We hope to reach as many of our graduates as possible with this newsletter. Currently, we have potential contact with 3,900 alumni. We have email addresses for 2,300 of them. Our only opportunity to get this information to the other 1,600 is by sending it by U.S. Mail. Since less than two-thirds of the emails we send out get opened, this hardcopy paper version of our newsletter delivered to your mailbox increases the odds of you seeing it. If we are lucky, you’ll see it both ways.

Some might consider the paper copy of our newsletter to be the “dead-tree edition” and prefer the digital format. Not everybody in our group can read this on a smartphone, a laptop screen or a desktop monitor, and some of you still prefer to hold it in your hands to read, even if you can look at it on a screen. We are not so immersed in the digital world that we forget direct mail was once the only way to reach our alumni and still the way a large segment of you get information from us. We are also smart enough to realize that a good number of the contributions to our general fund each year and the Heritage Center project came from individuals on our contact list without an email address. The “no email” list of contributors to the Heritage Center includes eleven members of the Hall of Fame and three retired general officers. Five of them are lifetime members of the U.S. Field Artillery Association. Not everybody is a slave to technology.

The primary purpose of this newsletter is information, but if you have not contributed to the Heritage Center project, we hope you give it serious consideration. Now is your chance, as a proud graduate of the Artillery Officer Candidate School to join our team and help preserve our legacy. We must tell our story. It is entirely up to us to get it done. It’s all our project now, and we need you on our team.

If you have been reading our monthly email newsletter updates over the last few years, you have probably been scratching your head wondering what is going on. The answer is a lot, but in some cases, we are right back where we started months or years ago. We are going in the right direction and everybody involved now, is working together as a team. Thanks for your support and above all, thanks for your patience. The kind words of encouragement from so many of you and the daily interaction on a variety of topics, makes us realize that what we are doing is necessary and appreciated.

If you have been in contact with other graduates – please encourage them to email us or call us so that we can add them to our mailing list. If you are getting members of your class together for the reunion, it is always good for them and especially us to have them on our contact list. If you are not receiving our monthly email newsletters, please send us your email address.

Facebook has been an excellent way for us to regularly keep in touch with many of you. We now have 1,443 followers, and we are getting more engagements and interactions than ever. The Army OCS Alumni Association Facebook page has 1,406 followers. We hope to engage you more and keep ahead of them. We understand that Facebook is not for everybody, but it can be a very positive experience if you focus on the good. We encourage you to follow our Facebook page. We post pictures from the OCS archives, historical information, videos and Fort Sill happenings. Click the LIKE button below the cover photo on our Facebook page and future posts from us should appear on your news feed.
Annual Artillery OCS Alumni Reunion: May 13-15 at Lawton/Fort Sill

You and your guests are invited to attend the 36th Annual Artillery OCS Alumni Reunion May 13-15, 2020 at Lawton-Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Planned activities include:

- Optional Golf outing at the Fort Sill Golf Course on Wednesday morning (May 13)
- Icebreaker and Buffet (casual) - Wednesday evening (May 13) at Hilton Garden Inn, Lawton
- Artillery Live Fire Training Exercise with Static Equipment Displays and interaction with soldiers
- Durham Hall (Building 3025 - the Fort Sill Artillery OCS Hall of Fame) open for visitors
- Optional Morning Jark Stroll up Medicine Bluff
- Special Presentations and Q&A Sessions with Distinguished Graduates and Guests * Location TBD
- Tours of training facilities and updates from the Artillery Schools
- Tours of the U.S. Army Artillery Museum and the Air Defense Artillery Museum
- Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter Membership Meeting and Progress Report * Location TBD
- Social and Buffet (casual) - Thursday evening (May 14) * Location TBD
- Hall of Fame Banquet & Induction Ceremony (coat & tie) - Friday evening (May 15) * Location TBD

A tentative schedule will be posted on the 2020 Reunion Page of the Alumni Chapter website as soon we can make it available: artilleryocsalumni.com/reunion. The schedule of events and times will not be finalized until all activities undergo a legal review. Many of the activities we previously took for granted now require an exception to policy approved by the Commanding General. A copy of the final schedule will be provided to all attendees during the sign-in on Wednesday, May 13th. Reunion attendees must provide their own transportation to and from all activities. There is ample parking near all the planned events on Fort Sill. If you do not have a DOD ID card, you will need to fill out Fort Sill Form 118a (Request for Unescorted Access) and send a copy to us with your registration. We will deliver them in one bundle to Fort Sill for the entire group and individual passes will be ready upon your arrival at Fort Sill.

Sign-in and the Casual Icebreaker-Buffet will be at the Hilton Garden Inn Lawton-Fort Sill Convention Center, located at 135 NW 2nd St, Lawton. Sign-in will be from 10 am until 5 pm on May 13. Additional optional activities will be available on Fort Sill during the day. Enjoy fellowship and good food at the icebreaker kicking off at 5 pm, followed by a buffet at 6:30 pm in the Great Plains Ball Room. Late sign-in will be available during the evening event. Registration fees for the 2020 reunion are:

- OCS Alumni and Cadre: $225
- Spouses and Guests: $200

The price includes evening meals and complimentary beverages on May 13, 14, and 15 and noon meals on May 14 and 15. Also included is a pro-rated share of the printed reunion mailings, registration materials, Hall of Fame Program, event liability insurance, and other costs directly associated with the reunion. Advance registration and payment are required for all reunion attendees. The deadline for receipt of paid registrations is April 30th. If you are unable to attend for any reason - your payment will be refunded.

The reunion registration form and other information are available on the 2020 Reunion Page: artilleryocsalumni.com/reunion. If you cannot access the forms please call us at 580-355-5275 or email us: admin@artilleryocsalumni.com. We can mail you a registration packet (includes the registration form, Fort Sill Access Policy, Request for Unescorted Access (Form 118a) and local lodging information.

The Hilton Garden Inn has reserved a block of rooms for our reunion group for a daily rate of $96.00. If you would like to stay at the Hilton, the reunion group code is G205AC. You can call the hotel direct at 580-280-2100 or click on the group reservation link: hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/G205AC.
Artillery OCS Alumni Annual News and Commentary - February 2020

Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter
The Chapter Officers are Bill Ford (Artillery OCS TAC Officer 1966) President, COL (Ret) Harvey Glowaski (Class 1-67) Vice- President, Mike Dooley (Deputy Commandant U.S. Field Artillery School) Treasurer and Randy Dunham (Class 10-69) Secretary. The Directors are Rich Cobin (Class 19-67), COL (Ret) Wayne Hunt (Class 21-70), LTC (Ret) Dave Kendall (Class 8-65), and LTC (Ret) John Mennig (Class 22-66).

Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter Annual Meeting - May 9, 2020
The Annual Meeting of the Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter, Inc. will be held at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, during the 36th Annual Reunion. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 14 (time & location TBD). In addition to the regular business meeting, three directors will be elected to fill the expiring terms of Richard Cobin, COL (Ret) Harvey Glowaski, and COL (Ret) Wayne Hunt, who are all expected to seek re-election.

Special Presentations at the 2019 Reunion
Dr. Andrew Marble read from his biography of General John M. Shalikashvili (Class 5-59) “Boy on the Bridge-The Story of John Shalikashvili’s American Success” and conducted a Q and A session. We also held a drawing for copies of the book that were later sent to twelve lucky graduates.

LTC (Ret) Kurt Carlson (Class 10-70) shared his experience as a hostage on TWA flight 847 that was hijacked by Hezbollah Terrorists in 1985 and his later work with the U.S. Justice Department, FBI, the DOD School on Terrorism, the U.S. Air Force Command & General Staff College & the Special Operations Command.

A very special Thank You to Wayne Egan and his talented classmates from 15-69 for the wonderful musical performance during the Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony. Wayne also provided background music during the social time and meal. He recruited a bass player and drummer from the 77th Army Band and even had two field grade officers help him re-position the piano during his Friday afternoon rehearsal.

Thank You to all 137 alumni and their 71 guests who made the trip to Fort Sill for the 2019 Reunion. The weather was very nice most of the reunion, and it rained almost every day for two weeks after they left.

Congratulations to the 2019 Artillery OCS Hall of Fame Inductees
The Honorable Leonard L. Finz, Class 133-45 COL (Ret) Richard W. Devoe, Class R1-64
COL (Ret) Robert S. Coutchie, Class 3-67 COL (Ret) Alfred G. Snelgrove, Class 3B-68
COL (Ret) Craig F. Johnson, Class 12-69 LTC (Ret) Kurt L. Carlson, Class 10-70

Honorary Inductee: Congratulations to Penny Dunham, inducted as an Honorary Member of the Hall of Fame for her outstanding contributions to preserving the legacy of the Artillery Officer Candidate School. Previous Honorary inductees are BG (Ret) Lawrence Caruthers, BG (Ret) Marlin W. Camp, Mr. John R. Thomas, Mrs. Anna Lou Johnson and COL (Ret) Anthony J. Puckett

Alumni Chapter Scholarships for 2019
Three $1000 Scholarships were awarded during 2019. Congratulations to the following recipients:
• Julianne M. Canaley, University of Miami
• Brooke S. Errington, Kansas State University
• John W. Sandor, Jr., Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
The Alumni Chapter has awarded thirty-five individual scholarships totaling $29,500 since 2007.
OCS at Fort Benning

In April 1973, a 14-week Branch Immaterial Officer Candidate School was created to replace the branch-specific OCS courses. OCS for females merged with the branch immaterial program in December 1976.

The mission of OCS remains; to train selected personnel in the fundamentals of leadership; basic military skills; instill professional ethics; evaluate leadership; candidate’s potential; and commission those who qualify as second lieutenants in all sixteen basic branches of the Army.

OCS is a rigorous 12-week course designed to train, assess, evaluate, and develop second lieutenants for the U.S. Army’s sixteen basic branches. It is the only commissioning source that can be responsive to the U.S. Army’s changing personnel requirements due to its short length.

The U.S. Army Officer Candidate School is organizationally designated as 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, 199th Infantry Brigade. It is a subordinate unit of the Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCoE), also headquartered at Fort Benning. The battalion has five training companies and a Headquarters Company in operation, designated HHC, Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta and Echo—each of which can conduct one class at a time, with a maximum of 160 candidates being trained in each class. Upon graduation, candidates will have earned a formal commission as a US Army Officer and promoted to the rank of Second Lieutenant.

From the OCS Battalion Commander LTC (Armor) David T. Holstead (12-6-2019): Currently, the OCS Battalion is refitting from multiple classes in session and preparing for a hectic winter where, at certain points, we will have all four companies (plus the Direct Commission Course) in cycle simultaneously. While taxing, we are fortunate to have quality, dedicated cadre who are prepared to accomplish the mission. Recently, we modified the program of instruction to ensure that we maximize quality reputations and continuous feedback to allow the candidates to be as prepared as possible when they enter the force. We also have begun implementing the new Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) and certified 36 people to administer the test. The change from the old Army Physical Fitness Test, I believe, will help change the culture of fitness in our Army. Instead of training to the test, all Soldiers must possess a combination of core strength, agility, muscular strength, and endurance which is much more in line with what is needed when deployed. OCS classes will begin conducting the ACFT as a graduation requirement in Fiscal Year 2020, beginning with Class 001-20, currently in session.

Artillery OCS Hall of Valor

The Hall of Valor recognizes recipients of the Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross for Heroism, Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star with "V," Air Medal with “V” and the Army Commendation Medal with “V.” Awards for valor are an essential part of the legacy of the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill. You can help us document and preserve that history. Don't let it fade away.

If you are the recipient of any valor awards, we would like a copy of the GO or citation or other documentation for inclusion in our project. We can use a good quality scan sent by email or a hard copy sent by mail. This is an ambitious project and will take some time to complete.

So far, we have been able to document 499 Silver Stars from WWII, 103 from Korea, 172 from Vietnam, and 16 with the date of action unknown. We have documented 308 Bronze stars for heroism, 47 DFC’s for heroism, 42 Soldier’s Medals, 55 Air Medals with “V” and 47 ARCOM’s with “V.”

The military does not have a central location with information on medal recipients. Since there is no master list available for these awards, we are looking for your input to help with creating our list. We have just scratched the surface. If you know of anybody who should be added, let us know. All our documentation is provided to the Military Times Hall of Valor for inclusion on their website.
Hall of Fame Inductee Pictures
We are well on our way to having our Hall of Fame inductee pictures and biographical information available on-line. We currently have photos of 1,072 of the 1,115 inductees scanned and on-line. We are missing 43 photos. Thirty-eight of them are WW II DSC recipients. The biographical information will follow as time permits. The pictures are in several albums in alphabetical and class order. The images can be viewed by way of the Hall of Fame page or the Photo Gallery page. If you are in the Hall of Fame and would like to give us a different picture for display, please send us a good digital image by email or a hard copy by U.S. Mail.

Artillery OCS Hall of Fame
Our goal is to recognize all Artillery OCS graduates who attained the rank of Colonel (0-6) or above, in keeping with the original intent of the Hall of Fame. On January 5, 1968, nearly six months before the Hall of Fame was established by General Order, COL Martin Camp, Commander of the Officer Candidate Brigade, wrote “The west room of the Lanyard Lounge (Building 3031) will be the Hall of Fame and now contains pictures of graduates who have attained the rank of full colonel and above, and graduates who have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross or Medal of Honor….. I now consider this the appropriate time to announce to the general public, through Army news media, the establishment of this Hall of Fame to commence a concentrated effort for additional nominees....”

An announcement in the Armed Forces Journal and Army Times during December 1968 included the following concerning the OCS Hall of Fame: “Sill officials say that many of the school’s distinguished alumni may be missing from the Hall’s roster because class lists from the school’s early days are incomplete and because the Hall was established too recently for an extensive search to have been completed as yet. The school is seeking assistance from OCS alumni, therefore, in tracking down all eligible candidates for the Hall....”

MAJ (Ret) Benjamin Franklin Wilson (Class 56-43)
Since World War I, only twenty-three U.S. Army soldiers have been awarded both the Medal of Honor and Distinguished Service Cross for separate actions. One of those is MAJ (Ret) Benjamin Franklin Wilson, who retired on October 31, 1960. When the Artillery OCS Hall of Fame was established in 1968, he was quietly serving as the Executive Secretary of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, but nobody at Fort Sill realized he was one of our graduates until we discovered his story a few years ago. We just recently found rare video footage from 1954 of him being presented the Medal of Honor by President Eisenhower.

Fort Sill Artillery OCS Hall of Fame - Nomination Deadline is March 15
The deadline for receipt of nominations and the supporting paperwork for the May 15, 2020 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony is March 15th. Details on the nomination procedure and the required information is available in the Hall of Fame section of the Chapter website at www.artilleryocsalumni.com. Please take a few minutes to review the Hall of Fame criteria. You or some other worthy OCS alumni might be eligible. If you know of an OCS graduate deserving of the honor, please take the initiative and get started with the nomination process. We will be glad to help you. If you are a retired Colonel (O-6) or above and have not been inducted into the Hall of Fame, please let us know. We have 60 retired colonels and three retired general officers on our alumni mailing list who are not in the Hall of Fame. If you are one of them, please contact us. For the past 15 years and in keeping with the original intent of the Hall of Fame, we have continued the search that began in 1968 to track down all eligible candidates for the Hall of Fame. An unfortunate misconception that was perpetuated for a while was that the Hall of Fame was only for Artillery branch (FA or ADA) officers. That was never the case. Graduates from OCS at Fort Sill are eligible for the Hall of Fame, regardless of branch.

Visit our website often for updates on all of our activities: www.artilleryocsalumni.com
**Tax-Deductible Contributions to the Alumni Chapter**

The Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter Inc. is a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Service Code Section 501(c) (3), and all contributions for which no goods or services are provided are considered charitable donations.

Contributions to the Alumni Chapter are used for operating expenses and other purposes supporting our mission, including the planned construction of the Artillery OCS Heritage Center on the south side of the Artillery Museum. Contributions are needed and always welcome. If you desire to designate a donation for a specific purpose, please indicate your wishes in writing at the time of the contribution. To make a tax-deductible contribution, please send a check to:

Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter  
PO Box 33612  
Fort Sill, OK 73503  
Contributions can also be made through Pay Pal on the Chapter website.

**Master List of Artillery OCS Graduates and individual class rosters**

We have combined our master lists of graduates from 1941 to 1973 into one document. The National Guard and Reserve Class listings used to be separate from the “regular” classes. There was a master roster in alphabetical order for the regular courses (12-week, 17-week and 23-week) and a master roster in alphabetical order for the National Guard and Reserve classes (11-week courses).

The class rosters were also in separate documents broken down by decades. There was a set for the National Guard and Reserve graduates and another set for the regular classes. Those rosters have also been combined. The change makes it much easier for somebody who is looking for a graduate, but might not know if he was a Regular, National Guard or Reserve candidate.

There are now 49,184 names on the master list.  
47,656 regular graduates.  
1,169 Reserve.  
359 National Guard.

**Gallery in the Artillery Museum Features Uniforms from Artillery OCS Graduates:**

Museum staff and volunteers are working hard on the dioramas and display cases inside the current expansion project to the Artillery Museum. Several important uniform display cases have been created inside the new gallery. They feature items from distinguished Artillery OCS graduates. Here are a few:

One display case contains a khaki Army uniform of the 1950s that belonged to CPT (later MAJ) Charles Clime (Class 50-43), who was an aerial forward observer during World War II and the Korean War.

Another case houses the uniforms of two aerial rocket artillery pilots, LTC (Ret) Albert R. Woodruff (Class 53-54) and LTC (Ret) Edward J. Miller (Class 7-57). One is a one-piece flight suit, and the other a two-piece uniform made of the flame-retardant material Nomex. Woodruff was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses, and Miller was awarded three Distinguished Flying Crosses for Heroism and a Silver Star.

Another case contains a Vietnam prisoner of war uniform worn by CPT William Reeder (Class 20-66), the last American POW to be captured during the Vietnam War, and to have also survived the war. He was a Cobra attack helicopter pilot. Next to his POW uniform is one photo of him taken before he was shot down, and another taken the day of his release. He retired as a COL and donated the uniform many years ago.
More than half of the Artillery OCS graduates reading this newsletter have only heard from us four times in the last three years: The 2017, 2018, and 2019 annual newsletters and the November 2019 Heritage Center Fundraising newsletter. The letter you might have received from the Friends of Fort Sill in July 2018 was not from the Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter, so that doesn’t count in my tally.

I’ll bring you up to date with a quick summary of what got us where we are today and where we are going. It started five years ago. The changes and surprises along the way made my head spin at times, and the only way I can make sense of it is to look at a personal timeline I created. Some highlights follow.

January 28, 2015: The first meeting concerning the future of Building 3025, since it was named Durham Hall in 1999, was with Fort Sill Garrison Commander. It was a productive meeting and set us out on a five-year plan.

April 7, 2016: The Fort Sill Commanding General (then MG John Rossi) visited Durham Hall. Penny and I gave him the best one-hour history lesson we could manage. He was very engaged and asked a lot of pertinent questions. MG Rossi suggested that we not be hung up on the building we are currently in or the physical location. He stressed that the story and impact of the Artillery OCS as an institution and its culture is the most important thing. "You want to be where the most traffic is, not stuck in the middle of a large field that is hard to find," is what he said. He told us that a presence in the Museum footprint would be a great way to reach more people and something to work toward. We met with him again in June and July 2016, and he encouraged us to continue with our efforts and promised his support in any way possible after his time at Fort Sill ended.

February 2017 Annual Newsletter: The alumni are encouraged to consider a proposal to construct a replica of a WW II barracks to provide display space for items from the Museum collection, some of our memorabilia and history and gift it to the Army. A committee was formed to consider all options available to preserve our legacy.

March 2017: Estimates for a complete renovation and relocation of building 3025 to the museum footprint and incorporating it into the museum system, were obtained. We also got an estimate for the cost to construct a replica World War II-era barracks adjacent to the Artillery Museum and gifting it to the Army.

May 2017 Annual Meeting of the Alumni Chapter: The committee will coordinate with Fort Sill to find a workable solution to perpetuate the history and legacy of Artillery OCS and work on the concept for a building.

June 2017: The Alumni Chapter is offered the opportunity to donate $125,000 toward a new classroom/auditorium being funded by the U.S. Field Artillery Association as an addition to the Artillery Museum. It was to be part of the Fort Sill 150th Anniversary in 2019. We anticipated construction would occur in 2019, since funding was in place and planning was already underway to expedite the approval.

June 2017: The committee eagerly embraced the chance to join with the U.S. Field Artillery Association to finance the Museum expansion project.

February 2018 Artillery OCS Alumni Newsletter: We reported that a pledge from a single donor would fund a proposed Artillery OCS Memorial in Constitution Park and the committee recommendation to contribute $125,000 to the Museum Classroom Expansion Project at the Artillery Museum from funds already on hand.

May 2018 Annual Meeting of the Alumni Chapter: It was confirmed that the OCS Memorial was to be privately developed - not an Alumni Chapter project. The Friends of Fort Sill would handle the fundraising and pay for the construction of the memorial in contract with CDBL, Inc. a local construction company, that has completed many projects on Fort Sill and the surrounding area.
The memorial project and the museum expansion project in partnership with the Field Artillery Association were to be two separate projects, by different organizations. They complement each other and help tell the Artillery OCS story. The Alumni Chapter did not intend to handle any memorial funds.

July 6, 2018: Fundraising letter for the Artillery OCS Memorial was mailed out by the Friends of Fort Sill. In the end, nearly 500 graduates and cadre contributed more than $99,000 for the OCS Memorial Project.

September 4, 2018: The U.S. Field Artillery Association officially withdrew its support for the Artillery Museum theater/classroom expansion project. For more than a year, we were under the impression that the museum project was something that had been committed to by both parties. The DPW, SJA and the Museum completed a significant amount of preliminary staff work over that year and it must have been a disappointment to them when they learned that the Field Artillery Association pulled out. The additional facility is very much needed and wanted by the Museum. That was the first thing I verified after we found ourselves alone holding the bag and suddenly needing to raise money for this worthwhile project.

That was a set-back and an eye-opening experience. It allowed us to think seriously about the differences between our mission and purposes as a group of Artillery OCS alumni and the mission and purpose of the U.S. Field Artillery Association. Our directors welcomed the opportunity to take this on by ourselves.

There were a lot of obstacles along the way from September 2018 to November 2019, but there is no point talking about them now, except for one: The possibility of raiding the corpus of our endowment fund with the Lawton Community Foundation to help fund the museum project came up right after the Field Artillery Association pulled out. I thought we put that to rest, but the idea popped up again in April 2019.

The alumni finally put an end to the notion of raiding our Endowment Fund at the May 2019 annual meeting. They also approved a fundraising campaign to begin as soon as the Board of Directors determined the cost to construct a building that would meet the classroom and meeting space needs of the Artillery Museum, satisfy the requirements of the Directorate of Public Works, and garner the approval of Fort Sill Leadership.

The current fundraising effort kicked off on November 1, 2019 and is in full swing. The goal is to raise all the money needed to build the Heritage Center from graduates and cadre of the Artillery OCS and other individuals wanting to contribute. The Heritage Center is an Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter project and the finished product will be in the form of a gift to Fort Sill. I was confident that the graduates of the Artillery OCS at Fort Sill would step up to the challenge and you are certainly demonstrating that with your actions.

If you have not already contributed to the Heritage Center project, we hope you will seriously consider doing so. We need to accumulate at least $500,000 to build and furnish the facility, but we can’t stop there: We will eventually need additional funds for kiosks and other displays and for the preservation of archival items.

FYI: The Alumni Chapter has taken over the construction phase of the Artillery OCS Memorial. We are in the process of gaining approval from the Fort Sill Memorialization Board for several items not approved in the original gift package. The funds donated to the Friends of Fort Sill for the memorial project were transferred to the Alumni Chapter on October 24, 2019. A third party doing the record keeping for the project was only able to provide us a partial list of the donors. Army Regulation 1-100, The Army Gift Program, requires a complete list of donors. We have about 60% of the names right now. If you contributed, please send us the information to help us reconstruct the list. We think the list we received was for donations through the end of July 2018.

“Those of you who will soar with eagles in the morning should not hoot with owls at night."

LTG Carl H. Jark First Commandant of the Field Artillery Officer Candidate School
Artillery OCS Heritage Center Update: February 12, 2020

If you have internet access, you can keep up with our progress. You can see the current list of the donors on our website. There are lists with the names and classes of every contributor in both alphabetical and class order:

Click here for the latest updates: www.artilleryocsalumni.com/heritage/heritagecenter2020.pdf

We would like to add your name to the growing list of individual contributors. The Heritage Center project is a team effort and we hope everybody will become a team player. If you see the name of a long-lost classmate or an old friend you haven’t talked to in years, let us know and we will try to help you get back in contact.

We have been asked for some statistics - with total graduates in various categories and the percentage of that group that contributed (the participation rate):

There are 3,915 graduates on our contact list - 437 have contributed (11.16%)
934 graduates have attended one or more reunions since 2004 - 217 have contributed (23.2%)
There are 379 Hall of Fame members on the contact list - 105 have contributed (27.7%)
There are 53 retired General Officers on the contact list - 16 have contributed (30.1%)
There are 362 retired Colonels on the contact list - 87 have contributed (24%)
There are 481 retired Lieutenant Colonels on the contact list - 62 have contributed (12.9%)
There are 203 retired Majors on the contact list -26 have contributed (12.8%)
There are 36 retired Captains on the contact list - 9 have contributed (25%)
There are 2,790 others on the contact list - 237 have contributed (8.5%)
Total new contributions to the Heritage Center since November 1, 2019: $265,375

182 of the 437 individuals who have contributed to the Heritage Center Project so far, have made one or more contributions to the Alumni Chapter during the last 16 years. We are forever grateful to that very special group of donors. They make up 41.6% of the contributors to the Heritage Center. Without those generous contributions over the last 16 years we would probably not be around today. You know who you are – THANK YOU!!!!

Please tear off and send the donation form below with your check.

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We also accept contributions to the Heritage Center Project by credit card through PayPal