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RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS HALL OF FAME CEREMONY

THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER, 2000

3:15 p.m.

Ferrell Hall Campus Parade Ground
West Virginia State College

Inclement Weather Plan:

P.A. Williams Auditorium
Harrison H. Ferrell Building

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891 by enacting legislation to create a special land-grant institution for Blacks. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building upon it. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915 West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. It assumed its present name in 1929. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until the present with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915 the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades and teacher education. In 1915 the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in mathematics, chemistry, French and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, LTC Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956 when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's eighteen branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, *Brown v. the Board of Education*, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small Black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded and new ones have developed as the College kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.

2000 FALL PROGRAM

Major John M. Horn, Presiding
Professor of Military Science and Commander
WVSC ROTC Yellow Jacket Battalion

PRELUDE: "Superman" *John Williams*
Arr. by *Andy Clark*
The West Virginia State College Symphonic Band
Julie Gendrich, Director

ADJUTANT CALL Stephen R. Leonard

ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY Major John M. Horn

HONORS ROTC Rifle Team

NATIONAL ANTHEM *Francis Scott Key*
The West Virginia State College Symphonic Band

INVOCATION Mr. Donnie W. Gresby
Counselor, Office of Student Affairs

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS . Major John M. Horn
Signal Corps, Professor of Military Science and Commander
WVSC ROTC Battalion

PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEES AND RESPONDENTS

Cardell S. Hunter, Colonel (USAR Retired), Class of '68
Presented by Cadet Major Miles C. Cary II
Battalion Executive Officer

Frederick C. Franklin, Lieutenant Colonel (USAF Retired)
Class of '50
Presented by Cadet First Sergeant Charles M. Hunt,
First Sergeant, B Company, Yellow Jacket Battalion

Howard G. Hicks, Jr., Lieutenant Colonel (USAR Retired)
Class of '61
Presented by Cadet Captain Daniel A. Holland
Assistant Battalion Operations Officer

Charles S. Corprew, Jr., Major (USAR Retired), Class of '63
Presented by Cadet Captain Gary E. Sanders II
Battalion Public Affairs Officer

MUSICAL SELECTION: "America the Beautiful" . . . *Samuel Ward*
Arr. by *Carmen Dragon*
The WVSC Symphonic Band

RECOGNITION OF HONORED GUESTS Major John M. Horn

INTRODUCTION OF WHITE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE
Mr. Henry B. Daniels
President, H.K.G. Daniels Consulting Corporation

PRESENTATION OF U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CITATION—
The Honorable Joseph J. Simmons IV
Deputy Assistant to the President of the United States
and Director of the White House Military Office

CLOSING REMARKS Dr. Hazo W. Carter, Jr.
Ninth President, West Virginia State College

ALMA MATER *Spencer-Wade*

PASS AND REVIEW ROTC Cadet Corps
Cadet LTC Jason A. Scott, Cadet Battalion Commander

POSTLUDE: "Armed Forces Salute" Arr. by *Bob Lowden*
West Virginia State College Symphonic Band
ARMY SONG—
West Virginia State College Symphonic Band

CANNON SALUTE WVSC Army ROTC Salute Battery

*Reception immediately following in the Banquet Room of the
Goldston Cafeteria*

COLONEL (USAR Retired)

CARDELL S. HUNTER

Colonel Cardell S. Hunter is a native of Jacksonville, Florida. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science in 1968 from West Virginia State College in Institute, West Virginia. Upon graduation he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry through the ROTC program. Colonel Hunter also has a Master of Science Degree in Vocational and Educational Guidance from Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Georgia. His military education includes Infantry Officer Basic and Advance Courses, Airborne, Ranger training, Pathfinder training, Jumpmaster Course, Command and General Staff College, and the Army War College.

Colonel Hunter held a variety of command and staff positions which include, Platoon Leader, 4th Battalion, 325th Infantry, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Platoon Leader, Operations Officer and Assistant Intelligence Officer, 23d Infantry Division, Republic of Vietnam; Ranger Instructor and Company Commander, 50th Company (OCS), 5th Battalion, The School Brigade, Fort Benning, Georgia; Company Commander, 2nd Infantry Division, Republic of South Korea; ROTC Instructor, Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Georgia; Chief, Enlisted Combat Arms Assignments, 1st PERSCOM, U.S. Army Europe; Executive Officer, 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry, Secretary to the General Staff, and Commander, 5th Battalion, 502nd Infantry Battalion, Berlin Brigade; Chief, Combat Arms Career Division, Enlisted Personnel Management Directorate, U.S. Total Army Personnel Command; Commander, 1st Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, New York; and Commander, 1st Recruiting Brigade, U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

Colonel Hunter's decorations include the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Air Medal, National Defense Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Ranger Tab, Airborne Wings, and the Combat Infantry Badge.

In 1994, Colonel Hunter retired with 26 years of military service. Colonel Hunter is married to the former Pauline Brewer of Greenville, Georgia. The Hunters have two daughter, Jennifer and Marisa the family currently reside in Manassas, Virginia. He is employed as a Division General Manager at Resource Consultants, Inc. in Vienna, Virginia. Colonel Hunter is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL (USAF Retired)

FREDERICK C. FRANKLIN

Frederick C. Franklin was born September 24, 1929 in Alexandria, Virginia. The year the stock market crashed and the country was thrown into a great depression. He is the second child of four children of Pearl Williams Franklin and John A. Franklin. He attended all black schools, as was the separate but equal doctrine of the times. Because of careful home training and an enthusiasm for learning, he was advanced ahead of his peers. This advancement allowed him to enter college at a time when most were struggling with their senior year in high school.

LTC Franklin entered West Virginia State College in September 1946. Having a great love for the sciences, he majored in Chemistry. Because the college was infested with veterans returning from World War II, he was introduced to their experiences, which was a secondary education for him. He completed his studies in 1950 and was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree. But having completed only the required two years of Military Science, he was eligible for the draft. He had little desire to be drafted so he volunteered for the USAF, and entered as a private in 1951. After what seemed to be endless days and weeks of KP duty, he decided that he had to make some changes. He applied for and won an appointment to the USAF OCS program. It was through this program that he became a commissioned officer and began his true military career.

While in the military he attended flight school and earned the wings of a navigator. He earned all promotions on time and attended the Air Force Institute of Technology earning a BS degree in Meteorology. In 1968, he was selected from the entire USAF to join the presidential squadron at Andrews Air Force Base as the first black commissioned officer in the Squadron, flying the backup aircraft for the Nixon Presidency. It was during this assignment that he earned the wings of a Master Navigator and completed graduate work in Information Systems. He left this assignment to become the Base Commander of fighter base in Kunsan, Korea. LTC Franklin ended his military career after his Korean assignment, with 23 years of service. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. Since then, he has served 11 years as an executive in Corporate America, and 12 years as an entrepreneur franchise owner of three McDonalds restaurants.

LTC Franklin and his wife Anna are enjoying their retirement with their four children living nearby.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL (USAR Retired)

HOWARD G. HICKS, JR.

Lieutenant Colonel Hicks arrived at West Virginia State College in the fall of 1957 from Freeport, Long Island, New York to pursue a BA degree in Political Science and minors in French and Military Science. He was active in student activities such as Class president; the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; the "W" Club (Track & Field); The Pi Delta Phi French National Honorary Society; the ROTC Scabbard & Blade Society; the WVSC Marching and Symphonic Bands and "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" in 1960 and 1961. He graduated cum laude and was commissioned an Army 2nd Lieutenant on 29 May 1961. He retired in June 1989.

Colonel Hicks' active duty/reserve duty assignments were in Military Intelligence. Career highlights included instructor duty at the Intelligence School, Ft. Holabird, MD; S-2/Adjutant duties with the 113th MI Group (Ft. Sheridan, IL; Desk Officer with the Defense Intelligence Agency's Defense Attache' System for posts located in the Caribbean and NATO regions (Washington); Branch Chief in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (Washington); a short TDY presenting the Army's FY-78 Budget to Congress; two tours of duty in the Republic of Vietnam (Saigon and Bac Lieu Province); and many reserve duty MOBDES/IMA assignments at Headquarters, USARJ/IX Corps (Japan) where he served as Acting Deputy G-2 and Acting G-2, USARJ/IX Corps. He graduated from the MI Career Course in May 1968 and the Command & General Staff College in March 1977.

Other key appointments include Diplomatic Service in the United States Foreign Service. Overseas assignments were the Republic of the Philippines where he served as the Security Officer/Community Relations officer for the Voice of America's Philippine Relay Station and Algeria, where he served as the Executive Assistant for the U.S. Information Agency's Public Affairs Officer at the American Embassy located in Algiers. He retired from the Foreign Service in September 1994 and is now working as a Contract Investigator for the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security.

In Colonel Hicks' local community of Springfield, Virginia, he has been active as a licensed Lay Reader of the Episcopal Church. He also served in the same capacity with the Anglican Church's Diocese of Egypt while in Algiers, Algeria. He continues to remain active with his trombone, as a member of Springfield's St. Christopher's Episcopal Church' Brass Sextet. Since 1996, he has volunteered and served as an officer of Election for Fairfax County, Virginia.

In June of 1962, he married the former Camilla Ann Monroe of Excelsior of West Virginia (WVSC 1962). They have two grandsons. Their son, Howard A. Hicks, (WVSC 1987) and his family are currently serving abroad in Paramaribo, Suriname where he is the American Embassy's Regional Security Officer.

MAJOR (USAR Retired) CHARLES S. CORPREW, JR.

Charles S. Corprew, Jr. was born and educated in Norfolk, Virginia. He graduated with honors from Booker T. Washington High School, Norfolk Virginia. In 1951 he graduated from West Virginia State College with a Bachelor of Arts in History and minors in Political Science and Spanish. He was commissioned in 1951 through the West Virginia State College ROTC program and branched Artillery. He received a Master of Arts from New York University in Administration and Supervision. Major Corprew has also received a post Graduate certificate of Advance Studies, Old Dominion University. Further studies include: Kent State University, University of Chicago, University of Miami, Radford University and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Major Corprew was the first African-American to be president of the Norfolk Education Association, and the first African-American to be National Director of the National Education Association. He also is a member of the following Associations: National, State and Local Education Association, Talent Research Program at Norfolk State University, Education Committee of the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, a member of Norfolk Optimist Club, a member of Phi Delta Kappa Education Fraternity, and he is currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Norfolk Teachers Federal Credit Union.

Upon retiring from the United States Army, Major Corprew taught school in the Norfolk, Virginia area. He was the teacher of 17 black students who were taught at First Baptist Church during the massive resistance period (1958) in the state of Virginia when all white schools were closed.

Major Corprew is married to Bertha Bryant Corprew. They have a son, Charles S. Corprew, III; a daughter, Jovandra Corprew Sanderlin; six grandchildren and eight great-grand children.

HONORABLE JOSEPH J. SIMMONS IV

Deputy Assistant to the President and Director, White House Military Office

On December 1, 1998, Joseph J. (Jake) Simmons IV was appointed Deputy Assistant to the President and Director, White House Military Office by President William J. Clinton. As the Director, White House Military Office, he has managerial and oversight responsibility for all Department of Defense resources, including 2,200 personnel and billions of dollars of equipment. The White House Military Office provides operational, logistical, and information system support to the President in his role as Commander in Chief, Chief Executive and Head of State.

Prior to his Presidential Appointment, Mr. Simmons was nominatively selected as Commander, White House Communications Agency, the most prestigious assignment in the Armed Forces for a military communicator. As the Commander, from October 1994 to November 1998, he was responsible for providing global telecommunications support and for operating and maintaining a responsive information systems infrastructure for the President, Vice President, United States Secret Service and the National Security Council.

Retiring at the rank of Colonel, Mr. Simmons' distinguished Army career as a tactical communicator included numerous command and staff assignments. During four overseas assignments, Mr. Simmons commanded at the company, battalion and brigade level. As Commander, 2nd Signal Brigade, Mr. Simmons supervised 2,500 soldiers and civilians, geographically dispersed over 100,000 square miles. The brigade's mission was to provide strategic and tactical base communications and information systems support for the entire European Theater.

His professional education includes Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in History (Magna Cum Laude) from the University of Maryland and a Master of Science degree in Computer Science from the University of Oklahoma. Mr. Simmons was inducted into the Army Officers Candidate School Hall of Fame and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

Born in St. Louis Missouri and raised in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Mr. Simmons is married to the former Myralon Sanders and has two sons, Jacob and Jonathan.

PROFESSORS OF MILITARY SCIENCE

1942-1944

Lieutenant Colonel Payton Winlock

1944-1945

Lieutenant Colonel Benote H. Lee

1945-1946

Captain William J. Gray

1946-1948

Lieutenant Colonel Leon Lavoie

1948-1951

Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Wesner

1951-1954

Lieutenant Colonel Orion Page

1954-1956

Major Robbin Washington

1956-1958

Lieutenant Colonel John Woodruff

1958-1959

Lieutenant Colonel Howard Bartholomew

1959-1963

Lieutenant Colonel Howard Hinkson

1963-1967

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hill

1967-1969

Lieutenant Colonel Marvin E. Billups

1969-1971

Lieutenant Colonel Louis J. Weil

1971-19-74

Colonel Lawrence M. Sevdy

1974-1976

Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Goldsmith

1976-1979

Lieutenant Colonel Edward Robertson

1979-1983

Lieutenant Colonel Charles T. Ledbetter

1983-1984

Lieutenant Colonel Douglas W. Richmond

1984-1989

Lieutenant Colonel Quewanncoii C. Stephens

1989-1993

Lieutenant Colonel Willie C. Lucas

1993-1996

Lieutenant Colonel Herbert E. Lattimore

1996-1999

Lieutenant Colonel Raphael P. Deegan

1999-2000

Lieutenant Colonel Robert T. Kleppinger

2000-present

Major John M. Horn, Sr.

ROTC HALL OF FAME

The West Virginia State College ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Previous inductees include:

1980

Major General (Ret) Edward Greer
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers*
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown

1981

Colonel (Ret) Frank C. Bacon
Colonel (Ret) George E. Peters, Jr.
Colonel (Ret) Robert L. Peters
Dr. Vincent E. Reed

1982

Colonel (Ret) Grover A. DuBose
Colonel (Ret) James M. Garrison, Jr., M.D.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Nelson R. Bickley
Dr. William J. L. Wallace (H)*
Dr. Prince A. Williams (H)*

1983

Brigadier General Robert L. Stephens, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Preston A. Davis
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Haywood H. Martin

1984

Major General Joseph E. Turner USAR (Ret)
Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Stokes, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Richard V. White
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard L. Wilson

1985

Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III
Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) James L. Hill

1986

Colonel (Ret) Paul H. Easley, Sr.
Colonel (Ret) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John E. Baker
Major (Ret) James W. Hawkins, Jr.

1987

Colonel (Ret) Vandy L. Miller
Colonel (Ret) Herman H. Jones
Colonel (Ret) James W. Vallandigham
Colonel (Ret) James W. Reed

1988

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) C. Milton Kates
Colonel (Ret) Alphonso W. Nabors
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Bernice McGhee
Colonel (Ret) Edwin A. Wilkerson

1989

Major General Kenneth D. Gray
Colonel William P. Greene, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stephen S. Whisiker*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John L. Whitehead*

1990

Brigadier General James W. Monroe
Brigadier General Jack Yeager
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Acie McGhee, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald E. McLeod
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) George S. Roberts

1991

Colonel Ronald E. Townsend
Colonel (Ret) Kenneth A. Ingram
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Henry R. Bellinger
Commissioner Earl E. Jones

1992

Colonel (Ret) James Manning
Colonel (Ret) John Mackey
Colonel Donald Townsend
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Dennis Neighbors
Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright (H)*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly (H)
Dr. John W. Davis (H)*
Mr. James Evans (H)*

1993

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald H. Poole
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Rodney I. McCormick*
First Lieutenant (Ret) Beny J. Primm, M.D.
Dr. Thomas D. Boston

1994

Colonel Frankie D. Hoskey
Colonel Terry L. Tucker
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Lazelle Free, Sr.
Major (Ret) George L. Rich, Jr.

* Deceased

ROTC HALL OF FAME (Continued)

1995

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Keith Sovine
Captain John Willis Hill Gravely
First Lieutenant Herbert Henderson
First Lieutenant Edward Scott
Sidney Taylor Brown (H)

1996

Lieutenant Colonel Lew G. Tyree
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Haggins
Major Jeff Chandler Woods
Captain A. Dayton Carpenter

1997

Brigadier General Earl M. Simms
Lieutenant Colonel Carolyn L. Maddox
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clifford Hill
Captain Jerry L. Hatcher

1998

Brigadier General John E. Barnette
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ferguson B. Meadows
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francisco B. Newman

1999

Leutenant Colonel (Ret) John F. Hailey
Leutenant Colonel (Ret) Herbert L. Lawrence
Leutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Wilson
Leutenant Colonel (Ret) Frank E. Duncan
Leutenant Colonel Timothy A. Boyles (Posthumous)*

2000

Colonel (Ret) Cardell S. Hunter
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frederick C. Franklin
Lieutenant Colonel (USAR Ret) Howard G. Hicks, Jr.
Major (Ret) Charles S. Corprew, Jr.

ROTC HALL OF FAME HONORARY MEMBERS

The West Virginia State College ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Honorary members are normally inducted once each decade. Honorary inductees include:

1982

Dr. William J. L. Wallace*
Dr. Prince A. Williams*

Dr. John W. Davis*
Mr. James Evans*

1992

Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly

1995

Mrs. Sidney Taylor Brown

* Deceased

WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE ROTC

14 DECORATED GENERAL OFFICERS

Name	Year of Graduation
Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray	1966
Major General (Ret) Edward Greer	1948
Major General (Ret) James W. Monroe	1963
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers	1951
Major General (Ret) Joseph E. Turner	1961
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams	1950
Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) John E. Barnette	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown	1954
Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms	1968
Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens	1962
Brigadier General (Ret) Terry L. Tucker	1972
Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager	1965

ALMA MATER

Ernest Wade '30

Martha Spencer '31

There is a place we love so dear—
Its name we'll ever praise and revere
'Tis West Virginia State we love—
Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing—
Lift our voices 'til heavens ring—
As we gaily march along—
We'll sing a song—
For Alma Mater
How we love her
Pride of all our loyal hearts—
From her we will never part—
Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few
Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by,
And send her praises to the sky;
To place her over all the rest,
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;
Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die—
Arise! O men of God and sing;
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.



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