

To my ROTC buddies of long years' past:

Just wondering if any of you gung-ho ROTC folks are still alive, kicking, and remember.

Seems to me we have a great opportunity coming up for a lot of tale swapping that ought to take place during the upcoming 50th AHS reunion in Amarillo on September 24, 25th.

What do you remember most about Mondays? Do you still spit-shine your shoes and will you polish any brass? Did you use BRASSO or ...what was that chemical impregnated cloth that we rubbed our brass with and it would turn green but never wear out?

Can you imagine anyone ushering at football games these days? Remember the huge oversized American flag that we hoisted at each event? ...and do you remember the parties afterwards?

Do you remember any cadence calls that we hollered as we ran in formation down 11th street back to the campus from Elwood Park? "...I don't know, but I've been told..."

Did you participate in the pandemonium of war games in Palo Duro Canyon? ...did you ever shoot a cherry bomb at anyone?

Do you remember the description of the M-1 Rifle? ...gas operated, clip fed, air cooled, semi-automatic shoulder weapon? Do you remember what the acronym PITS stands for?

Did you get drafted or did you go on to ROTC at you favorite university and become a officer? I remember some of you went on to Texas A&M and were in the Corps... some made it and others like myself went off somewhere and got sidetracked for a time before finishing up college. Some like myself went to Korea, some to Vietnam....

Do you remember the ping pong table in the armory? I couldn't hit the ball 5 times during those days, and now practice 10-15 hours a week...still trying to hit the %\$#*%@ thing. By the way I'm looking for a place to play in Amarillo.

If these glimpses from the past ring your bell, chime in and show up! ...or at least get a discussion going via e mail, face-book, etc.

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PS: Anyone remember Doug Tanner, Neil Eubanks, Jimmy Butler, Harry Gilstrap?

