

On Thursday, July 21, 2011, Dan Evans, Tom Kullman, Max Johnson, Howard Cytryn, Mike Conway, Dave Baratto, Jack Darrow, and Mark Brennan of the Class of 1964 traveled to West Point to present the Class of 2014 with their new Class Flag as part of our 50 Year Affiliation. Some of us arrived the day before where Tom Kullman arranged the passing out of our “uniform” and “hats for the next day.



Our class group assembled with family and friends at Camp Buckner, along with representatives of the National Association of WWII Ranger Battalions and other dignitaries for the Class of 2014 Cadet Field Training Awards Ceremony. Due to the extreme heat and humidity, the ceremony was accelerated with abbreviated speeches and no pass in review. Dan Evans and Tom Kullman made the presentation to the Class of 2014 president, Cadet Jeff Ferebee of Nashville, TN and

vice president, Cadet Robert Fetters of Fayetteville, GA. Afterwards, we joined the awardees at the Okinawa Dining Facility for lunch. After lunch, some of our stalwart classmates ventured on the golf course to play a round in 100 degree heat plus humidity. They will remain nameless. However they all survived.

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On Friday, July 22nd, we greeted the Class of 2014 by holding up a banner in front of the Superintendent's house as they completed their morning run from Camp Buckner around 0745. The Superintendent led the run in some hot and humid conditions that were a precursor of some extreme temperatures later that day. An outstanding feature of the run was

seeing our class flag alongside the affiliation class flag, part of the spirit and kinship we have with this group. Once the 8 companies assembled in front of Washington Hall, the Superintendent made some highly complimentary remarks on the class's performance and noted also, with sadness, the loss of a new cadet the day before. Dan Evans gave a short 15 second speech that culminated with a



BEAT NAVY! which got big cheers from the class. They were then dismissed to pursue the rest of their summer adventures, mainly more leave time before Reorg Week.

Call it nostalgia if you want, but the Class of 2014 is a mirror of our youth. They exhibit the same drive, motivation, and spirit that we had in the summer of 1961. They are forging the bonds of friendship with each other just as we did. The tactical officers that I talked to were excited by the potential they see in this great group of young people. They are a wonderful bunch to be with and I hope that all members of the Class of 64 can experience the comraderie with them in the next three years.

*GRIP HANDS*

