A-State alumni make ROTC Hall of Heroes

A-STATE REPORT

Four alumni of Arkansas State University's Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program will be inducted into the prestigious Hall of Heroes in a special induction ceremony Saturday, Nov. 16, and recognized at halftime of A-State's football game with Coastal Carolina.

The inductees are Brig. Gen. Bradley J. Cox of Jacksonville, Brig. Gen. Kevin L. Vines of Sherwood, 1st Lt. Charles B. Hinson of Jonesboro (deceased) and Lt. Commander Peter C. Carrothers of Sugar Land, Texas.

Following a reception at 8:30 a.m. in the Military Science building, the induction ceremony will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Cooper Alumni Center. The honorees will then attend a tailgate party in the Pines until game time at 2 p.m. in Centennial Bank Stadium.

Brig. Gen. Bradley Cox enlisted in November 1988 serving with HHC 1-114 aviation battalion and was commissioned a second lieutenant of infantry upon graduation from the ROTC program at A-State on July 12, 1991. Cox currently serves as the land component commander, Arkansas National Guard. His military awards and decorations include the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and the Humanitarian Service Medal.

Brig. Gen. Kevin L. Vines is a 2016 U.S. Army War College distinguished graduate. He holds a Master of Science degree in strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College, a Master of Science degree in operations management from the University of Arkansas, and a Bachelor of Science degree in finance from Arkansas State.

He has received numerous awards and decorations including the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, the Arkansas Distinguished Service Medal, the Combat Action Badge and the Parachutist Badge. BG Vines has also been awarded the Army Engineer Association's Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal.

1st Lt. Charles B. Hinson was born in Black Oak in 1923. He graduated from Jonesboro High School and was a veteran of World War II. After returning home, he attended Arkansas State College and graduated as a Distinguished Military Student in the spring of 1948 with a bachelor's degree in business administration and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, branched Infantry.

On Aug. 9, 1950, Lt. Hinson was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action and valor in the face of the enemy. His battery took lethal and accurate enemy indirect fire killing all other officers and the first sergeant. Hinson was making a report in the area and immediately took command of the battery. He ordered the displacement of the men and reorganized and restructured the remaining forces so they could continue to fight. The valorous and inspiring leadership and initiative by which he prevented further casualties in the unit reflect his greatness in leadership.

Three days later, he was killed in action while fighting the enemy near Pongam-ni (Bloody Gulch), South Korea, on Aug. 12, 1950. Second Lieutenant Hinson was awarded the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Korea War Service Medal.

Lieutenant Commander (LCDR) Peter Carrothers was born in Des Moines, Iowa, but grew up in Jonesboro. LCDR Carrothers graduated from Jonesboro High in 1957 and attended Arkansas State for two years (1957-59) and was a member of the ROTC, Pershing Rifles, and the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

He entered the U. S. Naval Academy in 1959, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in 1963. LCDR Carrothers deployed on the U.S.S Enterprise. He was honorably discharged from the Navy on Jan. 24, 1969, and his awards include the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Navy Commendation Medal, and three Air Medals with Combat V.

Since retiring in 2001, Carrothers has served three terms as a city councilman and one term on the Mustang Water Board.

The Hall of Heroes provides an opportunity for Arkansas State University to pay tribute to ROTC alumni who have distinguished themselves through heroic service, government service and outstanding representation of the university. The list of members can be found on the A-State website at military-science/hall-of-heroes.

CAMPUS CRIME

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NEWS WRITER

Nov 4 - 2:40 p.m.

Police initiated a traffic stop after seeing a car driving 32 mph in a 20 mph zone as it traveled south on Marion Berry Parkway. The driver, Eugene Johnson, 21, was advised as to why he was stopped and was asked for his driver's license, proof of insurance, and registration information, which he provided. Running the information through dispatch, officers found that his license was suspended and that he had a warrant out of Pocahontas but they wouldn't extradite. He was given a court date for driving on a suspended license, and his car was released to his passenger as she had her driver's license with her.

Nov 5 - 8:50 a.m.

A traffic stop was conducted Tuesday morning after University Police observed a car driving with no brake lights. They approached the driver, Tamera Mitchell, 25, and told her why they made the stop. After officers requested her driver's license, proof of insurance, and registration information, they noticed the smell of unsmoked marijuana coming from inside the car. Information on Mitchell and the two passengers of her car came back clear, whereupon officers told them they could smell the marijuana and that they were going to search the vehicle. Laketa Mitchell, 26, who had been sitting behind the driver's seat, stopped them and advised that she had a blunt in her purse she just rolled that she was going to smoke before work. Searching her purse, officers found the aforementioned blunt and also more weed, rolled up in a Sonic receipt. Continuing their search of the vehicle, officers found an orange pill bottle containing more weed in the front center console on the dashboard, and another partially-smoked blunt in a wallet on the driver's side door panel. Tamera Mitchell admitted both items to be hers, and she was charged with possession of an instrument of a crime, as well as driving without a driver's license, as her driver's permit required another licensed driver in the car and no one else had theirs. Laketa Mitchell was charged with possession of an instrument of a crime. Both were given a court date, and their car, without working brake lights, was towed.

Nov 5 - 2:49 p.m.

University Police were dispatched Tuesday afternoon to investigate reports of a hit and run accident near the Education/Communication Building. Haley Brown, 19, told officers she found a note from Griffin Woodall, 20, saying that he saw someone hit her vehicle and leave the scene of the accident. The note included Woodall's phone number and the tag number of the car. Officers called Woodall and got a description of the driver, who got out of his vehicle to inspect the damage. The tag number was shown to be registered to Iham al-Qaissi, 19, and police went to the address listed on the vehicle's return to speak to him. He told officers that he was attempting to back out of the parking lot when he backed into the vehicle, and that he left the scene because he didn't know what to do in the situation. He was advised on the procedures he should follow when an accident happens, and his father said he would take care of the vehicle's damages.

Nov 6 - 11:06 a.m.

University Police responded to a call from dispatch regarding a hit and run accident in front of the Armory on Aggie Road. On arrival they met with Zachary Stevens, 31, who said that after he came back to his car after class, he found that someone had hit it and left their phone number on his car. Matthew Wright, 25, a witness, told police that he saw the driver of the car driving too fast, before hitting Stevens' car and leaving. Dispatch contacted Jaewon Oh, 21, whose number was left on the car, and he responded that he was taking a test but would return once he finished. Officers spoke to him when he returned, and he said that he was attempting to park when his foot slipped off the brake and hit the vehicle.

Staying healthy with All of Us

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STAFF WRITER

Walking into the Union last week, you might have noticed the large trailer sitting on the lawn. This trailer from the All of Us research program was working to gather volunteers to partake in a medical research program. What is this research program you may ask? All of Us is an ongoing research study that is campaigning to bridge the gap between common medicines and our vastly diverse population. The program is funded by the National Institute of Health, and just recently launched in 2018.

While modern medicines are made of the same ingredients but given different names, they are given to people that are completely different and are expected to have the same effect. All of Us is looking for a way to find medicines more suited to each individual person. The researchers and doctors behind this all have the same goal to speed up health research and medical breakthroughs. However, this can't be done without the research and medical data that they need. The program is looking to have at least one million people share their health records and other information to do this. Some may be asked to supply a blood or urine sample as well. From this research, doctors and researchers are hoping to find treatments that work for different people and identify risk factors of certain diseases. As well as show people that technology can help them take better care of their own health.

This trailer, which is only one of two for the entire organization has traveled to over 200 cities within a year, stopping at places with high populations such as colleges. They bring people in to tell them about the program and what the program plans to do, they are then given the option to register for the program online. They will be posting their stops on their website at JoinAllOfUs.org/tour. You can also download the free All of Us app and sign up there.

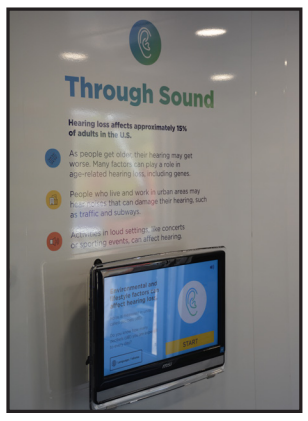

Photo by Trenton Barker

All of Us displays and equipment.

Upcoming Events

Nov 14			
	Why are all the dinosaurs found in the west?	Museum 156	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
	De-stress: Aromatherapy and drumming	Mockingbird Room	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
	Fringe Festival begins	Simpson Theatre	7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Nov 15			
	Day of Dignity	Neal Griffin College of Business	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Nov 16			
	Scarlet Chess Fest	The Edge Coffeehouse	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
	Campus Clean-Up	Union Room 2034	10:30 a.m. - Noon
Nov 19			
	National Diabetes Month	HPESS 245	12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.
	Student Government Meeting	Delta Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Nov 20			
	International Dance Show	Union Lawn	Noon - 5