

# UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

## RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS



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**ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE**

# **TRI-SERVICE COMMISSIONING CEREMONY**

**Wiley Hall**

**Friday, June 21, 1985**

## HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) plays an important role in the national defense framework of our nation. The American tradition of military instruction on civilian college campuses began in 1819 when a former superintendent at West Point established the American Library, Scientific and Military Academy which later became Norwich University. Military instruction soon spread to other institutions - Virginia Military Institute in 1839, the University of Tennessee in 1840, and the Citadel in 1842.

In 1862 the Congress of the United States, foreseeing the dual necessities of creating additional institutions of higher learning as well as providing a means of schooling young men in the military arts, passed the Morrill Land Grant Act. This act provides money from the sale of government lands to establish colleges and universities and specified that courses in the military arts should be offered at these institutions.

The University of Minnesota opened its doors in 1869 through the benefits made available by the Morrill Act. One of the original nine faculty members was the University's first professor of military science, Major General Richard W. Johnson. For 70 years ROTC training at the University prepared young men for entrance into the Army. Then in 1939 a Naval ROTC unit was established, and in 1949 an Air Force ROTC program was begun.

For more than 150 years, ROTC programs on civilian college campuses have provided intelligent, well-educated leaders for the national defense. This is in keeping with the typically American concepts of the citizen-soldier and civilian-oriented military officers from all geographic and social strata whose leadership has been characterized by initiative, ingenuity, and flexibility. Also, because ROTC officers may return to civilian status when they have fulfilled their military obligation, ROTC programs provide leadership resources not only for national defense but also for civilian enterprise.

TRI-SERVICE  
COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

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FRIDAY, 21 JUNE 1985

ORDER OF EVENTS

PROCESSIONAL

PRESENTATION OF THE MACE

(Please Stand)

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

Chaplain Steven N. Ronningen

(Please be seated)

SPEAKING FOR THE UNIVERSITY

Professor Kinley J. Brauer

COMMISSIONING ADDRESS

Vice Admiral William P. Lawrence

OATH OF OFFICE

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS

HAIL! MINNESOTA

(Sung by entire audience, please stand)

Minnesota, hail to thee!  
Hail to thee, our college dear!  
Thy light shall ever be  
A beacon bright and clear;  
Thy sons and daughters true  
Will proclaim thee near and far;  
They will guard thy fame  
And adore thy name;  
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.

Like the stream that bends to sea,  
Like the pine that seeks the blue,  
Minnesota, still for thee  
Thy sons are strong and true;  
From thy woods and waters fair,  
From the prairies waving far,  
At thy call they throng  
With their shout and song,  
Hailing thee their Northern Star.

RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS

RECESSIONAL (Please remain standing until the newly commissioned officers have left the auditorium).

RECEPTION The audience is invited to proceed to the concourse area for refreshments.

INSIGNIA OF RANK CEREMONY The commissionees will return to the auditorium for the pinning on of rank and pictures.

ON THE STAGE (Seated from left to right)

Mace Bearer: Benjamin G. Sharpe, Director of Admissions for the Institute of Technology

Chairman of the University Committee on University-ROTC Relationships: Professor Kinley J. Brauer

Assistant to the Vice President (Academic Affairs): Dr. Richard B. Heydinger

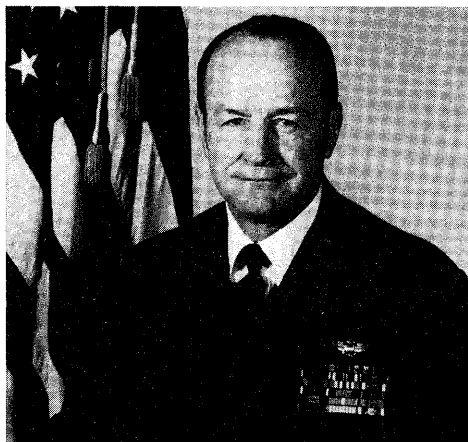
Guest Speaker: Vice Admiral William P. Lawrence, U.S. Navy Chief of Naval Personnel

Professor of Military Science: Lieutenant Colonel Roger L. Syverud, U.S. Army

Professor of Naval Science: Captain Arvin R. Chauncey, U.S. Navy

Professor of Aerospace Studies: Colonel Daniel C. McNamara, U.S. Air Force

Chaplain: Lieutenant Commander Steven N. Ronningen, U.S. Naval Reserve, Chaplain Corps  
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VICE ADMIRAL WILLIAM P. LAWRENCE  
CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

VADM William Porter Lawrence, USN was born in Nashville, Tennessee, January 13, 1930, and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland in 1951. During his final year at the Academy as Class President, he led the establishment of the present-day Brigade Honor Concept.

Upon receipt of his aviator wings in Pensacola, Florida in 1952, he was assigned to Fighter Squadron 193, homeported at NAS Moffett Field, California, and deployed to the Western Pacific aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS ORISKANY. Next he attended Naval Aviation Safety School at the University of Southern California and the U. S. Naval Test Pilot School at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, Maryland, where he was designated the Honor Graduate. Subsequently, he served as a test pilot in the Flight Test Division and as an instructor on the Test Pilot School staff.

VADM Lawrence, as a Lieutenant, served as Flag Lieutenant to Commander Carrier Division Six aboard the aircraft carrier USS SARATOGA, deploying to the Mediterranean and North Atlantic. He next served as Assistant Operations Officer of Fighter Squadron 101, Naval Air Station, Oceana, Virginia, followed by a tour as Navigator of the gun cruiser USS NEWPORT NEWS.

As Maintenance Officer of Fighter Squadron 14, Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Florida, he deployed to the Mediterranean aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. He then served as Senior Aide and Executive Assistant to the Commander in Chief, U.S. Strike Command, headquartered at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

VADM Lawrence made cruises to Vietnam aboard the multi-purpose aircraft carriers USS RANGER and USS CONSTELLATION. While Commanding Officer of Fighter Squadron 143, he was shot down over North Vietnam in June 1967 and held as a POW until March 1973.

After repatriation and convalescence at the Naval Hospital Memphis, he attended the National War College where he was designated a distinguished graduate. During the same period, he pursued a course of study at George Washington University, leading to the award of a master's degree in international affairs in July 1974.

After promotion to Flag rank in July 1974, VADM Lawrence served as Commander Light Attack Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet at the Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California. Subsequently, he served as the Director, Aviation Programs Division and Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare) in the Pentagon. He became Superintendent for the Naval Academy on 28 August 1978 and was promoted to Vice Admiral on 1 August 1980. VADM Lawrence assumed command of the U.S. Third Fleet in September 1981.

On 28 September 1983, he became the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower, Personnel and Training)/Chief of Naval Personnel, responsible for formulating and overseeing execution of Navy policies on all personnel issues.

VADM Lawrence is the author of "Oh Tennessee, My Tennessee," which he composed while a POW in North Vietnam. The poem has been designated as the official poem of the state of Tennessee.

VADM Lawrence is the recipient of the 1979 National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Gold Medal, the Foundation's highest honor awarded to a former college player who has distinguished himself by his personal qualities, professional life, and contributions to his country.

In 1980, he received an honorary doctor of human letters from Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association selected him for the 1984 Theodore Roosevelt Award, recognizing VADM Lawrence as one "for whom competitive athletics in college and attention to physical well being thereafter have been important factors in a distinguished career of national significance and achievement."

VADM Lawrence is married to the former Diane Wilcox of Montoursville, PA. They have four children: Bill, Jr., Fritz, Laurie and Wendy.

VADM Lawrence's awards include: Distinguished Service Medal (3), Silver Star (3), Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star with Combat V, Air Medal (3), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (2) with Combat V, and Purple Heart (2).

CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY SCIENCE

- (R) \*\*Michael A. Baumann, Political Science.....Bloomington, MN
- Jeffrey R. Beecham, Political Science.....Holton, MI
- Joseph A. Cantlin, Accounting.....Shirley, MA
- Cynthia A. Davidson, Mechanical Engineering.....New Hope, MN
- Ruth E. Dunning, Exercise Physiology.....Houston, MN
- (R) Julie A. Engdahl, Biology.....Minneapolis, MN
- Daniel D. Erickson, Art History.....Coon Rapids, MN
- \*Michael J. Fisher, Business.....Fridley, MN
- Anne M. G. Gabel, International Speech Communication..Watertown, SD
- Donald L. Gabel, II, Russian.....Green Bay, WI
- (R) \*Randal J. Grow, Management, Engineering.....Albert Lea, MN
- (R) \*\*Diane L. Helgerson, Journalism.....Rochester, MN
- Robert E. Holgate, Electrical Engineering.....Lake Crystal, MN
- Troy J. Maier, International Relations.....Austin, MN
- (R) \* Walter L. Nelson, Civil Engineering.....Clam Falls, WI
- Thomas J. Nerud, Jr., Electrical Engineering.....Cottage Grove, MN
- Douglas L. Pernula, Psychology.....Minnetonka, MN
- Duane C. Romfoe, Political Science.....Holcombe, WI
- Michael D. Thompson, Sociology.....Hastings, MN
- (R) \* Patrick W. Voller, Management, Business.....Alexandria, MN
- Eric D. Waage, International Relations.....Minnetonka, MN
- \*\*Mark G. Wiens, History.....Windom, MN
- James B. Winter, Electrical Engineering.....Wheatland, WY

The following personnel received commissions during 84/85 school year:

- \*Carl M. Andersen, East Asian Studies.....Tonka Bay, MN
- Paul Burke, Business.....St. Paul, MN (R)
- Linda R. Cherrier, Business.....St. Paul, MN
- William D. Gross, Business.....Kasson, MN
- Stepfen M. Halicki, Political Science.....Minneapolis, MN
- Daniel R. Hansen, Hotel, Motel Management.....Menomonie, WI
- Kevin J. Hyde, Mechanical Engineering.....Babbitt, MN
- \*Stephen T. Sarvi, Political Science.....New Hope, MN
- Paul J. Scarseth, Art Education.....Hastings, MN
- \*Jack W. Weber, Business.....Manistique, MI
- Paul J. Zimmerman, International Relations.....Waseca, MN

The following personnel are scheduled for summer commissioning:

- Paul J. Slocum, Nursing.....Minneapolis, MN
- Greg Ohrt, Aero Space Engineering.....Hudson, WI
- \*John Gilmore, Engineering.....North Oaks, MN

- \*Distinguished Military Student
- \*\*Distinguished Military Graduate
- (R) Regular Army

CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF NAVAL SCIENCE

Christopher A. Aiello, Political Science.....Lagrange, IL  
Daniel R. Boll, Political Science.....Hutchinson, MN  
Richard J. Fraenkel, Chemical Engineering.....Thousand Oaks, CA  
Daniel T. Hable, Economics.....St. Paul, MN  
Patrick T. Keane, Civil Engineering.....Oaklawn, IL  
Deborah F. Lund, Biology.....Minneapolis, MN  
David J. McLaughlin, Aerospace Engineering.....Burnsville, MN  
Shannon J. Ruziska, History.....Moorhead, MN

The following personnel received commissions during the 84/85 school year:

29 December 1984

John C. Abbott, Mathematics.....St. Paul, MN  
Stephen E. Gebert, Aerospace Engineering.....Burnsville, MN  
Jon T. Kennedy, Economics.....Fargo, ND  
Jeffrey D. Kortz, Economics.....Albert Lea, MN  
Keith A. Larson, Electrical Engineering.....Bloomington, MN  
Neil B. Strand, History.....Walworth, WI  
Craig E. Teschke, Civil Engineering.....Litchfield, MN  
Darryn V. Tilden, Business.....Hibbing, MN  
Eric A. Urness, Biochemistry.....St. Paul, MN

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Susan M. Haeg, Geography.....Sioux Falls, SD  
Cynthia K. Harley, Political Science.....Jacksonville, FL  
Michael T. Rominski, Computer Science.....Apple Valley, MN

29 March 1985

Jay D. Bottelson, Bachelor of Independent Studies.....Clarks Grove, MN  
John P. Geisen, Economics.....St. Paul, MN  
Todd T. Haeg, Aerospace Engineering.....Pocatello, ID  
William J. Muyres, Economics.....Rosemount, MN  
Kevin R. Soutor, History.....St. Paul, MN  
Michael G. Twite, Mechanical Engineering.....Rush City, MN

The following personnel are schedule for summer commissioning:

30 July 1985

Gregory J. Haws, Economics.....Richfield, MN  
David A. Hutton, Statistics.....Shakopee, MN  
Richard T. Ouellette, Civil Engineering.....Grand Marais, MN



CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF AEROSPACE STUDIES

Mark F. Andrews, Aerospace Engineering.....Milwaukee, WI  
Joel C. Carlson, History.....Minneapolis, MN  
Allan J. Chromy, Geography.....New Prague, MN  
David W. Cochran, Mortuary Science.....Rochester, MN  
Theresa A. Daly, Mechanical Engineering.....Minneapolis, MN  
Robin L. Edwards, Sociology.....Inver Grove Heights, MN  
\*Bruce S. Elder, Aerospace Engineering.....Bloomington, MN  
Sherrie S. Helgeson, Electrical Engineering.....Rochester, MN  
Thomas C. Howitz, Aerospace Engineering.....Minneapolis, MN  
Donald B. Johnson, Mechanical Engineering.....Duluth, MN  
\*Paul M. Mahon, Geography.....Bloomington, MN  
Matthew S. Mills, History.....Madison, WI  
Kevin G. Olson, Mathematics.....Mounds View, MN  
Jeffrey S. Renner, Business/History.....Sleepy Eye, MN  
Keith A. Rieck, Computer Science.....Jordan, MN  
(R)\*David T. Roberts, Aerospace Engineering.....Apple Valley, MN  
(R)\*Thomas J. Sexton, Business Administration.....Rosemount, MN  
Philip S. Simonsen, Aerospace Engineering.....Sleepy Eye, MN  
Sharon L. Smiley, Mechanical Engineering.....Amery, WI  
Noel L. Wagner, History.....Lark, WI  
James D. Wettstein, Aerospace Engineering.....LaCrosse, WI

The following personnel are scheduled for later commissioning:

Stephen T. Denker, (December 85), Aerospace Engineering..Sauk City, WI  
Michael E. James, (July 85), Computer Science.....Bettendorf, IA  
Timothy M. Liestman, (August 85), Political Science.....Paynesville, MN  
Gregory H. Lufkin, (September 85), Geology.....Eagan, MN  
Garvin A. McGettrick, (June 86), Aerospace Engineering...Tracy, CA  
James P. Richter, (August 85), Aerospace Engineering....Winona, MN  
\*Jon M. Sutterfield, (July 85), Aerospace Engineering.....Litchfield, MN

\*Distinguished Military Graduate  
(R) Regular Air Force Commission

RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS STAFF

ARMY

Lieutenant Colonel Rober L. Syverud  
Major Francis H. Johnson  
Major James A. Deca  
Major Arnold J. Westhaus  
Captain Kurt K. Heinzerling  
Captain Paul R. Plemmons  
Sergeant Major Gary J. Long  
Staff Sergeant Michael J. Pennington  
Marie Angel - DAC - Personnel Office Manger  
Geri Johanson - University Employee - Executive Secretary  
Sharon Genzler - University Employee - Secretary  
Eugene J. Pavak - University Employee - Material Management Specialist  
Robert H. Patrin - University Employee - Store Clerk

NAVY

Captain Arvin R. Chauncey  
Comnander Sylvia S. Almendinger  
Captain Donald B. Conrad, U.S. Marine Corps  
Lieutenant Robert G. Wilson  
Lieutenant Thomas E. McKee  
Lieutenant Mark G. Hunn  
Senior Chief Yeoman Robert L. Crutcher  
Chief Quartermaster Frederick C. Graening  
Chief Storekeeper Stephen J. Sargent  
Staff Sergeant Allen E. Szczepek, U. S. Marine Corps  
Mary E. Taylor, Federal Secretary  
Shonna L. Madsen, University Secretary

AIR FORCE

Colonel Daniel C. McNamara  
Major Eugene R. Beachem  
Major Richard L. Holden  
Major Michael J. Santi  
Captain John R. McNally  
Technical Sergeant Alma M. Robinson  
Technical Sergeant Regina F. McDuffie  
Technical Sergeant Paula M. Radio  
Patricia McDonald - University Employee - Senior Secretary  
Diane Cresswell - University Employee - Secretary