



# The Kablegram - Leader

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## Welcome Back to the Hill!



Sign posted on Kable Hall above the bust of Major Thomas Howie.

### SMA Reunions – History and Plans for the Next Two

Our beloved Staunton Military Academy (SMA) closed in 1976. At the time, there was no active alumni association. Mary Baldwin University (MBU) purchased our former campus in a bankruptcy sale. South Barracks was demolished in 1979, and North Barracks was demolished in 1982.

In 1984, the old boys from the SMA Class of 1974 wanted to have a reunion to celebrate their 10-year anniversary since graduating. That was the beginning of what became the Annual SMA All-Class Reunions. For the first decade and a half (thru 1998) these reunions were held at the Ingleside Resort Hotel and evolved from crazy lost weekends sustained by weenie roasts for nourishment to the more sophisticated and organized events we have today.

In 2001, the SMAAF relocated its alumni office back to The Hill and collocated it as part of the SMA-VWIL Museum and Archives in a renovated space that had formerly been the Supply Room beneath the asphalt. This has been our home ever since.

For the last two decades, the annual SMA reunions have been hosted by MBU and the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL) on our former campus and our reunion headquarters located at the Hotel 24 South (former Stonewall Jackson Hotel). During these reunions we recognize those classes

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## Reunited! Class of '73, other Old Boys make the most of the 2023 SMA Reunion

*by Mark Orr, '73*



### SMA Class of 1973 - 50th Reunion 2023

1st Row (L-R): Dee Mastroianni, Peter Birckhead, Chip Dasti, Jimmy Hinman, Dave Tenney, John Finke, Eddie Ryan, John Weitzel 2nd Row: Mark Beveridge, Mark Orr, Tim Scheel, Harry Broere, Tad Hall 3rd Row: George Mastroianni, David Shipula, Michael Pandak, Bill Hildebrand Missing from picture: Erich Kurre, John Hooser.

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# REFLECTIONS FROM THE HILL



Once again, our All-Class Reunion held mid-April was a great success. A good time was had by all, and while the passage of time has thinned our ranks a bit, we nevertheless continue to have successful reunions on the hill. Seventeen different classes were represented at the reunion. My Class of 73 celebrated our 50th with 21 classmates registered. Ralph Sebrell '45 and his wife Ann once again attended the reunion for the 25th time. Many who attended their first all-class reunion plan to return next year. The Board of Directors is committed to planning our reunions for as long as interest continues. We do not have a crystal ball, but following the lead of Ralph and Ann Sebrell, reunions could continue for quite a while. I encourage everyone who attended this year's to come back next year and to contact and encourage other classmates to gather in Staunton

April 5-7, 2024, for another great reunion.

Friday afternoon the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership Howie Rifles Drill Team and PEARLS unarmed drill team provided inspiring performances. In addition, VWIL's Color Guard, Band and entire Corps of Cadets turned in an impressive performance at Saturday's parade. We are very grateful for VWIL's participation in our reunions and their dedication to perfection. As always, a big Thank You to General Djuric, Command Sergeant Major Johnson and Band Director Richard Adams for preparing and directing the Band and corps of cadets. Special Thank You to Arlene and Brocky Nicely and Reunion Chairman Tom Phillips '74 for their efforts providing a successful Reunion.

Mary Baldwin University President Pamela Fox is retiring after serving 20 years as President of MBU. The Staunton Military Academy Alumni Foundation is truly grateful for the unwavering support of Dr. Fox over the past two decades. The SMA-VWIL museum and our reunions on the Hill are made possible with the cooperation of Mary Baldwin. The SMAAF honored Dr. Fox with a plaque of appreciation on the wall outside the museum. The plaque reads:

"Dr. Fox faithfully served 20 years as the 9th president of Mary Baldwin University (2003-2023). Under her leadership, Mary Baldwin became a distinctive coed university fostering diversity and access to higher education, establishing 30 new academic programs including MBU's first doctoral degrees, and cultivating a generation of civilian and military leaders. We are grateful to this honorary "cadet" who is committed to the legacy of SMA and VWIL Corps of Cadets and lives by our core values of Truth, Duty and Honor." (See related photo in this issue.)

Dr. Fox steps down as president knowing her programs and academic advancements at MBU have created many positive opportunities for students. A passion for learning and an optimistic attitude is always evident when in the company of Mary Baldwin and VWIL students and staff. Dr. Fox has created programs which we are sure will flourish far into the future. What a wonderful legacy for Dr. Fox knowing that this yearning for learning will continue to grow and multiply.

The SMAAF, like all of us, is aging, changing, and learning to adjust to new realities. The crowds may be smaller at our reunions, but they are no less enthusiastic about perpetuating the legacy of Staunton Military Academy through our support for the museum, our scholarship programs, MBU and VWIL, and most of all, our fellowship and friendship. TDH!

TRIVIA QUESTION: What 1954 SMA graduate was named a two-time first team All American lineman at Kentucky, finished fourth in the Heisman balloting his senior year and played 13 years in the NFL?

The answer is in the News and Notes section of this newsletter.

TRUTH DUTY HONOR!

David A. Shipula SMA '73

President, SMA Alumni Foundation

# Upcoming reunions

that are marking a significant milestone since graduating, such as their 50th, 55th, 60th, etc. anniversary as “honor classes.”

In 2024, the SMA All Class Reunion will be held on 4-7 April. The Class of 1974 will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary along with other honor class years ending in either a “4” or “9” who will also be marking their respective milestones. Unfortunately, due to the Covid Pandemic restrictions, the Classes of 1970 and 1971 were unable to celebrate their respective 50th anniversaries. Therefore, next year we are inviting members from the classes of 1970, 1971, and 1974 to return to The Hill and we will help you celebrate your respective 50th reunion.

Each of these three classes have organized their reunion committees and will be reaching out to their respective class members to encourage and get your commitment to attend your reunions. Here are the class reunion committee reps:

1974: Gene Ehmann, Tom Phillips, Bill Bissett

1971: Doug Nunn, Neal Riddle

1970: Kevin Gorman

In 2025, the SMA All Class reunion will be held on 10-13 April. Since the classes of 1975 and 1976 were smaller than previous graduating classes, we will be combining the 50th Anniversary milestone celebration for both classes in 2025. We encourage both classes to form their respective reunion committees to reach out to your classmates to get them to attend. Please provide the SMAAF Office with the names of your class reunion coordinators and their contact information.

1975: Warren Hutton

1976: Ed Smith

For all classes, the SMAAF Office can provide you with your respective class lists that includes the most current contact information held by the SMAAF, such as USPS address, email address, and phone numbers to help with contacting your classmates.

Keep current on reunion news by checking the Reunion page link on the SMA website: <https://sma-alumni.org/reunion/>

## Reunited 2023 cont.

The picture on page 1 is our class group picture taken after the SMA 2023 Reunion banquet. This was the 50th anniversary for the Class of 1973. We had 19 old boys from our class take the time and make the effort to help us mark this major milestone. Tad Hall gets extra points for having travelled the farthest distance (resides in California) and John Finke gets extra points for having been the first to register. Harry Broere deserves points for having traveled down from NY to attend and then turned around to participate in yet another Boston Marathon! Although we didn't break the record for class turnout, we did have a great time. Returning to the Hill for a reunion in the beginning of Springtime is special . . . walking around our former campus, seeing VWIL cadets in their uniforms (not unlike ours), and going inside the Mess Hall, and visiting the SMA-VWIL Museum (in the old supply room beneath the asphalt) brings back a flood of memories. While it hurts to see the empty space or parking lot where the former North Barracks and South Barracks used to be, there's still plenty to remind you of what once was our home.

The main treat, however, is spending time with your friends from 50 years ago . . . telling tall tales of hijinks and “got away with” type stories are what make it so much fun. I will say this, if you have never attended an SMA Reunion or if it's been a long time since you've been back, you owe it to yourself to make a return to the Hill while you are still able.

This year, the VWIL Howie Rifles Drill Team put on an excellent demonstration of their proficiency with the silent drill team. On Saturday, we were treated and honored with a Pass-in-Review Parade by the VWIL Corps of Cadets and marching band . . . again, another outstanding performance. Saturday afternoon, after the parade, the Class of '73 (and some other '70s attendees) met for lunch at a brand-new restaurant, Slyde 23, on Beverley Street downtown. We had 29 people invade this establishment (we did warn them the previous day though) and they did an excellent job.

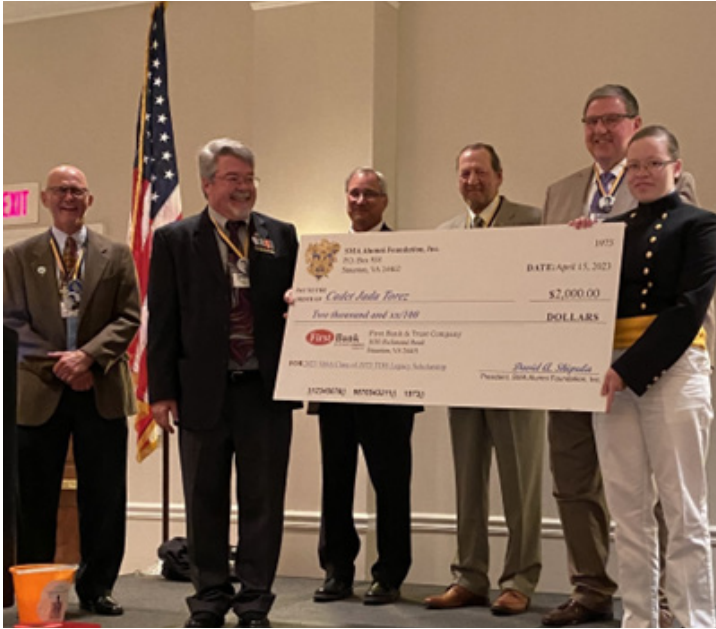
That evening during the Banquet, we awarded Cadet Jada Torez with the very first SMA Class of 1973 TDH Legacy Scholarship and a check for \$2,000, presented by the scholarship committee, to be used to defray MBU tuition costs. Cadet Torez is from Mansfield Texas, between Dallas and Fort Worth. Cadet Torez is on track to complete her Bachelor of Arts degree with a Criminal Justice major and Leadership Studies Minor; she has a 3.94 GPA. Cadet Torez is committed to leading next year as a line corporal with the VWIL Corps of Cadets and hopes to contract with the Air Force ROTC and commission in 2026.

Peter, George, Tim, David, and I especially want to thank the 29 contributors to this scholarship fund, which is now endowed at \$56,199; we could not have achieved this without your support. A very special “thanks” goes out to Brooks Holstein as the largest contributor to this scholarship.

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# Reunited 2023 cont.



VWIL Cadet Jada Tomez First Recipient of  
SMA Class of 1973 TDH Legacy Scholarship

The Class of '73 wrapped up its 50th anniversary celebrations with a class breakfast in the hotel. As entertainment for the attendees, a "Then & Now" slide show was projected showing pictures of classmates from our yearbook (then) with a side-by-side comparison on how they look now after 50 years. Additionally, pictures of our campus and buildings then & now were also included as well as an assortment of memorable, amusing pictures.

In coordination with the MBU University Advancement Office, I've set-up a donation designation selection link on the MBU website at:

<https://mbuempowers.com/give-form/>

Going forward, please use this link to make any future donations directly to the "SMA Class of '73 Endowed VWIL Scholarship" fund. If future donations reach \$62,500, the annual scholarship award could be increased from \$2,000 to \$2,500.

Finally, if you missed the reunion this year, consider coming next year . . . the dates are 5-7 April 2024.

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## Do you remember ... Church Squad

By Rich Henderson '63



When I entered SMA I found a whole new world of tasks and experiences. Meticulous shoe shining, laundry folding to exact specifications, daily bed making, and room cleaning necessitated by unscheduled inspections. Reports of one's attendance in classes, formations and even your presence in your room for study time and at lights out. Oh, and there was marching in cadence to and from everything.

I was raised attending church so when my parents brought me to the "Hill" my mother wanted to be sure there was a Lutheran Church in Staunton. We saw one near the large downtown Catholic church. That would be just fine with her. She then exacted a promise from me to be faithful and attend regularly. On my very first Sunday I learned that everyone was expected to attend the house of worship of their choice and do so by marching there. Easiest promise to my mom I would ever keep!

Church Squads formed on the asphalt following First Mess and the highest-ranking cadet was put in charge of each of them. The Lutheran contingency formed-up by the entrance to the Infirmary. Some squads marched down via Academy St. while others marched down Coulter St. depending upon the location of the various churches. The Lutheran squad marched down the hill towards the parade ground and boarded a bus.

A bus? downtown was not that far.

But we were not going downtown, no, we were taken to a new Lutheran Church out on route eleven. It was a puzzlement for me, was everyone going by bus to outlying churches? Not at all I learned upon returning to the school and I debriefed with my roommates. Christ Lutheran Church, which we had seen in town, had just built a new sanctuary and SMA had to make an adjustment.

My roommates, however, were dubious of my claim as they had marched a mile or more that Sunday. After several weeks I noted that one of the teachers, Capt. Robert Wease, also attended Christ Lutheran so I invited my roommates to check with him as to the veracity of my church squad claim. Later, my "perk" was tempered by the realization that once downtown, the other squads were released to enjoy 'leave-time' on Sunday afternoon. The Episcopal Squad, for example, was attending worship right by Stuart Hall, a girl's boarding high school. (sigh)

To my knowledge my transport experience was unique to the church going at SMA and it remained that way all the years I attended. I have since worshiped at Christ Lutheran, with my wife, following several reunion weekends. Although I am a Presbyterian Minister it was both nostalgic and spiritually uplifting.

# News and Notes

## Calling on the Class of 1976!!!

The SMA-VWIL museum staff (Museum Curator Brocky Nicely '65 and SMA Office Manager Arlene Nicely) are looking for photos, stories and any information that could be used to prepare a "yearbook-like" document. If you have any information or ideas, send a note to [smaalumni@outlook.com](mailto:smaalumni@outlook.com)

## 2024 Reunion

Mark your calendars for 5-6-7 for the 2024 SMA All-Class Reunion! The headquarters hotel again will be the Hotel 24 South (formerly Stonewall Jackson). Call 540.228.1489 and make your reservation under the SMA room block today!

## Memorial Wall/Hall of Fame

Nominations to the SMA-VWIL Memorial Wall must be submitted to the Alumni Office by November 1st. The deadline for the SMA Hall of Fame is November 17th.

## SMAAF Officers for 2024

The SMA Alumni Foundation fiscal year begins Sept. 1st. The slate of officers for the next fiscal year is the same line up as for 2023: President David Shipula, Vice President Mark Orr, Secretary Tim Scheel and Treasurer Peter Birckhead – all members of the class of 1973!

## Raffle Winners bring home the Bacon

It was another good year for raffle winners, and a "first" in that none of the winners attended the reunion and had bought their tickets prior to reunion weekend.

Here are the winners: Brooks Holstein '73 took in the grand prize of \$4,284, Tricia Bissett (wife of Bill Bissett '74) won \$1,260 and James Adams '59 took third prize of \$756.

Al Rossy '74, who initiated and manages the annual raffle, thanked everyone who participated for another successful year. See the Raffle information page in this issue of the Kablegram for more information. Remember you must play to win!

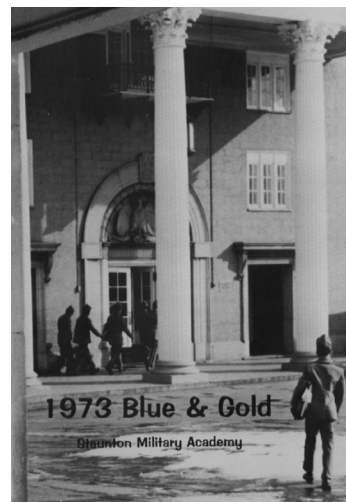
## Next Issue Deadline for Submissions

The next issue of the Kablegram-Leader is scheduled to be published in October. Please send any articles and updates to [kablegram@sma-alumni.org](mailto:kablegram@sma-alumni.org) by Friday Sept. 29th. Thank you!

## Answer to Question in Reflections from the Hill on page 2:

*Lou Michaels*

## Photos from the 1973 SMA yearbook.



## Remembering Don Windley – a scholarship born of love and respect



Don Windley '70

"It's my way of helping an organization that molded someone (my husband) into an honorable person," said Mrs. Virginia Windley.

Mrs. Windley – "Ginny" – established The Donald Reid Windley Truth-Duty-Honor (TDH) Scholarship to honor her husband who passed away in 2007 and the SMA principles of Truth, Duty, and Honor.

Originally a \$500 scholarship when first awarded in 2009, it since has been increased to \$1,000 and is selected by the VWIL administration and presented at the April SMA-VWIL Review during the SMA all-class annual reunion.

In addition, Ginny recently generously contributed \$10,000 to the SMA Foundation earmarked for the SMA-VWIL Museum digitization initiative.

However, it's the love and life story behind the scholarship that make the gifts more endearing and significant.

Don graduated from SMA in 1970, went into graphic design and found himself in Miami in the 1980s. He and Ginny met there in a bar one afternoon when both were waiting for the rush hour traffic to subside – Ginny worked for Citicorp at the time. Don gave her a ride back to her car on his motorcycle, the romance blossomed, they married in 1988, and the rest is history.

Ginny recalled how Don was quite the character, always a presence in the room, telling stories and doing magic tricks using sleight of hand (his brother was a magician). He was just plain fun to be with. She said he often recalled being a cadet living in South Barracks and having frozen feet in the winter after leaving the shower and using the steps covered with metal plates.

And there was the time he painted the cannon on Flagpole Hill, among other exploits.

Don was also very agile, able to take advantage of his frame and sneak into the Mess Hall in the evenings using an underground tunnel. He would take orders for food from other cadets as a means of supplementing his regular allowance. (SMA cadets are nothing if not resourceful.)

Don had two children, Jessica and Josh, from a prior marriage. Jessica ended up going to Stuart Hall, and on the trip to visit her at graduation, they decided to relocate to the Shenandoah Valley.

"He raised us with "Truth Duty Honor," said Jessica, and that applied to all aspects of their lives. She said he was very proud of having graduated from SMA.

Once back in Staunton, Don became involved in several activities. Of course, Don and Ginny got involved with Harley Davidson motorcycle riding groups. They also served as interpreters at the Frontier Culture Museum.

Both she and Don became involved with the Palmetto Sharp Shooters regiment, a Civil War reenactment group from VMI lead by Brocky Nicely '65; Don as a soldier and Ginny as the camp mom and cook. As part of the unit they participated in Color Guards, including during SMA reunions when the Old Boys would go to Thornrose Cemetery for a wreath-laying ceremony at the grave of SMA Founder Capt. William H Kable. It was through Don's association with Brocky that he got involved with the establishment of the SMA-VWIL museum.



Mrs. Virginia Windley (left) and her daughter, Jessica.



## DON WINDLEY CONT.

Brocky, the museum curator, set up the “press” in the display area to illustrate where cadets stored their uniforms and other items. Initially unable to find an old SMA press, they went to Fort Defiance to borrow a press from Augusta Military Academy. Unfortunately, it was on the third floor of the old barracks and after easing down two flights of stairs, they lost control of the press and it “collapsed like an accordion” according to Brocky. Don took the damaged piece home and restored it for use in the SMA museum where it served until replaced a few years later by an SMA press.

“When we did things, Don wanted it done right,” Brocky said.

And when it came to the museum, Don was one of the early proponents to place it in the old SMA Supply Room, where it is located today.

“Don would have done anything for this museum,” Brocky said. “He loved SMA ... and I was proud to call him my friend.”

So, that is the story behind the scholarship. No better way to honor a beloved husband, father and Old Boy who cherished the TDH motto than with a scholarship to help keep the legacy going and help educate the next generation of leaders.



### Application Deadline for 2023 SMA Legacy Scholarship is July 1, 2023

Last year, the SMA Alumni Foundation Board of Directors took a new direction for the Legacy Scholarship program. Beginning in 2022, the number of scholarships was reduced from four to two, the amount of each award was increased from \$1,500 to \$2,500, eligibility was restricted to descendants of SMA alumni, and there will be no extensions to these awards.

Here are further details for the scholarships in the year 2023. The Staunton Military Academy Alumni Foundation will offer up to two \$2,500 scholarships for graduating high school seniors who have been accepted by a four- or two-year college and who are descendants of SMA alumni. The website for the Scholarship Program is <https://sma-alumni.org/legacy-scholarship-program/>. There is no requirement for students to attend a military college or to enroll in ROTC; however, applications for a Legacy Scholarship will not be accepted from seniors who will be attending one of the four Service Academies.

Applications for these scholarships must be accompanied by all the required attachments, including a college letter of acceptance, two letters of recommendation, and a copy of the applicant's final high school transcript. Applications must be received by July 1, 2023, to be considered.

Competition is keen, so please ensure that applicants read the Eligibility and Requirements section of <https://sma-alumni.org/legacy-scholarship-program/> prior to beginning the application process. SMA alumni are requested to encourage their eligible descendants to apply.

Contact Burdette Holmes, SMA '62, at (651) 239-0216 with any specific questions about the program.

# Reflections from 1973

## Reflections On The Past Year

*Editor's note: The following is reprinted from the final issue of the Kablegram in 1973.*

Written by Mark Beveridge '73, who served as editor-in-chief of the Kablegram his senior year, was a cadet captain on the battalion staff, and president of the senior class, the commentary takes a look at each high school class and how they related to what was then the SMA experience.



As the school year comes to a close, we pause to evaluate this past year spent at S.M.A. No one, who has ever attended S.M.A., can honestly say that he didn't gain some type of experience. For all, this has been a fruitful experience. For some this fruit has been sweet, while for others bitter. There are as many views on this year as there are stars in the heavens. However, a

percentage of what one sincerely gained from this past year relates directly to what one tried to make of it, and conscientiously put into it.

For many of the seniors, S.M.A. is a steppingstone to furthering their education. For some, it is the end. More than a few do not know as of yet, what it is they will do after graduation. But one thing holds true for all seniors: a happiness, whether melancholy or exuberant of having the S.M.A. experience" behind them.

For the juniors this has been a year of working to establish class rank, many long hours of studying, and term papers. At this time of the year, the juniors' minds turn to thoughts of the hard road to graduation and what 1974 might have in store for them.

The sophomores are just finding out what high school life is like, with all the good times and as always in life, also the bad. What do they have to look forward to? Well, maybe two years at S.M.A., or somewhere else. But I think they all can say that they have absorbed a little of what was impressed upon them this year. Whether it be responsibility, perseverance, or self pride, they have learned something.

Last are the freshman. The class name implies their status. They have stumbled upon something new and different. They, too, must learn to adjust to this completely different environment. This year, as we have all seen, has been a year of changes. If they were for the better, it will not be known until the future, but at least the changes have come about.

We are not asking S.M.A. to change, because if it did, it would not be S.M.A. However, regardless of what some think, the world changes and with it we must learn to adjust.

And so to S.M.A. and the Class of 1973, we tender a salute.  
M. S. B.

### MOST POPULAR, MOST OUTGOING, BEST ALL AROUND

Mark Beveridge was voted Most Popular, Most Outgoing, and Best All Around Senior in the recent Senior Superlative Poll.

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## Plaque at Museum Honors MBU President Fox

During the Memorial Wall ceremony at the reunion on April 14th, Mary Baldwin University President Pamela Fox was honored for her years of service to the university and VWIL and support of the SMA Alumni Foundation with a plaque posted near the door to the SMA-VWIL Museum.

From right: MBU President Pamela Fox, her husband Dan Layman, and Brig Gen. Terry Djuric.







Ready, Aim, Fire! VWIL Honor Guard prepares to fire volleys at Memorial Wall ceremony on April 14th.



SMAAF President David Shipula '73 presents the Kable Legion of Honor award to VWIL Cadet First Captain Tralani Simpson.



VWIL cadets moving into leadership positions were presented their SMA alumni-donated swords during the reunion parade on April 15th.



## Mary Baldwin announces next President



Jeffrey P. Stein

Mary Baldwin University's next president will be Jeffrey P. Stein, vice president for strategic initiatives and partnerships at Elon University in North Carolina, the Staunton private university announced on Friday.

Also an assistant professor of English at Elon, Stein will become MBU's 10th president on July 1, succeeding MBU President Pamela R. Fox, who announced her retirement in August 2022.

"I am honored and humbled to be chosen as Mary Baldwin University's 10th president and thrilled to be joining this dynamic community, which for 181 years has made courageous decisions to change lives through inclu-

sive, experiential and student-centered education," Stein said in a statement.

Named to his current role at Elon in 2019, Stein led the creation and implementation of Elon's 10-year strategic plan and its response to the COVID-19 pandemic. He also worked with Elon's advancement team, president, and donors to raise more than \$4 million in endowment funding and annual gifts to support the university's Jewish life and Jewish studies programs.

In 2010, Stein joined Elon's senior staff and served as chief of staff and secretary to the board of trustees for two university presidents. As a student affairs dean from 2002 to 2010, he led an initiative to design a \$150 million residential plan across campus.

"Jeff Stein's experiences across academia demonstrate leadership in and out of the classroom. His mastery of strategic planning lifts all campus stakeholders, and his ability to lead in challenging times speaks to a critical moment in higher education," MBU Board of Trustees Chair and alumna Gabrielle G. "Gabby" McCree said in a statement.

Stein holds a doctorate degree in higher education management from the University of Georgia, a master of fine arts degree in creative writing from Colorado State University, a master's degree in English from the University of Northern Colorado and a bachelor's degree in English from Beloit College in Wisconsin.

Stein serves as board chair of the United Way of Alamance County in North Carolina and serves on the Downtown Elon Advisory Board and the Alamance County Economic Development Foundation's board.

MBU formed a 15-member committee for its presidential search, partnering with Washington, D.C.-based executive search firm Academic Search.

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(As of September 2022)

Please consider becoming a Lifetime Member of our alumni association and never pay annual dues again and have your name proudly displayed on a plaque in our beloved museum. One time donation of \$1,000. Please contact Peter Birkhead (peterbirkhead@gmail.com) or Arlene Nicely (smaalumni@outlook.com) for more details.

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HAMILTON S. BEGGS, '56  
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## Old Boys

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TAYLOR, ROBERT L.	57	VA
MORSE, EDWARD H., JR	59	MD
HENDERSON, RICHARD A.	63	VA
KETELS, JOHN PAUL	63	DC
NOLDE, JOHN A	63	VA
PAIS, RANDY M.	63	TX
PENNYPACKER, JOHN E.	63	AZ
WENDELL, JOHN A.	63	NJ
NICELY, BROCKY A.	65	VA
BROWN, PETER	66	NY
KING, RICHARD M., JR.	66	VA
MILLER, NESTOR	66	NY
DICKERSON, JACK M.	67	VA
ISENBERG, BRUCE J.	67	PA
PARKER, ROBERT A.	67	VA
PFISTER, CHIP	67	GA
SHIPPLETT, H. ROLLER	67	VA
VELDE, PETER A.	67	IN
DALBO, DOMINICK "JACK"	68	PA
FRANK, JOSEPH A. JR.	68	PA
FARBER, PHILIP M.	69	FL
ANGLEY, KIM G.	69	VA
NEDRY, JAY C.	69	VA
POMEROY, DAVID R.	69	VA
TINKER, DAVID H.	69	NC
VAUGHAN, JOHN W. III	69	VA
FUOG, JOHN L.	70	VA
KIRCHER, WALTER W.	70	SC
ROTHS, ROBERT R. II	70	MD
WENZEL, JEFFREY G.	70	NC
NUNN, DOUGLAS A.	71	VA
RINGGOLD, TIMOTHY D.	71	PA
DISHER, ANTHONY H.	72	NC
KELLEY, PATRICK F.	72	NC
ANGLEY, MICHAEL L.	72	KS
RUSSELL, JOHN R.	72	MD
SPEAKER, GREG C.	72	SC
BEVERIDGE, MARK S.	73	TN
BIRCKHEAD, PETER D.	73	FL
BROERE, HARRY W.	73	NY
DASTI, CHARLES	73	NJ
FINKE, JOHN E.	73	VA
HALL, THADEUS P.	73	CA
HILDEBRAND, WILLIAM	73	AL
HINMAN JR., JAMES L.	73	MD
HOOSER, JOHN W., JR.	73	VA
KURRE, ERICH L.	73	VA

MASTROIANNI, DEE	73	CT
MASTROIANNI, GEORGE	73	CO
ORR, MARK J.	73	VA
PANDAK, JR, W. MICHAEL	73	VA
RYAN, EDWARD J.	73	NJ
SCHEEL, TIM	73	OH
SHIPULA, DAVID A.	73	PA
TENNEY, DAVE	73	MI
WEITZEL, JOHN W.	73	NC
BISSETT, BILL	74	NC
EHMANN, GENE K.	74	NC
LAKE, JULIAN	74	KS
SHIPULA, ANTHONY J.	74	PA
SIMPKINS, KIRK G.	74	MD
LEIGH, EDMUND P.	74	OH
PHILLIPS, TOM	74	MD
SMITH, EDMUND A.	76	GA

## Memorial Wall Families

LOWE, JAMES	VA
CARLETTI, LOIS	VA
CARLETTI, MICHAEL	PA
CARLETTI, STEVEN	VA

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KABLE, PAGE E. "LOLO"	VA
PATRICK, COL MELISSA	VA
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WINDLEY, VIRGINIA	VA
YATES, SUSAN L.	SH '73 VA
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Old Boys at a Staunton brewery – what a surprise.



# 2023 REUNION PHOTO MONTAGE



SMAAF Board of Directors meeting on Friday April 14th.



Some of the Old Boys visited retired faculty officer Major Tommy Vames at his home.



And here are the Old Boys from the Class of '69 (from left): Kim Langley, John Vaughn, Phil Farber, David Tinker, and David Pomeroy.



SMAAF Board member Ed Leigh '74 and his wife, Angela, at the banquet reception.



Ann and Ralph Sebrell '45, SMA treasures.



And here's the gang from the Class of '63 (from left): John Ketels, Rich Henderson, John Wendell, John Nolde and John Penneyacker.



# 2023 REUNION PHOTO MONTAGE CONT.



The "Down East" boys from Maryland: Kirk Simpkins '74, John Russell '72, and Jim Hinman '73.



Bob Parker '67, shares a moment with Willy Hildebrand '73.



"Need a fixer? Call us." Julian Lake '74, Harry Broere '73 and Mike Langley '72 at the banquet reception.



Gene Ehmann and Bill Bissett, both from the class of '74, presented certificates to recipients of the VWIL scholarships they funded.



It's all smiles from the '73 graduates at their 50th reunion: Mark Orr, Mark Beveridge, and John Weitzel.



Mark Orr '73 was awarded the Distinguished Service and Leadership Award at the banquet.



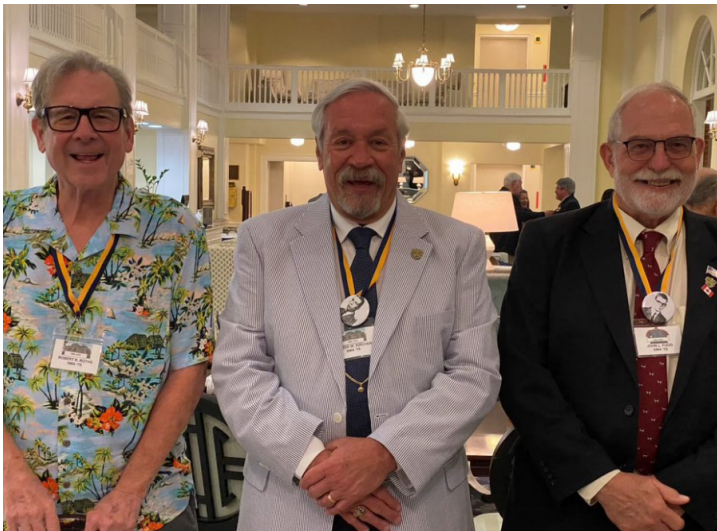
# 2023 REUNION PHOTO MONTAGE CONT.



Tim Ringgold '71 provided life lessons during his keynote speech at the banquet.



The VWIL Pearls put on quite a show.



"Who, us??" Class of '70 members (from left): Robert Roths, Walt Kircher and John Fuog.



VWIL Howie Rifles demonstrate trick drill on the asphalt.



Not the mob, but definitely SMA family. SMA '73 Old Boys George Mastroianni, Tim Scheel and Dee Mastroianni.



Always a somber ceremony, the Memorial Wall event exceeded expectations.



# 2023 REUNION PHOTO MONTAGE CONT.



Friday Barbecue Night in the SMA Mess Hall, what fun!



Saturday breakfast in the SMA Mess Hall before the Annual Meeting – very nice!



Present Arms – The VWIL Corps in formation at the parade on a picture-perfect Saturday.



The Class of '73 preps for the Saturday parade – with their own guidon flag!



At peace on Flagpole Hill ...  
until we meet again.



# SMA-VWIL “Walk of Honor” Brick Order Form

## Staunton Military Academy Alumni Foundation, Inc.

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### ORDER

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☐ “Walk of Honor” Brick (\$60.00 per brick) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## Harrison May '57



Staunton - Harrison May, 81, husband of Patricia (Ferguson) May, passed away on September 15, 2021 at Augusta Health.

He was born on July 19, 1940, to the late James Harrison and Eugenia (Sproul) May.

Judge May was born and raised in Staunton, Virginia and attended Staunton City Public Schools. He attended the Staunton Military Academy from 1953-1957, Davidson College from 1957-1961 and the University of Virginia Law School from 1961-1965.

He was employed from 1965-1967 at Hazlegrove, Carr, Dickinson, Smith and Rea in Roanoke, VA.; from 1967-1969 at Cochran, Lotz, and Black in Staunton, VA.; from 1970-1982 for the Commonwealth's Attorney for Augusta County (part time private practice until 1980); and was elected Judge of the 25th District Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court until he retired in April of 2001.

Judge May was a member of the Board of Governors Criminal Law Section, the Virginia State Bar (1976-1980) President, the Virginia Association of Commonwealth's Attorneys (1976-1977) President, Augusta County Bar Association (1980-1981) Chairman; and the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Shenandoah Planning District Commission.

He joined the Virginia Army National Guard as a Private on December 2, 1962 and took basic and advanced infantry training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He graduated first in class from the Infantry Officer Candidate School in Fort Benning, Georgia in August of 1964. He was transferred to the Judge Advocate General's Corps in 1975. He served as Staff Judge Advocate for the 116th Infantry Brigade and for the 29th Infantry Division. He last served as Staff Judge Advocate General, Headquarters, Virginia Army National Guard in Richmond, VA. He retired as Colonel and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. He served as President of the Virginia National Guard Association in 1979.

Judge May was also a Vestry member, Senior Warden, and choir member at Emmanuel Episcopal Church

in Staunton, a member of the Staunton Kiwanis Club, Beverley Manor Ruritan Club, Elks and Moose Clubs, 32nd degree Mason and Shriner, and the Institutional Review Committee, Western State Hospital Advisory Board, Salvation Army Board of Trustees, Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library Board of Trustees, Historic Staunton Foundation, and the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind Foundation Board.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Ferguson May; his daughter, Anne Brooks with grandchildren Chloe Stott and Sadie Stott; his son, Jim May and wife Gay Gibson with grandchildren Grace May and Sophie May; his daughter, Sarah Bertoline and husband BJ Bertoline with grandchild Myla May Bertoline; his daughter Genie May; his sister, Eugenia May of Spring Green, Wisconsin; and a number of nieces and nephews.

A graveside service for family and close friends will be held at Thornrose Cemetery at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, September 20, 2021. In keeping with the CDC Guidelines and out of respect for the safety of all, we kindly request that masks be worn and practice safe social distancing. A celebration of his life will be determined at a later date.



## Lawrence A.G. Johnson '51

On a hot July afternoon in 1932, Lawrence A. G. Johnson, son of Fannie Glass Johnson, was delivered at his home in Sand Springs, Oklahoma, by his father, Richard Revel Johnson, MD. He attended Staunton Military Academy in Staunton, Virginia from the 9th grade until graduation.



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He obtained a B.S. degree in biology from Washington & Lee University in Lexington, Virginia where he was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity and then earned his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.

He practiced law in Tulsa for 60 years, receiving his sixty year Oklahoma bar pin just prior to retirement. Larry became the first president of The Tulsa Oratorio Chorus, the precursor to Tulsa Opera, and sang in 26 operas. He was a member of the Tulsa Club, Southern Hills Country Club, the Nicholas Club, and the Rotary Club of Tulsa.

He taught professional photography at the night school of Votech for 10 years and took courses offered in automotive mechanics to become certified as a Volkswagen factory mechanic. He was Scoutmaster of troop 153 and Sea Scout Ship 153 for many years at St. John Episcopal Church. Larry also enjoyed coaching the all-girl basketball team at Barnard Elementary.

His law practice demanded extensive travel so he obtained his pilot's license which enabled him to meet his future wife, Sarah Ann Johnson, while she washed the Piper Comanche given to her by her father, E.O. Johnson, MD. They married in 1962 and had four children: Kathrine McMahon (David), Courtney Hoff (James Hoff, MD), Kirsten White (Robert) and Lawrence Revel Johnson, MD (Stephanie) as well as several grandchildren: Griffon McMahon and Elliott McMahon, Caitlin Hoff Daniels, James Hoff Jr. and Lorden Hoff, Sarah Kathrine White and Caroline White, and Alexandra Tollefsen and Margaret Tollefsen.

Larry and his wife passionately believed in providing the best education for their children, demonstrated by their graduations from Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Johns Hopkins University, Columbia University, University of Virginia, Emory University, Art Institute of Houston, Dartmouth College and Dartmouth Medical School. Two daughters are advanced practice nurses in Neonatology/Pediatrics and Anesthesia. The third daughter is an interior designer. Their son is a triple board-certified Hematopathologist.

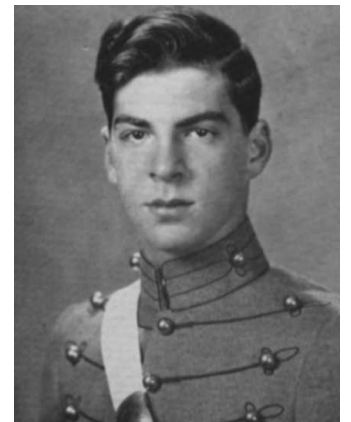
Larry's passions throughout life were hunting and flying. All of his children experienced antelope hunting with him in Wyoming. He and Sarah owned four airplanes at various times while he accumulated 13,000 hours of flight time. Larry achieved his life's dream by going on a three-week safari in the Selous of Tanzania. He achieved the distinction of unanimously winning a

case before the United States Supreme Court and he was allowed to file briefs in other cases in that court where he remained on the winning side. Representing the National Rifle Association, he won a case that forced employers to allow their employees to keep firearms in their cars on company parking lots. Larry authored an Oklahoma State statute protecting that right and it was later adopted by thirty-two states. He removed titanium as a weight-bearing surface for hip and knee implants worldwide in one of the first product liability lawsuits of its kind.

Before his death, he told his family that he had been dealt a good hand by living during a time of good music, great actors, great movies and a community of citizens who were civil towards one another. Larry truly regretted to see statues and monuments being destroyed by uneducated fools. The family would like to express sincere appreciation to his caregivers both in the home and at Cearu Medical Resort.

## Edwin E. Speaker '45

Edwin Ellis Speaker passed away on Friday February 24, 2023 in Mount Pleasant, SC. Ted Speaker was born in Washington, DC. He was the son of Charles R. Speaker, an electrical engineer, and Clare J. Speaker, a schoolteacher. Ted attended the Staunton Military Academy in Virginia, serving his last year as the Cadet Regimental Commander. He won a competitive appointment to the US Naval Academy. Upon graduation from the Naval Academy in 1950, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the US Air Force. After graduation week, he married Donna June







Hendershot, who was the Naval Academy Chaplain's secretary. During the Korean War, Ted was stationed in Japan and Korea. He held numerous assignments in missile and space R&D at Cape Canaveral, and later worked in scientific and technical intelligence at the Pentagon. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1970.

After retiring from the Air Force, Ted joined the Rand Corporation in Washington, DC, where he supported HQ USAF with strategic war game analysis. He then returned to government service as an executive in the Defense Intelligence Agency, where he directed intelligence research programs in analysis of foreign weapons systems. These studies contributed to important National Intelligence Estimates used in the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) and in the formation of national defense policies.

Ted went on to work at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, where he was Project Manager for LandSat, an earth-observing satellite reconnaissance system. He was selected to be on the NASA Planning Team for the International Space Station (ISS) program which was approved by President Reagan in 1984. Moving to NASA's newly formed Headquarters Program Office, Ted was Chief of Plans Integration for the ISS.

After retiring a second time from government service Ted and Donna moved to Satellite Beach, Florida, where life was much less hectic than it had been in Washington, D.C. Ted taught graduate space science courses for Florida Institute of Technology, enjoyed golf, and playing violin in the community orchestra. Donna did volunteer work for the orchestra and enjoyed lunches with the Red Hat Ladies.

Ted earned a Master's Degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Doctorate in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Michigan. He was a Fellow and past president of the American Astronautical Society, an Associate Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, was a member of the Association for Intelligence Officers, Military Officers Association of America, Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Xi, and the NRA. He and Donna have resided at Somerby

Retirement in Mount Pleasant, SC since 2015. Internment is expected to be at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia.

Ted Speaker is survived by his wife of 72 years, Donna; his son, Major Greg Speaker of Mount Pleasant, SC; his daughter, Dr. Gail Carr of Gainesville, Florida; his three grandchildren, Jeffrey Speaker, Jonathan Carr and Jennifer Carr; and one great-granddaughter, Carmen Valverde.

## John L. Kalogeros '70

Mr. John Lee Kalogeros, 71, of Johnson City, passed away Wednesday, March 8, 2023, in the Johnson City Medical Center.

John was a lifelong resident of Johnson City. He was

the son of the late Jim and Alexandria Economou Kalogeros. John was preceded in death by a sister, Elizabeth Kalogeros Webb.

Survivors include his wife of thirty years, Betty Dupkoski Kalogeros; one son, James Kalogeros; one daughter, Alexandra Kalogeros; one brother, Gary Kalogeros and his wife Nia; one sister, Maria Ray and her husband David; one sister-in-law, Jackie Spangler and her husband Todd; nephews, Demetri, Constantine and fiancé Madison, and Athan Kalogeros; nephew, Samuel Spangler and niece, Claire Spangler.

John graduated High School from Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Virginia, in 1970. He was appointed Cadet Captain in 1969. He attended Wofford College in South Carolina. He graduated from East Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Science in 1977.

John grew up water skiing on Boone Lake, but his true love was snow skiing. He was a ski instructor at Beech Mountain Resort from 1981 to 1984. John loved all things cowboy and bought his first quarter horse in his late twenties. He enjoyed trail riding and camping with his wife and friends. He loved animals, especially his late



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German Shepherd, Thor and his late Labrador Retriever, Pete. He was a member of the Street's Gap Hunt Club, and always enjoyed Opening Day of dove season.

He worked at The Peerless Steakhouse, managing his family's restaurant, beside his father and brother for many years until his re-

tirement.

John was a member of Christ the Savior Greek Orthodox Church in Bluff City, TN. He received The Archangel Michael Honors from The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Atlanta in 2003, for his service to the church.

The family of Mr. John Lee Kalogeros will receive friends from 6 to 8 pm Monday, March 27, 2023, at Tetrick Funeral Services, Johnson City. The funeral service will be held at 12:00 pm Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at Christ the Savior Greek Orthodox Church, 150 Elizabeth Ann Circle, Bluff City, TN with Reverend Father Stephen Mathews officiating. The graveside committal service will follow at 2:00 pm in the Monte Vista Memorial Park.

Active pallbearers will be James Kalogeros, Robert DiGiacomo, Doug Austin, Rich Humphreys, Demetri Kalogeros, Constantine Kalogeros, and Athan Kalogeros. Honorary pallbearers will be Todd Spangler and Samuel Spangler.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Washington County Johnson City Animal Shelter, 3411 N Roan Street, Johnson City TN 37601.

Memories and condolences may be shared at [www.tetrickfuneralhome.com](http://www.tetrickfuneralhome.com). Tetrick Funeral Services, 3001 Peoples Street, Johnson City, TN 37604, is honored to serve the Kalogeros family. (423) 610-7171.



## Thomas W. Smith '76

Thomas William Smith, "TWS", "Tommy Boy", age 65, of Garnet Valley, PA, formerly of Swarthmore, PA, died at home on Monday, March 20, 2023. Tom was born on January 9, 1958. He was a graduate of the Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Virginia. Tom was employed with US Airways in Customer Service.



Tom enjoyed riding his Harley, fishing, hunting and relaxing on the beach in Ventnor, NJ. He loved walking his sidekick, Buster Boy, listening to 70's music and antiques.

Predeceased by his beloved Grandmom, "Monnie", Biological Father, Thomas William Lemon, Parents, William and Sally Smith, beloved Sister, Debby Aird, and Nephew, Matt Aird.

Survivors: Loving Partner in Life: Michelle Florio Siblings: Gail Grace (Jerry), Dale Smith (Kathy). Also survived by many nieces and nephews and loved by the Florio family.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Prevent Suicide PA, [www.preventsuicidepa.org](http://www.preventsuicidepa.org)





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_____	<b>Navy Blue</b> _____ <b>Black</b> (front: full color hat shield, Back: Staunton Military Academy, Virginia..printed W/larger shield) .....	\$20.00	\$ _____
_____	<b>Long sleeve</b> Gold: (with full color hat shield patch) .....	\$25.00	\$ _____
_____	<b>Long sleeve</b> Black: (with full color hat shield patch) .....	\$25.00	\$ _____
_____	<b>Long Sleeve Navy Blue</b> _____ <b>Black</b> (front: full color hat shield, Back: Staunton Military Academy, Virginia..printed W/larger shield) .....	\$25.00	\$ _____
_____	<b>Polo (Golf) Shirts: M-3X</b>		
_____	Old Gold with cross rifles and Staunton Military Academy in navy blue .....	\$39.00	\$ _____
_____	Solid Black with Gold Embroidered Hat Shield .....	\$39.00	\$ _____
_____	<b>Jackets: M-3X</b>		
_____	Zippered wind jacket, blue with gold stripe on sleeve with full color hat shield .....	\$45.00	\$ _____
_____	Navy Blue with Full color Hat Shield (Special order) .....	\$80.00	\$ _____
_____	Black with Full Color Hat Shield Patch .....	\$80.00	\$ _____
_____	Blue zip up Hoodie with full color shield .....	\$45.00	\$ _____
_____	Gray Sweat Shirt with Round SMA Patch, Staunton Military Academy on sleeve in blue .....	\$35.00	\$ _____
_____	Officer/NCO Belt Buckle(special order) .....	\$40.00	\$ _____
_____	Belt to fit buckles can be cut to sizes up to 50 inches(special order) .....	\$45.00	\$ _____
_____	Old Boys belt buckle (Silver with Staunton Cadet with eagle) ...	\$25.00	\$ _____
_____	Original Post Cards of scenes from SMA .....	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____	SMA Shoulder Patches .....	\$2.00	\$ _____
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_____	Mug: Black "Barrel" Mug with Gold Hat Shield .....	\$5.00	\$ _____
_____	DVD Disc: "A History of the Staunton Military Academy"		\$ _____
_____	Produced and Directed by Greg Robertson SMA '70 .....	\$20.00	\$ _____
_____	CD: A collection of items related to the history of SMA contains ads (1884-1930) catalogs, panorama of campus & Corps of Cadets, postcards, and 16 Yearbooks including the first(1906) and last printed (1975) .....	\$20.00	\$ _____

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