
Lt. T. Seth Schoellhorn ’06 is deployed in the Balad area of Iraq with the 3-4 Cav out of Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Working out of Forward Operating Base Palwoda, Schoellhorn has been involved in proposing and completing infrastructure projects for the people of Iraq, including water treatment plants now reaching villages that have not had clean water before. The 3-4 Cav continues to train Iraqi forces to be independent and root out Al Qaeda cells and recently handed out school supplies in a partnership effort with Operation Iraqi Children.

George Phydias Mitchell ’40 was listed second in The National Herald’s “50 Wealthiest Greeks in America.” He earned his degree from Texas A&M in petroleum engineering and served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during World War II before founding Roxoil Drilling, which eventually became Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. Mitchell and his wife live in The Woodlands—an award-winning planned Texas community Mitchell founded himself—and are considered among Houston’s leading citizens. Mitchell is a former Distinguished Alumnus and the namesake for two of Texas A&M’s physics buildings.

Karla K. Morton ’86 was appointed 2010 Texas State Poet Laureate by the state Legislature. Morton is the first woman to earn the position in more than 15 years. As Texas Poet Laureate, Morton plans to expand her work as an ambassador of poetry by creating a “Little Town, Texas Tour,” visiting high schools around the state to bring poetry and other art forms directly to teens in towns that may be underserved. She will also stop at cancer centers across the state to share from a poetry collection she wrote during her own diagnosis, treatment and survival of breast cancer in 2008. Morton has been widely published and serves as a board member of the Greater Denton Arts Council.

Leonard Davis ’53 was named a top volunteer by Texas Governor Rick Perry ’72 among those working with inmates. The Aggie was presented the Governor’s 2009 Criminal Justice Volunteer Service Award in April honoring him for “Greatest Number of Hours” volunteered in the past year. This is the third time Davis has received this award. This year Davis volunteered 1,953 hours ministering to inmates at the LeBlanc Unit in Beaumont. For 19 years, Davis was a church school superintendent and youth coordinator and is a retired captain with the U.S. Air Force and a retired chemical engineer.

Harry C. Wallace ’79 was honored in Risk & Insurance Magazine as one of the most influential commercial insurance brokers in the United States. Wallace is senior vice president and Life Science Practice Leader with RCM&D. Wallace was honored in the pharmaceutical/life science sector of the list. Honorees were selected from more than 2,500 nominations provided by brokers and judged by a separate panel of 300 risk managers. Judging was based primarily on each nominee’s demonstrated knowledge of their particular industry group, creativity in solving risk-related problems and level of client service.