

- o This is the missing Spring Class of 1944 The reminder of over 500 students who where in attendance in the ASTP program.
- o This is their last Regimental and their class only ASTP reunion that they will attend.
- o Their presence here kept PC economically afloat during the war years. They were as a class pulled out by the Army in prelude to the invasion of Europe.
- o Although their are some "diamond in the roughs" in this group they want to remain annomoyous.
- o As a result of the good college and community relationship with ASTP PC requested and received the Army ROTC Program.
- o The memorial plaque from this group is dedicated to the 37 ASTP classmates from PC who died during the war.
- o Through no fault of their own they were not able to return to PC to complete degree requirements (the Department of War disbanded ASTP program in March 1944) .
- o They marched through six European countries and four major campaigns, their regimental awards include a medal of honor recipient and numerous purple heart, bronze and silver star recipients.
- o They honor us with their presence, presentation and perpetual plaque to their fallen comrades of Providence College . This serves as a reminder to every undergraduate "that freedom is not free" and serves as a reminder of the Dominicans who served in three wars.
- o We should consider that an invitation be extended for this group for a perpetual home for any memorabilia.
- o The College must remind them that they were and will not be forgotten as a class.

- The College should consider the presentation of honorary class of 1944 graduating certificates.