



Special Supplement for Foundation Members

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Dear Members, these are your four extra pages of USAWC news. You are getting this insert because you are one of our valued Foundation members. **Thank you for your special support.**

2019 Alumni Scholarship Winners. We had 164 applicants to our Alumni Scholarship Program this year and awarded a total of \$25,000 to 40 winners. Every year, our Scholarship Program application window opens the first week of January and closes the first week of March. Exact dates will be announced in the Fall magazine and on our website from October-February each year (www.usawc.org.)



\$1,500

Jacob J. Yarvis

(University of Texas at Austin)

Son of

COL Jeffrey S. Yarvis, DDE '18

*Jacob is the second recipient of this
Distance Education Alumni Scholarship*



This scholarship was established by the **2017 Distance Education Class** as its class gift.
Thank you to the class!



This scholarship was established by the **2018 Distance Education Class** as part of its class gift, and it is dedicated to the memory of **COL Matthew Y. Pollard.**
Thank you to the class!

\$1,500

Aaron D. Hall

(Minarets Charter H.S., CA)

Son of

COL David L. Hall, DDE '16

*Aaron is the first recipient of this
Distance Education Alumni Scholarship*



\$1,000

Rebecca K. Winton

(Carlisle H.S., PA)

Daughter of

COL Douglas W. Winton, RES '13



Stacie Hillison and her family

Rebecca's scholarship was awarded in memory of Stacie Lynn (Pitman) Hillison, who died in 2012, at age 50, after a courageous battle with Multiple Myeloma. Stacie was the wife of COL (Ret) Joel R. Hillison, Ph.D., RES '04 & FAC, and loving mother of Nathan, Dena, and Claire. Supporting her family over 28 years as a military spouse, making a loving home in over 11 different locations worldwide, and being heavily involved in the community, she was also a founding member of Seminar 21 (now called the "Blue Star Seminar"), the support organization for deploying families at the U.S. Army War College, and a recipient of the Molly Pitcher Award. Stacie loved life and had a deep faith, facing her cancer with the determination to "count it all joy" and find the hidden blessings in the many expressions of love from family, friends, and neighbors. Thank you to Stacie's family for establishing this scholarship.



\$1,000

Samuel D. Hopler
(University of South Carolina)
Son of
COL Douglas L. Hopler, DDE '18



Samuel's scholarship was awarded in memory of COL (Ret) J. Tom Nettling, RES '85 & former FAC. Tom, age 70, died August 29, 2013 at home in Green Valley, Arizona from cancer caused by the effects of Agent Orange. As a firm believer in education, in the final months of his life, Tom decided to sponsor this scholarship. While in high school, guidance counselors steered him along a "vo-tech track," but he wanted to go to college and did, graduating from Shippensburg University in 1964 and the Univ. of Southern California in 1973. He entered the Army as a private and retired as a Colonel. He was a combat veteran of Vietnam, having served in the 11th Light Infantry Brigade and later the 4th Battalion, 21st Infantry. After his USAWC graduation, Tom served as USAWC Deputy Chief of Staff and held many post-Army positions. Tom was actively involved in supporting military causes and helping wounded service members and their families, to include scholarships. ***Thank you to Tom's widow, Linda, for establishing this scholarship.***



\$1,000

Cera A. Schulke
(Carlisle H.S., PA)
Daughter of
COL Jennifer L. Schulke, RES '19



SGT Hawkins

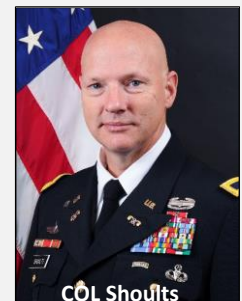
*'Greater
love hath no
man than
this; that a
man lay
down his life
for his
friends.'*
(John 15:13)

Cera's scholarship was awarded in memory of SGT Patrick C. Hawkins, age 25, son of COL (Ret) and Mrs. Roy Hawkins, RES '99 & former FAC. Patrick was killed by an improvised explosive device on October 6, 2013 while conducting combat operations in Kandahar Province during his fourth Afghanistan deployment. He was going to the aid of a fellow wounded Ranger when he was killed. Patrick graduated from Carlisle H.S. in 2007, having been active in both school and Carlisle Barracks activities. He studied Culinary Arts and achieved an Associate's Degree in 2010, but that same year, he decided to join the Army to serve his country. He excelled as a Soldier, completing Airborne and Ranger Schools, and earning a Fire Team Leader position in Company B, 3rd Battalion, 75th Infantry (Ranger). Throughout his life, Patrick was fiercely loyal and would readily go to the aid of his friends. It was fitting when he had John 15:13 tattooed on this left forearm. Patrick was tough and aggressive, balanced with compassion and sensitivity, and he lived life to the fullest. ***Thank you to Roy and Sheila Hawkins for establishing this scholarship.***



\$1,000

Kaleigh A. Mann
(Owen Valley H.S., IN)
Daughter of
LTC (P) Justin L. Mann, RES '16



Kaleigh's scholarship was awarded in memory of COL Hugh D. Shoults, RES '13. Tragically, he was killed in a vehicle accident on August 27, 2016. A native of Spokane, Washington, he began his career with the 1st Battalion, 161st Infantry Regiment, Washington Army National Guard. He was a proud graduate of Gonzaga University in 1989 with a BA in History, and was commissioned as a Chemical Officer in the Regular Army. His command assignments included the I Corps Special Troops Battalion, Ft. Lewis, which deployed to Iraq, HQs Support Troops, U.S. Army Garrison, Aberdeen Proving Ground, and A Company, 1st Battalion, 10th Infantry Regiment, Ft. Leonard Wood. Hugh was a devoted and loving husband and father to his wife, Jennifer, and his two children, Nick and Shelly. He was always supportive of his family's interests and endeavors, especially his children's education. Hugh lived life to its fullest and cared deeply about his fellow Soldiers and their wellbeing. ***Thank you to Hugh's widow and his seminar-mates for establishing this scholarship in his memory.***



\$1,000

Samuel V. Handy
(Purdue University)

Son of

COL Matthew R. Handy, DDE '18



*This scholarship is awarded in honor of Gulf War Veterans
Thank you to BG (Ret) Roger W. Searce, RES '90, for establishing this scholarship.*



\$1,000

Chloe K. Craig

(Health Career H.S., TX)

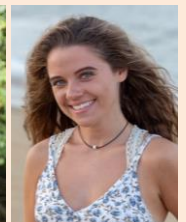
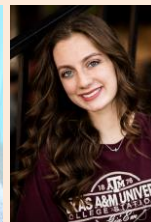
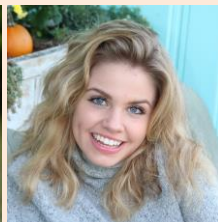
Daughter of

Dr. Peter Craig, DDE '19



Chloe's scholarship was awarded in memory of MG and Mrs. Charles R. 'Peter' Sniffin, RES '64. MG Sniffin graduated from OCS in 1943 at the age of 18. Assignments included the 88th Infantry Division; the 349th Infantry Regiment in North Africa and Italy; the 24th Infantry Division and the 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry in Korea; the 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam; Chief of Staff, XXIV Corps in Vietnam; ADC of the 8th Infantry Division in Germany; Director of Operations and Readiness on the Army Staff; Joint Chiefs' Representative to the Mutual & Balanced Force Reduction talks with the Warsaw Pact in Austria; DCG, Sixth U.S. Army; and CG, U.S. Army Readiness Region IX. He and Jean were in their 70th year of marriage when Peter passed away in May 2018. Jean was born into an Army family, served as a volunteer nurse's aide in an Army hospital in WWII, married into the Army, and gave two sons to the Army as officers. She passed away in February 2019 having never had a second of her life without a connection to the U.S. Army. **Thank you to the Sniffin family and friends for this scholarship.**

\$500 Award College Recipients



L-R: **George C. Blackwell III** (Northern Virginia Community College), son of **COL (Ret) George C. Blackwell, Jr., DDE '01**; **Sophie M. Choate** (Harvard University), daughter of **COL Mark I. Choate, DDE '17**; **Sophia M. Conde** (Endicott College), daughter of **COL William M. Conde, RES '15**; **Emily S. Gill** (Texas A&M University), daughter of **COL Matthew T. Gill, USAWCF '18**; **Erin E. Grandgeorge** (University of Florida), daughter of **LtCol (Ret) Scott W. Grandgeorge, USMC, RES '09**; and **Madison M. Gratteri** (Pennsylvania State University), daughter of **LTC Leonard A. Gratteri, DDE '16**.



L-R: **Kalin D. Lister** (Brigham Young University, Idaho), son of **LTC Danial Lister, DDE '17**; **Mikaela A. Nikkila** (Waynesburg University), daughter of **COL C. Patrick Nikkila, RES '16**; **Michael B. O'Brien** (Mississippi University for Women), son of **COL James M. O'Brien, RES '19**; **Ashley D. Owens** (University of Houston), daughter of **COL John T. Owens III, RES '10**; **Ryan S. Phillips** (North Carolina State University), son of **BG John H. Phillips, DDE '11**; **Robert T. Webb** (Princeton University), son of **LTC Robert E. Webb, Jr., DDE '19**; and **Timothy J. Wright** (Alfred State College), son of **COL Timothy H. Wright, DDE '18**.

\$500 Award H.S. Senior Recipients



L-R: **Brandon E. Arneson** (Edison H.S., MN), son of LTC Patrick L. Arneson, DDE '18; **Dana K. Bassford** (Salem H.S., VA), daughter of BG R. Andrew Bassford, DDE '09; **Nicole M. Bloomquist** (Shawnee Heights H.S., KS), daughter of COL (Ret) Robert D. Bloomquist, RES '00; **Hanna E. Conklin** (Eastern H.S., KY), daughter of COL John A. Conklin, DDE '18; and **Laura R. Daffron** (Knoxville Catholic H.S., TN), daughter of COL James Y. Daffron, DDE '15.



L-R: **Katelyn E. Erskine** (Rogers H.S., TX), daughter of COL Todd L. Erskine, RES '15; **Caroline E. Fink** (Dowling Catholic H.S., IA), daughter of BG Alex B. Fink, DDE '13; **Austin S. Lister** (Skyview H.S., ID), son of LTC Danial Lister, DDE '17; **Caitlin M. Neary** (Bishop Feehan H.S., MA), daughter of COL David G. Neary, DDE '18; **Emma L. Poirier** (Spaulding H.S., VT), daughter of COL Tracey L. Poirier, RES '17 and LTC Leonard J. Poirier, DDE '19; **Dane M. Richardson** (Oswego H.S., NY), son of COL Benjamin M. Richardson, DDE '17; and **Emily C. Rose** (Jenison H.S., MI), daughter of COL James K. Rose, RES '11.



L-R: **Matthew P. Schultze** (Sparta H.S., WI), son of COL James M. Schultze, RES '16; **Ross K. Scott** (West Linn H.S., OR), son of COL Ross C. Scott, DDE '16; **Hannah M. Seats** (Brookland H.S., AR), daughter of COL Corey L. Seats, RES '17; **Kasandra M. Slocum** (Deep Run H.S., VA), daughter of COL Michael J. Slocum, RES '12; **Emily G. St. Romain** (West Feliciana H.S., LA), daughter of LTC J. Gregory St. Romain, DDE '18; **Marie E. Stewart** (Tantasqua Regional H.S., MA), daughter of COL Thomas M. Stewart, DDE '14; and **Jack T. Still** (Boiling Springs H.S., PA), son of CDR (Ret) Jonathan L. Still, USN, RES '13.

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