

1891
WEST VIRGINIA STATE
UNIVERSITY



Homecoming Convocation
and
Reserve Officer Training Corps
Hall of Fame Ceremony

Friday, October 4, 2013
11 a.m.

F. S. Belcher Theatre
John W. Davis Fine Arts Auditorium
Institute, WV



Historical Sketch of West Virginia State University ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section Four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891 by enacting legislation to create a special land-grant institution for Blacks. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building upon it. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915, West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. In 1929, the college changed its name to West Virginia State College. In 2004, the college received university status and was renamed West Virginia State University. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until present, with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915, the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education, with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades, and teacher education. In 1915, the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in Mathematics, Chemistry, French, and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, LTC Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956, when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's eighteen branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, *Brown v. the Board of Education*, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded, and new ones developed as the college kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.

2013 Fall Program

Lieutenant Colonel Tony Taylor, Presiding
Professor of Military Science, WVSU ROTC Yellow Jacket Battalion

Prelude.....Scott Woodard
The West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble

Arrival of Official Party.....LTC Tony Taylor

Posting of Colors..... WVSU ROTC Color Guard

National Anthem.....By F.S. Key/arr. By B. Moffitt

Invocation.....SGT Timothy Raymond Hatcher

Welcome & Introductory Remarks.....LTC Tony Taylor
Lieutenant Colonel, Aviation, Professor of Military Science

PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEE AND RESPONDENT

LTC (Retired) Barry Brasseur, Class of '84..... Presented by Cadet Robert Cunningham

Colonel (Retired) Harold G. Fisher, Honorary..... Presented by Cadet Robert Cunningham

Judge Reggie B. Walton, Honorary, Class of '71..... Presented by Cadet Robert Cunningham

Recognition of Honored Guests.....LTC Tony Taylor

Closing Remarks..... Dr. Brian O. Hemphill
Tenth President, West Virginia State University

Alma Mater..... Spencer-Wade

Army Song & Recessional of Official Party

Postlude.....Scott Woodard
West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble

Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Barry Brasseur

Lieutenant Colonel Brasseur was born and raised in Charleston WV where he attended Charleston High School.

In 1984 he graduated from West Virginia State College and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Chemical Corps branch.

Lieutenant Colonel Brasseur spent 20 years on active duty with the U.S. Army. His duty assignments included Battalion Chemical Officer and Platoon Leader, 2nd Infantry Division in Korea; Battalion Chemical Officer 2-319th Airborne Field Artillery and Brigade Chemical Officer 82nd Aviation Brigade, 82d Airborne Division; Detachment Commander and Battalion S3 US Army Technical Escort; Sector Chief of Operations United Nations Mission Western Sahara, Africa; Chief Leadership Branch US Army Signal School; Chief, G3 Operations, 1st Support Command (Airborne); Senior ROTC Instructor Marshall University; and NORAD Chemical Officer Winnipeg Canada.

Lieutenant Colonel Brasseur is a graduate of the Chemical Officer Advanced Course; Combined Arms Staff Service School; Command and General Staff College and the Joint Forces Staff College.

Military decorations include: Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal 2 Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation medal, 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, National Defense Service Medal, w/Bronze Star, Army Service Ribbon 1; Overseas Service Ribbon; Master Parachutist Badge.

In his post military career he taught High School JROTC, and held the position of Program Manager for the Center for National Response.

He currently resides in Charleston WV. He is married to his wonderful wife Nancy and they have two sons, Matthew and Michael.

Colonel (Retired) Harold G. Fisher

Harold G. Fisher was born and raised in Hudson, New York. He enrolled at Syracuse University and in the ROTC program in September 1957. He graduated in June 1961 with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering (BSCHE) and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, USAR of Field Artillery. Upon graduation, he accepted a position as a Chemical Engineer with Union Carbide Corporation in Charleston, WV.

He entered upon active duty in June 1962 and trained at Fort Sill, OK. He was subsequently assigned to the 3rd USA Missile Detachment as a Section Commander and served until May of 1964 in the Federal Republic of Germany with the Special Ammunition Support Command in support of Bundeswehr Forces.

In June of 1964 he returned to his employment as a chemical engineer with the Union Carbide Corporation in Charleston WV. He joined the Army Reserve in September of 1964 and was assigned as a Platoon Leader with the 393rd Chemical Company (DS/GS) in South Charleston, WV. In May 1967 he became Commander of the company and prepared his unit for deployment in Vietnam. In January of 1968 upon reorganization of the Army Reserve, he was selected as Commander and activated the 261st Ordnance Company (AMMO) in South Charleston, WV. In February 1970 he was assigned to the 321st Ordnance Battalion and served in successive positions until December 1979 as Ammunition Officer, Operations Office (S3), Material Officer, and Executive Officer.

Colonel Fisher graduated from the Field Artillery Officer Orientation Course in 1962, the Ordnance Officer Advanced Course in 1973 and the Command and General Staff College (Nonresident) in 1979. He earned several advanced degrees from West Virginia University to include a Master of Science in Chemical Engineering (MSChE) in 1968, a Master of Science in Engineering (MSE(IE)) in 1971, and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in 1974.

During the period January 1979 to April 1980, he served as Secretary (S1) of the 2093rd Reserve Forces School in Cross Lanes, WV. In April he was selected as Deputy Command of the 38th Ordnance Group (AMMO). He was selected as Commander of the 321st Ordnance Battalion (AMMO) in June 1982 and served until February 1985. In March 1985 he was promoted to Colonel and was assigned as Commandant of the 2093rd Reserve Forces School. In April 1989 Colonel Fisher was assigned as Commander of the 38th Ordnance Group (AMMO) and served in that position until his retirement in June of 1991. Upon his retirement, he was awarded the Legion of Merit. He had previously received the Meritorious Service Medal (w/2 OLC) and the Army Commendation Medal.

His civilian career with Union Carbide Corporation spanned a period of 42.5 years. Upon retirement from the positions of Principal Engineer and corporate reactive technologist, he formed a safety engineering consultancy and is presently operating that business. He has taught graduate chemical engineering courses at West Virginia University. He edited, published and contributed to four safety-related books and has written numerous safety-related peer-reviewed papers. He is a member of the Senior Army Reserve Commanders Association (SARCA), the Reserve Officers Association (ROA) and the Ordnance Corps Association.

Judge Reggie B. Walton

Judge Reggie B. Walton graduated from West Virginia State University in 1971. While at State, Judge Walton was a four-year member of the R.O.T.C. program. Due to a significant ankle injury he sustained in spring football practice in 1970, Walton was unable to pass the physical examination for his commission as an Army Officer and he was Honorably Discharged from military service at the rank of private. Judge Walton received his Juris Doctor from the American University, Washington College of Law, in 1974.

Judge Walton assumed his current position as a U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia in 2001. He was also appointed by President George W. Bush in 2004 as the Chair of the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission, a commission created by Congress to identify methods to curb the incidents of prison rape. The U. S. Attorney General substantially adopted the Commission's recommendations for implementation in federal prisons. Former U.S. Supreme court Chief Justice William Rehnquist appointed Judge Walton to the federal judiciary's Criminal Law Committee in 2005, on which he served until 2011. In 2007, Chief Justice John Roberts appointed Judge Walton to a 7-year term as a Judge of the U.S. Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, and he was subsequently appointed Presiding Judge in 2013.

Judge Walton previously served as an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia from 1981 to 1989 and 1991 to 2001. From 1989 to 1991, Judge Walton served as President George H. W. Bush's Associate Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy in the Executive Office of the President, and also as the Senior White House Advisor for Crime.

Judge Walton served as the Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia from 1980 to 1981, and was an Assistant U.S. Attorney there from 1976 to 1980. From 1979 to 1980, Judge Walton was the Chief of the Office's Career Criminal Unit. He was a staff attorney in the Defender Association of Philadelphia from 1974 to 1976.

Judge Walton has been the recipient of dozens of local, national, and international honors and awards. He has presided over notable trials, including those of I. Lewis "Scotter" Libby and of former Major League Baseball player Roger Clemens. Judge Walton was also one of 14 judges profiled in a 1994 book titled "Black Judges on Justice: Perspectives from the Bench," the first effort to assess the judicial perspectives of prominent African-American judges in the country.

Judge Walton traveled to Russia in 1996 to instruct Russian judges on criminal law in a program funded by the U.S. Department of Justice and the American Bar Association. He is also an instructor in Harvard Law School's Advocacy Workshop and a faculty member at the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada.

Judge Walton has been active in working with the youth of the Washington, D.C. area and throughout the nation. He has served as a Big Brother and often speaks at schools throughout the Washington Metropolitan area concerning drugs, crime, and personal responsibility.

Judge Walton and his wife are the parents of one daughter.

Professors of Military Science

1942-1944	Lieutenant Colonel Payton Winlock
1944-1945	Lieutenant Colonel Benote H. Lee
1945-1946	Captain William J. Gray
1946-1948	Lieutenant Colonel Leon Lavoie
1948-1951	Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Wesner
1951-1954	Lieutenant Colonel Orion Page
1954-1956	Major Robbin Washington
1956-1958	Lieutenant Colonel John Woodruff
1958-1959	Lieutenant Colonel Howard Bartholomew
1959-1963	Lieutenant Colonel Edward D. Hinkson
1963-1967	Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hill
1967-1969	Lieutenant Colonel Marvin E. Billups
1969-1971	Lieutenant Colonel Louis J. Weil
1971-1974	Colonel Lawrence M. Sevdy
1974-1976	Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Goldsmith
1976-1979	Lieutenant Colonel Edward Robertson
1979-1983	Lieutenant Colonel Charles T. Ledbetter
1983-1984	Lieutenant Colonel Douglas W. Richmond
1984-1989	Lieutenant Colonel Qewanncoi C. Stephens
1989-1993	Lieutenant Colonel Willie C. Lucas
1993-1996	Lieutenant Colonel Herbert E. Lattimore
1996-1999	Lieutenant Colonel Raphael P. Deegan
1999-2000	Lieutenant Colonel Robert T. Kleppinger
2000-2003	Lieutenant Colonel John M. Horn, Sr.
2003-2006	Lieutenant Colonel George A. Nelson
2006-2009	Lieutenant Colonel Steve D. Thomas
2009-2011	Lieutenant Colonel Timothy U. Phillips
2011-Present	Lieutenant Colonel Tony Taylor



ROTC Hall of Fame

The West Virginia State University ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Inductees include:

1980

Major General Edward Greer
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers*
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown

1981

Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon*
Colonel (Ret) George E. Peters, Jr.*
Colonel (Ret) Robert L. Peters*
Dr. Vincent E. Reed

1982

Colonel (Ret) Grover A. DuBose
Colonel (Ret) James M. Garrison, Jr. M.D.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Nelson R. Bickley
Dr. William J. L. Wallace (H*)
Dr. Prince A. Williams (H*)

1983

Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Preston A. Davis
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Haywood Martin

1984

Major General Joseph E. Turner (USAR (Ret))
Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Stokes, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Richard V. White
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard L. Wilson

1985

Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III
Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.*
Lieutenant Colonel James L. Hill

1986

Colonel (Ret) Paul H. Easley, Sr.
Colonel (Ret) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John E. Baker*
Major (Ret) James W. Hawkins, Jr.

1987

Colonel (Ret) Vandy L. Miller
Colonel (Ret) Herman H. Jones
Colonel (Ret) James W. Vallandingham
Colonel (Ret) James W. Reed

1988

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) C. Milton Kates
Colonel (Ret) Alphonso W. Nabors
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Bernice McGhee
Colonel (Ret) Edwin A. Wilkerson

1989

Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray
Colonel (Ret) William P. Greene, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stephen S. Whisiker*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John L. Whitehead*

1990

Brigadier General (Ret) James W. Monroe
Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Acie McGhee, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald M. McLeod
Colonel (Ret) George S. Roberts (Posthumous)*

1991

Colonel Ronald E. Townsend
Colonel (Ret) Kenneth A. Ingram
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Henry R. Bellinger
Mr. Earl E. Jones

1992

Colonel (Ret) James A. Manning
Colonel (Ret) John Mackey
Colonel Donald Townsend
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Dennis Neighbors
Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright (H*)
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly (H)
Dr. John W. Davis (H*)
Mr. James Evans (H*)

*Deceased
(H) Honorary

ROTC Hall of Fame

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1993

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald H. Poole
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Rodney I. McCormick*
Beny J. Primm, D.
Dr. Thomas D. Boston

1994

Colonel (Ret) Frankie D. Hoskey *
Major General (Ret) Terry L. Tucker
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Lazelle Free, Sr.
Major (Ret) George L. Rich, Jr.

1995

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Keith Sovine
Captain John Willis Hill Gravely*
First Lieutenant Herbert Henderson*
First Lieutenant Edward Scott
Sidney Taylor Brown (H)

1996

Colonel (Ret) Lew G. Tyree
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Haggins
Major Jeff Chandler Woods
Captain A. Dayton Carpenter

1997

Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Carolyn L. Maddox
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clifford Hill
Captain Jerry L. Hatcher

1998

Major General (Ret) John E. Barnette
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ferguson B. Meadows*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francisco B. Newman

1999

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John F. Hailey*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Herbert L. Lawrence
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Wilson
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frank E. Duncan
Lieutenant Colonel Timothy A. Boyles

2000

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard G. Hicks, Jr.*
Colonel (Ret) Cardell S. Hunter
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frederick C. Franklin
Major (Ret) Charles S. Corprew, Jr.

2001

Justice Leander J. Shaw, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Osborne E. Reaves
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Robert H. Meggison
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Len O. Witcher

2002

Colonel Terry L. Melton
Lieutenant Colonel Edward E. Dickerson
Major (Ret) Stephen T. Reaves
Judge Booker T. Stephens (H)
Judge Herman G. Canady (H)
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles T. Ledbetter (H)
Colonel David G. Shaddrix (H)

2003

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Jesse L. Haynes*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clarence O. Hill
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Harvey C. Johnson*
Major (Ret) Mexion O. Prewitt (Posthumous)*

2004

Colonel (Ret) Theodore A. Crawford
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francis V. Wilson
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Albert W. Powell
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles W. Marshall

2005

Colonel (Ret) Tom Adams, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francis E. Crawford, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Roscoe D. Crawford
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas L. Jones

2006

Lieutenant Colonel Charles P. McCormick
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clarence "CJ" Jackson
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Willard O. Jasper
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Michael A. White

*Deceased

(H) Honorary Inductee

ROTC Hall of Fame

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2007

Colonel (Ret) James J. Braxton, Sr.
Lieutenant Colonel Tyra Y. White
Lieutenant Colonel Vince D. Ross
Captain Peter S. Ridley, Jr. (Posthumous)*

2008

Brigadier General James A. Hoyer
Colonel Michael R. Kitts
LTC Rodney D. Johnson Sr.
LTC Samuel M. Allmond
LTC (Ret) Quewanncoii C. Stephens, Sr. (H)

2009

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stanley M. Jenkins
Lieutenant Colonel Antoine B. Bethel
Lieutenant Colonel Johnnie D. Ross
Lieutenant Colonel Daniel B. Jones, Sr.
Sergeant First Class (Ret) Joseph Turner
(Posthumous)* (H)

2010

Judge Donald L. Graham
Major Celeita A. Stephens Kramer
Dr. Roscoe c. Brown, Jr. (H)

2011

Colonel Gary A. Blackhurst

2012

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Donald Cornell
Carter (Posthumous)*

ROTC Hall of Fame

Honorary Members

Honorary inductees are not necessarily graduates of West Virginia State University. However, they have excelled in their field of work and have accomplished endeavors that are worthy of recognition.

1982

Dr. William J. L. Wallace*

Dr. Prince A. Williams*

1992

Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright*

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly

Dr. John W. Davis*

Mr. James Evans

1995

Mrs. Sidney Taylor Brown

2002

Judge Booker T. Stephens

Judge Herman G. Canady

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles T. Ledbetter

Colonel David G. Shaddrix

2008

LTC (Ret) Quewannocii C., Stephens, Sr.

2009

Sergeant First Class Joseph Turner*

2010

Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.

*Deceased

West Virginia State University Army ROTC 15 Decorated General Officers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year of Graduation</i>
Major General (Ret) Edward Greer	1948
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams.....	1950
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers*	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon*	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown.....	1954
Major General (Ret) Joseph E. Turner.....	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens	1962
Major General (Ret) James W. Monroe	1963
Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager	1965
Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray	1966
Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms.....	1968
Major General John E. Barnette	1969
Major General Terry L. Tucker.....	1972
Brigadier General James A. Hoyer	1983

*Deceased



The Army Song

First to fight for the right, And to build the Nation's might,

And The Army Goes Rolling Along

Proud of all we have done, Fighting till the battle's won,

And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey! The Army's on its way.

Count off the cadence loud and strong

(TWO! THREE!) For where e'er we go, You will always know

That the Army Goes Rolling Along.



The Star-Spangled Banner

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,

What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,

O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.

O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

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Alma Mater

Ernest Wade '30

Martha Spencer '31

There is a place we love so dear—
Its name we'll ever praise and revere
'Tis West Virginia State we love—
Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing—
Lift our voices 'til heavens ring—
As we gaily march along—
We'll sing a song—
For Alma Mater
How we love her
Pride of all our loyal hearts—
From her we will never part—
Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few
Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by,
And send her praises to the sky;
To place her over all the rest,
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;
Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die—
Arise! O men of God and sing;
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.