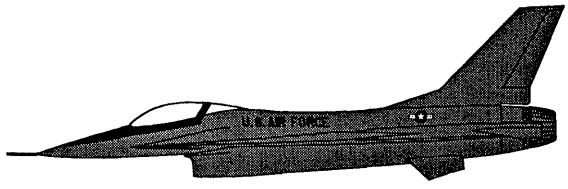
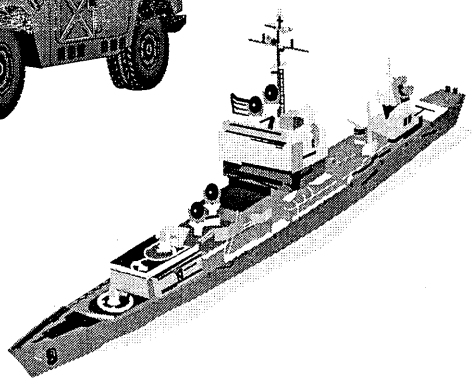
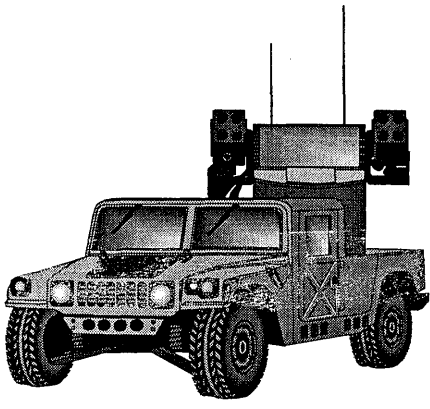
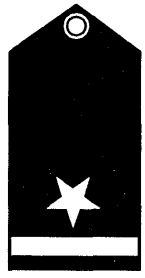
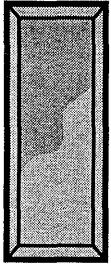


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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

ARMY
NAVY - MARINE CORPS
AIR FORCE

COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

JUNE 16, 1995
7:00 p.m.
Willey Hall Auditorium



HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY

The Reserve Officer 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 institution 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 provided 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 opened its doors to officer candidates.

For more than 150 years, ROTC programs on civilian colleges 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.

Major General Michael D. McGinty is director of personnel programs, education and training, deputy chief of staff, personnel, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. Her serves as the senior Air Force officer responsible for comprehensive plans and policies covering all the cycles of military and civilian personnel management, education and training, compensation, and resource allocation.

General McGinty was born September 20, 1942 in Waukegan, Illinois and graduated from Hopkins High School, Hopkins Minnesota in 1960. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics at the University of Minnesota in 1964 and was commissioned a second lieutenant , Distinguished Graduate, through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps. General McGinty also earned a master of science degree in public administration at Shippensburg University, Pennsylvania during 1983. He is a graduate of Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College and the United States Army War College.

The general entered pilot training at Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma in March 1965 and was awarded his wings in March 1966. Following fighter training at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, he was assigned as an F-4 pilot to the 497th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 8th Tactical Fighter Wing, Ubon Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand from December 1966 to August 1967.

Among his assignments, General McGinty has been assigned to the 50th Tactical Fighter Wing, Hahn Air Base Germany; Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio as the chief of Promotions and Performance Reports Division and an assistant for senior officer management; 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing, Clark Air Base, Philippines as an F-4 flight commander and chief of the Standardization and Evaluation Division; Headquarters Tactical Air Command, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia as the chief of the Rated Officer Assignments Division; the Air Force Military Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas as chief of the Colonels' Group, vice commander, and then commander of the Air Force Military Personnel Center. He assumed his current position in January 1994.

General McGinty is a command pilot with more than 3,200 flying hours. He flew 115 combat missions in Southeast Asia, including 100 over North Vietnam. His decorations include the Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster, Distinguished Flying Cross with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Medal with nine devices, and the Air Force Commendation Medal. General McGinty was promoted to Major General on January 1, 1993.

The general is married to the former Karen Dibble of Hopkins, Minnesota. They have two children, Shannon and Timothy.

AGENDA

PROCESSIONAL

PRESENTATION OF THE MACE

Mr. Benjamin G. Sharpe

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

(Please Stand)

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

SSgt Kenyon G. Kaehr

(Please be Seated)

UNIVERSITY SPEAKER

Dr. Stanley D. Sahlstrom

GUEST OF HONOR FOR
COMMISSIONING ADDRESS

Major General
Michael D. McGinty

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.

RETIREMENT OF COLORS

RECESSIONAL

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

RECEPTION

The audience is invited to the lobby for refreshments.

During the reception, Commissionees and guests are welcome to return to the auditorium for personal photographs. Four sets of flags will be placed on the stage, one set for each service.

ON THE STAGE

(Seated from your left to right)

Mace Bearer:

Mr. Benjamin G. Sharpe

Board of Regents, University of Minnesota Relationships:

Dr. Stanley D. Sahlstrom

Keynote Speaker:

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Deputy Director of Personnel,
Headquarters, U.S. Air Force

Professor of Military Science:

Lt Col John W. Oravis
U.S. Army

Professor of Naval Science:

Commander Michael A. Lennon
U.S. Navy

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Col William H. Campbell, Jr.
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SSgt Kenyon G. Kaehr

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Oath of Office

*I, (state your full name), having been appointed a second lieutenant/ensign, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter,
So Help Me God.*