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## **Aug. 1, 2008 CMAAA Board Minutes**

*Minutes Of Columbia Military Academy Alumni Association Board Meeting held August 1, 2008 in Academy Hall, Columbia, TN*

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bill Raiford, at 10 a.m. on August 1, 2008 on the Columbia Academy campus, Columbia, Tennessee. The Invocation was done by Don Kimbrell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by John Bass.

The last board minutes, published in the Summer, 2008 issue of the Bugle newsletter were approved as written.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Becky Moon and subsequently approved by those in attendance. As of November 28, 2008 the CMAAA accounts are:

CMAAA - regular checking account	\$35,260.84
CMAAA - museum checking account	\$29,691.63

A brief summary of what it took to get the Guard House Museum in shape for the August 2 dedication was itemized by Vice President and Museum Committee head, Woody Pettigrew with a special mention afforded those that donated labor and materials to the project.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Pettigrew submitted four names for consideration as inductees into the Hall of Honor for Winston Elston, Hall of Honor committee head. The names were Meade Frierson who perished in WWI, William F. Bringle who served in WWII, Joseph "Bussy" Mitchell who was killed in Vietnam and Prentice Jones Bennett who also perished in Vietnam. The Board approved the submissions for induction into the CMA Hall of Honor to take place at the General Meeting the next day.

### **Old Business**

Assistant Treasurer, Don Kimbrell, announced the U.S. Department of Revenue approval of the Association's application for Tax Exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3). It is hoped this will facilitate donations for scholarships and other Association activities such as long term maintenance of the Museum. It was noted that the need for a Museum was one of the tenants specified by the founding members of the Association back in the late 1980's.

### **New Business**

The Nomination Committee presented a slate of officers to be submitted to the general membership to serve for a period of two years. Names submitted for consideration were: Don Kimbrell Class of '53, President; Mike Gilchrist Class of '63, Vice-President; Robin Salze Class of '66, Secretary; Nelson Snow Class of '55, Treasurer and Becky Algood Moon Class

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## **Aug. 2, 2008 Reunion Meeting Minutes**

*Minutes Of Columbia Military Academy Alumni Association General Meeting held August 2, 2008 in Old Main, Columbia, TN*

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bill Raiford, at 10 a.m. on August 2, 2008. The Invocation was given by Don Kimbrell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by John Bass.

Columbia Academy President, Dr. Barry England welcomed CMA alumni to the campus.

### **Veterans Recognition**

This was followed by the introduction of the Choir of First Baptist Church under the Direction of Randy Howell. The Choir sang a medley of Military songs commemorating each branch of service in honor of the Veterans present. Veterans were asked to stand when their branch song was sung. The service songs were followed by The Battle Hymn of the Republic with all joining in to close this part of the program by singing the CMA Alma Mater.

### **By-Law Change**

The membership was called on to approve a change in the by laws pertaining to the makeup of the Board of Directors as proposed by the Board. The change adds "at large" members to makeup for representation lost by older classes through attrition. A motion was made, seconded and approved by voice vote confirming the change.

### **Directors Elected**

The meeting was then adjourned for 15 minutes for the class groups to nominate and vote on board members for the next two years.

Upon reconvening a motion was made to accept the minutes of the August 2006 meeting as they appeared in the Winter, 2006 Bugle newsletter. The motion was seconded and carried by a voice vote of the membership.

### **Certificates & Commendations**

Certificates of Appreciation were then awarded several members for their participation in alumni activities by Vice-President Woody Pettigrew.

Association President, Bill Raiford, then awarded a special commendation to each member of the CMA Museum Committee which included Woody Pettigrew, chairman; and members Becky Moon, Johnny Gruber, Mike Gilchrist and Buddy Fisher.

### **Hall of Honor**

Hall of Honor chairman, Winston Elston introduced the following nominees for induction into the CMA Hall of Honor: Meade Frierson who perished in WWI, William F. Bringle who

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of '75, Assistant Treasurer. The slate was approved by the Board.

### Reunion Activities Reviewed

Activities for the General Membership Meeting were then highlighted by Board Members in charge of those activities. They were: Presentation of the Colors for both the introduction of the Veterans Recognition program and Flag Raising following the meeting by the R.O.T.C. unit under the direction of Major Don Geving at Central High School in Columbia arranged in advance by Mike Gilchrist; Veterans Recognition by the choir of the First Baptist Church, Columbia, as arranged by Randy Howell; Veterans Recognition under the direction of Jack Walker, Ron Nall and Rob Zimmerman; The Golf Tournament at Saddle Creek Golf Club in Lewisburg by Randy Howell; Friday afternoon's social gathering at Greymere Country Club, Columbia, by Becky Moon; General Membership Meeting arranged by Becky Moon; Flag Raising Ceremony by 50th Anniversary class members Tom Walbert, Class of '58 and John Hubbard, Class of '59 commemorating deceased alumni from those classes; Museum Dedication by Woody Pettigrew, Museum Chairman; Special Recognition for the Museum Committee by Buddy Fisher; Saturday's Ladies Group Tour by Becky Moon; Banquet Dinner and Dance in the Saturn Union Gym by Becky Moon; Membership Breakfast and Lunch in Old Main by Becky Moon and Saturday Night Class Group photos by Hue Counts, Fayetteville, TN as arranged by Bill Raiford.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

William Raiford, President for  
Michael L. Gilchrist, Secretary

## Additional Vets Honored

It has come to our attention that we failed to include all veterans attending this past August reunion.

In addition to those listed in the Fall issue of the Bugle, there were CMAAA Board Members **Rob Zimmerman**, Class of '67 who served in the U.S. Air Force from 1968 to 1976 with a tour in Vietnam from 1970 to 1971; and **Ron W. Nall**, Class of '61 who served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Our apology for neglecting to mention them in the Fall issue.

### "Whhhhaazzuupppp Dudes"

#### *Odds and Ends from Here and There*

Col. Hatcher's daughter, Sara Williams, retired with husband Ken to Wilmington, NC a couple of years back and enjoys the beach almost daily. They have four children, two boys and two girls. Her brother, Jimmy Hatcher is in Kingston, Ontario. She has

## Metal CMA License Plate Holders Now Available

An all metal license plate holder is available from John Redmond, Class of '71. The frame is available with a black background as shown below.

Frames are \$15.00 each plus shipping. You can write John at 403 So. Mary Street, Eustis, FL 32726 or you may call him at 352-483-1314. He can also be e-mailed at: jsespress2@embarqmail.com



many fond memories of CMA and can be reached at; 219 Rouen Ct., Wilmington, NC 28412 or e-mailed at: school56@aol.com.

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Buddy Kelso, Class of '51, has a granddaughter, Scottie Kelso Langston, embarking on an eleven month mission to eleven foreign countries (one per month) beginning in June of 2009.

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C.A. Wilkins, Class of '52, lost his wife, Jewel, in early November. C.A.'s phone number is; 731-660-7038 and his address is; 567 MCO Rd., Jackson, TN 38305-9419.

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Cancer claimed Tom II, Memphis State tiger mascot, in October. Tom was 17 years old when he died and was acquired for Memphis State through the efforts of Ray Daniels, Class of '54, deceased.

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Tom Faires, Class of '57, spent some time with the Red Cross in Texas back in October helping with the hurricane Ike recovery in Texas. He also worked the shelters in New Orleans during hurricane Gustov.

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Joe Bailey, Class of '61, tells us Coach Gunn had out-patient "Old Man Gland" surgery back in October. The doctor said it was not cancerous but elected to place a Radium seed in it as a precaution. He want you to keep the "Old Coach" in your prayers.

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Bob Beadles, Class of '61, is home after a bout with high blood pressure back in October. His e-mail address is: beadlesiii@yahoo.com

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Rob Zimmerman, Class of '67, underwent open heart surgery in November and needs your prayers.



**BULLDOGS WIN ONE...** CMAAA golfers pictured here, won the first semi annual golf competition between long time rivals CMA and CHMA last October. From left to right are: Bill Wade, Class of '58; Randy Howell, Class of '72; Dan Kinkade, Class of '70 and Stan Boyd, Class of '56.

## It's the Bulldogs Over Castle Heights in Golf

Four noble CMA cadet alumni faced their long time rival counterparts from Castle Heights in the first of a series of golf competitions featuring a revolving trophy to be held by the winner until defeated.

A warm, bright October day heralded the 18 hole match at Lebanon Golf & Country Club in Lebanon, TN. After 18 holes the two teams were deadlocked but an 18th hole tie-breaker favored CMA with the win by one.

It was speculated that the reason the CHMA alumni took the defeat so well was due to their spending their high school careers losing to the Bulldogs.

Jack Walker, Class of '45, said that according to a Castle Heights publication, CMA was the only football team that had a winning record against them in Football over the competitive history of the two schools.

Both teams are hopeful of fielding more than one team for the 2010 match. A lot of friendly ribbing tempered with the aroma of Jim Beam made for a delightful outing.

## Tom Kinard, Class of '66 Remembers "PJ" Bennett

Tom Kinard, Class of '66 remembers Prentice Jones Bennett, Class of '65 and recent Hall of Honor inductee. "PJ was the CO of Band Company in '65 and I too was a member. My roommate, Tommy Briggs, the CO, and I lived in the same corner room of Johnson Hall that PJ had occupied the year before. The last time I saw Prentice was 1966. The door opened and PJ walked in. He was a slender, fair-haired All-American looking guy with a charismatic smile that made you immediately like him. We shared

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served in WWII, Joseph "Bussy" Mitchell who was killed in Vietnam and Prentice Jones Bennett who also perished in Vietnam. Texas native and Vietnam author, Willie Zavala, who was wounded by the same rocket that killed Prentice, gave an emotional account of the bond he shared with "his best friend" prior to and following his death.

Robert Field read an amusing account of a recent visit he had with former faculty member, Major Wade Austin.

Awards were then given to the oldest alumni present and the alumni traveling the greatest distance to attend the Reunion.

**Old business**

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**New Business**

The new slate of officers as recommended by the Board of Director's Nominating Committee, was presented the membership for their approval. They were: Don Kimbrell Class of '53, President; Mike Gilchrist Class of '63, Vice-President; Robin Salze Class of '66, Secretary; Nelson Snow Class of '55, Treasurer and Becky Algood Moon Class of '75, Assistant Treasurer. The slate was approved by approved by voice vote of the membership.

The meeting was then adjourned for the Flag Raising Ceremony commemorating deceased cadets from the Classes of 1958 and 1959 followed by the dedication of the CMA Museum in the Old Guard House.

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a little small talk. He asked where someone lived and I told him. The phrases, "See you later" or "Take it easy" come to mind and he was gone. I have been to the Vietnam War Memorial many times and have seen the Traveling Wall on two occasion. I never fail to touch his name on the wall and thank him for his sacrifice. I never knew exactly how he died. Thank you for sharing his story in the (Fall, 2008) Bugle."

# William Propst, Class of '54 Gives \$5-million for Upgrade

Two public-private partnerships will make a reality what purely public money could not: improvements and expansions to the two key arts and entertainment venues of Huntsville's 30-year-old-plus Von Braun Center.

The latest announcement came Friday. A \$5 million gift from the William Propst, Class of '54, family will be matched with \$10 million from the city to expand, improve and update the VBC arena.

When the changes are completed in a year or two, the arena will have 10,000 seats; more rest rooms (mostly for women); a larger, glassed-in lobby overlooking Big Spring International Park; a restaurant that will be open even when the arena is not in

use; private boxes and a new concourse.

VBC and city officials say the 10,000 seats will be an attraction to more acts than the current seating capacity.

The generosity of the Propst family is something the community can be truly grateful for. William Propst, in addition to the drug store that bears this name, founded Huntsville-based Vintage Pharmaceuticals and its sister distribution company, Qualityest.



**VON BRAUN CENTER & PROPST ARENA...** An artist sketch of the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, AL which will benefit from the \$5-million donation to the Propst Arena named after William S. Propst, CMA Class of '54.

### Columbia Military Academy Museum Project

#### Donation Form

I support the CMA Museum Project with a donation in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ . I am including my check made out to the CMAAA

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INSTEAD of making this donation in my name, I want this donation to be in Memory of Mrs. Mariemma Grimes \_\_\_\_\_ (Please mark with an "X" if you want this donation to be recognized in Mrs. Grimes' name INSTEAD of your name.)

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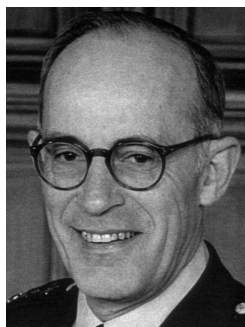
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- \$5,000 - \$9,999 – Bronze
- \$10,000 - \$24,000 – Silver
- \$25,000 and Up – Gold

# Hall of Honor, Lieutenant General and Military Advisor to 2 Administrations

William Eldridge Odom, CMA Class of '50 and CMA Hall of Honor recipient, died May 30 of an apparent heart attack at his vacation home in Lincoln, VT.

After CMA, William graduated the United States Military Academy, West Point. He attended Armor, Airborne, Ranger and The Command and General Staff College and received a Ph.D. in Political Science from Columbia University in 1970.

He was a retired U.S. Army 3-star general and a former Director of the NSA (National Security Agency) under President Ronald Reagan. He retired after a 31 year career in military intelligence, mainly specializing in matters relating to the Soviet Union.



**Gen. Odom**

During the Carter years, General Odom was a senior member of the National Security Council Staff and Military Aide to the President's Assistant for National Security Affairs, Zbigniew Brzezinski. At the NSC, General Odom worked on Strategic Planning, Soviet Affairs, Nuclear Strategy, Telecommunications Policy, Terrorism and Persian Gulf Security Affairs.

From 1981 to 1985, General Odom served as Deputy Assistant, then Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, responsible for all Army intelligence operations.

General Odom was Director of the National Security Agency from 1985 to 1988, Advisor to The Secretary of Defense, The Director of Central Intelligence, and The Joint Chiefs of Staff.

After military retirement he became a think tank policy expert and a university professor and has since become known for his outspoken

criticism of the Iraq War and warrantless wiretapping of American citizens.

Odom was a prolific writer having published five books and numerous papers on Soviet World Politics, Capabilities and Goals.

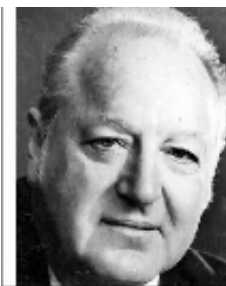
Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Anne Odom, a former chief curator of the Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens, of Washington and Lincoln, Vt.; a son, Army Lt. Col. Mark Odom, CMA Class of '69, of Fort Lewis, Wash., who was wounded in action in Iraq; a brother; a sister; and a granddaughter.

## SILVER TAPS

### Edmund P. Jones, Class of '37

Edmund Palmer Jones, MD, died Oct. 5 at St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Dorothy Beck Noland.

Following graduation from CMA, Mr. Jones attended Vanderbilt University and was awarded a B.A. degree followed by an MD.



**Edmund Jones**

He served internships at the US Marine Hospital in Baltimore, MD in 1944 and at the University of Wisconsin General Hospital in Madison from 1946 to 1947. He completed his residency in surgery and anesthesiology at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond from 1947 to 1950.

Dr. Jones served as captain in the US Army Air Force in the School of Aviation Medicine and was in active duty from 1944 to 1946. He was stationed as a flight surgeon with the 70th fighter wing at Neubiberg Air Station, Germany and was an intern at the US Marine Hospital in Baltimore, MD. His primary interest in aviation medicine is closely allied with the field of anesthesiology.

He began his medical career at St. Thomas Hospital in 1951 as one of the first physicians to set up a practice of anesthesiology in Nashville, and retired in 1991.

He was the lead anesthesiologist for one of Dr. Michael De Bakey's earliest heart transplants in the United States. He was a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the American Medical Association, the Tennes-

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## SILVER TAPS

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see Medical Association, and the Nashville Academy of Medicine. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Beck Noland, a native Nashvillian and four children, Pamela (Joseph W. Brown) of Las Vegas, NV, Elizabeth (Grady C. Frank) of Alexandria, VA, E. Palmer Jones, Jr. of Nashville and Marjorie Whittemore Jones of London, England. Dr. Jones was also the proud grandfather of 6 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Funeral services were held at St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville with interment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

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### **Ewing H. Frakes Jr., Class of '38**

Mr. Ewing Henry "Son" Frakes Jr., 90, retired owner of Frakes Electric Company and resident of Rolling Fields Circle, died Thursday, Oct. 30, at Maury Regional Medical Center, Columbia, TN.

A memorial service was conducted the following Sunday at First United Methodist Church with Dr. James G. Hughes, the Rev. Jeff Jacob, and Tommy Vann officiating.

Memorials in honor of Mr. Frakes may be made to First United Methodist Church, 222 W. 7th St., Columbia, TN, 38401.

The Maury County native was the son of the late Ewing Henry Frakes Sr. and Anna Pearl Fisher Frakes. Mr. Frakes served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was an electrical contractor and owned Frakes Electric Company in Columbia for many years. He was a member of the Herbert Griffin American Legion Post 19 and Shriners Columbia Lodge 32 and a life-long member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife of

68 years, Marie Hackney Frakes of Columbia; daughter, Martha Schulz of Columbia; son, Neel Frakes of Columbia; sister, Margaret Alice Frakes Lacy of Columbia; brother, Colonel James Fisher Frakes of Greenville, Alabama; four grandchildren, Stuart (Terri) Schulz, Matt (Ann Marie) Schulz, Sally (Jason) Brown, Jason (Suzanne) Frakes; four great-grandchildren, John Schulz, Maria Schulz, Chloe Frakes, and Austin Frakes.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Cloa Parks and brother, Al Frakes.

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### **George A. Terry, Class of '44**

Former State Senator George Alvin Terry died October 1, 2008. The cause of death was heart failure.

Senator Terry was a native of Oneida, TN and is one of very few politicians to have served in both the Tennessee



George Terry

House of Representatives and the Tennessee State Senate. He was an East Tennessee Republican. When Terry retired from state government, he went to work as an administrator for the Davidson County Sheriff.

Terry served on the Board of Directors, and as Vice President of First Trust & Savings Bank and of the First Southern Savings Bank. He also served as an elder for the Madison Church of Christ, and as an elder and deacon for the Oneida Church of Christ.

He was an officer and director of the Tennessee Automobile Association, and his family owned and operated Terry Motor Company for

more than 75 years.

He served in the U.S. Army and was a Second Lieutenant and attended Auburn University, and the University of Alabama before graduating from the University of Tennessee.

He followed his grandfather and father into public service, first as county party chairman and then by running for office. Terry was elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives in 1956 and to the State Senate in 1960.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sarah Winn Terry; daughters, Stephanie Terry Faulkner (Curt), Saralee Terry Woods (Larry), Seresa Terry Morgan and Rachel Terry Thomas (Greg). He is also survived by a brother, Claude Terry, Jr. (Fayrene) and sister, Jane Terry Hoffman, both of Oneida, nine grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

The funeral was held at the Goodlettsville Church of Christ, followed by the burial at Spring Hill Cemetery.

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### **Allen B. Wood, Class of '57**

Allen Bryan Wood, age 69, of Memphis, passed away September 4, at his home. Following his graduation from CMA he graduated Memphis State University.

He retired from Memphis City Schools and is survived by his wife, Doris J. Wood, and granddaughters, Gina and Kelly Donaldson. He also leaves a stepdaughter, Lisa James of Memphis and his uncle, Dick Claunch of Meridian, Texas. Services were held at Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel.

The family requests that memorials be sent to Youth Villages.

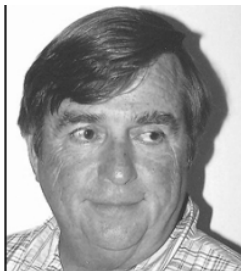
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## Robert E. Dolan, Class of '63

Robert Edmund "Bob" Dolan of Memphis, passed away peacefully at his beloved Bear Creek Lake September 27. Bob attended Columbia Military Academy, Central High School, Memphis and Memphis State University.



**Bob Dolan**

Bob was President of E. C. Denaux Interior Design. He was the fourth generation to run it. Denaux was over 100 years old when Bob closed it and decided to pursue his true love, landscaping. He loved working outdoors and continued until about two years ago, when he turned it over to his son.

He was an avid hunter, and hunted all over the United States. Bob had a passion for duck hunting as he had his first duck hunt at five years old. When he got engaged to his wife, his only rule in marriage

was to be able to duck hunt whenever and wherever he could.

Bob was past President of the Board of the Better Business Bureau and a third generation former Rotarian. He was also a former member of the University Club and former member of Bobo Hunting club in Clarksdale, MS.

He leaves his wife, Susan Huntzicker Dolan; three children: Kim Dolan Johnson (Joel), Betsy Dolan Lambert (Mike), and Robert E. Dolan, Jr. He also leaves his sister, Linda Dolan Saig, and his brother, Tom Dolan of Dallas, Texas. He also leaves two sets of twin grandchildren that he lived everyday to love and enjoy: Anna Dolan Johnson, Emma Denaux Johnson, Hayley Dolan Lambert, and Thomas Henry Lambert. Bob was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church. A Memorial Service was held October 1, at St. George's Episcopal Church (Germantown, TN). The family request in lieu of flowers, memorials be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Online guest book [www.roller-funeralhomes.com](http://www.roller-funeralhomes.com) Roller-Citizens Funeral Home.

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