me; Dad for all his words of wisdom; Mom for worrying, Sueface and Cajun. I'll never forget Boulder, University of Illinois - Stop Out, Georgetown and puking during freefall - literally. Hey "T" - let's just get the guys together!

Neil Kennedy McCafferty
 "Nellie, Sloth"
Social Science
 Baytown, TX

After four years, what to say, not much! I learned how to stay out of trouble, hide anything, sleep anytime, anywhere and that worrying is useless. After shoving four years of information into my head, I remember nothing! Thanks: Dan, Brad, Ted, Fred, Coach, Joe and Lt Col Beck! I actually made it! I'll be the one handing out towels at Minot! See you there!



Jarrett Guy Purdue
 "J.P."
Civil Engineering
 Minneapolis, MN

Has this institution actually prepared us for responsible leadership? Has it really taught us to be warriors? I pray that when our time comes, we do as well as those who have gone before us.

O you leaden messengers,
 That ride upon the violent speed of fire,
 Fly with false aim; move the still paring air,
 That sings with piercing; come not near us ...
 Shakespeare, "All's Well That Ends Well"
 For M: always, Ecc 4:9-12

David Matthew Nicklas
 "Cousin Dave, Cuz"
Military History
 Gradford, TX

It's over y'all, I made it. It's all been a blur: Arc as a 4°, Ops at Tyndall, losing our pilot slots, Rodeo and the Monkey. Thanks Mom, Dad and the rest of the family for believing in me. Wags, the Rodeo Team, the fellas in 32 and Maj Reed thanks for making this place bearable. Sid, Zack, Craig - we're gonna catch that darn Monkey someday.
 "A dream is like a river, ever changing as it flows" — Garth Brooks
 P.S. I want my pilot slot.



William Heath Rushing
 "Superman, Billy the Kid"
Operations Research
 Saucier, MS

"The price of victory is high - but so are the rewards" — The Bear
 "This too shall pass."
 Thanks to my God, McCloys and my family especially my mother whose endurance always inspired me. 207, 1303, 3:499:14, Campfires, Seagrams Brotherhood, St. Elmo, bonding, non-existent animals, Buckethead, Chill, where is your comb? I'll never forget you brothers. Glenn K ... friendships are like diamonds. Love ya bro! Let's finish the game Doc! 1 Cor 9:23

**Michael Joseph Durkan
Schulte**

"T., Schultemeister, Mjoe"
Human Factors Engineering
Glendale Heights, IL

"A quality of ignorance, self deception may be necessary for the poet's survival."

— Jim Morrison

"I don't mean to hurt you by saying this again, they're so good at making soldiers but they're not as good at making men."

— Natalie Merchant

My parents are wonderful, my brother the man, my friends indescribable, my passion ever driving, and my luck infinite. Oogy, grab four lumps for The Louvre. Greg, come fly with me cuz.



William Bennett Thompson

"Bill"

Human Factors Engineering
St. Simon's Island, GA

"I was in the Air Force, Then I learned how to tie-dye." — some drunk guy in Tijuana

From "F&I all the way" to the hat toss ... it's been ... well ... a long time coming. Everyone says it's the friends you make. I'd be the last to argue. Thanks to those that love and those that I love. Time to take the next step.

"It's only in uncertainty that we're naked and alive." — Peter Gabriel

Elizabeth Jane Stark

"Libby"

Political Science, Spanish
Clarksville, TN

Thank you for my family and my friends - for your love and support in the good times and the bad - and the crazy! This is yours, too. I love you.

"If you can't be good ... be good at it."

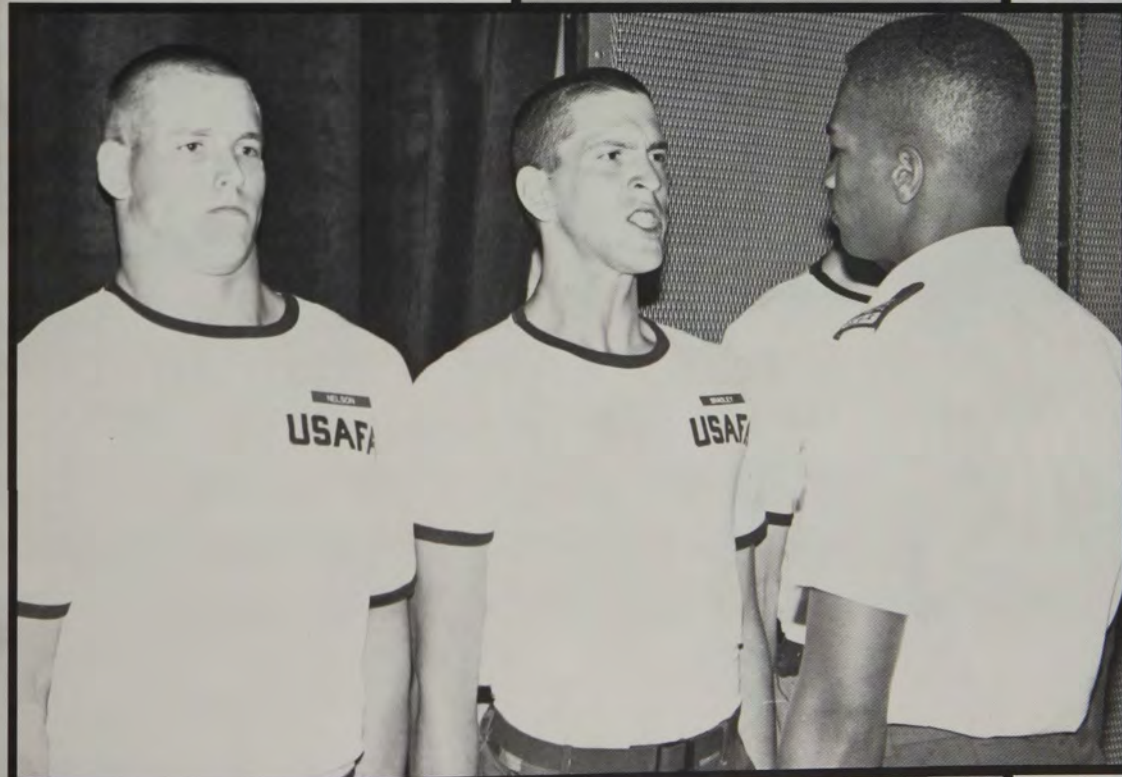


Sidney Elizabeth Watson

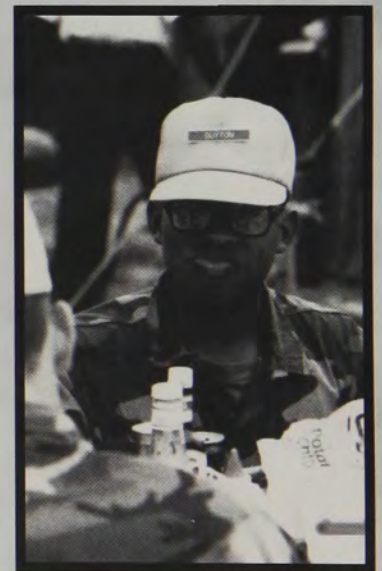
English

Homewood, AL

Thank God - We made it! My Lord sustained me and gave me hope. Mom, Dad, Eva, family: you have given me encouragement, confidence and love from day one. I couldn't have succeeded without you! Kim, Will, Stacy and special friends: thanks for laughing, crying, sharing, smiling, listening and LOVING! Y'all, my "view," and sponsors have made USAFA worthwhile. Dean ... I'll love you always! Let's go follow our dreams ... GOD BLESS!



As show of respect this basic returns a violent growl as he was commanded.



While in Basic Training, Glen Guyton takes a moment to ponder while eating lunch down in Jack's Valley.

Ratz



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

John Michael Krystyniak
Human Factors Engineering
Chicago, IL

First of all, thanks Mom, Dad and Jen. I will never forget nights of V.O. plus 6, el noche del wall, the wild 3, Kriegs, Tank, head of lettuce, RATZ, No Drive and Napes. Good luck John, Brian and Brett. The Rattitude lives on!



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Graham Ross Whitehouse
Engineering Sciences
Swanton, VT

"Therefore I shall devote myself, my time, my energy, my talents, to the service of my country. I shall do this because I need for the rest of my journey a star that will not play false to me, a compass that will not lie. Therefore I shall try to do what is right, and to speak what is true."
— Alan Paton

Thanks to God, family, Dean and Cellar Ratz.



Dean Cl...
"Dean...
Military
Granby

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...I miss my m...
...being half-crazy is le...
...welcome, just ask Vin...
...high Mom, Dad, you've...
...what is right is no...
...necessity to carry on in...
...it all.

Henkyu C...
Computer S...
Taegu, R.O.

...the load for strengt...
...you love!" Thanks Mr...
...supporting me during the...
...ing of Dip. Stud. Sailor...
...hon. Clow, R.ATZ, and L...
...home!

William Eugen...
"Cassius...
Astronautical En...
Sunrise, F...

...is the man who know...
...ing" — Lad Zeppelin

...to Mom, Dad, the fam...
...you up with me durin...
...Jerry, Jay, Dancan...
...Papa, and of con...

Richard Cue...
"Richie, Ric...
Human Factors Eng...
Queens, NY

...this. I still don't know...
...I'll make it, I would li...
...for all her support and...
...Richard for his encou...
...believing in me, and...
...the times bearable...
...together and sister R...
...remember. Good luck...
...remember to persist w...
...Adel!

Dean Clark Arnold
 "Deaner"
Military History
 Granby, CT

RATZ... *The Dream Is Over!* Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most, yet the key to being half-crazy is letting people see you half-sane, just ask Vinnie the Viper. Graham, Matty, Mom, Dad: you've shown me that devotion to what is right is not courage, but rather a necessity to carry on in life. Thanks Xty, 5150 does say it all.



William Wade Douthit
 "Wade P."
Humanities
 Tallahassee, FL

That he which hath no stomach to this fight, Let him depart; his passport shall be made, And crowns for convoy put into his purse: We would not die in that man's company That fears his fellowship to die with us.
Henry V, Act IV, scene iii
 William Shakespeare

Thanks to my parents and sister most of all for all of your support over the last five years. TRUE BLUE!

Henkyu Chang
Computer Science
 Taegu, R.O. Korea

Thanks the load for strength me. Thanks Yoomi, "I love You!!!" Thanks Mr. & Mrs. Ravetti for supporting me during these four years. Bye King of Dip, Stud, Sailor, Stupid American, Bunny Claw, RATZ, and U.S. ... Go CompSci AirBorne!!



Jonathan Ray Erickson
 "Leif"
Engineering Mechanics
 Littleton, CO

Somebody said that it couldn't be done. Well, it couldn't have without the love and support from family and friends. Thanks to Mom, Dad, Ronni, Jeremy, Stacey, Todd, Al, Chuck, Denny, Ken, Brandon, Tank, all of the Cellar Ratz, and many others.

Sacrifices must be made for a better tomorrow and I am confident I made the right ones. The man in the glass is my friend. Thanks be to God.

William Eugene Clay Jr
 "Cassius"
Astronautical Engineering
 Sunrise, FL

"Mellow is the man who knows what he's been missing." — Led Zeppelin

Thanks to Mom, Dad, the family, Marilyn, any girl who put up with me during my four years and 630: Jerry, Jay, Duncan, Russ, Manny, Ian, Smitty, Papa, and of course, Allan, Eric, and F.



Kristin Elizabeth Goodwin
Engineering Mechanics
 Fairfax, VA

Whatever your mind can conceive and believe, it can achieve. Dream great things and make them come true.

Thanks to my God, family, friends and sponsors for their support, encouragement and great times. Remember Mexico, Navy, the Mech gang, the spare time crew, Huck, Texico, PTOBs forever, 199 days, Goober, blue skies ... The important thing is this - to be able to at any moment sacrifice what we are for what we can become. "Here's to you ..."

Richard Cuervo
 "Richie, Rico"
Human Factors Engineering
 Queens, NY

As I write this, I still don't know if I'm graduating. If I do make it, I would like to thank: my mother for all her support and understanding, my brother Roland for his encouragement, my family for believing in me, and my friends who helped make the times bearable. Last, but not least, my brother and sister Ratz who I will always remember. Good luck in life's endeavors and remember to persist until success is accomplished. Adios!



Dawn Cindy Harrington
 "Munchkin"
Biology
 Guymon, OK

"Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life; as by the obstacles which he, has overcome while trying to succeed."

When it rains, it pours. Thanks to all my Ratz buddies for not letting the munchkin drown. Thanks Mom, Dad, and Ben for all your love and support. To all the great fiends I have made here. Thanks! May God carry us on until we meet again.

"Once Upon A Dream"

George Edward Irvin Jr
"G-Money"
Space Operations
Jackson, MS

"They rose from adversity through competence, courage, commitment, and capacity to serve America on silver wings and set a standard few will transcend."

The one thing that pulled me through was the fellas. Darren "Gunslinger" Hall, Ellis "Talk-o-lot" Johnson, Otis "Sleepy-eye" Jones, Ray "Nugget" Smith and the AF Hoopsters. Can't forget my girl, Sylvia Gonzalez. Last but certainly not least, my mom, dad, two wonderful sisters, and God. Thanks.



Kevin Lyle Moffatt
Legal Studies
Waldorf, MD

The sun is the same in relative way, but I'm older - What a long, strange trip it's been. To everyone who was along for the ride, especially my family, Trina, RATZ, and the team, thanks for the support, the laughter, and the memories. Good luck to you all - Never forget your dreams and that the Big Guy loves you. Peace.

Ellis Edward Johnson II
"Angry, E-Double"
Aeronautical Engineering
Spokane, WA

First and foremost, I give honor and thanks to my God, without who nothing would be possible. Thanks Mom, Dad, Stacey and especially Steph and the OBU for the continued support through all of the Devil's trickery. To those who come after me, remember: you must have knowledge of self, your story and the triple "K" wears many different suits including blue.

Kuungana na Pigano Uwezo



Brandon Holcombe Pearce
Military History
Magnolia, AR

THOUGHTS TO GET YOU THROUGH ANY CRISIS

1. Indecision is the key to flexibility.
 2. You can't tell which way the train went by looking at its tracks.
 3. There is absolutely no substitute for a genuine lack of preparation.
 4. Anything worth fighting for is worth fighting dirty for.
 5. All other things equal, fat people use more soap.
- Thanks Mom, Charlie, David and Alane. I love you.

Timothy George Lee
"Cheetah"
Geography
Tustin, CA

ALL THRUST...NO VECTOR!

With the devil's hand and an angel's heart
I am armed for battle,
That other may live.

Mom and Dad, I hope I've made you proud,
That's all I could ever hope to do.



Scott Bryan Powell
"Scotty"
Aeronautical Engineering
Somerset, PA

It's been a long four years. I'll never forget the Mt. Hermans, soybean sauce and honey, the parties and all the other good times we've had. Best of luck to everyone in Ratz: Tim, Semper Fi; Yak, vo+6; Clay, Shroeds, Tim L., Stupid Korean Hanskian and '93. Good luck to Kriegs. Ratz forever.

Hans Howard Miller
"Ratski"
Aeronautical Engineering
Livermore, CA

Looking back, I got a lot out of this place over the past four years. Thank you Ratz for making the last three fun. Thanks to Andy for reminding me not to sweat the small stuff. Mom, Dad and Sven thank you for listening to the ups and downs and reminding me of my goals. Live your dreams and don't let daily hassles bog you down. Uff-da. C-ya.



Erich Watson Schroeder
"Schroeds"
Biology
Mobile, AL

"I will sail my vessel, 'til the river runs dry
Like a bird upon the wind, these waters are my sky
I'll never reach my destination, if I never try
So I will sail my vessel, 'til the river runs dry"
— Garth Brooks

Thank you Mom, Dad and Zach for your love and support. I owe everything to you. "Is it only a dream that there be no more turning away?"

Richard Jason Sherman
 "TANK"
 Modern History
 Rossville, GA

I'm not sure if I went to the right school, but at least the price was right and I will have a job after graduation.



Ray Anthony Smith
 "Sugar Ray, Nugget, Smitty"
 Bio-environmental Engineering
 Arlington, TX

"...And I'll take with me the memories to be my sunshine after the rain..." — Boyz II Men
 Thank you, Lord, for this opportunity to earn my college degree. To Mom, Dad, Greg and Belinda, I love you with all my heart. To all the RATZ, Bull Sixers, TEAM, Baby RATZ and even you, Little Brother, I wish you the best. GS, Muffin, Red Hot and anyone else who has been important in my life, Peace Out. Although it will always be "Hard to say good-bye to Yesterday", It will never be hard to say good-bye to this place! "I'm not somebody yet, but let's just say that I'm well on my way!"

Curtis Eugene Marquez Velasquez
 "Vellie, Veggie"
 International Relations
 Abilene, KS

Here's to the best group & squadron in the wing: Fourth Group with Cellar Ratz at the helm. Ratz made prison life a little more bearable. Here's a toast to the Mt. Herman parties, carrier landings, squadron ski trips, wrestling with yak (wimp), and the Rattitude. Oh, Lance and Jerry, we made it! Thanks to my family, friends, Ratz and Major Matt Neuenswander.



Timothy Confucius Watts
 "TC, Timmy, Cuddles, Mav"
 Human Factors Engineering
 West Beverly Hills, NY

Special thanks to my family - you made it all possible. Thanks to Uhma, Princess Leah and Jennifer S, I love all of you! Many thanks to the fellas at Nunyas, the swim team, trigger, leatherneck, "Ouch!", recreation, tag teaming in Texas. To Chuck & the rest of the cheerleaders - Fight! Fight! Fight! To the cadet Ninjitsu Club who gave me the self confidence and discipline to make it through this place. And finally to my polka dance partner Sarge, you're the greatest! RATZ!



Jenpin Weng
 "Curt, Wenger"
 Biology
 Townon, MD

If there's something I'd like to remember years from now, I'd like to remember some sound advice a good friend once gave me = "Jenpin, TAKE OFF THONGS AND RUN!!" Thanks to my family for their support and friends for making me laugh. Finally, I'd like to leave you with a rather famous line -

"Jimmy Crack Corn and I don't care"
 Wait a minute! Now, what kind of an attitude is that?!



Anne Truitt goes up the rope climb obstacle at the Confidence Course in 1989.

Kevin Lyle Major
 Legal Studies
 Waldorf, MD

The man in the camp is a real leader. What a long struggle for someone who has done so much for his family. From ROTC to the support, to all memories. Good luck to you in your dreams and for the life to come.

Brandon Holcomb
 Military History
 Magnolia, IL

THANKS TO THE BEST MEN I'VE KNOWN
 (CRISIS)
 1. Judgement in the dark
 2. You can't tell what you're looking at directly
 3. There is absolutely no chance of lack of preparation
 4. Everything works in a way you don't expect
 5. All other things equal, it's the way
 Thanks to: Mom, Chris, David, Jane, etc.

Scott Bryan
 "Toni"
 Aeronautical Engineer
 Summit, NJ

It's been a long time since I saw Mt. Herman, and the people who lived there. I hope to go back to see you all. I'll talk with you. Good luck to you all. I'll see you in the future.
 Love, Scott

Erich Watson
 "Schrod"
 Biology
 Mobile, AL

"I will not be moved, 'til the rock is rolled away from the door."
 I'll never reach my destination if I don't roll away the rock. "I'll be here."
 — Gershon

Thank you Mom, Dad and Zach for your support. I love everything you do. I hope you are happy. I'll see you in my dream. There are no words.

34 Loosehaws



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Randall Scott Huiss
"Randallman"
Management
Athens, OH

Four years! Has it really been that long? ... Hell yes! Thanks Mom and Dad for giving me the strength and encouragement to go on when I didn't think I could. I owe it all to you. Thanks Buddha, Bill Bills, Riz, "Peeling, Dave," Roomdawgs, Collierman, D.C., Fies, Noooooooinnn and Ray for all the good times! " ... And down the hole we fall." Remember, "AEB ... Fear It!



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Deborah Kay Cricklin
"Debbie"
Human Factors Engineering
Norman, OK

Thanks to my family and my best friend for all the support and encouragement. Thanks to all the Haws of 34 for the friendships and support. I'm grateful to the Academy for all of the opportunities and without which I would never have met one of the most important persons in my life. Thanks B, for all the love and support that motivated me strive and achieve more than I though possible. God Bless.



Harlie J
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... American baseball player
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... playing a T-41. The only
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... Chris, Glenn, L.C. M
... Bill and Charles. Fin
... through a friend who is like
... I say, whatever!

Dane Janzen
"Roomda
Human Factors
Cottonwood
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... help and support, and
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"LC, Hocus, F
Aeronautical Eng
St. Louis, M
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... my fellow AFB ers
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David Alan Cut
"DC, Diamond"
Aeronautical Engine
Los Angeles, CA
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**Harlie John Daniel
Bodine IV**

"Roomdawg, Bovine"
Human Factors Engineering
Windermere, FL

Has it really been four years ... Heck Ya! It has been four long, miserable, ridiculous, stupid years. I came here wanting to be an aeronautical engineer, all-American baseball player, wing commander and fly an F-16. Well, here I am four years later a human factors major, playing flickerball, Projects Officer and flying a T-41. The only thing this place has taught me is how to make friends, so I thank God, Mom and Dad, Susan, Byron, Sara, Dave and Lynn, Pete and Kathy, Chris, Glenn, LC, Mas, DC, Big D, Socco Man, Bill Bills and Clueless. Finally to the one who got me through, a friend who is like a brother, roomdawg, to whom I say: whatever!



Barry Allen Dickey
"B, Big D"
Bachelor of Science
Boyd, TX

A wise man once said, "If you're walking on thin ice, you might as well dance."

Thanks Mom and Dad for always telling me to hang tough. Thanks to all the fellas that made this place bearable. Socco, tell that guy how mean I am. Benji, it's all in the reflexes. Benny ... I mean George, you got skills. Marcus, I didn't miss nuthin.' For everyone still at USAFA, "Are you crazy, is that your problem?"

Dane Janzen Christensen
"Roomdawg"

Human Factors Engineering
Cottonwood, AZ

Well, it's hard to believe, but it's all finally over! Thank Mom and Dad and Chad for all your help and support, and a special thanks to Jen. Roomdawg, hey you're kidding yourself, it's still Monday Morning Breakfast. This place was full of idiots! But everyone who made dumb or just plain stupid policies and expected us to follow them ... WHATEVER! Thanks to all the fellas in 34 for making this place bearable!



Michael Anthony Duran
"Dog, Hammer"
Political Science
Pueblo, CO

"There's a light at the end of the tunnel, I can see, Now I'm not so sure that's the way. I still might find a way to change where I'll be bound tomorrow But I'm never goin' to wake up yesterday."

To everyone who has had a hand in shaping my life, Thanks.

Lance Alan Collier
"LC, Hocus, Ferc"

Aeronautical Engineering
St. Louis, MO

The days were long and the nights even longer. Thank you Mom, Dad and Shauna for all the support and sacrifices you made over the years. I couldn't have asked for more. DC, DP, Fies, Tommy-T and the rest of the Hawgsters, thanks. I couldn't have made it without you. Thank God for soccer and racquetball. Finally, for my fellow AFB'ers ... Fear it! Good luck to all.



Elven Edward Duvall IV
"Socco"

Human Factors Engineering
Okemos, MI

I voluntarily came back a second time after Stop Out. What a glutton for punishment! Colorado skiing is the best. As far as the rest,

Brother you can have it!

David Alan Cutter
"DC, Diamond"

Aeronautical Engineering
Los Angeles, CA

"A vow unto his own that never from this day His will they'll take away."

Thanks to Dad, Mom and Jeff and everyone who helped me make it to graduation. Was it worth it? No, not really. Not really at all. Most of all, thanks to Lance, Fies, Tom and the other friends I've made here. You're the only reason I'd do it again. Thanks.

AEB ... Fear it!



Kirt Eugene Fiesbeck
"Fies"

Astronautical Engineering
Hope, IN

I have squandered my resistance for a pocket full of mumbles. Such are promises.

Why I made it:

God, Mom, Dad and Kevin The Shakey Crew, Foley's Sundays, T and B's and "Little Pink Houses."

The Hawgs - especially Extreme Mas, LCMB and the talented Dave Cutter.

L and D, "Spirits" Missions, Grits and me.

Why I did it:

I must have been loopy.

AEB ... Fear It!

Thomas Layne Foster
 "Mas"
Political Science
 Goldsboro, NC

Four years have come and gone. I hope I got the whole Academy experience - at least I got the marching with a rifle part down. Thanks to Mom, Dad, Lowry, Bill and Kayla for all the love and support you've given me over the years. Sorry for the ulcers I've caused. You can relax now, it's over. Also thanks to Dennis, Tim, Lance, Fies and DC for my sanity.



Clarence Hopkins Jr
 "Hop" (friends here),
 "Goo" (all my life)
Management
 Jackson, MS

Thank you GOD! You have really been my co-pilot on this long five year flight. My mother, father, sister, brother Kevin and Adrienne have been here for me. Thank you. I would like to say, "The Red, the Black and the Green. Forget it. You know the rest Buc!" Peace! I'm outta here.

Stephen Patrick Hanley
 Frank
 "Wuddha"
Aeronautical Engineering
 El Paso, TX

The Academy ... It's given me more unhappiness and heartache than anything else in my life. It has also, however, given me the most happiness and pleasure. I've flown, sky dived, scuba dived, trained and learned, "a hundred things (I had) not dreamed of." I will never forget my friends. Nor will I regret my choice. Thank you God, family and friends.



Ronald Cantrell Jones
 "C.J."
Political Science
 Meced, CA

"We are guided by GOD, aided by the strength of our ancestors and driven by our desires. Considering this, we have no limits - not even mortality." — Kenneth J. Time "Thanks" to all who kept the faith in me, especially when I didn't keep it in myself. Mom, Dad, Wayne, Greg, Mother-dear. Most of all, I'd like to thank my LORD and Savior Jesus Christ. It's been seven long years. For those at my last base who didn't believe I'd become an officer, all I can say is "What's Up SARGE" HA! Thank you Jake and Linda for all you have done. "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of GOD in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14

Daniel Erik Gisselguist
 "G.Q."
Computer Science, Mathematics
 Bloomington, MN

The days may have been tough, the weeks may have passed quickly, but the years are over! God be with you until we meet again.



Tanya Ruth Kobberdahl
 "T.K."
Management
 Duluth, MN

Thank you God for blessings undeserved, especially for salvation through your Son, Jesus Christ. Thanks Dad, Mom and family for all you support. Special thanks also to the Warrick family for a home and wise counsel and all my roommates who were a tremendous help. Many times at USAFA were tough and life was not pleasant, but I never wanted to be anywhere else. Wing, Group and BCT staffs were awesome. I love you John.

Michael John Higgins
 "Higgs"
Biochemistry
 Pittsburgh, PA

Time has passed. Thanks to my dear family for the encouragement, to the Smiths for the love and friendship, to Feño, whom I hold in my heart as a brother. To Kathy - the strength and center of my life. President?? — challenge accepted!! ...

*Lives of great men remind us
 We can make our lives sublime,
 And, departing leaving behind us
 Footprints on the sands of time.
 — Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*



Kevin Matthew Kosefeski
 "Skeazer"
Management
 Philadelphia, PA

If you don't live on the edge ... life ain't worth living. — BDK

Living on the edge has its price - and I paid it, including tax. I owe Major J. for giving me a second chance. Couldn't have made it without "The Fellas" - Vico, Catfish, Hop, Seggs, Toon, Sunny Boy (Thanks guys!) Mom and Dad - "I've got it under control." Finally, to all the little Nazis - if you only knew ... I won.

Robert William Lundy
 "Spike"
 Engineering Sciences
 Philadelphia, PA

I laughed. No I never cried. But I sure was ticked off a lot. Looking back though, just maybe I was having more fun than I realized. If there's one thing we all learn here, it's sarcasm and the ability to laugh in the face of despair. It's either that or a straight jacket. Without God, family and friends this zoo would have been unbearable. Thanks for everything, I love you.

USAFA - A great place to be FROM. Chow!



David Christopher Peeling
 Aeronautical Engineering
 Hyde Park, NY

These four years have been an endurance test, but I don't regret coming here. Any success I've had here has been because of God, my parents and my friends. Thanks to everyone for your support. I'll remember The Night, "The War isn't over ...", "Where's my lunch money!?", "Ed!", The Aspen Trip and a lot of other good times longer than I'll remember the All-nighters. To everyone still here: You actually can learn a lot here if you try. AEB ... Fear It!

Reinaldo Morales Jr
 "Rey"
 Human Factors Engineering
 Bolling AFB, DC

There are two things I have learned here at the Academy: Be yourself and trust God. Mom, Dad and Lisa thanks for always believing in me and loving me. It makes all the difference in the world! I would also like to thank all the friends I've made here, and wish them the best of luck. And remember: Never lose sight of what's really important in life.

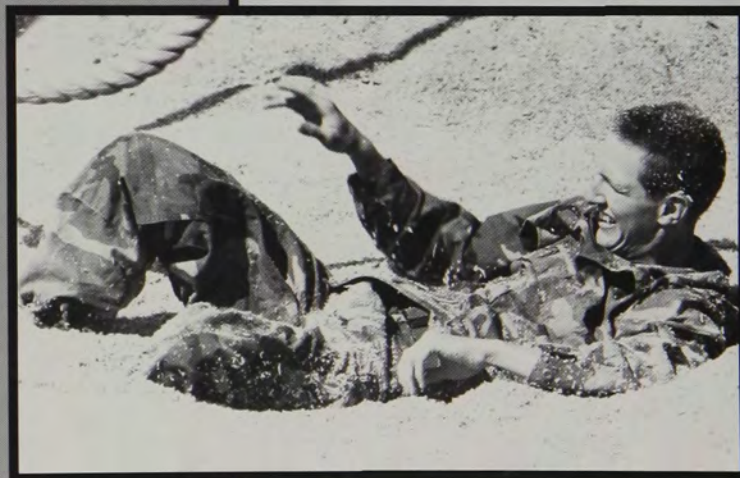


Craig William Rizzo
 "Riz"
 Operations Research
 Portland, NY

Above all, I want to thank my family. Without them, I'd probably be picking grapes. You've made it all worthwhile. Thanks. A wise man once said, "Gotta stop wishin, gotta go fishin." It's taken me some time to truly understand this message, but it's a creed I've grown to live by. Thanks to the fellas of 34 and of course "Zoomie." W.P. - gone but not forgotten. It's all just chicken soup. AEB ... Fear It!



Fernando Silva makes that first all-important call home to let his parents know how he's holding up during '989 Beast.



This Basic from the Class of 1993 takes an emergency exit from the rope on an obstacle and lands in the sawdust.

Amy Lee Shirley
Political Science
Memphis, TN

Somehow I became a college graduate without ever realizing I was in college. I'd like to thank the taxpayers who made this all possible ...



Fernando Silva de la Harpe
"Feño"
Management
Santiago, Chile

Finally my eight year cadet career is over. I will not forget my firebird (lamp post), Wing Ops, Stormtroopers, marathons, Air Assault. The support from my family, Mikey (Tatanka), Sergio, Mike M. (beer), Rey, Ted (happy birthday), Tanya (coffee), and the Warrick family. Thank you God! Reti-Rarse!! Mikey ... you are number six! (friends forever).



Michael Sunsted loads his weapon at the shooting range during Basic Cadet Training.



Bron Stuart
"Brony, Little One, Shank"
Aeronautical Engineering
Newport Beach, CA

*I love my God and my country. I thank my family for their love and support, and I send them mine. I attribute my accomplishments to my mom, my dad and my God ...
"...the Lord giveth wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding."
To the wonderful moments we shared, thank you Kay. PTWOBs, here's to you ... And don't forget, the sky is our playground. Once a PTWOB ...
Blue Skies ... PTWOB #055*



William Frederick Williams Jr
"Bill Bills"
Military History
Sherborn, MA

*"To be born free is a miracle. To live free is a privilege. To die free is a responsibility" — Recognition '90 It's all about each other ...
Hawgs Class of '93 ... Don't ever forget I won't. "Proud to be ..." , Hwiss, David, Diamond, Higgs, Feeno, Budda, CJ, Dog, Room Dogs, Mass, Deb, Lance ... everyone, good luck and thank you. Mom, Dad, Juli and Alison ... I made it!!! But it wasn't as easy as I made it look, thank you for being my family ... You were right Mom. It was worth it.*



Todd Christian Zumbahl
Aeronautical Engineering
Chesterfield, MO

*Way beyond the blue
Where the Father is calling
Let Him take you to
A life beyond compare.
His love is wider than the sky above you
And He has plans for you
That go way beyond the blue.

Thank you Jesus Christ

Here I come Shirley!*

Fernando Silva de la Hija
"Fino"
Management
Santiago, Chile

*Finally we got our sail career in
will not forget my friends, keep you in
the memories, memories, memories, memories,
The support from my family, Mike, Lisa,
Lorena, Mike, K. Steve, Amy, Ted, Lisa,
Amy, Steve, and the others in the Wings
Thank you God! Ben, Karen! Mike, Lisa,
Lorena and friends forever.*

Brian Stuart
"Brian, Little One, Star"
Aeronautical Engineering
Newport Beach, CA

*I love my God and my country. I
family for their love and support and
them more. I continue to accomplish
my mom, my dad and my God.
...the Lord's great wisdom and His
wisdom, knowledge and understanding.
To the wonderful moments in your
you, God. I'll be here in your
forever. He is my shepherd. He
PS102...
Dear Mom... PS102 402*

William Frederick
Williams Jr.
"Bill Bill"
Military History
Sherburne, MA

*This has been a wonderful
privilege to do this is a responsibility
Recognition. "Bill" is all about and
Hanging Class of '91... Don't see it
word! "Proud to be..." Best
moments. Mike, Steve, Paula, CJ, Jay,
Steve, Mike, Steve, Lisa... everyone
I couldn't thank you more, Dad, Lisa,
...mom!" But it wasn't a surprise
look, thank you for being my dad,
were right there. I was worth it.*

Todd Christian Zamboni
Aeronautical Engineer
Chesterfield, MO

*Way beyond the blue
Where the Father is calling
Let Him take you to
A life beyond compare.
His love is wider than the sky above
And He has plans for you
That go way beyond the blue.
Thank you Jesus Christ
Here I come, Sir!*



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Brendan Michael Harris
Political Science
San Jose, CA

*"So don't you sit upon the shoreline
And say you're satisfied
Choose to chance the rapids
And dare to dance the tide."
— Garth Brooks "The River"*

I almost didn't get the chance, being a "reject," but now I'm standing on top of the world. Thanks Mom, Dad, Gavin and Michele - I couldn't have made it without you. Thanks George, Jake, Phillip, the Weasels and Blackjacks, and all the others for keeping me sane.



**Squadron Commandre
Spring Semester**

Bryan Thomas Wolford
"Wolfy"
Management
Olive Branch, MS

I am where I am today because of God's blessings, well-made decisions, a solid work ethic and wise counsel: Thanks Mom and Dad, Wilson and Donna, Holc, Laurie, Leslie, Lindsey, Melanie and Christopher for believing in me and being there when I needed you. To my ex-roomies, Craig and Dick and my three Amigos compadres, Millsy and Goose, thanks for all the laughs and good times — I'll never forget them! Finally.

35 Wild Weasels



David Franklin Adams
"Tower"
Management
Sioux City, IA

*Just be yourself — Vern Francis
Thanks Mom and Dad for your support through the tough times. Thanks to the ruggers and the rest of the fellas for making this place bearable, and going big when we could have gone home. Remember Johnnie's #1 rule. These moments we're left with May you always remember These memories are shared by few ... So drink up This one's for you It's been a lovely cruise. — Jimmy Buffett*



Derek Stephen Berry
Aeronautical Engineering
Plainville, MA

Four years ago, 1993 seemed a lifetime away. In some ways, it was. I've completed a journey of determination, setbacks, Challenges, accomplishments, very late nights, struggles, victories and pride. I would never have made it without Mom, Dad and Doug. I love you more than you will ever know. The most important thing at USAFA is good friends. Thanks for everything Father Higgins. Good luck Mark. Friends are friends forever.

Paul Anthony Alfonso Jr
Applied Mathematics,
General Engineering
Pueblo, CO

It's finally over! After and extra year and all of the inconveniences to my social life, I'm glad I have ended up a graduate of the Academy. I would like to thank God and my family for their support. Mom, Dad, Dean and Sheryl - I could not have finished without your love and support. Finally, to all my classmates I only have two words - we're done!



Adrienne Nicole Byrdsong
"Smiley"
Management
Atlanta, GA

"A desire accomplished is sweet to the soul ..." Proverb 13:19

I knew the Academy would be a test of my sanity. I'm glad I passed. It would not have been possible without my faith in God and the support of my family and friends. Thank you Clarence for being there and not giving up on me. Without your love, it would have been a struggle. Hang in there Tracy and Yvonne!

Alexandro Frontone Armour
"Alex"
Management
Lake Village, AR

Thanks to my entire family back in Smalltown, USA, for their support. Especially to my mother who did everything a mother could do for a child and more. Also to my grandfather who taught me "how" to work. I will use that work ethic for the rest of my life. Grandma: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." II Timothy 4:7



Troy Edward Dunn
"On the One, T.D.s, T-Dog, T-Ray"
Political Science, Spanish
Oklahoma City, OK

"... the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong... but time and chance happeneth to them all ." — Ecclesiastes 9:11

I thank God for that time and chance. I thank my mom and dad; the love of my life, Sonya; my sister, Kay; my two most precious nieces, Alma and Angel. I love you all - Adams, Dotsons and Hendersons. Praise God! He's still working miracles.

Theodore Anthony Baudendistel
"Ted"
Civil Engineering
St. Louis, MO

I just wish I could get in one more SAMI, because I know I could make up the perfect room. The Academy brought together the best and the brightest our nation has to offer, and turned them into a bunch of robots bowing to kiss the A__ of anyone who can help them beat a friend to a higher MPA. To those who kept their own identity, I congratulate you. Thanks to those who helped me keep mine: the Fam, Coach, B-money, Barb's, the Polo Team and especially F-Troop.



George Edward German
"GS"
Bachelor of Science
Lafayette, IN

*- The fellas: Brendan, Benn, Barry, D-Hall, GS, Roof, Jake and F-Kyle. We have seen some battles; haven't we, and whatever happens; I will always love ya.
- Special thanks to the "big guy" dad I would have never made it without you.
- And there's bound to be rough waters and I'll know I'll take some falls But with the Good Lord as my captain I can make it through them all ...
— Garth Brooks "The River"
Are we crazy? Is that our problem -*

Glen Alexander Guyton
 "Dewdrop, G-Squared"
 Management, Japanese
 Houston, TX

*"We also rejoice in our suffering because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."
 — Romans 5:3-4*
 I made many mistakes my five years here. Those mistakes cost me a "friend," military recognition and the love of my life. I never won my love but General Redden and Major Mitchell gave me a chance. By God's Grace I made it! Thank you Father. R.A.G.'s will become reality. The future is ours.



Norman Berger Johnsen
 "Stormin'"
 Human Factors Engineering
 Tucson, AZ

*"When we are young
 Wandering the face of the earth
 Learning that we're only immortal
 For a limited time." — RUSH*
 Thanks to Mom and Dad for all your support, I never had to worry. Also, to the guys from Harry's and to Chris, thanks for everything.

Harry McNally Heiser
 "Hairball"
 Legal Studies
 Clawson, MI

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Was it worth it? I sure hope so. Do it again, Not likely. "Thanks Dad" you were always there, I couldn't've done it without you. All know the way, but few actually walk it. Those "three hallowed words" from MacArthur. All I want ... peace of mind. Special thanks Hopper & Cohens for listening/everything.



Sean Michael Judge
 "Two-Tone"
 Military History
 Kingston, NH

*"When things go wrong as they sometime will,
 When the road you're trudging seems all up-
 hill,
 When the funds are low and the debts are high
 And you want to smile but you have to sigh
 When care is pressing you down a bit -
 Rest if you must, BUT DON'T YOU QUIT!!"*
 Thanks Mom and Dave, Dad and Cathy, Yolanda and Aunt Babe, Lamar and all my brothers and sisters. I made it!!

Jerry Alvin Huffman Jr
 Geography
 Narrows, VA

It's been a crazy place - four years of stress, sandy blues and all nighters, but it's finally over. All I can say is, "Thank God!" I would especially like to thank Mom, Dad and Heather. Without you, I couldn't have done it. To all my friends, thanks for making this place bearable. Dave, Lance, "El Hombre," and Paul, It's been great. Take care. Pop the cork, pour the wine, It's graduation time!!!



James Macalino
 "Mac"
 Aerospace Physiology
 San Antonio, TX

"We must Accept finite disappointment, but we must Never lose infinite hope." — MLK Jr.
 It took five long, yet rewarding years to reach a fraction of my dreams. Denise what we have is undying. Mom, Dad, Jude, Ree, Des — my rock. I love you all. Daryl S., Terrence H., — I remember!
 Remember: "Be what you want, but always be you. To those who said "NO" — I say "YES!"
 To all a good life!

David Edward James
 "Dave"
 Geography
 Waufika, OK

It's over. It's finally over. So glad. So happy.



Richard Jason Mills
 "Millsy"
 Military History
 Rockport, TX

Sometimes we do things for reasons unknown. Sometimes we do them for other people. This time, I did something for my own reasons. This time, I did something for me. This time, it was done right. Thanks to the people who gave me a chance and believed in me. Gracias to the other two amigos, Goose and Wolf. And, finally, thanks to Mom and Dad for your never ending love support. "There's still some fight in me, that's how it'll always be ... Cause that's what dreams are made of." — Van Halen

Christopher Kyle Nolin
"Manta"
Human Factors Engineering
 Branford, CT

USAF is a great place ... to be from. Thanks Mom, Dad, Heather, Norm, the Weasels and the Team. I was walking down this road in the woods, when something along the side caught my eye. You know what I saw? (- Joe Baumgarte) Doc, Barney, Bob, Biscuit, Maaser, Peanut, Rope, McD, Orb and the rest of the WOBs, Here's To You ...

PTWOB #045
 Freefall!



Lamar Bert Settlemyres
"Pasty"
Management
 Kossuth, MS

I came to run with the big dogs. Four years later, and I'm still running. I fear I will never get to stop.

Thanks Daddy, Mommy, Larry, Connie, K.C., Sean, Darren, Morris and of course Keith. I couldn't have gotten here without you there. I always said I was gonna be somebody someday. Smile, Daddy, someday is here and your boy is doing fine.



Laurel Elizabeth Scherer
General Sciences
 Barstow, CA

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."
 — Hebrews 11:1

To those whose friendship and devotion has helped make the fourth pillar first: Thanks, God Bless and remember Phil 4:4-7, (emphasis on 7) always.

"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

— Phil 3:14

God's will - Nothing More, Nothing Less, Nothing Else.



Eric Rosete Sosa
"Hopper, Cricket"
Civil Engineering
 Chicago, IL

Sometimes you "gotta look in the mirror and laugh at what you see. Life isn't as serious as it first appears. If you don't hear a chuckle or see a grin - it's time to get out and have some fun. to Harry and the rest of the Weasels, thanks for the memories. Mom, Dad, Joel, Thanks for always being there. Good luck Class of '93.



Wild Weasels

Kirk Rieckhoff (middle) and his Class of 1993 classmates listen to an officer explain the dynamics of the plane.

Lamar Bert Settlemire
"Pasty"
Management
Kansas, MS

I came to meet with the top dogs of the
base and I'm still waiting. I don't
get in any.

Thank God! Mommy, Larry, Corey,
Sean, Garret, Murre and I were
made. I have grown here without
always said I was gonna be a
pilot. God, I would love to be
here in a day like this.

Eric Kinzie Sore
"Hopper" Cried
Civil Engineering
Chicago, IL

Sometimes you "just look at it and
laugh at what you see. It's not as
if there's anyone. I would like to
see a guy - it's not a great
idea. In Harry and the rest of it he
made for the women. You do.
Thanks for always being there.
Class of '88.



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Eric Duane Chipital
"Chap"
Aeronautical Engineering
New Orleans, LA

First I would like to thank my mom, dad, sisters and brothers and family for their support throughout my trials and tribulations here. Also, I would like to thank my friends for being friends. I know the "real" world isn't all fun, but it has to be better than here. BUC forever.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Phillip Carrier Tucker
"Phil"
Management
Brevard, NC

Where do I start? I'll start by trying to make up for the past four years. To be thankful for family and friends is obvious — Thanks! Lead me to the gate and I'll be happy. See ya out there guys.

"Many dreams come true and some have silver linings; I live for my dreams and a pocketful of gold." — LZ

36 Pink Panthers



Antoine Jermaine Banks

"Toine B."
Management
 Laurinburg, NC

It wasn't pretty.



John Richard Cole Jr

"Cloe"
Business Management
 Hartford, WI

Thanks to Slimer and to the boys (Wobb, Carp, G-Money, Pizz, Juke and T.J.) you made this place bearable. Thanks to my mom and sister who helped me through this. I'd also like to thank the counseling center for the wisdom and guidance they gave me. I'll leave with this, the only thing I ever had on my left shirt pocket was a food stain.

God Bless George Zip

Gregory Stone Bendinger

"Dinger"
Military History
 Fayetteville, AK

"I have forsworn myself. I have broken every law I swore to defend. I have become what I beheld and I am content that I've done right."

— Kevin Costner, The Untouchables
 Four years under Fascist rule will do that to you. Was it worth it? I'll let history decide, but I doubt it. Thanks go to my Mom, Dad, and family; what can I say, you never once let me down. To the original "Huge" Wild Weasels, Mantz, Muzzy, Vooter, Anne and all other friends thanks for keeping me sane and making this place bearable. I will never forget any of you.



Jason Todd Cousine

"COSINE, Quinine"
Management
 Orange, CA

With every drop of blood that fell that day, a billion tears of pain were washed away. Like the rain that washes earth and air, like a fountain flowing pure and clear; cleansing hearts and souls and minds of men; tearing down the wall of fear — Jesus

Thanks, I found Him here. Thanks, Jesus, for letting me. Mom and Dad, the Sgt and the Colonel with a degree — indebted. Size 7 Molly — forever love.

Michael Dean Biorn

"Mike"
Military History
 Peoria, AR

As my Bold Gold '91 friends get banked from UPT I'm mighty glad I took the six year plan. From Tarantulas to Redeyes to Pink Panthers, I've loved every minute. Thanks to Mom & Dad, Dan, Jenny, Steve, the Fife's, Warren's and so many great friends.

"As a man thinketh, so is he; as a man thinketh, so does he." — Romans 1:16.

Now can I have a dog, Eric?



Douglas Alan Cunningham

English
 Sandy, UT

Thanks Mom and Dad. Albert, you put with me too long. Take a break. Meet me downtown in a few years, and I'll drag you through Greenwich one more time. Thanks for your patience - and persistence. Kurt, thanks for listening - always. Kiss the bride for dream in Technicolor.

Trent Richard Carpenter

"Carp, Trash"
Management
 St. Charles, IL

Thanks for everything Mom and Dad. I couldn't have made it without your love and support. Have a seat Colonel, it's your son's turn! To all my friends and all the memories: Camping, Truckosaurus, Mike's Milk Truk, Dick's, Nunyas, and more importantly Dag, Cloe, Muzz, Nobber, Phil, Mike, Willie, Dale not to forget Felice and Hilga. Also thank you Anne, you were always there for me. Most of all, thanks to Diika!



Joshua Literato Daguta

"Dags, Josh"
Biology
 Vallejo, CA

Life here was tough and strenuous, but now I'm stronger and wiser ... take it easy on on-ramps, sleep like a log, party like a rock star, love your family, worship God and cherish your friends. To the wrecking crew: "let's go top Mike's and drink!" Trent: "You're dreaming, go back to bed!" Judd, "Hurry up!" and Anne, "Backbone ... remember?" To my family, thank you for believing in me and supporting me ... I love you very much.

David Barte DeLisle
"Delilly"
Electrical Engineering
Pembroke Pines, FL

*Yeah, whatever kids.
Thanks to the Lord, my mom and dad and to Lisa and Ginger for all their forgiveness and support.*

Best of luck to Ed Mullins ... six years - four squadrons, NICE! I must admit, though, I've had a few good times with good guys down-town. Y'all know who y'all are. See ya.



Jennifer Ann Joyce
"jenn p., Trouble"
History, Geography
Goose Creek, SC

Thanks Biscuit, Levi and the Gomez's. 4 Nasties, Bluebards, Happy Canyon Road, Sewing Circles, Denny's, Perkins, THE LAB, Reggae on the Rocks, Mazatlan, California, Florida, Greenland? Table Table. AKAK, PDAS, The Tao of Pooh, CPR, Norris loved us! Ritual, Café, Impulse Shopping, Who the Bug is Libby? Grapefruit Bug. Football Season. 50-120-6 REBA-OOPS! Tarot Cards, Chicken. "I don't care what you say anymore this is my life." — Billy Joel

Jon William Dotter
"Knobber"
Aeronautical Engineering
Beliot, WI

*Hold you fire -
Keep it burning bright
Hold the flame
'Til the dream ignites -
A spirit with a vision
Is a dream with a mission. — Rush
"Nobody stays here by faking reality in any manner whatever." — Ayn Rand
Thanks Mom, Dad, Amy, Col and Mrs. Guenther (plus Cinder and Scruff), and fellow aero nerds Kirk, Chap and Host.*



Stephen Lee McClain
"Smack"
Modern History
Stanton, ND

Never give up the struggle and always take every inch they give you (right Lee?). Hard Core, Airborne and drivin' on (finally!) Thanks to all the guys - Mike, Lee, Phil and Bill. Mike and Larry - "And we were sharp, as sharp as knives." - SD unto death. Susan, thanks for being there. Bud forever. Mom, Dad, Erica and Keith - I couldn't have done it without your faith and love, Thanks.

Edward John Hospoder Jr
"Hoss, Our Most Gracious Host"
Aeronautical Engineering
Fairfax, VA

*I look to the mountains from whence my help will come. My help will come from the Lord who made heaven and Earth
— Psalm 121*

Preserve the vertical wilderness and don't trust anyone under 14,000 feet. On belay! Climbing! Thank you Dave, Brent (Muzzy), Pete (Mech), 630, John and Fletch (for pulling me through school). Most of all God bless my family and Mike York.



Brent James Mesquit
"Muzz, Skeet"
Economics
Beaverton, OR

*"Listen. Time is running out. We all need to do something crazy before we die.
— Wonder Stuff
Sometimes you just have to laugh. Thanks to my family, Dinger, Hoss, Clarpowitz, Cloe, Dagcooter, Manz, baby RATZ, soaring buds and Noel's crew I survived USAFA. I will never forget. God bless us all.
"Will you teach your children what we have taught our children, that the earth is our mother." — Chief Seattle*

Christopher Allan Johnson
"C.J."
Bachelor of Science
Elizabethtown, KY

To Mom, Dad, Kevin, Casey, Don and Anna Warrick, plus the "Bible gang" that changed my life, as well as the PTWOBS who kept me "in"; thank you for standing by me. Jack of all trades. Master of none. Basic Ac was the best move ever. Weight room, Sports Bar, parachuting, Air Assault (Huah!), the cheerleaders and football. HIGH SPEED, LOW DRAG! I'm proud of you Kevin! Hey Doug, long live Technicolor!



Tonya Monique Nelson
Legal Studies
Norfolk, VA

I would like to thank God, my family and friends for helping me keep my eyes on the "big picture" of life.

Elijah Ricca
"Chowder"
Mathematics
Blue Lake, CA

Thanks to my parents and brother, your support made this possible.

Yeah Chief, 2 would be nice, but Flip, Lindy and Brick's 3 will be sweeter still. Spike and Bisquick, that's what I thought. You all made it worthwhile.



Lee Adam Spechler
Military History
Deerfield Beach, FL

Albert Einstein received low grades in Math. Winston Churchill received low grades in English. I can overcome early discouragements ... and I have.

I SHALL RETURN!!! ... and I did.

Thanks Mom and Dad, Col Hainor, the Sampsons, Colette, Stephen and all the Pink Panthers, Coach and Charlie, the Team and Stu and Dayna - loyal friends forever.

Kirk Andrew Rieckhoff
Aerospace Engineering
Bennington, VA



Michael Dennis Sundsted
"Mikey, Sunny, Sunny Boy"
Military History
Gainesville, GA

I thank the Lord and my family for having faith. To the fellas: Phil, Steph, Lee, Millsy, Kev, Simon, Cloe, Rack, Knobber, Voot, Eli, Dinger, Carp, Muz, Josh. J.J. STOP CRYING! To all who follow ... know why you're here. Here's to: Crawdads, Woodfork, HISTORY!, soccer. Go DAWGS! Chop Shop. Free at last, free at last. Now I can live, WHEW! Who said UPT? I love it!!!

Michael James Simonelli
"Slimer"
Basic Sciences
Brooklyn, NY

Two roads diverged ... but me and the fellas took the tourpad for a 250+ hour stroll. Thanks Bub, Godparents, family, my pizon Barney, Chubbs, Judd, Juke, California travelers, kunjali, Kenny, Melanie, Diane, Lori, and Bob. Most of all, thank you God, Mom and Dad for all your love, support and understanding through my trip to Hell. Hey Melvins - I'd rather have a beautiful wife than a metal box. Lataah!!



Anne Kathleen Truitt
"Annie K"
Biology
Los Altos, CA

Well, it's finally the end! I've learned a lot from this place, about 10% being academics. I've learned humility, how to hate, friendship are the key to survival and yes, my car does exist. A million thanks to my friends - Josh and Trent (O.K., someday I'll take your advice), Jeff mercy buckets", Greg (someday we'll agree on something) and Jenn (the midnight talks). TM&D, Yeah babe!

Bret Matthew Smith
"Sal, Rodent"
Political Science
Tampa, FL

Long ago there was a dream, had to make a choice or two. Leaving all behind, for what nobody knew. Stepped out on the stage of life, under lights and judging eyes. Now the applause has died and I can dream again ...

*— Queensryche
Thanks — God, Nicki and Garland; the "guys": Eli, Mom and Dad, for giving me the strength and the courage to find and be what I am; and finally Cathy, who showed me that there is love in the world. I love you all.*



Jeffrey Wayne Voetberg
"Vooter"
Human Behavior
Holland, MI

The happiest day of my life: the day I got accepted here. The worst: everyday since is a tie. IHTFP, but not Kate, Forever. Now it's time for 60 days of "Do Not Disturb." Bike or Die.

Lee Adam Speckle
Military History
Deerfield Beach, FL

When I was in the military...
I was in the military...
I was in the military...

MICHAEL DENNIS SANTI
Military History
Gainesville, GA

I think the best...
I think the best...
I think the best...

Anne Kathleen Tor
"Anne T"
Biology
Los Altos, CA

Well, it's a...
Well, it's a...
Well, it's a...

Jeffrey Wayne V...
"Vince"
Human Behavior
Holland, MI

The happiest day...
The happiest day...
The happiest day...



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

Alejandro Hinojos
Engineering Mechanics
El Paso, TX

"One must decide where he wants his ministry to count - in the momentary applause of popular recognition or in the reproduction of his life in a few chosen men who will carry on his work after he has gone." — Coleman



Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

James Stephen Bruce
"Bruche"
Bachelor of Science
Irmo, SC

Thanks to my Dad, Mom and Brother. Without them I wouldn't have made it. I'm glad I saw most of the officers here; they are what I will not become. To the few that showed me that there are still officers who worry more about their people than their next promotion, I am forever grateful. Please God, never let me forget the lessons I have learned here.

37 Skyraiders



Brian Jesus Allen IV

BA Baracus
Management
 Buffet, IL

"You gotta have faith!" — George Michael

To my God, Mom & Dad, Pat & Chris, you got me through here as much as the free food. To the forensics team; We are #1. Being a cunning linguist was my greatest calling. Still, I should have never quit D & B; those will be my fondest memories. Napes, I owe you so much; if I had a sister, you could've had her. Nunya's made it bearable and worthwhile. Now give me my HOG!



Glen Everett Christensen

"Stress"
Human Factors Engineering
 Madelia, MN

After three tries I finally made it. First and foremost. I thank God for the chance to be here. For all of you who didn't think I'd ever get in, I hope you feel really silly. To Haim, I am a more stable person thanks to you. Mom and Dad, I could never say or do anything to express my love and Thanks - I'll never forget October 9, 1988.

Carl Leo Bosch II

"Lee, Lou, Leeroids"
General Engineering
 Georgetown, IL

I thought this place would make a man of me. I didn't know someone had already made more of a man out of me than this place ever could. Thanks Dad. Love you Mom.



Richard Thomas Cooney Jr

"Eagle #2"
Human Behavior and Leadership
 Jarrettsville, MD

Thanks to everyone who believed in me. Special thanks go out to: Mom, Dad, Scott, John, Shaun, Mimi and GD. Nana and Pap, Charis, Little Scott. I wouldn't have made it without your love and support. Last, but certainly not least, I want to send all of my love to Carol and Tyler with whom I will share the rest of my life.

Kimberly Hope Brady

Social Sciences
 Irwin, PA

'Sprinklers spraying water straight up during the thunderstorm...Only at USAFA.'

I didn't quit and didn't get kicked out, thanks Mom and Dad, the rest of the family and friends who believed in me. I couldn't of made it by myself. All of the people who made my years here miserable, you'll be forgotten, but the friends and good times will always be remembered.



Anthony Nathaniel Dills

"Andy"
Physics
 Dyersburg, TN

Challenging and hard, but very rewarding. I see the truth in Phil. 4:13. Special thanks to Dad who wrote more letters to me (esp. the 1st year) than he ever wrote and to Mama who also supported me in all ways. God has blessed me these last 3 years with a friend who has become so special that I will marry her. Deauna, thank you. Thanks also Danny, Kevin, Jeff and Dale.

Shawn David Cameron

"Gerd"
Economics
 Dearborn, MI

DONE! Anyway you cut it! It was absurd, but good times and friends made it bearable. Remember, it's not where you are, but who you're with. To "Lee-roids", "Skeet" and Ty, may the "Bonafide Babe Lair" carry on the tradition of busted doors and crazy nights. Thanks Mom and Dad and the whole family for the love, support and hidden fruit roll-ups. And especially... thanks to my "One and Only" whose support for the last 4 years kept me going and showed me what is most important in my life.



Dale Cameron Foster

"Father, Whuoped"
Civil Engineering
 La Crescenta, CA

"So I urge men to draw closer to the father God by getting to know Jesus. But I warn them that doing so ultimately brings them to the cross, which means death to the human self. To draw close to the father through Jesus requires that a man give up all hope of ever receiving the love he needs from another human being. It means sacrificing at last the idols you have made of your loved ones, and releasing those persons and those relationships to the Father for his cleansing and renewal." — Gordon Dalbey

Daniel Segundo Ganoza Jr
 "Eagle #3"
 Political Science
 San Antonio, TX

Don't worry about things too much and they'll usually turn out the way they were meant to. Thanks to my family and to all my friends who made this place fun: #1, #2, Andy, Dawn and of course, the little one.



Larry LaReece Hoskins
 "Luscious"
 Human Factors Engineering
 Kalamazoo, MI

"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." — Al Malik Shabazz

Special thanks to my Lord and savior for all the blessing, Mom, Grandma Hardy and Green, Uncle Larry, Samantha (My light & inspiration), Lorenzo, Harold, The rest of my family and the Brothers (B.U.C.). Without your blessings none of this would have been possible.

Tyrone Lee Groh
 "T-Bone"
 Aeronautical Engineering
 Spokane, WA

To the boys in room 308, Its been an adventure. From date swapping to those late nights when fat girls find Lee attractive. Shawn, here's to your 1st ten bagger. Lee, here's to making it past 30. And Brent, here's to the homeland. The one thing I have learned here is not to fly a date here, when your best friend will do it for you. Gerd, you're absurd!!



Matthew Joseph Kenworthy
 Social Sciences
 Mercer Island, WA

It all began about 20 years ago. "Mommy look!! Airplane!!" I would plead as I jumped & gestured toward the sky. Thank you Mom, Dad, Kathleen & Sarah for helping as much as you could. I love you all. Thank you God for answering so many prayers. "All know the way; Few actually walk it." I will try. Kerri, you are so special to me.

John William Heck
 "Heckster"
 Astronautical Engineering
 Chattanooga, TN

"Often do the spirits of great events stride on before the events. And in today already walks to-morrow." — Samuel Taylor Coleridge

As I step into the next phase of my life, I thank those who helped me through: Mom, Dad, Steff, my close friends and God. I love you all. All the experiences, the opportunities, the learning ... I value them all and I will never forget. Au revoir, USAFA. Je vous salue.



Troy Eric Kitch
 Western European Area Studies
 Brunswick, ME

Suppose you're thinking about a plate of shrimp. Suddenly somebody will say plate, or shrimp... or plate of shrimp. Out of the blue, no explanation... No point in looking for one either.

Phillip Lauren Hendrix II
 Jimi, Phil, Pheel, P-Hill, Iguana
 Behavioral Sciences -
 Human Behavior
 Lincoln, NE

I couldn't hear a word you said, I couldn't hear at all. You talked until you tongue fell out. And then you talked some more, I knew if I'd turnknew if I'd turn, I'd turn away from you. And I couldn't look back. And I couldn't look back. Tell yourself we'll start again. Tell yourself it's not the end. Tell yourself it couldn't happen. Not this way. Not today

*— Robert Smith
 Stop-out was definitely my best USAFA experience. Thanks Mom, Dad, Family and Friends.*



Eric Vaughn Knight
 "Ka-nig-it"
 Biology
 Livermore Falls, ME

If you put it off until the last minute, it only takes a minute to do. Well said, Chris. Well, four years have come and gone. Thanks to everyone who made it bearable (yeah, even fun at times: X-C Team). Hey Alex, what am I gonna do for an alarm clock from now on? To Mom, Dad, & Kathy - Thanks for always being there for me from day 1 'till now. I never could have done it without you all.

Mary Ruth Little
"Molly"
Behavioral Science -
Human Behavior
Columbiana, OH

*Praise God, it's over!
'Saddle up your horses we've got a trail to blaze, through the wild blue yonder of God's amazing grace. Let's follow our leader into the glorious unknown. This is a life like no other... this is the great adventure!!'
— Steven Curtis Chapman
Thank-you Dad, Mom and Sarah. I love you! Thanks Beth and Andrea, you're true friends! It's more than words, Jas. You're a blessing!*



Curtis Mitchell Vice
Political Science
Birmingham, AL

Mark James Lynch
"Eagle #1, Bubba"
Management
Gilcrest, CO

In the four years I've spent as a volunteer prisoner at the Rampart Range Correction Facility, I've witnessed the destruction of one major relationship and the creation of several greater ones. All in all, I'd have to say I came out the undisputed winner. Thanks to Eagle #3, Cres and especially Mom and Dad. You all made this possible and helped me to reach my dreams.



David Joseph Walick
"Wally"
Political Science, Humanities
Englewood, OH

*Cheers to Juice, Clark, Saab and Gabriel - the best 5 a-side team imaginable; Nunya's; the Birds - "Every goal must be extravagantly celebrated..." and B.A. To all "WE SHALL SMILE..." Mom, Thanks - I love you; and Dad, (3/26/92) - it was dedicated to you, NO REGRETS!
Seventeen years later, invariably, Education calls upon Seuss again - "Then he said 'THAT IS THAT' and he was gone with the tip of his hat."*

Amon Achilles Martin III
Operations Research
Seneca, SC

My father always said that the best things in life are not easy. So, my four years here should turn out to set me up for the best in life. Thanks to Dad, Mom, Teddy and Jocelyn. Ben, James and Larry, we have been through a lot and now it is all over. Thanks for all the good times. Remember, F.I.



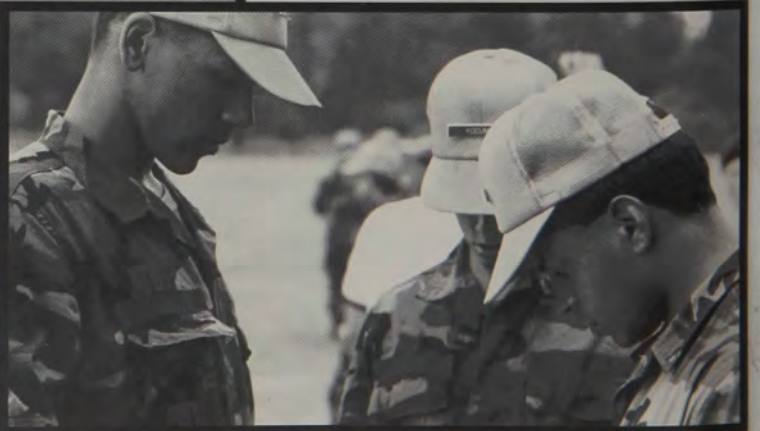
Matthew Wade Yocum
"L.T."
Engineering Sciences
Union, KY

O Lord, I know it is not within the power of man to map his life and plan his course - so you correct me, Lord; but please be gentle.

I go now where He leads, striving to achieve what my name means. Gift of God. Special love and recognition to my family, HAIM, Lee and the boys, and my guardian angels, who've fought hard. Look out world, here I come!

Jennifer Lynn McCammon
"Jen"
Basic Academics
Albuquerque, NM

I have learned that one should live life one day at a time and not give up until the fat lady sings. Also, the more difficult road traveled teaches the most important lesson. Thanks to Mom, Dad, Cato and Audie for helping me to get here and graduate. I couldn't have made it without your love and encouragement. And, to Walt, it had to be you.



Members of the Class of 1993 search for a McDonald's on their topography map.

Curtis Mitchell
Political Science
Birmingham, AL

David Joseph
Political Science
Englewood, CO

Matthew Wade
Engineering Science
Union, KY



**Squadron Commander
Fall Semester**

Christopher Ernest Franklin
"Chris"
Political Science
Clermont, FL

Heb. 12:11 Thank you Lord Jesus Christ and all my loved ones. Thanks to Dave, Carl, Gruedog, Benji, Dean, Highspeed and the All Stars for the wonderful friendships. Thanks Mom for teaching me how to love, Dad for your drive and wisdom, Pa for your faith and prayers, Lt Col Hudson for teaching me about caring for your troops. Most of all, thanks to Stacey for always being there and supporting me.



**Squadron Commander
Spring Semester**

Benjamin Lee Bradley
"Benny"
Engineering Sciences
Oxford, MD

"Looking at the snow and trees that blow outside my window, looking at the things that past me by, wondering if where I've been is worth the things I've been through - ending with a friend named sunny skies." — James Taylor

38 All Stars



Gerald Mitchell Benson Jr
"Gumby"
Bachelor of Science
 Savannah, GA

Hey Mom and Dad, someone better go and find Mr. Braithwaite and Moore. Fitz, J Rast, Euge, Droopy, Chet and the Dudes - Here's to van trips, Las Cruces, Gillette and Praaactice. Oz - I hope you're still studying. All Stars - Even my mom said nickel pitchers was worth it. Whoever is reading this - Whatever you are remembering about me is probably wrong. And Finally - Here we go so ... Let's Get On With It.



Dean Anthony Goehring
Management
 Atwater, MN

YES IT WAS! To my family, without your love and support I wouldn't have made it. And to Sidney, for making the past three years the best! To the All Stars and the Karate Team: Grab-n-Throw for all - I'm buying. I survived Ac Pro, THE WRATH, morning meal formation, etc. Bring it on. "I SHALL FINISH THE GAME" William H. Bonnie See you in the "Real AF" Isaiah 40:30

William Todd Caldwell
"Head, Heady"
Astronautical Engineering
 Campbellsville, KY

Such sweet sorrow! The friends will be missed, but the place dismissed. Here's to the fellas of All-Criminal 38, especially Kev and Rich: thanks for keeping me sane and insane at the same time. Mom and Dad - I couldn't have made it without your love, support and the wisdom to realize that the valleys are soon followed by mountains. Cami, our time has finally arrived; get ready for a great life together. All thanks to the Lord for giving me the strength and guidance to make it through. "Nevá agin"



Gene Eldred Hayden Jr
"Big Daddy"
Bachelor of Science
 Baytown, TX

A special thanks to the Almighty God, Mom, Dad, Romeo, Stick, Bébé, Chris, X-man and Terrible-T. I love you all and thanks for always being there. I made it through and I did it my way. It took seven years, but the Old Man finally made it. A special shout out to the P-school Class of '89, BUC, the boys in CS-38 and my old friends Bacardi and Coke.

Benjamin Lee Cunningham
"Peanut"
Bachelor of Science
 Waterloo, IA

Thank to the Lord Jesus Christ for the love he has given me. He'll always be in my life. Thanks to my family, Allen, George, Barry, Corey, Chris, Joe, Marcus, Brendan, Cavi, Col Stokes and the boys in CS-38. The Academy asked me if I paid my dues, well I told them to give me their best shot, I can take it. The check is in the mail. Remember the toothhh!



Timothy Sheldon Hess
"Some Call Me Tim"
Human Factors Engineering
 Bloomington, MN

All my life I've wanted to fly, bomb stuff and shoot people down. Oh-well; guess that dream's shot. One thing I've learned here is always expect the worst. That way when it happens, you're ready; and if it doesn't, the day is just that much more tolerable. Finally, if I had to do it over again, I'd need more money. Thanks Bruce for changing my perspective. LOOK OUT FOR THAT ...

Christine Michelle Eiler
"Tulip"
Management
 Phoenix, AZ

Thanks to my entire family. I would have never made it without your love and support. Good luck to all my freshmen buds of 27. I'll never forget the beer tree. To the Grads of 38, good luck in the future. YOW! YOW! Volleyball teammates, you're the best. Moogastate! Tracy, you deserve the best. Julia, thanks for always being there. We'll never stop partying. Friends Forever! Benjamin, you mean everything to me. Many more memories to come.



David Nelson Keener
"Bonk, Keen"
Astronautical Engineering
 Elyria, OH

Looking back I now know that confidence that you have everything figure out is an illusion. Just remember that missing the curve ball of life isn't a strike out, for if you boast your weakness, Christ's power will rest on you (2 Cor 12:9). Wootdog, Frankie - Thanks for keeping me honest. Mom, Dad, Craig, DNK, Christy and everyone at home - only your support could have sustained me. Freedom at last!

**Christopher Lawrence
LeBlance**
"LeB"
Electrical Engineering
Phoenix, AZ

What's up Chris? SSDD. Now that I look back on the last four years I should have went to ASU when I had the chance. Special thanks go out to Benji, Vico, Rich and Lando for making this place worthwhile. There will always be a special place in my heart for my mom, dad, the Loose Hawks and the Solid Gold All Stars. — LEB



Patrick Marshall Osborn
"Oz"
Bachelor of Science
Rochester, MN

Thanks to Gumby (B-day Boy) Santa's Little Helper, the Cisco Kids, Hivvy, Haploid Boy, Short Round, Dung Beetle, Luapper and my road trip partner. You have made it bearable and even fun. One piece of advice for all those who go with me and for all those I leave behind: Remember - an alcoholic is only someone who drinks as much as you who you don't like! BOFI and Slamhogs never die.

Michael Joseph Marcoux
"Coux, Couxdog"
Civil Engineering
Wheatridge, CO

Why have we worked so hard? Because we have a dream. Look toward the Sun (God), can't see your shadow, look ahead. Thanks Mom, Dad, Bill, Carol, Michelle. Couldn't have made it without you. I love you. Ooohhh Noo Dogcatcher, we're done! To the fellas, after the hardship and great times, I'll miss you with all my heart. Sue, care to share? For five cent pitchers, I'd do it again.



Richard John Parrotte
"Rich"
Management
Wheaton, MD

... yeah it was! Thanks to my family and friends (especially Kevin and Todd), you made it almost bearable; but I would hate to do it again. I may have marched a few tours, but I had a lot more fun stumbling through the memoryless weekends: Fellas we raged. Remember, "be cool or be cast out."

*Motel, Money, Murder, Madness
— Jim Morrison*

Bruce Edward Munger
"Grim"
Human Factors Engineering
Perry, GA

Who am I! What am I doing here? Thanks to all of you who helped me make it and kept it fun. Tim and Tracy, I owe you one. To be a warrior! It didn't cost me a cent, but it's the most expensive education I know of ...

Our first steps on the path are now done; we took the road less traveled and that has made all the difference.



Nicole Peterson
"Nick"
Modern History
Largo, FL

"If you don't climb the mountain, you can't see the view."

*Thanks Mom, Dad and the family for your unconditional confidence and love. Bill - I look forward to making the climb and seeing the view together. I love y'all. Thanks to my friends and y'all in 38 who made life bearable. "Ain't it fine, ain't it life grand, when you don't need nothing but some beer and a bushel."
— MCC*

Dang Thanh Nguyen
"Dangit, Nooge"
Biology
San Antonio, TX

*"You got to cry without weeping
Talk without speaking
Scream without raising your voice, you know
I took poison, from the poison stream
Then I floated out of here"*

The hard times brought close friends, the support of family and the likes of the thirsty thirteen. I will miss you all. As for the institution, "Quath the Raven, 'Nevermore.'"



James Michael Reeves
"Mike"
Economics
Thomaston, GA

Mom, Dad, family and friends, without you I never would have made it!

"You've got to pay the price. Winning is not a sometime thing; it's an all-the-time thing ... winning is a habit. Unfortunately, so is losing. There is no room for second place."

— Vince Lombardi

*I'm glad it's over. Yes it was.
"I am the maker of my own fortune. "
— Tecumseh*

Henry Thomas Rogers III
"Beau, PNut"
Aeronautical Engineering
 Marietta, GA

*Nothing can stop the desire of the heart, even CW.
 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. — Phil 4:13 Mom and Dad; thanks for always being there for me. Dean, you've been the best and tallest roommate I could have had. Thanks to all my teachers for keeping me awake past 2:00 AM more than I stayed awake in your class. PTWOB's, "Here's to you ..."
 Blue Skies ... # 042
 Be the ball — Chevy Chase*



Kevin Matthew Virts
"Badger, KV"
Biology
 Hillsboro, VA

*Thanks Mom for the finesse and Dad for the tolerance. Only family made it bearable. Todd and Rich - you corrupted me (or visa versa). Five years has seemed like forever, but I successfully crawled and stumbled through it. To all the fellas, we raged like the "criminals" we were/are. Thanks for taking my keys and showing me the bed but never the trashcan.
 "No, you don't understand." — R. Parrotte
 "Fun dictates importance"
 — D. Constantineau*

Joel Lynn Ryan
"Danger"
Operations Research
 Schertz, TX

"I won't lose my way, long as I can see the light." - CCR

*Thanks to my family and friends, and friends now like family. You kept the candle in the window and have brought me home. For those who tried to block the light, You didn't kill me, you just made me stronger. Tracy and family, I've learned a lot and with the Academy walls gone, I look forward to growing with you.
 Romans 8:38-39*



Joseph John Ward
"Wiggins"
Human Factors Engineering
 Washington Court House, OH

Thanks to all the 'Stars and to my buds in 381/2 squadron - you guys made this place bearable. We got into a lot of trouble together, but we kept each other out of much more.

"It is not a garment I cast off this day, but a skin that I tear with my own hands."

To Mom, Lori, Eric, Cathy, Brad, Jim, Shannon - I couldn't have made it without you.

Joe Henry Santos
"Buddha"
Civil Engineering
 San Pedro, CA

I would like to thank God, my mom and dad, Martin, Sandra, James, Michael, Anthony, Greg and families for the support you've given me. And to Lisa and Bianca for reminding me there's something to look forward to when I get out of here. To Gene and the preppies of '89 we finally made it after five years. Remember, you can do anything at USAFA, just don't get caught!



Carl Douglas Wooten
"Wool"
Human Factors Engineering
 Hermitage, PA

*"So you think you can tell Heaven from Hell
 Blue Skies from Pain ..."*

Mom and Dad, thanks for trying to understand and for always being there. Gru, Frankie, Nooge and gang, especially my bestest buddy Keen, thank you for making an otherwise worthless place worthwhile. Kimmy, thank you for keeping me alive in a place that tried to kill me. I love you all. Now "I shall finish the Game."

Corey Michael Vickers
"Vick"
Biology
 Houston, TX

Thanks to many, no thanks to some, to spite my own idiocy and above all by the grace of God Almighty I made it. I've learned to put a grin on the Weltschmerz, how to cultivate my garden, and that the most important thing in life is to love the Father. Looking forward to the beginning of a new life with my wife and new made brothers and sisters.



Kevin Matthew Van
"Buddy, KP"
Biology
Hillsboro, VA



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

Jozef Lizardo Smit
"Joe"
Biology
Austin, TX



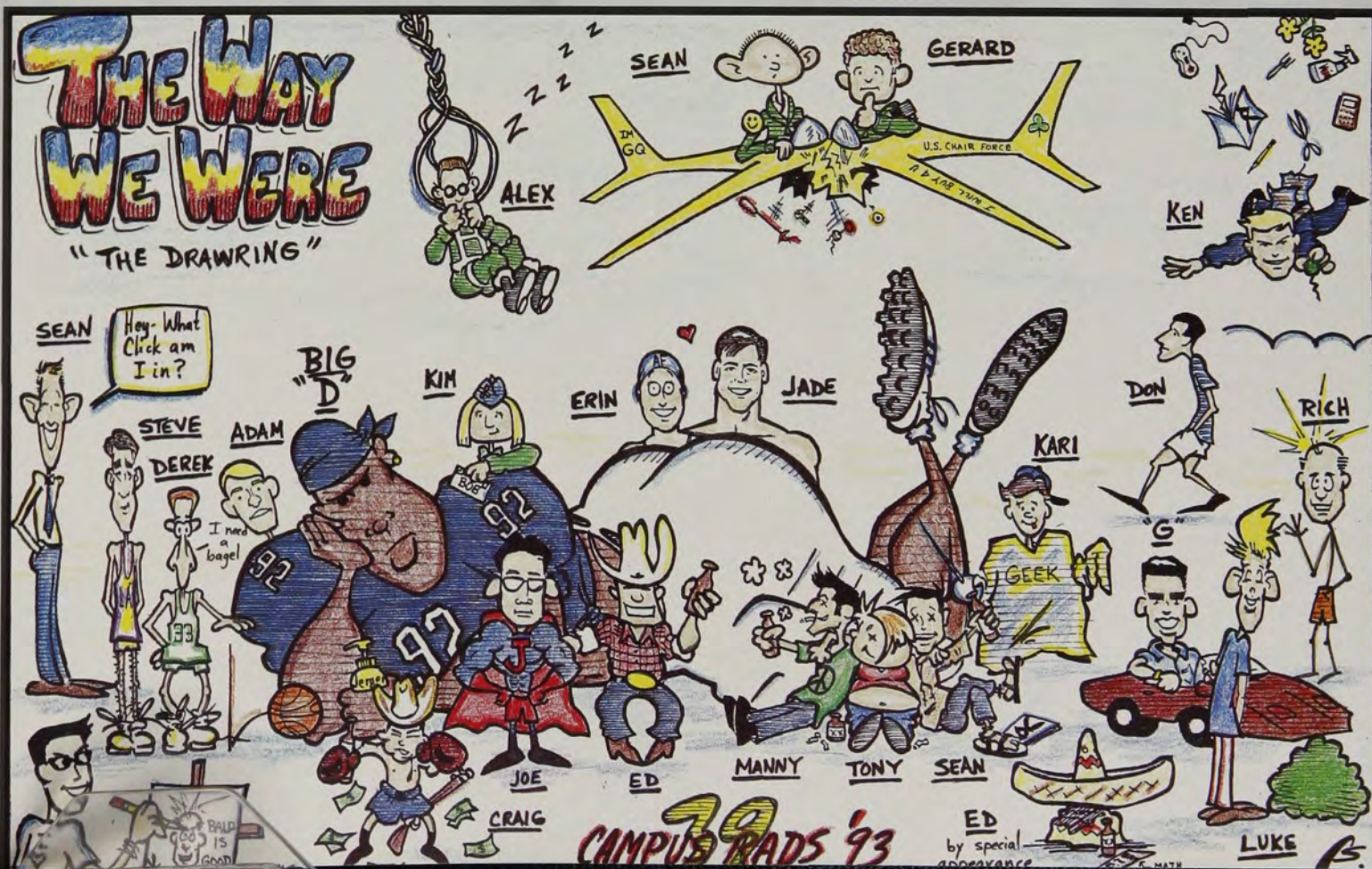
Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

Douglas Jade Beam
"Jade"
Human Factors Engineering
Anthony, KS

Proud, & relieved 2 B 93! "It feels good" -Men3T.
Con Carino, Mama, Jimmy, Johnny, Ricco, Dad
(wherever U R) & la whole familia. Love 2 all my
homez & girlfriends (friends who R girls). SAMI-Y,
it's worth all the %\$#! Cuz U learn 2 deal w/ it.
Lookout 4 1 another. Never give up cuz we all got
"potencia vincere." "Peace, love, joy" -MLD "Un-
fortunately it ain't like that!" -ICE Teamwork, self-
sacrifice, caring, helping, BALANCE, attitood dude;
enjoy the good deals precious, fragile life offers; B
frootful and multiply; stay w/ us God ...

Couldn't begin to name all the friends I've
gained these past five years, but if you're my
friend, I consider myself lucky. Thanks. Thanks
Mom, Dad and Janny. I owe everything to your
love and steadfast belief in me.
INVICTUS! It matters not how strait the gate
How charged with punishments the scroll,
I am the master of my fate; I AM THE CAPTAIN
OF MY SOUL. It all comes down to Attitude.

Campus Radicals



Michael Lucas Ahmann
"Luke"

Interdisciplinary Analysis
Baab's Underground Bar&Grill, VA

— I'll tell you this, no eternal reward will forgive us now for wasting the dawn — Jim Morrison— I love you Mom, Dad, Carolyn, Nora; family more than life itself. "You got yourself three or four good pals, well, you got yourself something." If you have to lie, lie to save a friend. If you have to steal, steal a woman's heart. If you must cheat, cheat death. If you have to drink, drink with me .
God Bless the warriors of yesterday and designated drivers may tommorrow be blessed with the same grace. — Yea, — it!



Edward LeRoy Carter
"Ed"
Management
Arlington, TX

What a relief to finally have made it! Most of all, great friends made this place worthwhile. Thanks "PALS." Thanks Mom, Dad and Shellee for all of love and support as well as the rest of my family!! I love y'all! Overall, I had a good time and realize that "things aren't so bad afterall."

God, Family, PALS, County!
RATHER BEEN FISHIN' !!!

Alexis Vincent Bexley
"Alex, Bex, Bubba"
Bachelor of Science
Jacksonville, FL

Despite my schooling, I got an education. Leave engineering to Georgia Tech. If the "real" Air Force is out there, I'll be ready for it thanks to the fellas in 39, PTWOGs 91-92, Air Assault Prep with Capt Ratt, SCUBA with buddy Joe, rappelling with Chad and especially Guard: you guys are why I came to the Academy; stay hard and keep the faith, God will always find a way.



Richard Milon Dujmovic Jr
"DUJ"
Electrical Engineering
Prospect Heights, IL

The most important lesson: You never fail until you quit trying.

It took lots of time to realize it, but I finally learned to take life less seriously and enjoy the blessings.

Thanks to the Lord for watching over me, to my wonderful family for being there when I needed them, and to Fannings and friends for helping me laugh.

Lis, Thanks for waiting, it's our turn now!

George Norman Bullock III
"G Bull"
Management
Hudson, OH



Kenneth Stanley Edge
"Reno"
Electrical Engineering
Morgan Hill, CA

Thanks to everyone who made the Academy a little bit easier for me to get through - Mom, Dad, the rest of the family, all the guys, PTWOBS and everyone else. I'll always remember 3-Man, Australia, the shotgun incident, Don's truck (it's not my turn to be in the driver's seat!), the lunch table, the night before the EE342 GR (and the morning after!) and all the things yet to come. Blue Skies ...

Manuel Martinez Canino
"Manny"
Biology
Santurce, Puerto Rico

630 ... Friendship is all I learned ... Tony, Sean, Ian, Duncan, Greg, Bill, Jay, Ransom, Russ, Pat, Andy and Scott ... I love all of you ... Alan, Tim and Eric ... We miss you ... Sarah Jane ... I wish you had not given up ... Pia ... 611



Erin Elizabeth Fuller
"E"
Management
Yuba City, CA

" ... for a cord of three strands is not quickly broken."

Thanks Mom and Dad for everything! Mark and Marti - I STILL OWE YOU! Campus RADS - I've never laughed so much. To the team - what memories Continental Crawlers! Kari, thanks for listening, understanding, being there always. Jade, thanks for putting it all in perspective for me so many times. Couldn't have done it without you all. Good luck '93!

Sean Patrick Gookin
"Gook"
Aeronautical Engineering
San Francisco, CA

Mom, Dad, Brett - Graduating would mean very little if it wasn't in front of you. Chris, Dan, Peggy (of course Tobey) - thanks for making this place home. Jorge, whether you realize it or not you were always here with me. Remember: It's better to aim for the moon and miss than to aim for a pile of crap and hit it. P.S. How fast does your boat go Jorge?



Kimberly Dawn Klein
English
Brussels, WI

Only so much do I know as I have lived. We (need to) walk on our own feet, work with our own hands, and speak with our own minds. — Emerson

I just wan to say thanks to my family for their continual support and encouragement. Thanks and Good Luck '93 Rads and Remember, All it takes is all you've got! Special Thanks to Sid, Kirk and Deb.

Don Colbert Hilliard
"Dandy"
Bachelor of Science
Orangeburg, SC

I believe it is possible to go through five years of college and not learn a damn thing, but I learned how to play the game and looks like I'm finally going to win. G Bull, Cavil, Wenda, Pro, B.P., The Mob and Falcon Bros, we're done fellas and the new game begins.



Gerard Martin Lambe
"Foz"
Aeronautical Engineering,
Mathematical Sciences
Villa Park, IL

First and foremost, I would like to thank Dan for starting my senior year off with a Bang! I thank the Lord, Mom, Dad, Anne, Maureen, Audrey and all of my relatives and friends. You are the ones who made it all possible. I survived. Was it worth it? Well ... time will tell.

"Once again it's on." — Ice Cube

Thanks Mom, Dad and Lisa for all your support. I love you.

Steven Jonathan Jantz
"Magneto"
Electrical Engineering
Stockton, CA

It is only through the strength given to me by my Lord Jesus Christ that I was able to make it. (Isaiah 40:31) OUR GOD IS AN AWE-SOME GOD! Dad, Mom, Phil, Jen - you're the greatest family anyone could ever have. Thanks for your love, encouragement and advice. Becky - thanks for believing in me, and for your love. We made the two percent. All my friends - thanks for the great times. Derek - you're the man.



Derek Michael Levine
"Levinestein"
Aeronautical Engineering
Pittsfield, MA

Thanks to Moms and Dads, Nancy, Justin, Carlton, Joel and Jillian. I couldn't have done it without you. Mimi, Papa, Grandma, Grandpa and Nana; Thanks for all the letters. Papa, I hope I can follow in your footsteps. Sorry MIT/USNA, they guaranteed me a pilot slot. Seeping wounds rule! John, I missed you this year. Thanks to all my friends, especially Steve, THE MAN. Glenn and Lurah, you're the best.

Donald Ray Kerns II
"Turbo, Rainman"
Astronautical Engineering
Ripley, WV

"If you are going to walk on the edge, you might as well run." I have no regrets.

Thank you Mom, Dad and Jay for being there and providing constant love and support. To my Sunshine, thank you for your encouragement when I have been discouraged. I like you — you make me happy! To everyone else — Blue Skies ... I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. — Philippians 4:13



Sean Michael McCarthy
Geography
Linwood, NJ

After four years I can honestly say I am leaving with one heck of an experience. This place has taught me some incredible lessons in life and for that I feel ready to take on the world. I can't say enough about my classmates - I'll never forget you all. We made it - together. Thanks Mom, Dad, Laurie and Ryan. You never lost faith in me. I love you all for that.

Adam Anthony Olshefsky
"Slef, O, Sky, Olfactory, Ols"
Basic Sciences
Schenectady, NY

A terrible place to be, a great place to be from - I hope. You'll never go over the edge if you know who and where you are. If you don't regret doing it, it was the right thing to do. To Mom and Dad, thanks for the support (including financial), encouragement and love. To Jason, you're a great "big" brother. To Amanda, no regrets only fond memories, friends forever. Don wake up, wake up.



Kari Lynn Vad
"The Vadster"
Biology
Breckenridge, MN

No guys ... I haven't found it yet! Thanks to all that survived attrition "2-3"! The D, the S, the R! Thanks OZ! Thanks to the team, you guys have always been my second family. Thanks LAP, DMC, KLM, JSL, BGH, GEN, SCF - There can be only one! Thanks especially Erin, Joe, Mo, Kim, Jen, Sam, Jade and Ed. But most of all thanks Mom, Dad, Tom and Mike. You all helped me more than you'll ever know!

Anthony Charles Rostagno
"Tony, Stags, DK"
Human Factors Engineering
Waukesha, WI

It would have been nice to fly; but dreams don't always come true! Take what you can get, and get what you can take. I would like to thank my parents for their love and support I would never have made it through here without my friends. Thanks a lot Manny, Sean, Dirty Kid Griebel, Martinez and all the other sick fellas. Flip and Twist.



Craig Allen Yantiss
"Shotgun"
Economics
Haysville, KS

"Stop the pain" — Jeff Janey

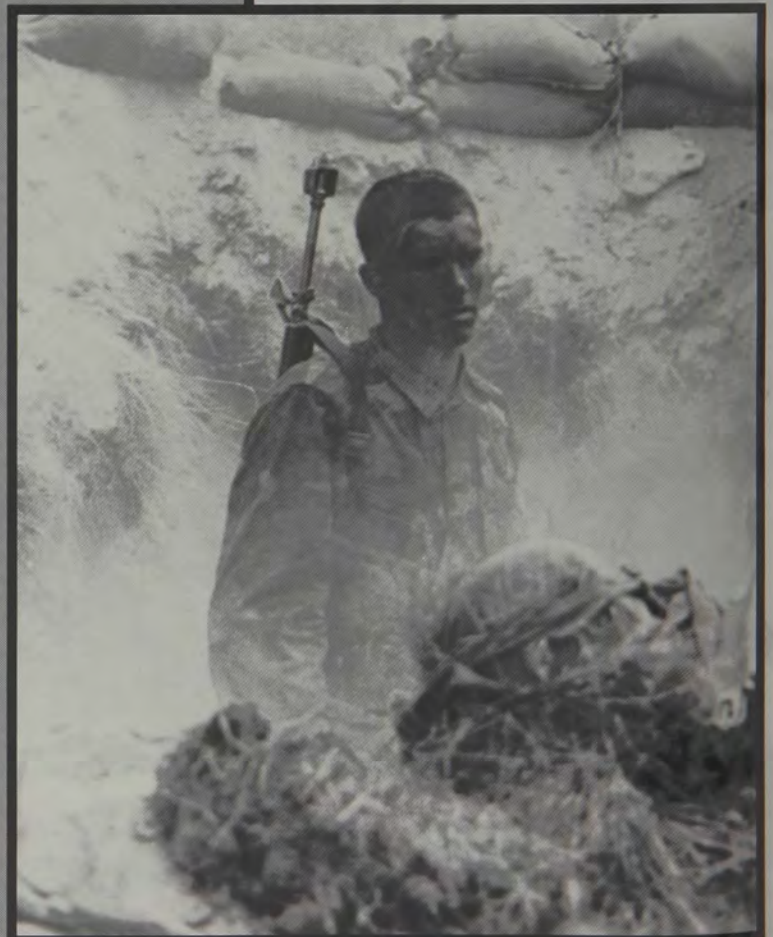
It's been a long, painful ride. I feel like I got drilled with a shotgun or run over by a truck. Seriously - Thanks Mom and Dad. Your love and understanding made all the difference. Thank you, Lord, for your patience. Thanks to all the friends and rodeo fellas. And, finally thanks to the Boxing Coaches. "Tough Time Don't Last - Tough People Do." See ya on the other side.

Sean Patrick Solly
Social Deviation Studies
Cincinnati, OH

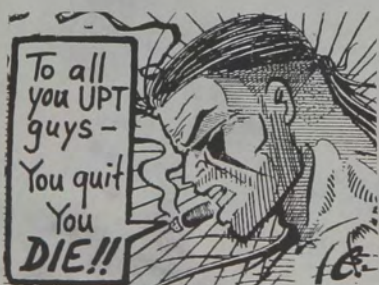
Imagination, creativity, friendship, pride, spontaneity, common sense and sacrifice.

Manny, Tony and the rest of you dirty, nasty, scummy, delinquents - I had the time of my life with you guys. See you on the other side. Thanks Dad and Mom for love and prayer, but most of all THANK GOD! Advice: CYA and don't let them take you alive.

Advice! ...



Christopher Eric Swanson
Geography
Willmar, MN



Chris Franklin takes a breather, during a break in the action of Air Base Ground Defense training.



Kari Lynn Vad
"The Vador"
Biology
Breckinridge, MI



Squadron Commander
Fall Semester

Reginald Gordon Short
"Reggy"
Legal Studies
Danville, CA

*Oh Lord we pray, we pray
that maybe soon someday
the world will smile again
and they shall be released*

*Here's to the Dogs of War, Operation
Mindcrime, Hicks in snow, ball and chains,
MCLurch, MNP crew, pizza and sharps, Fam-
ily and Friends unnamed who made it all
worthwhile, Semper Fi at The End.*



Squadron Commander
Spring Semester

James Paul Rowlett
"J.P."
History, Area Studies
Trumann, AR

*I would just like to thank everyone who helped
me pull this off... Mom and Dale, Dad and Kim,
My Grandparents and the rest of my wonder-
ful family, the guys on the shooting team,
Hoppy, Craig, Baldy, Yost, Carol Jane? and
the rest of my great friends, of course Monday
Night Football and the teenage Ninja Mutant
Turtles, most of all I would like to thank God
Almighty, without his mercy I would have
never made it! -- Love Paul*

40 Warhawks



Craig Allen Blood
Mechanical Engineering
Post Falls, ID

First things first, thanks Mom and Dad for all your love and support, I couldn't have done it without you. There have been better days, but never better friends. To Reg - take care of the Corps and don't forget I know when your birthday is! Thanks to the Far Side, J.P., Debbie, Steve and Brice for the good times and great memories. I'll also never forget B.J. and Spiderman. Good bye and good luck! C'est La Vie...

"Don't stop at the top!" — Scorpions



Teri Leh Holmes
"Teri"
Civil Engineering
Citrus Heights, CA

Somehow, somehow, we made it! Thanks for always being there for me during that last year, Gary. Tracy, I just want you to know that you have truly made this place memorable. Well, let's go! We have quite a long walk left down that narrow and crooked path.

Mark Robert Cozad
"Zad"
Political Science
Las Vegas, NV

Thanks Mom, Dad, Kyle, Greg, Kristyn, Amy and the kids. I could never have done it without your love and support. Thanks for being there for me. Special K, Brad, Germ, Duff and Irv, without you guys I would never have survived Reg. Thanks Dré, J.P. and Graham. And finally, thanks Steve. You made this place bearable. Your the best. Good luck in the future with Lissa.



Roderick Michael Hynes
"Rod"
Military History
Stony Point, NY

"Excuse me, while I kiss the sky! ... " It has been a long time coming but it has been well worth it! There have been so many fond memories: The House, Fur-bags, Tours, M-5's Didn't Martin Luther King have a dream or something! Mas. C. The days take forever, but the weeks fly by. Thanks Mom, Dad and Ray. I could never have made it without your love and support.

Derek Morgan Criner
"Turbo, D"
Military History
Yorba Linda, CA

Change is the only constant in life. it is your ability to adapt to the changing environment that will determined whether you succeed or fail in life. Looking back at the past four years, oh yes! I lived every day at least twice, they were truly the most challenging times of my life. Thanks Mom, dad, Lynette and Dan for your endless support. I couldn't have made it without you guys. If you want something in life, you have to make it happen. I accomplished that and much more at USAFA. "It's a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live here."



Christopher Jon Larson
"Chris"
Chemistry
Placentia, CA

Thanks a lot Mom and Dad, Family and Friends. I couldn't have done it without you all. To all my buds in Forty: thanks a lot. It was a good three years. Dane and Harlie, well what can I say? You both made life here a lot easier and a hell of a lot more fun!

Mark Anthony Forkner
"Fork"
Political Science
Kern Valley, CA

This is the end, beautiful friend. This is the end, my only friend. The end. It hurts to set you free, but you'll never follow me, The end of laughter and soft lies The end of nights we tried to die This is The End. -- The Doors

That says it all. Mud, Jeff, Smitty, Scott - you made the nightmare bearable, thanks. We had no fun, only adventures. Oh well.



Scott Gerald Martinez
Human Factors Engineering
Mora, NM

First of all, I hope I get to read this. I would like to thank God, It has truly been "one set of Footprints". Thank you my picture perfect family we have finally made it. Like you said Mom, "Everything will work out for the best." Dad thanks for saying the right things at the right time such as, whatever the struggle continue the climb it may be only one step to the summit. To the boys in 40, 1 and the 630 N. Corona Crew thanks for keeping me sane. It was all worth it. The more they try to hurt you, the more they help you. I can truly handle anything.

Teri Leh Holmes
"Teri"
Civil Engineering
Circus Heights, CA

James Davis McCartney
"Mac, Bonz"
Military History
Gates Mills, OH

"I drank what?" — Socrates
"Hurrah, boys, we've got them!"
— George Armstrong Custer
"Subvert the dominant paradigm."
"That's it, man, game over man, GAME OVER!" — "Aliens"
"See you on the other side, Ray."
— "Ghostbusters"
"I get by with a little help from my friends."
— Beatles

Follow the Roman's Road



Alexis Mezynski
"Alex"
Aeronautical Engineering
Butler, PA

Someday this will all seem worthwhile, but for now, that time is far into the future. Thanks to Mark (lady killer), Sean (Gookmeister), Derek (Pirates rule!), Jeff (George lives) and Jen (Get some real music) for making this place bearable. Thank you most of all to Victoria for giving my life a new meaning and a new direction. I couldn't have done it without you. You're the one.

Roderick Michael Ely
"Roe"
Military History
Seymour, VT

Michael Joseph Metcalf
"Mud"
Human Factors Engineering
Palm Beach Gardens, FL

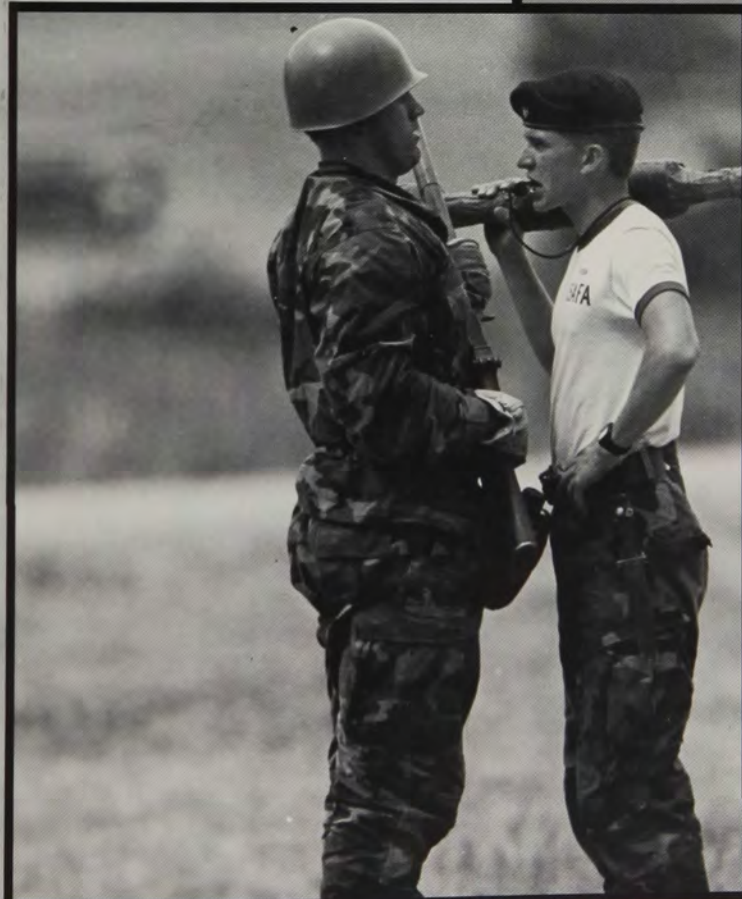
I did not come to the Academy for its social life, and I was not disappointed. Mark, Jeff, Smitty, Scott - we did not have fun... only adventures. But that's O.K! For, if it wasn't for bad luck, we'd have no luck at all. Here's to those guys who refused (most of the time, anyway) to live their lives like a music video.



André C. M. H. Pearson
"Dr. Dré"
Bachelor of Science,
Management emphasis
Houston, TX

No one is as lucky as I am to have the love and support of eight parents: Betty & Jerry, Aubrey & Joann, Reggie & Evelyne, Jim & Marti... Thanks! Thank you Jesus for carrying me when I could not go on. To my oldest brother... We did it!!! To my BLACK PANTHER Brothers... EU!! To the members of the MFL... WORK HARD, PLAY HARD!! ... BAMN ...

Christopher Jon Levin
"Chris"
Chemistry
Piacenza, CA



Jim Fowler, Class of 1993 gets a spot correction at the Assault Course.



Andrew Robert Smith
"Smitty, Smythe"
Human Factors Engineering
Alken, SC

LIFE SUCKS; BORN TO LOSE

"I'll just take as much as you can throw, then throw it all away."

Scott Gerald Martin
Human Factors Engineering
Mesa, NM



Jocelyn Rae Swayze
"Joce"
Bachelor of Science
Ignacio, CO

It looks like I might graduate after all. I owe it all to the Lord who has kept his eye on me the past 5 years. I love you Lord Jesus, and I thank you. Mom, Dad, and Rich — thanks for being there for me. I love you all.

Graham Harvey Todd
 "Cracker, G.T., Chicken Legs"
 Russian Area Studies
 Boise, ID

Thanks God, Mom and Dad. Looking back, it isn't the "Hill" that we really remember, it's the friends we made and will keep forever. Zad, Stegs, Chris, thanks for the good memories. Ahren, "you are my hero! This place sucks! Let's go to Denver." Thanks for keeping me sane.
 "And in the end on dreams we will depend."
 — VH
 "Let us die young or let us live Forever."
 — Alphaville



Emmett Lee Wingfield III
 "Lee"
 Humanities, French minor
 Charleston, SC

The French Exchange - The best kept secret at USAFA.

Remember, a good reality check is essential to maintain perspective - don't get caught up in playing games.



Melissa Lynn Whitestone
 Bachelor of Science
 Birmingham, AL

D Thanks to my family. I love you, Mom and Dad. Thanks to the Warricks. God bless you! Thanks to my friends. It has been great fellowship. Most of all, thank you Jesus for being my Lord and Savior.

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1: 9 D



David Foster Wright
 Computer Science
 Coos Bay, OR

Lord Guard and Guide...



Patrick Henry Peter Yanke
 "Yankee Doodle"
 Aeronautical Engineering
 Panama City, FL

There are too many people who helped me make it this far than I could thank here. I do know that I would not be where I am today without God, Sister Laurenta, my family and Grete. Through the power of Faith, Hope and Love, Miracles can happen. To Jay and Steve: "See you on the other side!"



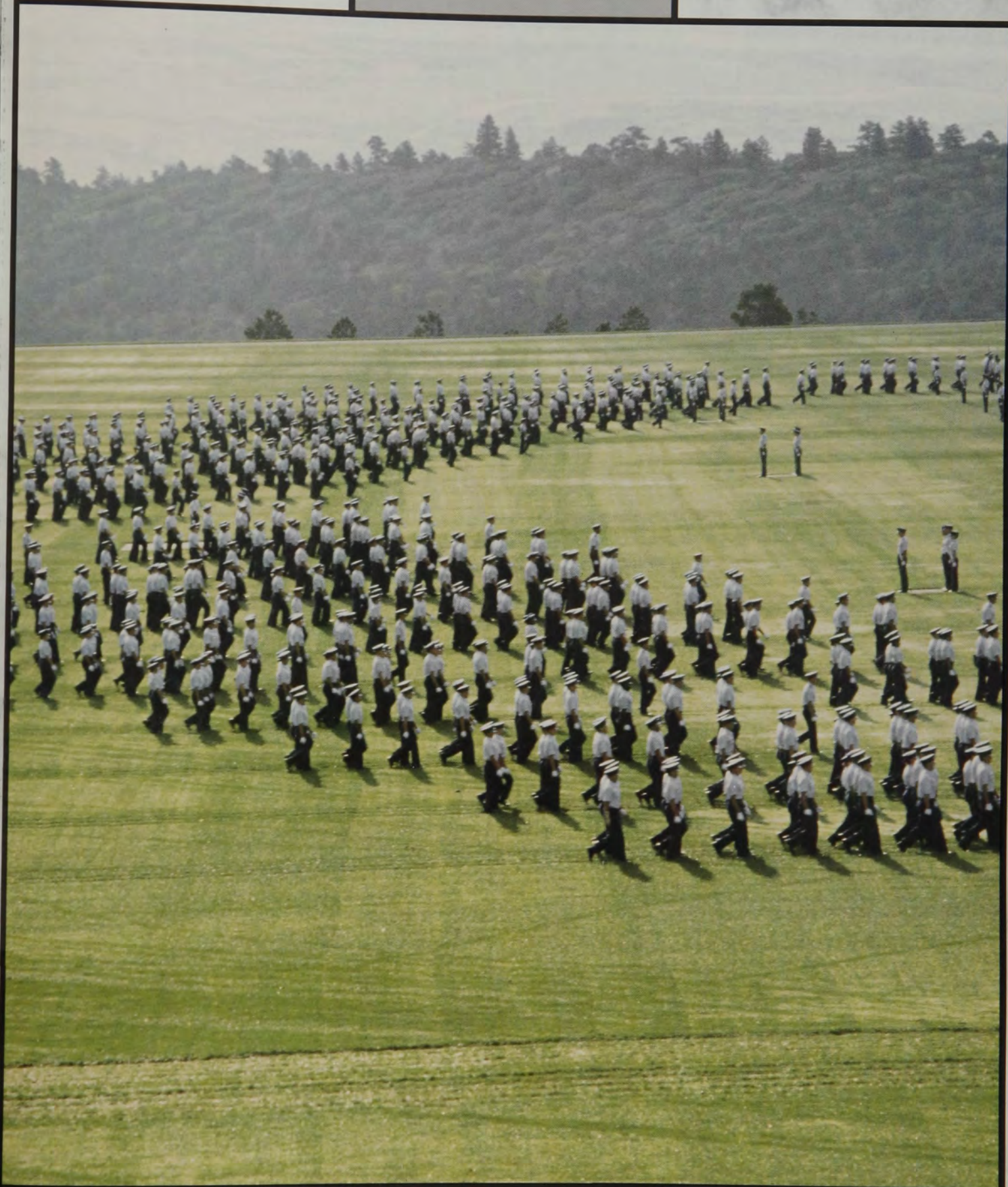
These Basics take a look around the cockpit of a T-43 during their 1989 Incentive Ride.



A Basic calculates his azimuth, using celestial navigation.

Warhawks

The Class of 1993



Emmett Lee Wingfield
"Lee"
Humanities, French
Charleston, SC
The French Exchange - The Academy
USAF
Remember a good leader does not
narrow perspective - but a good
player does.

David Foster Wiggins
Computer Science
Coxs Bay, OR
Lead Guard and Guide.

Patrick Henry Peter
"Tommy Donald"
Aeronautical Engineer
Pomona, CA
There are too many people who
make it this far than I could
know that I would not be able to
without God. Some Leaders, right?
Great. Through the power of God,
Love, Miracles can happen. To lead
"The way on the other side."

Class of 1993 welcome to the Cadet Wing ... this is what these cadets heard in 1989 when they started their Academy career. This now is merely a memory as they prepare for their careers in the active Air Force. All the photos of the 1989 Basic Cadet Training were provided by the 1989 Cadet Wing Media Beast yearbook staff.

Acceptance 1989

June Week, it signifies the end of another year where many dreams end and many others begin. Secondclass cadets receive their rings and start to dream of what it will be like to finally be on top of the heap and one step closer to their graduation. The firsties, well June Week is the final passage to becoming an officer and starting their new careers.

Among the most memorable celebrations were, the

Many Dreams Begin

graduation parade, the awards ceremony, the graduation ball, the swearing in ceremonies and of course graduation itself.

Families and friends travelled from all over the world to share this special event with their cadets. The four or five long years finally came to an end and all that's left was the feeling of joy and pride.

JUNE WEEK





Newly graduated Benjamin Cunningham congratulates a squadronmate after receiving his much sought after diploma. Photo by C. Harris

RING FLING

Festivities abound as the Class of '94 gets what they deserve

It signifies the beginning of the end, the final climb up the hill before cruising back down to the bottom. The event is dreamed of before it arrives and is talked about well after it ends ... the Class of 1994 got its rings!

Getting the ring is cause for celebration and those in '94 did their best continue the tradition. Dates came from far and wide to be part of the festivities as did second-class cadets who were already working at their first summer program when Friday May 28 came around.

"I flew in from Tyndall where I was doing summer research," C2C Wes Palmer said. "I wanted to get my ring in a cool way; I just didn't want it sent to me in some box."

Before the rings were given to the cadets, all were entertained by the pomp and circumstance of the ceremony. The traditional toasts were made and a speaker delivered his words of wisdom.

"The speaker was good, but I

couldn't tell you what he said," Palmer said. "I was concentrating on what was to come."

Undoubtedly the arrival of the rings lived up to everyone's expectations and put them in the mood to celebrate even further into the evening.

Most couples went to the dance where they drank spirits, got their pictures taken with the larger than life rings and socialized with friends ... oh yeah they danced too.

"The dancing was a good time," Palmer said. "Although I think a bunch of dead people could have played and it wouldn't have matter, people were that excited."

As all things do, the dance came to an end but the second-class wasn't ready to quite celebrating. Many couples went up into the mountains to spend time at condos relaxing.

"The whole thing just made me exuberant," Palmer said. "It was like being a kid again following an ice cream truck."



SHOWING OFF their new rings, these Juniors are enjoying a long awaited moment. The Class crest symbolizes everything '94 has gone through. Photo B. Fallis





CHEERS! The ring dance dinner is a time of celebration as '94 reaches the last stretch of their Academy life. This year the ring dance was on May 28th, after finals were completed. Photo by B. Fallis

DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY, this couple enjoys the evening together in the Arnold Hall Ballroom. The ring dance is considered by some as one of the nation's most prestigious balls, the ring dance ranking just behind the Inaugural ball. Photo by B. Fallis



THE CAKE CUTTING ceremony was one of the many events of the evening. The juniors also enjoyed dancing, socializing and waiting for their ring dance pictures. Photo by B. Fallis



TOASTING his classmates, C2C Mike Malone christens his ring. The ring dance dinner is a time of celebration for the class of '94. Photo by B. Fallis

THE EAGLE AND FLEDGLINGS statue stands outside of Mitchell Hall as a symbol of the pursuit of Academic Excellence. No other symbol is more appropriate for the Individual Awards. Photo by B. Scharton



THE MIST STILL CLEARING, the cadets march for the recognition of the individual awards. This is one of the many parades during June week. Photo by C. Harris



A JOB WELL DONE, CIC Mary Lester receives the Navigation Award, it's given in memory of Capt Davis for the top performance in navigation. Photo by M. Gregory



AWARDS

*Achievement recognition
kicks off June Week festivities*

Each June Week, the year is closed with the Individual Awards Ceremony and the Awards Parade to honor those cadets and squadrons respectively that have earned high achievements throughout the year. Presenting these awards in front of peers will hopefully keep morale high and motivate other squadrons to work harder in the following year to receive an award, as well as simply recognize those who have earned honors.

The Individual Awards Ceremony is held in the Field House and the entire Cadet Wing attends, along with their guests and other people representing the Academy. Some of the awards that are given out include the top cadet academically, the top cadet in each academic major, the top military cadet and the most valuable male/female athletes. Each cadet who has earned an award receives it from the person the award was named after, making this event

very special. After the conclusion of the ceremony, the Cadet Wing is released and the award recipients and their guests attend a reception.

Just as the top individual cadets are recognized, the top squadrons are commended for their efforts in the Awards Parade. All squadron commanders and their guidon bearers march in front of the Cadet Wing to receive their award. To signify the achievement of a squadron award, a colored streamer hangs from the guidon. The awards include the top intramural squadron based on malanthaphy points, the top academic squadron and the elite Honor Squadron. The title of Honor Squadron indicates the squadron with the overall, number one average of all forty squadrons in the Cadet Wing (i.e. military, academic and athletic). Every year, the Honor Squadron receives a formal awards banquet with the Superintendent and Commandant the Sunday before graduation.

By Char Melick



THE FIRST OF MANY congratulations, this cadet receives a handshake from his classmate. Following the ceremony there was a reception held for the families of the award winners. Photo by M. Gregory

P ARADE

*Firsties march out of Wing,
it's on to new destinations*

"Forward 'arch" says the First Sergeant as the senior class salutes good-bye to the squadrons as they pass. The second-class has officially taken-over the Cadet Wing and the first-class anxiously awaits the next morning, which brings with it Graduation!

This is a repeated scene each year as the Academy says farewell to yet another class of newly commissioned Lieutenants. And June 1, 1993 was no different when the Class of 93 said its farewells to the Academy and relinquished control to the Class of 94. Just as a class of newly accepted basics marches into the Cadet Wing in an inverted "V" formation, the graduating class marches out in a "V" formation, signifying the flying away of the senior cadets, soon to be officers.

This year, the Wing was blessed with a unique air show at the beginning of the parade. This demonstration included a representative aircraft from all facets of the Air Force

inventory. Some of the aircraft seen were the popular F-16 Fighting Falcon, the C-130 Hercules and the newer F-117 Stealth Fighter. After this show the last parade for the Class of 93 began. . .and ended in a matter of minutes, well sort of. It didn't take long to get all the seniors to the opposite side of the parade grounds, but it took forever for the Wing to march by and up the ramp! Nonetheless, the celebrating started a little early.

With parents, grandparents, girlfriends/boyfriends and relatives galore in the crowd, it's a very important moment for each senior to tell everyone "I'm done. . .almost!" Once dismissed, all hugged and screamed in joy, as well as shot a few rolls of film in preparation for the following day. And now only two things remained before the seniors were really done: commissioning at o'dark-thirty and Graduation at 1100 hours.

By Char Melick



UNIT COLORS FLYING, these squadrons march to their places. The graduation parade was the only parade that unit colors were used this year. Photo by S. Weston



"BRING ME MEN"



THE LAST PARADE of the year, the graduation parade is held to honor the graduating seniors. The parade starts from the Bring Me Men ramp which was the source of some debate this year. Photo by M. Gregory

AS CADETS TAKE their posts, the packed stands full of family and friends cheered. The last four years has been long for both the cadets and their families of class of '93. Photo by S. Weston



CELEBRATING their last full day of the Academy, these seniors don't maintain straight ranks. This year rifles became a new addition to cadet fashion apparel during parades. Photo by C. Harris

HANGING OUT before the start of the parade, these seniors watch the people waiting in the stands. There is always a little dead time before the parade starts.



THE OATH

Firsties pin on new rank the dream of officerdom is realized

The day is finally here! No longer do the freshmen cadets recite how many days until graduation 'cuz it is graduation. But before the class celebrates at the stadium, each squadron holds a ceremony for the senior cadets and their guests. For each graduate, the most important guest is that officer who has agreed to administer the Oath of Allegiance and render you your first salute as an officer.

This ceremony is known as the Commissioning Ceremony, but more commonly called the Swearing-In Ceremony. It is held in a place and at a time of the squadron's choice, however, it may not start before 0600! This enables all those "old fogies" to get their beauty rest! Actually, it keeps us all on a reasonable timeline amid all the excitement of graduation.

Next to receiving the much awaited Academy diploma, the

swearing-in ceremony is the most important event of June Week. Finally getting the chance to pin-on "real" rank is the most refreshing emotion. No longer will someone ask you, "What's that stuff on your shoulder mean?"

Most people know what those pretty, little shiny gold bars mean, in relative terms that is. See, to us cadets they mean the trip through Hell is finally over and we were successful, but to the average civilian they just mean military service of some kind. Either way, it's a great feeling!

At the conclusion of the ceremony, each cadet has some time to linger and visit with family and friends before putting on parades and heading down Stadium Blvd. for the very last time. And before we know it, the Class of 94 will be feeling the same way. . .DONE!

By Char Melick



THE MEMORIAL in the background, this cadet is sworn in as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force. A friend of the family will usually swear in the cadet. Photo by B. Fallis

TAKING HIS OATH, this senior finally becomes commissioned. The commissioning ceremony, along with the graduation ceremony, is the light at the end of the tunnel for the class of '93. Photo by B. Fallis



PINNING ON NEW RANKS, this senior can't help but to smile. Parents pin on the new ranks on the cadet. Photo by B. Fallis



SIGNING HIS OATH, this cadet is now an officer. The commissioning ceremony takes place the morning of the graduation ceremony. Photo by B. Scharton



SHOW TIME

Grads take the field and await words of wisdom from speaker

June 2, 1993 has finally arrived and none too early either. The Honor Guard is in place. Chief Meadows tells the firstie in the front left "Okay, it's time." And the next command is the commonly heard "Forward March." The Graduation Ceremony is under way with the guests anxiously awaiting the emergence of their cadet from the tunnel. And the cadets, well, we just want to get rid of those useless white hats and get on with life!

This year saw the first appearance of a representative from the newly sworn-in Clinton administration at the Academy. The Honored Speaker was the Secretary of De-

fense, the Honorable Les Aspin. He spoke of the Air Force in relation to the future and what opportunities were available to the new officers on the block. Despite the looks of so-called severe thunderstorms, he droned on until the snores seeping from the graduates and the crowd were entirely too noticeable! All said farewell to Mr. Aspin for the day with the traditional gift of the Cadet Wing's highest honor, the Plaque and Sabre. The pressure bubble burst and all were attentive again as it was now time to get on with the "real" show—receiving those diplomas.

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JUST MOMENTS until her diploma is in hand, this cadet shares a handshake with her classmate. This year the ceremony moved quickly and efficiently, one of the best ceremonies ever. Photo by S. Morris

KEEPING A SERIOUS FACE, CIC Robert Barker marches into position. The graduation ceremony started at 10:00, the morning of Wednesday, June 2nd. Photo by C. Harris



THE FIRST two cadets graduate of the class of 1993, this is the end of a long and hard journey that began with BCT in late 1989. Now the class of 1993 embarks on a few and challenging career. Photo by C. Harris



SHOWING OFF one of the many acquired skills from the Academy, these seniors utilize their last moments as cadets the best way they can — sleeping. These graduating cadets will receive little sleep over the next couple of nights. Photo by C. Harris



LES ASPIN shares a few thoughts to the class of '93 concerning the Air Force that they are about to enter. The consensus his speech was rather vague. Photo by C. Harris



THE FIRST two cadets to graduate of the class of 1993, this is the end of a long and hard journey that began with BCT in late June 1989. Now the class of '93 embarks on a new and challenging career. Photo by C. Harris



RECEIVING THEIR LAST briefing, these seniors wait for a couple of moments before marching out. There is always a certain feeling in the atmosphere graduation day. Photo by C. Grosjean

HATS OFF

*The diplomas are in hand
now it's time to celebrate*

The introduction was given, the term "Distinguished Grad" explained and the domino game begun. Row by row, the Class of 93 stood and waited to salute one of the attending generals and run, walk or skip to the bottom of the ramp? Anyway, each cadet had a unique display of joy and somehow got to the bottom of the ramp to salute the next classmate in line.

In a matter of minutes, literally, all 950 names were called, including the very last graduate, CIC Pat Yanke. The Commandant then got one last shot as he administered the Oath en masse and then . . . the Thunderbirds were atop the press boxes and the hats were high in the air. The Class of 93 was now DONE and the true celebration had just started, and was going to last for quite some time.

Tears were rolling, hugs abounding and screams a-thunderin' as the graduates fought for their lives on the stairs and all the guests tried to find that one special cadet they'd come to watch. And don't forget the Thunderbirds. They performed their traditional graduation demonstration as some watched and others searched. All in all, it was an outstanding day. . . WELL, until about four o'clock. The raincloud made its way through the North Gate and rested right on top of everything at USAFA.

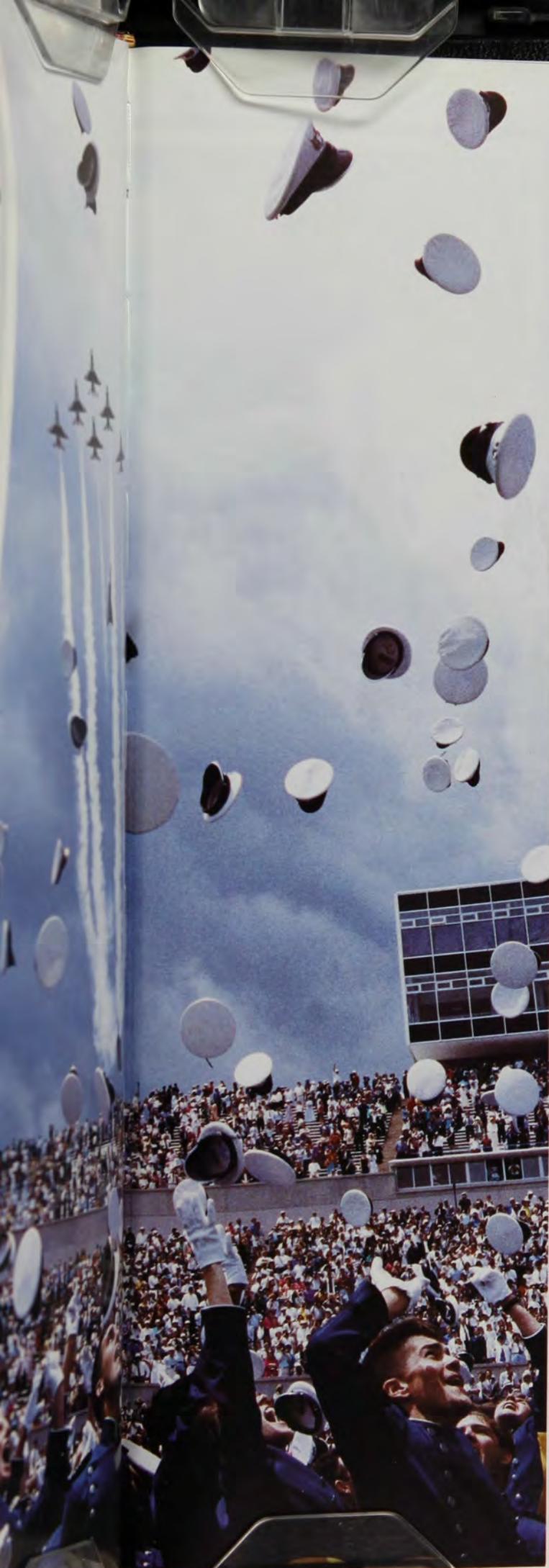
But a little inclement weather never stopped anything or anyone at USAFA. So, without further adieu, another year ended and a new one began all on the same day. To Class of 94, best of luck, but remember **NONUS SUPERATO!**

By Char Melick



SPARING NO EMOTION, these new lieutenants share bonds that only the Academy experience can give. The field was a place for many to shed tears after the ceremony. Photo by S. Weston





SHARING congratulations, this is the first of many congratulations and many parties that the graduates will enjoy. The week following is a time for celebrations, weddings, family and parties. Photo by C. Harris



THESE NEW LIEUTENANTS congratulate each other. In the background children rush to find money in the hats, seeming more interested in the money than the hats. Photo by S. Weston



NO FEELING LIKE IT, the class of 1993 is dismissed. The Thunderbirds flew over at the precise second that the class of '93 tossed their hats in the air, and then preformed at twenty minute demonstration to welcome the new members of the officer corps. Photo by M. Gregory

NOT ABLE TO CONTAIN himself, CIC Seung Paik can't wait to get his diploma, as he thinks he sees the Thunderbirds flying over. Photo by S. Morris

Dreams end

so the new ones can begin

The academic year has ended; it's now time to say farewell to the Class of 1993 and wish the best of luck to those classes that remain. It's hard to believe how quickly the time went and how many new events and philosophies caught the attention of those on the Hill.

Undoubtedly it's easy for us to get caught up in our own little world that is so different from the colleges and universities of our coun-

terparts. Since we know this, we have to make an extra effort to stay informed and make a difference. This challenge is one that will continue to face our generation for years to come.

It is not an easy challenge because so often it means putting our dreams, whether they are to become pilots, doctors, administrators, teachers or whatever on the back burner. We are forced to redirect our goals toward some-

thing that will more likely help our society and world in the long run. Many accept this challenge willingly while others fight it every step of the way the choice is up to each and every one of us. Continued on next page.

California dreamin' or at least dreamin' of somewhere warm. These cadets trudge back to their dorm after winter classes. Photo by M. Phan



Reaching those academic goals, CIC Adam Olshefsky researches his next paper. Fortunately this is one of the last ones ... what a dream come true. Photo by M. Gregory





Another year of dreams fulfilled and denied comes to an end ... these cadets prepare to march in the graduation parade. Although primarily for the Firsties, the underclass also see goals met as they get one step closer to serving in the active Air Force. Photo by P.J. Pelkington



Wishing the job was done, C4C Christian Lyons polishes his boots in an effort to do well in the next inspection, which for fourth-class cadets is nearly everyday. Photo by M. Tieman

Modified dreams

Sometimes changed goals make a better reality

As many a cliché tells us, life is full of unexpected surprises and detours both at the Academy and beyond. All we can hope for is that the education and support we receive will adequately prepare us to make the decisions necessary to become a success. This academic school year offered us just that through our friends and officers who educated and mentored us. The lessons learned may have varied from individual to individual.

Many faced choosing new careers as slots in the more popular ones

dwindled, dreams were redirected. For others things were more positive, women who before could only dream of flying fighters now saw it become a reality. The Class of 1994 finally got their ring and by graduation the third-class was out of limbo and the fourth-class was no longer on the bottom of the heap.

Although all of

these examples differ there remains the thread that hold us at the Academy together. We all focused on our goals, modified them if necessary in an effort to create a better reality.

Is this a bad dream, not hardly ... the rooms of Firsties, which were decorated on 100s Night didn't bother most as it is tradition that signifies graduation is right around the corner. Photo by J. Babinski



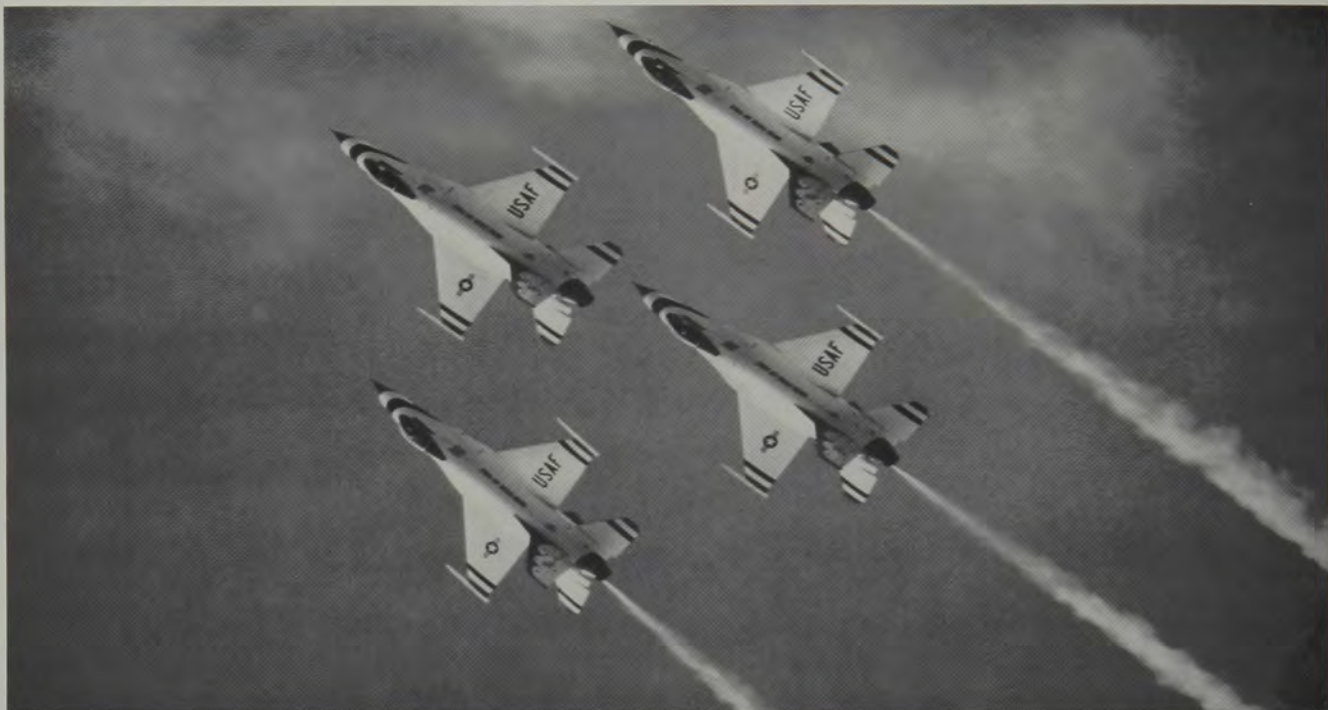
More buddies to hang around with than you can dream of ... the Academy is notorious for helping develop some of the best and longest lasting friendships. Photo by M. Gaupp

Dreams recognized, the hats are in the air and the goal to graduate has come and gone. The Class of 1993 now will go and create new goals and fulfill more dreams as they serve their country. Photo by C. Harris

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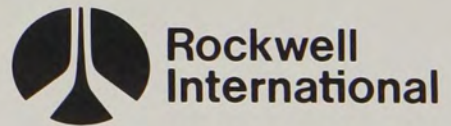
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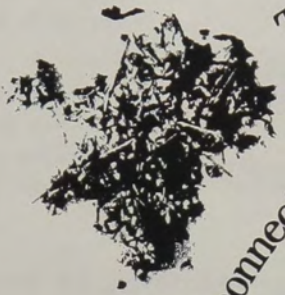
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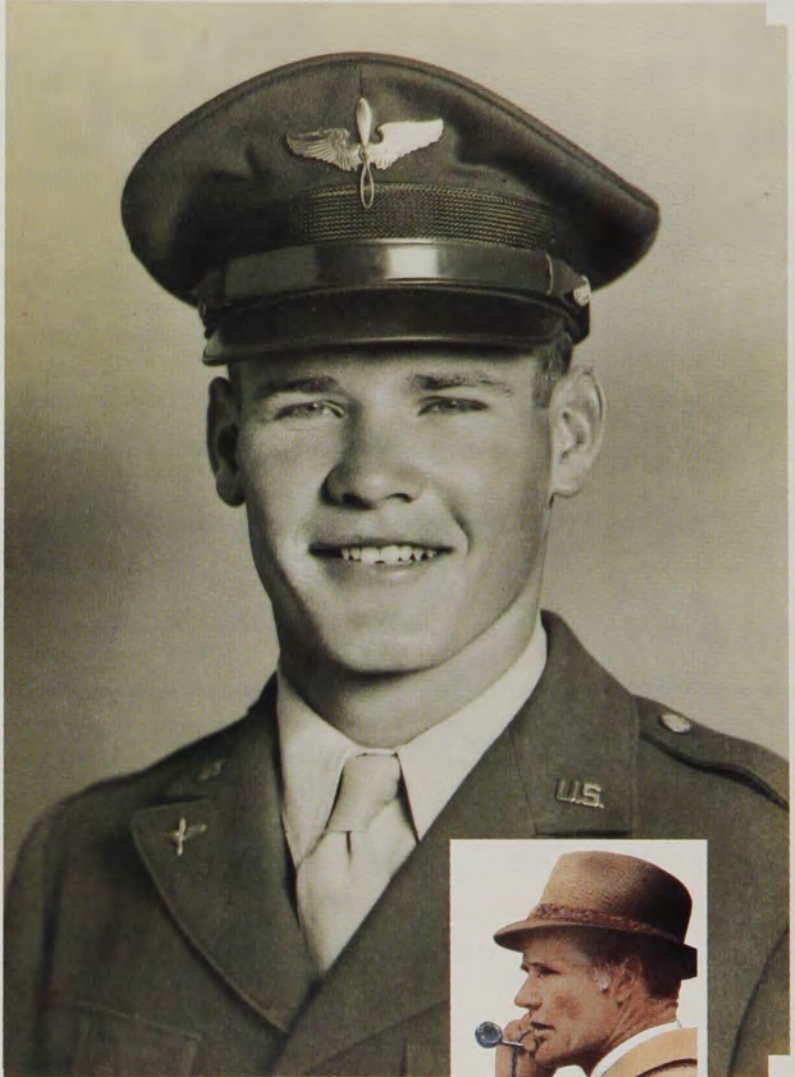
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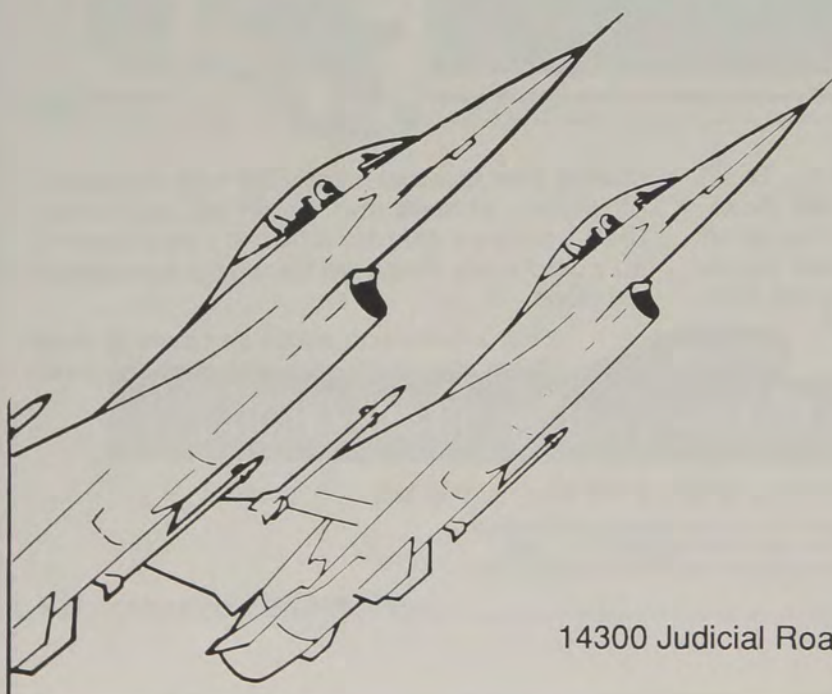
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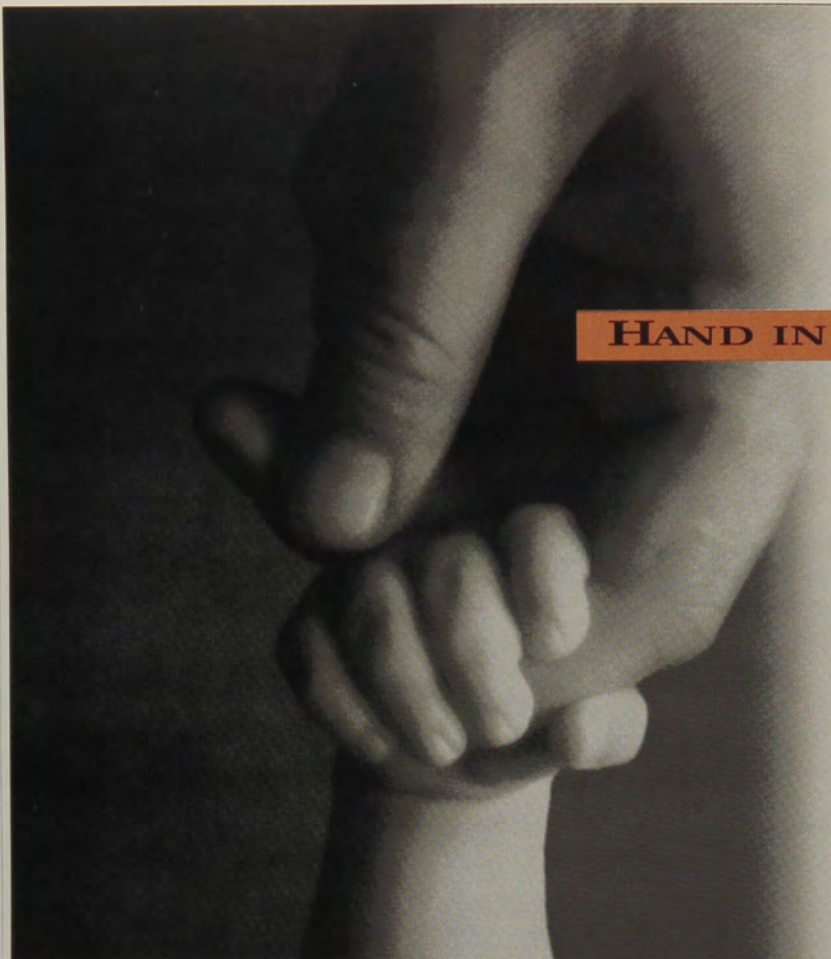


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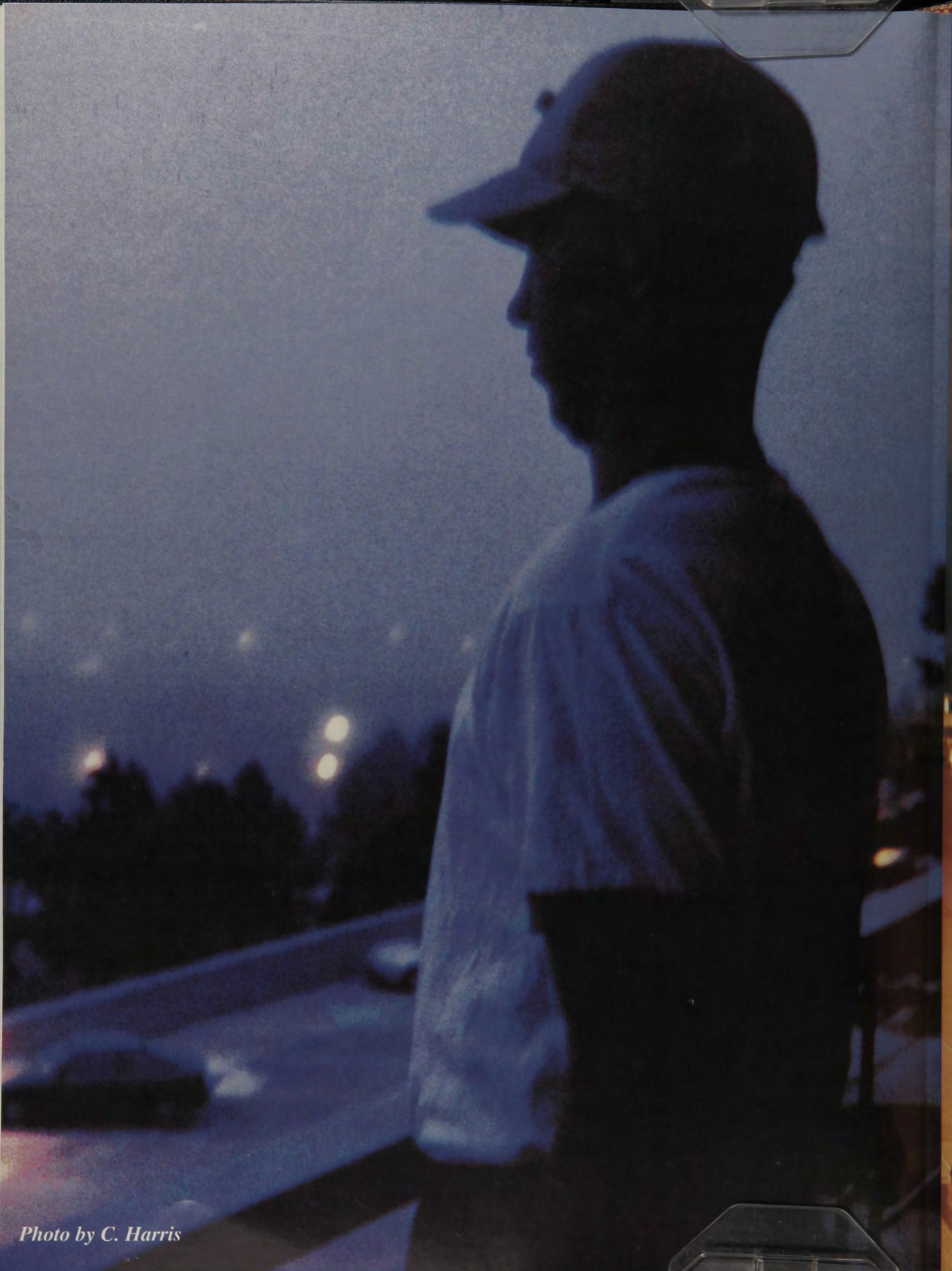


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The 1993 Polaris yearbook was printed by Walsworth Publishing Company in Marceline, Mo. John Fotenos was the company's local representative while Bob Boyd was the representative for the publication at the plant. The press run was 4,700; before it went to print two sets of proofs were seen.

The cover of the book is a 160 point binder with jet black 818 cover material. The front of the cover has a Roc grain with blind embossed clouds. The planes and contrails are debossed with silver 900 mylar covering them. The title Dream is Times Roman type embossed with silver 900 mylar. 1993 Polaris is Bold Times Roman that is blind embossed. The spine of the book is blind embossed with silver 900 mylar. The type face is Times Roman. The endsheets have separate scenes and are done on a white gloss finish paper with black ink applied.

The majority of contents of the book is printed on 80 pound signature gloss enamel paper with four color pictures. The thirteenth signature, which is the mini-magazine in the Cadet Life section, is 60 pound brown parchment 203 paper with only black ink applied.

The type styles and sizes for headlines, subheadlines and drop letters vary from section to section, however the body text, Times Roman 12 point and the captions, Times Roman Italic, 10 point are consistent throughout. In the Opening and the Closing the headlines are New Baskerville Italic 60 point with 30 point subheads. The divider pages have 60 point Goudy Bold headlines with 24 point Goudy Italic subheads. The drop letter is also Goudy stretched in Aldus Freehand. The Military section has 42 and 36 point Palatino Bold Italic headlines with 30 and 24 point subheads. The drop letter is 60 point Bold Zapf Chancery. The Academic section has 36 point New Century Schoolbook Bold Italic headlines. The titles and drop letters are the same type stretched in Aldus Freehand. In Cadet Life the headlines are 36 point Mixage with 30 point subheads. The mini-mag in the section uses 72 point Mistral headlines with 30 point Helvetica subheads. The Clubs sections has Helvetica-Narrow subheads while the headlines are the same type stretched in Aldus Freehand. Both the Sports section and the Intramural section use Avant Garde type the headlines vary from 50 point to 48 point Bold. The subheads are 30 point. In both the Squadrons section and the Firstie section Times New Roman type is used. In the Squadrons section the sizes vary from 60 point for the headline and 150 point for the dropletter to 24 point Bold Italic for the subhead. In the Firstie section the squadron numbers are 48 point and the squadron titles are 30 point.

All of the graphics, layout and design was accomplished in either Aldus PageMaker or Aldus Freehand. The book was entered on three computers linked together with Lantastic.

Firstie and underclass photographs were taken and provided by Yearbook Associates in Millers Falls, Massachusetts. Steve Forslund was the company's representative to the Academy. This company was also responsible for enlarging most of the candid photos in the book.

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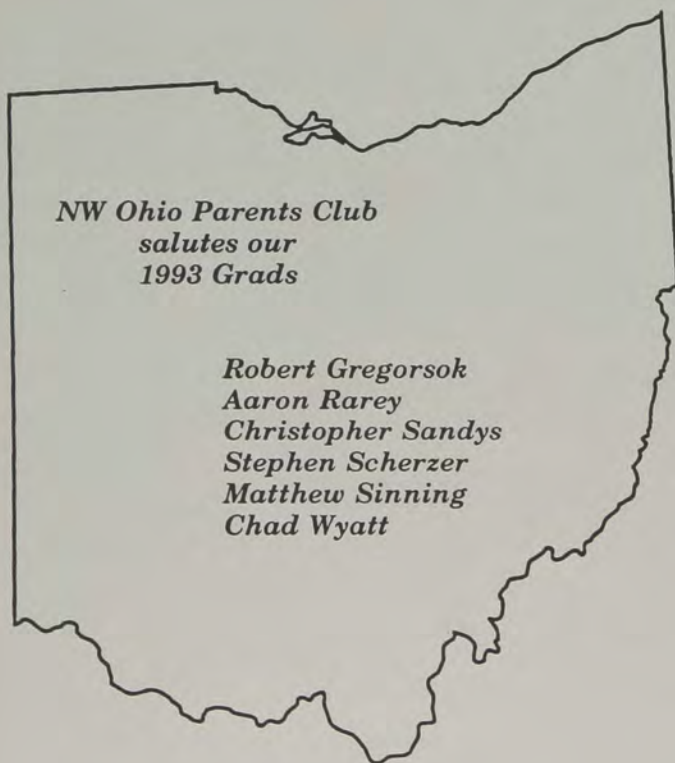
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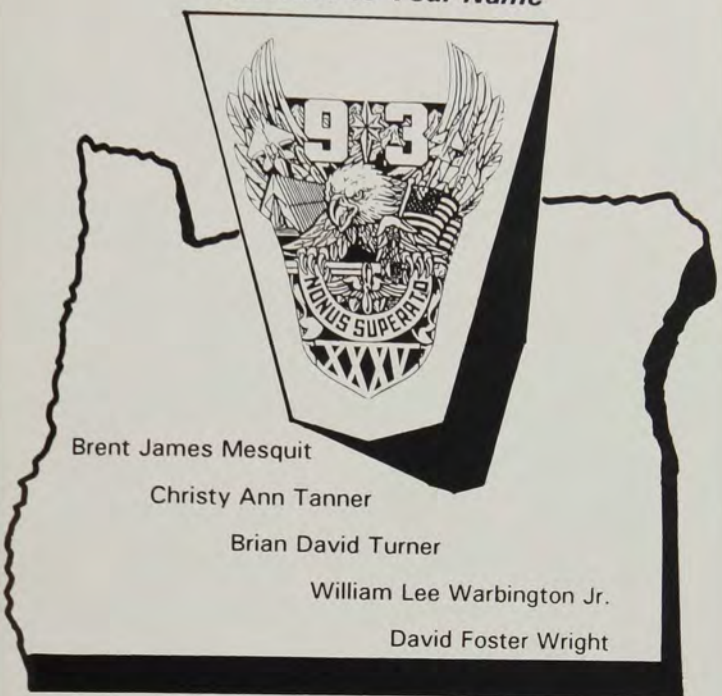
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Euge '93-Now soar like an eagle-
high as you can, Love Mom

Proud family of Beto Berumen

The dream lives! We love you
Brendan. Mom & Dad, Gavin,
Michele

We are proud of you Gene Hayden!
Love, Mom and Dad, Steven,
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Mom, Dad, and Uncle Mike

We are proud of you Tom!
Love, Hermel Family
Good luck Class of 1993!

Congratulations to All-American
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A KY sized toast to Lt. Carlton
Hoskins Now soar! Mom & Dad

Congrats Eric Hoxie! The best is
yet to come. Your Loving Family

We are proud of you Dayton! Love,
the Kobys

Carl your success is our joy!
Love, your family

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Way to go Kelly We're proud of
you!

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From his proud family

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Nooner! '93 Love Mom, Dad and
Vicki

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did! We're so proud of you! Love,
Dad, Mom, and Tami

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Bronwyn, & Grandma

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Love to Brad Reed, your proud
family

Proud family of Lamar Settlemyres
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you! XOXOXO

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Short '93

Proud parents of Lawrence J.
Spinetta '93

Proud family of Paul St. John '93

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We love you, Mom and Dad

Chris Stricklin '94 We are proud of
you, Nanny and Pawpaw

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you!

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We love you!
Mom and Dad (USMA 69!)

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Boutros Boutros-Ghali became the Secretary General of the United Nations in early 1992, and has had his hands full ever since. The problems in Iraq, Somalia and the former Yugoslavia have kept the 70-year-old diplomat quite busy. Boutros-Ghali is a former Egyptian deputy prime minister and is expected to serve only one five-year term with the UN.

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The Presidential election was the top story in 1992. Incumbent President George Bush was defeated in his bid for re-election. Bush's political career started as a congressman from Texas in 1967. Then, after a stint as CIA director, Ambassador to the United Nations and U.S. Ambassador to China, he became vice president under Ronald Reagan in 1980. After eight years as veep, he ran for president and won in 1988.

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The "Birdman" retires. Basketball great Larry Bird retired from the Boston Celtics after a brilliant 13-year career. "When I played, I played as hard as I could," said the 35-year old Bird. "That is what I want to be remembered for." Bird's spectacular passing, pinpoint shooting and rebounding made him one of the game's most complete players.

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Hurricane Andrew was the most devastating natural disaster to ever hit the United States. The killer storm carved its way through the Bahamas and then hit south Florida with powerhouse intensity before moving into Louisiana. The hurricane's 54-hour rampage left more than 200,000 homeless and was responsible for at least 51 deaths. The amount of damage was estimated at \$20 billion in Florida and \$2 billion in Louisiana.

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Tougher rules aimed at curbing industrial air pollution were issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The new rules outlined when businesses must obtain state pollution control permits under the Clean Air Act. Environmental groups, such as the Sierra Club, lead the charge against polluters. Under the Clean Air Act, states issue pollution control permits and the EPA monitors state programs to make certain they comply with federal rules.

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Pope John Paul II, following colon surgery to remove a benign tumor in 1992, continued to make his presence felt around the world. The 73-year old Pontiff aggressively wielded the Vatican's influence in the secular world by assisting in peace efforts helping topple communism in his native Poland and across Eastern Europe. In August 1993, Pope John Paul II made a visit to Colorado as part of the World Youth Day Catholic celebration.

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The first few months of the Clinton Presidency was certainly no honeymoon for the former Arkansas governor. By taking on tough issues such as homosexuals in the military, health care reform, economic reform, and abortion, President Clinton certainly had his hands full with the press and Republicans breathing down his neck.

Special Recognition

There were certain members on this year's staff that went above and beyond the call of duty to help make this book a reality. When this year started our editing staff was small and it seemed to get smaller as the year progressed. When this occurred, those left picked up the slack either by offering their help to complete other sections or just by completing their own sections in a timely manner.

The first person that comes to mind is Mike Brevard. If there were a Mr. Yearbook award he would have won it hands down. Since there were no overall editors for the majority of the year, Mike took it upon himself to try and keep the book on track and actually complete work left over by others; it should be noted that this was done without the help of patches and white pantone! He was also very instrumental in setting up a computer network system that allowed more than one person to work on the book at the same time: what a great idea! We are very lucky that he is still with us for two more years, he is a tremendous asset. Thanks Mike!

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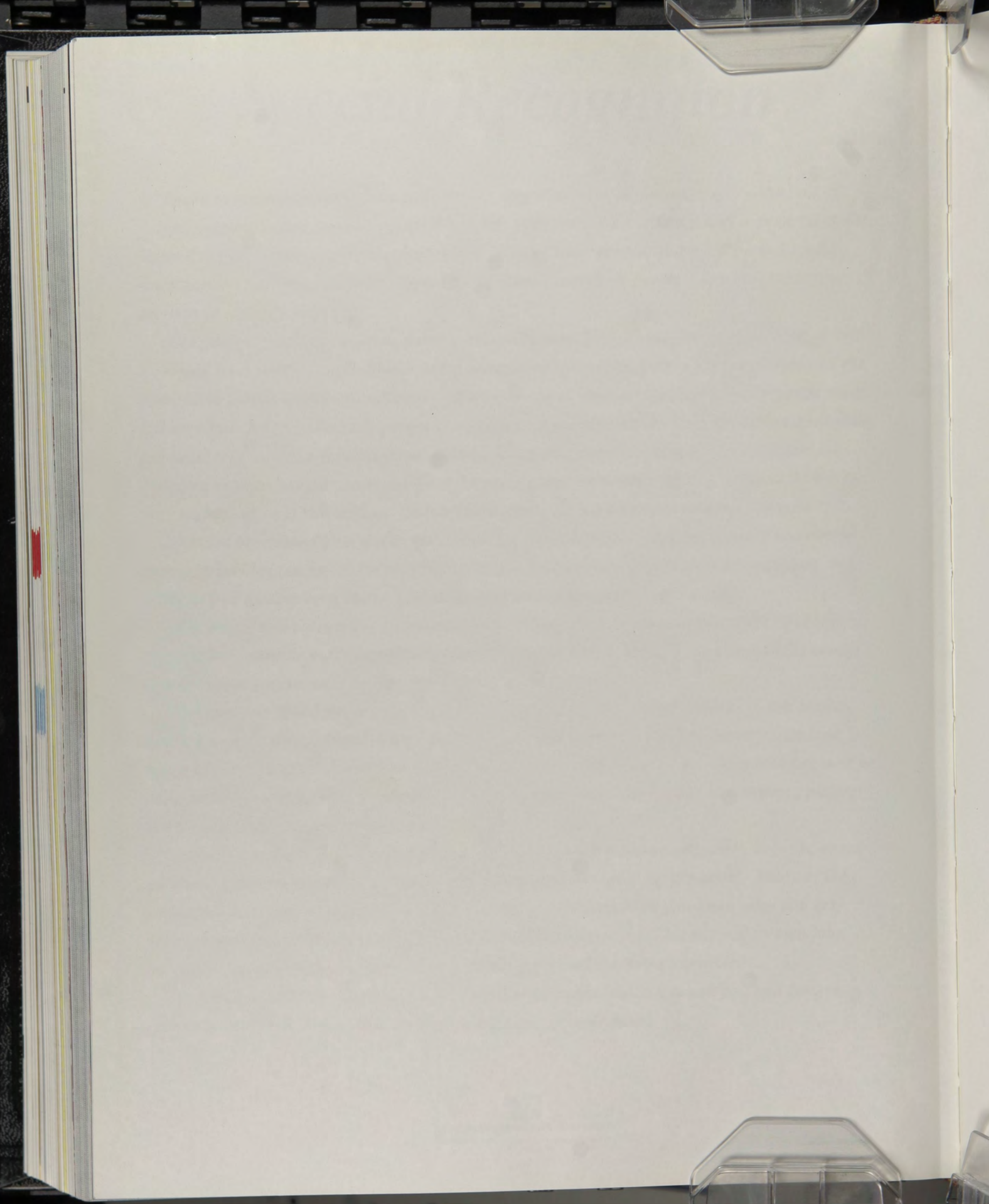
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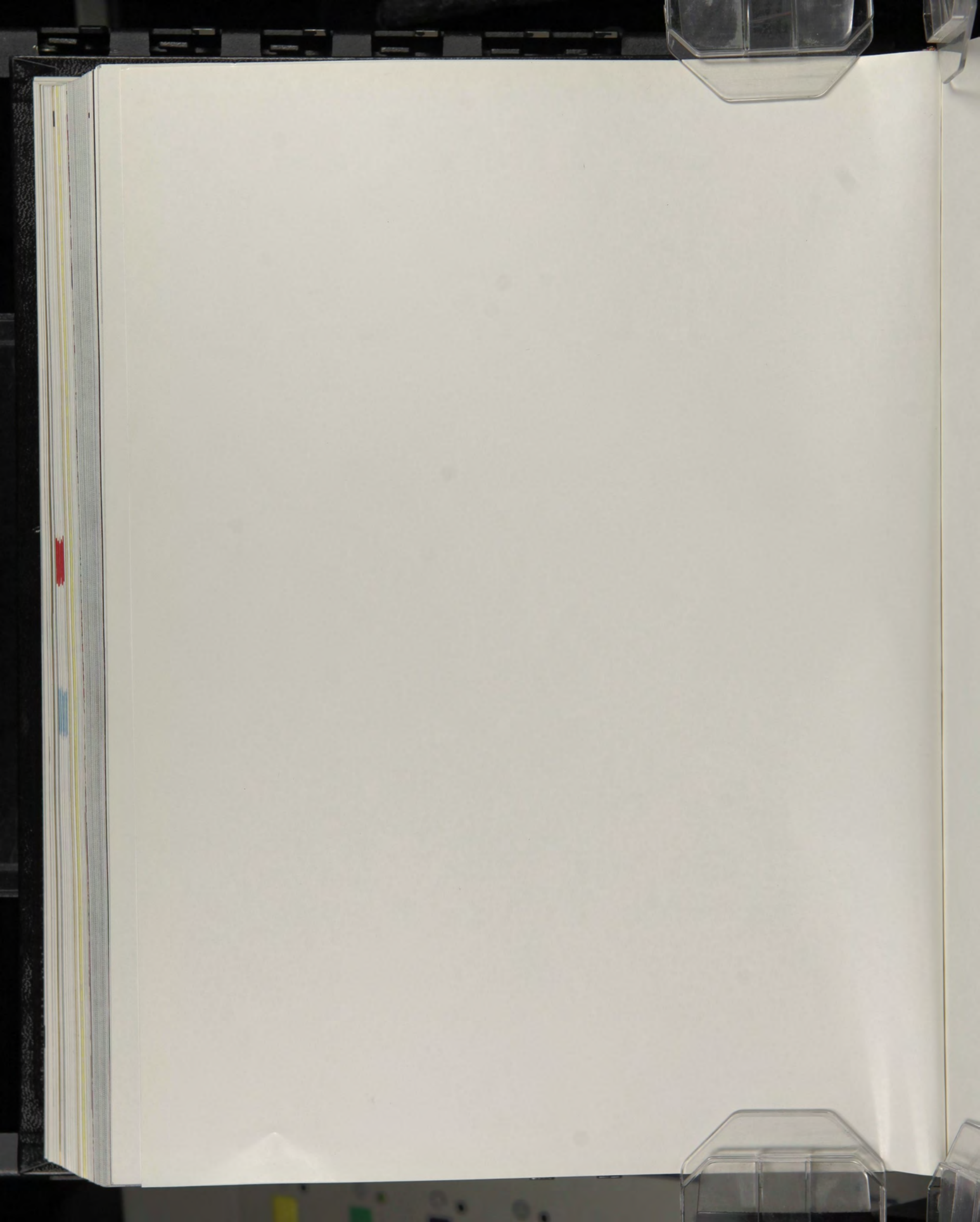
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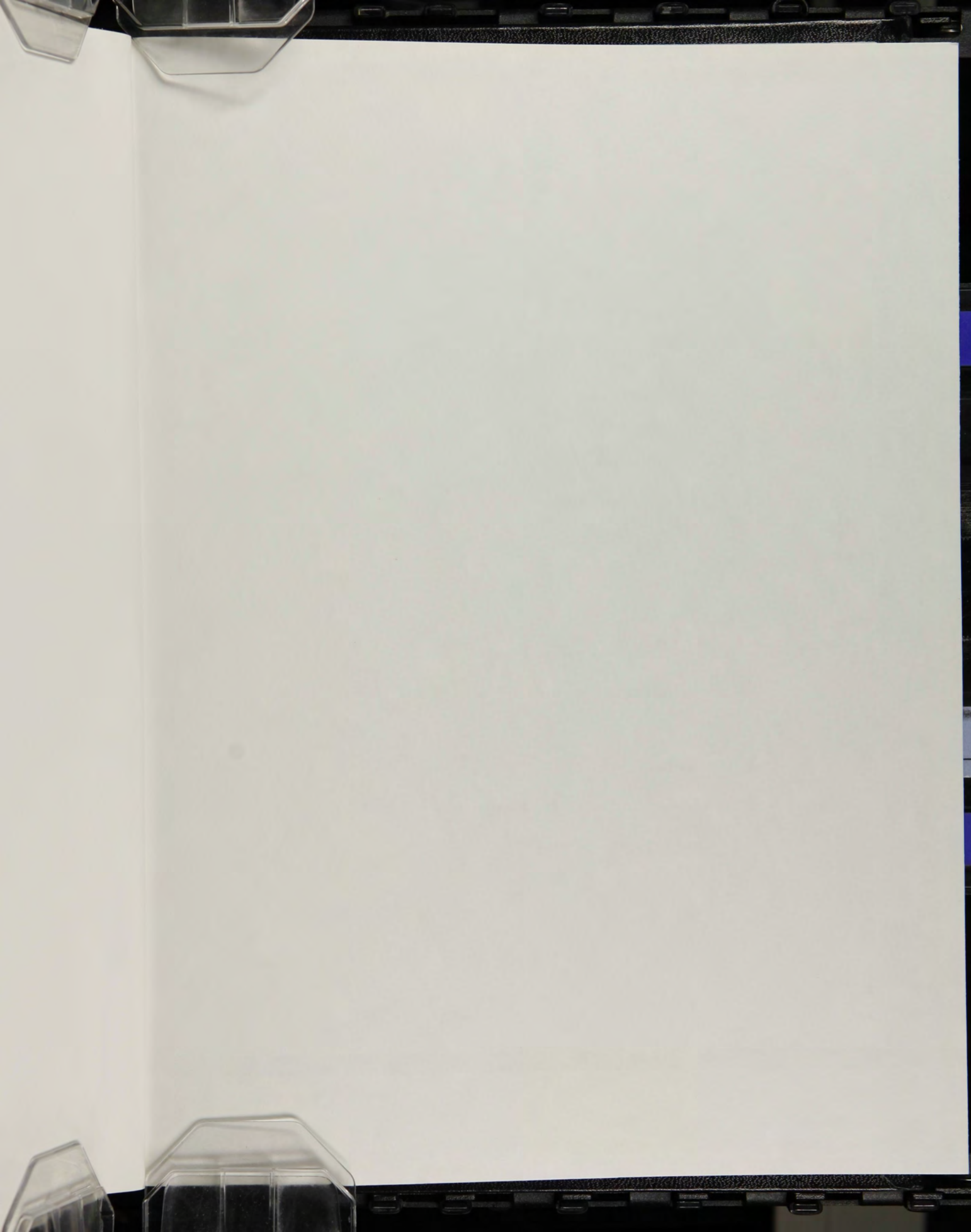


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Van Halen, "Dreams"



