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Next Reunion - August 1, 2, 3, 2002 on Campus in Columbia



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New Buildings on Campus



VEST Hall...The newest building on campus was dedicated April 1 of this year. The 28,700 sq. ft. facility houses 21 classrooms for Kindergarten thru Sixth grade.

Alumni attending the CMA campus for the first time at Reunion '02 will view a number of campus improvements including: two new learning centers (the Mariemma B. Grimes Learning Center and Vest Hall); a girl's softball field; a student parking lot; a soccer field; a new tennis complex and a band building (Hobbs Hall) adjacent to Frierson Hall.

The former band hut behind South Jackson, now accommodates the Boy Scouts.

In addition there are modern concession stands at a number of the athletic fields.

Vest Hall with 28,700 sq. ft. on two floors is the newest and most impressive building on campus.

It features 21 classrooms, offices, workrooms, a media center, state-of-the-art library, art studio, music room and computer lab. It will accommodate kindergarten through 6th grade students.

A new "Main Gate" has been built leading into the campus halfway between the railroad track at Mount Pleasant Pike and Academy Lane. This entry leads directly to the Administrative Offices in Vest Hall.

Grimes Hall is located near the old campus entrance at the corner of Mount Pleasant and Academy Lane. It was completed in 1997 and was added to accommodate an additional 125 pre-schoolers enrolled at the Academy.

Future plans include the addition of the Columbia Military Academy Memorial to be located where the old bull ring was. At the end of the "Senior Walk", the memorial will be a part of every graduation ceremony held



GRIMES HALL...The Mariemma B. Grimes Learning Center was added in 1997 to accommodate pre-schoolers.

at the Academy.

Whitthorne Hall and the Wrestling Hut/Stables have been torn down.



NEW TENNIS COMPLEX...This new five court complex was completed in September of this year. It's on the west side of the Gymnasium near South Jackson.

“Whhhhaazzuupppp Dudes” *Odds and Ends from Here and There*

Dr. William O.H. Perry (**Class of ‘49**) and his wife Sue visited the Grand Canyon, Mesa Verde, Colorado, Mt. Rushmore, and the Tetons with a return trip through Salt Lake City and Las Vegas. One of the highlights was the Mormon Tabernacle Choir singing the “Battle Hymn of the Republic”. The good doctor continues to be involved in community activities as a Sheriff’s Volunteer, Meals on Wheels and as a Hospital Volunteer in Morro Bay, CA.

Stan Sullivan (**Class of ‘55**) received recognition by the Episcopal Church for his service to the Elders of the Gwichyn Athabascan Indians given in the name of St. Anna and St. Simeon. Stan retired from the clergy the first of the year and is raising and training Australian Shepherds for herding. He has a litter due Nov. 20th that is entered in the Blue Bonnet Futurity in 2004.

In the last (Summer) issue of the “Bugle,” Phillip Terry Thomas (**Class of ‘66**) and John D’Armond (**Class of ‘66**) were wondering if anyone remembered how the “uniform of the day” got changed from winter woolens to summer dress somewhat prematurely on 4/1/63.

They were wondering who got bullring time for such a bold move.

The mystery has been solved.

Mark Morris (**Class of ‘63**) confesses that he was working self-help in the mailroom when he dropped off the Commandant’s mail that day, picked up a felt tip pen and hand printed “The Uniform of the Day for 3rd Mess is Summer Cottons” tacked it to bulletin board and left.

In Mark’s words, “If ‘Wedgehead’ ever figured out who did the deed, he never mentioned it to me and I never received one lap around the bullring for it.”

Ed Kaeser III (**Class of ‘66**) is marketing director for Arrowsmith Eye Institute in Nashville. He and his father were lucky enough to have had Colonels Gracey and Wilhoitt for instructors.

Tom Ballentine (**Class of ‘67**), chief financial officer for the Knoxville law

firm of Baker, McReynolds, et al, has been appointed co-chairman of the Knoxville Dogwood Arts Festival for 2002. A member of that organization’s Board of Directors and Executive Committee, Tom is the Festival’s president elect for 2003. The Festival runs for several weeks in the month of April, celebrating the Arts, Culture and History of East Tennessee.

Rob Haener (**Class of ‘70**) is finishing his Ph.D. in Church-State Relations and Theology of World Religions at Baylor University in Waco, TX. He has two sons, one finishing college and the other high school this year. His wife, Barbara, is a hobby quilter. Rob will work in Washington, DC as a consultant on First Amendment issues upon graduation.

Academy Hall/Adm. Bldg. Replicas Are For Sale

Academy Hall and Administrative Building reproductions are available for \$50 each plus shipping (\$8.95 for one, \$13.95 for two) by calling Wayne Phillips at (931) 388-3097. Wayne is a member of Columbia Academy’s PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization).

The PTO each year contracts for reproductions of buildings located on campus to raise money for student activities.

In 1998 they sold Old Main replicas and in 1999 they sold Guardhouse reproductions. Both sold out.

The porcelain replicas are approximately 7-1/2 in. long by 5-1/2 in. wide and 6 in. tall.

They currently have about 100 copies of Academy Hall on hand and have on order 300 copies of the Ad Building (Ragsdale Hall). About 50 reproductions of the Administrative Building have been pre sold.

To order, you can either call him or e-mail him at: wjphillips@hotmail.com



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Class of '76's Ricky Perry Donates \$50,000 to CSCC

A sizable gift by CMA grad Richard "Ricky" Perry (Class of '76) honoring his grandparents has been announced by Columbia State Community College, Columbia, TN.

Perry, managing director for the Institutional Equity Department for Bear Stearns & Co. in New York dedicated the grant in the names of Milton Perry and the late Viola Perry and Lora LaMay and the late Roy LeMay in a ceremony held Oct. 21.

The grant, totaling \$50,000 is divided into two parts with \$30,000 going to the building fund for the Hickman Humanities Building and \$20,000 earmarked to fund scholarships.

Ricky attended David Lipscomb Univ. before transferring to the Univ. of Tennessee, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in political science in '81.

Perry has 12 years experience in domestic and emerging market sales, new business development and corporate finance. He has successfully covered a broad range of institutional accounts including representation of major mutual funds and pension funds.

He worked for Merrill Lynch and L.F. Rothschild, Unterberg & Towbin prior to affiliating with Bear Stearns.

Milton Perry, a letter carrier in Maury County for 36 years, received one of the last presidential appointments as Mr. Pleasant Postmaster on Jan. 17, 1969

Safety Concerns Address Future Terrorist Attacks

Air defense consultant, Woody Pettigrew (Class of '73) cited moral as being exceptionally high following the September 11 attack at an October Rotary Club breakfast in Columbia.

"You hit us, you sucker punched us. But we are not going to be put down by this," stated the retired Army Lieutenant Colonel.

Pettigrew said American security depends on what citizens expect from their government and what they are willing to stomach.

"One of the questions is, are the American people ready to see Army protective units sitting on I-65? Are they ready for that?" he said.

He stipulated that he is just as uncertain of the future as everyone else.

A . W . O . L .

This is a listing of cadets we have addresses on but do not know their graduating class. Please help us by e-mailing their name and class designation to: memnet@memphisnet.net

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The 2000 Grand Reunion cost the association approximately \$16,181.89. Almost all of the manpower is provided by local alums. The 2000 Grand Reunion brought in approximately \$27,933.75. So we were pleased to have raised sufficient funds to keep publishing (and mailing first class) the BUGLE and provide for the 2002 Grand Reunion.

Please contact me at 931-388-9128 if you would like more detailed information regarding the association's finances.

Becky Moon

Class of '53 to Celebrate at Next CMA Grand Reunion

Class Chairman Don Kimbrell and co-worker Bill Sefton are looking for a big turnout from the Class of '53 at next August's Grand Reunion.

The duo is contacting cadets for a group supper following the Friday afternoon cocktail party in Columbia.

If you know of any Class of '53 bellhops not presently listed on the CMA web site, contact Don (e-mail: donkim@froglevel.net) or Bill (e-mail: bsefton@benporter.com).

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SILVER TAPS

Edward F. Hessel Jr., Class of '47, died Aug. 22 at Norton Suburban Hospital, Louisville, KY. He was 72.

Long active in CMA Alumni planning and program implementation, Ed was former president of the Greater Louisville Better Business Bureau retiring as president in 1989.

In 1972 while serving as executive vice president of the Bureau, he was appointed by then Kentucky Gov. Wendell Ford to the state's Consumer Advisory Council.

A Lexington, KY native, Hessel was an Army veteran of the Korean War also serving during the Berlin Crisis and retiring as a colonel from the Army Reserve in 1981 after 32 years.

He went to work for radio station WHAS in 1959, later becoming promotions director for WHAS-AM, WHAS-TV, and WHAS-FM.

A car buff, Ed was additionally executive director for the Louisville Automobile Museum, a member of the British Sports Car Club of Kentucky, Avanti Car Club of Kentucky and the Kentucky Porsch Club.

In addition to his activities involving the

CMA Alumni Association he was affiliated with the Association of the Century, Kentucky Rotary, Patton Museum Foundation in Fort Knox, Fort Knox Disciplinary Control Board, Advertising Club of Louisville and Kentucky Council on Economic Education.

Ed is survived by a son, Edward F.G. Hessel III; a daughter, Paige E. Hessel; a sister, Julia McDonald; and his mother, Annella Hessel.

He was buried in the Lexington Cemetery.

Harry N. Rodgers, III, Class of '55 N/G died December 22, 2000 in Gulf Breeze, FL of complications from a brain tumor. He was 63.

A native and long time resident of Memphis, "Little Harry" moved with his family to Gulf Breeze in 1985 purchasing Kevin's En La Playa. He retired in 1991 for health reasons and to spend time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Icela Rodgers; four sons, Neman Rodgers IV, Lee Bateman, Josh Rodgers, and Gunner Rodgers, and two grandchildren; Justin and Nathan Bateman.

Catherine Cooper Walker (Class of '75) is shown continuing her drilling skills this past Summer with The Corporal's Guard of Grenadier Guards at Winsor Palace, England.

*Photo by Rebecca Algood Moon
(Class of '75)*



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