



ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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HAILS, FAREWELLS AND HAPPENINGS

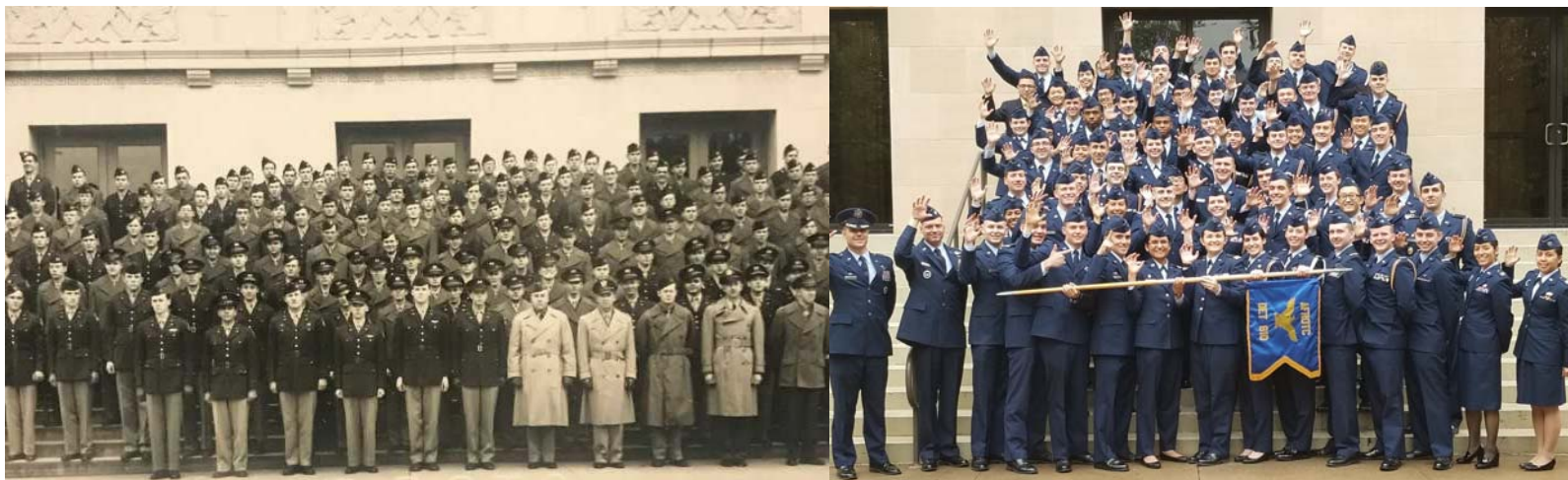
Happy 70th anniversary to Detachment 810! We celebrated 70 years at Baylor with a leadership symposium led by Mr. Jeffrey R. Mayo (SES, BU '83), Dr. Daniel DeForest (SES, BU '80), and Lt Col (ret.) Tom Milligan (BU '67). The celebration culminated with a special Dining-Out alumni dinner. Several distinguished guests attended, including Major General (ret.) Gerald Marsh (BU '51) from our detachment's second graduating class.

Detachment 810 continues to produce high performing officers. Last summer, our cadets surpassed all previous years on record for Field Training performance. We produced five Distinguished Graduates and 44% of our cadets were award winners. Great job to all of our cadets who completed Field Training!

Please welcome Major Martin and Technical Sergeant Jacobs to our cadre team! Maj Martin replaced Capt Gregg Campbell and TSgt Jacobs replaced TSgt Chamaco Johnson last summer. Unfortunately, Capt Mitchell, Capt Cepeda, and SSgt Blanco will be moving on to new assignments over the next nine months. Despite these personnel changes, we are looking forward to another great year! —Lt Col Myers Gray

REMEMBERING HISTORY

Detachment 810 recreated an old picture of the cadet wing hanging in the uniform supply room. Baylor University chartered the creation of the detachment back in July of 1948, only 10 months after the creation of the Air Force on September 18, 1947. Happy 70 years Det 810! Here's to many more!



COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

Shane Anthony
Pilot
Vance AFB, OK

Austin Dobbs
Intelligence Officer
Goodfellow AFB, TX

Tristan Konze
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Jeffrey Cavanaugh
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Randolph AFB, TX

Sierra Hunewill
Nuclear and Missile Operations
Vandenberg AFB, CA

Austin MacDonald
Uniformed Services University
of the Health Sciences, MD



HOMECOMING & CAREER DAY

This year Detachment 810 cadets marched proudly in the university-wide homecoming parade. The parade began in downtown Waco and ended after travelling down 5th street through the heart of campus. Thousands of community members, friends and family, and Baylor alumni watched and cheered proudly as we paraded through Waco along with our fellow student organizations. We also had the pleasure of hosting various Air Force officers on the Friday of homecoming for our annual Alumni Career Day. We always enjoy interacting with fellow Baylor Bears who were also members of Det 810 and have since gone on to achieve great things in the Big Blue! If you are interested in attending this year's Alumni Career Day, please contact Mrs. Shipp at Roberta_Shipp@baylor.edu.

2 Nov (1400) - Marsh Scholarship Board (Speight Plaza Building Suite 100)

2 Nov (1600) - Alumni Career Day

CADET NEWS

Field Training Preparation

Congratulations to this year's newly selected Field Training attendees! Cadets Henderson, Ward and Willenbrock provided rigorous training all semester but they have undoubtedly prepared these soon to be juniors with the skills and knowledge they need to represent Det 810 at Field Training. We wish every one of you the best of luck over the summer. We are excited to welcome you into the POC!



70 Years at Baylor University



This year's annual Dining Out was truly special. We not only celebrated the seniors and their time with Det 810 but we were privileged to celebrate 70 years at Baylor University with our detachment alumni. The top floor of the Cashion Academic Center provided a beautiful sunset over the rest of the school. Yearbooks, pictures, and historical documents from the last 70 years surrounded the room. Colonel Joel Carey (BU '92), Commander of the 12th Flying Training Wing at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, TX, was our guest speaker for the evening. He was one of many distinguished guests and Baylor alumni who had joined us in this celebration. Joel Carey has made our wall of fame as Detachment 810's 11th general officer and is currently serving in Afghanistan.

The Bearathon

Baylor cadets from both Army ROTC and Air Force ROTC teamed up together and tackled the Bearathon! Nicknamed "The Toughest Half in Texas," these cadets rucked the 13.1 mile course with 30 to 40lbs on their back. The Bearathon is one of many Student Foundation's fundraising efforts to raise money for student scholarships across the state of Texas and across the nation. We enjoyed rucking alongside Army ROTC cadets in supporting scholarships.



See <https://kwangcreations.smugmug.com/Other/Baylor-Air-Force-ROTC-Dining-Out/> for pictures from the 70th Anniversary Dining Out!



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Please let us know if you will join us for Homecoming activities this November 2nd. We'd love to see you all, learn from your experiences and show off our detachment and Cadet Wing!

Name: _____ Marsh Scholarship board member? Yes No

Address: _____ Participating in Career Day? Yes No

Email: _____ Rank/Title: _____

Phone: _____ AFSC: _____

Class Year: _____ Duty Station: _____

Please consider a gift to the following funds of Baylor University that directly impacts the lives of cadets.

Chaplain Maj Gen Gerald E. Marsh Scholarship Endowment: \$8.10 \$15 \$25 Other: _____

NEW! AFROTC Corps of Cadets Endowed Fund: \$8.10 \$15 \$25 Other: _____

You can give electronically by visiting <https://www.baylor.edu/give>. In the search box, enter "Chaplain Maj Gen Gerald E. Marsh Scholarship" or "AFROTC Corps of Cadets Endowed Fund" then select the donation link for the fund.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Marsh Scholarship board selected Cadets Stevan Gallegos, Charles Taskerud, and Joseph O'Neill as scholarship award winners. Additionally, 10 cadets activated AFROTC scholarships this past year. Congratulations to all of our scholarship recipients and thank you to all who continue to support the cadets of Det 810!

Soldiers of the Wooden Cross Scholarship Fund - This fund is established with the Waco Foundation to provide college scholarships to undergraduate students with a connection to the military and have demonstrated exemplary service to their community and country. Please consider purchasing *Soldiers of the Wooden Cross: Military Memorials of Baylor University* from Amazon, the Baylor Book Store, or contact Deacon Frank Jasek (author) directly at soldierswoodencross@gmail.com. Proceeds of all book sales go towards the fund.

The Corps of Cadets Endowment Fund - Mr. Jim Gooch (BU '61) completed funding for the Corps of Cadets Endowed Fund. This is a new self-sustaining non-scholarship fund that will give back to the cadets in perpetuity. We would like to grow this fund over time with the goal of ending cadet fundraisers. Please consider donating as this fund positively affects all Air Force ROTC cadets.