



# Drum Beats

## President's Message

### Welcome to Drum Beats - Your Newsletter

We are pleased to introduce you to Drum Beats, the new and official newsletter of Carson Long. With all the many exciting changes taking place at the school, we feel it is vital to keep our important audiences better informed of the great and wonderful accomplishments of our cadets and alumni, as well as the major progress we are making as we move forward with changes to help Carson Long grow, develop, and continue to produce our future leaders.

This newsletter is for you, and it is intended to be a two-way communication tool between us and you, the many groups who have a vital stake in our success – parents, alumni, supporters, colleges and universities, area communities and others. We want to foster this communication with everyone who has an interest in Carson Long and seeing it continue to succeed and grow. We will include information about the happenings at Carson Long, but we would also like for you to send us information as well.

In order to help provide better communication, we have recently hired Jennifer Chunn as our Marketing Officer, who will coordinate the information for Drum Beats. If you have any questions, notes or thoughts, please send them to her at [jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org](mailto:jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org). Let us know ways that we can improve not only our communication, but also our various programs. Make this your forum for important issues – share your ideas with us and with others.

I look forward to hearing from you and sharing more with you in future issues.



**Colonel  
Matthew  
Brown**  
President

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## *Congratulations Class of 2008!!*

### *Mission Statement:*

*To inspire young men to strive for academic excellence, build strong character, and reach their highest potential as future responsible citizens and ethical leaders in a global community.*

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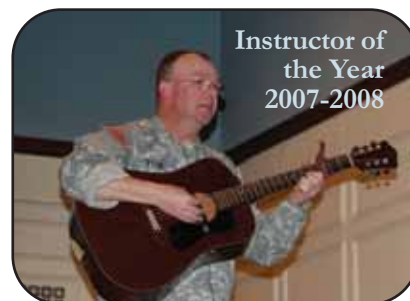
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## Faculty Profile: SFC William Stone

SFC William Stone has been with Carson Long Military Institute for 13 years. As a member of the JROTC staff, along with LTC Samuel Butler, he is integral in teaching leadership to the cadets. He began his career here after retiring from the Army. Stone sees this as a way to have the best of both worlds and is certainly an extension of his military career, "It is sort of like having one foot in the Army, and one foot out."



One misconception that he mentions is that of the mission of Army JROTC. "Many times someone will hear the term 'Army JROTC' and assume that the purpose of the program is to recruit soldiers for the Army," said Stone. This is not true. The formal mission of the JROTC program is to "Motivate Young People to Be Better Citizens". Part of becoming a better citizen is by learning about our rights and responsibilities as citizens along with skills like leadership, ethical and logical decision making, time management, research and study skills, self-discipline, and ceremonial drill. The department also concentrates on helping the cadets improve communications skills through research, writing and effective public speaking programs. As the cadets move into their junior and senior years, they are instructed in career search techniques, college selection considerations, resume writing, human behavior and relationships, conflict management, problem solving, financial management, personal fitness, first aid, drug & alcohol abuse prevention. Other areas of JROTC include the opportunity to participate in a variety of challenging and competitive activities such as Drill Teams, Adventure Training, and the annual JROTC Summer Camp.

While talking with SFC Stone, our interview was interrupted when a group of about 15 cadets come in to receive extra help for their Leadership Education and Training class. Of course, the interview is placed on hold while SFC Stone takes the time to work with the cadets. Not until he is satisfied that the cadets have completed their assignments and met the standard, does the interview continue.

In fact, one of the ways he teaches leadership is by example. "It is important to live what you preach. If you're going to suck up a cadet's time, then use it to help him improve in those areas in which he may be falling short" Leadership is a key focus of the JROTC program. Leadership skills are vital to becoming good solid young men. Teaching these skills is a key role in SFC Stone's daily life. So what makes a good leader at our school? According to Stone, "People who are caring, motivated, seeks self-improvement, have a strong desire to help young people, and are willing to place the needs of the student above your own. A leader is one who has a desire to do their part in society, the work place, even in the social setting. It is people who are responsible for themselves and are capable of being responsible others. They are people who are willing and ready to take responsibility for those things in their control. It even means doing whatever it takes to bring about change in a positive and realistic way."

"Change is important not only in an organization, but also in the development of our young men," he says. Like other teachers and instructors at the school, Stone teaches young men who come to CLMI study habits, test taking techniques, and better ways to learn. He stressed how important it is to use positive motivation to reach the cadets so that they can see how life can be improved just by a simple adjustment of an attitude or a change in their approach to learning. He also emphasized the importance of holding cadets accountable for their actions or inaction. "Otherwise, they will never become self-reliant or independent." He discussed the importance of encouraging the cadets to stop being passive learners (the student who takes lots of notes and crams for the test and forgets everything once the test is over) to active learners (applying the concepts learned to any learning situation inside and outside of the classroom). "Active learners tend to receive better grades because they are focusing on the concept and not the memorization of facts. They are applying the concepts and tend to better cope with changing environments and situations."

How do you measure success? Stone realizes he has achieved the goals when ever he sees a cadet who he watched struggle his first year here, even one he thought might not make it, walk across the stage at graduation to receive his diploma – going into the world – a success. That is why he is here – to help mold these young men to become the best they can be as future learners and leaders.

**Special Thanks to Jim Dale for your help and inspiration on Drum Beats.**

# The Colonel's *Corner*

## The keys to successful leadership

I recently had the opportunity to speak to our seniors and junior cadet leaders at the annual Carson Long Dining-In and wish to share with you what I discussed with them – the principles of “success” and “shared vision.”

To me, success is nothing more than doing the best you can – all the time. As a result of doing the best you can all the time, you are able to define what success is for you. I mentioned to our cadets that I feel it is a real mistake to let others define your success. The New England Patriots of the National Football League won the most games last season of any professional football team in history. Quite an accomplishment!!! However, their only loss of the year was in the final game, the Super Bowl.

Some media reporters portrayed the Patriot's season as not successful because they lost in the Super Bowl even after winning so many games. In this case, it is a real mistake to let the media define the Patriot's success. The Patriots and their season were a tremendous success story, even if they only lost one game. I then mentioned to the cadets about success

and the honor-roll. Not every student has the capability to be an honor student. Many students work very hard and can only attain a 75% average. Are they successful? Absolutely. If 75% average is the best a student can do consistently, over time, then they are successful in my book.

The US Army War College defines vision as a “means of focusing effort and progressing toward a desired future – what ought to be.” To me, “shared vision” is getting a group of talented individuals to function as one progressing toward that future state. In many organizations or sports teams, the challenge for the leader or coach is to get that talented group of individuals to believe in their shared goal, and then focus their efforts toward getting there.

Recently, our Board of Trustee's approved a new school mission statement. The original statement will now become the Founding Principles. The new mission reads, “To inspire young men to strive for academic excellence, build strong character and reach their highest potential as future, responsible citizens and ethical leaders in a global community.” Therefore, the school leadership challenge is to focus our efforts on getting the Board of Trustees, staff and faculty, alumni, community, parents and cadets to work together as we progress toward the school's shared vision and mission.

In summary, doing the best you can all the time (success) and getting a group of individuals to function as one (shared vision) are keys to successful leadership.



## CLMI achieves best-ever score on Army JROTC inspection

The Carson Long Military Institute scored a 597 out of a possible 600 points - a grade of 99.5 percent - during the U.S. Army's formal inspection this spring. According to LTC Samuel Butler, this is the highest score Carson Long has ever received, with annual inspections dating back approximately 50 years.

“This is a great honor and achievement for the cadets of Carson Long, but also recognizes the hard work and dedication of everyone involved with the school, including faculty and staff,” said LTC Butler. “We've set a tough new standard for ourselves and I am confident that we can continue to produce the same excellent performance results.”

## Change is good . . . but not quiet



*When you return to Carson Long, be prepared to see infrastructure improvements on campus. During the last week of June and first week of July, NYCE Concrete Construction, Inc. began repairing the sidewalks on campus and the front and side steps of Centennial Hall. Yet with these needed and necessary improvements comes the noise from heavy saws and jackhammers. But for those of us who live and work here, we understand the need and endure so we are able to achieve smoother sidewalks, nicer steps and a safer atmosphere.*



**The Quiet Part:** *The bell tower and parts of Centennial Hall are receiving a face lift this summer by Tony Vorous Painting.*





## 2008 Graduating Class: Carson Long Military Institute

**Front row (L-R):** Bradley Fackett, Cullen Lupo, Michael Arrieta, Alexei Bouzykanov **Second Row:** Fu-Hsain Hsiao, Michael Zhou, Samuel Vranicar, Michael Li, William Qiu, Cody Ford, Hao-Ping Su **Third Row:** Benjamin Slipak, Vladislav Shpigel, Chi-Jui Fan, Vache Inakavadze, Alex Koff, Osmany Martinez, Mark Prizov **Fourth Row:** Ismail El Hajouji, Naim Cephas, Patrick Bard, Eric Kandal, Michael Lvovsky, Marcus Guerrier, Xavier Rodriguez, Hao-En Wang **Fifth Row:** Shane Cormier, Michael Shklyar, Lu-Chiao Han, Jonathan Durkin, Po-Chun Chiu, Kairuo Wang, Ramon Espinosa, Alberto Rivera **Sixth Row:** Mohamed El Marnissi, Youssef Mansour, Daniil Telitskiy

## The end of the road By Cadet Harrison Plazio '09

The time has come for you and me,  
to go our separate ways and be free,  
But we must do so with caution and care,  
For there are many dangers out there,  
Now as we part from our eternal code,  
We have finally reached the end of the road,  
Our times together will always be cherished  
Even after we've finally perished  
Yes, our time together has been quite grand,

But today is when we make our last stand,  
Today we stand not us two but as one,  
Because we both know that our work here is  
done,  
And so we'll depart but our bond will still  
hold,  
Until God himself will grow tired and old,  
And now as we part from our eternal code  
We have finally reached the End of the Road.

*-Dedicated to all who have ever said "good-bye" to someone.*

# Carson Long Military Institute Scholarships, Prizes and Prize Winners 2007-2008

LIEUTENANT EUGENE E. KOEN '28 MEDALS: JONATHAN DURKIN, MICHAEL ARRIETTA, WILLIAM QIU

COLONEL EDWARD L. HOLMAN MEDAL: SHANE CORMIER

COLONEL THEODORE K. LONG MEDAL: SEAN POWELL

MASTER SERGEANT CLARK LEE HOLMAN MEDAL: SAMUEL VRANICAR

ALUMNI MEDAL: CHRISTOPHER VILA

MAJOR JOSEPH A. LEPERE MEDAL: JAVIER GARCIA, BRIAN LAU

GENERAL NATHAN WILLIAM MacCHESNEY MEDAL: TRAVIS DROST

CARLOS SHEFFIELD MEMORIAL MEDAL: MITCHELL OGRON

CLMI MEDAL: HYEON SEOK YU

DEAN NICHOLS ATHLETIC MEDAL: AARON SKEETE

MILITARY MEDAL: LIONEL HARVEY

COL. ARMON A. CIOPPA MEDAL: JONATHAN CHEN

SPANISH MEDALS: SPANISH I EXCELLENCE MEDAL: JOSHUA LEE  
SPANISH II EXCELLENCE MEDAL: CAMERON WILLIS

ASSOCIATION OF MILITARY COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS MEDAL: YI-CHENG PAN

CITIZENSHIP MEDAL: ALEX KOFF

POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY MEDALS: CULLEN LUPO, MICHAEL LI

CARSON LONG SCHOOL MEDALS: DENIZ PIATT, JEREMY ARMAH

DOUGLAS J. KLEINTOP MEDAL: MICHAEL ARRIETA

CIOPPA MEDAL: ROBERT BEDEROFF

PAUL A. TEGLER '75 AWARD: CHI-JUI FAN

CADET OFFICER OF THE DAY PRIZE: ELIJA JACKSON, MICHAEL SIGLER

THE STEPHEN SZEGO PRIZE: MICHAEL LI

THE VARGA FAMILY PRIZE: MITCHELL OGRON

NEW BLOOMFIELD CIVIC CLUB PRIZE: ALEX LUK

JARA COMMENCEMENT PRIZE: ELIJAH JACKSON

NEW BLOOMFIELD LIONS CLUB PRIZE: OLIVER CLEMONS, DARYL SCHAD

RUPERT VICTOR LESSELS AWARD: JARED GUYAH

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: RAYMOND WANG

READING PRIZE: LEIGH HARTSHORN

DAVID LINDELL MEMORIAL PRIZE: HAO-PING SU, MICHAEL LI

DR. MIQUEL V. TEJERA CHEMISTRY AWARD: YI-CHENG PAN

MATTHEW WEIST SOCCER AWARD: RAMON ESPINOSA

RICHARD D. TOMPAKOV MEMORIAL AWARD: ALEX KOFF

MOTYKA SALUTATORIAN AWARD: JONATHAN DURKIN

VALEDICTORIAN AWARD: KAIRUO WANG

RICHARD A. YARNALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: PAUL RUSH

JOCK OLIVER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: SHIN DONG KIM

THE JOSEPH PATRICK ROGERS AWARD: CHRISTIAN SWAIN

CLMI SCHOLARSHIPS: CAMERON WILLIS, LUIS TINEO, CHRISTIAN SWAIN

PRICE SCHOLARSHIP: STEVEN SOTO, MAX GLAZER, DENIZ PIATT

COL. AND MRS. MATTHEW J. BROWN "FUTURE LEADER" SCHOLARSHIP: ALEX LUK, HYEON SEAK YU

MAJOR JOHN ALBERT RAMER SCHOLARSHIP: TRAVIS DROST

CARSON E.R. HOLMAN SCHOLARSHIP: YI-CHENG PAN, CHEN-KUO CHUNG

KENNY REYNOLDS SCHOLARSHIP: TRISTAN DAVEY, ELIJAH JACKSON

MATTHEW LA PORTE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: FU-HSUAN HSIAO

BIXLER SCHOLARSHIP: WEI WANG, HYEON SEAK YU

BRIGADIER GENERAL FRANK E. TRESSLER SCHOLARSHIPS:

YI-CHENG PAN, ALEX LUK, CLEVON JOHN, JOSHUA LEE, KESSEL STENDAL

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GOLD STAR PLATOON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: TARICK QUINLAN-JOSEPH

COLONEL ALEXANDER K. McCLURE DECLAMATION PRIZE:

FIRST PLACE (\$25.00 and Medal): JAMES DALE

SECOND PLACE (\$15.00): CLEVON JOHN

THIRD PLACE (\$10.00): PATRICK SANSEVERINO III

BLUE RIBBON SQUAD:

FIRST PLACE (\$15.00):

SEAN POWELL

SECOND PLACE (\$10.00):

ANDREY TEVLIN

THIRD PLACE (\$5.00):

MICHAEL LVOVSKY

SENIOR LITERARY SOCIETY HONOR ROLL:

FIRST PLACE: 49

SECOND PLACE: BELFRY

HONOR BUILDING: BELFRY HALL

GREEK/ROMAN CONTEST FOR THE YEAR WON BY: GREEKS

## Class of 2008 Scholarship Awards

**Koff Alex**--- \$26,000 per year Renewable- Army ROTC Scholarship-Christopher Newman Univ

**Ford, Cody**-- \$12,000 per year Renewable- Army Rotc Scholarship--Southern Illinois 2,000 per year Renewable- Leadership Scholarship through US Air Force

**Li, Michael**-- \$29,000 per year Renewable- Academic Scholarship--- St John's University

**Prizov, Mark** ---- \$16,000 per year Renewable--Academic Scholarship--Stetson University

**Arrieta, Michael**--- \$5,000 per year Rebewable--Academic Honors--William Paterson University

**Vranicar, Samuel & Cormier, Shane**--- \$2000 Per year Internship Hampton Fire Dept (Attending Harrisburg Area Community College Fire Science Course.



## Pick up your Carson Long Military Institute 2008 Calendar now.

For only \$5 you may receive a 2008 Carson Long calendar - each month features a special photograph of a Carson Long event or cadet - treasure the school throughout the year.

# Oration Videos

If you would like to receive the commemorative oration video from the Class of 2008, please contact Jennifer Chunn at [jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org](mailto:jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org). Videos should be ready for mailing by the end of July. Cost is \$15.

## Calling all Parents and Alumni

All parents and alumni of Carson Long share a common interest in supporting the school, faculty and staff in helping to nurture the cadets as they grow toward maturity and adulthood. This year and looking forward, CLMI actively encourages everyone to become more involved in events at the school. Future issues of Drum Beats will contain a sections for your input and feedback. This is your space to share your voice.

To submit ideas and information, contact [jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org](mailto:jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org)

# AlumNews

Carson Long alumni are a devoted group - believing in the important work the school does to produce new generations of leaders. Committed to helping Carson Long remain at the forefront of education in an environment that is as beautiful and structurally healthy as it is effective, the alumni recently raised more than \$16,000 to install new windows in Annex, Belfry and '49 Halls. The cadets truly appreciate the energy efficient windows with screens. And we all appreciate the continued significant support of our important group of alums.

For information on how you can participate in the alumni group, visit the alumni website at [CarsonLongAlumni.org](http://CarsonLongAlumni.org)



**Pictured from left:** Cadets Robert Lovelace, Peter Girgis and Cody Ford looking out the new windows of '49.

**Register now to attend Carson Long Alumni Weekend 2008 for more information visit [CarsonLongAlumni.org](http://CarsonLongAlumni.org).  
Deadline is October 10, 2008.**

## Scenes from Commencement Week



*When an eighth grader graduates from Middle School to High School at Carson Long Military Institute, they are given their ROTC insignia as part of the graduation ceremony. Pictured is Cadet Ayakin receiving his ROTC insignia from SGT Chunn and SFC Stone at the 2008 Middle School Commencement on May 30, 2008.*

*Every year on Memorial Day, Carson Long Military Institute participates in the New Bloomfield Memorial Day parade. This year's Battalion Staff and COL Brown led the Battalion through New Bloomfield to the cemetery where a special Memorial Day ceremony was sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. During the ceremony, cadets placed flowers on former military gravestones.*



## CLMI performs ceremonial duties at Arlington Cemetery



From left: Col. Matthew Brown, Alex Luk, Cameron Mizioch, Shane Cormier, Alex Koff, Samuel Vranicar, Jeffrey Chan and LTC Samuel Butler.

Carson Long Military Institute participated in the National Day of Remembrance for Forgotten Heroes of the Cold War on Thursday, May 1, 2008 at Arlington National Cemetery. The Cadet Color Guard posted the National colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance to open the program. The program included speeches, honoring the service of the Cold War Era veterans, given by representatives of the American Cold War Veterans Organization. The service ended with Cadet Alex Koff playing taps.

The color guard consisted of cadets Samuel Vranicar, Cameron Mizioch, Shane Cormier, Alex Luk and Jeffrey Chan along with bugler Alex Koff. Also attending the ceremony were Col. Matthew Brown, president of Carson Long Military Institute and LTC Samuel Butler, Senior Army Instructor. According to LTC Butler, "this was a great honor for these cadets because it is very rare that any organization conducts or performs ceremonial duties in the Arlington Cemetery other than specialty designated ceremonial units from the Armed Forces."

## CLMI Agriculture Club: *Food for thought*

This year's Agriculture Club made a number of visits to area markets and attractions to learn more about how crops are raised, processed and moved to the marketplace. Under the direction of Faculty Advisor Jacob Warner, the club made field trips to the Carlisle Central Farmer's Market, the Keswick Creamery, and the Espresso Yourself Cafe in Newport. On these trips, club members learned everything from how to choose healthy seedlings for a garden and the basics of baking, to how to create sustainable agriculture and even make cheese.

On campus, the club has cultivated a vegetable garden that features broccoli, cabbage, a variety of lettuces, onions, radishes, tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, and a number of spices. The garden is entirely organic - created using a "sheet mulching" method - and should produce a wide selection of fresh produce that the students can learn to cook and even create preserves for later use. Students are also planting a special wildflower area to attract beneficial insects to the garden area.



### Club Members include (L-R):

Cadets Tevlin, Fraser, Cormier, Jacob Warner - advisor, and Davey. Not pictured are Wang, R., John, Quinlin-Joseph, Sukharenko, and Khait.

## Going Online

You will be able to order your Carson Long Memorabilia online this fall. You will not have to wait until Homecoming, Parents' Weekend or Graduation Week to purchase your favorite Carson Long items. Keep watching the website or email Jennifer Chunn at [jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org](mailto:jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org) for more information.

## Please help

You can help us keep your information correct and up-to-date. Send your correct information to [jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org](mailto:jennifer.chunn@carsonlong.org). We want to make sure you receive your copy of Drum Beats. Also if you received this in the mail and would like to receive the electronic version, please note that in an email with your email address to Jennifer Chunn. Thank you for all of your help.



Carson Long Military Institute is the oldest boarding school with military training in the United States. The school has been a nonprofit corporation since 1920 and is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees. Carson Long has been accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools since 1929. It is a member of the Association of Military Colleges and Schools of the United States, the National Association of Independent Schools, and the Pennsylvania Association of Independent Schools.



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