Upcoming Events

* Board Meeting August 5 1830
Converse Hall

* Hall of Fame Induction – Sept 18 Time TBD
Converse Hall

* Fall Midshipmen Social / Alumni Gathering – September 18 1830 Varsity Club

* Alumni Reunion Tailgate September 19 Time TBD
Converse Hall

*OSU vs. Northern Illinois Football Game – September 19 Time TBD Ohio Stadium

Annual Meeting

Held April 24, 2015 at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow.

Election Results were as follows:

* Board of Governors
Terms expiring May 31, 2018:
Shane Carr
Henry Phillips
Keith Putnam
Charles Sabino
Randy Townsend

Terms expiring May 31, 2017:
Elizabeth Boardman
Steve Drefahl
Dave Happ
Roger Jones
Mike McCarley
Rob St Clair

Terms expiring May 31, 2016:
Kevin Hall
Tom Lennon
Noah Litton
Kirk Noce
Dave Ozvat

Honorary Member:
Jack Eckfeld

Officers:
President - Shane Carr
VP - Randy Townsend
Secretary - Charles Sabino
Treasurer - Darrell Dreher

Craig Little remains our appointed Representative from The OSU Alumni Association

Treasury totaled $9952.17

Hockey Game – OSU vs. Minnesota March 7

The Society hosted Several Franklin Heights JNROTC Cadets for the Tailgate and Game. Alumnus Tom Lennon, Henry Phillips, Shane Carr and Randy Townsend served as hosts.

The Tailgate started 1600 at the Longaberger Alumni House. Archie Griffin served as Master of Ceremonies. Entertainment was provided by the OSU Cheer Leaders and Alumni Band.

The Hotdogs and Hamburgers were great. The Bug Juice was not of military quality.

The Game commenced 1800 at the Schottenstein Center. OSU led 2 - 0 at the end of the 1st period. Minnesota tied up the game early in the 2nd period. OSU responded by slamming in 3 more goals to win 5-2.
Short Bits
* The Society and the Franklin Heights JNROTC joined Operation Flag activities April 18, May 2 and May 16. The groups performed field day and restoration tasks at a historic cemetery near Hillard, Ohio.

* The latest Spring Midshipmen Social / Alumni Gathering was held April 23 1830 at the Varsity Club. The Sea Stories keep getting “better”. Please attend when you can. POC is Randy Townsend.

Unit Awards Ceremony
The 51st OSU NROTC Awards Ceremony was held April 24 at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow. The OSU NROTC Alumni Society awarded $2000 scholarships to MIDN Nicolas Mix and MIDN Ryan Buck.

The program for this event is attached later in this SEAWOLF.

Spring 2015 Graduation and Commissioning’s
The Ohio State University conducted its largest graduation ceremony in history on May 10th. 11,040 Degrees and Certificates were awarded.

Commissioning was held the day before for the Officers listed below. The program for this event is attached later in this SEAWOLF.

Achbach, William
Major: Physics
Hometown: Easton, MD
Service Plans: USN - NFO

Avery, Daniel
Major: International Studies
Hometown: Toledo, OH
NROTC/OSU Activities: SDET, Book Club
Service Plans: USM - Human Intel/Counter Intel

Banks, Kevin
Major: Geographic Information Science Engineering
Hometown: New Bern, NC
NROTC/OSU Activities: NROTC Unit Softball, Dean's List, 2nd PLT CDR
Service Plans: USN - Surface Warfare

Becker-Smotzer, Helen
Major: Industrial and Systems Engineering
Hometown: Fairview Park, OH
NROTC/OSU Activities: OPS, PAO, PLT Sgt, Choir, Alpha Phi Omega, Women's Glee Club
Service Plans: USN - Pilot

Brokaw, Michael
Major: History
Hometown: Fredericksburg, VA
NROTC/OSU Activities: Dean's List, Phi Alpha Theta, OSU Presidential Host, NROTC Flag Football Team, NROTC Intramural Softball, NROTC Intramural Basketball, NROTC Intramural Soccer.
Billets held: Armor, ASUPPO, Platoon Sergeant, Squad Leader, Bulldog Instructor
Service Plans: USMC - TBS

Dilenscheider, Michael
Major: Industrial and Systems Engineering
Hometown: Dublin, OH
NROTC/OSU Activities: Pistol Team, Dean's List, Presidential Host, Alpha Pi Mu - Industrial Engineering Honors Society
Service Plans: USN - Submarines

Ledford, Andrew
Major: Security and Intelligence
Hometown: Hickory, NC
NROTC/OSU Activities: Rifle/Pistol Team, NROTC Intramural Soccer and Flag football
Service Plans: USN – Pilot

Nicholson, Monica
Major: Criminology
Hometown: Miami, FL
NROTC/OSU Activities: NROTC Soccer team
Service Plans: USMC - Ground

Oswald, Michael
Major: Material Science and Engineering
Hometown: Chicago, IL
NROTC/OSU Activities: Rifle/Pistol Team, Company Supply Officer, Company Operations Officer
Service Plans: USN - Submarines

Tallman, Joshua
Major: Biology - Pre Health Professions
Hometown: Cleveland, OH
NROTC/OSU Activities: Sail Team, Endurance Team, NROTC Intramural Sports Manager
Service Plans: USN - Surface Warfare

Vidziunas, Alex
Major: Industrial and Systems Engineering
Hometown: Chesterland, OH
NROTC/OSU Activities: SDET, NROTC Intramural Soccer, Platoon Sergeant, Platoon Commander, Company Commander
Service Plans: USN - NFO

Wehrle, Matthew
Major: Mechanical Engineering
Hometown: Fallston, MD
NROTC/OSU Activities: Rifle/Pistol Team, Operations Officer, PLT CO, Academics Officer, Dean's list
Service Plans: USN - Pilot

NROTC Unit Activities
* 22 Midshipmen attended a Leadership Seminar at Notre Dame

* PNS and 16 Midshipmen toured Washington, DC and The USMC Museum

* Unit won Annual Bulldog competition
2015 AWARDS CEREMONY

INVOCATION
CAPTAIN HERBERT M. GOETZ, JR, USN, RETIRED

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INTRODUCTION
NROTC Staff
First Platoon
Second Platoon
Third Platoon

NROTC COMPANY COMMANDER
Midshipman First Class Alexander Vidziunas

NROTC COMMANDING OFFICER
Captain Donald R. Cuddington, USN

AWARDS PRESENTATION

PLAYING OF
“Anchors Aweigh” and “Marine’s Hymn”

DISMISSAL

**YOU ARE ALL CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN OUR GUESTS AND THE MEMBERS OF THE NROTC COMPANY AT OUR ANNUAL POST CEREMONY RECEPTION BEING HELD IN THE BALLROOM. THANK YOU**
The following awards are given out at several occasions throughout the year, including the Awards Ceremony. The NROTC Company at The Ohio State University would like to thank the people and organizations who sponsor and provide these awards.

*SCOTTISH AMERICAN MILITARY AWARD*
*CAPT CHIP WALSTON ESPRIT DE CORPS AWARD*
*THE JOSEPH DEAVENPORT SR. LEADERSHIP AWARD*
*RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION AWARDS*
*DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AWARD*
*AMERICAN LEGION ROTC GENERAL MILITARY EXCELLENCE AWARD*
*AMERICAN LEGION ROTC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD*
*NATIONAL SOJOURNERS AWARD*
*MARINE CORPS ASSOCIATION AWARD*
*MALCOLM SPAIN SPIRIT AWARD*
*MARINE CORPS LEAGUE BELLEAU WOOD DETACHMENT AWARDS*
*MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATIONS OF AMERICA AWARD*
*THE ADELE MARIE ROBINGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP*
*VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AWARDS*
*NAVAL SUBMARINE LEAGUE FREDERICK B. WARDER AWARD*
*SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AWARD*
*MILITARY ORDER OF WORLD WARS AWARDS*
*MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART AWARD*
*GENERAL SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812 AWARD*
*DAUGHTERS OF FOUNDERS AND PATRIOTS OF AMERICA AWARD*
*MID OHIO MARINE FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP AWARD*
*USAA SPIRIT AWARD*
*M. ALICE KONECNY SCHOLARSHIP*
*RICK JONES MEMORIAL AWARD*
*FRIEDMAN SCHOLARSHIPS*
*AMERICAN VETERANS OF OHIO AWARDS*
*IRONMAN/IRONWOMAN AWARD*
*NAVY LEAGUE OF COLUMBUS AWARDS*
*THE DENNIS L. GROVES FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP*
*NOCE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP*
*SEAWOLF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD*
*CHAPLAIN HERBERT M. GOETZ FELLOWSHIP AWARD*
*WOODY HAYES LEADERSHIP AWARD*
*LARRY AND ROBERTA ERNST SCHOLARSHIP*
*MAJOR JEFFREY L. WELLES SCHOLARSHIP*
*GENERAL LOUIS H. WILSON SCHOLARSHIP AWARD*
*JOSEPHINE SITTERLE FAILER AWARD*
*CNO DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE AWARD*
Spring 2015
Commissioning Ceremony

NROTC Unit
The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio
May 9th, 2015
Sequence of Events

National Anthem

Invocation

Introduction of NROTC Staff

Reading of Commissioning Certificate

Swearing-In Ceremony

Playing of
“Anchors Aweigh” and “Marine’s Hymn”
Ensign William Thomas Achbach
- BS in Physics
- Reporting to Naval Flight School, Pensacola, FL

Second Lieutenant Daniel Ward Avery
- BA in International Studies (Security & Intelligence) (Cum Laude)
- Reporting to The Basic School, Quantico, VA

Ensign Kevin Charles Banks
- BS in Geographic Information Science
- Reporting to USS OAK HILL (LSD-51), Little Creek, VA

Ensign Helen Rose Becker-Smotzer
- BS in Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Reporting to Naval Flight School, Pensacola, FL

Second Lieutenant Michael Andrew Brokaw
- BA in History (Cum Laude)
- Reporting to The Basic School, Quantico, VA

Ensign Michael Francis Dileischneider
- BS in Industrial and Systems Engineering (Cum Laude)
- Reporting to Navy Nuclear Power School, Charleston, SC

Ensign Andrew Alan Ledford
- BA in International Studies (Security and Intelligence)
- Reporting to Naval Flight School, Pensacola, FL

Second Lieutenant Monica Alejandra Nicholson
- BA in Criminology
- Reporting to The Basic School, Quantico, VA

Ensign Michael Vincent Oswald
- BS in Material Science and Engineering (Cum Laude)
- Reporting to Navy Nuclear Power School, Charleston, SC

Ensign Joshua Michael Tallman
- BS in Biology (Pre Health Professions) (Cum Laude)
- Reporting to LCS Crew 104, San Diego, California

Ensign Alex Robert Vidziunas
- BS in Industrial Systems Engineering
- Reporting to Naval Flight School, Pensacola, FL

Ensign Matthew Alexander Wehrle
- BS in Mechanical Engineering
- Reporting to Naval Flight School, Pensacola, FL
DONALD R. CUDDINGTON
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer
And Professor of Naval Science
NROTC Unit, The Ohio State University

Captain Cuddington is a native of Goldsboro, North Carolina, and was commissioned through the NROTC program at the University of North Carolina on 10 May 1986. Upon designation as a Naval Aviator and completion of UH-1N training, he reported to the Air Department aboard the USS SAIPAN (LHA 2). After this assignment he transitioned to the SH-60B and completed three consecutive squadron tours in HSL-46, HSL-40 and HSL-48. He then attended the Naval War College and, immediately after graduation, reported to the Joint Staff (J3) where he served in the Deputy Directorate for Operations (Antiterrorism/Force Protection). In April 2003, he reported to HSL-48 as the Executive Officer.

Captain Cuddington served as the Commanding Officer of HSL-48 from June 2004 to September 2005. During this period the VIPERS of HSL-48 earned the Battle “E,” the Golden Wrench for maintenance excellence and the Isbell trophy for warfare excellence.

Following command he served as the Navigator aboard the USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63) which was based in Yokosuka, Japan. During this tour he was selected to participate in the Federal Executive Fellowship (FEF) program, academic year 2007-2008, at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C. His FEF follow on assignment was with the Navy International Programs Office as a division director where he oversaw Foreign Military Sales from the United States Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard to countries within North and South America.

Captain Cuddington was assigned to PHIBRON FIVE from June 2010 to June 2013. He reported as the Deputy Commander under the fleet up model and assumed command in February 2012. PHIBRON FIVE deployed with the 11th MEU as the MAKIN ISLAND Amphibious Ready Group/Marine Expeditionary Unit during this tour.

Captain Cuddington currently serves as Commanding Officer and Professor of Naval Science for both The Ohio State University and Miami University NROTC units.