

# CLASS OF '58 NEWSLETTER

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Palmer McGrew - Chairman  
Jack Downing - Secretary  
Tony Bauer - Treasurer  
Dale Hruby - Communications  
Andy Andreson - Class Gift  
John Herren - Social  
Bill Serchak - Initiatives  
Alan Salisbury - Historian

07/15/2004

## REMAINING SOCIAL EVENTS FOR 2004.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>IN-CHARGE</u>
09-10 AUG	04 Plebe Hike/Marchback	West Point	TBA	E. Weckel
19 AUG	Turnover First Class Club	West Point	TBA	B. Pointer
27-29 AUG	Billie Nadal USMA'58 Memorial Golf	Fords Colony, VA	TBA	T. Nadal
22 SEP	WPSDC Fall Luncheon	Ft Myer O Club	1130	Ft. Meyer
OCT21-24 OCT	Class Mini-Reunion	San Antonio, TX		J. Bujalski/Hayden
18 NOV	Class Stag Luncheonw/USNA58	ANCC	1130	A. Andreson
01 DEC	WPSDC A/N Football Luncheon	Bolling AFB	1100	WPSDC
04 DEC	A/N Game and Rally	Salisbury's	1130	Al & Florence

Note: All Class events are drag except stag luncheons indicated and the plebe hike.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION.

The current committee assignments are:

Chairman: Palmer McGrew (703) 323-9671 <[PALMERMCG@aol.com](mailto:PALMERMCG@aol.com)>

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Class History: Alan Salisbury (703) 242-8648 <[AlanBS58@aol.com](mailto:AlanBS58@aol.com)>

Liaison to Widows: Audrey Webb (Ex Officio Member)

The EXCOM meets periodically during the year at the call of the chairman Palmer McGrew. The minutes of these meetings are sent out by e-mail, and they can also be viewed on the Class Homepage. Information on the Homepage is included under "Communications" below.

**COMMUNICATIONS.** With this issue of the Newsletter, I am assuming responsibility for Excom Communications from Jerry Mitchell who has served us so well for the past four years. I know I speak for the entire class when I say thanks and "Well done!," to Jerry. As one of our TAC's, Long Tom Rienzi, used to say, "Signal Power is Combat Power!" While that axiom may not apply directly to communications within our Class, it does have a certain flair. This is another appeal for all to join the network either by subscribing to "Assembly," joining the E-mail generation or connecting through other means. To all who have items they want published in this Newsletter, please send them to me at the following e-mail address; [dalehruby@aol.com](mailto:dalehruby@aol.com), or via snail mail to: Dale Hruby, PO Box 10991, Burke, VA 22009-0991; or call and leave me a message at (703) 250-7182. I will make every effort to grind this product out regularly in January and June each year.

To summarize some of the many means of communications available to us:

To get on our class email list contact Dick Buckalew at email [Buckalew@West-Point.Org](mailto:Buckalew@West-Point.Org) .

Class Widow communication net contact the moderator, Mary Kay Olson, at <[makatie@comcast.net](mailto:makatie@comcast.net)> .

Prostate Cancer Support Group -- If you would like to learn more about prevention or if you have become afflicted with PC and would like to receive support, please review our 'PC Support Group Guidelines' at our web page:

<http://www.west-point.orci/classusmal958-pc/Guidelines.htm>, Also feel free to call Stan Bacon (512) 345-5964) or John Brinson (610) 285- 0066) for more information. As indicated in the "Guidelines" we offer different levels and types of assistance depending upon the particular level of confidentiality desired.

'Assembly' To subscribe, call 800 232-7821, ext. 1625.

Class Homepage on the internet at <[www.west-point.org/class/usma1958](http://www.west-point.org/class/usma1958)>. For access to the class roster the password is<58isgreat> and the user ID is<usma58>. Pete Trainor is the web master, (757) 345-3564 or e- mail <PBTrainor@west-point.org>.

#### Company CCQs:

A1 Lee Miller	A2 Charles Densford
B1 Dick Price	B2 Karl Oelke
C1 Jerry Mitchell	C2 Pete Penczer
D1 John Schaefer	D2 Paul Ruud
E1 Larry Bullis	E2 Chuck Toftoy
F1 Bob "Dusty" Rhodes	F2 Glenn Brown
G1 Andy Andreson	G2 George Lawton
H1 John Devens	H2 Joe Luman
I1 Tony Bauer	I2 Stan Bacon
K1 Ron Turner	K2 Art Meyer
L1 Dick Reidy	L2 Robert Higgins
M1 Otto Thamasett	M2 Ash Haynes

#### **REUNIONS AND MINI-REUNIONS FOR THE YEAR 2004 AND BEYOND.**

There is only one reunion or mini reunion scheduled each year. They are Class-wide events, they are fully supported by the Class and the EXCOM, and they take precedence over all other Class events for the year. Participation in other events such as the Plebe Hike, Ski Trips and Boat trips is encouraged, but they are not reunions and they do not have the same status as a reunion. The 1958 reunion and mini reunion schedule for the next few years is as follows:

2004 is in San Antonio, 21-24 October. Jack Bujalski and Bob Hayden are in charge.

2005 is in San Francisco, October 17 – 21, with Paul Ruud in charge.

2006 is tentatively in Savannah GA with Roger Waddell in charge.

2007 is tentatively in New Orleans with Tom Sands in Charge

2008 in May is our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion at West and Garry Roosma will be in charge with his committee.

2009 is tentatively in Tucson, AZ with Art Meyer in Charge or in Huntsville AL with Point Ray Coffey( Note that all the mini reunions after 2005 are tentative and they may be switched around as the situation dictates)

#### **USMA CLASS OF 1968 PERPETUAL ENDOWMENT AND CLASS GIFT.**

Our Class has already funded the First Class Club, and this has been a very successful, high profile, gift by our class to the Academy. The First Class Club is probably more appreciated by the cadets than any other class gift to the Academy, and we are rightly proud of that gift. In addition to that, we are trying to make the Perpetual Endowment have more impact on the occasion of our 50th reunion and beyond.

To restate our 50th Anniversary Gift project: The Class Executive Committee established the goal to increase the value of the Endowment to \$580,000 by the 50th anniversary of our graduation. A suggested donation was not set; however, if every living Classmate were to contribute an additional \$900 to the fund over the next six years, the Class goal would be attained. At our 50th, the Supe will be presented with a very large (in physical size - - 1.5 feet by 4 feet) check, dated 4 June 2058, (note date carefully) in the amount of 25 percent of the Endowment's "2058" estimated value - - calculated at an annual growth rate of 8 percent. If we succeed in this campaign, our \$580,000 will grow to \$27.2 million in 2058. Therefore, our check to the Supe would be in the amount of \$6.8 million!

Here is a mid year snapshot of our Endowment/50th Anniversary Report:  
(All data as of 30 June, 04)

Current Value: - - - - -	\$362,787
Total Amount Invested: - - - - -	306,051
Amount Invested this year - - - - -	18,430

Class 50th Reunion Goal - - - - - \$580,000

Number of Participants from Class - - - - 397  
(When will we cross 400 participants??)

At the current donation rate (based upon this year's contributions), we will reach our goal in 5.9 years. We hope to reach our goal in 4 years.

The "Prince Igor" auction brought in \$8,000 to our fund.

You are reminded that contributions to the fund can be made at any time. Send your tax deductible check to me at 120 Regent Drive, Bel Air, MD, 21014. Make check payable to "Fidelity Investments CGF". (Ed Weckel)

#### **OBITS.**

Many of the memorial articles yet to be written are languishing. We need to get memorial articles up-to-date. As time passes, it becomes more difficult to gather information and build enthusiasm to finish the job. Authors and company CCQs should give these their attention. If there are doubts as to who these are, please contact Jack Downing at e-mail <edowning@mcihispeed.net> or tel. (703) 569-2887.

The status of individual obits can be checked at URL <<http://www.west-point.org/classusmal1958/special/obits.htm>> Eulogies can be posted and/or read for deceased classmates at

<http://defender.west-point.org/service/eulogy/1,1123,usmal1958.00.html>

Consider writing your own memorial article, or at least putting away some information that would help the person who will write it. If you have ever had a biographical sketch written, this will do, and include a photograph that you would like to have used. These will be filed by the AOG until needed. Contacts are:

Jack Downing	Association of Graduates
7909 Jansen Ct.	Attn: Cheryl West yk8058@usma.edu
Springfield, VA 22152	698 Mills Road, West Point, NY 10996-1611

We would like to urge each of you to visit the TAPS site at:

<http://defender.west-point.org/service/euloov/1.1123,usma1958,00.html> to add a eulogy to the site of any classmate you knew. The eulogies are helpful to Obit authors, and they provide comfort to the deceased's family and friends.

#### **TAPS.**

Since the last newsletter, the following class deaths have occurred:

**Rev. Dr. George Martin Bean**, 85, USMA Chaplain, Honorary Member Class of 1958  
DOD: January 31, 2004  
Place: Lynchburg, VA  
Burial: Cremated

**Estelle B. Tredway**, 66, former wife of Bob Tredway  
DOD: February 14, 2004  
Place: Warrenton, VA  
Burial: Warrenton, VA  
Cause: Cancer

**Antonia Giallourakis**, wife of Bill Giallourakis  
DOD: April 12, 2004  
Place: Asbury Park, NJ  
Burial: West Point  
Cause: Cancer

**Katie Miller**, wife of Charlie Miller  
DOD: May 26, 2004  
Place: Mt. Laurel, NJ  
Burial: North Adams, MA  
Cause: Cancer

## **CLASS HISTORY PROJECT.**

The class History Project has completed the planning phase and the leadership team for the project is now in place:

Chair: Alan & Florence Salisbury

Publisher: (Vacant – Need a Volunteer)

Administrator: Glenn Brown

Art Dir/Designer/Multi-Media: Frank Waskowicz

Lead Editor/Historian/Editor, "War Stories": Don Martin

Editor, "Pass-in-Review": (Vacant – Need a Volunteer)

Editor/Statistician: George Sibert

Oral History: Fred Goodenough

Web Master: Pete Trainor

According to Glenn Brown, who will be assembling a database of our descendants for the history project, the proposed database includes classmate's children and the colleges they attended. Our thought here is we can offer genealogical researchers a lead to alumni associations that have the ability to keep up with their graduates, which will contribute to the history of the Class of 1958. To contribute to the history project, send in your war stories and other recollections of interest to the class to [USMA58History@aol.com](mailto:USMA58History@aol.com) at any time. Classmates, wives, widows:

Glenn adds the following comments: I have received several queries about getting the history done. Here are some answers:

- 1) We absolutely want input from widows and children of our deceased classmates.
- 2) We want everybody. Once in '58, always in '58. Even if you graduated with another class, or did not graduate at all, you are still part of our history.
- 3) The preferred route for submitting is through the special database that was created for this purpose. (See below for details on how to use it.) However, if you cannot manage that, written information is certainly acceptable. If you are using your computer to compile the information, consider sending it as an attachment. (See below for links.)
- 4) Please hold off on digital pictures for now, until we get more information on size and format.

Links: To directly access the class database, go to: <http://www.west-point.org/virtual/usma1958-reunionbook/>

You can also get there via the Class Web Page, then click on the Class History link at the bottom left of the screen. This will bring you to an information section telling all about the Project. Just follow the links.

The Class Web Page is: <http://www.west-point.org/class/usma1958/>

In order to have access to the the database, you need two things:

1) a Login Number. This is wpxxxxxx where wp stands for West Point, and xxxxxx is your Cullum number. Classmates who did not graduate, have a special six digit number assigned by the AOG. If you don't know your number, contact me at: [lrcbrown@comcast.net](mailto:lrcbrown@comcast.net)

2) a password. If you know your Cullum number, but have forgotten your password (or never knew it), contact Diane Welle with your name, Cullum number, and birth date at: [diwelle@west-point.org](mailto:diwelle@west-point.org)

If you experience difficulties navigating the many levels of the database, please don't hesitate to contact either:

1. Glenn Brown at [lrcbrown@comcast.net](mailto:lrcbrown@comcast.net) mailing address: 1137 Starmount Hollow, Bel Air, MD 21015-5650 phone: 410-836-9133
2. The man in charge: Alan Salisbury at [AlanBS58@aol.com](mailto:AlanBS58@aol.com) (Glenn Brown)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**

### **INFORMATION ON CRUISE FOLLOWING THE SAN ANTONIO MINI:**

Cruise after the San Antonio Mini - 7 days cruising the Caribbean aboard the Carnival Ship "Elation". Ports of call are Belize, Cozumel and Progreso on the Yucatan Peninsula. Herb Johnson is Class of '58 POC.

Herb Johnson

[herbj1958@earthlink.net](mailto:herbj1958@earthlink.net)

303-670-3912 (Herb Johnson)

The San Antonio mini is scheduled to be completed by 9 am on Sunday. The last formal activity for the mini is the memorial service at the Alamo. The Alamo is 122 yards from the Menger Hotel and where the buses and will be parked for loading. Arrival at the pier is

scheduled for about 14:45. Because arrival time at the Pier is critical, the bus will depart not later than 09:30. The tentative plan is to load the bus(s) starting at 09:00 and depart not later than 09:30. If you are not on board, You will MISS THE BUS! Box lunches will be arranged either with the bus company or ????. No stops along the way. These buses are better equipped than the Army buses of 1954-58.

Itinerary:

Sunday	Galveston Tx	depart 4 pm.
Monday	At Sea	
Tuesday	Progreso, Yucatan Mexico	8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday	Cozumel, Mexico	9 am to 5 pm
Thursday	Belize	8 am to 6 pm
Sunday	Galveston, Tx	8 am

Summary:

Travel Agent is: Eileen Starkey with Sheridan Travel in Denver, CO. Phone: 800-444-4334; Fax: 303-238-7234. You can cancel up to August 13th and get all your money back...

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**50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Yearbook:** A massive mailing has been sent to the class from the History Project who sent out data collection information in preparation for our fiftieth reunion. We're only four and-a-half years away from that event which will go by faster than you think. Our objective is to create a Howitzer-quality Fiftieth Reunion Yearbook which you will all be proud of. More important, it will become a family heirloom that your children and grandchildren will cherish. You can provide the information in several ways, but the preferred option is to do it via the class website :<http://www.west-point.org/class/usma1958/>. Click on the "Class History" button at the bottom of the buttons on the left of the class home page. Near the top of the History Project page is a large blue button labeled "Click Here to Enter/View Data for the 50th Reunion Book." Then just follow the directions.

PLEASE DO NOT PUT THIS OFF AS SOMETHING THAT CAN WAIT! You will have more than one opportunity to update/revise your information as time draws closer to the publication date. Our goal is 100% participation!

**PLEBE MARCH BACK:** Fifty two classmates (a new Record!) participated in the March Back with the Class of 2008 on August 9 – 10 to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of our own Plebe Hike.

**CLASS RINGS.** By now most of us are well aware of the Class Ring Memorial project that our own Ron Turner suggested to West Point and the AOG, which is now up and running, and part of West Point's important customs and traditions. Our class is one of largest providers of class rings, which are then melted down and mixed with gold for new rings for future classes.

Over the years stolen, and lost West Point Class Rings have appeared on "Ebay" and other places for sale, and Bill O'Neil and other members of the Class of 1992 instituted a program to recover these rings and return them to their owners, their heirs, and the West Point Community. Their most recent report indicates they recovered from "Ebay" sellers five rings of various classes in the first quarter of this year (2004).

One of these recovered rings is also of special significance to the Class of 1958 because it also brings the two Ring projects together. An unidentified Class of 1920 ring, recovered on 6 March 2004 was presented by "Ring Recovery" to the Class of 2006. This ring was then delivered to the Association of Graduates where it joined the Class Ring Memorial Program. It will be melted in March 2005 in preparation for the manufacture of the rings of the Class of 2006 and beyond.

Questions will be happily answered. Please send them to: [usmarings@west-point.org](mailto:usmarings@west-point.org)

**SPECIAL INITIATIVES.** Bill Serchak is the Special initiatives Guru for the Excom and the Class. Special Initiatives is a new subject area linked to the Class of 1958 Home Page. The first two special initiatives are "Social Security Benefits-Receiving Credit for your Service Academy Years" and "Essential Elements of Information (EEI) for Military Veterans and Next-of-Kin" Since the last newsletter, in addition to posting the two Special Initiatives on the Class Web site, Bill Serchak completed mailing out 171 copies of the first two "Special Initiatives" to our classmates, widows, and family members who are NOT on the <USMA1958aWest-Point.org> e-mail roster. If you are new to the Internet, to see both initiatives in their entirety, go to: <http://www.westpoint.org/class/usma1958>. If you have questions, contact Bill Serchak at [weserchak@erols.com](mailto:weserchak@erols.com) or telephone 301 948 7780.

## REPORT ON EVENTS SINCE 1 JAN 2004

**SKI REUNION:** Recent Class of 58 Ski Outing was a success. About 40 classmates, spouses and assorted main squeezes and a couple of offspring attended the event held in Park City, UT Feb 29 - Mar 4. Sunday evening we assembled at the Yarrow Hotel for drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Monday we skied Park City Mountain resort with the day beginning with tours of the mountain conducted by mountain hosts. Lunch was at Mid Mountain Lodge in a private dining room. Tuesday we skied Deer Valley again with tour guides, one from class of 82 and another from 56. Tue evening it was cocktails at Connie and Frank Wright's home followed by a buffet dinner at Park Meadow Country Club. Non skiers traveled to SLC and toured the Latter Day Saint Temple Square area. Tour and lunch coordinated by Paul and Kitty Bons. Wed we skied any of the 10 local ski areas. One group went to Snow Basin and had a wonderful time skiing the Olympic down hill course on which Dick Schonberger set a new record for a 300 yard stretch without skis. (No long term damage to Dick.) Judy Moore led another group snow shoeing in the Unita Mountains and converted several lowlanders to the sport. Class President Jack Bradshaw set the record for most creative falls. Thursday was race day with Hugh Trumbull serving as race committee. There was the expected complaining and excuses for poor performance with the prize of last place going to Tony Smith who was the only competitor including women to fail to medal. Ellie Wilson was the fastest female and can you believe Ken Herberger was the male winner. Thursday eve it was cocktails at Margaret and Dick Groves followed by a dinner at the Gateway Cafe. The snowmobile trip was canceled due to high winds. Weather and snow conditions could not have been better. Thanks to all who attended and those who helped with events. **Next year's trip** will be to Steamboat Springs, CO, one of the most famous and interesting ski resorts there is as well as a great mountain. Sign up now for lodging. Write to Mike Dugan at [mikexxxdugan@msn.com](mailto:mikexxxdugan@msn.com) now.

### The 2004 Class of 1958 Tour to Normandy and the Ardennes

To celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-DAY and the Battle of the Bulge, members of the Class of 1958 and 1988 plus their families and friends made a specially arranged trip to France, Belgium, and Germany in April 2004. This was the Class of 1958's trip for 2004 organized by Dick Schonberger and Tom Morgan using *Alpventures, Inc* owned and operated by Tony Cisneros.

There were seven members of the Class of 1958, one member of the Class of 1988, and twelve family members and friends that made the battlefield and cultural tour. Tony Cisneros and Tom Morgan provided historical commentary during the trip. John Hill discussed Engineer activities where appropriate and Bernie Mahoney, father of Brian Mahoney USMA 1988 and a retired Chemistry professor, discussed gas warfare and related activities. Chuck Densford and Bob Tredway discussed aviation activities and Tom Maliska and Dick Schonberger provided the Infantry "grunt" perspective. Dick also contributed World War II veterans' stories he had learned while escorting veterans of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division on a similar tour during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-DAY.

Tom Morgan's complete account of the trip can be found on the Class Home Page. (Tom Morgan)

**MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL:** We held our 15th annual service on 23 May. The service honors our 13 classmates who fell in Southeast Asia. This year we highlighted Lon Spurlock, KIA 29 March 1969. It had a good turn-out of Lon's company-mates. CCQ Tony Bauer introduced Suzie Spurlock, their youngest daughter and grandson who came with other family members. The stories about Lon were interesting, illuminating, special and, for the most part, funny. Picture newly-weds Suzie & Lon and Ann & Linc Jones in a log cabin in WV with no indoor plumbing.

We had over 80 at the service including Bob & Nancy Stevens '57 (served in English Dept with Lon). Following the service 68 of us went to Army-Navy Country Club for brunch. We had classmates come great distances this year to attend: California, Washington State, Texas and Georgia.

Frank Waskowicz of C2 hosted a company reunion here in DC (Thurs - Sun) which accounted for 18 of our increased numbers at the service and brunch. Other companies interested in having DC reunions should get in touch with Frank for ideas - and keep the weekend before Memorial Day in mind so that you can include the memorial service and brunch in your activities.

Bill Serchak introduced two other special guests: Joan (Capelle) Vande Castle and her husband John. They were here from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Actually, they were here in DC following the 33d presentation of the Capelle Award at USMAPS, Fort Monmouth the previous Thursday. (See Bill Serchak's account of that award ceremony elsewhere in the newsletter).

George Sibert, who wrote this, also adds the following acknowledgments, in which I am sure we all join him: "Running the risk of sin by omission, I want to add thank you to Dan Brockwell for designing and printing the service bulletins (as he does for our class reunions); Andy Andreson for arranging ANCC brunch; Bob Tredway for arranging parking at the Navy Medical Lab; George Lawton for arranging the wreath; Chuck Toftoy for picking up and bringing the wreath to the service; Alex Johnston for his invocation and Scripture reading; Phil DiMauro for the Roll Call; Linc Jones for bearing the wreath to Lon's panel (28W-76); and Palmer McGrew for leading us in singing the Alma Mater."

For planning purposes, the service next year will be on Sunday 22 May at 1030. The classmate being specifically honored will be George Hussey H2. (George Sibert)

**LARRY MALONE AWARD:** Dale Hruby made the Malone award this year to Cadet Joseph P. Bernard at the Georgetown University ROTC Military Ball held at the Ft. Meyer Officers Club on Friday, April 23, 2004. This award honors our Classmate, Larry Malone, (M-2) who was Killed in Action on his second tour in RVN. The award goes to the most outstanding participant in the Ranger Training

program, which was established by Larry Malone while he was serving in the ROTC detachments at Georgetown prior to returning for his second tour in RVN. Cadet Barnard will graduate in May and enter active duty as an Infantry officer. Georgetown University ROTC is made up from students from Georgetown and other area Universities. The Military Ball was a most energetic and enthusiastic experience in the format of a "Formal Dining-In" complete with Mr. Vice and a lot of visits to the Grog Bowl by selected Cadets who were allegedly guilty of various protocol infractions. More than one person told Dale and Dodie that of the 20 awards given each year, the Malone Award had the most symbolism for the cadets. The Cadets seemed interested in hearing tales of Larry and his sense of values. Dale's introduction was about five or six minutes long and, much to Dale's surprise, elicited a standing ovation, probably because the Keynote speaker, a distinguished Infantry Colonel, had gone on long and laboriously for about 45 minutes. (Dale Hruby)

**GERALD C. CAPELLE MEMORIAL TROPHY:** The 33rd Award of the Captain Gerald C. Capelle Memorial Trophy took place at the USMA Prep School Graduation on May 20, 2004. The trophy, sponsored by the West Point Class of 1958, is awarded for excellence in intramural competition. Mrs. Joan (Capelle) Vande Castle, sister of Captain Capelle, assisted by Colonel William E. Serchak, (USA-Ret.) presented the award to Alpha Company. The Capelle Memorial Trophy honors Captain Gerald C. Capelle who was killed in action in Vietnam on April 1, 1965. This year's graduation and award ceremonies included a parade & review of the cadet candidates with music provided by the West Point Band.

In addition to the trophy, the class of 1958 also provides funds for a "pizza party" for all members of the winning company. The USMAPS Commandant, Lt. Col. Mark English and Alpha Company Tactical Officer, Captain Lindsay, both expressed their sincere appreciation to the Class of 1958 for its continued interest and support of USMAPS. Captain Lindsay said that he intends to write a letter of appreciation to the Class of 1958, in that regard.

Joan (Capelle) was accompanied to Ft. Monmouth by her husband, John Vande Castle from their home in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. This was the first presentation of the Capelle Trophy by a member of the Capelle family, since the inception of the award in 1972. Colonel (USA-Ret.) Hugh & Mrs. Ann Trumbull and Mrs. Edna Mae Serchak observed the presentation at the post parade field along with several hundred parents and friends of the 189 graduating Cadet Candidates. (William E. Serchak)

**GEORGE WALKER AWARD:** The George Walker Award for debate excellence was presented by Tom Carpenter to Cadet Elliot B. Press and Cadet Adam A. Scher on Thursday, May 27th in Thayer Hall. Palmer and Ceda McGrew, Jack and Margie Downing, and Otto Thamasett were on hand to observe the presentation. Cadet Scher has been commissioned Infantry, will follow his grandfather's footsteps to the 101st, and anticipates deployment to Iraq. Cadet Press will be commissioned MI. When Tom asked him about his branch choice, he said that he had been an enlisted man in MI, that a West Point commander in his unit had encouraged him to apply for West Point, and that he wanted to give back to the branch that had made all this possible.

The OIC of the Debate Program, Major Reid Sawyer, told Tom that Army was ranked # 8 in the nation last year. He also said that the team begins the debate season each year with a three day training/orientation session. As part of that session, George's picture is brought into the room, along with an impressive collection of trophies that George won, including the National Championship, and the Cadets are made aware of the Army tradition of debate excellence. Of course, George Walker was at the center of that tradition. The Dean, BG Dan Kaufman teaches a course in the George Walker Room and that the Department of Social Sciences works hard to ensure that George is kept alive in the minds of Cadets.

'58 can be proud that the George Walker legacy is intact and thriving at our Alma Mater. (Tom Carpenter)

Jack Downing also noted that also at that ceremony, presenting awards, were Amos Jordan and Clay Buckingham, both well known the class of 1958.

**BG JAMES H. RAMSDEN AWARD IN CHEMISTRY.** The second presentation of the BG James H. Ramsden Award in Chemistry took place on May 28, 2004 in the conference room of the Department of Chemistry and Life Sciences, in Bartlett Hall. Attending were Col Dave Albee, Head of the Chemistry Dept. and his wife Sue; Palmer and Ceda McGrew; Otto Thamasett & Jack and Margie Downing. Jack Downing presented the award. Also attending were about 200 cadets and guests. The award is a walnut plaque with a picture of Jim surrounded by the West Point crest, the Chemical Corps crest, and the Regimental crest of the Chemical Corps and 48 name plates.

## **COMPANY MICRO REUNIONS.**

M-2 – Jack and Lynne Bradshaw organized and hosted a micro Reunion of sixteen of the M-2 (Mighty Deuce), classmates in Chicago the week of May 19-23. Highlights included excellent accommodations and service at the Whitehall Hotel, gourmet meals at Harry Carry's Restaurant and the Berghof, a guided tour of the Architectural highlights of Chicago viewed from a tour boat on Chicago River, and watching the Cubs lose to San Francisco from the upper deck of Wrigley Field. Attendees included McCaffrey, Tallgren, Matthews, Grete's, Hruby's, Jones's, Schroeder's, Tredway's, Brintnall's, Carpenter's, Crandall's, Hayden's, Haynes's, & Van Fleet's. Skyscraper guys in a skyscraper city. Ash Haynes is organizing the next M-2 Micro reunion in Victoria, BC scheduled for September 2005.



**USMA Class of 1958 Annual Financial Report Calendar Year 2003****As of 31 December 2003****Operating Fund**

Revenues	2003	2002
Interest, Dividends, Capital Gains	\$376.37	\$485.56
Art Fund	\$380.00	\$75.00
Functions	\$72.00	\$195.00
Donations	\$322.70	\$3,800.00
45th Reunion Collections	\$104,641.91	\$0.00
Total Revenues	\$105,792.98	\$4,555.56
Expenditures		
2002 Mini Reunion Expenses	\$0.00	\$540.00
Memorials	\$538.46	\$654.91
Printing, postage, supplies	\$394.44	\$339.45
Special initiative mailings	\$0.00	\$156.49
Art Fund	\$0.00	\$121.08
Gerry Capelle Award	\$210.60	\$210.60
Malone Endowment	\$105.75	\$115.85
Advertising (AOG)	\$0.00	\$200.00
Classmate Assistance	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
45th Reunion	\$102,714.45	\$0.00
WP-Org History Project	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$14.17	\$20.00
Total Expenditures	\$104,977.87	\$6,358.38
Unrealized Capital Gain/(Loss)		
T.Rowe Price Equity 500 Index Fund	\$3,655.92	(\$4,099.67)
Assets		
Checking Account	\$2,346.37	\$979.04
Rushmore Funds Savings Account	\$26,949.28	\$27,834.06
T.Rowe Price Equity 500 Index Fund	\$17,545.52	\$13,674.65
Total Assets	\$46,841.17	\$42,487.75

**Class of 1958 Perpetual Endowment Fund (Managed by the Class Endowment Board)**

	2003	2002
Beginning Year Value	\$238,038.19	\$138,351.06
Contributions	\$25,761.54	\$135,007.78
Capital Gain/(Loss)	\$72080.63	(\$35,321.19)



Ending Year Value	\$335,880.36	\$238,037.65
<b>Class of 1958 Gift Fund</b> (Managed by AOG)		
Contributions	\$4,869.90	\$3,182.00
Dividends/Interest/Cap Gain(Loss)	\$6,725.70	(\$15,057.55)
Total Revenues	\$11,595.60	(\$11,875.77)
Expenditures		
Grants (1st Class Club)	\$0.00	\$50,275.00
AOG Taxes	\$0.00	\$5,653.11
Total Expenditures	\$0.00	\$55,928.11
Net Revenues	\$11,595.60	(\$67,803.88)
Net Worth	\$36,541.74	\$24,946.14