



11 October at Arlington

## Augusta alumni to lay wreath at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

In a salute to all AMA alumni killed in all our nation's wars, the Augusta Military Academy Alumni Association will place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Arlington

National Cemetery on Saturday 11 October. Alumni Association President **Goodloe Saunders, '57**, will lead a contingent of 4 AMA men forward to lay the wreath in a ceremony which will begin at 2 PM. The guard is changed precisely at that hour, and the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Tomb Guard will explain the significance of the ceremony, announcing that AMA is placing a wreath at the spot where lie unknown servicemen from World Wars I and II, the Korean War, and Vietnam.



**Harry Campbell, '70**, who arranged the honor for AMA, says that a bugler will sound taps at the moment the wreath is placed at the base of the tomb. All Augusta alumni and friends are

invited and will have a place of honor on the center steps of the Arlington Amphitheater directly in front of the tomb itself. Those who wish to attend should meet at the Arlington National Cemetery Visitor Center no later than 1 PM for the walk to the tomb site. Automobiles are not allowed inside the cemetery grounds, but if there are alumni or friends who are not able to walk to the tomb, a special vehicle pass can be issued upon advance request to Campbell's office.

### Board to meet

Saunders announced that the AMA Alumni Association Board will meet at 10 AM on Saturday 11 October at the Arlington Inn (Best Western) located on Interstate 395 on the Virginia side of the

14th Street Bridge which connects the District of Columbia and Virginia. All alumni are invited to attend. Following the board meeting, those in attendance will travel to Arlington National Cemetery for the wreath laying ceremony. (See **Board** on page 11) Business attire is not required, but national cemetery regulations prohibit the wearing of jeans, halter tops, and the like. No speeches or placards are permitted on the cemetery grounds.

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schedule on page 11**

Augusta Military Academy  
Alumni Association, Inc.



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Dear Fellow Alumnus:

This is my first letter to you as President of the AMA Alumni Association, Inc. I am extremely grateful to my predecessor **Gary Nicholson, '70**, who made the transition so painless and easy. He and his fellow officers are owed our most sincere thanks for all they accomplished during Gary's presidency.

I have said that I want us to think about two new programs in the year ahead: remembering Augusta in our wills and bequests, and taking advantage of a bequest we already have received to get an AMA Museum open and operating. As you know from reading the last few issues of *The Bayonet*, the Alumni Association has received a gift totalling about \$30,000 with the proviso that the money can only be used for a building of some sort. A judge is overseeing the distribution of the estate and the only way we can spend this money is on bricks and mortar.

It seems a wise course of action to take advantage of this generous bequest to get a museum in place. We have so many invaluable and irreplaceable objects and records. Many of our alumni have offered to donate uniforms, sabers, yearbooks, and other Augusta memorabilia once we get a museum in operation.

We will be discussing the creation and location of an Augusta Military Academy museum at our next AMA Alumni Association Board meeting on Saturday 11 October. Every AMA alumnus and friend is invited to this meeting to hear and join in the discussion. More details on the time and place of this important meeting will be found on page 11.

See you there! And then we can all attend the AMA wreath laying ceremony at Arlington Cemetery.

*Goodloe Saunders, '57*

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## Letters to the editor

### Scholarship winner

I would like to thank you all for your support in granting me the 1996 AMA Legacy Scholarship. I never had the opportunity to attend Augusta, obviously, but I have always admired AMA and its graduates.

For years people have told me that I'd get so many scholarships because of my strong academic record and my 1540 SAT, but that just isn't true. I will enter the University of Virginia this month in the field of computer science, with no financial aid.

I was just accepted as a Rodman Scholar in the School of Engineering; this is a special honor given to only 35 of the 470 first-year engineering students.

Thanks again! I deeply appreciate the trust you have placed in me. I will do everything I can to make you proud of having given me this generous scholarship.

**David Karlsson Click**  
son of **Edwin F. Click, '50**



**David Karlsson Click**

### Livicks write

A wonderful weekend at the 1996 reunion! We thank all for the wonderful tribute to the Roller and Livick families.

I love my tray with its dedication to my grandfather and Mal loves the clock given

to him by the alumni association. Both always will have a special place in our home and in our hearts. Thank you so much!

**Linda Roller Livick**

1931

**Birch Grawl** says he stays busy 8-10 hours a day keeping up with his 4 acres in Glen Mills, PA. The father of his new neighbor across the street is the brother of **George Chandler**, '50.

1935

**Julian Quarles** and **George Adam**, roommates in 1934-35, have reconnected, thanks to help from **Ed Click**, '50. Ed, keeper of the AMA mailing list, got the old friends back together. In World War II, Julian was in Europe and George was in the Pacific. Both won 2 Silver Stars, 2 Bronze Stars and 2 Purple Hearts. Julian was a POW of the Germans.

1939

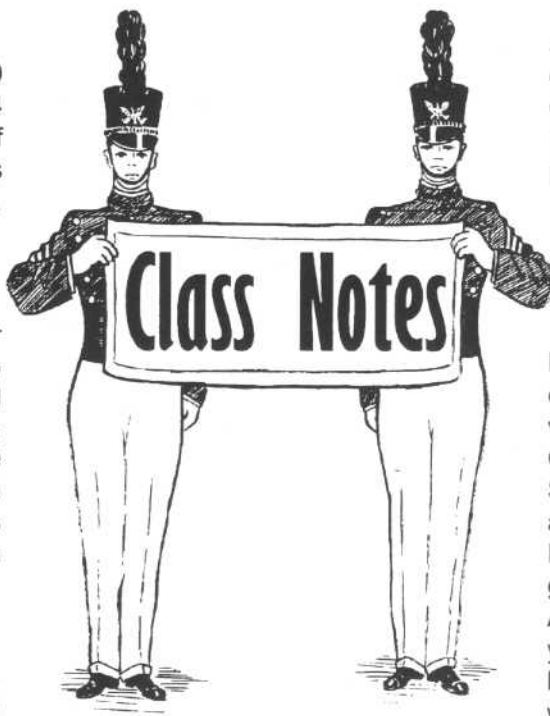
**Mickey Gordon** and **John Herring**, '47, attended a University of Virginia *Cornerstone Society* luncheon together in Charlottesville this summer. Herring recently returned from a visit of London.

1942

**Bill Walsh** is a contractor in the Frederick, Wheaton and Gaithersburg, MD area. Bill spent 38 months overseas with the 128th AACS Group of the Air Force during World War II.

1943

**Tom Stanley** retired as director of the Mead Corporation and a number of other corporations in April of this year. He was Chairman, President and CEO of the Stanley Furniture Company until 1974 (Stanley and Mead merged in 1969). A week after leaving AMA in 1943, Tom entered VMI where continuous classes were conducted all through World War II. This year, he attended the 50th anniversary of the VMI Class of '47. 48 years ago, he married Ruth Barnes whose 3 brothers all graduated from Augusta. They have 3 children and 8 grandchildren. The Stanleys spend time each winter with **Jack Jansing**, '43, in Hobe Sound, FL, and they attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of **Frank Vass**, '43, and Eloise in Galax, VA in July.



1945

**Frank Pursel** went in the Army Air Corps after Augusta, and later graduated from college in New York State. He owned and operated an orchard and had 2 sons, one an Annapolis graduate and the other a graduate of Slippery Rock. Frank is now retired and is into golf, woodworking, and surfing the net.

**Curtis Burt** is in his second career as a real estate agent in North Carolina



Three from the '30's - **Mickey Gordon**, '39; **Ben Chiswell**, '32; and **Julian Quarles**, '35 at the 1997 AMA alumni reunion. (Photo by **Bob Harris**, '54)

and Virginia. In 1982, he retired as an engineer with NASA. After AMA, Curtis served in the Navy Amphibious Forces in the Pacific, and was preparing for the invasion of Japan when the atomic bombs ended World War II. Curtis' e-mail address: [cburtjr@bellatlantic.net](mailto:cburtjr@bellatlantic.net)

1947

**Bill Sumner** retired in July as Director of the Oriental Institute at the University of Chicago, and has moved to Columbus, OH. He had taught at Ohio State for 18 years previously, and was an archaeologist in Iran before that. Bill attended VMI for a year, then graduated from the US Naval Academy. He served in the Navy 12 years, reaching the grade of lieutenant commander. His senior year at AMA, he was the Captain of Headquarters Company.

**Wilson Harrell** visited AMA with his wife on the weekend of the annual reunion. Wilson runs Hobby Loads, a model train business in Newport News. Our thanks to **H.L. "Bud" McCawley**, '43, for this bit of news.

1948

**Richard McLaughlin** went to London in July for the 50th wedding anniversary of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip. He attended the Royal Pageant of the Horse, the largest such equestrian event held in the last 200 years. Even the Charge of the Light Brigade was recreated. In June, Richard attended a reunion of A Troop of the 106th Cavalry, his unit in World War II.

**Bill Harris'** long search for his 1947-48 roommate in #5 in the Tower has ended. It turns out that **Carter Wood** had changed his last name to Sullivan. Thanks to **Hal Walters**, '48, and his computer, Bill and Carter finally reconnected this summer. Carter lives in Virginia Beach with his wife Pat.

1949

**Gray Kinnie** lives in Hilton Head, SC. He and **Jim Pigg** graduated

