



Colonel Hoover dead at 92

Colonel Paul Vance Hoover, a fixture at Augusta Military Academy for nearly 45 years, passed away peacefully at his home in Lancaster, PA on Friday 24 October. He would have celebrated his 93rd birthday in February.

Paul Hoover came to Fort Defiance in the autumn of 1938, and he was there until AMA closed its doors. In addition to teaching mathematics and foreign languages, he coached several Augusta sports including fencing, lacrosse, JV football and soccer.

Word of Hoover's death came as this issue of *The Bayonet* was going to press. The **SPOTLIGHT** feature inside is dedicated to Colonel Hoover, 3 pages of photos and memories provided by his former students and athletes.

A funeral service for Colonel Hoover will be held at Groff's Funeral Home in Lancaster on Saturday 8 November. The Colonel's nephew, Bill Hoover, said that while the obituary will announce that the service is private, *everyone affiliated with AMA is invited to attend*. The service will begin at 11 AM with interment nearby to follow.

AMA honors her heroes at Arlington



AMA alumni stand ready to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Arlington National Cemetery. Left to right, Clyde Ramsey, '49, who served 16 months in Korea during the Korean War; Lieutenant Colonel Steve Trent, '70, representing alumni who served in Desert Storm; Goodloe Saunders, '57, retired Air Force lieutenant colonel, Vietnam veteran and President of the AMA Alumni Association; Mickey Gordon, '39, Marine combat veteran of World War II; and members of the 3rd Infantry Honor Guard at Arlington National Cemetery.

Mal Livick recovering from heart attack

Colonel Malcolm Livick, AMA's principal and superintendent from 1966 until 1980, suffered a heart attack at his home, White Hall, on 5 October and later underwent bypass surgery at the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville. Livick is recovering at home. Story on page 5.

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Dear Fellow Alumnus:

Who was your favorite teacher at AMA? Was it **Doc Savedge** or maybe **Colonel Koogler**? Perhaps it was **General Roller** himself or **Paul Hoover** (captain, major or colonel, who is profiled on page 7). Was it **Mal Livick** or **Tim Mannasmith** or **Cy McCue** or **Sergeant Josephson**?

Each generation of Augusta cadets had its favorites, and next May we will pay tribute to all these great men (and women too!) The 1997 AMA Reunion will be a salute to our faculty members. As **Hap Starr, '51**, said in his essay about **Colonel Deane**, "We don't talk about our mentors enough; those gifted and giving men who spent their lives turning children into men, often with a lot of kicking and screaming by both mentor and child."

Well, on May 1-2, 1998, we're **going** to talk about our teachers. We're going to invite them to attend our reunion and to renew old friendships. And in that regard, we are going to need your assistance. We have lost track of many of our wonderful instructors. When the school closed, records and addresses vanished, but we believe that there are people out there who know where our faculty members can be found today. In this issue of *The Bayonet*, and in each issue between now and the 1998 reunion, we will be asking your help in locating AMA's great teachers so that we can invite them to join us next May. Please give this your best effort.

It will be an unforgettable experience to see our "old" teachers on May 1-2 of 1998!

Goodloe Saunders, '57

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Faculty Facts

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." - Henry Brooks Adams

William Sedr is Headmaster at Fishburne Military Academy. He was a teacher, coach and headmaster at Augusta 1978-84. Sedr says he believes that "the Fishburne and AMA Alumni Associations can work together. We have much in common (close ties to VMI, long athletic rivalry) and it seems that the 2 organizations should be able to cooperate." e-mail at: <http://www.fishburne.org/>

Don Studer lives and works in Waynesboro. "I planned to attend the reunion last May but I fell asleep and did not awaken until 2000 hours. That's what happens when you get old!" Studer was active Army until 1981 and worked in the Commandant's office until the school closed. e-mail address: dstuder@cfw.com

AMA'S FACULTY

will be honored at the 1998 AMA Reunion on May 1-2. (See stories on pages 17 and 18) The **search is on** for all AMA teachers and staffers. If you know how to reach a former AMA faculty member, see **SEARCHING** on page 17. We will need everyone's assistance to make the 1998 AMA Reunion a huge success!

NEW ADDRESS!

The *Bayonet* has a new mailing address. Send all news items, letters to the editor and photos to:

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1939

Mickey Gordon recently had lunch with **Hilton Roller Grasty, Colonel Tom Roller's** daughter, in Charlottesville. The Gordons hosted **Sergeant Joe Josephson** and his wife at the Gordon home in Fort Defiance. Josephson was in the AMA Military Department from 1969 through 1979.

1943

Herb McCawley has checked in from Indian Harbour Beach, FL. He's enjoying life to the fullest.

1947

Harry May and Jane have moved to a new house in Northern Virginia. New address: 20398 Rupert Island Place, Sterling, VA 20165. e-mail address: LJM1@aol.com

1950

Rodgers Huff is undergoing treatment for pancreatic cancer at Johns Hopkins and at the Medical College of Virginia. We're thinking about you, Rodgers, and know you are going to win the battle.

Bob Bradford visited his 2 sons in October. Joe is a Methodist minister serving 3 churches in Blue Grass, VA. Steve lives in Rockville, MD and is an applications engineer for TCI. Bob's daughter Laura lives in Folsom, CA. Her husband, Mike, is a Merrill-Lynch broker. Joe, Steve and Laura each have a daughter.

1952

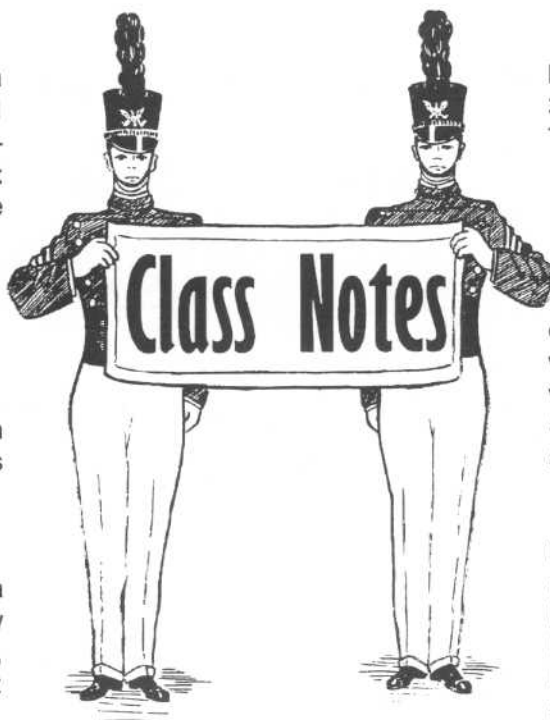
Duncan Wong was on a cruise ship this past summer and when ashore in the Virgin Islands, spoke by phone with **Hap Starr, '51**, who lives in St. Thomas.

1958

Jay Wood, after many successful years as a real estate broker in Virginia Beach, has moved to Smithfield, VA where he manages the Smithfield office of William E. Wood and Company.

1959

Bill Carroll lives in Pinellas Park, FL. He remembers with pride that he was



the Best New Cadet and that he made Roller Rifles his second year. e-mail: wcarroll@gte.net

Bob Durst owns a restaurant and bar just outside Indianapolis. He has lived in the Indianapolis area since the early 1960's.

1960

Bill McVey reports that he retired in January "and I am now down to just one boss who keeps me busier than usual!" The McVeys live in Fair Oaks Ranch, TX.



J. C. Campbell, '47, with his AMA diploma and his 1947 Recall. J.C. has been in the real estate business and has been married for 40 years. The Campbells live in Charleston, WV.

1962

Paul Taliaferro has been married for 34 years and has 5 children. The Taliaferros live in Winchester.

Bill Keller is Director of Compensation Issues for Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company in Cypress, TX. Bill just retired as a captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve with 30 years of service. He and Joan welcomed a grandchild, Trey, in September of 1996 and expect another grandson in January.

1963

Bob Whitlinger reports that he grew up in Highland County, VA and that his uncle was in the first AMA band. Bob lives in Westminster, CA where he is vice president of loss control at a workers' comp firm.

1965

J. Peyton Lea, III is a practicing criminal law defense attorney in Orlando where he has lived since 1977. He has 4 children: Carole, 28, is a psychologist; Michael, 23, is in grad school at Marquette University; Chad is a senior in high school and the starting running back this season; and Joey is in the 3rd grade. Peyton's dad, **J. Peyton Lea**, graduated from Augusta in 1929. e-mail address: JPLea3@aol.com

1967

Rick Smail has been hearing from lots of old and new friends since his picture appeared in the September Bayonet, seated on a Harley with his wife Mary Ann. They had rented the bike in Washington, DC and had ridden it to Staunton for the May reunion. Rick hopes to bike to the 1998 Reunion next May. The Smails live in Park City, UT. Rick is a Delta Airlines captain.

1969

Bill Scarborough is Branch Manager for Kaman Industrial Technologies in Houston. Bill says he is married for the second time "to a wonderful gal named Sue." Together, they have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. They live just north of Galveston where Bill likes to fish and golf.

