

AFROTC BRONCO DETACHMENT DIGEST

In Dollars & Cents

When cadets receive a commission upon graduation and enter the Air Force, they immediately start earning a salary as a Second Lieutenant. This applies even if they are sent to additional schools. At a minimum, their annual gross income will be \$8,947.00. If they are married, or have dependents and live off base, this figure jumps to \$11,038.00. And this is just a start. All officers will receive periodic pay increases. Promotions, the first of which normally occurs at the two-year interval, provides a substantial pay increase. The first promotion, for example, translates to a full \$150.00 increase per month or \$1,800 per year. Retirement pay at the end of twenty years of service, if promoted to at least Major, converts to a monthly gross amount of \$990.00, under the current pay system. Also translatable into dollars and cents in thirty days paid vacation per year, travel, in-service education assistance program, medical and dental care, to name a few. In summary, AFROTC enrollment may begin as a one small credit hour course, with drill and inspection along with some fun. But it may well lead to a starting salary of over \$11,000 per year, with

Veterans

Administration

The Veterans Administration today reminded veterans and servicemen enrolled in college under the GI Bill that if they need tutoring help, the VA stands ready to pay for it.

Uncle Sam didn't pay for tutorial assistance for World War II and Korean Conflict veterans, but under present law VA will pay as much as \$65 a month for tutoring up to a maximum of \$780, according to VA Regional Director H.W. Johnson.

And the tutorial help is not charged against the veteran's basic educational entitlement, Johnson pointed out.

In addition to veterans and active duty servicemen, tutorial benefits are available to widows, widowers, spouses and children studying under the VA's Dependents' Educational Assistance Program.

Veterans and servicemen studying at the post-secondary level on at least a half-time basis are eligible if they have a deficiency in a subject required in an approved program of education, Johnson said.

Application should be made within a year of the tutoring. It should be certified by the school and submitted to the VA regional office which maintains the veteran's claim folder.

The Sculpture "Humph"

TO: Dr. Barbara D. Holmes, Director Institutional Research & Planning
FROM: Harvey C. Jenkins, Coordinator of the Area of Art
RE: Information on the Art Show

The Sculpture "Humph" (welded wire rods) by Harvey C. Jenkins is on exhibit at the Fayetteville Museum of Art. This work of Art is among the few sculpture pieces selected in the "Fifth Annual North Carolina Artists Exhibit."

The Art Show will run from November 21, 1976 through January 10, 1977.

retirement pay at age 42 for the rest of your life.

Did You Know?

That the rapid advances in technology which are transforming man's environment are also changing the officer requirements in today's Air Force?

That in order to fill these changing requirements, Air Force ROTC scholarships are available to qualified applicants in both the four-year and two-year programs?

That the Bronco Detachment has, traditionally been unable to use all scholarships made available to FSU students in the scientific and engineering academic fields?

That current sophomores may apply for scholarships under the two-year program, even if they have not been enrolled in freshman and sophomore courses?

If you didn't know, check it out. If your academic record is good and you scored fairly high on the SAT, you may be qualified to receive an AFROTC scholarship. Also, if your academic major is mathematics or computer science, there is an excellent possibility that you may qualify for a scholarship program that will pay all required tuition and laboratory fees, incidental expenses and reimbursement for textbooks for as long as you remain on scholarship status.

Military Ball A Big Success

In keeping with the spirit of the university centennial, Cadets of the Bronco Detachment embarked on a new and ambitious project-to establish this festive event as an annual highlight for the university

community. In order to accomplish this objective, a location off campus had to be selected to accommodate the anticipated increased number of faculty members, guests and corps members in attendance. Funds had to be raised, a band engaged, food and refreshments ordered, transportation provided and the ballroom decorated.

Since some might argue that military leaders in the past had never seen such an affair with so much life labeled "Military Ball," maybe next year it would be wise to call it a "Military Blast." Comments overheard from guests, faculty and cadets alike may lead one to believe the evening was enjoyed by all. As one of the invited guests of the Cadet Group, I can only describe my assessment of the evening by placing these fine young people on notice that I will be looking forward to receiving my invitation for next year's ball (blast?).

About Our Commissionees

Ever wonder what happens to FSU graduates who receive commissions in the Air Force through the Bronco Detachment? Lt. Conrith Davis' story is a typical answer to this question. He is stationed in "sunny" California as a Security Police shift supervisor, managing approximately 60 people who perform law enforcement and security duties. Lt. Davis earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration from FSU. Since entering the Air Force, he has acquired professional police education in Police Science, Corrections, Human Resources, Air Base

Defense and Police Dog handling. As is typical of many Air Force officers, Lt. Davis has taken advantage of one of the in-service education programs, and will earn a master's degree in Planning and Public Administration in December 1976. Also in December, Lt. Davis will be promoted to the grade of First Lieutenant. Maybe we can't tell you specifically what has happened to our commissioned graduates, but we'd be willing to bet it's something good.

New Cadet Group

Commanders Appointed

The Professor of Aerospace Studies (PAS) announced the selection of Cadet Thomas J. McLaughlin to command the Cadet Group for the Spring '77 semester. Cadet Dwayne M. Burris was appointed to the Deputy Commander position. Both cadets met with the PAS, Colonel Matthew H. Peach, on December 9th to receive their appointments and to discuss their responsibilities in these vital and challenging positions. Cadet McLaughlin was born in Fayetteville, he is a 1973 graduate of Seventy-First High School. He is scheduled to earn his degree in Business Administration and commission as an Air Force officer in May 1977. He has been selected to enter the Missile career field. Cadet Burris was born in Greensboro. He is a 1973 graduate of Southview High School. He will complete the requirements for the B.A. (History) degree next semester. He is also in line for an Air Force commission in May 1977, upon graduation.

Although he awaits the Air Force decision on career field assignment, Cadet Burris has indicated his desires to enter the Intelligence, Information or Investigation career fields. The talented cadets available to fill other high level positions, and the traditional team spirit of the Cadet Group promotes an optimistic opinion about the successful semester ahead. Good luck to the new Commander and Deputy Commander!

Cadets Presented Awards

Leadership Laboratory for December 9th included something extra-an Awards Presentation. Headquarters AFROTC has established a limited number of achievement awards which may be presented each semester to cadets. To earn these awards, cadets must have demonstrated an unusual degree of ability, initiative and other leadership ability. Although local competition for these awards was tight, the thirteen cadets who were finally selected, and presented ribbons for these were as follows: Cadets Dwayne M. Burris and Rolanda Gibson received the AFROTC Superior Performance Ribbon; Cadets Michael D. Culbreth, Brenda Keith and Colton McKethan received the AFROTC Leadership Ribbon; Cadets Bernard Cameron, Allen Chavis, Joyce Foster, Larry Griffin, Shirley Lewis, Gregory Mercer and Paul Murphy received the AFROTC Distinctive GMC Cadet Ribbon, and Cadet Freddie J. McLean received the College Scholarship Program Cadet Ribbon.





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