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"A CLASS ACT"



GALA GALLANTRY



Prior to this year's MMA Graduation Exercises and in keeping with the school's longstanding tradition, MMA Corps of Cadets Senior Graduation Parade got underway at precisely 9 a.m. The Parade took place on the MMA Parade Grounds in front of the Iwo Jima Monument, beginning with MMA Commandant SgtMaj Ford Kinsley on the loudspeaker as emcee, followed by a grand drum roll, compliments of MMA Leatherneck Band. Bright blue sun-kissed southernmost Texas skies completed the perfect backdrop for this most auspicious occasion. During the parade, MMA Military Department and distinguished guests presented a number of end-of-the-year awards, honors and recognitions (see award recipients on pages 7, 10 and 11). Guest presenters included national, state and local representation

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- 'Drew' Hasbrook
MMA Battalion Commander
Valedictorian, Class of 2011

from Daughters of the American Revolution, National Defense Committee, Navy League of the United States, American Veterans (AMVETS), U.S. Marine Corps, among many others. MMA President Brigadier General Stephen A. Cheney, USMC (Ret) served as Parade Reviewing Officer, along with Guest of Honor Ruthie Ewers. Cadets' parents, grandparents, families, friends, and the general public turned out in large numbers to witness this unique parade and recognition presentation.

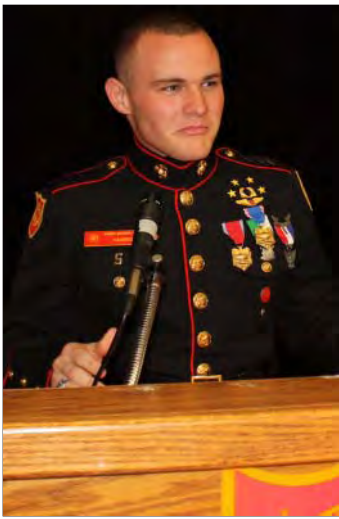
The 2011 General H.M. Smith Foundation Gala Event was held Friday evening, April 1st. The guests of honor/Two Jima Award recipients were none other than the retired 33rd Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps General Michael W. Hagee (pictured above on the left) with a special video acceptance by U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson.

Foundation inductees (pictured below) were Mr. John T. Sasso (seated) and Lieutenant General Joseph F. Weber, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret) of Marine Military Academy Board of Trustees (standing) ; and, in memoriam, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Wynn and Gunnery Sergeant Robert H. Hensel, Jr., U.S. Marine Corps (Ret).

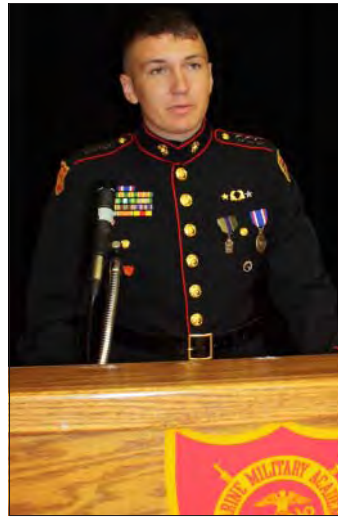
Guest Speaker General Hagee remained for quite some time following the event to meet with cadets and pose for individual photographs. Those photos are destined to be treasured keepsakes in many cadets' Memory books! The fundraising event was well-attended by nearly 250 guests. (See a special salute to our kind and generous event sponsors on Page 15.)



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"I am Drew Hasbrook, Battalion Commander and the Valedictorian of MMA Class of 2011. First of all, we as a class would like to thank General Cheney and his entire military staff. They provided an atmosphere that helped instill a sense of duty, pride, honor, and discipline in us all. In this environment, we all showed up as boys, and are graduating as disciplined, focused, young men. First and foremost, our parents sent us here for an education. And we as a class have to give a hearty 'well done' to our academic staff. Henry Ford knew what he was talking about when he said 'Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is probably the reason why so few engage in it'. We've got some thinkers in this class. The majority of us are going to the college of our choice, which is no small feat. This is a direct result of the tireless efforts, passion, and dedication of our teachers, coaches, and administrative staff -



"I am Curtis Hamilton, Battalion Staff Officer and the Salutatorian of MMA Class of 2011. A lot has happened in the five years that I have been here at MMA. People have come and gone; two terrorist leaders have been found and brought to justice; Charlie Company closed down; a presidential election has occurred; the economy crashed; the United States won 36 gold medals at the 2008 Olympics; the crocodile hunter, the king of pop and the Oxyclean salesman have all passed on; and a plane landed in the Hudson River with no fatalities. Out of my 8th grade class of about twenty only four stand here today. We, along with fifty-one others, have come a long way and have endured many hardships, but because of these hardships we can endure the challenges of everyday life. I was forced to come here to MMA by my parents, but I made the best of it because I knew I couldn't leave, and

if I mess up here - it would ruin my chance at college. No matter if we liked it here or not, we all have our reasons to strive forward until we reached this day. If I had never come here, I would have not been salutatorian, achieved a grade point average of 3.8, or been accepted into the college of my choice. I would be just one other kid slowly making his way through everyday life. With the help of my parents, friends, and leaders past and present - I have made it to the end. The only thing stopping us from succeeding in life is ourselves. We will succeed where others fail because of what we have experienced here. Most people are not given the opportunities that we have been presented with. We, as the future leaders of the world, must always challenge ourselves to do our best in everything we do. We owe it to ourselves, our parents, and anyone else who has worked to get us to where we are today. Starting today most of us won't have drill instructors yelling at us to study, or teachers who care whether or not we show up to class...but we shouldn't let this freedom go to our heads. If we allow this to happen it will destroy us. There may be more freedom out there, but there are far greater consequences as well. When we feel ourselves slipping we need to think back to this place and try to use this experience to set us back on the right track. It doesn't matter whether we're going to college, the military, or anywhere else. We have been given the power to succeed, so let's accomplish our goals. Life may try to knock us down, but we will get back up on our feet because we have been given the tools to do so. We may not think it now, but this place has changed every single one of us. MMA has shaped us into the future leaders of this world. Whether we lead people in the workplace, into battle, or on a sports field, we know how to lead them in the right direction. We are not a pack of mindless rabid dogs, or a group of thugs on the street...we are something better and smarter than that. WE ARE MMA'S CLASS OF 2011!"

Thank you! Last, but not least, are our Drill instructors. These gentlemen wore many hats and were many things to us. Father, teacher, chaplain, mentor, disciplinarian, and yes, sometimes even a friend. These men have been with us every minute of the day, and have seen us more than our own families. In fact - they are part of our family. They taught us how to manage our time and schedules. They taught us how to take pride in our appearance. They taught us manners, and how to be courteous to others, and always show respect. They taught us how to position ourselves to succeed in life. They taught us to be men! Gentlemen - for all the frustration, pains, joy, accomplishments, and drama we cadets have given you, I speak for the entire class when I say MMA Class of 2011 thanks you for making us what we are today. I would like to take a minute to thank those individuals that mean so much to me personally. Without them I know I wouldn't have made it this far. I'd first like to thank my grandmother and grandfather for the initial investment in sending me to MMA - without their support, I wouldn't be standing here today. I thank my mom, dad, and my sister Kelsey. They participated in every activity that they could, supported me through all my challenges, and always gave me love and encouragement. I'd also like to recognize my flight instructor - Pablo. He knows what it means to be a leader and instructor, loves flying, and has passionately instilled that same love in me. Finally, I would like to thank Gummy Martinez. I was thinking about my first day of the fall semester of 2007. The Battalion Commander greeted me at the door, and I told my parents and the Gunny - 'I want to be him'. My dad laughed and said that there were 300 cadets that wanted to be him, but that anything was possible if I put my mind to it and worked hard. He looked at the Gunny and said 'Gunny, what do you think?' Gunny Martinez looked me up and down, and with a stern face said, 'You think you got what it takes? We'll see.' Gunny challenged me, put me in positions to fail and learn, and - best of all - put me in positions to grow. Gunny molded me into the person I am today. He never stopped believing in me. Semper Fi, Gunny! As a class, we have many mixed memories. From sporting events, to liberty in town, from the birthday ball, to community service, and other events; we didn't end up with all the kids we started with, but we also added some new faces as well. It hasn't been easy, but the challenge made it worth the time. I predict that we will all look back at our time here at MMA, and count it as some of the best in our lives. Maybe not today, but eventually we will see what MMA has done for us all. I thought after those first few weeks at MMA that I had chosen the wrong place to go, and all the time wondering what possessed me to come here. My parents were very supportive, offered encouragement, but quitting was never an option. In fact, now that I look back, I don't see how not coming back for the remainder of high school was even an option. It was stressful, but it was fun. And I have friends and experiences that will last me a lifetime. I am better for having taken the MMA journey. So **what does the future bring? No telling - I guess it brings what we make of it. But it will certainly be easier as we apply the lessons learned at MMA.** The General likes to quote John Wayne when he portrayed Sgt Stryker in the Sands of Iwo Jima - 'Life is tough, but it's tougher if you're stupid.' I think after spending all of high school here and having that quote drilled into my brain at every academic awards ceremony, that not a single one of us is stupid. Sure we may make some stupid mistakes, but we overcome them and continue on because of the foundation that MMA has built under our feet. I'd say the future is ours.

With that, I challenge the class to never lose sight of your dreams and goals. In the wise words of Beverly Sills, 'You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try'. I have no doubts after what we've been through together; that we are all willing to try just about anything. Congratulations, MMA Class of 2011. God bless you and your families. And safe travels to the destinations your paths lead you. Semper Fi!"

**MMA's Class of 2011 Guest Speaker
Rio Grande Valley Sensation Ruthie Ewers**



"First and foremost, Graduates, live happy!"

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Patricia Flores Named MMA's 2011 Teacher of the Year

The **Teacher of the Year Award** is presented to one Marine Military Academy faculty member in recognition of his/her quality of instruction and for a recognized commitment to the learning of our cadets. Teaching colleagues, cadets and the administration participate in the selection process. Factors strongly considered when selecting the recipient include the instructor's commitment to teaching excellence, leadership, and an exhibited sense of professionalism both in and out of the classroom. The teacher selected is presented with a \$1,000 check. His/her framed portrait, complete with his/her name engraved on a plaque, resides in Coleman Hall. For the 2010- 2011 Academic Year **Patricia Flores**, **English** teacher, earns this prestigious selection and was honored during the Academy's May 27th Awards Assembly.



Pictured above, L-R: MMA President BGen Stephen A. Cheney, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret) and MMA Teacher Of The Year Patricia Flores.

A Texas resident for fifteen years, Patricia Flores has taught English Composition, English II, English I Honors and Summer English-As-A-Second Language at MMA for four years and is instrumental in producing the school yearbook. Patricia earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Texas in Brownsville where she earned a lifetime membership to Phi Alpha Theta National Historical Honor Society. She also earned her master's degree in secondary education with an emphasis on curriculum and instruction from the University of Phoenix. Patricia fully appreciates the strict discipline and structure at MMA, which allows her the freedom to teach and bring out the best in each of her students. Patricia strongly believes in finding and nurturing every one of her cadet's individual learning styles. Aside from teaching at the secondary level, Patricia also teaches Sunday school at Global Resource Christian Center. During her spare time, she enjoys reading books of varied genres as well as inspirational magazines. Patricia's main focus is spending quality time with husband Gilbert and daughters Jennifer and Kimberly.

LET'S HEAR IT FOR OUR EIGHTH-GRADE GRADUATES!



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| ★ Diego Antonio Atkinson | ★ Michael Trist Hryszko | ★ Daniel Arnoldo Rodriguez Gonzalez |
| ★ Raymundo Balderas Jr. | ★ Morgan Fredrick Huntley | ★ Nikalas Steven Rosell |
| ★ Zachary Alexander Cianflone | ★ Cooper Mitchell Kowen | ★ Jose Alberto Seguy |
| ★ Iverson Luke Cimino | ★ Jordan Alec Lewis | ★ Gerardo Tovar Olvera |
| ★ Wendell Colin Curry | ★ Seung Ho Park | ★ Robert Thomas Weedn |
| ★ Christopher Joseph Dunn | ★ Jacob Clay Perkins | ★ Jacob Anthony Westich |
| ★ Torrey Ehnot | ★ Ryan Pollard-Matson | ★ Bailey Ryan Wilhelm |
| ★ Richard Nathaniel Farr | ★ Keith Anthony Ramos, Jr. | ★ Adam Michael Willis |
| ★ Brennan Matthew Hendrix | ★ Gabriel Andre Rochelle | ★ Humphrey Lei Xu |

Cadets of the Month for March '11

Each month a cadet is selected from each company, from the band and from the drill team, to be recognized for their outstanding attitude, conduct and performance. Below are the selections for March with a comment from their Drill Instructor or activity coordinator. *“Those selected are to be commended for their outstanding performance.”*

- SgtMaj Ford Kinsley, USMC (Ret)
Commandant



ALPHA COMPANY
WILLIAM L. MARDICK-KANTER
Senior - Houston, TX

“Cadet Sgt. Kanter has finally realized his place and potential here at MMA. It took two long years, but Will has grown up and become the leader that I always knew he had within. He has improved in every aspect by quantum leaps this year. I don’t know why he had to take so long getting to this point, but I now have here a cadet that cares about the quality of academics within our company, and is excelling as the Academic Non-Commissioned Officer. I’m very proud of ‘Jeb’, and I’m particularly excited to be able to nominate him for the recognition that he deserves. I always knew he had it in him!”

- CWO3 Ed Harris, USMC (Ret)

“Cadet William Mardick-Kanter here. The importance of being named Cadet of the Month is that this award shows that my hard work has not gone unnoticed. I am proud to represent Alpha Company as the Cadet of the Month. Thank you, Drill Instructors, for recognizing my efforts and hard work.”



DELTA COMPANY
TANNER J. MAY
Junior - Cypress, TX

“I have personally watched Cadet Tanner May grow and mature to become an asset to Delta Company. Cadet Private First Class May’s academic credentials are sound, as is his involvement in campus activities. He has demonstrated by his own example what it takes to be a successful cadet at MMA. He takes his obligations to heart and has the courage to pursue any challenge to successful conclusion. With great enthusiasm I recommend Cadet Tanner May for this prestigious recognition.”

- SgtMaj Larry Carson, USMC (Ret)

“Cadet Tanner May reporting. Working my hardest to be the best that I can be at MMA has made a great deal of difference in my life. The main thing that helped me get started on the right path was being assigned the job of Supply Sergeant. This position allowed me the chance to prove myself to be someone to be relied upon as beneficial to Delta Company. I will continue to always try to do my best, and I will continue to try to get more responsibilities so I can do better for my company. As a student of MMA my goal is to learn leadership skills and responsibility, and I aspire to become an executive officer before the end of my senior year. Thanks to Cadet Strauss for helping me learn the duties of Supply Sergeant, and thank you to Cadets Engelking and Hubbard for assisting me with my daily activities. I want to also thank my parents for encouraging me to do what’s best for me, and finally thank you to SgtMaj Carson and MGySgt Hamilton for pushing and challenging me to make the right decisions.”



ECHO COMPANY
ANDREW R. HORNE
Senior - Port Townsend, WA

“Cadet Andrew Horne is a second-year cadet who works very hard to maintain great grades. His billet is Cadet Platoon Commander. Andrew wears his MCJROTC Uniform with pride, is mature and takes his job seriously. He takes the time out to teach his cadets how to do things right the first time, sets a great example to his younger cadets. Cadet Horne is a great young man to have in my company.” - GySgt Frank Martinez, USMC (Ret)

“I have put my best foot forward every day to lead my platoon in a positive manner. Each of the cadets in my platoon are important, and I try to know each on both a professional and personal level because that provides a mutual respect that further helps to keep Echo Company running smoothly and efficiently.” - Cadet Andrew Horne



FOX COMPANY
ANDRES A. ORJUELA
Junior - Tampa, FL

“As a first year Cadet, Andres has demonstrated exceptional conduct in the barracks and the ability to lead by example. As a Platoon Sergeant, he carries out all orders with attention to detail and his abilities are inspired and respected by all peers and subordinates. His pride and Esprit de Corps is deserving of this recognition. It is a pleasure to have him on our team. Cadet Orjuela has reflected great credit upon himself and has upheld the traditions of the Marine Military Academy and the JROTC program.”

- MSgt Robert Fracasso, USMC (Ret)

“Hello, Cadet Orjuela reporting. As Platoon Sergeant I have been a leader to the Cadets of second platoon. We continuously work as a team to accomplish assigned tasks. My communication with the Company First Sergeant enable me to direct orders that are pertinent to the companies mission statement. I have been active in sports and given one hundred percent effort in being the best. I have shown motivation and passed on to my peers by setting a good example.”

SPOTLIGHT SERIES

Working towards a common vision, the Board of Trustees and Advisors and the employees of Marine Military Academy are committed to academic excellence and to the development in our Cadets of self-discipline and a sense of responsibility to the community at large. Who are these individuals? The Academy is excited to bring you the SPOTLIGHT SERIES, highlighting a Board Trustee, Advisor, or Constituent/Donor in each edition of the Academy's newsletter, The LEADER. Spotlight Series continues on page 13.



Dear Colonel Grider,

Thank you for the kind words in your recent note. I appreciate your request for an article about yours truly, but I'm afraid it would be a short article! I was never in the Marine Corps, and for that matter I never served in the military. That calls for an explanation. For the past 41 years I have been active as a professor of law at Suffolk University Law School in Boston. In 1984, a colleague - then a reserve Captain in the Navy - was invited on a public relations trip to Quantico. He wasn't able to go at the time but suggested I be invited in his stead. I went and was deeply impressed! I have kept up the interest and still read *Leatherneck* and the *Marine Corps Gazette* every month. I got on a list that made its way to Marine Military Academy (MMA), and I started receiving communications from MMA. Of course, I now also read the *MMA LEADER!* You are all to be congratulated on the wonderful job you are doing at the Academy. Incidentally, I have included the Corps of Cadets of Marine Military Academy in both my short-range and long-range giving plans.

Best regards,

Joseph Daniel Cronin

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GOLF COMPANY

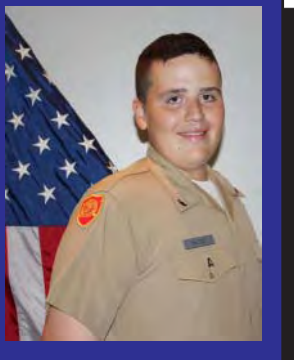
MICHAEL MACKIE

Senior - Laredo, TX

"Cadet Michael Mackie is a fourth-year cadet that has done an outstanding job this year. His attitude and commitment have been exceptional. He is the Company Commander and has done an exceptional job. He is a cadet that will take action in the absence of orders, he's goal oriented and is looking forward to college and a future in criminal justice." - SgtMaj Al Wilson, USMC (Ret)



MIGHTY CONGRATS! MMA Board Trustees were on hand to congratulate March 2011 Cadets of the Month during April 1st Morning Colors Ceremony.



BANDSMAN

JAMES K. SALTER III

Freshman - College Station, TX

"Cadet Salter joined the MMA Band at the beginning of the year as a beginning musician. He has worked diligently at learning how to play the drums and read music. He has advanced from the bass drum on to the multi tenors, which is not a simple feat. James is always on time and ready to rehearse. He has remained dependable and loyal, and he most certainly has positively contributed to the successes of the MMA Band. I am very proud of Cadet Salter for having earned this recognition, and look forward to watching his continued growth here at MMA, and in the MMA Band."

- CWO3 Ed Harris, USMC (Ret)

"I am Cadet Salter. It is important to me to become the bandsman of the month because it will help motivate me to become an even better musician. A big reason is that this will help me become a leader. Another reason is my mother will be very proud, and so will I. This award is very important to me."



DRILL TEAM/COLORGUARD

PHILIP B. RUCKEL

Junior - San Antonio, TX

"As a first year Cadet, Philip has made his presence known within the Drill Team. His ability to conduct routines with precision movements and display a stand out presence for our community to witness is why he has been selected as Cadet of the Month. Cadet Ruckel has reflected great credit upon himself and has upheld the traditions of the Marine Military Academy and the JROTC program."

- MSGT Robert Fracasso, USMC (Ret)

"I believe I have earned cadet of the month for my admiration for the Drill Team at MMA. Since being with the drill team I have become more disciplined and a team player. I have always kept an open mind to learning movements and being flexible to community service events. The team work we display is what I most enjoy and I look forward to being with the team throughout my stay here at MMA.." - Cadet Philip Ruckel

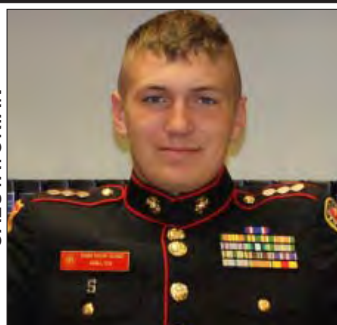
CLASS OF 2011 TOP TEN

VALEDICTORIAN



**CADET COLONEL
WILLIAM ANDREW HASBROOK**
"The Academy has provided me with a solid foundation of leadership skills as well as experience, which I will build the rest of my life from. Without the discipline I've learned while here at the Academy, I would not have been able to accomplish all that I have so far."

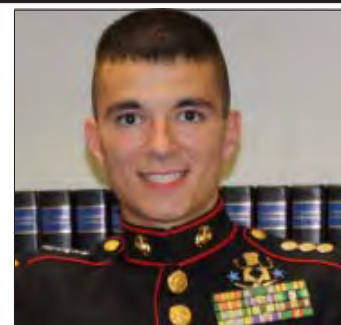
SALUTATORIAN



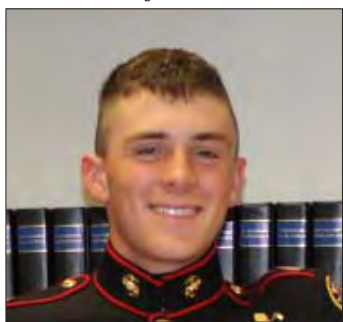
**CADET CAPTAIN
CURTIS CARTER HAMILTON**
"The Marine Military Academy has been a great assistance to me in building my self-confidence."



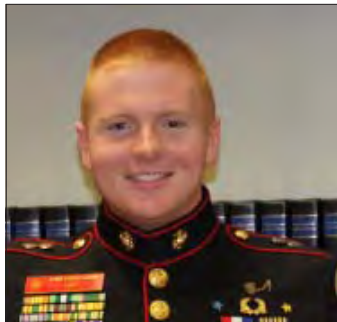
**CADET SERGEANT
GRANT ALAN NORTHCUTT**
"The Marine Military Academy's program solidified my study habits, strengthened my morals, developed my leadership skills and improved my time-management skills."



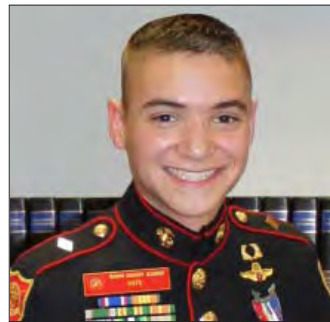
**CADET CAPTAIN
JONATHAN JOSEPH JONES**
"...Although MMA's academic standards are substantially more entailing as opposed to those of public schools, the life skills taught and the learning environment in which they are edified are unparalleled to any other I have experienced. With that said, it was here at MMA that I went from being a young child with no sense of direction or motivation into a young man who demonstrates initiative, enthusiasm, moral judgment and dependability."



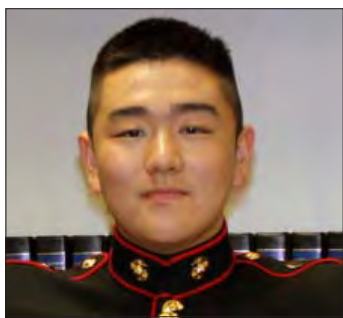
**CADET GUNNERY SERGEANT
PHILIP CARL VOGEL, JR.**
"The Academy helped me prepare for the next step - college. MMA assisted me in my college search and locating information that I needed in order to make an informed decision. Here at MMA I've learned how to start my life over again and how to become a better leader."



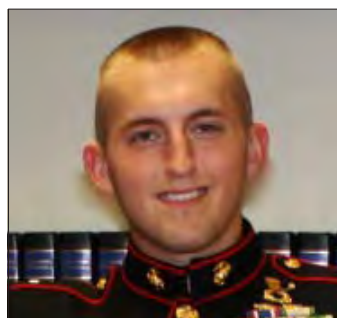
**CADET FIRST LIEUTENANT
GEORGE SPENCER LOOS**
"The Marine Military Academy has enabled me to achieve my potential academically."



**CADET LIEUTENANT COLONEL
RUBEN ACOSTA HAYS**
"The Marine Military Academy provided me the tools necessary to succeed at my life's goals - motivation, courage, honor, commitment and responsible leadership."



**CADET FIRST LIEUTENANT
WEITING LIU**
"Speaking from the standpoint of my position as a senior cadet officer, Marine Military Academy has trained me as a leader and a mature young man. I care a great deal more than before about my future and my responsibilities. Now I feel confident dealing with all kinds of people, and I handle my tasks more efficiently and skillfully."



**CADET CORPORAL
RICHARD KRAMER COOK**
"The Marine Military Academy has pushed me to succeed in every way."



**CADET STAFF SERGEANT
WEI HUANG**
"The Marine Military Academy has provided me the skills and techniques to become a responsible leader. Also, I've learned how to manage my time to my best benefit and others."

FIVE YEAR PLANK HOLDERS

Cadets **NICHOLAS ALLEN**, **GERHARD** (below, top row), **CURTIS CARTER HAMILTON** (below, middle row) AND **MAURICIO DAVID LICARDO** (below - bottom) have attended the Marine Military Academy for five years and as such, are designated as **PLANK HOLDERS**. They receive an engraved plaque. With this plaque goes the thanks and appreciation of the Marine Military Academy administration, faculty and staff to not only them but also their parent's decision choosing MMA as the school to attend. We truly do appreciate their decision and wish them well as they continue their education.



Marine Military Academy President's Award

Awarded to a member of the senior class who has demonstrated outstanding leadership ability, excellence in scholastic achievement, active participation in extracurricular activities, and who best personifies the most outstanding cadet in the academic year. *William Hasbrook*

Marine Military Academy Commandant of Cadets' Award

Awarded to a member of the junior class who has demonstrated outstanding leadership ability; excellence in scholastic achievement, active participation in extracurricular activities, and who best personifies the underclass cadet with the most potential for leadership in the next academic year. *Michael K. McGraw*

Senior Marine Instructors Award

Awarded to a cadet who distinguishes himself through superior performance, outstanding proficiency and achievement in all facets of the MCJROTC program. *Ruben A. Hays*

Marine Military Academy Alumni Outstanding Senior Award

Each year MMA Alumni awards the Marine Corps Mameluke Sword to an outstanding senior cadet. *William A. Hasbrook*

National Sojourners Americanism Award

Awarded to a member of the junior class who has demonstrated, by his actions and attitude, outstanding patriotism and Americanism, as well as noteworthy leadership within the Corps of Cadets. *Daniel A. DeLaGarza*

5th year Cadets:

*Nicholas A. Gerhard
Curtis C. Hamilton
Mauricio D. Licardo*

Drill Instructor's Award

Awarded to a cadet, selected by his Drill Instructor, who is worthy of special recognition.

Company A - *Maximiliano J. Rodriguez*
Company D - *Andrew J. McDaniel*
Company E - *William J. Girolametti*
Company F - *Alfonso G. Moya*
Company G - *John M. Hay*

Scouts of the Year

8th Grade - *Ryan A. Pollard*
9th Grade - *Zachary C. Garner*
10th Grade - *Eun Hyuk Kwak*

Scout Spirit Award

Awarded to: *Logan Workman*



MMA PRESIDENT'S AWARD RECIPIENT

L-R: Cadet William Hasbrook, BGen Cheney.

American Legion Bronze Medal for Military Excellence Award

Awarded to a member of the senior class who has maintained an excellent academic standing, including all JROTC subjects, and who has demonstrated outstanding qualities in military leadership, discipline, character and citizenship. *Jose A. Abed-Pagola*

American Legion Bronze Medal for Scholastic Excellence

Awarded to a member of the senior class who has achieved scholastic excellence in all academic courses to include JROTC subjects. This cadet must have demonstrated qualities of leadership and actively participated in student activities such as student organizations, constructive activities or sports. *Curtis C. Hamilton*

American Veterans (AMVETS) JROTC Medal

Awarded to: *Nicholas A. Gerhard*

Association of Military Schools and Colleges of the United States (AMCSUS) Award

Awarded to a cadet who has demonstrated to a high degree, the combination of academic and military excellence and leadership potential. *Ryan B. Reed*

Colonel H.Wm. Card Jr., USMC (Ret)

Inspirational Leadership Award

Awarded to the graduating cadet officer who best personifies the qualities of honor, integrity, responsibility and loyalty to subordinates so essential to effective leadership. *Joshua K. Camarena*

The Daedalian JROTC Achievement Award (MCJROTC)

Awarded to a member of the junior cadet who has demonstrated an understanding and appreciation of patriotism, love of country and service to the nation. *Steven R. Swanson*

Daughters of the American Revolution Award

Awarded to a cadet with an excellent academic record, who has demonstrated dependability and good character, adherence to military discipline, leadership ability, and a fundamental and patriotic understanding of the importance of JROTC training. *Caleb C. Reynolds*

H.L. Hunley JROTC Award

Awarded to: *Jarrold R. Royal*

John Philip Sousa Music Award

Awarded in to a cadet who has demonstrated outstanding achievement and interest in instrumental music, singular merit in loyalty and cooperation, and who has displayed those high qualities of conduct that school instrumental music requires. *Nicholas J. Haag*

Marine Corps Association JROTC Award

Presented to member of the senior class who is the honor graduate of his JROTC unit. *Weiting Liu*

Military Officers Association of America Award

Awarded to a member of the junior class who is in the top ten percent of his class, has an "A" in military science, holds a staff noncommissioned officer billet with the capability and expectation of being promoted to a cadet officer rank in his senior year. *Gabriel A. Gonzales*

The Military Order of the Purple Heart Leadership Award

Presented to a cadet who has demonstrated an outstanding degree of leadership potential and ability. *William E. Bood*

National Rifle Association Club Championship Award

Awarded to a cadet for excellence in marksmanship as a member of the General Vernon E. Megee Rifle Club. *Andrew X. Gallo*

The Navy League Youth Medal

Awarded to: *Juan C. Nacif-Said*

Reserve Officers Association Award

Awarded to a cadet in recognition of his outstanding service and dedication to the MCJROTC program, academic excellence and desire to serve the school, community and nation. *Michael Mackie*

Scottish Rite JROTC Medal Award

Awarded to: *Trey A. Varner*

Sons of the American Revolution Medal

Awarded to a cadet who has good character, adherence to military discipline, leadership ability, and patriotic understanding of the importance of JROTC training. *Eun Hyuk Kwak*

TAWANI Charitable Foundation, Incorporated Award

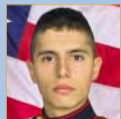
Awarded to cadets in grades 9 through 12 who best exemplify the concept of the "Citizen Soldier" through academic achievement, physical fitness, community service and military knowledge.

9th Grade - *Michael J. Huang*
10th Grade - *Jarrold R. Royal*
11th Grade - *Nicholas J. Haag*
12th Grade - *Jonathan J. Jones*
Best Overall - *Nicholas J. Haag*

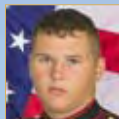
CLASS OF 2011



William Hasbrook
of Canyon Lake, TX USA
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 • Texas A&M University
 • Auburn University
 • NROTC Scholarship
 • Rensselaer Polytechnic University



Jose Alberto Abed Pagola
Mexico
 • Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University*
 • University of North Dakota



Samuel Robert Arnholz II
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 • Texas A&M Corpus Christi
 • University of Mississippi



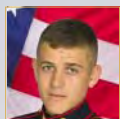
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Wolfgang Barron-Hagarty
Pleasant Hill, CA USA
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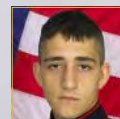
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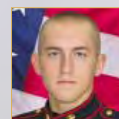
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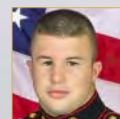
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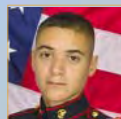
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 • University of Texas at San Antonio
 • Stephen F. Austin State University



Richard Cook
Dallas, TX USA
 • Southern Methodist University*
 • Texas Tech University
 • University of Oklahoma
 • University of Houston
 • University of Texas at Dallas



Alexander Cox
Kingwood, TX USA
 • University of Colorado at Boulder*
 • Texas Tech University
 • Texas State University
 • Louisiana State University
 • Arizona State University



Ruben Hays
Flagstaff, AZ USA
 • Naval Academy Prep School*
 • University of San Francisco
 • Santa Clara University
 • University of San Diego
 • University of Utah
 • Utah State University
 • Navy ROTC Scholarship
 • Army ROTC Scholarship
 • Westminster College



Wei Huang
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 • University of Louisville*
 • Seattle University
 • University of Tulsa
 • Duquesne University



Christopher Jack-Favro
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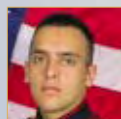
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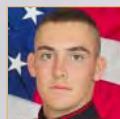
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 • Xavier University of Louisiana
 • Lincoln University
 • Medgar Evers University
 • Morgan State University
 • Baruch College
 • College of Staten Island
 • Seton Hall University



Jonathan Jones
Bastrop, TX USA
 • New York University*
 • Boston University
 • University of Tulsa
 • Norwich University
 • Texas A&M University
 • Army ROTC Scholarship



Roberto Kahn Lopez
Laredo, TX USA
 • Austin Community College*



William Lee Casey Kane
West Palm Beach, FL USA
 • Palm Beach State College*
 • Keystone College
 • Lincoln Memorial University
 • Barry University
 • Flagler College
 • Lynn University



Noah William Keefer
Redlands, CA USA
 • Santa Barbara City College*



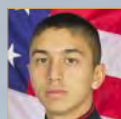
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 • University of Houston – Downtown



COMMENCEMENT ENTRANCE:
POMP, CIRCUMSTANCE AND MMA TRADITION ABOUND!



MMA TRADITIONAL COVER TOSS:
Hip, Hip, Hooray...TAKE COVER!



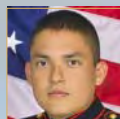
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of Redwood City, CA USA
 • Point Loma Nazarene University*
 • University of Arizona
 • Norwich University
 • Navy ROTC Scholarship



Ryan Brengle Reed
of Houston, Tx USA
 • University of North Dakota*
 • Lewis University
 • St. Cloud State University



Ryan Brengle Reed (cont'd)
 • Western Michigan University
 • Iowa State University
 • Middle Tennessee State University



Maximiliano Javier Rodriguez
of Mexico
 • Monterrey Tecnológico*
 • University of Texas at Brownsville



Scott Andrew Shade
of DeSoto, TX USA
 • United States Army*



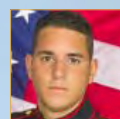
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of Brooklyn, NY USA
 • University of Texas at San Antonio*
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 • Texas A&M University at Kingsville



Salvador Thomas Perusquia
of Mexico
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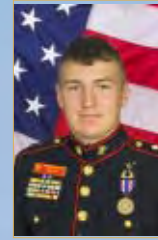
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of Houston, TX USA
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 • University of Mary Hardin Baylor
 • Baylor University



Jose Enrique Villalpano
of Mexico
 • Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City*

Colleges Applied To And Accepted To

Curtis Hamilton
of Harlingen, TX USA
• University of Tulsa*
• University of Texas at Austin
• University of Maryland – Baltimore



* Indicates College of Choice / U. = University



Devin Doughty
Houston, TX USA
• University of Tulsa*



Eric Dunn
Houston, TX USA
• San Jacinto Community College*



Crawford Engelking
of WA USA
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• Pacific Lutheran University
• University of Portland
• University of Washington – Bothel



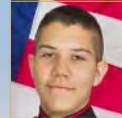
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Tanner Ezzell
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• West Texas A&M University*
• University of Kansas
• Midwestern State University



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Fort Lauderdale, FL USA
• Texas State University*
• Texas A&M Corpus Christi
• University of Texas at San Antonio
• Florida Atlantic University
• University of Houston



Theodore Hall
Flagstaff, AZ USA
• Northern Arizona University*
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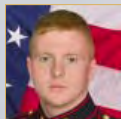
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• University of St. Thomas
• Old Dominion University



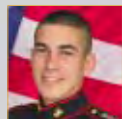
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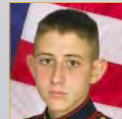
Weiting Liu
China
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• University of Illinois
• Purdue University
• University of North Carolina Chapel Hill



George Spencer Loos
Missouri City, TX USA
• Texas A&M University*
• Louisiana State University
• Auburn University



Michael Mackie
Laredo, TX USA
• Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University*
• Texas A&M University
• Texas A&M Corpus Christi
• Texas A&M Galveston
• Texas State University
• University of Texas at San Antonio



William Laurence
Mardick-Kanter Spring, TX USA
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• Louisiana State University
• Baylor University
• University of Kansas
• University of Tulsa
• University of Washington



Hunter Adam Mitchell
Newport, CA USA
• United States Marine Corps*



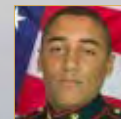
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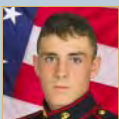
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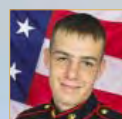
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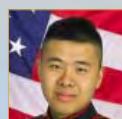
Hernan Antonio Perez Garcia
of Mexico
• Universidad Anahuac del Mayalo*



Philip Carl Vogel Jr.
of Spring, TX USA
• Texas A&M University*
• University of Texas at Austin
• Texas Tech University
• Savannah College of Art & Design



Philip Carl Vogel Jr. (cont'd)
• University of Tulsa
• Louisiana State University



James Patrick Wildt
of Spring, TX USA
• Texas Tech University*

Yiwei Zhao
of China
• Baylor University*
• University of Mississippi
• University of Arizona





Military Awards, cont'd.

Third Marine Division Association Award

Awarded to a member of the senior class who has demonstrated an outstanding combination of military and academic achievement, given in the name of those who have served under the banner of the Third Marine Division. *George S. Loos*

United States Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Award

Awarded to a first year cadet who has been faithful to his school; displayed selfless and steadfast spirit and devotion to the MCJROTC program, as well as the school and its activities; maintained excellent academic achievements; and demonstrated outstanding citizenship habits. *Isaac Phillips*

Veterans of Foreign Wars Award

Awarded to a cadet who has shown the most overall improvement in academic and military standing during the current school year. *Nicholas O. Poon*

The Women Marines Association MCJROTC Award

Awarded to the most outstanding second-year MCJROTC cadet with excellent academic accomplishment and citizenship, with the highest leadership education grades for his group. *Aboira R. Irumudomon*

Heartfelt Thanks Go To:

A supportive Parents' Organization. These parents pitch in and support the Corps of Cadets with many different endeavors...from birthday and pizza parties to off-campus field trips and generous contributions. They offer great support to MMA Faculty and Staff--they're an integral part of MMA.

- PRESIDENT:** Terry Brown
- VICE-PRESIDENT:** Chris Kiernan
- SECRETARY:** Lisa Gladyszewski
- TREASURER:** May Huang

- COMPANY PARENTS:**
- ALPHA Company Parent:**
Joan McGraw
- DELTA Company Parent:**
Sarah Camarena
- ECHO Company Parent:**
William Hasbrook & Rene Reed
- FOX Company Parent:**
David & Bunny Benditz
- GOLF Company Parent:**
Beth Loos

ATHLETIC AWARDS

POST SEASON ATHLETIC AWARDS - These cadets earn recognition for exceptional athletic performance during post-season competition in their chosen sports:

- Asa Broussard: Golden Gloves 149 lb. Division
- Lawrence Cooper: State Finals in Wrestling
- Crawford Engelking: State Finals in Wrestling
- Patrick Gann: State Finals in Swimming
- William Girolametti : Golden Gloves 126 lb. Division
- Jacob Harmon: 1st Team All-District in Baseball
- William Hasbrook: State Finals in Wrestling
- John Hay: State Finals in Swimming
- Andrew Horne : State Finals in Wrestling
- Linson Huang: State Finals in Swimming
- Wei Huang: Rio Grande Valley All-Star Basketball Game
- Donald Jackson: State Finals in Swimming
- William Jarrell: 1st Team All-District in Baseball
- Joshua Johnson : State Finals in Wrestling
- William Kane: 2nd Team All-District in Baseball
- Jonathan Leary: State Finals in Wrestling
- Edward Lopez: 2nd Team All-District in Baseball
- Simon Martinez: Golden Gloves 110 lb. Division
- Michael McGraw: Golden Gloves 165 lb. Division
- Nicholas Monroe: State Finals in Swimming
- Gabriel Moore: State Finals in Wrestling
- Andres Orjuela : State Finals in Wrestling
- Patrick Patterson: Rio Grande Valley All-Star Football Game
- Ramiro Rodriguez: State Finals in Swimming
- John Rose: State Finals in Wrestling
- Chavez Shields: State Finals in Wrestling
- Jacob Trimmer: State Finals in Wrestling
- Matthew Tsai : State Finals in Swimming
- Ivan Vidishev: State Finals in Swimming

CyberPatriot and MMA Leatherneck Chess Teams wrap up a GREAT year with a bit of chess challenge and a whole lotta' pizza, soda and all the trimmings!





ACADEMIC AWARDS



Valedictorian Plaque

Given to the graduating senior cadet who has attended MMA the last three or more years, with the highest grade point average.

William A. Hasbrook

Salutatorian Plaque

Given to the graduating senior cadet who has attended MMA the last three or more years, with the second highest grade point average.

Curtis C. Hamilton

President's Athletic Award

Presented to the cadet who is an unselfish team player, a tireless worker and an individual who has parlayed sheer hustle, sacrifice and intestinal fortitude into recognition and respect as a two-sport varsity athlete.

Michael K. McGraw

Dean's Award

Presented to the senior who, in the opinion of the Dean, has demonstrated the most improvement scholastically, over the three or more years he has attended MMA. His name will be added to a plaque permanently displayed in Coleman Hall.

Joshua K. Camarena

Mariner of the Year Award

Presented to an MMA mariner who has demonstrated exceptional leadership, seamanship and personal courage during marine science boating activities.

Michael K. McGraw

Rolls-Royce Trophy for Excellence in Aerospace

Presented to the cadet who exhibits an outstanding devotion to his aerospace studies.

Isaac Phillips III

Major General Robert E. Friedrich Award

Established in memory of Major General Robert E. Friedrich, longtime supporter of MMA, who left a bequest that will, each year, provide award to a senior who exhibits the most outstanding record in both academics and military science.

George S. Loos

Chris Heard Scholarship Award

Established in memory of former cadet Chris Heard. Awarded each year to a junior or senior cadet who maintains at least a 3.0 GPA for one year and demonstrates character, leadership, and esprit de corps.

Michael K. McGraw

The Rotary Scholarship Award

Awarded by Rotary Club to an Interact student who exhibits strong community regard through active community service, and who maintains high academic standards.

Jose Abed Pagola

Rensselear Mathematics and Science Award

Given by the Rensselear Polytechnic Institute to the junior class cadet who is the most outstanding student in mathematics and science, and who demonstrates the potential for success in science or a technologically oriented profession.

Tianyi Bi

United States Power Squadron Boating Course

Awarded to cadet(s) in the Marine Science Program who have successfully completed a comprehensive boating course as part of the Marine Science Curriculum. The exam assesses skills and knowledge of safe boating practices, including boat handling, radio communications, emergency procedures and navigation.

Michael K. McGraw

U.S. Marine Corps' Music Excellence Award

The U.S. Marine Corps' "Semper Fidelis" Music Excellence Award is presented to the cadet who has exhibited the personal traits of diligence, dedication and music excellence while performing as a bandsman or soloist.

Nicholas J. Haag

U.S. Marine Corps' Distinguished Athlete Award

Presented to the athlete who is the best role model for younger cadets, and who best exhibits the personal traits of courage, poise, self-confidence and leadership

Michael K. McGraw

U.S. Marine Corps' Scholastic Excellence Award

Recognizes noteworthy academic achievement as well as excellence in leadership skills.

Recipients of this award are exemplary cadets who are recognized as role models and leaders.

William A. Hasbrook

Colonel Phil Yeckel, USMCR, Award for Athlete of the Year

Presented to the graduating senior who has contributed the most to the athletic program of MMA and who has been enrolled at the academy for at least two years. The name of this year's recipient will be added to the plaque on a trophy permanently displayed at the Academy.

Patrick M. Patterson

Top Students in Subject

English
Mathematics
Science
Social Studies
Foreign Language
Computer Science
Band

Jonathan J. Jones
William A. Hasbrook
George S. Loos
Eun Hyuk Kwak
William E. Bood
Curtis C. Hamilton
Nicholas J. Haag

Top Students in Class

Eighth
Freshman
Sophomore
Junior

Richard N. Farr
Michael Jin Huang
William E. Bood & Eun Hyuk Kwak
Gabriel A. Gonzales

Earning United States Coast Guard Academy Appointment:

William A. Hasbrook

Earning Naval Academy Prep School Appointment:

Ruben A. Hays

Earning Army ROTC Scholarship:

Ruben Hays
Jonathan Jones

Earning Navy ROTC Scholarship:

William Hasbrook
Ruben Hays
Nicholas Poon

Receiving Scholarship to Universities other than Service Academies*:

Jose Abed Pagola
Rafael Bustamante Ortega
Joshua Camarena
Richard Cook
Devin Doughty
Theodore Hall
Curtis Hamilton
William Hasbrook
Ruben Hays
Marc Johnson
Jonathan Jones
William Kane
Mauricio Licardo
George Loos
Michael Mackie
Grant Northcutt
Patrick Patterson
Nicholas Poon
Ryan Reed
Jacob Trimmer
Philip Vogel

The following senior cadets are recognized for their exceptional academic achievement during the last semester of this academic school year.

The SILVER WREATH signifies an earned GPA of 3.5 and membership on the Dean's List. The senior cadet receiving a SILVER WREATH is:

Patrick Patterson

The GOLD WREATH signifies an earned 3.75 GPA or higher and membership on the President's List. Receiving a GOLD WREATH are:

Richard Cook
Curtis Hamilton
Ramiro Rodriguez

The BLUE STAR signifies membership on the President's List or the Dean's List for two consecutive semesters. Earning a BLUE STAR and a GOLD WREATH is:

Ruben Hays

The GOLD STAR signifies membership on the President's List for two consecutive semesters. Cadets earning a GOLD STAR and a GOLD WREATH are:

William Bood
Lawrence Cooper
Falco Fematt Rodriguez
Jacob Harmon
Michael McGraw

Cadets of the Month for April '11

Each month a cadet is selected from each company, from the band and from the drill team, to be recognized for their outstanding attitude, conduct and performance. Below are the selections for April with a comment from their Drill Instructor or activity coordinator. *“Those selected are to be commended for their outstanding performance.”* - SgtMaj Ford Kinsley, USMC (Ret) - MMA Commandant



ALPHA COMPANY
OSARETIN IGBINEDION
 Sophomore - Nigeria, AFRICA

“Cadet Igbinideon has clearly set himself apart from the rest of his peers. He has shown an incredible amount of growth in both academic and military aspects. It has been a real pleasure to watch Osi grow into a responsible, conscientious, and studious young man. He is absolutely on track to achieve great things. He has a strong, positive can-do attitude and has shown cadets much older than him the path to success here at MMA. Great job Osi!!! Keep up the great work!” - CWO3 Ed Harris, USMC (Ret)



GOLF COMPANY
NICHOLAS HAAG
 Junior - Orinda, CA

“Cadet Haag is a fourth year cadet who has done an outstanding job this year. He serves as the Drum Major for the MMA Band. He has served as a summer camp instructor and performed very well. He is focused on his academics and is working towards going to a service academy. He is well deserving of this prestigious recognition.” - SgtMaj Al Wilson, USMC (Ret)



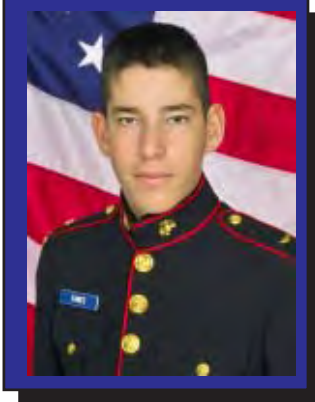
DELTA COMPANY
JACOB TRIMMER
 Senior - Houston, TX

“I am pleased to write this recommendation on behalf of Jacob Trimmer. Cadet Trimmer, as the Public Affairs Officer for Delta Company, has demonstrated superior written and verbal communication skills. Overall, Cadet Trimmer is a conscientious, dedicated and exemplary student. I am proud to recommend Cadet Trimmer for this prestigious award..” - SgtMaj Larry Carson, USMC (Ret)



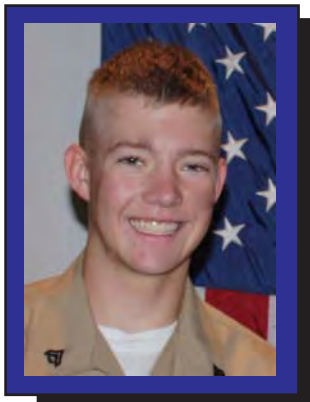
BANDSMAN
CHRISTOPHER DUNN
 8th Grade - Roanoke, TX

Cadet Christopher Dunn has been a loyal, steadfast member of the MMA Band. He has worked diligently at improving his skills as a drummer. Christopher has never missed a day, always been on time, and in general has been a real pleasure to have in band. I'm proud of Chris, as he very much deserves and has earned this recognition. - CWO3 Ed Harris, USMC (Ret)



ECHO COMPANY
VALENTIN H. YANEZ
 Sophomore - Mexico City, MEXICO

“Cadet Yanez is a first-year cadet who works very hard to maintain great grades. His billet is Cadet Company Clerk, and he wears his MCJROTC Uniform with pride. He is mature, takes his job seriously, takes the time out to teach his cadets how to do things right the first time, and sets a great example to his younger cadets. He is also with the Marine Military Band, Cadet Yanez is a great young man to have in my company.” - GySgt Frank Martinez, USMC (Ret)



DRILL TEAM/COLOR GUARD
CHASE WILLIAMS
 Freshman - Park City, UT

“As a second year Cadet, Chase has made his presence known within the Color Guard. His ability to conduct routines with precision movements and display a stand out presence for our community to witness is why he has been selected as Cadet of the Month. Cadet Williams has reflected great credit upon himself and has upheld the traditions of the Marine Military Academy and the JROTC program.” - MSGT Robert Fracasso, USMC (Ret)



FOX COMPANY
DYLAN CHE
 Freshman - Sugarland, TX

“As a first year Cadet, Dylan has demonstrated exceptional conduct in the barracks and the ability to lead by example. As a squad leader, he carries out all orders with attention to detail and his abilities are inspired and respected by all peers and subordinates. His pride and Esprit de Corps is deserving of this recognition. It is a pleasure to have him on our team. Cadet Che has reflected great credit upon himself and has upheld the traditions of the Marine Military Academy and the JROTC program.”

- MSgt Robert Fracasso, USMC (Ret)

LOOK WHO CAME A'CALLING AT MMA'S IWO JIMA MUSEUM!



IWO JIMA Survivor Daniel Flores Sr. with the 5th Division 27th Marines and the Mrs. paid a visit to MMA's Iwo Jima Museum, and we were there to memorialize the Flores' visit photographically!

Be sure to drop by the Museum and check out all the new 'for sale items' and displays...including Harlon Block's USMC ring recently donated by Harlon's comrade and high school buddy Glen Cleckler, who has worn the ring since Harlon entrusted it to Glen to give to Harlon's mother during the Iwo Jima conflict. Harlon's grieving mother returned the ring to Glen saying it was more fitting for Glen to have it. Glen has worn the ring ever since, until gifting it to MMA in May 2011. Open Tue-Sat 10 am-4 pm.

Cadet Promotions 2011

The following named CADETS have earned promotion to the Rank and Billet indicated below:

ALPHA Company:

ABED PAGOLA, JOSE: Cadet Major / Company Commander
BOOD, WILLIAM: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Company Guidon Bearer
CHAPIN, PARKER: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
FEMATT RODRIGUEZ, FALCO: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
FITZPATRICK, KEELAN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
GUTIERREZ SIMON, VICTOR: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
GUZMAN UNDA, ALEJANDRO: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
HARMON, JACOB: Cadet Sergeant / Platoon Guide
MARDICK-KANTER, WILLIAM: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Company Education SNCO
MARTINEZ, SIMON: Lance Corporal / Squad Member
MEHDIYOUN, BIJAN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
PADILLA OCHOA, JUAN: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
PATTERSON, PATRICK :Cadet Captain / CO Executive Officer
PERKINS, JACKSON: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
REYNOLDS, CALEB: Cadet Second Lieutenant / Platoon Commander
RICE, ROBERT: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
RODRIGUEZ, MAXIMILIANO: Cadet First Lieutenant / Platoon Commander
SALTER III, JAMES: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
SMITH, CODY: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
TALBOTT, SUTTON: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
TEJEDA GARCIA, EDGAR: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
VARNER, TREY: Cadet Sergeant / Platoon Guide
WEALE, TYLER: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader

DELTA Company:

BOER, PETER: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
BUSTAMANTE ORTEGA, RAFAEL: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
CAMARENA, JOSHUA : Cadet Major / Company Commander
CHEN ARAUZ, JOSE : Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
ETHERIDGE, ANDRE: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Platoon Sergeant
GONZALES, GABRIEL: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Member
HUBBARD, ANTONIO: Cadet First Sergeant / Company First Sergeant
ICKES, ZACHARY: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
JOHNSON, MARC: Cadet Second Lieutenant / Platoon Commander
KAHN LOPEZ, ROBERTO: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
KELSO, CHANCELLOR: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
MAY, TANNER: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
MCDANIEL, ANDREW: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
REID JR, WILLIAM: Private First Class / Fire Team Leader
REMENSON, IGOR: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
ROSE, JOHN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
STRAUSS, SCOTT: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Platoon Guide
TRIMMER, JACOB: Cadet Gunnery Sergeant / Public Affairs Officer

ECHO Company:

ALBAUM, DAKOTA: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
BUDDINGH, IVAN: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
CIANFLONE, ZACHARY: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
COHEN, AARON: Cadet Gunnery Sergeant / CO Gunnery Sergeant
CURRY, WENDELL: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
DUNN, CHRISTOPHER: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
EHNOT, TOOREY: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
EVANS, COLETON: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
FIELDS, ADRYAN: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
GAYLES, ISAIHA: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
GIL HUMPHREY, JAVIER: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
HATCHER, MICHAEL: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
HERNANDEZ-SUMMERS, EMILIANO: Cadet Corporal / Squad Member
HATCHER, MICHAEL: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
JAUREGUI, STEPHANO: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Platoon Commander
KOWEN, COOPER: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
KWAK, EUN HYUK: Cadet Gunnery Sergeant / Company First Sergeant
LEWIS, JORDAN: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
NOLAN, BRODI: Cadet Sergeant / Squad Leader
PARK, SEUNG: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
REED, RYAN: Cadet Major / Company Commander
RODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ, DANIEL: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
RUCKEL, PHILIP: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader
SALCEDO MATOS, JOSE: Cadet Corporal / Squad Member
THOMAS PERUSQUA, SALVADOR: Cadet Gunnery Sergeant / Platoon Sergeant
WILSON, CHRISTIAN: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Platoon Commander
XU, HUMPHREY: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member

FOX Company:

CHAPA RODRIGUEZ, JOSE: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
CHE, DYLAN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
FARR, RICHARD: Cadet Lance Corporal / CO Education SNCO
FIERRO VON MOHR, JOSE: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
HANCE, JOSEPH: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
HOFFMAN, JAMES: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
HUNTLEY, MORGAN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
LEI, YULONG: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
LIU, WEITING: Cadet First Lieutenant / Public Affairs Officer
MACCAULL, KEVIN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
MOYA CASTILLO, ALFONSO: Cadet Staff Sergeant / Company First Sergeant
NOLEN, PATRICK: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
ORJUELA, ANDRES: Cadet Corporal / Platoon Sergeant
POLLARD-MATSON, RYAN: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
RAMOS JR, KEITH: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
ROSELL, NIKALAS: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
SANCHEZ BANDELIZ, MANUEL: Cadet Corporal / Company Laundry NCO
SANDERS, BILLY: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
SEGUY, JOSE: Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
SMITH, JORDAN: Cadet Private First Class / Squad Member
WEEDN, ROBERT : Cadet Lance Corporal / Squad Member
WILLIAMS, CHASE: Cadet Corporal / Squad Member
WILLIAMS, JAMES: Cadet Corporal / Squad Leader



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- 1970
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- 1971
Alonzo Bradley of Jarreau, LA
Dannie Miller of Stafford, VA
Larry Neblett of Harlingen, TX
- 1972
Mike Morton of Harlingen, TX
Ken Morton of Harlingen, TX
- 1975
Bruce Schmitt of Los Fresnos, TX
- 1976
Arlan Beisecker of Urbana, MD
Joe Horn of Dahlgren, VA
Scott Campbell of Littleton, CO
Michael Loretangeli of Queenstown, MD
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Mark Czarzasty of Great Mills, MD
John McKiski of San Antonio, TX
Jonathan Reed of Marietta, GA
- 1979
Paul Uribe of Pharr, TX
- 1979
William Fanning of Dallas, TX
- 1981
Harold Bishop of Maryville, TN
Klaus Guenther of Sacramento, CA
Kevin Jackson of St. Louis, MO
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Roger Roland of Kingsland, TX
William Watson of Kent, WA
Anthony Williams of Ovilla, TX
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- 1985
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Shane Sharman of New Braunfels, TX
- 1989
Trevor Stolzenburg of Katy, TX
- 1990
Michael Feeser of Ft. Worth, TX
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- 1991
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Matthew Spragins of Clemmons, NC
- 1992
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Robert Childers of Houston, TX
Joseph Matlega of Magnolia, TX
- 1993
Jason Carlson of La Villa, TX
- 1995
Zachary Bradford of Ft. Worth, TX
Aaron Carlson of La Villa, TX
- 1996
Alexander Garcia of Wichita, KS
- 1999
Christian Dudenhefer of Fredericksburg, VA
Brook Foreman of Katy, TX
Terrance Gentry of Corpus Christi, TX
William Mott of Addison, TX
Kyle Rudolph of Glen Ellyn, IL
- 2003
Bryan Zurlo of Weslaco, TX

ALUMNI: Be sure to E-Mail your updates to pickens@mma-tx.org for inclusion in the Leader! Include graduation year or last year of attendance, and very importantly, we need your express permission to print home addresses, wives' names and children's names/ages!

Thanks, *Mickie Pickens*



Need to find out what's going on with a fellow alum? Get on board MMA's on-line "Alumni Bulletin Board". Fill out the Alumni Information Request form located on-line: <http://www.mma-tx.org/alumni.htm> or call Connie Flores at (956) 421-9232. Or, just get on FACEBOOK!

Get on Board: ALL ALUMNI, ALL THE TIME!



Troop 22 News

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- Patrick Church – JASM (Junior Assistant Scoutmaster) • Samuel Fusaro – ASPL (Assistant Senior Patrol Leader) • Zachary Garner – QM (Quartermaster) • Michael Huang – ASPL (Assistant Senior Patrol Leader) • Eun Hyuk Kwak – SPL (Senior Patrol Leader) • Logan Workman – Librarian •

Troop 22 spent two nights at Adolph Thomae County Park the weekend of April 8-10). Fishing in a relaxed atmosphere was the main theme with the potential to earn Scouting's FISHING Merit Badge. The boys camped next to the Arroyo Colorado (the Arroyo Colorado, an ancient channel of the Rio Grande, flows 90 miles through Hidalgo, Cameron and Willacy counties in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas). The boys honed their camping and cooking skills along with sharing in the brotherhood of Scouts. Several fish were caught and gently returned to their watery home in the Arroyo. Campsite setup, take-down, and cleanup tasks were shared by all throughout the weekend. They also conducted community service by removing trash and debris from along several campsites and the main access road into the park to the delight of park managers. Upon arrival in Harlingen they were rewarded with ice cream and burgers at McDonald's™. Way way way to go boys!

Troop 22 participated in another great campout the weekend of April 29-May 1st. We camped at Adolph Thomae County Park in Cameron County next to the Arroyo Colorado River. The boys had a relaxing time,



and focused on improving their camping and outdoor skills while working towards rank advancement. Part of this included an advancement hike on Los Palomas Arroyo Colorado wilderness area as managed by Texas Parks and Wildlife. The boys identified evidence of at least ten different animals and plant species. Later, they performed food and meal preparation along with cleanup - they do their own dishes! They also got to participate in some fishing activities. Star Scout John Hay acted in an outstanding fashion as the Senior Patrol Leader throughout the weekend. Of course, they had time to play and grow in the bonds of Scouting. Upon return to Campus Sunday morning a few boys volunteered their time - without prompting or reward - to rearrange the Troop trailer, clean gear, and organize the Scout shed. Torrey Ehnnot and Patrick Church washed the MMA van as a courtesy, while Christopher Dunn conducted a superb reorganization of the ample gear owned by the Troop - both the trailer and Troop storage shed. Because these boys demonstrated exemplary levels of Scout Spirit they were suitably rewarded with an all-expense paid trip to McDonald's™. It just doesn't get much better!

A few Cadet-Scouts earned rank advancement recently. Michael Huang earned Life rank, John Hay earned Star rank, and Ryan Pollard-Matson earned advancement to Tenderfoot Scout. Great job guys!

MMA hosted a Law Enforcement Weekend event, organized by the Rio Grande Council of Boy Scouts in support of Scouting's Exploring program. Exploring is a worksite-based program of Learning for Life, a subsidiary of the Boy Scouts of America, for young men and women who are 14 through 20 years old (15 through 21 in some areas). Exploring units, called "posts", usually have a focus on a single career field, such as police, fire/rescue, health, law, aviation, engineering, or the like, and may be sponsored by a government or business entity. Attending

Explorer posts came from as far away as San Antonio. Participants witnessed and engaged in simulated police activities such as arrests, searches, suspected drivers under the influence, SWAT procedures, etc. They handled specialized equipment and came away with a much greater understanding of how law enforcement works. Several MMA Scouts volunteered to participate as the opening ceremony color guard - Zachary Garner, Patrick Church, and Torrey Ehnnot - and assisted in other activities throughout the day.

An appreciation barbecue was held in May to recognize MMA Scouts and other volunteers who assisted in three Eagle Scout community service leadership projects conducted at First United Methodist Church in Harlingen throughout the past eighteen months. The Eagle project is the final hurdle to attain the rank of Eagle Scout. Project leaders were Cadets Patrick Cassidy who has since graduated, George Loos, and Samuel Fusaro. The boys participated in an organized shotgun shooting event. They came away surprised at their natural shooting ability! They then sat down to a scrumptious dinner prepared by church members while watching Game 4 of the NBA playoffs between the Miami Heat and the Boston Celtics. The chow was 'GOOOOD'!! The barbecue was the idea of MMA's very own College Room Director Robin Farris, and was fully supported by her husband (MMA Alum '74) Bobby at their expense and effort. Troop 22 members and volunteers are very grateful for the generosity and hospitality shown by Bobby and Robin Farris.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! MMA TROOP 22 COURT OF HONOR IS NOW IN SESSION!

MMA's Troop 22 Court of Honor was held the evening of Tuesday, January 18th, aboard MajGen Douglas Peacher and Gwendolyn E. Douglas Cadet Activities Center. A Court of Honor is an impressive, formal ceremony recognizing individual Scouts for rank advancement, earned merit badges, and other achievements. This event is held in front of an audience of family, friends, chartered organization officials, troop leaders, and Scout peers. Folks, earning Boy Scout badges and rank advancement takes a great deal of fortitude, dedication and stamina on the part of the accomplished young men of Troop 22. Besides keeping up their academic, military and physical requirements...all the while maintaining their moral compass, there is scarce precious time to complete the stringent requirements in adherence with the National Council of Boy Scouting. Yet, this powerful force of Boy Scouts enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship, and they have a great time getting their tasks completed! The following Scouts were recognized during the evening's Court of Honor:

- Nathan Armstrong - Carpentry 12/1/10
- Patrick Church – Art 11/29/10; Whitewater 7/2/10; Music 10/1/10; Bronze Palm 9/22/10; Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Zachary Cianflone - Swimming-Lifesaving 10/9/10; Carpentry 12/1/10
- Iverson Cimino - Swimming/Lifesaving - 10/9/10; Carpentry 12/1/10
- Nigel Cunningham-Williams - Music 10/1/10
- Antonio Diaz - Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Christopher Dunn - Swimming/Lifesaving 10/9/10; Carpentry 12/1/10
- William Durand - Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Torrey Ehnnot - Carpentry 12/1/10
- Samuel Fusaro – Family Life 8/14/10; Camping 1/11/11; Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Zachary Garner – Quartermaster / Recruiting patch / 1 year star; Camping 1/12/11; Carpentry 12/1/10
- Gabriel Gonzales - Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Nicholas Haag - Music 10/1/10; Personal Management 11/13/11; Life 11/14/11

- Jacob Harmon - Carpentry 12/1/10; Indian Lore 12/5/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- John Hay – Citizenship in Nation 1/14/11; First Aid 1/14/11
- Emiliano Hernandez-Summers - Swimming-Lifesaving - 10/9/10; Carpentry 12/1/10
- Michael Huang – Swimming/Lifesaving 10/9/10; Star Rank 9/29/10; Music 10/1/10; Citizenship In The Nation 9/27/10; Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Joseph Hutson - Carpentry 12/1/10
- Christopher Jack-Favro - Music 10/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Jonathan Jones - Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Eun Hyuk Kwak – Citizenship In The Nation 9/27/10; SPL (Senior Patrol Leader) patch; Leave No Trace Award; Life 9/15/10; Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- George Loos – Citizenship In The Nation 1/1/10; Communications 11/1/10; Family Life 9/14/10; Personal Fitness 9/14/10
- Simon Martinez - Carpentry 12/1/10
- Robert Pearson – Fingerprinting 10/29/10; Carpentry 12/1/10
- Jackson Perkins – Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Ryan Pollard-Matson - Swimming Lifesaving 10/9/10; Carpentry 12/1/10; Indian Lore 12/5/10
- Tyler Rice - Carpentry 12/1/10
- James Salter III - Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Trey Varner - Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10
- Logan Workman – Carpentry 10/26/10; Swimming-Lifesaving 11/9/10; Medicine 11/10/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10; Star 11/14/11
- Humphrey Xu - Carpentry 12/1/10; Horsemanship 12/1/10

Please join MMA Scoutmaster SgtMaj Poe in congratulating these Scouting-Cadets on giant leaps forward...and exceptionally well-done!

SOARING WITH THE EAGLES

Friday, May 27th, in MMA's Phil Yeckel Auditorium - Eagle Scout Court of Honor: Four Troop 22 Life Scouts advanced to the highest attainable rank in Scouting – EAGLE SCOUT. Each of these Life Scouts completed a leadership project benefiting the community before presenting their Scout records to the Rio Grande Council in request for Eagle Scout candidacy:

- 9th Grade (ECHO Company) Cadet Corporal Sam Fusaro
- 10th Grade Cadet Staff Sergeant Eun Hyuk Kwak
- 12th Grade Cadet Captain Jonathan Jones;
- 12th Grade First Lieutenant George Loos

These young men are sure to be amazed what a small select group of accomplished men they now belong to, and how many Chief Executive Officers of major corporations list 'EAGLE SCOUT' as one of their premiere life accomplishments.

Way to soar, EAGLE SCOUTS!



Memorials

- Col J. W. Abraham, USMC (Ret) - 7th Basic Class
 - Pat Arceneaux
 - Joseph W. Babka, USMC
 - Samuel R. Biancuzzo
- Cpl H. Z. Browning, USMC
 - Barbara J. Buckley
 - Max Camille Butler, M.D.
 - Francis Lee Connolly
- Lewellyn Robert Cope, USMC - KIA 7/25/44 Tinian, Marianas Islands
 - Sgt David Fuller - 9th Marines, RVN
- Cpl Jack M. Hopkins - 12th Marines, KIA RVN
 - Alice Jones
 - Howard "Lee" Lombard - MMA '76
 - Myrtle Mason
 - Major John G. Metas, USMC (Ret)
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 - J. D. Shimer - MMA '96
- SSgt Dennis Studenny - 5th Marines, RVN
- Pfc Brian A. Thornton, USMC, KIA, ROK 1951

In Honor Of:

- Jack H. Brouse - VMF 422 (Happy 88th Birthday)
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Calendar of Events

June

28 Summer Camp Instructors Report

July

2 Summer Camp/English As A
2nd Language 2011 Registration
29 Field Meet
30 Summer Camp/English As A
2nd Language 2011 Graduation

August

7 Football Camp (Athletic Director approval)
Leadership Orientation Check-In (invitation only)
13 Registration/Check-in for 1st Year Cadets
14 Check-In for Returning Cadets
15-16 Military Orientation for Plebes
Teacher In-Service Days
17 Classes Begin

September

10 MMA Parents Organization Meet
Introductory Training Graduation

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