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The Military Order of the World Wars

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Dear Companions and Guests:

I am pleased to welcome you to “Americas Finest City.” The Military Order of the World Wars and the San Diego Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars is proud to present the 2012 National Convention for your education and enjoyment.

The Host Chapter has planned activities for the entire family. Many options to enjoy our city are available. If you would like additional tourist information please consult the hotel concierge. The MOWW and the City of San Diego wants your visit to be exciting and memorable.

As your Commander-in-Chief and a Perpetual Member of the San Diego Chapter, I am so happy you chose to attend the 2012 MOWW National Convention.

Sincerely,

*RUSSELL C. VOWINKEL, CAPT, USN (Ret)
Commander-in-Chief*



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CONVENTION GUIDANCE

PREAMBLE

- ✦ **To cherish the memories and associations of the World Wars waged for humanity;**
- ✦ **To inculcate and stimulate love of our Country and the Flag;**
- ✦ **To promote and further patriotic education in our Nation;**
- ✦ **Ever to maintain law and order, and to defend the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our National Government and the Constitution of the United States;**
- ✦ **To foster fraternal relations among all branches of the Armed Forces;**
- ✦ **To promote the cultivation of Military, Naval and Air Science, and the adoption of a consistent and suitable policy of National Security for the United States of America;**
- ✦ **To acquire and preserve records of individual services;**
- ✦ **To encourage and assist in the holding of commemorations and the establishment of Memorials of the World Wars;**
- ✦ **And to transmit all these ideals to posterity, under God and for our Country, we unite to establish...**

"The Military Order of the World Wars"



CONVENTION GUIDANCE

DIGNITY OF THE ORDER

The Order is founded on the democratic process, and while debate is encouraged, we should never forget that every Companion is an officer or a hereditary family member of an officer. Thus, every Companion is a gentleman or gentlewoman they should be afforded every dignity. Respect is always due every Companion, just as it is for every office or position held by Companions of the Order.

To allow everyone free rein to express their views, wide latitude will be allowed during the debate process. However, the Order expects each Companion participating in such debates to respect the forum and their fellow Companions at all times.

Certainly, dissenting or alternative views should be aired, and debate encouraged. Such things are the hallmarks of a healthy and vibrant organization. Remember, though, that dissent or alternative views can be gracefully offered. Personal attacks on, or campaigns against, fellow Companions are strictly prohibited at all times whether in convention or not.

Presentation of individual views must be expressed in a dignified manner—calmly and intelligently. To do otherwise reflects negatively on the individual presenter and demeans the Order.

For nearly a century, we have been a proud Order, known for its dignity, collegiality and contributions to America. Each of us, and all of us, will do our personal and collective utmost to maintain that storied tradition.



CONVENTION GUIDANCE

NATIONAL CONVENTION RULES

Subject to the provisions of the National Constitution and Bylaws of the Military Order of the World Wars, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR), shall govern the Convention proceedings. Any case not covered by RONR shall be decided by the Convention.¹

A delegate desiring the privilege of the floor shall approach the nearest microphone on the floor, address the Presiding Officer as “Companion” and when recognized, state their name, chapter name, and the subject of their comments.

A delegated granted the privilege of the floor should confine their remarks to the question under consideration.

Only duly accredited delegates or their alternates, duly selected by a chapter shall participate in the business coming before the National Convention.

No person shall be given the privilege of the floor a second time on any question until others privileged and desiring to speak have done so, except that a National Committee, Council or Board Chair may speak more than once on matters pertaining to their Committee, Council or Board business.

Delegates, and Committee, Council and Board Chairs, shall be limited to three minutes speaking time. Upon request, the Presiding Officer may, at their discretion, grant a speaker additional time.

Unless the Military Order of the World Wars Constitution and Bylaws, or Roberts's Rules of Order Newly Revised, provide otherwise, action by the Convention shall be by majority of the votes cast.

¹ “RONR” is the standard abbreviation parliamentarians use to cite Henry M. Robert III and others, *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 10th ed. (Cambridge, Mass.: Perseus Publishing, 2000).



When the results of a voice vote appear doubtful, the Presiding Officer or the Convention may call for a standing vote. On a standing vote, all delegates voting shall remain standing for a determination that they are either delegates or authorized alternates and then they will be counted.

The Convention Committee (National or Host Chapter) shall report the number of delegates certified by the Committee at the opening business session of the Convention and thereafter as required.

Voting on all matters before the Convention, including proposed changes to the Order’s Constitution and Bylaws, and the Preamble thereto, shall be in accordance with the Orders Constitution and Bylaws, if not specifically covered by those documents, then by the rules set by the Presiding Officer for each office being addressed before proceeding to nominations for the next office.

For the election of officers at the Convention, candidates being nominated from the floor, their nominating speech shall be limited to three minutes and the seconding speech to one minute. Upon accepting the nomination, the candidate’s remarks are limited to one three-minute speech.

After the report of the Nominating Committee has been presented and accepted by a vote of the Convention, nominations and election for each office shall be completed in the order as listed in the Order’s Constitution and Bylaws, and results announced by the Presiding Officer for each office before proceeding to nominations for the next office.

The Commander-in-Chief will appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms for the Convention who will be responsible for maintaining order on the Convention floor throughout all business during the Convention.



CONVENTION GUIDANCE

NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE INFORMATION

Each Chapter shall be entitled to two (2) delegates-at-large and one additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof (in addition to Chapter members who are members of the National General Staff) that are in good standing as of 30 June preceding the National Convention.

A member may represent but one chapter. A duly accredited alternate for the chapter may attend and vote in the absence of a chapter delegate. A chapter delegate requires written certification by the chapter commander which must be presented during registration at the National Convention.

All members of the National General Staff are delegates. General staff members do not require certification as delegates; however, they should identify their General Staff status when registering at the National Convention to receive proper identification as a delegate.

According to the Order's Constitution (Article V, Section 1), the Officers of the Order, who constitute the General Staff, consist of the following:

- **Commander-in-Chief**
- **Past Commanders-in-Chief**
- **Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief**
- **Vice Commanders-in-Chief (four each)**
- **General Staff Officers-at-Large**
- **Treasurer General**
- **Assistant Treasurer General**
- **Judge Advocate General**
- **Assistant Judge Advocate General**
- **Surgeon General**
- **Assistant Surgeon General**



- **Chaplain General**
- **Assistant Chaplain General**
- **Historian General**
- **Assistant Historian General**
- **Members of the MOWW Board of Trustees**
- **Region, State, Department and Chapter Commanders**
- **General Staff *Emeritus* members**
- **Chairs of all National Committees**
- **Directors of Youth Leadership Conferences (YLC) sanctioned by the Order (if not otherwise members of the General Staff)**
- **Chief of Staff (*ex officio* without a vote)**

All delegates should wear their National Convention badge with their “Delegate Ribbon” attached while attending all business functions during the National Convention. This identification will be required to cast any votes at the National Convention.



CONVENTION GUIDANCE

NATIONAL CANDIDATE PRESENTATIONS & REGIONAL CAUCUSES

Purpose. The purpose of the Candidate Presentation session is to provide an opportunity for candidates running for elected office in our Order to state their qualifications and to solicit the support of the Companions present. In giving Companions the opportunity to hear from each of the candidates, Companions have the opportunity to ask questions of candidates seeking office, to include their reasons for running, their qualifications, etc., prior to the Order's scheduled formal nomination process.

Chair, Nominating Committee. The Chair's duties shall consist of control of the assembly and the orderly conduct of its business. The Chair appoints the Moderator.

Moderator, Candidate Presentations. The Moderator is a Companion designated by the Chair, Nominating Committee, to preside over Candidate Presentations. The Moderator will announce the locations available for the optional Regional Caucuses to be held at the conclusion of the Candidate presentations (see Paragraph 6 below).

Candidates for Elected Office. Companions of the Order who are in good standing, who wish to be elected to the leadership of the Order, or have announced or will announce themselves as candidates for elected office, will present themselves to the Moderator so they may be included in the list of speakers.

Companions of the Military Order. All Companions of the Convention are encouraged to attend candidate presentations to hear from those dedicated officers who seek to be part of the leadership of this Order. Companions may desire to convene and be seated with fellow members of their region (not a requirement).

Regional Caucuses. After all candidates make their presentations, individual regions may caucus to discuss candidate presentations. Regional caucuses are self-managed. Time is available for regions to caucus on Thursday afternoon, 2 Aug 2012, as announced by the Moderator per Paragraph 3 above.



Rules. The following rules are established to insure all candidates are given equal time to speak to the Companions of the convention and to respond to questions from the floor. (Personal questions will be declared out of order.)

- a. Candidates will speak in the order of their consideration during the Nominating Committee meeting, as listed in the MOWW Policy Manual, Appendix U, “Nominating Committee Rules:”**
 - **CINC**
 - **SVCINC**
 - **VCINCs**
 - **Treasurer General**
 - **Judge Advocate General**
 - **Surgeon General**
 - **Chaplain General**
 - **Historian General**
 - **General Staff-At-Large (Elected)**

- b. Candidates will speak one time and each will have four (4) minutes to speak. This four-minute period includes time during which time candidates make their presentations and answer questions from Companions. Candidates speaking shall be given a verbal warning when they have one minute (1) remaining. After the candidates make their presentations, they may stay or leave at their discretion.**

- c. Companions are asked to give the candidates their full attention and recognize the time constraints that have been placed on them. Please refer to “Dignity of the Order” in this book in preparation for Candidate Presentations & Region Caucus sessions. Regions that wish to obtain more information from a candidate may make their own arrangements with any candidate after all candidates have made their presentations.**



SCHEDULE, TOURS & AGENDA

NATIONAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE

PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, 30 JULY 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-TBD	All meals at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
0800-TBD	Tour 1: MCAS Miramar Memorial Golf Club (0900 Tee-Off)	MCAS MMGC	All (OPTIONAL)

TUESDAY, 31 JULY 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-TBD	Breakfast at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
0800-0950	PRE-CONVENTION EXCOM MEETING (END-OF-TERM REVIEW)	PALM B (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	EXCOM MBRs
1000-1150	BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING	PALM A (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	CMTE MBRs
1200-1250	Lunch at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
1300-1350	BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT): 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR REVIEW	PALM A (HOLLOW SQUARE-26)	BOARD MBRs
1300-1650	YOUTH ENRICHMENT FOUNDATION (YEF) BOARD MEETING	PALM B (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	BOARD MBRs
1300-1350	CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS COMMITTEE (SUBJ: AMENDMENT FLOOR MGT)	PALM C (HOLLOW SQUARE-26)	CMTE MBRs
1400-1550	COUNCIL OF REGION COMMANDERS (CRC) MEETING	PALM C (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	COUNCIL MBRs
1700-TBD	Dinner at leisure (DRESS: CASUAL)	As desired	All Conferees
1700-TBD	Tour 2: Old Town, Casa Guadalajara (w/dinner)		All (OPTIONAL)

WEDNESDAY, 1 AUGUST 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-TBD	Breakfast at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
0900-1500	Tour 3: USS Midway/Cabrillo National Monument/Phil's BBQ (lunch)		All (OPTIONAL)
0900-1500	Tour 4: La Jolla/Mt Soledad/Birch Aquarium/Bali Hai (lunch)		All (OPTIONAL)
0900-1500	Tour 5: San Diego Zoo/Jasmine's Chinese Rest (Dim Sum lunch)		All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	Lunch at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
1500-1650	PATRIOTIC EDUCATION, INC., (PEI) MEETING	PALM A (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	PEI MBRs
1900-2100	CINC's WELCOME BUFFET (DRESS: CASUAL)	PATIO (ROUNDS-300)	ALL CONFEREES
* WELCOME BY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTI EMERALD. INCLUDES GOLF AWARD PRESENTATIONS			

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, 2 AUGUST 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-0755	Breakfast at leisure	As desired	All Conferees
0700-0850	COUNCIL OF PAST CINCs (CPC) MEETING (WORKING BREAKFAST)	PALM C (CONFERENCE-26)	CPC MBR/GUEST
0800-1050	PATRIOTIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE (PEC) PROGRAM REVIEW	PAVILION A (CLASSROOM-150)	YLC DIR & STAFF
0800-0850	SEMINAR HOMELAND SECURITY	PALM A-B (CLASSROOM-80)	ALL CONFEREES
0900-0950	POLICY-PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING (PLANNING SESSION)	PALM C (CONFERENCE-26)	CMTE MBRs
0900-1050	SEMINAR CHAPTER OPERATIONS	PAVILION B (CLASSROOM-150)	ALL CONFEREES
1000-1050	SEMINAR LAW & ORDER	PALM A-B (CLASSROOM-80)	ALL CONFEREES
1100-1150	SEMINAR FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT	PALM C (CONFERENCE-26)	ALL CONFEREES
1100-1150	HANN-BUSWELL MEMORIAL CHAPTER MEETING	PATIO (CLASSROOM-150)	CHAPTER MBRs
1200-1250	Lunch at leisure	As desired	All Conferees



1200-1600	<i>Tour 6: Queen Victoria High Tea</i>		<i>Spouses/Guests</i>
1300-1350	SEMINAR NATIONAL SECURITY	PALM B (CLASSROOM-26)	ALL CONFEREES
1300-1330	TELLER ORIENTATION	PALM A (CLASSROOM-40)	TELLERS
1300-1450	NATIONAL CANDIDATE PRESENTATIONS AND AUDIENCE Q&A	PAVILION A (CLASSROOM-150)	ALL CONFEREES
1500-1650	TELLER SUPPORT MEETING (NOMINATING COMMITTEE SUPPORT)	PALM A (CLASSROOM-26)	TELLERS
1500-1650	NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING	PAVILION B (CLASSROOM-150)	NOM CMTE & DELEG
1700-TBD	<i>Dinner at leisure</i>	<i>As desired</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>
1800-2100	<i>Hann-Buswell Chapter Dinner (DRESS: MESS DRESS/TUXEDO)</i>	<i>Palm C-D (ROUND-100)</i>	<i>H-B Mbrs/Guests</i>
	* SPEAKER: DR. RICHARD LEDERER		

FRIDAY, 3 AUGUST 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-0755	<i>Breakfast at leisure</i>	<i>As desired</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>
0800-0820	OPENING CEREMONY, 2012 NATIONAL CONVENTION	PALM CNF CTR (CLASS-300)	ALL CONFEREES
0830-1130	1 ST NATIONAL CONVENTION SESSION	PALM CNF CTR (CLASS-300)	ALL CONFEREES
1200-1445	MOWW AWARDS LUNCHEON & NATIONAL SECURITY SPEAKER * SPEAKER: COL LUTHER R. LLOYD: "THE ISLAM YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND"	PAVILION A-B (ROUNDS-300)	ALL CONFEREES
1500-1650	SEMINAR MEMBERSHIP RECRUITING & RETENTION	PALM A-D (CLASSROOM-120)	ALL CONFEREES
1700-TBD	<i>Dinner at leisure</i>	<i>As desired</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>
1800-TBD	<i>Tour 7: San Diego Harbor Dinner Cruise (DRESS: CASUAL)</i>		<i>All (OPTIONAL)</i>

SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
TBD-0715	<i>Breakfast at leisure</i>	<i>As desired</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>
0730-0850	MEMORIAL SERVICE	MONTGOMERY THTR (102)	ALL CONFEREES
0900-1050	2 ND NATIONAL CONVENTION SESSION	PALM CNF CTR (CLASS-300)	ALL CONFEREES
1100-1150	POST-CONVENTION GENERAL STAFF MEETING	PALM CNF CTR (CLASS-300)	GEN STAFF MBRs
0090-1500	<i>Tour 8: Hotel Del Coronado/Balboa Park/Seaport Village (lunch)</i>		<i>Spouses/Guests</i>
0900-1500	<i>Tour 9: La Jolla/Mt Soledad/Birch Aquarium/Hamm's Lighthouse (lunch)</i>		<i>Spouses/Guests</i>
1200-1250	<i>Lunch at leisure</i>	<i>As desired</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>
1300-1350	SEMINAR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (SROTC & JROTC)	PALM A (CLASSROOM-40)	ALL CONFEREES
1400-1450	SEMINAR BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA & GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA	PALM B (CLASSROOM-40)	ALL CONFEREES
1400-1550	SEMINAR CHAPTER ACTIVITIES & AWARDS	PAVILION A (CLASSROOM-150)	ALL CONFEREES
1500-1550	SEMINAR INFORMATION & PUBLICITY	PALM C (CLASSROOM-40)	ALL CONFEREES
1600-1650	NON-DENOMINATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE (w/CHAPLAIN GENERAL)	MONTGOMERY THTR (102)	ALL (OPTIONAL)
1800-1850	CINC's FORMAL RECEPTION (MESS DRESS/TUXEDO)	PALM A-D (RECEPTION-350)	ALL CONFEREES
1900-2100	MOWW FORMAL BANQUET (DRESS: MESS DRESS/TUXEDO) * NATIONAL OATHS OF OFFICE, DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER & DSA PRESENTATION	PAVILION A-B (ROUNDS-300)	ALL CONFEREES

POST-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, 5 AUGUST 2012

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
0800-0950	POST-CONVENTION EXCOM MEETING (DRESS: CASUAL)	PALM C (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	EXCOM MBRs
0800-0950	EXCOM SPOUSE BREAKFAST	PALM B (HOLLOW SQUARE-30)	EXCOM SPOUSES
0900-1400	<i>Tour 10: Viejas Indian Casino & Company Stores (lunch)</i>	<i>San Diego</i>	<i>All (OPTIONAL)</i>
TBD	<i>Departure as desired</i>	<i>As Required</i>	<i>All Conferees</i>

NOTE 1: From 31 Jul - 4 Aug, Registration Desk open 0900-1700, Convention (Columbia) Room open 0900-1700, Hospitality Lounge open 0900-1600.

NOTE 2: Other meetings may be scheduled off-line by Companions as Convention events permit.

NOTE 3: Chapter Commanders and Adjutants are especially encouraged to attend all sessions indicated by **SEMINAR** boxes.



SCHEDULE & AGENDA

NATIONAL CONVENTION TOURS

TOUR #1: MCAS MIRAMAR MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE

Price: \$50/Person (includes cart)

When: Mon, 30 July 12, 0900 Tee-Off

Activities: The Miramar golf course is one of the best military courses in San Diego. Transportation will be provided by the Four Points shuttle for those needing transportation

★ **NOTE:** Cart fee included. Breakfast, lunch & beverages are self-pay. POC: Darryl Peralt @ peraltadarryl@att.net



TOUR #2: OLD TOWN

Price: \$44/Person (price includes dinner at Casa de Guadalajara)

When: Tue, 31 July 12, 1700-2000

Activities: Dinner is at Casa Guadalajara, the site of the first San Diego Mission (1769), which captures the "spirit" of Mexico at its best. The adjacent colorful *Bazaar del Mundo* has authentic and eclectic folk art, fashion, gifts and more. The group will have a chance to walk through Historic Old Town and visit buildings comprising part of the California State Park System

★ **NOTE:** Price includes transportation, meal, tax and tip. Dinner will include one of four choices, a beverage and dessert



TOUR #3: USS MIDWAY & CABRILLO NATIONAL PARK

Price: \$59/Person (price includes admission to USS Midway, lunch, Cabrillo National Park)

When: Wed, 1 Aug 12, 0930-1530

Activities: The USS Midway, with more than 25 restored aircraft, holds the distinct honor of being the most visited retired naval ship museum in the world. It is handicap accessible with elevators and benches throughout. Lunch is at Phil's Barbecue, profiled on "Man vs. Food." The tour continues to the Cabrillo National Monument where, in 1542, Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo landed on what is now the west coast of the United States. There will be time to tour the lighthouse, museum, take photos of the Pacific coastline and enjoy the view of San Diego Bay

★ **NOTE:** Price includes transportation, admission to sites, meal, tax and tip



TOURS #4 & #9: LA JOLLA & STEPHEN BIRCH AQUARIUM

Price: \$59/Person (price includes La Jolla bus tour, lunch, admission to aquarium)

When: Wed, 1 Aug 12, 0900-1500 (lunch @ Bali Hai) OR Sat, 4 Aug 12, 0900-1500 (lunch @ Ham's Lighthouse)

Activities: The tour begins in La Jolla at Mount Soledad, with a panoramic view from the Veterans Memorial. It continues along the coast, to include going through downtown La Jolla to the Scripps Birch Aquarium. Lunch will be a private buffet (including dessert and beverage) at the Bali Hai (Wed) or Tom Ham's (Sat). Both overlook San Diego harbor

★ **NOTE:** Price includes transportation, meal, tax and tip





TOUR #5: SAN DIEGO ZOO

Price: \$73/Person (includes zoo admission, bus tour, sky tram gondola and lunch)

When: Wed, 1 Aug 12, 0900-1500

Activities: The San Diego Zoo is part of the Zoological Society, known for its conservation and preservation programs. The beautifully landscaped grounds with numerous varieties of plants, is home to more than 4,000 animals, including giant pandas, polar bears and koalas. The newest exhibit is the Elephant Odyssey; the tour includes a narrated tour on a double decker. The sky tram gondola provides a great view of the entire park. Lunch will be Chinese dim sum at Jasmine's restaurant, with an assortment to be enjoyed—along with tea and dessert.

★ *NOTE: Price includes transportation, zoo admission, meal, tax and tip*



TOUR #6: QUEEN VICTORIA HIGH TEA

Price: \$49/Person (high tea with extensive Queen Victoria menu)

When: Thurs, 2 Aug 12, 1100-1500

Activities: Enjoy a leisurely full high tea from soup to dessert, with delicacies in between. All is served in a relaxed and opulent atmosphere. There will be opportunity to shop for tea-related items in the gift shop, as well as walk along the main shopping area in La Mesa. The tour is limited; sign up early to secure your place

★ *NOTE: Price includes transportation, meal, tax and tip*



TOUR #7: HARBOR DINNER CRUISE

Price: \$84/Person (cruise and dinner)

When: Fri, 3 Aug 12, 1800-2230

Activities: This three hour cruise begins with a boarding glass of champagne or sparkling cider, followed by dinner. Dinner is served at your table with a choice of chicken, meat, fish or vegetarian entrées

★ *NOTE: Indicate your choice on your registration form. Price includes: transportation, meal, tax and tip*



TOUR #8: HOTEL DEL CORONADO & SEAPORT VILLAGE

Price: \$29/Person (bus ride)

When: Sat, 4 Aug 12, 0900-1500

Activities: The tour includes time to explore the “Hotel del,” as it is affectionately known by locals. Built in 1888, it was the first hotel outfitted with electric lights—personally overseen by Thomas Edison. The hotel is on the national historic registry and offers glimpses into a past era, some of which is depicted in its extensive photo gallery. The adjacent beach, known as the Silver Strand, is perfect for a stroll before continuing to Seaport Village. Seaport Village offers touristy shops and numerous eateries

★ *NOTE: Price includes transportation only*



TOUR #10: VIEJAS INDIAN CASINO & COMPANY STORES

Price: \$29/Person (bus ride)

When: Sun, 5 Aug 12, 1100-2100

Activities: Viejas is the location of one of San Diego's Indian casinos and outlet malls. The casino and shops are located 30 miles southeast of the hotel in the foothills of Alpine, California ★ *NOTE: Price includes transportation only. Meals are on your own*





BUSINESS AGENDA

GENERAL STAFF MEETING & NATIONAL CONVENTION AGENDA

FRIDAY, 3 AUGUST 2012 (0800-1130)

CALL TO ORDER, GENERAL STAFF MEETING & NATIONAL CONVENTION (CINC)

- Invocation (Chaplain General)
- Call for Advance of the Colors (CINC)
- Pledge of Allegiance (CINC)
- Call for Retiring of the Colors (CINC)
- Reading of the Order's Preamble (SVCINC)
- Roll Call (CS)
 - ✓ *Note: Chief of Staff accepts a motion from the floor to omit a roll call*
- Welcome of Dignitaries and Remarks
- CINC's Welcoming Remarks

OLD BUSINESS (Chief of Staff)

- Vote to approve the minutes of:
 - The Joint Session of the 2011 Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting, and
 - The 2011 National Convention and the 2011 Post-Convention General Staff Meeting [VOTE]

NEW BUSINESS (CINC)

- CINC presents Convention Rules [CONVENTION VOTE]
- Commander-in-Chief (CINC) End-of-Tour Report (CINC CAPT Vowinkel)
- Chief of Staff Report (CS Brig Gen Morrill)
- Vice Commanders-in-Chief (VCINC) Reports:
 - SVCINC COL Worthington
 - VCINC LTC Engen
 - VCINC Capt Kash
 - VCINC Capt Hayes



BUSINESS AGENDA

GENERAL STAFF MEETING & NATIONAL CONVENTION AGENDA

- VCINC HPM McIntosh
- MOWW Board of Trustees Report [CONVENTION VOTE]
- Treasurer General Report
- Budget Committee Report [CONVENTION VOTE]
- Policy-Planning Committee Report
- Membership Committee Report
- Patriotic Education Committee (PEC) Report
- ROTC Committee Report
- Scouting Committee Report
- National Security Committee Report
- Homeland Security Committee Report
- Law & Order Committee Report
- Legislative & Resolutions Committee Report (CONVENTION VOTES)
 - ✓ *NOTE: Resolutions are provided in the 2012 MOW National Convention Book (immediately following the Legislative & Resolutions Committee Report)*
 - *“Budget Cuts Threaten Military Readiness”*
 - *“Addition of Franklin D. Roosevelt’s D-Day Prayer to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC”*
 - *“Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives in Honor of General of the Armies John H. ‘Blackjack’ Pershing”*
 - *“Maintaining Law & Order Overrides Religious Freedom”*
 - *“Birthright Citizenship”*
- Gist Blair Memorial Fund
- Patriotic Education Foundation (PEF) Report
- Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF) Report
- Approve all committee reports presented [CONVENTION VOTE]
 - ✓ *NOTE: CINC calls for vote to accept all committee reports*
- CINC calls for any issues or Items “For the Good of the Order”

Reports will be succinctly presented; full reports are provided in the 2012 MOWW National Convention Book



BUSINESS AGENDA

GENERAL STAFF MEETING & NATIONAL CONVENTION AGENDA

- CINC announces (NLT 1130):
 - Recess of the 2012 General Staff Meeting
 - Recess of the 2012 National Convention

AWARDS LUNCHEON & NATIONAL SECURITY SEMINAR (1200-1415)

- *MOWW Awards Luncheon & National Security Speaker*
 - ✓ *NOTE: Includes awards presentation (including the Phoenician Award) & the National Security guest speaker*



BUSINESS AGENDA

GENERAL STAFF (GS) MEETING AGENDA

SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST 2012 (0900-1150)

CALL TO ORDER (CINC-ELECT)

- CINC reconvenes and calls to order the 2012 General Staff (GS) Meeting
 - ✓ *Note: Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Preamble of the Order are not necessary because the General Staff is in session from the Joint Session of the Full National Convention*
- Roll Call
 - ✓ *Note: Chief of Staff accepts a motion from the floor to omit a roll call*
- CINC presents Opening Remarks

NEW BUSINESS, *continued from previous day*

- Nominating Committee Report
 - ✓ *Note: Chair reports on Candidate Slate and calls for any nominations from the floor*
- Election of National Officers for Operating Year 2012-2013 [CONVENTION VOTE]
 - ✓ *NOTE: The CINC calls for vote on the slate of candidates and announces the national election results [VOTE]*
- CINC introduces the CINC-Elect who announces the following appointments:
 - ✓ *NOTE 1: Please refer to WORKSHEETS*
 - ✓ *NOTE 2: The Executive Committee of the General Staff (EXCOM), Budget, Historical & Archives and Nominating Committee Chairs are determined by rule. The Council of Region Commanders and the Council of Past Commander-in-Chief elect their own Chairs.*
- Companions (five) to Assistant National Officer positions [WORKSHEETS]
 - Assistant Treasurer General
 - Assistant Judge Advocate General
 - Assistant Surgeon General
 - Assistant Historian General
 - Assistant Chaplain General
- Companions (five) as General Staff-at-Large [WORKSHEETS]
- Companions (three) as EXCOM Members-at-Large [WORKSHEETS]

***Please refer to the
"WORKSHEETS" provided in this
Convention Book***



BUSINESS AGENDA

GENERAL STAFF (GS) MEETING AGENDA

- Companion (one) to Member, MOWW Board of Trustees, for three years [WORKSHEETS]
[VOTE]
- National Standing Committee Chairs [WORKSHEETS]
- National *Ad Hoc* Committee Chairs, as applicable [WORKSHEETS]
- Any additional appointments [WORKSHEETS]
- 2013 National Convention Update (Dallas, TX)
 - ✓ *NOTE: Host Chapter Commander presents*
- 2014 National Convention Location (Baltimore, MD)
 - ✓ *NOTE: Host Chapter Commander presents*
- CINC-Elect calls for any issues or items “For the Good of the Order”
- Benediction (Chaplain General)
- CINC-Elect recesses the General Staff Meeting (NLT 1130):

CINC’S FORMAL RECEPTION AND BANQUET (1800-2100)

- CINC reconvenes the MOWW General Staff Meeting (i.e., the Formal Banquet)
 - ✓ *Note: Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Preamble of the Order are not necessary because the General Staff is in session from the Joint Session of the Full National Convention*
- CINC’s Formal Reception (starts at 1800)
- CINC’s Formal Banquet (starts at 1900). The Formal Banquet includes:
 - *Outgoing-CINC presents awards, e.g., Commander-in-Chief’s National Annual Award*
 - *Outgoing-CINC presents the Distinguished Service Award (DSA)*
 - *Install the CINC-Elect, the SVCINC/VCINC-Elect, and appoint selected officers*
- Benediction (Chaplain General)
- In-Coming CINC announces adjournment of the National Convention (NLT 2100)



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Dear Companions –

This report summarizes my tour of duty as Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the World Wars. It was an amazing year. I will highlight Companions who have stood out in their work for the Order. I will also emphasize events forever embedded in my memory. Most important, I admire all Companions for their continuing dedication.

Why does the MOWW mean so much to me? Servicemen and women are my heroes. Their tradition of continuing to transmit American ideals to generation after generation upon leaving active duty proves they are twice a citizen. The dedicated work of our Youth Leadership Conferences has insured that our Constitution lives and breathes in the hearts and minds of American youth. I commend COL Dick Minor (Chair, Patriotic Education Committee), his committee and the YLC directors for their tireless work.

This was an exciting year for the EXCOM. We may not realize just how much we accomplished, so let me share several milestones. The change of command at Bozeman changed my life. The enormity of the responsibility vested in the EXCOM was evident almost immediately. With unspeakable good fortune I inherited a Chief of Staff, Brig Gen Art Morrill, and an Executive Committee graced with talent. Evidence of their skills soon became apparent; we bonded in the spirit of service.

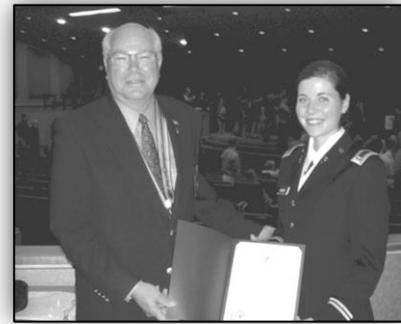
The EXCOM and I were tested when tasked with co-hosting with the Veterans Administration the national Veterans Day observances on 11.11.11. With consummate skill, LTC John Hollywood, General Morrill, LTC Ruth Hamilton and many other great Companions collaborated on one of the most successful National Veterans Day Receptions to date following the observances at Arlington National Cemetery. We had to split the MG Meade Chapter forces so that our time-honored tradition of sponsoring the General of the Armies John J. Pershing Memorial Service at Arlington could continue on without interruption. PCINCs Rice and Shehab led with their usual excellence. The EXCOM executed flawlessly at the reception—with the highlight of the event being the visit of Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki and Mrs. Shinseki. I cannot forget that day or why the MOWW shines so brightly among the many Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs) of our great nation.



The EXCOM devoted a significant effort to improving communications, guidance and an enhanced chapter focus in the command structure this past year. Pledging to lead this effort, I want to acknowledge with appreciation the efforts of LTC Michael Wilgen, Chair of the Council of Region Commanders. His work leading the development of the various commander checklists—which are on the MOWW website and are great sources of information for all Companions—was brilliant. The Chief of



Staff contributed to this effort by introducing the “Chief’s Notes” which are published in the Officer Review magazine, and developing the “Chapter Planning Guide,” which is also on the MOWW website. Helping chapter commanders was our goal—and that goal guided all our efforts. Undertaking a giant task, General Morrill, with assistance from the EXCOM, committee chairs, and a number of other Companions, published a totally-revised Policy Manual to replace the outdated Handbook. Simplification and rebalancing the information was the goal. Well done to all who assisted in this project.



Two *ad hoc* national committees achieved notable results. First, VICINC Captain Debbie Kash led a talented team tasked with rethinking and rewriting the awards submission process. They did a superb job and the results of their complex effort will long benefit the Military Order. Companion Jo Anne Barton made concrete suggestions in this effort as the Chair, Awards Committee. Second, VCINC Captain John Hayes also chaired an *ad hoc* national committee tasked with ramping up our recruiting effort. Flag streamers will be issued to Chapters achieving modest gains in new members, which will be added to their MOWW flags. More information on this effort will be rolled out in San Diego.

Additionally, Region IV Commander John Baumgarten chaired the Financial Development Committee, and more to come in the near future about their efforts. A smart salute is offered to all Companions who wear two or more hats. CDR John Baumgarten is an excellent example. As noted, he chaired a national committee, he is the Region IV Commander and he is the Richmond Chapter Commander. His chapter strongly supported the National Reception on Veterans Day 2011—as did the Maj Gen Wade Chapter, the MG Meade Chapter, and many other Companions.

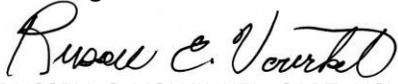
The Past CINCs deserve special mention. PCINCs Chabot, Elmer, St. Amant, Shehab, Rice, Stevens, Titus, Way and Wetzel are all active in the Order in the fullest sense of the word. I commend all of them for all that they do. I also want to thank all the Committee Chairs who served the Order so well this past year. Your efforts are much appreciated and the results you made possible helped move us all forward.



A MOWW icon retires in September 2012: Mr. Ken Staples. He has our eternal thanks for the many contributions he made to the Order throughout his distinguished MOWW career of 24 years. Mr. Ken Staples, you have the heartfelt appreciation of the entire Military Order.

Did we accomplish everything we set out to do? No, but we did accomplish a great deal! Was the experience exhilarating beyond description? Emphatically yes! Thank you for this humbling opportunity to serve.

For the good of the Order


 RUSSELL C. VOWINKEL, CAPT, USN (Ret)
 Commander-in-Chief



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

CHIEF OF STAFF

OVERVIEW

MOWW's Companions exemplify the ideals underpinning the Preamble's tenets. For 93 years MOWW's Companions have served America—and that great tradition continues. MOWW offers vital and continually improving programs—and America is the happy beneficiary. Like all Veteran Service Organization (VSOs), in fact any organization, service brings with it opportunities and challenges; MOWW is rising to the occasion. In support of that that great effort, this report is offered.

- ✓ *NOTE: Forecasts cover a 12-month period (Jul 11 - Jun 12).*
- ✓ *Due to timing issues, data compilation covers an 11-month period (Jun 11 - May 12).*
- ✓ *Please also see the Treasurer General, Budget Committee and MOWW Trustee reports.*

OPERATIONAL BUDGET EXECUTION (2011-2012)

- Trust Income. Trust performance directly affects MOWW program funding. Trust fund performance is essentially satisfactory, though MOWW's total portfolio value decreased by 2.98% (-\$278,596.36).
- Non-Trust Income was \$4,796.14 less than forecast largely due to fewer national dues being paid, reduced chapter dues processed (\$8,252.50 actual vs. \$10,285.00 projected), and fewer unsolicited donations. Merchandise sales were up vs. last year and Companions graciously contributed \$68,727.03 vs. a CINC Solicitation goal of \$60,000.00.
- Expenses.
 - Operations. This area was \$24,924.16 over forecast due to a legal expense of \$14,584.07 (see the Judge Advocate General's annual report) and a human resources recruiter expense of \$12,500.00, as well as the overlap of departing and new employees. The National Veterans Day Reception (co-hosted with the Department of Veterans Affairs) that cost \$50,336.01 was approved by the EXCOM post-convention and paid for by the new Operational Fund.
 - Member Services. Inventory replenishment was \$7,335.86 under budget and CINC Solicitation expenses were \$2,635.76 under budget; Perpetual Member dividend distribution to chapters was higher than forecast by \$29,949.91. Recurring National Convention expenses and the one-time convention expenses of a full set of national convention flags (US, USA, USN, USMC, USAF, USCG, NOAA, USPHS), MOWW Program Story Boards and two MOWW banners (\$21,841.00 actual vs. a projected \$8,500.00). The banners were used at the 2011 National Convention, and the banners, flags and story boards were used at the National Veterans Day Reception, and will be used in future conventions.
 - Awards & Prizes. We were slightly under budget (\$14,798.68 vs. \$15,040.00 forecast).



Handbook. The Handbook did not always reflect current practices or was incomplete. The new Manual is now organized around three pillars: organization, programs and recognition (and appendices). Enhancements are on-going.

- **MOWW Website.** Our website in development was based on marketing and information-sharing needs, organized around programs and administration, and complemented by functionally-oriented guidance and tools. Additionally, we wanted to make up-to-date information available 24 hours a day. There are three phases: 1.) Re-structure and update the current MOWW website (done); 2.) Develop new content for a world-class and easily maintainable website (in work); 3.) Implement an e-Commerce functionality (complete by CY13/1) which will permit on-line payment of dues, donations and purchases.
 
- **MOWW Merchandise Inventory Management.** Previously HQ MOWW's merchandise inventory storage was comprised of cabinets, etc., from the 1940s to the 1960s—all ill-suited for modern needs. We purchased new bins and shelving to improve merchandise receiving, storing, packing and shipping.
 
- **MOWW Forms & Factsheets.** We established a new website area "MOWW Forms" under "Filing Cabinet." The contents include: 1.) Forms (e.g., Membership Application); 2.) Checklists (e.g., Chapter Commander Checklist), and; 3.) Guides (e.g., Chapter Planning Guide).
- **MOWW Merchandise Catalog & Ordering Process.** We updated MOWW Merchandise Catalog and are developing a full on-line catalog (an e-Commerce initiative) to allow orders and payments directly via the catalog. In a related area, previously orders were off-line (phone, fax, emails) and on-line (website). **Since off-line ordering did not connect to our financial and inventory systems, we standardized ordering practices to include only the on-line order form (www.militaryorder.net).**

EMPLOYEES

- MOWW benefits from a HQ staff dedicated to Companions and committed excellence. This year an icon retired, two great people were hired and we are undergoing a massive training effort involving all aspects of MOWW functions.
 - **Mr. R. Kenneth Staples.** Ken is retiring from MOWW as of 1 Sep 12 after a full USAF career and 24 years with MOWW. He's been a rock of continuity for a quarter of a century for MOWW...and for me, also a treasured friend. He will be greatly missed.
 
 - **Ms. Cherie L. Small.** Cherie is the Director of Finance, and has MBA and a BS (Accounting) degrees (both Johnson & Wales University). She manages financial processes and programs, e.g., budget, financial analysis & reports, an effective system of accounting and compliance, and compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).
 



- Ms. Yesinia M. Aguirre. Yesinia is the Director of Administration. She completed coursework at Northern Virginia Community College (Administration & Computer Applications). She manages administration, membership and the supply chain, e.g., membership analysis and reports, merchandise inventory and related functions, and records.



BG BULTMAN (HEADQUARTERS) CHAPTER (122)

- In addition to supporting Companions and Chapters Order-wide, the HQ staff also supports MOWW programs as the BG Bultman (HQ) Chapter. It supported ROTC and Scouting programs, sponsored YLC students, had several articles published in the *Officer Review*, and recruited one Perpetual and three Annual Members.

- ROTC & JROTC Certificates 1,017
- BSA “Eagle Scout” Citations 114
- GSA-USA “Gold Award” Citations 1,724
- YLC Student Sponsorship 5 students

- While we refer callers to local chapters, trends clearly indicate ROTC units and Scouting organizations are increasingly coming to HQ MOWW for support. The MOWW website is clearly evolving the way we do some business, so it is vital that local chapters to proactively contact supported ROTC and scouting organizations in their assigned responsibility area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Reenergize chapter-level member recruitment by focusing on achieving chapter recruiting goals.
 - **Only 121 of 9,226 living Companions recruited anyone from 1 Jun 11 through 31 May 2012. This is counter to the good of the Order.**
 - Only 83.52% percent of the active (living) Companions of the Order are veterans.
 - 22 of 113 chapters have living veteran population percentage of ≤74 percent. (IRS rules state we must be 75% or higher in total (living & deceased) veteran population.)
- Focus chapters (i.e., the supported organization) on three fundamental areas:
 - Membership (recruit, involve and retain).
 - Programs (establish, operate and expand).
 - Recognition (awards, decorations, certificates and streamers).
- Focus all other MOWW elements (i.e., supporting organizations and activities) on three core activity areas:
 - Help chapters grow and thrive.



- Restore struggling chapters. (See my suggestion in the 2011 Convention Book on the website.)
- Establish new chapters.
- Continue improving our awards programs to facilitate more chapters to submit awards packages.
 - Award submissions are declining in recent years—especially from small and intermediate chapters which comprise 72% of the Military Order.
 - The more complex the award package is (e.g., notebooks), the less likely it is that an award package will be submitted. We should continue CINC Vowinkel’s Awards Process Committee.
 - The less national committees and chapters directly communicate, the less likely it is that chapter award packages will be submitted to national committees.
- Adopt the FY 2012-2013 budget being presented by the MOWW Budget Committee.
 - The HQ has gone from two full-time employees to a required three, but only at an additional cost-effective sum of \$14,000. (Mr. Staples is retiring (Sep 12) and we hired Ms. Small (May 12) as the Director of Finance and Ms. Aguirre (Jun 12) as the Director of Administration.)
 - The 2012-2013 budget includes a \$12,000 requirement for employee medical/dental benefits. This is an essential portion of any employee compensation since employees must support families. It also contributes to employee retention. Currently, HQ employees have no benefits.

We are a great Order comprised of exceptional Companions, and we have the privilege and duty of selflessly working to continue what our forebears made possible for 93 years by dint of their hard work.

It is our honor to serve each of you as you do the good work that so characterizes our great Military Order. Thank you for your selfless service, your commitment to excellence, and your efforts to continually improve what we do and how we do it. You are an inspiring role model for all Americans.

For the good of the Order

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Morill III'.

ARTHUR B. MORILL III, Brig Gen, USAF (Ret)
Chief of Staff

Enclosure:
MOWW Membership (2011-2012)



Enclosure: MOWW Membership (2011-2012)

MOWW MEMBERSHIP — 1 JUN 11 – 31 MAY 12

DATE	TOTAL MEMBERS (LIVING & DECEASED)	TOTAL MEMBERS (LIVING, ALL CATEGORIES)	TOTAL LIVING PERPETUAL MEMBERS	TOTAL LIVING ANNUAL MEMBERS	NET DIFFERENCE LIVING MBRS YTD	TOTAL LIVING MEMBERS (≤50/51+ YRS)
30 Jun 11	18,719	9,574	7,866	1,708	Baseline	1,043/8,531
31 Jul 11	18,702	9,532	7,849	1,683	-42/-42	1,034/8,498
30 Aug 11	18,686	9,488	7,834	1,654	-44/-86	1,032/8,456
30 Sep 11	18,684	9,465	7,825	1,640	-23/-109	1,031/8,434
31 Oct 11	18,673	9,437	7,813	1,624	-28/-137	1,033/8,374
30 Nov 11	18,670	9,405	7,791	1,614	-32/-169	1,031/8,374
31 Dec 11	18,643	9,362	7,778	1,584	-43/-212	1,021/8,341
31 Jan 12	18,606	9,312	7,777	1,535	-50/-262	1,023/8,289
28 Feb 12	18,593	9,282	7,767	1,515	-30/-292	1,014/8,268
30 Mar 12	18,593	9,255	7,749	1,506	-27/-319	1,024/8,231
30 Apr 12	18,589	9,230	7,743	1,487	-25/-344	1,025/8,205
31 May 12	18,600	9,226	7,741	1,485	-29/-373	1,032/8,194



PARTING THOUGHTS

MR. R. KEN STAPLES

I wanted to say a few words to let you know that I will be retiring August 31, 2012. I also wanted to tell you how much I appreciated being a part of such a great organization and having the opportunity to work with the great leadership in MOWW.



The time has seemed to fly by. I have a myriad of experiences that have impacted my life in memorable and meaningful ways, and some which I undoubtedly learned a great deal from over the last twenty-four years with MOWW.

I am extremely grateful for the support that everyone has provided me throughout the years. I want to acknowledge that you have all played a major part in making MOWW a happier and more productive place during my years here.

Best wishes to all. I will miss you!

Ken



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Oversight Responsibilities

Regions I, III, & IV; Two GSO's are LTC Ruth Hamilton & CDR John A. Baumgarten; Five Committees are Budget, Policy and Planning, Magazine, Legislative & Resolutions; and Council of Region Commanders. Committee memberships include: EXCOM, Budget, Legislative & Resolutions, Magazine, and Policy and Planning.

Region I

This region is commanded by CAPT Harry H. Weinberg. I attended their Annual Convention at the National Guard Museum in Worcester, MA on 9 June 2012. LTC Dennis Christo of the Worcester Chapter hosted a reception and dinner on the 8th. All Chapters were present with the exception of Connecticut Chapters. BG Thomas O'Donovan was appointed as the State Commander of Vermont, replacing the late MAJ Walter McEnaney. Also CW2 Francois Pelletier was appointed State Commander of Connecticut to assist in bringing the Connecticut Chapters back to life.

LTC Michael Jarvis has done an outstanding job with Youth Leadership in this Region. His relationship with Norwich University is excellent. Norwich is so pleased with the MOWW Youth Leadership they have asked to hold at least four sessions a year, and the University assumes most of the cost. This year alone, they graduated 157 students.

Elections were held, and CAPT Weinberg was elected as Region I Commander for one more year.

Region III

This region is commanded by LTC Michael C. Wilgen. Michael has been selected to command for another year. I attended their annual meeting in Camp Hill, PA at the Radisson Hotel Sunday 29 April 2012, and swore in their officers. LTC Alfred Shehab, Past CINC & LTC Ruth Hamilton, GSO accompanied me to the meeting. Chapters from PA, NY, and DE were present; however there was no representation from Indiana at the meeting. Again, I recommended that they should consider starting a Youth Leadership Conference in this Region.

The Superintendent at The Valley Forge Military Academy seemed interested in the possibility of forming a joint YLC, when I talked with him last year. I told him about the arrangement between Norwich University and Region I.

Membership problems were discussed and all agreed to continue improving recruiting and retention efforts. We promoted the upcoming National Convention, but did not get a positive response from the members present other than from Michael Wilgen who plans to attend.



Region IV

This region is commanded by CDR John A. Baumgarten. The RG IV annual convention was held in Richmond VA on Wednesday 16 May 2012. It was determined that efforts would be made to : (1) improve chapter leadership; (2) revitalize communications; (3) involve more companions in chapter activities; (4) reduce attrition; and (5) recruit Companions.

The Roanoke Massing was cancelled due to snow. The Fort Meade Massing of the Colors was hosted jointly with the Post and turned out to be a very well attended event with over 1,000 attendees.

Region IV, the MG Mead Chapter, and members of the Headquarters Staff hosted the National Veterans Day Observance and Reception at the Crystal City Marriott. Both the Pershing Ceremony and the National Veterans Day events were done in an outstanding manner.

The merger of chapters in Maryland has not gained participation at meetings in the remaining chapters. The workload has increased on the Ft, Meade membership after picking up the other chapter responsibilities. Efforts are being made to resolve these difficulties.

For the Good of the Order

M. HALL WORTHINGTON, USA (Ret)
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

1. Objectives. This report includes an update, as of 15 June 2012, of my assigned VCINC responsibilities, which included oversight of 4 Committees, 2 Regions (II and V) and 2 GSO's. Oversight, this year, has been primarily via email, telephone and visits to selective region activities. The Region commanders were both experienced and made positive attempts to support and strengthen the chapters in their area. I was fortunately able to visit and participate in some of their conferences patriotic activities and YLC's. The 4 Committee chairmen were Law & Order Chairman LTC Don Munson, Homeland Security Chairman LTC Wayman Johnson, Memorials Chairman MG Jack Strukel and ROTC Chairman, LTC Gary Engen. Their committee reports can be found elsewhere in this book or will be reported on the floor of the convention. My two assigned GSO's were CDR Rudy Matzner and CAPT Walter Baker.

2. Region II. . Region II was commanded by COL Christopher Smrt, Louisville Chapter. In addition to normal chapter meetings the major region events included convincing the Louisville mayor to conduct the first Veterans Day parade in downtown Louisville in nearly 20 years and a successful Massing of Colors in Louisville. The Louisville and Ft Knox chapters again conducted a successful 2-day YLC in May with 39 students at the Fort Knox Patton Museum. Conversations with COL Smrt and Department of KY Commander CAPT Bill Dibble indicate continued concerns with several chapters. The Fort Campbell Chapter has suffered with numerous deployments of their chapter leadership and has conducted few meetings or activities but still are trying to survive. The Cleveland and Columbus Chapters remain stagnant and both will require concerted effort and assistance to preclude their future closer or consolidated with other region chapters. A more detailed report can be found with the Region Commanders Reports elsewhere in this convention book.

3. Region V. Region Commander LTC Gary O. Green has been able to balance his real job (NJROTC senior Instructor) with the requirements of his region and has continued to improved communications via his Region II newsletters, region website and emails. He has kept me informed on region concerns to include several of the 10 chapters in the Region are only minimally accomplishing ROTC awards and perhaps a Massing of Colors but lack regular meetings, recruiting efforts or much else. After several years of efforts to assist, the Charlotte Chapter with its low membership numbers and being held together by a 1-man show was voted to be closed by the EXCOM with most members being transferred to the Col Bill Sheets chapter in Wilmington. I was able to attend the Region V convention hosted by the Atlanta Chapter in April. The convention was attended by the CINC, two Past CINC's and representatives from all two of the chapters. CDR Rudy Matzner was elected as the 2012-2013 Region V Cdr. I also presented past CINC LTG Wetzel with a much deserved Gold Patrick Henry Award while at that convention.

5. Committee Reports. The Law & Order Committee updated their guidance in the new revision of the MOWW Policy Manual. Chairman, COL Roy Gray, hopes this will clear up some confusion that may exist in the submission requirements for the annual Law & Order Awards and encouraging chapters to emphasis recognizing the fire fighters and public safety folks in their communities. The Memorial Committee chairman, MG Jack Strukel, reports disappointment in the lack of input from chapters this year on new or existing MOWW memorials. He has, however, been working on plans to recognize



MIA/KIA prior ROTC cadets at a Topeka, KS park or perhaps even nationally. Homeland Security Chairman, LTC Wayman Johnson, has submitted three articles for the Officer Review and hopes to get more chapters to submit annual Homeland Security Reports. I am also the ROTC Committee Chairman. The ROTC Committee has had an ongoing task to better define the number of ROTC/JROTC units actually being supported by our Order. I have also been assisting the Scabbard and Blade Honor Society in finalizing a letter to the service ROTC's soliciting their support for efforts to support and expand the cadet membership in Scabbard and Blade.

6. As the Director of the 2-day Augusta YLC, our staff and I conducted our 18th annual conference on 24-25 February 2012 where we challenged nearly 60 high school students with patriotic discussions and leadership activities. I also attended the 1-day YLC conducted by the Columbus Chapter at the National Infantry Museum at Fort Benning, GA.

7. I have certainly been encouraged by the hard work and enthusiasm of many companions I have observed or communicated with this year. Unfortunately the hard workers tend to be the same faces year to year so we all need to work hard to build our membership and find others with that same enthusiasm. I look forward to doing whatever I can to continue to assist the areas which I have been given oversight responsibility and the Order in the future.

For the Good of the Order

GARY O. ENGEN, LTC, USA (Ret)
Vice Commander-in-Chief



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VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

My responsibilities include oversight for Regions VIII, X, XI and for the Membership, Information and Publicity, and Boy and Girl Scouts Committees. Two excellent GSO's were assigned to me – MAJ Robert Williams, Fort Worth Chapter, and COL Roy Gray, El Paso Chapter.

Region VIII includes 15 chapters – two in Oklahoma and 13 in Texas. The new Region VIII Commander is LTC Charles Chamberlin. GSO MAJ Robert Williams was assigned oversight. The four North Central Texas Chapters (Dallas, Pinson Memorial, Fort Worth, and North Texas) hosted the CINC and his wife on 27, 28, and 29 April. The visit included a MOWW brunch and attendance at events associated with the 2012 Dallas Military Ball, where the CINC was recognized before the nearly 1,000 in attendance.

The Region VIII Annual Convention was held on 5 May in Georgetown, Texas. It was hosted by the Captain Dilworth Chapter. It was my privilege to install the new Region VIII Commander, staff and Departments of Texas and Oklahoma officers. I also presented a Gold Patrick Henry Medallion to PCINC COL Cliff Way. The Region has scheduled five YLC Conferences, one in Oklahoma and four in Texas, which are held in June and July. The Conferences are under the Texas Patriotic Education Foundation, with the leadership of Companions LTC Earl Bullock and Past CINC CAPT Rollie Stevens. It is expected that approximately 320 students will attend the conferences which are sponsored by MOWW, Joe Foss Institute, Sojourners, Dallas Navy League, and Dallas Air Force Association.

Region VIII Chapters have represented the Order very well with participation in many community events such as Veterans Day parades, Memorial Day ceremonies, Boy and Girl Scout recognitions, and ROTC/JROTC presentations. We are working on establishing a new chapter in San Angelo. The Corpus Christi Chapter needs new members and leadership. Region VIII Commander LTC Chuck Chamberlin will address this issue. In the period of 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012, Region VIII's Total Membership was +5, Living Membership was -26, Perpetual Membership was +2, and New Membership was +31. The Dallas Chapter led the nation in New Members (+17) for a chapter.

Region X includes six chapters – Detroit, Chicago, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Ft. Snelling, MN, and Central Iowa. The Region Commander is COL Michael Peck and GSO Roy Gray was assigned oversight. COL Peck reported that a Youth Leadership Academy would be held from 16th to 23rd of June at the Great Lakes Naval Station. The youth particularly enjoy the sailing lessons in addition to the leadership training. They provided MOWW medals for 15 high schools this year and they presented the top recruit at Great Lakes with a MOWW medal for leadership as a recruit leader. For the period of 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012, Region X's Total Membership was -4, Living Membership was -10, Perpetual Membership was 0, and New Membership was 1.

Region XI includes five chapters in Kansas and Missouri (Topeka, Greater Kansas City, St. Louis, Wichita, and Central MO). The Region Commander is MAJ Ronald Jones and GSO Roy Gray was assigned oversight. The YLC at St. Louis was scheduled to be held. A possible future YLC in Topeka is being considered. Companions Captain Stu Entz and MG Don Jacka will be points of contact. I enjoyed my visit to the Topeka Chapter on 14, 15, and 16 May. I was the speaker for their Banquet on 15 May and I



installed their new chapter officers for 2012-2013. I had a good discussion with MG Strukel, Chairman of the MOWW Memorials Committee, about ideas to encourage chapters to create memorials, monuments, and plaques. One idea was to establish MOWW plaques recognizing the KIA's, presented to JROTC/ROTC units where the KIA's were cadets. MAJ Jones previously stated that Wichita needs younger members and Central Missouri needs new members. For the period 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012, Region XI's Total Membership was +6, Living Membership was +4, Perpetual Membership was +6, and New Membership was +13.

The Membership Committee is chaired by me. Our membership numbers, with the exception of Perpetual Membership, continue to decline. Actions were taken to reverse the decline. I refer you to my Membership Committee Report for membership information that includes statistics, Officer Review articles, and current membership awards and recognitions, which are explained in Chapter 10 of the MOWW Policy Handbook.

The Boy & Girl Scouts Committee is chaired by MAJ Robert Williams. MAJ Williams continues to do an excellent job with very capable help from his Boy Scout Chairman LTC Oren Peters and his Girl Scout Chairperson Debbie Minor. The Committee is seeking submissions of the annual MOWW Scouting Report from each chapter, nominations for the MOWW National Scouting Award, and applications for the MOWW-BSA Community Service Organization Award (Square Knot). MOWW Eagle Scout certificates and MOWW Girl Scout Gold Award certificates presented this year should exceed last year's numbers.

The Information and Publicity Committee is chaired by LTC Don Munson. LTC Munson encourages each chapter to have a newsletter and to distribute it electronically via email attachments. A copy should be sent to the MOWW Historian General, their Region Commander, and VCINC. Companions need to be alert for opportunities to publicize the Order. Events involving veterans and community involvement often attract news media.

For the Good of the Order

JOHN M. HAYES, Capt, USAF (Fmr)
Vice Commander-in-Chief



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VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Oversight Responsibilities included the Regions XIII, XIV, XV, and the following committees: Chapter Activities & Awards; Legislative & Resolutions; Historical & Archives Committee and I chaired the Ad Hoc Awards Process. I was supported by two excellent GSOs: Colonel Dave Gibson and Lieutenant Colonel Bill Byrne who were also key members of the Ad Hoc Awards Process Committee. They did an outstanding job caring for the chapters in their Regions—especially their work on the Ad Hoc Awards Process Committee. Thank you!

Region XIII –Region/Department meetings were held in Green Valley, AZ; El Paso, TX, and Santa Fe, NM, and I was impressed with their teamwork and commitment to the Precepts of our Order.

- a. It was a pleasure to attend the Massing of the Colors for Phoenix, AZ, Apache Trails, AZ, and El Paso, TX, Chapters.
- b. I was able to attend the Pearl Harbor Wreath Laying Ceremony with the Phoenix, AZ Chapter; the Santa Fe, NM and El Paso, TX Chapter meetings and one AZYLC meeting.
- c. I had the honor of assisting PCINC MG Frank Miles install the Region and Department of the Rio Grande officers.

Region XIV – This is my home Region and this year’s conference was very informative and attended by a few chapters that had not attended in the recent past. Chapters are working on several new large projects including the Veterans History Project, USS Iowa, Santa Barbara Airport Tribute to the Marine Corps, American Heritage Monument in Atascadero, CA and the Veterans Home of West Los Angeles. I attend the following chapter meetings: San Diego, Wright, Pendleton, Holland, Bradley, San Fernando Valley, Woolsey and Vandenberg.

- a. The San Diego Massing of the Colors was once again a signature event and the Conejo Valley will host their Annual Red, White and Blue Ball which promises to be an outstanding event again this year.
- b. The Woolsey Chapter co-sponsored the very impressive Vietnam Moving Wall ceremony and display. Chapter member, BGen Fred Lopez, received the Outstanding Vietnam Veteran Award.
- c. The Vandenberg Chapter partnered with the South Coast Veterans Museum to unveil the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg Uniform Display. It was an excellent ceremony with local dignitaries and media present. The ceremony chairs were PCINC COL Jack Jones and Chapter Commander, COL Dick Hathcock. It was an honor to represent the CINC CAPT Russ Vowinkel and to give the MOWW welcome address.
- d. I will be participating in the San Diego YLC the last week of June. The San Diego Chapter is hosting this year’s convention under the leadership of Chapter Commander Col Clark Kholos. I



presented COL Jerry Webb with the Gold Patrick Henry for his unwavering dedication and leadership to MOWW over the last three decades.

Region XV – My first trip to Washington was to attend the Region Convention and the Puget Sound Chapter meeting. I was very impressed on how they interacted with each other. They support a large number of ROTC/JROTC units and can be very proud of their Northwest Youth Leadership Conference. This year's Phoenician Award winner, Zachary Hall, was chosen from this conference. This is the third time out of the last 4 years for the NWYLC led by GSO Col Dave Gibson. The Chapter Commander, CDR Alan Mandigo was finally able to present our MOWW awards to the Walla Walla AJROTC program. This program has been inexistence for 94 years and this was their first MOWW presentation after many attempts. Great accomplishment! I had the pleasure to meet, 1st Lt Marion Ball, the first women VCINC of the Order. The members of this Region credit her with many first!

Many thanks to the committee chairs, MAJ Jo Anne Barton, LTC Ruth Hamilton and CWO4 Allan Peschek for their hard work this year. Their reports may be read in this book in the committee report section.

How exciting it was to witness CINC CAPT Russ Vowinkel speak at the National Veterans Day Ceremony at Arlington and represent the Order with distinction. The MOWW hosted the national Veterans Service Organization reception following the ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, and it was professionally organized by chairs LTC John Hollywood and Brig Gen Art Morrill and their committee.

For the Good of the Order

DEBORAH A. KASH, Capt, USAF (Ret)
Commander-in-Chief



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VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES

Region VI. LTC Loyal G. “Gordon” Bassett, USAF (Ret.) does an outstanding job while wearing many “hats” at one time! He was an elected GSO this year, chaired National Security Committee and asked that he also be allowed to handle Region VI as that is where his Chapter is located. He was familiar with any problems there and ably handled same. He has kept me informed along the way and then proceeded to initiate action to handle same. His report for the Region is attached.

Region VII. I have personally handled Region VII the past year but had such great people already working there that visiting Chapters, inducting new companions or new Officers was my only responsibility. I cannot say enough good things about Region VII’s companions and the Region Commander, Shaun B. McGarry, LTC, AUS (Ret). There are 5 Chapters in this Region. I visited with four of the five chapters in this Region on several occasions. All are trying to recruit new companions while retaining those they already have. I found them to be healthy and “on the right track”. Region VII’s report is contained herein.

Committees:

- a. Honors & Protocol Committee. Chaired by Mrs. Patricia Snyder, HPM, retired mid-year and will be missed by all. GSO, LTC Ruth L. Hamilton, USA (Ret.), who assisted as Vice Chair has now taken that slot and we all look forward to working with her. No report at this time as it is given after National Convention,
- b. National Security Committee. Chaired by LTC Loyal G. “Gordon” Bassett, USAF (Ret). Col. Bassett was very active all year and always kept me “in the loop” and apprised of everything he was doing. His report is included in this book for you to read.
- c. Patriotic Education Committee. Chaired by COL Richard E. “Dick” Minor, USA (Ret). COL. Minor is a walking encyclopedia of information regarding all things pertaining to PEC. He never gives up on an idea, works incessantly for the Good of the Order and manages to keep everyone informed of everything he is doing at all times. His report is included in this book.

I have been very lucky and I must thank our CINC for assigning me oversight of such an industrious group of Companions. They do a grand job for MOWW and put the word “volunteer” into a category that should rightfully be termed “job”!

For the good of the Order

JENNIE F. McINTOSH, HPM
Vice Commander-in-Chief



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TREASURER GENERAL

In our current economy, thanks to the work of the Order's Trustees and the Headquarters Staff, we continue to perform reasonably well financially. The Order has received the auditor's report for fiscal year 2011 – 2012, (FY 11 – 12), which was forwarded to all concerned. No discrepancies were noted.

The income items in the FY 11 – 12 Fiscal Report indicated five areas for discussion (please note that the MOWW Budget Plan financial data is as of 14 June 2012). The MOWW budget can be found as an enclosure to the Budget Committee Report. Please also see the Chief of Staff, Budget Committee and MOWW Trustee reports.

Overall income was down by \$43,034.12 (6%) compared with the last fiscal year, (\$693,587.21 last year vs. \$650,553.09 this FY), through 31 May 2012. This was due to a decrease in the Non-Trust Income of \$54,428.64, (\$255,175 last year vs. \$200,746.36 this year), offset a little by an increase in our Gross Trust Income of \$11,394.52, (\$438,412.21 last year vs. \$449,806.73 this FY).

National dues were down by \$6,040. This reflects the continuing decline in annual membership in the Order. Last FY we received \$51,040 vs. \$45,000 this year.

Merchandise and certificate sales were up to \$53,312.38 (up \$4,195.38 from last year).

CINC Solicitation - Despite the rough economic times, our Companions provided \$68,727.03 vs. the \$60,000 goal for this fiscal year. Economic uncertainty prompted us to reduce the previous fiscal year's goal of \$90,000 by \$30,000. We anticipate receiving little or no additional donations through the end of the current Fiscal Year. Next year, the CINC Solicitation goal will be \$70,000.

Unsolicited Donations to the Order decreased to \$16,480.29, a decrease of \$25,640.71 from the \$42,121.00 we received last year.

On the expense side, the MOWW Headquarters' Staff should be commended for the job they have done this year, despite continuing recessionary pressures. Gross expenses were \$159,281.34 more than last year, which was due to a number of "one-time" factors:

Employee wages were up \$20,666.57 from last year, (\$153,075 last year vs. \$173,741.57 this year). This is primarily due to hiring two new full-time employees during the transition period, while Ken Staples is preparing to retire. Unfortunately, after a 20-year military career and 24 years with the Order, we will lose Mr. Ken Staples to retirement on 1 September 2012. Ken has been a significant asset for the Order, and his helpful and knowledgeable support to the Order's Companions will be missed. Going forward, we will have three full-time employees, and one contract employee...our normal complement of personnel. The last fiscal year, the Headquarters operated with 2 full-time employees, (the Chief of Staff and Ken Staples), and one contract employee who provided support to the Chief for the Officer Review magazine. This provided no back-up for any position, and that was unsustainable based on the workload the Headquarters has.



Other “one-time” expenses totaled \$77,420.17. These included \$50,336.01 for the very successful National Veterans Reception on 11 November 2011, which was a major showcase for the Order; \$12,500.00 in recruitment expenses for our two new hires; and \$14,584.07 in legal expenses for an old legal case against a Companion who was acting pursuant to his official role as an officer of the MOWW. The case was finally dismissed, but the Companion had legal fees that the Order paid.

PM distributions to Chapters increased by \$49,649.91, (\$112,572 last year vs. \$162,221.91 this FY). This increase in PM distributions was good for the Chapters, but shows up as an expense here. Previously, this was not reflected as an expense although the distribution (expense) occurs annually. Thus, it is part of the \$159,869.99 increase in expenses for this FY. (See the enclosure to this report and the Trustee Report.)

National Convention costs were up \$16,785, (\$5,056 last year vs. \$21,841 this FY). This increase is caused by the dates when the National Conventions occur, i.e., on the cusp of two fiscal years, which impacts FY accounting entries in the areas of travel reimbursement, convention expenses, the Phoenician Award, etc. Additionally, the Order purchased a full complement of service flags and two banners for annual convention use.

Other items include a one-time assessment from the Headquarters Home Owners Association for new brick pavers at \$3,384.00, and “State Registration Taxes” for Maryland and Virginia at \$1,373.49. The latter expense allows the Order to solicit funds for the CINC Solicitation in Virginia and Maryland.

In the area of trust accounts, please note that the fund data is through 31 May 12. The Order had a total of \$9,345,635.17 in all accounts. We have a total of \$6,726,072.18 in two Perpetual/Memorial (PM) Funds—one at Stern-Agee (SA) and one at Merrill Lynch (ML). (See the Board of Trustees report for a specific breakdown of funds.)

Investment portfolio value (principal) was basically flat during the past year. Considering market volatility, low interest rates, and the withdrawal of funds to pay PM dividends, our funds performed generally well. That said, the stock market and economy are still unpredictable—meaning we can’t say for sure how things will be for the upcoming Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 – 2013, or how much money will be available. As we elect new leadership for the coming year, leaders at all levels must be made aware of their fiduciary responsibility to the Order and keep expenditures within the approved budget. General Morrill and the Headquarters staff should be commended for their efforts in keeping costs down and identifying cost savings for the Order while improving operations.

There are some areas that require additional funds. We need to ensure that we budget additional funds for the Commander-in-Chief and the Vice Commanders-in-Chief. This is especially true for the CINC. For the past few years, the out-of-pocket and unreimbursed costs for a CINC to serve the Order are far more than the \$10,000 budgeted for CINC expenses. For example, the cost for travel to Region and Chapter events continues to increase, along with the price of gasoline, air fares, and food and hotel costs. When funds can be found, all senior elected staff need to have more dollars allocated for their legitimate expenses. If it becomes too onerous to perform the work of the Order as an elected officer, we may exclude Companions who would like to participate, but can’t afford to.



A similar problem impacts our Headquarters staff. Our staff currently receives no benefits, nor any cost-of-living allowance. We need to ensure that the few people in our Headquarters staff, who do so much for all Companions every day, have what any employee in the Washington, D.C., area has—benefits, cost-of-living adjustments, and the possibility of performance-based raises. This will ensure that we have high quality Headquarters employees and the continuity we need.

With the continued uncertainty in our Endowment Fund income, we need to ensure that our Companions are active in providing additional contributions to the Order. We have met this year's goal for the CINC's Solicitation, but that goal that was \$30,000 less than previous years. By growing the Order through recruiting new members—an imperative—we can secure a broader potential base of support.

Long term, Companions should actively consider the Order in their wills and estate plans. Providing one or two percent of an estate to the Order is a small amount that can provide significant benefits—if enough Companions do it. We will have a presentation on our Financial Development Program during the Convention (Thursday, 2 August 2012 at 1100 in Palm C) to review the ways Companions can provide for the Order—with minimal impact on their children or other beneficiaries. Last year, we had a significant bequest to the Order. Major Carl Nemethi, USAF (Fmr), donated \$1,170,000 to MOWW in his final estate—which allowed the Order to establish the Operational Fund. Other Companions have donated \$1,000 or \$2,500 as a bequest, or even \$3,000 to the CINC Solicitation, so every amount helps.

For the good of the Order

JOHN H. HOLLYWOOD, LTC, USA (Ret)
Treasurer General

Enclosure
Trust Fund Performance



Enclosure: Trust Fund Performance

MOWW TRUST FUNDS

MANAGED BY STERN-AGEE AND MERRILL LYNCH

	FY		FY		Actual YTD		FY	
TRUST INCOME (\$)	2009-2010		2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013	
Gross Trust Principle	\$	7,207,603.56	\$	9,624,231.53	\$	9,345,635.17	\$	9,476,379.32
PM FUND (Stern-Agee, SA)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	3,851,606.78	\$	4,711,685.37	\$	4,501,865.86	\$	4,564,891.98
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	267,394.14	\$	230,341.85	\$	167,113.37	\$	169,452.96
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	(229,067.00)	\$	-	\$	(321,886.00)	\$	-
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
PM FUND (Merrill Lynch, ML)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	2,072,048.08	\$	2,222,822.07	\$	2,224,206.32	\$	2,255,345.21
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	107,846.34	\$	91,544.15	\$	123,813.43	\$	125,546.82
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	146,173.28	\$	(337,716.00)	\$	-	\$	-
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
VADM Dyer Trust Fund (SA)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	51,344.33	\$	62,136.30	\$	63,654.21	\$	64,545.37
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	3,804.46	\$	9,341.08	\$	2,549.16	\$	2,584.85
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	-	\$	(3,234.00)	\$	-	\$	-
15 % Reinvest of Div/Cap per Will	\$	-	\$	570.46	\$	9,341.08	\$	-
VADM DYER (EXCOM) FUND (SA)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	187,934.36	\$	214,150.62	\$	186,067.72	\$	188,672.67
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	13,732.72	\$	32,539.38	\$	7,824.44	\$	7,933.98
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	(10,058.00)	\$	(13,733.00)	\$	(32,539.00)	\$	-
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
VADM DYER WILL FUND (SA)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	159,026.81	\$	193,052.27	\$	192,738.17	\$	195,436.50
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	12,115.96	\$	28,739.41	\$	7,467.72	\$	7,572.27
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	(9,655.00)	\$	(10,240.00)	\$	(8,000.00)	\$	(3,500.00)
15 % Reinvest of Div/Cap per Will	\$	1,448.25	\$	1,875.96	\$	20,739.41	\$	-
CAPT SATTERLEE FUND (SA)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	19,177.51	\$	23,014.15	\$	23,685.32	\$	23,922.17
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	1,500.95	\$	3,692.87	\$	1,001.92	\$	1,015.95
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	(400.00)	\$	(400.00)	\$	(400.00)	\$	(400.00)
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	1,100.95	\$	3,292.87	\$	-
ENDOWMENT FUND (ML)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	866,465.69	\$	1,045,850.12	\$	1,010,812.54	\$	1,024,963.92
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	32,017.64	\$	33,593.11	\$	29,646.25	\$	30,061.30
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	(100,915.00)	\$	(32,018.00)	\$	(33,593.00)	\$	-
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	-	\$	0.11	\$	-
OPERATIONAL FUND (ML)	Actual 2011 - 2012 Income						PY 3 Year Average x 1.4%	
Principle	\$	-	\$	1,151,520.63	\$	1,142,605.03	\$	1,158,601.50
Dividends/Capital Gains	\$	-	\$	12,457.24	\$	110,390.44	\$	111,935.91
Withdrawal from Dividends	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(14,525.00)	\$	-
Reinvestment into Principle	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(2,067.76)	\$	-

Business Rules:

- (1) - Will never withdraw funds from the principle of any fund.
- (2) - May only withdraw up to but not to exceed 85% of the dividend capital gains earned from the previous year.
- (3) - 15% of dividend/capital gains earned from previous fiscal year must be converted back to the principle of the respective fund



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JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

Two items of interest took place this year.

- a. Amicus Brief. Amicus curia is someone, not a party to a case, who volunteers to offer information to assist a court in deciding a matter before it. The information provided may be a legal opinion in the form of a brief (which is called an amicus brief when offered by an amicus curiae), a testimony that has not been solicited by any of the parties, or a learned treatise on a matter that bears on the case. The decision on whether to admit the information lies at the discretion of the court. The phrase amicus curia is legal Latin and literally means "friend of the court". With that introduction, the Order was one of the Veteran Service Organizations (VSO) that filed an amicus brief in the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the United States v. Alvarez, the Stolen Valor Act case. As of yet, the Court has not rendered an opinion.
- b. Financial Settlement. Without going into the details of the Trexler v. Shine/Webber lawsuit involving Companion Trexler's lawsuit against Companions Shine and Webber regarding issues surrounding MOWW department elections from a number of years ago (the case was dismissed against Companions Shine and Webber), Companion CAPT Webber spent \$14,584.07 for his legal defense regarding actions taken pursuant to his official duties within MOWW. Coverage was submitted to the Order's insurance company CIMA, however CIMA denied liability. Consequently, in my legal opinion I recommended to the CINC that the Order reimburse Captain Webber for his cost in defending himself. The CINC and the EXCOM approved this action, and it was accomplished.

For the Good of the Order

EARLE F. LASSETER, COL, USA (Ret)
Judge Advocate General



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

SURGEON GENERAL

I am pleased to report that as a group we Companions are more health conscious than the average American. From an “age adjusted” perspective, again we seem better off than the general population.

I have responded to a number of “off-the-record” questions and requests from Companions. Needless to say, I have enjoyed addressing only one medical issue at a time instead of the plethora of challenges one faces in active practice.

During the past year, I have also addressed a wide range of medical topics in my monthly column, the “Surgeon’s Tent,” e.g., Serviceman’s suicide, the passing of Companions, preventing colon diseases, and information cancers, kidney diseases, potential blindness and dementia. Hopefully, a little knowledge and research on my part has brought some facts to light to Companions everywhere that may act as a warning and be helpful as we live the best lives we can.

As always, I am open to suggestions for subjects and comments on issues.

For the Good of the Order

ROBERT E. MALLIN, MD, CPT, USA (Former)
Surgeon General



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CHAPLAIN GENERAL

At our convention in Bozeman, Montana, I served as the Assistant Chaplain General. The Chaplain General, Commander William Houston, was unable to attend. As the Assistant Chaplain General, I officiated at the Memorial and Ecumenical services and offered Invocations and Benedictions at numerous Convention activities. It was my good fortune to be elected Chaplain General at our Business Session.

In the first year as your Chaplain General, I have maintained an active role in the San Diego Chapter, officiated at Chapter Memorial services and served as a member of the Convention Planning Committee, as we prepare to host the National Convention from 30 July to 8 August 2012.

I am both honored and humbled to have the opportunity to serve as your Chaplain General. I anticipate the pleasure of greeting all of the Companions attending the national convention in San Diego.

For the Good of the Order

THEODORE O. ATWOOD, CAPT, USN (Ret)
Chaplain General



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HISTORIAN GENERAL

This has been a busy year for Julia with me hospitalized for long periods of time. I have recovered from my stroke and have resumed my duties to my Church and will continue, if elected, my duties within the Military Order. My report will be in three parts and will explain progress in meeting the responsibilities of the Office of Historian General. Julia and I have visited several Chapters and individual members in search of historical records. Additionally we have continued to visit and deliver many documents to our archive at the Hoover Institute at Stanford University, Stanford, California.

We have run into a major road block related to the History of the Military Order for the 1990's and the 2000's. We located a technical writer will to undertake the project, CAPT Rollie Stevens had reduced the Officer Review magazines for this period to a CD with the help of the Headquarters Staff and financed by the Gist Blair Fund. A major resource for the information in the History of the Military Order is the Annual Convention Book and the Minutes of Meetings of the General Staff and the Executive Committee. These documents are at the Hoover Institute at Stanford University and by action of previous Chief of Staff Major General John S Guthrie, Jr. USA Retired (18 May 1995) are the property of the archive. They will allow the Historian General to withdraw copies of documents from our collection, but we have to have that done at the archive. To visit the archive for a long period of time, to locate the necessary documents and to make copies maybe more expensive than the membership would be willing to support. Your individual comments related to this project will be truly appreciated

We have been receiving "Companion Profiles" from new members of the Order. The leadership of each Chapter should ensure members have fulfilled tenets of the "Preamble" "To acquire and preserve records of individual services".

Historian General Rear Admiral Henry C Perkins, USCG caused a great article to be written in the Officer Review (June 1976). In this article it said that the keystone clause of the Preamble of the Military Order of the World Wars was "too transient all these ideals to posterity. To carry out this mandate established by the forefathers of the Order, it is essential that these be an appropriate storage place and a procedure for the acquisition and preservation of records so that information of current and historical importance will be available to present and future generations of the Order. The founders considered this function so important that it was written into three of the nine clauses of the Preamble. Companion profiles, Chapter Historical records and publications generated at the National, Regional, Department/State, and Chapter levels need to be stored at the Hoover Institute at Stanford, California.

Your cooperation with Julia and me in fulfilling our duties as your Historians is greatly appreciated.

For the Good of the Order

ALLAN R. PESCHEK, CWO4, USN (Ret)
Historian General



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REGION I REPORT

Sitting in the Northeast corner of the United States, Region I encompasses all six New England states. All states except Connecticut currently have chapters within their borders. In the coming year we hope to have an initiative to start up a new Connecticut Chapter.

The year 2011 – 2012 began with the Annual Convention in historic Newport, RI, followed up with a mid-winter meeting in Portsmouth, NH at the historic Masonic Temple and concluded with an annual convention in Worcester, MA at the MA National Guard Museum and Archives. All locations contributed greatly to the heritage and history of our nation. At the Worcester convention we had the honor of the CINC, SVCINC, MMOWW Treasurer General, Chairman of the CRC and Elected General Staff Officer Ruth Hamilton present. All our visitors provided valuable guidance and understanding to our department, state and chapter commanders present. As we approach the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg it was appropriate to have companions of the General Meade Chapter present at the Region that is home to the General Joshua Chamberlain Chapter. We were able to visualize two of the leading lights of the Gettysburg battle. With Meade in overall command and Chamberlain leading the charge down from Little Round Top to rout the Confederates the tide of battle was turned.

This past year we had some significant accomplishments and some disappointments. Accomplishments were:

- a. The partnership with Norwich University in Vermont was expanded to go from one joint YLC/Leadership Challenge Weekend (LCW) to four with the MOWW program material being the principle focus. MOWW took the lead in classroom presentations of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights, free enterprise system, personal finance and cyber security. Norwich conducted events in leadership, physical training and discussions on opportunities at military colleges, military academies and ROTC. Norwich adopted the MOWW requirement that applicants for the weekend program submit a 500 word essay on the Bill of Rights as a qualifier. At the last session we had 78 students representing 16 states
- b. The YLC director presented RADM Richard Schneider, USCG (Ret), President of Norwich University and MOWW companion the Silver Patrick Henry Award for his vision and cooperation in integrating the YLC program with the Norwich program. A Win – Win situation.
- c. Region I formalized participation in the YLC/LCW program by establishing a MOWW Region I Advisory Board that formalizes the participation of all New England chapters in this program. All Region I chapters have a responsibility for the program's success. The Region I Commander is the Chairman and the YLC Director is the Vice Chairman. All chapters are members of the Board. The Region I convention approved the formation of the Board and agreed that all chapters be assessed \$2.00 per living member to supplement funding of the program.
- d. Chapters agreed to furnish guest instructors to the program on a volunteer basis to augment the current instructors and thus lessen the workload.



- e. Connecticut now has a State Commander who resides in the state. CW2Francois Pelletier, a former member of the New Haven Chapter and the son of a former companion. He was installed in ceremony at the Worcester convention. He is taking on the challenge to form a new Connecticut chapter. We think the prospects are very good.

There were however several disappointments this past year:

- a. Foremost was the loss of our Vermont State Commander and former Region I commander, Major Walter McEnaney. He was a true hero of the Greatest Generation. Walter went ashore at Utah Beach on 5 June 1944 to remove impediments to the landing, the day before the landing. When the task force missed the landing area, Walter and his fellow soldiers had to work their way to our landing forces while avoiding enemy fire. He was a great contributor to the MOWW mission including being the driving force behind establishing a JROTC program at school that previously did not have one. Walter will be missed.
- b. The disestablishment of the New Haven and New London chapters was indeed sad disappointing. These two historic chapters ran into the classic problem many of us face: aging membership and few younger members coming along. With the appointment of State Commander we hope to establish a replacement chapter.

Region I and its chapters participated in several significant events that honored the Order's Preamble, e.g., commemorations, and promoting and furthering patriotic education.

- a. The Region Commander continued the tradition of presenting MOWW awards at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. In the future, the CT state Commander should be in a position to make these awards. The Academy is very pleased that MOWW is both providing these awards and taking the time to present them to the Cadets.
- b. A cash award was presented to a top graduate of the CT National Guard's OCS program. The former CT state Commander, Maj Cy Merritt, assisted us by making the presentation.
- c. Our Region chapters played a significant role in dedications and commemorations:
 - 1) The Region Commander and Greater Boston Companion Captain Paul Mawn participated in the dedication of a plaque in the Memorial Church of Harvard University honoring the 17 men of Harvard who received the Medal of Honor. Captain Mawn and Captain Weinberg had a picture with Medal of Honor Recipient Thomas Kelly positioned in front of the plaque. Picture was published in the Officer Review.
 - 2) Members of the Greater Boston and Worcester Chapters participated in a Veterans Day ceremony at Northeastern University. Our companions read the names of those Northeastern students who gave their lives in our nations conflicts dating back to WWI. An outdoor ceremony followed with the former Commander in Afghanistan, General Walter McKiernan giving an address.



- 3) The Green Mountain Chapter lead by LTC Michael Jarvis participated in the annual Massing of the colors at the Vermont Veterans' Cemetery. Vermont's Governor Shumlin was the keynote speaker. The MOWW flag was carried by the Spaulding High School JROITC.
- 4) The Worcester Chapter's Colonel Hank Cyr headed a ceremony of the Massachusetts Viet Nam Memorial 10th Anniversary Rededication in which the MOWW flag was carried by the Oxford High School JROTC during a Massing of the Colors.
- 5) The Narragansett Bay Chapter Commander LTC King Odell was the featured speaker at the World War I memorial in Cranston, RI on Veterans Day. He also was on the Reviewing Stand for the oldest 4th of July parade in the United States held in Bristol, RI.
- 6) The Dept. of MA Commander, CDR Robert Gillen, USN (Ret.) played a key role in planning the Battle of Bunker Hill Parade in Charlestown, MA. He also represented the Order at Veteran's Day ceremonies at the Massachusetts State House's Hall of Flags. He, Captain Weinberg and CDR Redmond Clevenger, Commander of the Greater Boston Chapter participated in 70th Pearl Harbor anniversary ceremony aboard the USS Cassin Young in the Charlestown Navy Yard in the Boston Historical Park. A Pearl Harbor survivor spoke at the ceremony.
- 7) Companion Paul Delaney wearing his MOWW hat participated in Veterans recognition Night at a Chicago Blackhawks hockey game in Chicago. Companion Delaney was very visible in ceremonies prior to the game.

Scouting activity is picking up in the Region. Granite State presented 7 awards at Courts of Honor while Narragansett Bay recognized 6 Boy Scouts and 4 Girl Scouts. The Greater Boston Chapter had the Scout Executive of the Minuteman Council speak at a luncheon meeting on the Scouting program. Additionally the Chapter donated \$375.00 to the Yankee Clipper Council to fund 15 Eagle scouts on a cruise of the Thomas Lannan Schooner out of Gloucester, MA.

The Granite State Chapter had its EIN reestablished by the IRS and now is able to report its finances to the IRS. Narragansett Bay is in the process of getting its EIN reestablished by the IRS.

Both the Greater Boston and Worcester Chapters have started up an essay contest featuring patriotic subjects with high schools in the area. Boston will present its cash award to a JROTC student at an Awards Banquet on Flag Day 14 June. Worcester is presenting awards to high school students regardless of JROTC affiliation. The Cape Cod Chapter presented its annual Pafford award to a Falmouth High School student who presents the best essay on "Why I Love the United States".

The General Chamberlain Chapter is still very much involved in achieving the goal of bringing the retired USS John F Kennedy to Portland, ME as a museum ship.

The Cape Cod Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America program at the Veterans National Cemetery in Borne, MA.



The Greater Boston Chapter continues to have an aggressive speaker program at their monthly luncheons at the Union Oyster House in Boston. Speakers addressed such subjects as “the process of bringing ROTC back to the Harvard campus”, the operation of SEAL team Six in dispatching Osama bin Laden”, the planning and development of an Air and Space Museum at Hanscom AFB,” “the operations of Scouting in the Boston area”, and the author of the book “Baptism” about his experiences in trying to secure Landing Zone “Albany” during an operation in Viet Nam. The Worcester Chapter brought in the Professor of Air Science at Worcester Polytechnic Institute to speak on the ROTC program and how students can get into it.

ROTC and JROTC support continues to be strong amongst all chapters. The vast majority of Awards ceremonies have a Chapter representative present to personally present the MOWW Award.

Enthusiasm and dedication for our programs is strong amongst our chapters. Membership is holding steady. Gains appear to be slightly ahead of losses. The program of awarding complimentary memberships to selected ROTC graduates is over and the results gave us nothing. A clearer picture of the Boston and Cape Cod Chapters membership can now be visible without having these ROTC students on the rolls.

For the Good of the Order

Harry H. Weinberg, CAPT, SC, USN (Ret)
Commander, Region I



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REGION II REPORT

- *Region II CDR assessment with recent Gold Patrick Henry Award recipient, Companion William 'Bill' Dibble, in the capacity of Dept. CDR.*
 - *Region II is the entire Commonwealth of KY, with all its Chapters contained therein, and two (2) OH Chapters: Columbus and Cleveland.*
1. Chapter Objectives and Meetings. The Chapters (detailed below) have conducted monthly meetings and implemented their yearly objectives [exceptions: Fort Campbell Chapter and the OH Chapters as listed below]. The Ch. Activities shown below are a tribute to implementing the tenants of our Preamble, a high level of companion involvement and the positive impact MOWW has in the local community and nationally. 2010-2011 Reporting Staff and Chapter Commanders are:
 - a. Region II CDR – Christopher M. Smrt, COL, Army Ret.
 - b. KY Department CDR – William 'Bill' Dibble, CAPT, USN Ret.
 - c. Fort Campbell; CDR – Donald Shaw, CW3, Army Ret. [...CH in cold-suspension. Organization property/records and finance secure, No viable ROTC; MOC; or YLC programs]
 - d. Fort Knox; CDR – Toby Martinez, LTC, Army Ret. [REG II GSO]. [...every bit the Nat'l award-winning vibrant Ch. Organization property/records and finance secure, Viable ROTC; MOC; and YLC programs]
 - e. Frankfort, CDR – Ronald L. French, LTC, Army Ret. [...reorganizing with Past CDR, COL Green's dedicated hand, and assistance –due to large NG Officer deployments and OPTEMPO. Organization property/records and finance secure]
 - f. Louisville CDR – Jeffrey Daus, CAPT, USN. [...Changed Mo. Meetings to Co-MTGs formatted same day and downtown location as Ben Butler (due to age of its senior membership at one extreme, and job constrictions of those still in the work force --necessarily focused on family and job security). Organization property/records and finance secure, Viable ROTC; and PEC/YLC programs (fall and spring); MOC co-sponsored with local Masonic Home of Louisville].
 - g. MG Ben Butler CDR – Christopher Smrt, COL Ret. [...Mo. Meetings; active membership, attendance hovering at 12-17 pax. Organization property/records and finance secure, Viable ROTC; MOC; and 'on-site YLC programs; KY Challenge]
 - h. Cleveland Ohio Chapter CDR – William R. Strand, 1LT, Ret. [...CH in cold-suspension w/ perpetual members holding the chapter. Organization property/records and finance secure, No viable ROTC; MOC; or YLC programs]



- i. Columbus Ohio Chapter CDR - Charles E. Fischer, COL, USA Ret. [...CH in cold-suspension w/ perpetual members holding the chapter. Organization property/records and finance secure, No viable ROTC; MOC; or YLC programs]
2. Massing of the Colors (MOCs).
 - a. Chapters: Fort Knox [NOV/APR], Louisville [JUN IAW Flag-Day], Frankfort [APR/MAY], Ben Butler [NOV IAW Veterans Day]
 - b. Completed in NOV '11: MG Ben Butler Chapter hosted in conjunction with the first city of Louisville Veterans Day Parade in past 40 years. MG Black was the lead coordinator for MOC, MOWW and City of Metro-Louisville.
 - c. Ft. Knox [Hardin Co. Veterans Day Parade also hosted an MOC; [APR '12 IAW Heartland Festival again hosted an MOC].
 - d. Louisville co-support [JUN 2012 scheduled with co-sponsor Masonic Home of Louisville for the Sat. following Flag Day].
 3. Youth Leadership Conferences (YLCs). The Kentucky Department and its various Chapters conducted Single-Day YLCs supporting nearly 900 Kentucky High School level kids.
 - a. The Fort Knox CH and KY Department held Onsite Single-Day YLCs for appx. 22 select ea. [YLCs: One-Day, 17SEP11]. From the KY Bluegrass Challenge Academy stationed at the Fort Knox Post; -the (2) Single-Day events are split between the Sons of the American Revolution National Headquarters, Louisville, KY, and the Patton Leadership Museum, Fort Knox, KY [YLCs Two-Day: 4-5NOV11; 21-22MAY12].
 - b. In the fall of 2011, the Louisville Chapter conducted an 'off-site' Single-Day YLCs at the Scottish Rite for 340 High School Students. Again the focus was on the patriotism, the Constitution and Bill of Rights, founding fathers, leadership and free enterprise. The spring 2012 YLC hosted a smaller student population [140 students] since each year the spring is congested with student placement testing and the end-of-year squeeze if snow-day makeup schedules are enacted. Dr. Robert Mendel, CDR USN RET. provided a great deal of support with COL Gravely as the MOWW Director of those SD YLCs.
 - c. In the fall, the Fort Knox Chapter conducted and add'l 'on-site' Single-Day YLCs at Hardin County High School level facilities for the assemblies. The YLC focused on a Veterans Day theme following the Joe Foss Institute Model. The facilities included North Hardin Christian School, Faith Home School. MOWW companions and active duty service members from Fort Knox spoke about their military service and experiences in Afghanistan and Iraq, stressing that there is a price to be paid for our freedom -"freedom is not free". A patriotic DVD, provided by the Joe Foss Institute was also shown.
 - d. Frankfort Chapter currently in plans for 'off-site' Single-Day YLC for KY National Guard service-members children. The YLC focuses on leadership for nearly high school kids.



- e. The MG Ben Butler studies plans for assisting existing 'on-site Single-Day YLCs in concert with the Fort Knox CH. from the KY Bluegrass Challenge Academy stationed at the Fort Knox Post. The program focused on the Founding Fathers, Patriotism, Flag History, Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Bill of Rights, Free-Enterprise and Leadership.
4. ROTC and JROTC. All KY chapters provided the required medals and certificates for the approximately 75 ROTC/JROTC detachments within KY. [Fort Knox Chapter additionally provided medals to four ROTC Leadership Summer Camps held at Fort Knox [11, 16, 23 and 28 JUL11 graduation dates held at Brooks Field]; both Fort Knox & Louisville Chapters supported JROTC detachments outside the continental USA.]
5. Kentucky Patriotic Day. The Frankfort Chapter is directing its efforts in executing patriotic presentations to 5th and 6th graders from the Frankfort and Lexington Kentucky Elementary Schools.
6. Hardin County Veterans Day Parade (12NOV'11). Fort Knox Chapter provided trophies and judged the "Most Patriotic Float" within the commercial and non-profit organization floats. CDR Martinez and Past Chapter CDR, LTC Herzog presented the awards at the conclusion of the parade, following the keynote address. A Bronze Patrick Henry was presented to the City of Vine Grove, KY for their WW support.
7. Chapter Websites. Fort Knox has its chapter website in operation and MG Ben Butler and Louisville Chapters are working with a non-profit servicing organization in establishing their own MOWW chapter websites.
8. KY Department Meetings. A meeting during the 2011-12 2d Quarter was scheduled in concert with the Fall KY Challenge YLC at Fort Knox to allow Ch. Commanders a forum for both WW meetings and observation of the KY Challenge YLC. Chapter CDRs attending presented a SITREP of the immediate past and all projected CH programs/activities. Ohio WW Chapter coordination was by phone - since Companions of OH Leadership are unable to travel.
9. Region Ch. Consolidation: Since the execution of consolidation for the Ohio Chapters [Cleveland, Columbus] static action is recorded.
 - a. Ohio CHs are in suspended stasis. The Chapter membership aggregate age and complication of infirmity have continued the exacerbation inherent with 'graying' Chapters.
 - b. Without new membership/ new blood the turn 'round seems insurmountable with Perpetual Membership only holding the Chapter.
10. Command Visits: Region II didn't host any in FY 11-12
11. New: Ft. Knox Chapter, Ben Butler and Louisville companions established a link with the Combined Federal Campaign & Louisville United Way on behalf of the Kentucky Youth Development Fund in support of youth operations. Donations are scheduled for distribution ISO leadership programs. The KYDF and local chapters are founding board members supporting Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky which is in its planning stages for location in Crestwood, KY; and will highlight all who served and were lost in America's wars and campaigns from the Revolutionary War forward. It is



designed to foster reflection, education and inspiration in a park setting with historical data/information and markers.

12. Summary.

- a. Region II has some significant tasks ahead of it with the goal of re-establishment to viability of the waning chapters. Though, as stated above, an aggressive attempt is needed to obtain Companions, (age immaterial) that have the energy, enthusiasm and fortitude to shoulder the myriad Chapter responsibilities. The long-term prognosis is tenuous but failure is not entertained.
- b. Chapters, all struggle mightily with membership and are aware of the necessity of aggressive and significant work to achieve net membership goals. Spirited and targeted procedures were implemented at the chapter level to retain and recruit members. These measures conducted with the diligence needed and with the mutual support at the Region II CMD level will improve membership.
- c. Additionally, we hope to increase solicited monies (corporate and private) into the 501(c) (3) KY Youth Development Foundation (KYDF Inc.) to promote the area YLC programs.

For the Good of the Order

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Commander, Region I



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REGION III REPORT

Region III consists of the states of Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Officers include: Commander - LTC Michael Wilgen, Vice Commander - COL Robert Reese; General Staff Officer - LTC Carl Witte, Adjutant - LTC Paul Farinella, Pennsylvania Department Commander - LTC Fred Lovelace; DE State Commander – MAJ Tom Kelly, New Jersey State Commander – LTC William Rapp, New York State Commander – CAPT Emmons.

Region III has six chapters that strive to support the CINC's goals and execute the tenets of the Preamble to the best of their abilities. They make a concerted effort to support and promote Senior and Junior ROTC units within their areas. The Philadelphia Chapter has won the ROTC Award in the large category seven of the last eight years and was runner-up the eighth year. CAPT Richard Burton does an excellent job in directing this program. Chapters sponsoring JROTC and/or high school students to the multi-day Youth Leadership Conference send them to the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge. The Philadelphia Chapter sponsored this YLC, which was held April 19 – 22, 2012.

I expect the membership stats will show the Region at minus 2 at the end of the FY. We have more new members (8) than last year (6), but we lost more this year from NPD and death than in FY 2011. This data includes the last of our new LT Scholarship members. We are 0 for 9 on retaining new LTs within the Region. The Indiana, PA Chapter had the biggest percentage lost due to its Commander departing the area for medical reasons. This signals the probable demise of that Chapter (See below). As of the end of May 2012 Region Membership Report there were 9 potential NPD's, 2 of whom should have paid as of this writing. I noted last year that New Jersey has stopped the bleeding of its initial membership and has a net 20% in membership. It is back to where it was two years ago. The New York Chapter is negative for the year (minus 1) as it lost two of its original members. And Philadelphia should be plus 2 at the end of the FY.

COL H. Stewart Perry was elected as Commander of the GEN Matthew B. Ridgway Pittsburgh Chapter. LTC Sam Wilson did a great job during the past two years. The Chapter raised over \$46,000 to send 72 students to the multi-day YLC at the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, during the past 8 years. One of the 13 students supported this year was selected as the Outstanding Student and participated in the National Phoenician Award Essay Competition. The Chapter supports 12 High Schools and 3 colleges issuing 21 medals sets to JROTC and SROTC Cadets each year. The Chapter has maintained its speakers program, awards and recognition program and its Boy Scout Essay Contest Program in addition to its awarding "Certificates of Recognition" to deserving Eagle Scouts. Vice Commander COL Reese's local membership program for qualified officers, has gained 3 new members over the past two years. The Chapter presented a Law and Order award to a State Trooper, this year.

COL Earl Seppala is the new Commander of the Wilmington, DE Chapter. The loss of the final 2 new LT's to NPD and 1 for medical reasons sums up the Chapters net minus 3. Unfortunately, for the first time in years, no new members were added. The good news is that an increased tracking and contacting system of potential NPDs has minimized future losses. The Chapter has some challenges as two active



staff officers will not be participating in the future. The good news is that there is sufficient participation to keep the Chapter moving in the right direction.

CDR Rick Wilking was re-elected as the Commander of the Philadelphia Chapter. The monthly chapter programs, ROTC leadership and awards programs, multiple YLC one-day and one three-day conferences, and community support continue to be commendable. The chapter hosted the Massing of Colors at Penn State Abington and the Pershing Rifle Drill Competition for JROTC units. Their stellar ROTC program was noted above. The Chapter's challenge has been recruiting new members and keeping/replacing staff members. For example, the 90 year old Treasurer was just replaced, CAPT Burton, the ROTC/Awards Coordinator is 93, and the Memorial Fund Treasurer is 88 years old. This Chapter is the epitome of what a MOWW Chapter should be and do in accordance with the Order's Preamble. It was the First Chapter in the Order. It also, exemplifies the challenges of an "elderly" Chapter.

The Indiana, PA, Chapter will probably not be Chartered next FY. The Chapter Commander is in an assisted living facility out of state. The Chapter's Adjutant died two years ago and the Treasurer resigned early 2011. The interim Adjutant departed by October 2011. That's the very short version. Department and Region command and staff are in contact with Chapter Companions, Indiana University ROTC, and the area Council of Boy Scouts. 80+ Certificates for the new Eagle Scouts were provided by National HQ. One member of the Chapter has volunteered to assist in gaining and controlling the Chapter's assets and to assist in re-establishing the Chapter. Actions and plans for helping to sustain the Chapter are ongoing as of this writing

LTC Bill Rapp continues as Commander of the New Jersey Chapter and as the State Commander of New Jersey. The Chapter has expanded its support and presentation of ROTC awards and Eagle Scout Certificates. As noted above, the Chapter is up to 18 living from 15. They have stopped the loss of their original members and have replaced those that they lost. LTC Rapp is preparing for a meeting in the September/October time in the middle of New Jersey to make it easier for all Companions to attend. We'll assist from Region as appropriate.

1LT Bill Grob took over the Colonel Theodore Roosevelt of New York Chapter from CAPT Emmons. The Chapter has recently started having joint meeting with the Long Island Chapter No. 86, National Sojourners Inc. As half of the Chapters' membership is both MOWW and Sojourners this has proved to be beneficial for both organizations. LTC Farinella, Chapter and Region Adjutant, has established a working relationship with Pershing Rifle undergraduate and alumni members and is developing an initiative to introduce a P/R program at the JROTC level. The Chapter participates in ROTC and Boy Scout Awards and local events. The Chapter leaders have expressed a desire to participate in YLC activities.

LTC Fred Lovelace continues as the Department of PA Commander. LTC Lovelace hosted our Region Convention in Camp Hill, PA and has remained active in presenting ROTC Awards and Boy Scout Eagle Certificates.

In summary, Region III has its issues and accolades. We've lost notable companions through death, medical issues and relocations. Most notable of the relocations is COL Bob Schlegel, past State Commander of New York and founder of the COL Theodore Roosevelt of NY Chapter. Our loss is Region VI's gain.



Special thanks go to COL Bob Reese, Region Vice Commander, LTC Carl Witte Region GSO, and LTC Fred Lovelace for their assistance and guidance to me and the Region. Also, my personal thanks go to all the Commanders and Companions who unselfishly give of their time and effort to make Region III what it is today and what it will become tomorrow.

For the Good of the Order

MICHAEL C. WILGEN, LTC, USA (Ret)
Commander, Region III



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REGION IV REPORT

As I approach the end of my third year in command of Region IV, I am pleased to report that our Region remains a viable and mission-supporting entity within the Order. Unfortunately, the ability of most Region IV chapters to recruit significant numbers of new Companions to replace those lost to natural attrition, and to stem the persistent tide of Companions lost to “non-payment of dues” (NPD), threatens our continued viability. As of April 2012, the Region had a net loss of 18 Companions for the operating year.

I am also concerned that the chapter leadership in many of our chapters remains vested in a select few, highly-dedicated and aging Companions, who have been “pulling the wagon” far too long. Although my chapters have expended significant effort to enlist the services of newer, younger Companions in chapter office, most, if not all, whom they solicit, are either overly-involved in personal pursuits, or pale in their desire to serve the Order, when they realize the level of commitment required.

On a more positive note, Region IV chapters have accomplished great and notable things in the past year. Here are some highlights:

- a. The GEN George G. Meade Chapter did an absolutely phenomenal job in hosting the National Convention in Bozeman, Montana, and repeated such commendable performance in its support of the MOWW-hosted, National Veterans Day Observance and Reception in Washington, DC. Companions of the Richmond, Northern Virginia and GEN Leigh Wade - DC Chapters also provided much-appreciated and invaluable support for this latter effort.
- b. The Virginia Piedmont Chapter continued its weekly Veterans Appreciation Day ceremony at the Veterans Monument in downtown Lynchburg, Virginia, in conjunction with the citizens of that fine city, and is approaching its 600th-consecutive hosting of this event. This chapter continues to make great strides in revitalizing patriotism and MOWW name-recognition in west-central Virginia.
- c. The Richmond, Roanoke and GEN George G. Meade Chapters hosted Massing of the Colors ceremonies (unfortunately, the Roanoke ceremony was cancelled due to a vicious snowstorm). The GEN Leigh Wade -DC chapter once again served as host and organizer of the Memorial Day parade in Washington, DC.
- d. The Hampton Roads Chapter celebrated the 10th anniversary of its Jamestown Youth Leadership Conference. The combined efforts of the Richmond, Virginia Piedmont, Roanoke, Hampton Roads and Virginia Beach Chapters, sponsored a “full-capacity” (45-student) cadre of young Americans for the conference.

I regret to report that the number of chapters in our Region has been reduced to nine, with the closure and official merger of the Bethesda Chapter with the Prince Georges County Chapter. Although chapter visits to Bethesda, conducted by myself and the Chief of Staff in 2010 and 2011, indicated the Bethesda



Chapter could continue limited, yet effective, support for our Youth Leadership mission for an indefinite period, the untimely death of long-time Bethesda Chapter Adjutant, CAPT LeRoy Reinburg, dealt the fatal blow to the chapter's continuance.

Fortunately, through the efforts of past Bethesda Chapter Commander, Mitzi Reinburg, and COL Michelle Cooper, Prince Georges County Chapter Commander and her staff, the merger is progressing seamlessly. All elements of YLC and ROTC support of the Bethesda Chapter have been integrated into the Prince Georges County Chapter area of responsibility and Mitzi Reinburg is already serving as chapter meeting hostess and event planner, and is providing an effective liaison with former Bethesda Chapter members, to keep them involved in the functions of their new chapter.

On 16 May 2012, I hosted the annual Region IV Conference in Richmond, Virginia. Eight of the nine chapters in the Region, and the Department of Virginia, were represented. Also in attendance were the MOWW CinC, Senior Vice-CinC, the Treasurer-General, the Region III Commander and other officers of the General Staff. The conference was a very productive forum at which chapter operations, management techniques and reporting requirements, were reviewed and discussed in depth. Special emphasis was placed on use of the resources provided on the MOWW website as "indispensable" tools for chapter command. Especially valuable was the "chapter cross-talk" session, conducted during the latter half of the Business Meeting, where chapter commanders, the CinC and all others in attendance, engaged in lively, open discussion of common concerns and problems.

The following is a summary of chapter operations within the Region:

- a. Chapter Meetings. All chapters reported conducting meetings on a regularly-scheduled basis. Most chapters conduct between 6 and 12 meetings per year. Some host their meetings at different venues, some do not. A common challenge they face is flagging attendance, due to the advancing age and infirmity of many Companions. Meeting programs seem to be interesting and well-planned.
- b. Communications. Six of nine chapters regularly publish a chapter bulletin, and only four distribute them throughout the Region. Publication and distribution of chapter bulletins has been mandated to keep Companions informed of, and involved in chapter activities, and facilitate the sharing of ideas, information and joint operations, among chapter commanders within the Region.
- c. For 2011 - 2012, The GEN George G. Meade Chapter earned the Region IV "Best Bulletin Award."
- d. Membership. As mentioned above, Region IV posted a net loss of 18 Companions from 1 July 2011 - 31 March 2012. This loss is vested largely in the collective inability to reduce the number of "annual" Companions lost for non-payment of dues, combined with a paucity of new recruitments to offset losses by natural attrition. While most chapters reported that they conduct monthly reviews of their MOWW Membership Reports and maintain programs for recruiting and retention, the statistics indicate such efforts are largely ineffective.
- e. For 2011 -2012, the Region IV "Membership Award" was earned by the GEN George G. Meade Chapter for posting the largest "net gain" in membership in the Region.



- f. Scouting Support. Only half of Region IV Chapters are conducting programs for recognition of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. This is one of the core missions of the Order which must be supported by all Region IV Chapters. “Eagle Scout” and “Girl Scout Gold” certificates are readily available from the MOWW at minimal cost. Chapter commanders without such programs were tasked to take immediate action to establish liaisons with Boy Scout and Girl Scout Councils in their areas and commence annual recognition efforts.
- g. For 2011 - 2012, the Region IV “Scouting Award” was earned by the Northern Virginia Chapter, for its presentation of a total 108 Eagle Scout and Girl Scout Gold certificates.
- h. Youth Leadership Conferences. All Region IV Chapters either hosted Youth Leadership Conferences and/or sponsored students to area conferences this operating year. The Hampton Roads and GEN George G. Meade Chapters hosted multi-day conferences, while the Roanoke and Virginia Piedmont Chapters hosted single-day YLC’s. Most notable were the combined efforts of the chapters in the Department of Virginia (as discussed above), to fund the nearly \$13,500 in tuition for students who attended the Jamestown YLC. This achievement is even more notable, given that only two short years ago, the Jamestown YLC was on the cusp of closure, due to lack of student participation.
- i. ROTC Support. All Region IV Chapters continue to provide reliable support for presentation of both Senior and Junior ROTC achievement awards. During the coming year, the Region IV Adjutant will be working to refine and revise the listing of ROTC and JROTC units to ensure that all ROTC and JROTC units in Region IV are assigned to a specific chapter for support.
- j. Massing of the Colors. As reported earlier, only three Region IV Chapters host an annual Massing of the Colors ceremony. To encourage other chapters in the Region to host this MOWW “signature” event in the coming year, the Region will assemble an “MOC Assistance Team,” to help interested chapters organize and conduct this ceremony.
- k. National (Homeland) Security Activities. Three chapters indicate support for this mission area, which appears to be limited to presentation of speakers on either national or homeland security topics at chapter meetings. For the coming year, chapter commanders have been encouraged to contact state and local Emergency Preparedness officials in their areas, to determine ways in which MOWW Companions can become involved in such activities.
- l. Law & Order Support. Only one chapter in Region IV (Richmond) has an annual program to recognize the heroic efforts of “first responders” (police, fire and EMT personnel). All chapter commanders have been tasked to establish such recognition programs in their areas.
- m. Officer Review Articles. Most Region IV Chapters submitted articles for publication in Officer Review during the past year. The payback from this effort is the opportunity for chapter Companions to see that their fellow Companions and/or their chapter is recognized at the “national” level, which provides another reason to remain interested and involved in chapter activities.
- n. Companion Recognition. All Region IV Chapters indicate some level of “local” Companion recognition; but only two chapters reported submission of National Citations.



- o. Recognition of the efforts of Companions is essential to encourage them to continue to support the various missions and programs of the chapter and the Order. Too often, we lose hard-working and dedicated Companions because we don't take the time and effort to say "thank you" in a formal and prestigious manner. All chapter Commanders have been directed to afford such recognition to deserving Companions at every opportunity.

Summary: The reports submitted by Region IV chapters and my informal discussions with various chapter commanders and officers over the past year, indicate that many Region IV Chapters are focusing the efforts of their chapter Companions on those core mission areas which they feel are the "most easily achieved," given the increasing age of their chapter memberships and their inability to enlist the volunteer efforts of other able-bodied Companions to expand or enhance their "core mission" capability. In response, I have directed all Region IV chapter commanders to re-orient their focus and make a concerted effort to lead their chapters toward doing what "must be done" to support all the core missions of the Order, rather than settling for only what "can be done."

For the good of the Order

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REGION V REPORT

The Atlanta Chapter hosted an outstanding Regional Convention in April, with all Chapters in Region V except Savannah present. CINC Russell Vowinkel was in attendance. New Region Officers were elected as follows: Region Commander, Cdr. Rudy Matzner; Vice Commander and GSO, Col. Brad Beasley; Adjutant, Capt. Watt Jordan, USN (Ret.). The Treasurer position remained vacant at the end of the Convention, however in a subsequent special election Hereditary Member Ned Savage was named Treasurer. Changes to the By-Laws and Region were approved, providing a viable rotation for hosting the Regional Convention, and a Regional Officer nomination system which confirmed two year terms as the norm for elected Region Officers. The Chaplain will be selected annually by the host Chapter for the Region Convention.

To “flatten” the chain of command, elected Region officers are also serving as State and Department Commanders for their respective states. Thus GSO Beasley is the Georgia Department Commander, Treasurer Savage is the Tennessee State Commander, Region Commander Matzner is the South Carolina Department Commander, and past Region Commander Green is the North Carolina State Commander. Vice CINC Gary Engen paid tribute to the long and distinguished service of past CINC LTG Sam Wetzel with the presentation of a Gold Patrick Henry award. Outgoing Region V Commander, Lt Col Gary Green, previous recipient of silver Patrick Henry Medallion, was presented an Award of Merit and citation for his outstanding performance. During his term of office, he contributed to effective communications within the Region in many ways, including personally developing and maintaining the web site and Email address list for the entire Region. He also effected the purchase of Region property to include the gavel, the tabletop set of flags, and the memorial service bell service bell which will rotate to successive Region Commanders. Region Commander Green recognized two outstanding Region V Chapter Commanders, Leo Goodsell and Linda Ebert Ariff, with Silver Patrick Henry awards. Green will continue to serve as North Carolina State Commander.

The Region was active in JROTC support, with all Chapters presenting a Region total of 285 JROTC awards. Eighty eight senior ROTC medals were also awarded. Six of the ten Chapters presented a total of 288 Boy Scout Eagle Certificates, and three of the ten Chapters provided a total of 82 Girl Scout Gold Award Certificates. Six Chapters conducted Massing of the Colors ceremonies. All Chapters submitted the required IRS related reports.

Youth Leadership Conferences were held by four Chapters, including the General Westmoreland Chapter’s multi-day YLC held on the USS Yorktown aircraft carrier museum at Patriot’s Point in Charleston. Five Chapters sponsored a total of 122 YLC students, both at locally held one-day YLCs and at the Yorktown YLC.

Despite actions by the Region Commander to sustain the Charlotte Chapter, interest could not be revived in a sufficient number of Companions. The Charter has been surrendered, with living Companions transferred to the BG Bultman (Headquarters) Chapter per their wish. By EXCOM decision, the perpetual deceased members were attached to the Col. Bill Sheets Chapter. With this loss, there are now five Chapters in Georgia, two in South Carolina, two in Tennessee, and one in North Carolina. The



number of living members in the Region as of the April 2012 report had dropped to 850, from a total of 922 as of June 30, 2012. The 16 new members recruited were more than offset by the loss of 32 resigned, dropped, and deceased non-permanent members. Calculations indicate 56 permanent members were lost, mostly through death although a few may have been transfers. The Middle Georgia Chapter, soon to become the BG Robert L. Scott Chapter, was the only one to register a net gain in living members, growing from 28 to 29.

The membership totals are perhaps the best overall indicators for the state of Region V; holding its own in some areas of activity and Chapters, but slowly declining in most. The only remaining Chapter in North Carolina manages to support Massing of the Colors and JROTC awards, thanks to the effort of a few loyal Companions. With 17 living members, it is stressed in accomplishing other activities including regular meetings. On the other hand, with only 29 members, the Middle Georgia-BG Robert L. Scott Chapter has well-attended meetings and shows signs of growth. With a large percentage of membership from a local retirement community, it demonstrates that an ageing group can remain viable with interesting programs. Other Chapters within the Region remain viable to vibrant. The demographic challenge is evident, however, in the declining Regional number of living members. If present trends are used for a straight-line forecast, there will be no living members in Region V in 12 more years! Of course a valid actuarial forecast would give a different result, but the implications for carrying out the programs of the Order would remain very similar.

The foregoing analysis is not news. Many excellent guidelines for changing the trend have been provided by the Order over the years. Most recently, past CINC LTG Sam Wetzel gave a great Membership presentation at the Region V Conference in Atlanta this April. However my Goal is to better understand what causes the continued decline, and what can be done about it. Objectives are to (1) understand the privacy regulations which restrict our access to names and locations of potential members, (2) make recruiting support calls on at least one active duty unit commander within the membership area of each Chapter in the Region, (3) determine which programs or potential programs within the scope of the Preamble have the greatest appeal to post-Vietnam/Cold War eligible members, and disseminate this information to each Chapter (4) Identify and support the successful recruiters within each Chapter (5) Achieve stabilization or growth in the trend line of living members. Other objectives include increasing the number of Chapters supporting Girl Scout awards to the number now supporting Boy Scouts, and having all Chapters emulate the success of the Atlanta Chapter in supporting as many ROTC units as possible.

For the Good of the Order

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Commander, Region V

Enclosure
Region V "Chapter Operations Matrix"



Region V “Chapter Operations Matrix”

MOWW—CHAPTER OPERATIONS MATRIX—FY11																		
CHAPTER	REGION	PM Net Increase	AM Net Increase	EIN	Received IRS Email	Submit MOWW Fm 1	Vacant Chap Off Positions	People Dual-Hatted	National Officers	YLCs Held	YLC Students Sponsored	MOCs Held	SROTC Medals	JROTC Medals	BSA Eagle Awards	GS-USA Gold Awards	OR “Chapters in Action”	OR Feature Articles
SOURCE OF INFORMATION		HQ	HQ	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	HQ	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	Chapter	HQ MOWW	Chapter
Savannah GA	V	0	-2	58-6056489	yes	yes	0	0	0	0	11	yes	9	22	34	0	1	0
Atlanta GA	V	0	-2	58-0868295	yes	yes	0	1	0	0	8	no	24	76	6	0	0	0
Columbus GA	V	1	-6	58-6043638	yes	yes	0	5	2	0	0	no	12	17	0	0	2	0
Augusta GA	V	0	-1	58-1426370	yes	yes	0	0	2	1	80	no	3	33	8	4	0	2
Middle Georgia GA	V	0	1	58-2020287	yes	yes	0	0	0	0	0	no	3	10	0	0	0	0
Col Sheets NC	V	52	-1	53-0109990	yes	yes	0	1	0	0	0	yes	3	25	0	0	0	0
Columbia SC	V	0	3	57-6036397	yes	yes	2	0	0	0	11	yes	9	45	60	20	0	1
Gen Westmoreland SC	V	0	0	57-0962279	yes	yes	2	1	1	2	12	yes	13	59	100	12	0	2
Knoxville TN	V	0	-2	62-6071914	yes	yes	1	1	0	0	0	yes	12	31	80	50	0	0
Memphis TN	V	0	-2	62-6071913	yes	yes	1	0	0	0	0	yes	0	5	0	0	0	1
Region Summary	V	1	-12		no	no	6	9	5	3	122	6	88	323	288	86	3	6



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REGION VI REPORT

REGION VI OVERVIEW

- Organization
 - There are eight Chapters as of 1 June 2012; seven are in Florida and one in Puerto Rico
 - There is one Department – “Florida.”
 - There are 4 Large, 3 Intermediate and 1 Small Chapters .
 - Overall the Region is in good shape, despite fewer chapters over the past two years (was at 13 in 2010). It has some very strong chapters that are quite active with programs and recruiting. The Region is well funded, expenses are minimal and tax status for all Chapters filing is current.
 - Region Commander is the National Security Chairman, an elected GSO and appointed EXCOM member.

- Recruiting
 - We recruited 19 new members this year, Sun City Center leads with 10 and Puerto Rico follows with 5 (the SCC Chapter has done remarkably well with its recruiting efforts).
 - Total Living members = 727.
 - Last year there were 746, net loss=19 members.
 - Loss due to “Dropped Annual Members” at 9, 7 “Resigned.”
 - Total Region Perpetual Members = 1706, the Florida Department is the Order’s largest Department for PMs, second for Living at 727.

- Outreach Programs
 - ROTC Units. Supports 16 units with 31 Awards.
 - JROTC Units. Supports 249 units with 250 Awards.
 - Boy Scouts. Supports 235 units with 248 Certificates (approximate).
 - Girls Scouts. Supports 30 units with 34 Certificates.
 - Youth Leadership Conferences. At Tallahassee & Melbourne with 104 students. Sun City Center increased its student participation from 6 to 30 students. The Region sponsored the number four winner of the 2012 Phoenician Award.
 - Massing of the Colors. Two Chapters participate, Space Coast and Puerto Rico.

- Awards
 - Patrick Henry Awards 2011 -The Chapters presented three and the Region one.
 - The Region had two National Citation Recipients last Convention.
 - The Sun City Center Chapter received the MOWW Outstanding Chapter (for the third year), the Publicity/Information and the Outstanding Bulletin National Awards for Intermediate Chapters at the Bozeman Convention (second year for each).
 - For this year, the Region Commander nominated one National Citation, one Exceptional Service and one Patrick Henry awardee.



STATE OF THE REGION

- Overall the Region is in good shape, despite fewer chapters over the past two years (8 chapters currently vs. 13 in 2010). It has some very strong chapters that are quite active with programs and recruiting .
- The Tallahassee Chapter #181, with 39 Living members, has not met for some time and functions intermittently (if at all). The Chapter was on the verge of folding when the Region intervened and prevented it from dissolving last year. The Region Senior Vice Commander, Kate Adams, made numerous phone calls to the current Commander and Chapter members and visited the Chapter on several occasions. (The Chapter is a full day's drive away from her home.) She arranged for at least four major meetings with the Chapter representatives, Region and National leaders. Additionally, she, along with the Region Commander and Treasurer, Bob Fowler, arranged for the Chapter to reestablish its banking account, its corporate status and the volunteering of an Adjutant. Remarkably, she joined the Tallahassee Chapter (in addition to her home Chapter at Space Coast/Indian River) and became its Treasurer. The Chapter received its PM dues from National this year. Although the Chapter is not completely resurrected as of June 2012, Adams has further encouraged and succeeded in getting yet another Tallahassee Chapter Companion to step forward and serve as the Chapter's Senior Vice Commander. Senior Vice Commander Adams is personally rebuilding this Chapter with one success after another.
- The Region Commander inducted the new Clearwater Chapter officers.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 62ND REGION VI CONVENTION

- The Region held its 62nd Annual Convention on May 19 in Sun City Center. Five of eight Chapters were represented, there were 24 delegates. It reviewed the Financial Status, Budget and Tax reporting status – all good. The Region had a successful audit accomplished in August 2011. Approved a Budget for 2013 and dues at \$2 per living member.
 - It confirmed and signed recent changes to its Constitution and Bylaws.
 - It modified the Region Awards Program – electing to award only one certificate to the Outstanding Chapter; plaques for all other awards were dropped.
 - Four Chapters publish a Newsletter. Best Newsletter Awards to Co-Winners Sun City Center and Sarasota/Bradenton, Honorable mention for both Puerto Rico and Clearwater. Region Outstanding Chapter to be announced in July.
 - It elected new officers (all installed/inducted at the Convention):
 - Commander - Ms. Katherine Adams, Space Coast/Indian River (HPM)
 - Senior Vice Commander - Capt Ed Parks, Bradenton/Sarasota (USAF)
 - Junior Vice Commander - Lt Col Frank Zahrobsky, Sun City Center (USAF)
 - Adjutant - LTC Henry Adams, Space Coast/Indian River (USA)
 - Treasurer – Maj Robert Fowler, Sun City Center (USAF)
 - It discussed the new MOWW Policy Manual and reviewed parts of it. It discussed the Region, Department and Chapter Checklists. It reviewed all six proposed changes to the National Constitution and Bylaws and is in agreement with the recommendations of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee.
 - It discussed asking HQ if it would return some of the Region's HQ-assigned-PMs-dues paid to the HQ Chapter. *[MOWW/CS Note: Only individual Companions can designate their chapter*



- membership affiliation and their PM dividend goes to that chapter.]* These funds could be used to support Region VI JROTC units left unsupported by the Jacksonville Chapter folding and membership transferred to HQ, out of the Region. Bassett will address this to the EXCOM.
- All eight Chapters submitted a “Chapter Report” status of all Chapters was briefed.
 - Possibility of starting a new chapter in the Villages (north Florida) was discussed.
 - Troubled Chapters were discussed. Region Commander suggested that HQ establish a “strike team” of MOWW experts to visit/advise troubled chapters. A similar team could be used to establish new chapters. Bassett will address this with the EXCOM .
- Florida Department Commander (appointed) – Lt Col Gordon Bassett, Sun City Center (USAF).
 - The Region staff will attend the National Convention in July-August and hold Region discussions and present awards.
 - The Region, next year, will take control of issuing all ROTC certificates.
 - Sun City Center Chapter is selling MOWW T-shirts via the Officer Review ordering form.
 - The 63rd Convention 2013 will be aboard a cruise ship in May.
 - SCC will host a Community wide Military Ball on 11-10-12; Region and MOWW VIPS to be invited.
 - There was a moment of silence for departed Companions.

For the good of the Order

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Commander, Region VI



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REGION VII REPORT

Region VII. The Region is made up of four states: Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi. The five chapter membership has remained relatively constant with 736 members 411 of whom are living, including 623 Perpetual Members. While total membership slightly declined Region VII has had an increase in perpetual members. Membership remains a top priority in all Region VII chapters.

2012 Midwinter Regional Conference. The Huntsville Alabama Chapter hosted the Region VII Conference at the Huntsville Space Center Marriott on April 14, 2012. All chapters were represented and gave their activity reports for the year. A memorial service was held prior to the start of the business meeting in remembrance of Regions VII departed members. The Region Law & Order Award was presented to Huntsville Police Officer Mickey Brantley who will also be nominated for the MOWW National Law and Order Award. There was no election of officers held this year as all terms of office will expire in 2013.

Youth Leadership Conference. The Huntsville, Alabama Chapter held its own conference at the US Space and Rocket Center with 77 first time students and 22 student staff participants. The Jackson Mississippi Chapter also sent their 5 students to the Huntsville YLC. The Baton Rouge Chapter sent 3 students to Patriots Point in Charleston, S.C in June. The Central Arkansas sent their 5 JROTC cadets to the Mid America YLC in St. Louis and 3 to the Huntsville, AL, Conference.

ROTC / JROTC. All Chapters in the region support ROTC and JROTC units in their respective areas:

• Central Arkansas	22 JROTC awards	1 ROTC award
• Baton Rouge Chapter	98 JROTC awards	8 ROTC awards
• Huntsville Alabama	20 JROTC awards	4 ROTC awards
• Jackson Miss. Chapter	38 JROTC awards	6 ROTC awards
• New Orleans Chapter	7 JROTC awards	2 ROTC awards

Massing Of The Colors. A Massing of the Colors was held on November 9th 2011 by the Baton Rouge, La. Chapter in conjunction with Veterans Day at Parkview Baptist High School. Color guards from 14 JROTC and ROTC units and community organizations presented the colors along with patriotic music and song. A thematic address was given by World War II veteran and former LSU football coach Paul Dietzel.

Additional Activities. Several chapters were involved in the following programs throughout the region: Eagle Scout Recognition, Girl Scout Recognition, Wreaths Across America, National Sojourner's and Joe Foss Veteran's presentations, Pearl Harbor Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, Flag Education programs as well as participating in the National Speakers Circuit. In summary, all chapters in Region VII are active in furthering the tenets in MOWW Preamble.

For the good of the Order

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Commander, Region VII



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REGION VIII REPORT

Region VIII consists of the states of Oklahoma and Texas.

- The Oklahoma Department Commander oversees two chapters: Colonel Woods-Oklahoma City (073) and General Critz (155) in Lawton, OK.
- The Texas Department Commander oversees twelve chapters: Austin (132), Corpus Christi (068), Dallas (069), Fort Hood (155), Fort Worth (133), CPT Dilworth (241) in Georgetown, Hill Country (220) in Kerrville, Houston (071), North Texas (234) in Richardson, San Antonio (072) and Victoria Crossroads (228).

The CPT Dilworth Chapter (241) hosted a Military Order of the World Wars Region VIII Conference on 3 May 2012 in Georgetown, Texas.

- LTC Charles S. Chamberlin, Jr. was inducted as the new Region VIII Commander.
- A Memorial Service was held by Chaplain Smith for our departed Companions.
- The established agenda was followed and attending Companions conducted the business of the Order.

Chapters across the Region are actively engaged in community activities, e.g. Massing of the Colors, Veterans Day events, Memorial Day events, July 4th and other local events.

- Monthly meetings are held with discussions on topics such as law & order, education, JROTC/ROTC, local, state, and national government issues, and national security.
- The majority of chapters publish newsletters throughout the year.
- The majority actively recruits members by networking with other Veteran Service Organizations, e.g. AUSA, AFA, ROA, MOAA, VFW, ANA, NRA, American Legion, etc. Several have recruited new perpetual and regular members.
- Participation with the Joe Foss Institute continues to expand among some Chapters.
- The DFW Chapters---Dallas, Fort Worth, North Texas, and Pinson Memorial---hosted a luncheon for the CINC who was attending the Dallas Military Ball.
- Several of the Chapters participate in the USO Welcome the Troops Program, the Snowball Express as well as the WWII Veterans Honor Flights to Washington, D.C.



- The Youth Leadership Conferences continue to be a major activity within Region VIII. This summer, 2012, the chapters are forecasted to sponsor 313 students to the scheduled conferences. There has been very active participation in the interviewing, selection and sponsorship processes.
- This past year, 2011, The Chapters of Region VIII sponsored approximately 300 students to the Southwest Youth Leadership Conferences. Conferences were held at: Oklahoma Christian University, USS Lexington Museum, Trinity University, Central Texas College, Texas Wesleyan University, and Texas A&M University.

Although there remains some dynamics to the completion of the Region VIII officer roster, a current list will be provided to National Headquarters prior to the National Convention.

This being the first full month for the new Region Commander, several initiatives have been outlined and a survey of current commanders is underway. The primary focus in the near term is as follows:

- To establish and maintain a regular communications flow between the Region, Departments and the Chapter Commanders. A simple, functional feedback system must be in place to facilitate chapters caring and sharing those things that work and develop common synergies that provide positive results.
- To rejuvenate chapters efforts in increasing their memberships as well as increasing the perpetual.
- To revitalize each chapters focus and mutually agree to strengthen the programs that further the goals set forth in the Preamble.
- Region VIII will have similar challenges and issues in 2012-2013 that will face all MOWW Regions. There are many dedicated companions who will accept those challenges and face the issues with professionalism and enthusiasm. Increasing membership, YLC sponsorship, participation in state and national award programs and presenting more JROTC/ROTC and BSA/GS-USA awards will be worthy achievements for all chapters.

For the good of the Order

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Commander, Region VIII



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REGION IX REPORT

Inactive



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REGION X REPORT

Officers for the Chicago Chapter and Region X were elected for the 2012 -2013 year. Commander Peck appointed officers to serve as Department Officers for the Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Commander Peck announced that the 2012 YLC for the Midwest is being held at Great Lakes Naval Station June 10 through June 16, 2012 with over 250 JROTC Cadets from over 20 states. At the conclusion of the Leadership Academy the top 10 Cadets are award the MOWW JROTC Medal. The Chicago Chapter is continuing the tradition of awarding the MOWW Medal to the Top Recruit each week from the Recruit Training Command at Great Lakes Naval Station.

The Chicago Chapter is also participating in the Sailor of the Year Award for the Lovell Federal Health Care Center which is the only joint DOD/ VA Health Care Facility. Secretary Panetta and Secretary Shinseki visited the facility and proclaimed it a model for future DoD/VA programs.

The Chicago Chapter assisted the Navy League with a scholarship program at the College of Lake County and has also pledged a matching grant for the development of a Veterans Center adjacent the Lovell FHCC.

For the good of the Order

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Commander, Region X



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REGION XI REPORT

STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES, THREATS (SWOT) ANALYSIS

STRENGTHS

JROTC/ROTC Support. We continue to maintain a strong presence in this area with relatively few members. The Chapter reports on this activity are due to National Headquarters by 30 June, so my estimate is based on past performance and known improvements. To my knowledge, no unit has yet submitted its formal report. I am aware that the Saint Louis Chapter placed discussion on the 2012 JROTC/ROTC Report on the agenda for its June staff meeting, which took place while I was in Michigan with family.

- a. Based on past history, the Greater Kansas City Chapter will likely maintain its strong level of activity. Last year saw 16 JROTC medal presented plus 8 mailed, and 26 SROTC medals presented plus 7 mailed. In addition they had 15 JROTC/ROTC cadets attend as guests at chapter meetings. I expect the Chapter report this year will reflect approximately the same numbers, cementing the rock-solid status of GKC among Region chapters.
- b. The Topeka Chapter, with 71 living members and 127 PMs(an increase of 3 members) awarded six JROTC Medals of Merit and 24 ROTC Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals of Merit last year. I expect the Chapter report this year will reflect approximately the same numbers. Topeka is pushing hard and is establishing itself as a strong force in Mid-Kansas.
- c. Saint Louis, with 44 living members and 88 PMs, planned to present medals to 23 JROTC units and four ROTC units. Per the Chapter Commander this date, the report is presently in preparation.
- d. Wichita, with 14 living members and 17 PMs, has not yet submitted its report. The Chapter Adjutant is an SAI in the local high schools JROTC program and I am aware that they have presented medals regularly in the past.
- e. Central Missouri Chapter, with 9 PMs and 10 living members, has not submitted a report, nor do I not expect one.

Mid-America YLC. This year the Saint Louis Chapter resumed activity in the Mid-America Youth Leadership Conference. The Greater Kansas City and Topeka Chapters, most likely based on last year's uncertainty, opted to send their young people to other YLCs. This year's class anticipated 40 to 45 students from Missouri and Central Arkansas. Funding for continued operation downstream remains a matter of concern. I know that the Topeka Chapter Commander attended a Director Training Conference. Should Topeka decide they want to explore sponsorship of an YLC, they have some built-



advantages – location of a state legislature for real-time civic activity on a field trip, several inroads, through in-house contacts, with other elements of the state government, and the opportunity to trade on ten years of experience with leaders of the Mid-America YLC.

Community Events. . Greater Kansas City again hosted the International Officers Ball (targeting the foreign officers at Fort Leavenworth's C&GSC) and participated in Veterans Day activities. Saint Louis again organized and orchestrated the second Greater Saint Louis Veterans Day Massing of the Colors, which kicked off the Veterans Day Parade, which was covered on regional television stations.

WEAKNESSES

Visibility. Our status has not changed. We are the second smallest region in the Order, with 273 living members – the working base of the Region. My assessment at last year's report has been borne out: the chapters most likely to report their activity on a regular basis are the chapters who are moving out into the community. By and large, the chapters with strength in numbers are the chapters that are the most active and, thus, most visible. We must become more intentional in our efforts to publicize what we do in and for the community. GKC, Topeka and Saint Louis are what I call "pick and shovel" organizations: Wichita and Central Missouri fall more in the "knife and fork" category. Our challenge is to do what we can to build up the smaller organizations and equip them with the manpower to develop programs in their respective communities. This is a long-term project.

Membership. Topeka continues to make remarkable strides. They have demonstrated that there is no substitute for initiative and active, committed leadership. Greater Kansas City matched 5 losses with 5 gains. Saint Louis lost an active member when one of our senior Companions moved with his wife to Tucson, but gained two. Wichita and Central Missouri are standing pat with 14 and 10 living members, respectively. Central Missouri desperately needs new blood; they have to crawl before they can walk. Efforts continue to interest a small cadre of Missouri National Guard officers living in the area between Wentzville and Jefferson City in joining the Order.

OPPORTUNITIES

Funding. With respect to the Mid-America YLC, the plan was for the Judge Advocate for the Saint Louis Chapter to prepare the appropriate amending language of the By-Laws of MOWW St. Louis, Inc., to assure commensurate focus of activity and stakeholder representation to satisfy Region-wide equity concerns. This was to be presented to the EXCOM of Saint Louis who would be tasked to review, approve and recommend it to the chapter, which is also the corporation. Were this successful, it would have gone a long way towards stabilizing Mid-America YLC's financial status and opening the door to concentrating on curricula and the process of patriotic education. The possibility of a Topeka-based YLC effort is on the distant horizon; the Mid-America YLC appears to be on a starvation diet. However it turns out, whatever emerges as the Region XI YLC needs, in my opinion, to be considered as a regional asset supported by all Chapters in the Region. No one chapter in the region appears to be strong enough to carry the load alone.



THREATS

The threats enumerated earlier remain. We are our own worst enemy. Apathy, complacency, indifference are the telltale signs of an organization or a unit dead in the water. Collaboration, compromise, coordination and shared responsibility are the keys to our success in the days to come.

For the good of the Order

Ronald W. Jones, MAJ, USA (Ret)
Commander, Region XI



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REGION XII REPORT

Inactive



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REGION XIII REPORT

MEMBERSHIP

In the last year (2010-2011) Region XIII membership had gone from 1562 to with 1384 perpetual and 911 living. In the present year the numbers are 1535 and 1384, with 864 alive. And, not counting last month, 21 are noted as “overdue dues payments.” While the region cannot do very much to prevent the dying it can and has put emphasis on catching up default dues and reporting address changes where they are known. We are even making some occasional progress with perpetual memberships. Not everyone is willing to bet on living 10 more years to make the fee gamble pay off.

We have all found that today’s youngsters have different values; they are more independent, and want more than military organizations with which to take up their “extra” time.

In short organization, paperwork, and yesterday’s rank are often not a young troop’s sport these days. Of note all departments have submitted magazine articles. A few have been published...including a monthly surgeon’s general article.

INTERNAL TROUBLES

The Region has had to address some internal problems this past year

- a. The Albuquerque (NM) chapter is weak with only really 3 active members. Some members from Santa Fe are doing their best to support and encourage the chapter. They however, continue their ROTC/JROTC actions.
- b. Fort Huachuca (AZ) had attempted to disappear, however, efforts from the neighboring chapter are in effect for a merger
- c. Wyoming has been inactive for years. Numerous potential members are in the area. Even though a plan has been proposed it has yet to have been implemented. Closer ties to the rest of the Rocky Mountain department are in order
- d. Utah though a part of the rocky mountain department is a 1 man operation. Again attempts to more closely unite with other Rocky Mountain chapters are in the making.

DEPARTMENT OF THE RIO GRANDE

With the exception mentioned above the department is active. Meetings are held, usually in conjunction with regional, chapter or Massings of Colors. Such meetings as well as national ones are well represented. The chapters are very active in community, ROTC/JROTC activities, veterans, returning soldier meetings etc. the Santa Fe chapter has published several articles in the MOWW Magazine.



DEPARTMENT OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS

With the exceptions mentioned above the department has been active. Scouting JROTC/ROTC very support is good; meetings are held and attended on all levels.

Recruiting steps are active for recruiting. It should be mentioned that Utah- with its 1 man staff has an active JROTC/ROTC program.

DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

With the exception mentioned above the department is active. Meetings are held and attended at all levels. Youth leadership is exceptional. JROTC/ROTC, scouting support, patriotic education. Community activities, especially memorial related are well attended.

New Year elections have been held virtually all offices have been duly filled (exceptions above notwithstanding.) the (universal) concern seems to be the aging of membership with generally, inadequate replacements of qualified younger companions.

For the Good of the Order

ROBERT E. MALLIN, MD, CPT, USA (Former)
Commander Region XIII



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

REGION XIV REPORT

This past year has had high points and successes; but it has also had low points with disappointments. The fact remains that all Chapters in the Region are continuing to decline in many ways. Companions have been and are becoming even less active and supportive for various reasons, some being companion health issues and deaths, together with an ever growing lack of interest in their Chapter. The lack of new members in the twenty to fifty year age old range is also a major problem confronting all Chapters.

The bottom line is that if we, at the Region, Department and State level, together with our Chapters, do not change our ways, the Order will cease to exist within the next couple of decades, three at the very most.

It is obvious that Chapters must keep in touch with their companions. As an example, at a party last New Year's Eve, I meet a companion who thought his Chapter wasn't around anymore because he had not heard or received anything from or about his Chapter in years. There are Chapters that have not sent a newsletter or other form of communication to their companions for years, ten or more years in some cases.

To be successful, Chapters must keep their membership informed and interested in what their Chapter has done, is doing and plans to do in the immediate and long range future. The Chapter must also let the general public know that they are there, what they have done and plan to do during the coming months.

Chapters must be more than a "Senior Citizens Knife and Fork Social Club"; they must be doing things that are interesting to both members and non-members alike, things that are appealing and stipulating to companions and their families, and the general public.

Therefore Region 14 urges its Chapters to have or be involved with at least one major Signature Event each year that will generate the interest of inactive companions and the general public, particularly events, projects or programs with a direct or indirect connection with veterans, as well as active duty and reserve military service personnel.

Such an event is the Red, White & Blue Ball, currently held each year at the Reagan Library; this is the 27th year for the Ball. It is at this annual event the Patriotic Citizen of the Year Award is presented to a person in recognition of their steadfast commitment and devotion to our Nation and what it stands for.

This year the Region 14 assigned a Chapter to be the lead unit in establishing and developing a relationship with the residents and management of a newly build home for California Veterans in west Los Angeles. In September of last year an event was held for the enjoyment and benefit of the residents, and at the same time also calling public attention to the new facility and the wide range of



services offered to the veteran residents, while also soliciting the assistance of non-residents to help provide items for the residents not normally covered or make available by the State.

Two Region Chapters worked together to put on the Patriotic Day Event at the Cal-Vet Home. They obtained help from the private sector, together with other veteran and public service organizations to make it a special day for the residents and public attendees. From the private sector, two local Harley-Davidson Dealers and their HOG clubs staged a Rolling Thunder Ride to the event and displayed their motorcycles for the residents and the public. It was estimated that more than a thousand people attended the event, with funds in five figures being raised to support the residents and meet their future non-budgeted needs.

In 2006 Region 14 duly forwarded to National the Department of Central California's proposed Resolution calling for MOWW support of the establishment of a Battleship IOWA Memorial Museum to honor those who had served on the ship and their fellow veterans. The resolution was not reported out of the MOWW Resolutions Committee at the 2006 convention. The resolution was resubmitted for consideration at the 2008 MOWW Annual Convention and it was then duly adopted at that time.

This past year the Region assigned one of its Chapters the task to act as the primary liaison and contact between the Region and the Pacific Battleship Center to help establish and provide ongoing MOWW support for the IOWA Memorial Museum. The IOWA is now located in the Port of Los Angeles, where it will be renovated to serve as a National Memorial and Museum honoring Navy Veterans and all military service personnel.

The Region has undertaken a project to implement, actively support and carry out a coordinated effort by the Region with its Chapters to participate in The Library of Congress Veterans History Project. A Region Vice Commander has been appointed with the sole duty and responsibility of planning, implementing and overseeing this long range Region project.

The preceding are cited in order to note some of the current Region Chapter events: the Red, White & Blue Ball; the Cal-Vet Patriotic Day Event; the Veterans History Project; and the IOWA Memorial Museum which serve as examples of Region 14's efforts to carry out and fulfill the precepts as set forth in our Order's Preamble. The objectives of such efforts are multifarious; obviously the first is the achievement of objectives as stated in the Preamble, together with recruiting new Chapter members. Equally important is the continuing effort to increase the public awareness of our Order and its Chapters, while at the same time doing noteworthy things that serve our military family and the public interest.

Such events, projects and programs require people, companions' personal time, talent and efforts to actively support the various efforts of their Chapters and the Region. The majority of current companions are no longer interested or able to invest their personal time and efforts in supporting such endeavors. For some time, many companions no longer sponsor and/or mentor new companions nor take an active role in their Chapters affairs. As a result, currently less than Ten Percent, sometimes even less than Five Percent of a Chapters companions in any way support their Chapter. Most are even unwilling to just talk to each other once a month about their Chapter or their Region. Two factors contributing to these low percentages are decreased companions still reported as living on the Chapter roster, and the counting of perpetual membership on various individual Chapter membership lists.



Region 14 has and is currently exploring ways that it can be more effectively support ROTC and JROTC units and the related programs. We, as an organization and a Nation, must look to our youth and support them in preparation for their future duties and responsibilities. If we do this correctly, we will benefit by obtaining their interest in MOWW, what we stand for and continue doing for our Country.

Not all graduating ROTC cadets upon being commissioned go on active duty; about half of the new O-1s are assigned to a local Reserve or National Guard unit. They can and could prove to be an excellent source for new companions if they are properly cultivated.

With respect to new companions, we must treat them with respect and be willing to listen to their suggestions and advice. We must make them feel welcomed and that their opinions are valuable. When we elect or appoint them to a staff position they will need mentoring, but we should concurrently let them develop and implement their approach to handling situations – we must stop pushing them aside and telling them “that’s not the way we do it here”. They can and will reflect the thinking of their generation and they will make our Chapters attractive to their peers. Newly commissioned officers are a valuable potential asset; they should be used wisely for they can be a great help to reinvigorate our Chapters. But we must remember we have to reach out to them and invite them to come and join us.

New members are and will be critical for the future success of our Chapters and our Order. Past and current companions by enlarge have been unwilling and/or reluctant to instill the needed interest in non-members in our Order and our Chapters. It must be noted that just recruitment by itself is not the sole answer for our future success and longevity – sponsorship and continued mentoring is essential; coupled with programs and activities that appeal to younger generations, their families and peers.

Our Chapters and their companions must realize that they must conduct themselves in such a manner that they will make their Chapters attractive to potential members and the public. This requires sound planning and careful continued implementation.

A major problem confronting our Chapters, Departments and the Region is they are not properly or adequately staffed. Multi-tasking should not be permitted, particularly with respect to key positions; for when that happens neither task is properly or adequately done nor will the essential degree of success be achieved. We do an injustice to the Order and to the companion assigned to do two, three or even four critical positions at the same time.

By the same token, putting down a companion’s name as being responsible for a given task when in fact they are not able or have the desire to fulfill the duties is misleading and glosses over the fact that no one is actually going to be available to do the necessary work required for the given position. This weakens and undermines the viability of the unit.

Annual Region Reports should never be sugarcoated, reporting only positive, uplifting attempts and/or achievements by the Region, its Chapters or Departments and State units. The report should be an honest evaluation providing a candid overview of the true condition of the Region and its various units; together with an assessment of the current condition and future of the Region, its various units, and how they relate to and work together as a team.

Membership remains a primary and critical Region concern, with emphasis not being on recruitment, but on the development of companion interest and active participation in and for the



success of their Chapter, its events, programs and projects. A key component of such an effort must be the mentoring of current and new companions, with a major priority being given to the development of future leaders and staff members for the Region's Chapters.

The Region continues its ongoing efforts that the Region, its Departments and Chapters, do their utmost to ensure the election and appointment of competent companions with the appropriate talents and skills to serve in their primary leadership positions. A maximum effort should always be made to have backups ready and willing to serve if and when needed for key staff positions such as Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Adjutant and Deputy or Vice Commander. The Region, Departments and Chapters can no longer afford to be complacent about this very critical matter. In this situation, the position of Assistant Treasurer is particularly critical.

Also, everything possible is being done to eliminate/minimize the practice of "recycling" companions, where they are called up on to repeat serving in positions in which they have previously served. It is a practice that ultimately weakens a Chapter, often to the point that the Chapter will collapse and/or eventually cease to exist.

An additional high Region priority must be the continuing reinvigoration of deteriorating Chapters, together with an increasing effort to increase Public Awareness of our Order and its goals and objectives as contain in the Order's Preamble. Out-reach to potential members and the general public is extremely important at all times.

As a Region Commander, I personally believe that all of the above points should always be carefully considered, and also that the following very important question be kept in mind: "What will be the condition of our Region, its Chapters, and the Order, a decade from now?"

Based on the current condition of many of the Region's Chapters, and the way things have been done in the past has proven not to be in the best long term interests of the Region's Chapters. With that in mind, Region 14, along with its Chapters, Departments and States, must always keep in mind that: "If we continue doing things as we have always done, we will continue to get what we have always gotten."

For the Good of the Order

THOMSAS E. HANSON, HPM
Commander, Region XIV



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

REGION XV REPORT

Three of our four chapters showed good progress in achieving MOWW goals this past year.

Puget Sound Chapter began the last year with a highly successful Northwest Youth Leadership Conference that trained 80 students and 9 counselors in leadership and patriotic education. The top student (from the Portland Chapter), Zach Hall, was selected as the Phoenician Award winner and will be honored at the forthcoming MOWW National Conference in San Diego.

- a. The Chapter commander, CDR Alan Mandigo, led a contingent of 6 officers to the MOWW National Convention in Bozeman, MT last June, where the chapter was awarded the ROTC Category V Award for 2010/2011 ROTC/JROTC Activities. One companion was appointed as a National GSO, while CWO4 Peschek was reelected as the Order's Historian General and appointed as the Chairman of both the Constitution and Bylaws and the Historical and Archives Committees, Mrs. Julia Peschek was reappointed as the Assistant Historian General and as the Vice Chair of the Historical and Archives Committee.
- b. As a recap of Puget Sound Chapter meetings this past year, we recall September's "Patriots Day 2011," October's Northwest Youth Leadership Conference recap with student reports and November's National Security joint meeting with MOAA hearing from MG Miles, DCG I Corps. December's meeting remembered Pearl Harbor Day and WW II veterans who spoke on their experiences, January's Patriotic Education theme was the Historic Flag Program, and February heard from BG Hilman, former DCG, I Corps. March saw the Bronze Patrick Henry Medallion Presentations to deserving students, April's meeting was an informative talk about WW II Fallen Serviceman Relocations Program, May was the annual ROTC/JROTC Awards Dinner, and June was our Installation and Awards luncheon.
- c. The Puget Sound Chapter supported 56 programs: 14 ROTC and 42 JROTCs from Japan to Anchorage Alaska to Pocatello, Idaho. A total of 88 medals, 31 plaques, 187 certificates, and 1 streamer were awarded. Commander Alan Mandigo

Portland Chapter sent 11 students from their area to NWYLC last June. The chapter commander, Jerry Hutchins and his wife Mary assisted as well. The Portland chapter garnered the top students again for the conference, and subsequently, Zach Hall received the Phoenician Award in April. Zach follows Linda Nguyen and Michael Madrid as recent Phoenician Award winners sent by Portland Chapter.

- a. Portland Chapter executed their annual Massing of the Colors and Service of Remembrance on 30 October with 30 color units. MOWW CINC CAPT Vowinkel was the keynote speaker and his comments were well received. Chapter companions spread out and participated in Veterans Day celebrations in Portland/Vancouver. LTC Jim Faull was at the opening of the new Armed Service Reserve Center in Vancouver, COL Kathy Page participated at the Reynolds High School program and COL Windus participated at the BPA ceremony and the chapter commander was at Battle Ground High School.



- b. COL Windus has an article published in the November issue of OR about the Oregon Veterans Home. Bob continued his project in December and was able to give \$10,000 to the Home and residents. Chapter Commander Hutchins published an article in the December OR describing his “Fly Rod Building Project” for veterans.
- c. The annual Chapter Business Meeting was held in April and Jerry Hutchins and his staff will continue their good work for another year. Commander Jerald Hutchins

Harvey Latham Chapter continues to be active and support patriotic education throughout Oregon and sustain 9 JROTC units 2 ROTC units, greater Salem area veteran’s organizations, and BSA units. The chapter provided numerous displays of military uniforms and memorabilia throughout Oregon as well as the MOWW National Convention uniform display in Bozeman. Other major displays include the State Fair, the State Capitol, and the Marion and Polk County Fairs. The chapter will send 4 students to this year’s NWYLC.

- a. Harvey Latham received the 1st Place Trophy, small chapter category, in the Patriotic Education National Competition in Bozeman in 2011. They again recognize LtCol. MacDonald, Chairman, for the organizing and coordinating all of the chapter’s patriotic education activities.
- b. Chapter Commander Kaufman will attend the San Diego MOWW National Convention if he returns alive from his safari to deepest Africa in June. Commander Larry Kaufman

Anchorage Chapter has been dormant over the past year and chapter commander Maj Cederberg is looking at the possibility of merging with Puget Sound Chapter.

Region XV continues to uphold the MOWW mission. Incoming Commander, CDR Alan Mandigo

For the Good of the Order

DAVID B. GIBSON, COL, USA (Ret)
Commander, Region XV



NATIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

GENERAL STAFF OFFICER REPORT

Lt Col Gordon Bassett was elected General Staff Officer and appointed to the EXCOM at the Bozeman Convention in July 2011. He previously served as an appointed GSO and EXCOM member in 2010.

He was unable to attend the Washington DC Veterans Day celebration as he hosted his community's Veterans Day celebration and could not travel to DC then.

Please refer his reports as Region VI Commander and Chair, National Security Committee for other activity indirectly related to GSO/EXCOM duties.

There is no further GSO/EXCOM activity to report.

For the good of the Order

LOYAL G. BASSETT, Lt Col, USAF (Ret)
General Staff Officer (Elected)



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GENERAL STAFF OFFICER REPORT

As General Staff Officer (appointed), the main focus of my activity this past year has been in attending to the work of the Financial Development Committee as its chairman. Details of this activity can be found elsewhere in this Convention Book in the report of the Financial Development Committee.

Much of my other activity for the Order was vested in carrying out my concurrent duties as Region IV Commander, which is addressed in much greater detail in my “Report of the Region Commander - Region IV,” also included in this book.

Specifically, I conducted visits to the following Region IV chapters during this period of report: GEN George G. Meade; Roanoke; Hampton Roads; and Virginia Piedmont; as well as my “home” chapter in Richmond. I also expended a great deal of personal effort in following up on my 2011 commitment to maximize student enrollment for the 2012 Jamestown YLC. As a result, the Jamestown YLC enjoyed a maximum-capacity enrollment of 45 students, with five Virginia MOWW chapters funding nearly \$13,000 of the tuition cost.

I represented the MOWW in working with various Senators and Delegates of the Virginia General Assembly to gain their support for legislation to provide additional funding in Virginia’s biennial budget, to sustain the patriotic education mission of the Virginia War Memorial.

I participated in the Massing of the Colors ceremonies of the Richmond and GEN George G. Meade Chapters. The Roanoke Chapter’s ceremony was cancelled due to a snowstorm. I also had oversight responsibility for the MOWW Membership Committee, but was not included in the distribution of correspondence relative to the committee’s work during the year; therefore, I cannot comment on the committee’s activities. I refer you to the Membership Committee report found elsewhere in this book.

For the good of the Order

JOHN A. BAUMGARTEN, CDR, SC, USN (Ret)
General Staff Officer (Appointed)



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GENERAL STAFF OFFICER REPORT

Assigned (Oversight Responsibilities) Regions: VI, VIII
Committees: Homeland Security

“Stop. Think. Connect.” A national public education campaign designed to increase public understanding of cyber threats and how individual citizens can develop safer cyber habits that will help make networks more secure was communicated to Chapter and Region Commanders of Regions VI and VIII.

A request to be added to distribution for Chapter Newsletters of Regions VI and VIII was mostly ignored. I received newsletters from five Chapters in Region V and the Major General Leigh Wade Chapter of D.C. Request to be informed of Region VI and VII Conventions was also ignored.

Attended Region V convention and gave a talk on Disaster Preparedness. After presentation, I was given the book “Disaster Ready People for a Disaster Ready America” by James W. Satterfield & Henry W. Rhulen of FIRESTORM Solutions, LLC. The book was presented by an employee of FIRESTORM and Companion of the Atlanta Chapter in appreciation. The book was written as a response to the devastating effects of Hurricane Katrina, the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the 2005 tsunami and other similar events. It supports my presentation of encouraging individuals and families to prepare for disasters.

Wearing dress blues and the MOWW insignia, I participated in the Memorial Day parade held in historic downtown Aiken, SC., and posed with others for a picture with U.S. Senator from South Carolina, Lindsey Graham.

For the good of the Order

WAYMAN J. JOHNSON, LTC, USA (Ret)
General Staff Officer (Appointed)



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOY & GIRL SCOUTS COMMITTEE

Committee Members

- Maj Robert J. Williams, USAF (Ret); Chair
- LTC Orin Lee Peters (BSA Rep)
- Ms. Deborah Kerr-Minor (GS-USA Rep)
- VCINC CPT John M. Hayes, USAF (Fmr), Oversight
- Region Scouting Coordinators

Boy/Girl Scouts Committee Responsibilities

This committee shall be responsible for monitoring activities of the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the USA, their rules and programs, and report all matters of interest, with appropriate recommendations, to the national leadership – Commander-in-Chief, the National General Staff, and the National Convention. The committee shall also monitor the recommendations of Chapter Boy/Girl Scouts programs, giving assistance where appropriate, reporting to National Headquarters all issues with reference to chapter activities and the Boy/Girl Scout programs.

2011-2012 Goals

- The MOWW National Resolution recognizing GS-USA's 100th Anniversary in 2012 was approved by the 2011 National Convention in Montana.
- Present Approved Resolution to GS-USA National Headquarters - also Chapters/Regions/Departments present the Resolution at local GS-USA events honoring 100th Anniversary - Several chapters have presented the Resolution at local GS-USA events. Initial efforts to present the Resolution to the GS at their National Convention last November in Houston Texas were unsuccessful; we are continuing to pursue an appropriate presentation to the GS-USA National Headquarters. The Resolution will be presented to the San Diego Area Girl Scouts at this convention. Additional presentations are encouraged to your local GS organizations.
- Expand Scout Coordinators for both Boy and Girl Scouts with extra emphasis on the GS-USA – results unknown due to limited report submissions.
- Increase awarding of the MOWW BSA Community Service Award (Square Knot) - three (3) square knots were awarded this last year.
- Increase Region Scouting Coordinators - Continuing to expand.
- Further Develop Boy Scout/Girl Scout Committee Section for MOWW Handbook - Thanks to the efforts of our CS, the Boy Scout/Girl Scout Committee Section of the MOWW Policy Manual has been updated. The criteria for both the Square Knot Award and the National Scouting Award are available in the Policy Manual.
- Evaluate effectiveness of Annual Scouting Report. This is only the second year for this report and many chapters did not meet the suspense to have their data reflected in this report. A data analysis will be provided for the Scouting Workshop.



- Review Criteria for National Scouting Award(s) - to be continued for the next year.
- Increase BSA/GS-USA Participation in Annual MOWW Conventions - this is an on-going effort.
- Develop and distribute MOWW BSA and GS-USA pamphlets - BSA has new pamphlets which we can adopt, the challenge is to get a separate GS pamphlet.
- Revise/Update GS-USA Memorandum of Mutual Support - yet to be accomplished.
- Expand Database of Companion Eagle Scouts/Gold Award - much more work is required in this area.

Scouting Report Results

Only 17 Chapters plus the National Headquarters provided reports. Of these, 13 had BSA and 8 had GS-USA Scouting Coordinators designated. While 8 of the 13 had both a BSA and GS-USA Scouting Coordinator, only 5 of the coordinators were registered with either the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts. Three Chapters reported no scouting activity during the past year. Companions have been very busy with Eagle Scout and Gold Award recognitions. During the 2011-2012 cycle, according to data provided,

Companions presented 424 Eagle Scout Certificates and more than 2,080 Gold Award Certificates. The majority of the Eagle Scout Certificate presentations were made by our fellow Companions at individual Eagle Courts of Honor, while the Gold Awards were presented at banquets. Slightly more than one third of the Eagle Certificates and almost half of the Gold Award Certificates were mailed from the National Headquarters.

Our fellow Companions who are involved in Scouting received various Scouting recognitions, including three (3) MOWW BSA Community Service Awards (Square Knots). They will be recognized by the CINC at this year's Convention.

Chapter Scouting Activities

The reports received indicate significant involvement beyond presenting Eagle Scout and Gold Award Certificates. Companions continue to serve as advisors for Eagle Scout and Gold Award projects. Scouting units provide color guards for MOWW meetings, Massing of the Colors, Veteran's Day, Memorial Day and Flag Day programs. For those units reporting active programs, Companion involvement in scouting programs at the individual unit level continues to grow, particularly in the Boy Scout arena as merit badge counselors, Committee Members, Chartered Organization Representatives, etc.

District and Council level involvement for both Boy Scout and Girl Scout programs is also growing. At least two Companions are Life Members of the Girl Scouts of the USA. The Order continues to have active membership with the BSA at the National level with membership on the Community Relations Task Force. This provides MOWW visibility with other National organizations,

2012-2013 Goals

- This coming year's most important scouting goal is to have an MOWW presence at the 2013 BSA National Jamboree, 15 - 23 July 2013, at the Bechtel Scout Reservation, the Summit, located near Piney View and Beckley, WV. With the 2013 National Convention in August, this should be do-able.



- Presentation of Resolution honoring GS-USA's 100th Anniversary to GS-USA National Headquarters.
- Continue the effort to expand the number of Chapter Scouting Coordinators with extra emphasis on the GS-USA.
- Continue Awarding of the MOWW BSA Community Service Award (Square Knot)
- Increase Region Scouting Coordinators - In Work - 4 identified
- Further Develop the Boy Scout/Girl Scout Committee Section for MOWW Policy Manual
- Continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the Annual Scouting Report
- Review Criteria for National Scouting Award(s)
- Increase BSA/GS-USA Participation in Annual MOWW Conventions
- Develop and distribute MOWW BSA and GS-USA pamphlets
- Continue effort to revise/update the GS-USA Memorandum of Mutual Support
- Continue development of a Database of Companions who are Eagle Scouts or Girl Scout Gold Award recipients

Bottom Line - We need to work harder at increasing our level of involvement in the Scouting programs.

For the Good of the Order

ROBERT J. WILLIAMS, USAF (Ret)
Chair, Boy & Girl Scouts Committee



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Budget Committee prepared and submitted, through the Commander-in-Chief, a budget for the forthcoming year for the pre-convention General Staff Meeting (Encl. 1). This budget is the basis of the overall expenditures of the incoming administration and shall be based on a realistic appraisal of income. No excess expenditures over income may be authorized herein. The committee also prepared a Resolution outlining the limits of expenditure (Encl. 2). Upon the approval of the budget and the resolution by National Convention, neither the Budget nor the Resolution may be amended or changed without the approval of the Executive Committee or National General Staff.

Please also see the Treasurer General, Chief of Staff's and MOWW Trustee reports.

For the good of the Order

M. HALL WORTHINGTON, USA (Ret)
Chair, Budget Committee

Enclosures:

1. MOWW Budget Plan (2012-2015)
2. MOWW Budget Plan Resolution



Enclosure 1: MOWW Budget Plan (2012-2015)

MOWW BUDGET PLAN
FISCAL YEARS (FY) 2010 - 2013

SUMMARY: Income & Expenses

FISCAL YEAR	FY 2010-2011		Budgeted 2011-2012		Actual YTD 2011-2012		FY 2012-2013
Gross Trust Income	\$	438,412.21	\$	442,249.09	\$	502,726.81	\$ 499,734.27
Gross Non-Trust Income	\$	255,175.00	\$	173,510.00	\$	200,746.36	\$ 177,751.94
Gross Expenses	\$	560,789.00	\$	672,820.00	\$	720,824.01	\$ 682,121.02
PNC Checking	\$	68,117.00		NA		NA	NA
NON-TRUST INCOME (\$)		FY 2010-2011		Budgeted 2011-2012		Actual YTD 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
Gross Non-Trust Income	\$	255,175.00	\$	173,510.00	\$	200,746.36	\$ 158,905.94
National Dues	\$	51,040.00	\$	50,000.00	\$	45,000.00	\$ 42,550.00
Merchandise & Certificate Sales	\$	49,117.00	\$	45,000.00	\$	53,312.38	\$ 51,130.94
HQ Chapter (PM Dividend)	\$	21,727.00	\$	18,510.00	\$	17,226.66	\$ -
CINC Solicitation	\$	91,170.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	68,727.03	\$ 65,225.00
Unsolicited Donations	\$	42,121.00	\$	-	\$	16,480.29	\$ -
EXPENSES (\$)		FY 2010-2011		Budgeted 2011-2012		Actual YTD 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
Gross Expenses	\$	560,789.00	\$	672,820.00	\$	720,824.01	\$ 682,121.02
OPERATIONS	\$	191,354.00	\$	255,241.00	\$	285,957.38	\$ 285,688.92
Employee Wages/Taxes	\$	153,075.00	\$	206,741.00	\$	173,741.57	\$ 221,240.73
Employee Benefits	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 12,000.00
Office Expense	\$	27,279.00	\$	27,000.00	\$	27,895.18	\$ 31,248.19
Annual Audit	\$	6,000.00	\$	6,500.00	\$	6,075.00	\$ 6,200.00
Legal Expense	\$	-	\$	-	\$	14,584.07	\$ -
Recruitment	\$	-	\$	-	\$	12,500.00	\$ -
Veteran Day Reception 2011	\$	-	\$	-	\$	50,336.01	\$ -
CINC Travel	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	-	\$ 5,000.00
VCINC Travel (\$2K per VCINC)	\$	-	\$	10,000.00	\$	825.55	\$ 10,000.00
MEMBER SERVICES	\$	181,425.00	\$	208,277.00	\$	242,472.98	\$ 201,737.77
Inventory Replenishment	\$	43,019.00	\$	45,000.00	\$	37,664.14	\$ 40,000.00
CINC Solicitation Processing	\$	10,578.00	\$	10,895.00	\$	8,259.24	\$ 5,000.00
PM Dist to Chapters	\$	112,572.00	\$	132,272.00	\$	162,221.91	\$ 141,112.77
YLC Support	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,750.00	\$ -
EXCOM Committee Meetings	\$	-	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
National Convention	\$	5,056.00	\$	8,500.00	\$	21,841.00	\$ 6,000.00
U.S. Postal Service	\$	9,000.00	\$	9,270.00	\$	6,694.74	\$ 7,000.00
United Parcel Service	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,340.00	\$	3,041.95	\$ 1,625.00
AWARDS & PRIZES	\$	11,626.00	\$	15,040.00	\$	14,798.58	\$ 13,831.30
Service Academies	\$	1,100.00	\$	1,100.00	\$	914.95	\$ 1,200.00
Service Schools (e.g., War Colleges)	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$ 1,000.00
Phoenician Award	\$	2,586.00	\$	6,000.00	\$	6,552.33	\$ 5,500.00
VADM Dyer Writing Prizes	\$	5,500.00	\$	5,500.00	\$	5,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Saterlee Award (Coast Guard)	\$	400.00	\$	400.00	\$	400.00	\$ 400.00
Convention Awards	\$	1,690.00	\$	1,690.00	\$	1,181.30	\$ 1,181.30
Speaker Honoraria Recognition	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$ 50.00



Enclosure 1: MOWW Budget Plan (2012-2015), *continued*

OFFICER REVIEW	\$ 147,942.00	\$ 151,000.00	\$ 135,117.60	\$ 139,500.00
Mercury Publishing	\$ 76,942.00	\$ 79,250.00	\$ 71,371.87	\$ 71,500.00
U.S. Postal Service	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,750.00	\$ 21,550.00	\$ 22,000.00
Contractor Payroll	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 42,195.73	\$ 46,000.00
FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 17,539.00	\$ 33,062.00	\$ 26,739.88	\$ 22,315.67
Building Maintenance & Repair	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 7,759.21	\$ 5,800.00
HVAC Service Contract	\$ 400.00	\$ 412.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00
Utilities (Electrical, Water, Sewage)	\$ 1,625.00	\$ 1,675.00	\$ 1,461.77	\$ 2,400.00
Home Owners Association	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 6,383.66	\$ 3,029.07
State Registration Taxes (MD, VA)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,373.49	\$ 1,500.00
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 9,010.00	\$ 9,450.00	\$ 9,101.22	\$ 8,686.60
Personal Property Taxes	\$ 504.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 385.53	\$ 625.00
INFO TECH INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 10,903.00	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 15,737.59	\$ 19,047.36
IT Hardware Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,880.67	\$ -
Software/Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,900.00	\$ -
Telephone Expense (At&t, Verizon)	\$ 3,153.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,566.92	\$ 1,979.76
Network/Server/contract	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00
Comcast Internet/Email/Web Domain	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,390.00	\$ 2,367.60
Website - American Eagle (Develop)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00
Website - Ironistic (E-Commerce)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,500.00
Serv Contracts - (Web, Net, E-comm)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900.00



Enclosure 2: MOWW Budget Plan Resolution

2012-2013 MOWW Budget Authority Resolution

Move that a budget resolution be adopted to accept the Budget Committee's FY 2012-2013 Budget Plan, and that any adjustments thereto be made only after the Executive Committee of the General Staff or the General Staff approves such adjustments in accordance with the MOWW Bylaws, Article VIII, Sections 2-3.



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CHAPTER ACTIVITIES & AWARDS COMMITTEE

This year the Chapter Activities & Awards Committee Chairman was a part of the Awards Process Ad Hoc Committee to revise various Chapter Awards.

My Committee revised and streamlined the Chapter Activities and Patriotic Education submission forms. The Chapter Activities new form is found in Appendix G, Policy Handbook, on the MOWW web page.

National Patriotic Education Chairman COL Dick Minor requested the new Patriotic Education form Appendix P not be used until next year. He will give a short presentation at the Chapter Activities & Awards Seminar on Saturday, 4 August 2012, from 1400-1450, at the National Convention

For the good of the Order

JO ANNE BARTON, MAJ, USA (Ret)
Chair, Chapter Activities & Awards Committee



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CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Three proposed changes to the Constitution and three proposed changes to the Bylaws of the Order were received in proper form and in a timely manner. No emergency matters were received or considered.

Notice to chapters and to members of the General Staff was given in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Order. The proposed amendments were published in the May 2012 issue of Officer Review Magazine, which was delivered in May 2012. A copy of the proposals is included as an attachment to this report.

The members of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommended that all three proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Order be disapproved, and that all three proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Order be approved.

The following proposed amendments were properly received and may be presented at the 2012 national MOWW Convention. Those recommended for approval will be introduced by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Those not recommended may be re-offered by their sponsors. In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws, no additional amendments not already received may be considered.

For the good of the Order

CLAY C. LE GRANDE, JR., COL, USA (Ret)
Vice Chair, Constitution & Bylaws Committee

for

ALLAN R. PESCHEK, CWO4, USN (Ret)
Chair, Constitution & Bylaws Committee

Attachment: Proposed Amendments



PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MOWW CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The following proposed amendments have been properly received and may be presented at the Annual Convention in San Diego. Those recommended for approval will be introduced by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Those not recommended may be re-offered by their sponsors. In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws, no additional amendments not already received may be considered.

Constitutional Amendments Requiring Approval of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Delegates Voting

12C-1: Amend Article I (Name), to read, “The name of the organization shall be “The Military Order of Patriotism.” The name of the Order’s magazine shall be the ‘Officer Review®.’ ” (All subsequent references in the Constitution, Bylaws and all other documents will be changed to reflect the name “Military Order of Patriotism.”)

- a. Justification of Proposer: The name would better reflect the present nature of the organization and remove any suggestion of a specific linkage to World Wars I or II as a basis for membership.
- b. Committee Discussion: This proposal has been repeatedly offered and rejected in various forms. Changing the name would change also the perception of the original and continuing purposes of the organization as envisioned by its founders in 1919 and subsequent generations for nearly a century.
- c. Committee Recommendation: Disapprove

12C-2: Amend Article II (Membership), Section 1a. Regular Membership, to read, “Regular Membership is open to a citizen of the United States of America of good moral character and repute who has served honorably on Active Duty, to include Active Duty for Training, in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, (Active, Guard, Reserve), National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) or Public Health Service (USPHS) as a Federally-recognized Commissioned, Flight or Warrant Officer, or a Non-Commissioned Officer in the grade of E-7 or above, during the period 6 April 1917 to the present, or to such later date as may be determined by the Order during a National Convention.”

- a. Justification of Proposer: Exclusion of senior non-commissioned officers discriminates against worthy military patriots, some of whom occupy the same current positions (such as JROTC instructors) as their officer counterparts. Their inclusion would recognize their contributions and would increase the potential membership base.
- b. Committee Discussion: This proposal has been repeatedly offered and rejected. This organization was formed as an association of officers, just as other groups are organized to bring together non-commissioned officers or enlisted members, without suggesting the superiority of any category. The lawful free association of those with like backgrounds has no discernible reason to be discouraged or prohibited.



- c. Committee Recommendation: Disapprove

12C-3: Amend Article II (Membership), Section d. Hereditary Membership, by adding subsection 6), to read, “An ancestor or adoptive ancestor of a member.”

- a. Justification of Proposer: Having established the precedent of permitting descendants of members to join as hereditary members, despite a lack of their personal qualification for regular membership, we ought to enact a similar authorization for ancestral qualification, which would enable other worthy applicants to further the goals of our organization, and would increase the potential pool of eligibility.
- b. Committee Discussion: This proposal, like that of the suggestion to enroll senior non-commissioned officers, would create an association that reduces the importance of shared professional and personal experiences. And (perhaps more critically) it would almost certainly increase the percentage of the Order’s members who are neither serving on active or reserve status nor are veterans of such service. This represents a great risk of violating the IRS requirement that our 501(c)(19) organization maintain a membership of at least 75% of its members in that service-related category, and requires “substantially all of the other members” to be “spouses, widows, or widowers of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States or ... cadets” in order to maintain our tax-exempt status.
- c. Committee Recommendation: Disapprove



Amendments to the Bylaws Requiring Approval of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Delegates Voting

12B-1: Amend Article I (Finances), Section 10, Annual Tax-Exempt Reporting to the IRS and HQ MOWW, to read:

“a. Each subunit with an EIN/TIN shall conform to the requirements for tax-exempt status under the provisions of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Code 501(c)(19) and shall report its compliance to MOWW National Headquarters in accordance with MOWW Policy on or before 30 September of each year.

b. The National Headquarters of the Military Order of the World Wars will remit no funds to any chapter until receipt of the chapter’s annual certification. Failure to file before 30 September of each year will result in the delinquent chapter forfeiting all funds due and payable in the current fiscal year. In certain circumstances, e.g., severe medical illnesses, death or the resignation or transfer of the parties concerned (chapter commander and treasurer); an extension request submitted in writing to the Treasurer General may be granted by the Treasurer General on a case-by-case basis. However, no payment can be made after 30 June of the MOWW Fiscal Year in which the payment was due. The non-distributed funds will be deposited into the MOWW Endowment Fund.”

- a. Justification of Proposer: All subunits of the Order with an EIN/TIN are required by the IRS to file the appropriate Form 990, not just chapters. Moving the last sentence of Sub-section "a" to the beginning of subsection b is appropriate, as it applies only to chapters, not to all subunits with an EIN/TIN.
- b. Committee Discussion: Concur.
- c. Committee Recommendation: Approve

12B-2: Amend Article VI (Region and Department Organization) by replacing the current Section 1 with the following words: “Section 1. The Regions organized in the United States and its Territories will be designated by Roman numerals.” (The remaining sections 2 and 3 of Article VI remain unchanged.)

- a. Justification of Proposer: The number of Regions within the Order may vary at any time in response to the command and control needs of the Order. Their specific numbers or total numbers are administrative in nature, and should be addressed in the Order’s Policy Handbook.
- b. Committee Discussion: Concur.
- c. Committee Recommendation: Approve

12B-3: Amend Article VII (Standing Committees and Councils), Section 1, to separate the “Information, Publicity & Magazine Committee” (subsection “j”) into the “Information and Publicity Committee” and the “Magazine Committee,” and to re-designate and reorder all resulting committees within this section to reflect the change. (All other references throughout the document to “subcommittees” of the Information, Publicity & Magazine Committee will be changed to reflect their new designations.)



- a. Justification of Proposer: This change has been in effect de facto for at least two years, and reflects the functioning of the different sections. The proposed amendment acknowledges the reality.
- b. Committee Discussion: Concur.
- c. Committee Recommendation: Approve



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ETHICS COMMITTEE

Happily, there are no ethics issues to report. The committee is drafting updated language for inclusion in the MOWW Policy Manual.

For the Good of the Order

RUTH ELMER, HPM
Chair, Ethics Committee



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FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Financial Development Committee has spent the past year in developing a new, three-pronged approach to fundraising for the Order, which will be launched during OY 2012-2013. This fund-raising plan, which has been approved by the EXCOM, includes the following three initiatives:

- a. CINC Solicitation. This fundraising activity, which has been historically conducted by the Order, will remain largely unchanged (three Order-wide solicitations per year managed by HQ MOWW), and will continue to be the principal means of raising money to support the operation of the Military Order, e.g., to provide support for the various mission programs of the Order. The only adjustment planned is the implementation of “donor societies,” which will provide tangible recognition and tracking of Companions who donate from \$50 to \$10,000 or more.
- b. Friends of MOWW. This new financial development program has been designed for fund-raising by MOWW Chapters from local public and private sector organizations and individuals to help fund local chapter programs.
 - 1) This effort will also employ the “donor society” concept, with each chapter maintaining a record of donations and providing recognition to those donating, e.g., MOWW Certificate of Appreciation. HQ MOWW will develop a form letter and will host it on the MOWW website that chapters can use to comply with IRS requirements.
 - 2) To facilitate solicitation of donations from fraternal and civic organizations and professional groups, a Microsoft PowerPoint presentation and supporting script have been developed for chapter use. Both of these products will also be available for download from the MOWW website.
- c. Legacy Project. This third leg of the fundraising triad has been developed to encourage donations to the Order by Companions through the making of “outright gifts” or by using various “planned-giving” instruments, e.g., wills, trusts. The basic goal of this initiative is to get every Companion to donate or bequeath at least “five-percent” of their estate to the Order, thereby becoming a “MOWW 5%er.” A planned giving guide will be available on the MOWW website soon.

The programs above will help our Order and Companions everywhere to continue their great service to the United States and to advance the cause of Patriotism in America!

For the good of the Order

JOHN A. BAUMGARTEN, CDR, USN (Ret)
Chair, Financial Development Committee



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HISTORICAL & ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

The members of this committee are: Historian General Allan Peschek, Assistant Historian General Julia Peschek, Past Vice Commander in Chief Marion Ball, Region XV Commander/ GSO Col Dave Gibson, Diane Gibson and LTC Paul K Morris.

The committee has seen an increase in the number of Chapter History submissions, Companion Profiles, and historical files (photo history of individual chapters, newsletters of individual chapters and the National Headquarters. We need better support in this area.

The committee continues to look for avenues for storage of electronic submissions of historical documents such as Chapter newsletters, treasurer's reports, staff and general meeting minutes and other important documents that will develop a pictures of Chapters, Department and Region organizations for future members and historians. Currently are archive at Stanford University in California only accepts paper.

Julia and I stop in twice a year to review our historical files and are always pleased to see some new treasure that gives us more insight into past activities of our Order. If you have an interest in some event or person give me a call. We will direct your request to Linda Bernard, our archivist for over 30 years. She does a top notch job for us!

For the Good of the Order

ALLAN R. Peschek, CWO4, USN (Ret)
Chair, Historical & Archives Committee



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HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE

Chairman of the HLS Committee concurs with the CINC and EXCON to keep Law and Order and Homeland Security separate and is working to develop a Homeland Security identity within MOWW.

The first National Homeland Security Chapter Award was presented at the 2011 National Convention in Bozeman, Montana. Also a RESOLUTION: ENSURING HOMELAND SECURITY was presented and approved at the 2011 National Convention.

The National Secretary of Homeland Security, Janet Napolitano, provided an open letter to the members of MOWW expressing a need for veterans across our country, including members of the Military Order of the World Wars, to be actively engaged in our states, cities, and communities to help us build a stronger, more prepared, and more resilient country. The reason for this is clear: homeland security begins with hometown security and veterans play an important role. She provided links that contained a range of unique opportunities for veterans to work with and for DHS, including many employment opportunities. This was published in the October 2011 Officer review.

What can MOWW Chapters do? Ideas were published in the October 2011 and May 2012 Officer Review. The October 2011 Officer Review article provided a comprehensive list of activities chapters can pursue and explained the difference between homeland security, national security and law and order. The May 2012 Officer Review article focused on Chapters developing a plan of action to assist during time of disasters, natural or man-made-both accidental or deliberate. It emphasized the importance of having a vision and developing goals and objectives for an effective Chapter Homeland Security program.

Additional Homeland Security related articles were published in the Officer Review such as: Biological and Chemical Threat Response by COL S. J. Whidden; Operational Reserves Component Means Operational Risk for the States by COL Arthur N. Tulak; and, Nuclear Facilities: From National Security to Homeland Security by LTC Wayman Johnson, Chairman HLS.

Homeland Security Chapter Award criteria was developed and revised per comments provided by Chief of Staff and EXCON. The Homeland Security Program Award requirements are now added to the MOWW Policy Manual, Appendix L.

Stop. Think. Connect.” A national public education campaign designed to increase public understanding of cyber threats and how individual citizens can develop safer cyber habits that will help make networks more secure was communicated to MOWW leadership. The need to discuss Cyber Security to our youth was presented and added to several Youth Leadership Conferences.

Homeland Security web page is available but currently updating is in progress.

The MOWW Chairman of HLS Committee is maintaining an active membership in the Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) organization; continuing to monitor the White House Homeland



Security issue page; and, continues to be on news release distribution list for the Department of Homeland Security.

Also, the Chairman is connected with the local The American Preppers Network. The “Preppers” members are volunteer contributors who are dedicated to providing free information on survival, preparedness, self-sufficiency and sustainability in the event of a major disaster.

For the Good of the Order

WAYMAN J. JOHNSON, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Homeland Security Committee



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HONORS & PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

I accepted the role as Chair, Honors and Protocol Committee when Hereditary Perpetual Companion Pat Snyder, who has dutifully and expertly served the Order in that capacity for many years, had to vacate her position early in 2012 rather unexpectedly.

Pat provided me with critical information needed to ensure that the Order's honors and protocol requirements would be carried out with the proper dignity and decorum at this year's National Convention.

The 2012 National Convention Committee Chair was made aware of my new role and communication, coordination, and cooperation for the execution of this convention have been superb.

I'm certain that this year's National Convention will be outstanding. As always, it is a time to reunite with old friends and make new ones while we continue to conduct the business of the Order.

Respectfully submitted for the good of the Order,

For the Good of the Order

RUTH L. HAMILTON, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Honors & Protocol Committee



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INFORMATION, PUBLICITY & MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

The first order of business of the Information & Publicity Committee was to review the newly revised MOWW Policy Manual for needed updates. That was accomplished. Two appendices deserve emphasis:

- a. Appendix H contains guidance pertaining to Chapter Information & Publicity Awards (pages 143-145). Appendix H details procedures chapters must follow to submit an entry for consideration.
- b. Appendix I contains guidance pertaining to Chapter Newsletter Program Awards (pages 147-151). Appendix I recognizes two separate categories; chapters may submit both a Newsletter and "Scrapbook" entry for consideration.

Additionally, the Committee is considering means to including internet postings (Facebook, etc.) for future consideration. This portends to be one of our most common means of communication.

Award winners will be determined based on three levels of chapter membership: small (<50), intermediate (50-100) and large (101+) living ("active") members. We are pleased the number of entries for awards increased again this year. Congratulations to chapters making this possible.

To illustrate, we are pleased that the number of entries for Newsletter awards has increased, each year, for the past four years. This is at least partially due to the efforts of the Newsletter Committee to convince Chapter Newsletter Editors to submit their entries electronically. Several chapters have already instituted this procedure and all are encouraged to do so in the coming year. This year, thanks to support from local Commanders, we received submissions from more Chapters than ever before. In fact, we have also received an entry for Best Newsletter from one of our Region headquarters.

Chapters were reminded that this is the second year in which a separate Magazine (Sub-) Committee has existed. Their charter is to consider Officer Review articles for VADM Dyer writing prizes. We applaud the PCINC LTC Shehab (Chair) and Brig Gen Morrill (Chief of Staff) for their efforts to reward those members who share their experiences by taking pen in hand (or attacking the keyboard).

- a. Articles submitted to the MOWW monthly magazine, Officer Review, are considered by the Magazine (Sub-) Committee (please see their separate report in this convention book.).
- b. Articles submitted to local, state, or national media for publication or broadcast still qualify for consideration by the Information & Publicity Committee.

For the Good of the Order

DON B. MUNSON, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Information & Publicity Committee



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LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE

References

- a. Commander in Chief Military Order of the World Wars Ltr/Email, dtd Aug 2011 (not included)
- b. National Law and Order Awards 2011 (not included)

Reference (a) assigned the new 2011-2012 Chairman Law and Order Committee. It requested the Chairman and new Committee members review the Strategic Plan 2010 for possible recommended changes to current Law and Order Goals out to 2015. A review has been completed. Recommendations were provided in 2011.

The National MOWW Law and Order Program and the National Law and Order Award Program continue to require significant revitalization. Of the 13 or so Regions and 120 plus Chapters of MOWW few are participating at any level for the L&O Program. To date, not much has changed. In 2011, only four Chapters submitted packages for Chapter recognition. Three Chapters submitted Award Recommendations for the National Law and Order Distinguished Service Award. Only ten or so Chapters submitted award packages for the National Law and Order Outstanding Performance Award. For 2012 and to this date only four packages have been received for Law and Order nominations. With a week remaining the final count looks dismal at best.

Of considerable concern is the lack of any energy at the Region, State, Department Commanders to influence Chapters for establishing an L&O Committee. MOWW does have a few Chapters with outstanding L&O Programs but from all available records these numbers are a small percentage of the total organization. It would seem that MOWW support for First Responders in today's environment in support of National and Homeland Security should be far more robust. Region Reports for National Convention 2011 do not even mention L&O participation in any way. I have continued to speak with several Chapter Commanders about Law and Order. They just plain do not participate at any level. They would rather concentrate on Programs they more readily identify, i.e., JROTC, Boy and Girl Scouts, and National/Homeland Security. If there is a word that summarizes all I've spoken to about Chapter Law and Order participation it is APATHY.

For the past two years as L&O Committee Chair it has been my intention to assist Region Commanders to influence Chapter level activities to participate in Law and Order. In an effort to support I asked for copies of Regional Reports. Finding a central repository for Regional Reports proved futile at best. It was my intention to use the Reports to identify those participating in L&O and those not. One issue is that Mid-Year Conventions have been canceled. The Regional Reports required for the Mid-Year Convention were often instrumental in the identification of Chapter activities. This makes it extremely difficult for Committee Chairs to review Chapter activities.



At the National Convention held in El Paso in 2011 I addressed Law and Order Chapter participation at great length. I also have provided two articles for the Officer Review providing information and guidance for the Law and Order Program in 2010 and 2011.

As May is designated as Law Enforcement Month throughout MOWW it is hoped that 2012 would be a more robust year for involvement. Of interest is the current CINC's comment about the importance of MOWW involvement in Law and Order. He provided that Law and Order was at the top of his priority list for 2012 with the Order.

It is hoped that 2013 is a better year for Law and Order. It will take a concentrated effort by our Chapters to make this happen.

For the good of the Order

ROY E. GRAY, Col, USMC (Ret)
Chair, Law & Order Committee



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGISLATIVE & RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee is comprised of the following companions:

- a. LTC Ruth L. Hamilton, USA (Ret) – Chair
- b. COL M. Hall Worthington, USA (Ret) - Co-Vice Chair
- c. COL Kenneth L. Wu, USA (Ret) - Co-Vice Chair
- d. Maj Paul A. Willard, II, USAF (Ret)
- e. LTC William Rapp, USA (Ret)
- f. Col Joseph D. Eddlemon, USMC (Ret)
- g. Mrs. Lois Reiniche, Hereditary Perpetual Companion

Nine proposed resolutions were submitted for review by the Legislative and Resolutions Committee. Of the proposed resolutions submitted, five of the nine were approved by a majority vote of the Committee to be voted on by the companions attending the 2012 National Convention. Brief descriptions of each of these proposed resolutions for consideration follow:

- a. Budget Cuts Threaten Military Readiness - This proposed resolution emphasizes the need for Department of Defense funding to sustain combat readiness necessary for the protection of the United States and its vital interests. It is an ongoing issue as cuts to the Department of Defense budget could potentially threaten national security and military readiness.
- b. Addition of Franklin D. Roosevelt’s D-Day Prayer to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC - Because the United States was founded on strong moral and religious values and those same values strengthened the confidence of the men and women who fought tyranny and oppression during World War II, the House of Representatives introduced a Bill (H.R. 2010) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the Nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day. This proposed resolution supports adding such an inscription to sanctify the convictions of the brave men and women who fought during World War II.
- c. Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives in Honor of General of the Armies John J. “Blackjack” Pershing - This proposed resolution offers companions the opportunity to contribute to “Campaign 150” with its goal of building a lasting memorial in honor of General Pershing, founder of The Military Order of the World Wars. A memorial museum and leadership



archives are scheduled for development at General Pershing's boyhood home site in McLeod, Missouri. The Missouri National Guard has volunteered to donate time and efforts in making this project a reality. The June 2012 issue of the Officer Review magazine featured an article on this worthwhile project. Contributions will go toward the materials needed to build the structures and other start-up materials.

- d. **Maintaining Law and Order Overrides Religious Freedom** - This proposed resolution stipulates that, while the 1st amendment to the United States Constitution prohibits the making of any law impeding the free exercise of religion, including acts that are contrary to the laws of this Nation, we need to ensure that the laws of the United States prevail over illegal religious actions of persons residing in the United States.
- e. **Birthright Citizenship** – Both the House and Senate have introduced bills that address concerns about parental requirements surrounding a child's right to United States citizenship (H.R. 140 and S. 723 – "Birthright Citizenship Act of 2011"). The bills stipulate that one parent must be either a citizen or national of the United States, an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States whose residence is in the United States or an alien performing active service in the armed forces. This proposed resolution urges our Congress to pass the Birthright Citizenship Act of 2011.

For the good of the Order

RUTH L. HAMILTON, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Legislative & Resolutions Committee



The Military Order of the World Wars



RESOLUTION

Budget Cuts Threaten Military Readiness

WHEREAS, the United States is engaged in combat operations worldwide and has been engaged in combat for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense budget is essential to sustain combat capability necessary to protect the vital interests of the United States including its citizens; and

WHEREAS, automatic spending cuts to the Department of Defense budget threaten National Security and military readiness;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that The Military Order of the World Wars in convention in San Diego, California, 30 July - 5 August 2012, objects to any budget cuts that threaten military readiness.



The Military Order of the World Wars



RESOLUTION

Addition of Franklin D. Roosevelt's D-Day Prayer to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC

WHEREAS, the United States' core value system is based on moral and religious values, and the men and women of our Armed Forces who fought and died during World War II made tremendous sacrifices while strengthened by those same values; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin D. Roosevelt was the President of the United States and leader of the free world during that momentous struggle against tyranny and oppression; and

WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives has introduced and passed a Bill, H.R. 2070: "World War II Memorial Prayer Act of 2012," sponsored by Representative Bill Johnson of Ohio, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the Nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that The Military Order of the World Wars in convention in San Diego, California, 30 July - 5 August 2012, supports the proposal to add an appropriate marker containing President Franklin D. Roosevelt's D-Day Prayer to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC.



The Military Order of the World Wars

RESOLUTION

Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives in Honor of General of the Armies John J. "Blackjack" Pershing

WHEREAS, there is no museum dedicated to honoring, documenting, and educating the youth and future generations of Americans about the importance and relevance of the life and military service of General John J. Pershing; and

WHEREAS, General Pershing is a true American hero who came from meager agrarian Missouri roots and attained the highest rank bestowed by the U.S. Congress, "General of the Armies of the United States"; he is further recognized internationally for a lifetime of dedicated military service spanning from the time of the American Indian Wars, the Spanish-American War, Russo-Japanese War, Philippine Insurrection, the First World War to being a trusted adviser through the Second World War; and

WHEREAS, General Pershing founded The Military Order of the World Wars in 1919, to encourage his officers' service to America after their active military service ended thereby instilling our Order's motto: "It is nobler to serve than to be served"; and

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars is dedicated to educating youth on Americanism, National Security and Foreign Relations, Veterans Affairs, Community Service, Patriotism and Leadership, all of which were espoused by General Pershing and are being perpetuated by the Pershing Park Memorial Association and a proposed memorial museum; and

WHEREAS, the Pershing Park Memorial Association, in 2010, held a celebration in honor of the 150th anniversary of the birth of General Pershing in Laclede, Missouri, which was enthusiastically attended by local, state, national and international military members, political and social leaders and established the "Campaign 150" project to raise the \$1.2 million in funds for the aforementioned museum to which the Kansas City, Missouri Chapter of The Military Order of the World Wars, has responded affirmatively;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that The Military Order of the World Wars, in convention, in San Diego, California, 30 July - 5 August 2012, supports the building of the Pershing Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives and hereby urges every Companion to voluntarily donate to the Pershing Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives Development Fund, 900 Pershing Drive, P.O. Box 47, Laclede, Missouri 64651, or go to the museum website at <http://www.pershingmuseum.com> in order to make the museum and leadership archives a reality and preserve the history of General Pershing.



The Military Order of the World Wars



RESOLUTION

Maintaining Law & Order Overrides Religious Freedom

WHEREAS, maintaining law and order is a matter of great concern to The Military Order of the World Wars; and

WHEREAS, the 1st amendment to the United States Constitution prohibits the making of any law impeding the free exercise of religion, including acts of religious zeal (often in the name of deities) that are contrary to the laws of this Nation, such as “honor” killings and gender-based persecutions; and

WHEREAS, any person in the United States is subject to the laws of United States, and any person who exercises religious acts that violate those laws shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that The Military Order of the World Wars in convention in San Diego, California, 30 July-5 August 2012, supports the free exercise of religion and maintaining law & order through the enforcement of the laws of the United States, which override unlawful religious acts.



The Military Order of the World Wars



RESOLUTION

Birthright Citizenship

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars defends the honor, integrity and supremacy of our national government; and

WHEREAS, section 1 of the 14th amendment to our Constitution, states that a child born in the United States is a citizen regardless of the nationality or status of the parents; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, a child born in the United States to an illegal immigrant, or to a person of an invading enemy force, is a citizen; and

WHEREAS, “Birthright Citizenship Act of 2011” bills in both the House of Representatives (H.R. 140) and the Senate (S. 723) propose the addition of specific requirements to section 1 of the 14th amendment to the Constitution for a child born in the United States to be a United States citizen (i.e., one parent must be either a citizen or national of the United States, an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States whose residence is in the United States, or an alien performing active service in the armed forces);

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that The Military Order of the World Wars in convention in San Diego, California, 30 July-5 August 2012, urges Congress to pass the Birthright Act of 2011 requiring that in order for a child born in the United States to be a declared a United States citizen the parents must meet one of the stated requirements.



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAGAZINE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE INFORMATION & PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

The MOWW Magazine Sub-Committee of the Information, Publicity, and Magazine Committee held its annual meeting on 12 June 2012, at 1000, at MOWW National Headquarters. LTC Alfred Shehab, the Sub-Committee Chair, presided over the meeting. Brig Gen Arthur Morrill, MOWW Chief of Staff, conducted a roll call and the following committee members were present for the meeting. Past CINC Clifford Way was unable to participate in the meeting but earlier submitted his input for inclusion.

- PCINC LTC Alfred H. M. Shehab, USA (Ret); Chair
- IPCINC Col Clifford Way, USAF (Ret)
- CINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret)
- Senior Vice CINC COL M. Hall Worthington, USA (Ret)
- Treasurer General LTC John H. Hollywood, USA (Ret)
- GSO LTC Ruth L. Hamilton, USA (Ret); Recorder/Vice Chair
- Chief of Staff Brig Gen A. B. Morrill III, USAF (Ret); Editor-In-Chief, *Officer Review (Ex-Officio)*

This will be the final report in which Magazine Committee will report as a sub-committee under the Information & Publicity Committee. Approval to make it a separate and distinct committee is pending, but its approval is anticipated at this year's National Convention.

LTC Shehab gave laudatory remarks about the Officer Review magazine; it contains excellent articles with illustrations and photos of Chapters conducting their business for the Order. Brig Gen Morrill stated that he gets good support on "Chapters in Action" submissions and it is important to showcase what Chapters are doing because that is what we are all about. He welcomes articles from Companions because that is what makes the magazine possible.

Brig Gen Morrill provided a roster of past magazine issues and the articles contained within each issue. LTC Shehab read the titles of the articles listed and obtained committee members' votes.

A discussion about eligibility for VADM Dyer awards ensued and a motion was made to include all companions as being eligible for cash awards. The motion was seconded. A stipulation was made later in the meeting that Magazine Committee members should not be considered eligible for cash awards because of their capacity within the Order.

Following a review of all articles published during the past year, the Magazine Sub-Committee discussed those articles to be considered for the VADM Dyer memorial fund cash awards, selecting a first prize, a second prize, three honorable mention prizes and identifying one author for special recognition.

For the Good of the Order

PCINC ALFRED H. M. SHEHAB, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Magazine Sub-Committee



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Membership recruiting and retention continues to be a major concern for the Order. While some chapters have excelled in their membership efforts, many chapters have no growth or have declining membership. We must reverse this decline.

The monthly Membership Reports are forwarded each month by the Region Commander to their Chapter Commanders. If any chapters are not receiving these reports, please contact your Region Commander (contact information is in the National Directory on the MOWW website). Reports for the previous month are sent from MOWW National Headquarters within the first week of each month. These reports give the chapter a “how goes it” in many areas of membership, including Total, Perpetual, Living, New, Resigned, Dropped, Deceased, and Overdue (Regular Companions who are late with dues payments) members.

A careful study of a chapter’s statistics can indicate undesirable trends which can be corrected early. Regarding the May 2012 Membership Report for covering the period from 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012, I want to recognize the regions with the greatest number of New Members: Region VIII and Region XIV, both with 31. For the same period, the chapter with the greatest number of New Members is the Dallas Chapter, with 17. The region with the greatest number of Perpetual Members (2,244) and the greatest number of Living Members (1,125) is Region XIV. The chapter with the greatest number of Perpetual Members (857) and the greatest number of Living Members (345) is the Philadelphia Chapter.

For the first 11 months of the fiscal year, a review of the membership statistics show that the Order added 195 new members and Perpetual Membership increased by 101. Unfortunately, membership decreased to 9,226. These numbers would have been better if we had not lost 247 Regular Members who were dropped because they did not pay their dues. Chapters need to have a program to address this problem. Perpetual Membership should be the eventual goal for each new Companion.

Several actions have been taken over the last year. I review every month’s Membership Report to be aware of the Order’s progress in membership. There have been membership articles in most of the Officer Reviews starting in July/August: “Perpetual Membership: The Permanent Gift” (July/August 2011), “Closer Than You Think,” (October 2011), “Chapter Membership, Get Involved,” (December 2011), “Membership Ideas Are Timeless...Even Those From 1966,” (January/February 2012), “Membership: You Might Be Interested,” (April 2012), “Why Are Recruiting, Retaining, and Involvement So Darn Important?” (May 2012). I want to thank Companions Robert Morrill, LTC Charles Chamberlin, CPT David Darelius, and BG Arthur Morrill for their excellent articles. We have continued from last year our efforts to present to our Companions, via the Officer Review, many ideas that chapters can incorporate to improve their recruiting and retaining of members.

The membership awards section of the Policy Manual has been revised. Current awards include the Membership Citation, Membership Recruiting Award, Recruiting Excellence Award, and the Perpetual Member (PM) Recruiting and Individual Perpetual Members (PM) Achievement Awards. The criteria for these awards can be found in the MOWW Policy Manual, Chapter 10. It is hoped these awards will



encourage individuals and chapters to work on recruiting and retaining new members, especially Perpetual Members and Perpetual Members 50 years of age and younger.

In summary, we need to stress recruiting and retention at every MOWW meeting. We need to recruit Perpetual Members, especially members who are 50 years of age or younger, and involve them in chapter activities. For the Regular Members who become delinquent with their dues, the Chapter needs a procedure to address the issue and prevent the member from being dropped.

For the Good of the Order

JOHN M. HAYES, USAF (Fmr)
Chair, Membership Committee



STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS COMMITTEE

The Military Order of World Wars actively pursued a Memorials Program Year 2011-12 from National to Chapter levels. The importance at the Chapter level of being an active player in the dedication of monuments, memorials, and recognition plaques in the pursuit of one of our MOWW Constitutional Preamble objectives merits continual review. The practice of openly honoring admirable people, actions, and events in the areas of military service and sacrifices, ensuring a strong national defense, care of veterans and their families, and citizenship responsibilities is essential promoting and preserving the greatness of our nation.

The Military Order of World Wars has long been a leader in maintaining a program of worthy endeavors to provide support for the well-being of the nation and freedoms/liberties about the world. In providing such support the Order with Chapters across our great nation seeks to honor individuals, organizations, and causes in an on-going manner. Many monuments have been constructed and dedicated (and many worthy recipients await their recognition, construction, and dedication.

Events that memorialize a person or organization can be effected with little costs, but render a worthy appreciation. The listing of events that can become reality by the presenting of plaques/certificates is endless and can be of great importance to individuals, organizations, and communities across America. The MOWW has been a leader in such efforts and in return, benefits are provided to the Order, especially at the Chapter level where recognition activities can bring together an entire community or larger area and where the local MOWW Chapter can be better known, using available media support, and in return be more likely to attract new members.

During the past three years several articles have been published in our outstanding MOWW Magazine about Monuments, Memorials, and Plaques. Surely, each article in some way activated some creative spirit in many Chapters, so that an event or events resulted in promoting the "MOWW Memorials" intentions. Many reports have been submitted for publishing in the "Officer Review" and your current Memorials Committee encourages every Chapter to send Chapter Memorial events to the "Officer Review" and local TV, Radio, Print, and as appropriate, using the social internet opportunities.

This Committee Report recommends that the "MOWW Memorials Program" be of major importance at every level in the chain of command and especially at the Chapter level. It is recommended that every level of responsibility in the MOWW include a statement in their annual guidance concerning the visible participation of MOWW entities in frequent activities which reflect favorable on the honoring of some worthy cause deemed dear to MOWW goals and ambitions, especially at the Chapter level. Officers at all levels can be involved in some activity when they visit Chapters, even so basic as presenting a plaque or certificate to some individual, organization, activity, or as a remembrance as in the case of military members killed in action or wounded in action. Most causes with a military relationship are especially appreciated and honored by the current American citizenry. MOWW activities in support of the "Memorials Program" can generally, find fund raising more easily accomplished today as compared to some past decades.



A few topics that allow for MOWW Chapters to have an abundance of suitable topics to recognize thru presentation of plaques and certificates could include, but not be limited to:

- a. Recognize fallen military servicepersons in Chapter area of recognition by presenting plaque or certificate to family member, perhaps to JROTC/ROTC Unit to which the fallen service member belonged when in school.
- b. Recognize some Wounded Warrior(s) and hear their story.
- c. Recognize individuals, sponsors, and chapter leaders with our "Youth Leadership" and "Scouting" programs.
- d. Recognize area American Legion, VFW, VVA, DAV or other patriotic organization in your area for their special efforts in support national security, veterans, families of veterans, and the list seems endless.
- e. Recognize an area JROTC Unit has provided a Color Guard or other services to your Chapter or other patriotic organizations.
- f. Honoring a member or members of the Chapter for services above and beyond when in uniform or during post-service years.
- g. Each Chapter review potential causes for sponsorship of a monument or memorial plaque or certificate.
- h. Make it chapter policy to have some act of remembrance at each chapter meeting with a MOWW dignitary is visiting.

In relation to all actions or remembrance, get out to the chapter members and their families to meet and be a part of the ceremony. Involve the news media to recognize the acts of remembrance and gain publicity for the MOWW chapter. Such chapter activities always present a wonderful opportunity to again invite eligible individuals into membership.

In the publicity efforts of each Chapter, let us encourage you to work with the MOWW National Chief-of-Staff in sending pictures and narratives for possible inclusion in the "Officer Review". Please include the "Memorials Committee" Chair on major projects where above and beyond efforts are required to get that Monument constructed and dedicated. Tested, proven and proud: The Military Order of World Wars has been instrumental in promoting ideals essential for the survival and further betterment of our great nation.

For the good of the Order

JACK STRUKEL, MG, USA (Ret)
Chair, Monuments & Memorials Committee



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NATIONAL CONVENTIONS & SEMINARS COMMITTEE

Committee Members:

- a. Linda Ebert Ariff | Commander, Atlanta Chapter
- b. Louis P. Ariff | Companion
- c. Dorothy Newman | Protocol

The National Committee & Seminar Committee shall consist of a chairperson, vice chairperson, and annually appointed instructors. Its function shall be to plan, coordinate, monitor, and improve seminar programs conducted at the National Convention and encourage the formation of seminar programs at region and department conventions. The Order hasn't done that in quite the way intended by the committee description just mentioned—but it does make sense to do so.

It makes sense for the committee to glean the information from National seminars and ensure that Region meetings cover the most important aspects of MOWW and to ensure that the seminars and classes offer useful and up-to-date information that will filter down to chapters.

I have been asked in the past if there are any classes for adjutants at our Region or National Conventions. There were no classes that specifically keyed in on duties of the adjutant. Last year, I was asked if there were classes for new Commanders when I returned from Convention. There was not and I have never seen classes offered specifically for the responsibilities of the Commander, Adjutant, etc. The Chief of Staff is developing a seminar that will be presented at this year's national convention, but we must do more.

I do believe that there is a need for classes to be conducted for companions that are considering taking on leadership roles. Perhaps companions would step up more readily for key positions in the chapters if they knew in advance what their duties are and generally how to go about them.

We will take on these roles and responsibilities.

For the good of the Order

Linda Ebert Ariff, HPM
Chair, Conventions & Seminar Committee



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NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Lt Col Bassett was appointed to succeed LTC Mike George as Chairman of the National Security Committee at the Bozeman Convention in July 2011. He formed the Committee by 1 September:

- Lt Col Gordon Bassett, Chair
- Col John House, Vice Chair
- Lt Gen Sam Wetzel
- Col Phil St. Amant II
- LTC Mike George
- LTC Bill Rapp
- CWO Ray Sanchez

After extensive search, the Committee selected the speaker for the National Security Luncheon (on August 3, 2012) in San Diego. Companion COL Luther Lloyd, USA (Ret), was nominated by the Committee and on November 3, 2011 the CINC invited Colonel Lloyd to speak at the luncheon. Col Lloyd's subject: "The Islam You Do Not Understand." The Chair will introduce the speaker and will present a plaque and gift afterwards.

The Columbus GA Chapter, under the guidance of Colonel John House and Lt Gen Sam Wetzel (both NS Committee Members), provides a continuous stream of National Security articles for and to the Order. Last year, at Bozeman, the Chapter was selected as the recipient of the "National Security Award."

The Chapter's web page at www.mowwnationalsecurity.com is online and lists a speaker bureau amongst other NS items. The web master recently resigned and the Committee is without a replacement. The site is not up to date and needs attention. The Committee published a NS "Fact Sheet."

The Committee continues to encourage chapters to develop substantive National Security programs.

A new addition to this year's Convention Agenda is a national security seminar, which will occur on Thursday, August 2, at 1300.

For the Good of the Order

LOYAL G. BASSETT, Lt Col, USAF (Ret)
Chair, National Security Committee



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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has three functions, all performed at the National Convention:

- To hold a Candidate Forum, at which any Companion wishing to make a campaign presentation to the delegates may do so. This Forum is scheduled for 2 August 2012, from 1300 to 1450.
- To conduct the Nominating Committee Meeting, at which committee members (designated in APPENDIX U of the MOWW Policy Handbook) may nominate, second and select nominees to be reported to the Convention. This Committee Meeting is scheduled for 1500–1650 on 2 August 2012. Designated Committee members are urged to have registered their appointment at the Nominating Committee Desk upon general registration, to have verified the ballots contained in their credentials packets, to have read the Committee Rules prior to attending, and to bring with them a pen or pencil with which to mark their ballots. Because of the unusually short period allocated to the meeting, it is requested that all business be approached efficiently and without any unnecessary delays.
- To present the report of the Nominating Committee to the Convention for its acceptance and action. This will occur at the pleasure of the Commander-in-Chief, on either 3 or 4 August.

The chairman wishes to recognize especially the efforts of Companions Dick Minor and Carol Titus in their performance of the administrative functions supporting the committee.

For the Good of the Order

PCINC PHILEMON A. ST. AMANT II, COL, USA (Ret)
Chair, Nominating Committee



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PATRIOTIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Congratulations to all Companions, spouses & other volunteers for what you do! Even though a few of you and more each year are doing an outstanding job, there are many of you that are losing out on one of the best patriotic and educational opportunities and personal self-satisfaction around! We are very proud of what we do. I am enthused about what our programs accomplish with so few but increasing dedicated supporters. The motivation and hard work that all of you supporting these activities do, not only for the new students but the young leaders we bring back each year, are amazing. However, we are just not getting the word out to enough individuals.

How YOU can help: go to our MOWW Web Site and be one of the 10% that steps up and establishes their own local goals and objectives. If you are not the Commander, volunteer to be that Chapter PE Committee Chair! We have made it a lot easier on how to implement those goals this year thanks to a complete reformatting and change of the MOWW Policy Handbook into the MOWW Policy Manual.

- a. Go to our web site MilitaryOrder.net, click on the logo. You will then see the index page. There are key PE documents on the left side under "Official Publications:"
 - b. Find 2015 Strategic Plan, select it and go to Page 10 and read Patriotic Education 1-8 concentrating on PE 5, Chapter Responsibilities.
1. Find MOWW Policy Manual. There is a lot of information there but for PE purposes you need to focus first on Chapter Outreach Programs: Pages 71 YLC and 72 MOC and then go to the specific Appendices you need:
 - a) PE Award: go to APP P PEP Award (Page 193). You should notice how it has been simplified for submission. All Chapters should submit for JUN 2013 and start now! You do not have to build a book; just tell us what you do.
 - b) PE Volunteer and Youth Protection Program APP Q (P 199). Please read and see how it applies to the Chapter PE Activities. You may have to get a Background Check (BC) and take Youth Protection Training (YPT) as a volunteer. Protect yourselves, your students and MOWW.
 - c) Are you ready to add to our already scheduled 5 Single Day, 2 Two Day and 24 Multi Day YLC or more? Go to APP R Page 209 and see how to do it! We had two new ones this year: a Single Day in Columbus, GA and the multi day Great Lakes YLC. Mid America YLC returned after missing a year. Some of you may be doing Single Day YLCs already. Let us know about them and how you contribute!
 - d) How are you doing on Massing of the Colors? We have restated the program in APP S on Page 221 of the Manual. If you are doing one, be sure you include it in your PEP Award Application and send an article to the Editor of the OR.



2. The National Directory: It needs to be kept up to date. Check and see how your Chapter is listed particularly under the PE/YLC Section.
3. Staying on the left side of the Military Order Index, go to Fact Sheets and you will see one on YLC and one on MOC.
4. Then there is the designated block on Youth Leadership Conferences, where you can see our YLC video, the applicable forms, the 2012 Schedule, National Association of Secondary School Principals (NAASP) seal of approval and access to the OR YLC Issue.

Now you know where to go to get the information on Patriotic Education. I suggest you keep the above as a handy reference so you know where it is and you can help your Chapter help young people and other adults to understand our PE Program. Here are some other guidelines/suggestions:

- a. Go to your local schools (public, private, charter, home school networks) and ask how you can help with Veterans Programs (Source, Joe Foss Institute), Flag Forums (Jim Elmer, Past CINC and others), etc.
- b. If you are not doing a Massing of the Colors ask for help up the MOWW Chain of Command. Find out where one is nearby and go observe and then do your own.
- c. Go observe Leaders/Directors of Forums, Single Day and multi day YLC and volunteer to help, sponsor some students or attend to just learn.
- d. Get involved in funding PE activities through chapter (501 (c) 19) or established organizations/foundations that are not-for-profit 501(c)3) organization.
- e. Study: Leadership; Americanism, Founders' Documents, US Government & History, Civics, Responsible Citizenship & Free Enterprise. That is what we teach!!!

As Chair of your PE Committee I support all categories above and am available to all Directors, Commanders and PE "doers". In past year we in PEC accomplished the following:

- a. Continued reminder of Commanders of the need to implement the PE Portion of Strategic Plan 2015 and use of the MOWW Policy Handbook and the new Policy Manual. I will brief on these at the National Convention.
- b. Continue to support our program at all EXCOM meetings.
- c. Insured delivery of necessary Certificates of Insurance for all multi day YLC.
- d. Coordinated youth protection training available for Volunteers through Boy Scouts of America.
- e. Conducted YLC Directors' Training with the Primary Leadership of Rollie Stevens in Jan 2012.
- f. Continue to maintain records of Volunteers for insurance purposes. We use as a base, the names & addresses of those that have completed the required Youth Protection Training (YPT). Your input on YLCs, MOC and other PE Events is critical. The Name and Address of your



volunteers are needed, even if they are not required to get a BC or take the YPT. Send them directly to me as Patriotic Education Chair at DandDMinor@aol.com.

- g. Received and reviewed each of 31 YLC Reports, ensure compliance with curriculum & guidance and requested funds from the YEF for support as needed.
- h. Provided YLC Directors needs for copies of Key to the Constitution, 10 Best American Speeches through PEI, INC with super financial support from the Hann-Buswell MOWW Chapter.
- i. Submitted & received approval of our annual request for National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) support of our PE Activities.
- j. Selected and forwarded to all Multi Day Directors the PHOENICIAN Committee Essay title for their 2011 Outstanding Student to compete. Special congratulations to Zachary Hall from the Northwest YLC (NWYLC) directed by LTC Dave Gibson. Zachary has won the Phoenician and a check for \$2,000! This is super work by Zachary and great support by Dave and his staff. First Runner up \$1,000 goes to Julia Snipes from the American Independence Foundation of Colonial Virginia (AIFCV) YLC directed by MAJ Earl Johnson. Second runner up winner of \$500 is awarded to Tamara Winter from Southwest YLC at Texas Wesleyan University (TWYLC) Region VIII, directed by Major David Wirsig. Congratulations to all of them.
- k. Will select Chapter PE Awards in June for presentation at Convention.
- l. Coordinate annual submission of YLC Schedule and PE Articles to the Chief of Staff for the *Officer Review's* March YLC issue. The Schedule in the back of the OR will be used on the MOWW web site so you will have what is established for each calendar Year. All of the 2012 YLC schedule should be complete by the time you read this except for a Single Day YLC OCT 16 in Louisville, KY, a Two Day YLC NOV 2/3 at FT Knox, KY and a Multi-Day YLC NOV 7-10 in Huntsville, AL. All Directors should be writing their articles for the March 2013 Officer Review, which deals strictly with Youth Leadership Conferences! All articles are due to the Editor within 60 days of the end of the YLC or event and should be included with the YLC report to me. We will have information based on the submitted reports at the Convention. Use this document as a reference for completing or updating your YLC programs or how you can get involved. See how you can help!
- m. Please submit PE articles on other than YLC events, e.g., Massing of the Colors and other PE events, when they occur—with photographs. We need a mix of PE material throughout the year.

We are looking forward to a great year! Thanks again for your support this year. Hope to see you at the meeting on Thursday at 0900 hours. The first part through 1000 hours is for Commanders but you all are invited to stay. The second part explains the Policy Manual in more detail and opens discussions with Directors, etc. Please be sure someone is there to gather the information or ask questions and learn.

For the good of the Order

RICHARD E. MINOR, COL, USA (Ret)
Chair, Patriotic Education Council



NATIONAL (STANDING) COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICY-PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Policy Planning Committee reviewed implementation of principles set forth in the Preamble and matters of policy concerning the Order designed to improve their currency and effectiveness. Apart from the policy improvements found in the MOWW Policy Manual, no additional recommendations for change were deemed necessary. Further enhancements to the MOWW Policy Manual are on-going.

For the Good of the Order

SVCINC M. HALL WORTHINGTON, COL, USA (Ret)
Chair, Policy Planning Committee



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RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) COMMITTEE

Senior ROTC: There have not been any reported changes in the number of senior ROTC programs at colleges and universities this past year. The total number of senior ROTC cadets remains over 55,000 with a steady increase in military veterans enrolling for education benefits and opportunity to continue service as an officer. Chapters are commended for their continued support to the 487 senior ROTC programs. SROTC status by military service for Student Year (SY) 2012-2013 follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Number of Primary Units</u>	<u>Number of Colleges</u>
USA	270	600
USN	73	150
USAF	144	994
TOTAL	487	1,744

Junior ROTC: There have only been three new JROTC programs planned for the upcoming school year; all in the USMC. The JROTC expansion program is stagnant in the other services due to budget constraints. The USMC had to disestablish one program primarily due to lack of student enrollment. Hundreds of schools remain on waiting lists for a JROTC program. All chapters are encouraged to contact any new JROTC programs in their area and offer support via MOWW's ROTC awards program.

a. USMC JROTC Unit Changes for SY 2012-2013 follow:

- 1) Whale Branch Early College High School; Seabrook, SC
- 2) Kofa High School; Yuma, AZ
- 3) Paul W. Bryant High School; Cottondale, AL

b. JROTC status by military service follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Fall 2012 Total Units</u>	<u>Original Service Goal</u>
USA	1,731	1,641
USN	612	700
USMC	235	260
USAF	870	935
TOTAL	2,338	3,540

ROTC Annual Report: Only 26 chapters submitted annual ROTC Reports last year and the number may even be smaller based on the number received by the suspense for this report. These reports, if submitted by all chapters, would still be the best way to determine the total number of ROTC units actually supported by MOWW. I request all Region Commanders to encourage chapters to submit annual ROTC reports—even the simple one-page, non-competitive report.



Other ROTC Committee Actions: ROTC guidance in the MOWW Policy Manual was reviewed and changes made. Numerous new requests for annual MOWW ROTC Awards were received from JROTC units. Most were forwarded to chapters that were reasonably close to requesting units or forwarded to HQ MOWW for action. An on-going committee action is an attempt to identify how many ROTC/JROTC units MOWW does not support. This will be a discussion topic during the convention's ROTC Seminar.

As the Chair, I appreciated the ROTC support being accomplished and I thank the members of our Committee for their willingness to help. Please contact the Committee with any questions.

- a. Specific information on the various service ROTC programs can also be obtained at the services ROTC websites:

1) RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (JROTC)

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| a) United States Army (USA) | www.armyrotc.com |
| b) United States Navy (USN) | www.nrotc.navy.mil |
| c) United States Air Force (USAF) | www.afrotc.com |

2) JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (JROTC):

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| a) United States Army (USA) | www.usarmyjrotc.com |
| b) United States Navy (USN) | www.njrotc.navy.mil |
| c) United States Marine Corps (USMC) | www.tecom.usmc.mil/mcjrotc/group.aspx |
| d) United States Air Force (USAF) | www.afboats.af.mil/afjrotc |

Current committee members follow:

- Chair: LTC Gary Engen; Augusta, GA; Tel: 706 733-7682
- Vice Chair: COL Larry Burnette; Bradenton; FL; Tel: 941 794-2310 (Region 6)
- LTC Michael J. Jarvis; Barre, VT; Tel: 802-479-1271 (Region 1)
- LTC Michael Wilgen; Newark, DE; Tel: 302 292-1964 (Region 3)
- LTC H. Boyd Long, III; Evans, GA; Tel: 706 863-3320 (Region 5)
- LTC Walter Reagan; Hernando, MS; Tel: 662 429-3846 (Region 7)
- COL William Coad; San Antonio, TX; Tel: 210 657-6971 (Region 8)
- LTC Leonard Erdman; Brookfield, WI; Tel: 262 781-6385 (Region 10)
- MAJ Ronald Jones; St Louis, MO; Tel: 314 821-1360 (Region 11)
- LTC Richard (Lee) Leander; Sahuarita, AZ; Tel: 520 648-1313 (Region 13)
- CDR Alan Mandigo; Tacoma, WA; Tel: 253-568-6544 (Region 15)

For the good of the Order

VCINC GARY O. ENGEN, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, ROTC Committee



AD HOC NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

NATIONAL VETERANS DAY RECEPTION COMMITTEE

As LTC Ruth Hamilton wrote in the Executive Summary of the After Action Report, “The Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) served as the host Veterans Service Organization, (VSO), for the 2011 National Veterans Day Reception. We were tasked to find a suitable hotel for the event, with adequate facilities to support it, plan all aspects of the reception including ballroom set-up, receipt and registration of guests, food selection and service, entertainment, greeting of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and concurrent transportation and protocol coordination for national ceremonies held at Arlington National Cemetery. This was the first National-level event executed by the Order in decades. Participants from the MOWW Executive Committee came from all around the country; companions from Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia came together to assist with the planning and execution of this major event. Overall, we were highly successful in accomplishing all of our given tasks.”

On 11 November 2011, The Military Order had the honor of hosting the National Veterans Day Reception for the Veterans Administration. The event was part of the National Veterans Day Celebration that occurred in Washington D.C. and included the MOWW Commander-in-Chief, Captain Russell Vowinkel’s speech before a national audience at Arlington National Cemetery. On the dais with CAPT Vowinkel were President Obama and Secretary of Veterans Affairs, General Eric Shinseki.

The reception itself, which took place on the afternoon of 11 November, hosted more than 350 veterans, elected officials, and dignitaries from all over the United States. The event, which took place at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel in Arlington, VA, is hosted annually by a Veterans Service Organization (VSO). In 2011, the MOWW was selected for this honor.

The reception required detailed planning. No specific details for the event were provided by the Veterans Administration, nor were past event plans made available. One of the items the MOWW was tasked with by the VA was to provide a planning document for VSOs that would conduct this event in the future.

With the help from the General George G. Meade and Leigh Wade Chapters, planning began during the summer of 2011. Frequent meetings occurred at the MOWW Headquarters to determine what would occur, and who would participate. Timelines were developed, and logistics were reviewed. By the time the event took place, the planning document had expanded to 38 pages, with detailed guidelines of who would participate, when food would be provided, how the ballroom would be set up, how guests were to be directed to the hotel ballroom, what entertainment would be provided, and how guests would be informed about the MOWW.

On the day of the reception, setup of the hotel ballroom began early in the morning. Reception tables with name tags for guests were laid out, service flags were arranged on the stage, MOWW magazines, applications, and background information were placed on tables, and seven MOWW “story boards” were arranged around the ballroom. Companion hosts practiced their “elevator speeches,” that, in a few short sentences, highlighted the MOWW’s mission and activities.



Once the event began, ladies of the Order welcomed guests as they arrived at the ballroom. They graciously handled all problems and provided a warm and cordial atmosphere for people who attended the reception. When guests entered the ballroom, they were met with attractive displays of food, MOWW Companions in blue jackets and MOWW ties, (“MOWW Class A uniform”), to assist and answer questions, and poster boards that displayed what the MOWW does and how it started. EXCOM members, past CINCs, and Companions from local Chapters all represented the Order and interacted with guests, in an exemplary manner. One of the highlights of the reception was the performance of a string quartet from Archbishop Spalding High School, under the direction of retired Army SGM Beth Hough, who provided classical music as a backdrop for the entire event.

At 14:15 hours, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, General Eric Shinseki, was escorted into the ballroom by CAPT Vowinkel and LTC Hollywood. General Shinseki spoke for about 15 minutes, then stayed for an additional half hour to greet veterans and have his photograph taken with Companions of the Order. Considering the General’s tight schedule on Veterans Day, his taking extra time at this event demonstrated his appreciation for veterans and for what the MOWW had accomplished in conducting the reception.

At the conclusion of the event, tired, but pleased Companions retired to the bar to celebrate a well-planned and well-executed event. All who attended the event stated it was the best reception they had been to. The Veterans Administration expressed great appreciation to the MOWW Chief of Staff when he presented them with a document that will serve as a template for future receptions.

Key event planners included CAPT Russell Vowinkel, CINC, MOWW Chief of Staff, Brigadier General Arthur Morrill, USAF (Ret), COL John Whidden, USA (Ret), Leigh Wade Chapter Commander, LTC John H. Hollywood, USA (Ret), Meade Chapter Commander and Chair for the event, LTC Ruth Hamilton, USA (Ret), General Staff (Elected) and member of the Meade Chapter, and COL Hall Worthington, Senior Vice Commander in Chief and member of the Meade Chapter.

Since there are more than 50 nationally recognized VSOs, the next time the MOWW will host this event will be sometime in the 2060’s. We look forward to seeing all of you at our next Veterans Day Reception.

For the Good of the Order

JOHN H. HOLLYWOOD, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, National Veterans Day Reception Committee



AD HOC NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOMELAND SECURITY-LAW & ORDER MERGER COMMITTEE

CINC Vowinkel charted this *ad hoc* committee, and after reviewing the issues and based on the committee recommendation, the EXCOM decided to maintain separate Homeland Security and Law & Order Committees.

For the good of the Order

IPCINC Clifford D. Way, Col, USAF (Ret)
Chair, Homeland Security and Law & Order Merger Committee



AD HOC NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

AWARDS PROCESS COMMITTEE

CHARTER

The Awards Process Ad Hoc Committee was chartered to examine the existing time lines of the chapter awards process, make recommendations for standardization, examine existing submission criteria and make recommendations for improving efficiency by reducing length and volume. At the November EXCOM the committee was also tasked to make a recommendations on the actual type of trophy/award to be awarded. Final report to the EXCOM to review online not later than February 20, 2012.

MEMBERS

The Ad Hoc Committee members were Capt Debbie Kash, Chair, LtCol Bill Byrne, Vice Chair, Col Dave Gibson and MAJ JoAnne Barton. Consultants were Capt Dan Kash and Brig Gen Art Morrill.

The committee's plan of action:

- a. Establish communication as a committee
- b. Review current awards process
- c. Standardization of submission dates
- d. Review existing awards criteria
- e. Evaluate electronic submission options
- f. Types of trophies presented
- g. Recommendations

SUMMARY

A strategy planning meeting was held in September 2011 with the chair and vice chair to map out the approach the committee would take to meet the charter. The first task was to figure out how to hold a meeting with members of the committee in different parts of the country. Several avenues were explored, but it was decided to use FreeConferenceCalls.com. The committee found the use of FreeConferenceCalls.com to be easy, efficient and a cost effective way to hold committee meetings. A total of five conference calls were held with the committee members. The chair consulted with Capt Dan Kash and Capt Paula Mitchell for electronic options. E-Mails were used to share documentation. We reviewed the current steps to submitting a chapter awards packets and we were all in agreement of



the process. We also reviewed the Chief of Staff's evaluation and recommendation of the awards process. The next step was for the committee to agree upon a standard submission date and then the committee would review that date again before the committee's final recommendation would be made. The committee agreed that the due date for the chapter awards packets should be one date that was constant for all awards year after year and that grading award packs at convention was not acceptable. It was also agreed that the submission date must be at the end of the tour of duty for the chapter officers and not overlap with the previous year's command. The committee then chose 1 July for the chapter awards packets to be submitted to the committee chairs. However, the EXCOM asked that the committee revisit their preliminary recommendation and seriously consider an earlier date. That decision was tabled by the chair until after the committee's plan of action was completed. The following awards were reviewed with the National Committee Chairs of Chapter Activities, Membership, Newsletter, ROTC, Law and Order, Patriotic Education and Publicity. The Ad Hoc Committee Members contacted each of the National Chapter Awards Chairs and asked them for their ideas to reduce the length and volume of the awards packet. They were also asked how can the award be streamlined to possibly increase the number of chapter's submitting for the award and if the awards could be submitted via E-Mail. Three of the Chairs we contacted started to revise their respected awards criteria, the rest felt the award needed to stay in its current form. The following awards are in the final stages of revision and approval: Chapter Activities, Patriotic Education and Membership. Newsletter is willing to accept submissions via E-Mail, a revise award instruction is still pending. ROTC already had a stream lined award and currently accepts the award submission via E-Mail, no revisions. Law and Order Award and Publicity do not want to change the criteria and want to receive the note books submissions. EXCOM also asked the committee to look at the types of trophies presented. The Chief of Staff recommended the use of streamers instead of trophies. The Chief of Staff would need to know the winners and categories no later than 1 Jul. Headquarters also needs to know what information they need to provide the Committee Chairs by what date.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. All chapter awards submissions are to be received by the National Committee Chairs no later than 20 Jun of each year.
- b. National Committee Chairs notify headquarters of the award recipients by 30 June.
- c. National Committee Chairs review and update their awards criteria regularly.
- d. Flag streamers to replace trophies.
- e. Award orientation to be given at the 2012 convention on the new awards criteria.
- f. Remainder of the chapter awards should be review for revision and updated for the 2012 convention.

CONCLUSION

The Ad Hoc Committee spent most of its time working with the selected National Committee Chairs to review the chapter awards criteria and submission method. Our recommended ten day grading period



means the chapters must insure their packet is received by the Chair no later than 20 Jun of each year. The National Committee Chairs may need to organize their committees differently with the 30 June result suspense date and the manner in which they will be receiving the chapter award submission. This is a big change for the Order moving from a highly documented awards submission to one that relies heavily on integrity and brevity. Therefore, it is important that the awards criteria be carefully worded to receive the necessary information from the chapters in order to make the award decisions.

Many thanks to LtCol Bill Byrne, Col Dave Gibson, MAJ JoAnne Barton, Capt Dan Kash and Brig Gen Art Morrill for all their hard work and many phone conversations to make these recommendations. I also want to thank MAJ JoAnne Barton, Col Dave Gibson, and Capt John Hayes for making major revisions to Chapter Activities, Patriotic Education and Membership Awards.

For the Good of the Order

VCINC DEBORAH A. KASH, Capt, USAF (Ret)
Chair, Awards Process Committee



BOARD, FOUNDATION & COUNCIL REPORTS

MOWW BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Period Covered: 1 June 2011 – 31 May 2012

MOWW FUND PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

DATA BASED ON INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS FOR EACH FUND

FUND (Name)	PRINCIPLE (Starting) (Statements ending 30 Jun 11)	PRINCIPLE (Ending) (Statements ending 31 May 12)	△\$² (△ Starting & Ending Positions)	△%²
PM Fund (SA) ¹	\$ 4,711,685.37	\$ 4,501,815.86	(\$ 209,869.51)	(4.45%)
PM Fund (ML) ¹	\$ 2,222,822.07	\$ 2,224,206.32	\$ 1,384.25	0.06%
Endowment Fund (ML)	\$ 1,045,850.12	\$ 1,010,812.54	(\$ 35,037.58)	(3.35%)
Operational Fund (ML)	\$ 1,151,520.63	\$ 1,142,605.03	(\$ 8,915.60)	(0.77%)
Dyer Trust Fund (ML)	\$ 62,136.30	\$ 63,654.21	\$ 1,517.91	2.38%
Dyer ECOM Fund (SA)	\$ 214,150.62	\$ 186,067.72	(\$ 28,082.90)	(13.11%)
Dyer Will Fund (SA)	\$ 193,052.27	\$ 192,738.17	(\$ 314.10)	(0.16%)
Satterlee Fund (SA)	\$ 23,014.15	\$ 23,685.32	\$ 671.17	2.83
TOTALS	\$ 9,624,231.53	\$ 9,345,635.17	(\$278,596.36)	(2.98%)

NOTE 1: SA = Sterne-Agee & Leach, Inc. ; ML = Merrill Lynch

NOTE 2: The △ change in \$ and % of each of the trust accounts only reflects 11 months of the current fiscal year (i.e., 1 Jul 11 - 31 May 12).

Comments:

The Trustees have concentrated on maximizing income to support the Order. The market has had sharp ups and down, but overall we were down 2.8%.

For The Good of the Order

ARTHUR JUDSON, II CDR, USN (Ret)
Chair, MOWW Board of Trustees



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COUNCIL OF REGION COMMANDERS

The Council of Region Commanders (CRC) has not met since the last Convention in Bozeman, MT. Communications were made via email and telephone over the past ten – eleven months. For the first time Department and State Commanders were represented by a Deputy Chair and Asst Deputy Chair, respectively on the CRC. This formal inclusion of the old Council of Department and State Commanders (CDSC) is still a work in progress. Attendance at the San Diego Convention will be a gauge of the actual integration of all Commanders above the Chapter level.

The following actions were conducted by the Chair of the CRC since the last convention. The actions “conducted” by the Chair, as delineated in paragraph below, were not done without the assistance of many companions in/out of the CRC. Many thanks to the following: Bob Mallin, Gary Green, Debbie Kash, Harry Weinberg, Carl Witte, John Hayes, Gary Engen, Gordon Bassett, John Baumgarten, Art Morrill, Ken Staples, Hall Worthington, Russ Vowinkel,... and many others.

- a. Published minutes of the last meeting on 19 July 2011.
- b. Conducted an electronic vote on Appendix Q, “Council of Region Commanders” (CRC), MOWW Policy Manual, which is now Chapter 8, “Committees, Boards and Councils,” paragraph C2. The CRC goals and objectives were approved.
- c. Recruited a Department and a State Commander to be the Deputy Chair and the Assistant Deputy Chair, respectively, for the CRC. Conducted vote via email with both Commanders being elected.
- d. Submitted several documents to Chief of Staff for inclusion in the new Policy Manual. These included the Chapters governing the Department, the State and the Chapter and Commander Checklists. Also comments were provided on numerous other documents. All these inputs included solicited comments from CRC members.
- e. Emailed CRC members three documents to update past actions and to highlight near term events that they should action. A fourth document was emailed in June focusing on the Agenda for the CRC meeting at the Convention and a final reminder that Region Commander Reports were due 15 June.
- f. Attended and presented at the EXCOM meeting in Arlington, VA 12 – 13 November 2011.



- g. Attended the Region I Winter Conference in New Hampshire in December, 2011.
- h. Attended the Region IV Convention in Richmond, VA in May, 2012.
- i. Attended the Region I Convention in Worcester, MA in June, 2012.

Summary comments on the CRC:

- a. The writing and updating of the Handbook into the Policy Manual, has been a very time consuming action. The Chief of Staff did a masterful job in structuring, modifying, editing and publishing the new manual. Though there is still much proofing and editing that needs to be accomplished, we will be able to put the manual to the test and get some good feedback from our companions at all levels. Hopefully, the reformatting and consolidating of information and requirements will make the users' lives much easier and more productive.
- b. I stated last year that I thought Region Commanders should serve two-year terms and asked the CRC members to consider changing to a two year term, if they were only doing a one year term. Over half of the Regions have multi-year terms and most of the rest have a good leadership development program which adds greatly in the continuity of the Region Commander position. With only four of the thirteen Region Commanders changing this year, the problem now becomes one of Region Commanders "staying" too long. We need to do a better job of developing our replacements.
- c. Communication and exchange of information and ideas remain critical to the effectiveness of the CRC. It is difficult to provide meaningful input to the EXCOM and CINC without sufficient information and data from the Commanders. The differences in the operations and effectiveness of the Regions add to the difficulty of presenting a unified recommendation and/or solution

My membership in the EXCOM has been very gratifying and humbling. I had the honor of participating to a minor extent in the Order's hosting the National Veterans Day Ceremony and follow-on reception on 11 November, 2011. I feel that the Order hit a homerun with its execution of duties. We should all be very proud!

For the good of the Order

MICHAEL C. WILGEN, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Council of Region Commanders



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GIST BLAIR MEMORIAL FUND

Equity markets proved resilient and positive in the first quarter. Euro markets continue to be roiled with credit concerns with sovereign debt relative to the Euro. Our market continues to be fragile. Values in real estate are improving slowly. The economic growth remains around 2 %. Unemployment and under-employment dogs further improvement as consumer credit remains a concern. Market value on our invested funds rose steadily over the first quarter. The second quarter began with a slump based on European banking woes. The yield on our investments is based on the net asset value so our cash flow remains strong.

TOTAL PORTFOLIO VALUE, 30 Dec2011	\$153,782	
TOTAL PORTFOLIO VALUE, 31 May 2012	\$163,095	
NET PORTFOLIO GAIN OR (LOSS) YEAR TO DATE (\$/%)	\$9,313	6%
NET INCOME & EXPENSES FOR PERIOD 12/31/11 – 05/31/12	(\$300)	

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>SHARES</u>	<u>VALUE (\$)</u>
Columbia Cash Reserves	6,188	6,188
Gabelli Dividend & Income TRUST	1120	16,890
Liberty All Star Equity FD SBI	28,712	126,620
Federated Clover	925	13,394

The dividend yield on Liberty All-Star is 1.5% of net asset value per share per quarter with estimated annual income of \$9189. This is an estimated annual yield of 7.25% of Net Asset Value.

The dividend yield of Gabelli Dividend and Income Trust is 6.36% with an estimated annual income of \$1076.

For the good of the Order

PCINC DAVID R. TITUS, LTC, USA (Ret)
Chair, Gist Blair Memorial Fund



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PATRIOTIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

We have held our own this fiscal year and remain fiscally sound. Our investments through the fine guidance of our Treasurer, Art Judson have held up just fine. We are still supervising the investments of the Pasadena CA Chapter by directing donations to the three JROTC units they support. These were from a formal written request, which is how we determine eligibility.

As a reminder - Requests for support should in writing and addressed to the President of the Board of Trustees with the following information:

- a. Name of organization and person making the request.
- b. Amount requested.
- c. Purpose for which funds will be utilized.
- d. Where, when and how the funds will be disbursed.
- e. Date when funds are needed.
- f. Any other useful information outlining the need and use of the funds.
- g. A reply as to how the funds were actually spent.

Please note that these requests should be made after all the normal channels through the yearly national budget proposals have been exhausted and should not be a substitute for prudent fiscal management. Please remember our participation is limited to the funds available from earned income so there is no guarantee that a request can or will be honored. You will be notified either way.

The Patriotic Education Foundation, Inc. is a viable, functioning, and healthy Corporation working for the "Good of the Order". We realize there are many requests and solicitations for your donations of any size from every walk of life. We too ask that you consider including the Patriotic Education Foundation (a 501c 3 Foundation) in your future plan-giving program. These donations are welcome, accepted and utilized in the best interests of the Military Order of the World Wars.

For the good of the Order

DONALD G. ALLEN, 1st Lt, USAF (Fmr)
President, PEF Board of Trustees



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YOUTH ENRICHMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

The board of directors of the Youth Enrichment Foundation, Inc. met in Bozeman, MT on 19 July 2011 at 1:00 pm. The meeting had a quorum and thus the board was authorized to take appropriate action per the agenda.

Lud Bezemek briefed on his grant request program and the MetaSoft Systems program that the YEF had engaged.

A summary of the 2010 Youth Leadership programs and minor changes to the goals of the YEF for future years were also discussed. It was noted that the Boy Scout program for Venturing programs (Co-Ed) was continued per the requirement of the insurance program covering volunteers.

Of major concern was the funding for the Youth Leadership Conferences and the per night per student stipend. The stipend in past years has been \$7.00 per night per student. However, a determination to continue at this same level will need to be made relating to any change with market conditions of the YEF funds.

Also of concern were the make-up of the board of directors of the foundation, which currently consists of seven members. This will be discussed at this board meeting in San Diego.

Lud Bezemek and Dick Minor were re-elected to the board for a new three year term.

The officers elected for the 2011-2012 year were President, COL Bert Rice; Vice President, CAPT Rollie Stevens; Treasurer, Col Jerry Knotts; and Secretary, Col Dave Gibson.

For the good of the Order

ROLLIE STEVENS, CAPT, USN (Ret)
Vice President, Youth Enrichment Foundation

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PCINC BERT L. RICE, COL, USA (Ret)
President, Youth Enrichment Foundation



RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

NATIONAL CITATIONS

REGION SUBMISSIONS

- Katherine R. Adams, HPM
 - Col Louis N. Ferguson, USAF (Ret)
 - 1LT Jerald N. Hutchins, USA (Fmr)
 - MG Donald L. Jacka, Jr., USA (Ret)
 - COL Robert L. Reese, AUS, (Ret)
 - LTC Donald A. Siegel, AUS (Ret)
 - MAJ Thomas N. Yde, USA (Ret)
- Space Coast-Indian River FL Chapter
Prince George's County MD Chapter
Portland OR Chapter
Topeka KS Chapter
General Ridgway-Pittsburgh PA Chapter
CPT Grevenberg Chapter
Wichita KS Chapter

DEPARTMENT SUBMISSIONS

- COL Alonzo N. Diodene, Jr., AUS (Retired)
- CPT Grevenberg-New Orleans LA Chap

CHAPTER SUBMISSIONS

- LTC Richard L. Ardisson, USA (Ret)
 - Lt Col Elsa J. Baker, USAF (Ret)
 - MAJ Michael E. Belcher, USA (Ret)
 - LTC Charles S. Chamberlin, USA (Ret)
 - Capt Vernon A. Elarth, USAF (Fmr)
 - COL Daniel G. Foust, USAR (Ret)
 - Sheryl A. Harris, HPM
 - Maj Thomas E. Kelly, USMC (Ret)
 - CAPT Howard A. Konetchy, USN (Ret)
 - Capt Raymond L. Kunkle, USMC (Ret)
 - Ann M. Mandigo, HPM
 - LTC Jorge L. Mas, USA (Ret)
 - Capt Wallace L. Mueller, USMC (Fmr)
 - CDR Earl A. Richardson, USN (Ret)
 - COL Anthony J. Sammons, Jr., USA (Ret)
 - LTC Fredrick T. Sherrer, USA (Ret)
 - LTC George K. Smith, USA (Ret)
 - Mimi Thackston, HPM
 - COL Gerald E. Webb, USA (Ret)
 - Lt Col Paul D. Willey, USAF (Ret)
 - COL Robert L. Windus, USA (Ret)
- Fort Knox KY Chapter
Mesilla Valley NM Chapter
Fort Hood TX Chapter
Dallas TX Chapter
Sun City Center FL Chapter
Fort Worth TX Chapter
San Diego CA Chapter
Wilmington DE Chapter
CAPT Dilworth TX Chapter
Joseph H. Pendleton CA Chapter
Puget Sound WA Chapter
Puerto Rico Chapter
Dallas TX Chapter
Augusta GA Chapter
Phoenix AZ Chapter
Philadelphia PA Chapter
Clearwater FL Chapter
El Paso TX Chapter
Saddleback Valley CA Chapter
Philadelphia PA Chapter
Portland OR Chapter



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GENERAL STAFF EMERITUS NOMINATIONS

No nominations were received.



RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

THE 2012 PHOENICIAN AWARD RECIPIENT & ESSAY

Phoenician Award Essay Question

The right to vote is a constitutional right. Many states are passing voter identification laws. Should this be state's decision or should there be national uniform requirements on who is eligible to vote and what type of documentation should be allowable?

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Phoenician Award Recipient Essay

ZACHARY N. HALL

Northwest Youth Leadership Conference | Pacific Lutheran University

Our ability to vote is one of the most treasured rights in the United States. The blood of every soldier is the backdrop of the right to vote. The Constitution has multiple amendments that are guidelines to who can vote and what protection they have. For instance, the 26th Amendment, adopted in 1971, lowered the voting age to 18. That was the last change establishing a requirement for voting eligibility. In the last few decades, voter fraud has become an issue, so the question is what steps can be taken to remedy this? Many states have struggled to come up with a way to require voters to provide identification to prove who they are when registering to vote. With states all having very different ways of doing things, it would be in everyone's best interest if the federal government was the one to set the rules in place to prevent voter fraud.

When I got my job as a lifeguard at my local community center, I had to fill out a form called the W-9. The purpose of this form was to show that I was an eligible worker in the United States. It was simple, all I had to do was provide a few critical pieces of information and I was ready to work. At my father's work place, the company uses the E-Verify process. It is a little more involved and is administered by the Department of Homeland Security. This process verifies that a worker is in the country legally and is eligible to work. I believe that a system like E-Verify could be used to verify the voting eligibility of anyone registering to vote. Call it "V-Verify"—at no cost to the voter. Of course, states would be a part of the process due to voting being very much a local issue.

We live in a time where elections can be decided by a very slim margin. For example, in California in 1996, Loretta Sanchez beat incumbent Robert Dornan, but voter fraud was alleged. After the election, Dornan was able to show that non-citizens and felons had been registered to vote. This is only one example of the voting system being exploited. Groups like ACORN and Hermandad Mexicana Nacional employ methods to bolster their voting rolls by registering massive numbers, and overloading an underfunded and understaffed state election office. Under a federal "V-Verify" system, registrations



would have to be submitted in time to allow for applicant verification. On Election Day, show your voting card proudly and vote!

Our ability to conduct fair and accurate elections should never be looked on as an inconvenience for our citizens. It should be demanded. Our rights should be held close to our hearts, and we should always be looking to make our system better. Al Capone, the infamous Chicago gangster once said, "I remember to vote early—and often." Allowing the federal government the ability to set the rules, as it has before, will ensure that our future elections are fair and accurate.



Zachary N. Hall is a born leader, natural athlete and superb scholar who graduated this June from Heritage High School in Vancouver, WA. He is now attending the US Military Academy at West Point. He was a National Honor Society officer, graduated with Advanced Placement courses, and a 3.83 grade point average. He was an All League, "Honorable Mention," football player, and a track and cross-country runner for his school. He was active in his community supporting Big Brothers Big Sisters, Walk for Diabetes and Miracle League. His strong suit is leadership of all kinds. To illustrate, he was a tutor, the Varsity Captain of the Football Team, student body President, an AFJROTC Flight Commander and the recipient of the Northwest Youth Leadership's "Lewis and Clark" top student award. He also worked as a City of Vancouver Life Guard. His goal is to be a US Army Officer.



2011 MOWW NATIONAL CONVENTION

SCHEDULE

PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, 18 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
0800-1400	Cottonwood Golf Club (0900 Tee-Off)	Cottonwood GC	All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	Guided Fly-Fishing Trip (depart from hotel)	TBD	All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	All meals on your own	As desired	All

TUESDAY, 19 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
TBD-0755	Breakfast on your own	As desired	All
TBD-TBD	Guided Fly-Fishing Trip (depart from hotel)	TBD	All (OPTIONAL)
0800-0950	Pre-Convention EXCOM Meeting	Montana Room	EXCOM mbrs only
0900-1700	Registration	Lobby	All
1000-1150	Budget Committee Meeting	Montana Room	Cmte mbrs only
1000-1150	<i>Evaluate Awards</i> Chapter Act & Awds Cmte	University Room	Cmte mbrs only
1200-1250	Lunch on your own	As desired	All
1300-1700	MOWW® Hospitality Lounge	Board Room	All
1300-1350	<i>Evaluate Awards</i> National Security Committee	State Room	Cmte mbrs only
1300-1350	MOWW® Board of Trustees Meeting	TBD	Board mbrs only
1300-1650	Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF) Board	University Room	Board mbrs only
1400-1550	Council of Region Commanders Meeting	State Room	Council mbrs only
1700-TBD	Dinner on your own	As desired	All

WEDNESDAY, 20 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
TBD-0655	Breakfast on your own	As desired	All
0700-1800	Yellowstone Park Tour (depart from hotel)	Yellowstone	All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	Guided Fly-Fishing Trip (depart from hotel)	TBD	All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	Lunch on your own	As desired	All
1200-1600	Bozeman Museum Tour (depart from hotel)	Bozeman	All (OPTIONAL)
1900-2100	CINC Welcome Reception	Patio Area	All

* Chuck Wagon Buffet; casual dress

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, 21 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
TBD-0755	Breakfast on your own	As desired	All
TBD-TBD	Guided Fly-Fishing Trip (depart from hotel)	TBD	All (OPTIONAL)
0700-0850	Council of Past CINC's Breakfast Meeting	Montana Room	CPC mbrs only
0800-0850	<i>Seminar</i> Law & Order and Homeland Security	Gallatin Room	All
0800-0850	Chap Off Info Bfg & New Attendees Orient	Jefferson Room	All
0900-1700	Registration	Lobby	All
0900-1700	MOWW® Hospitality Lounge	Board Room	All



0900-1150	Patriotic Education Committee (PEC) Meeting	Jefferson Room	YLC Directors/Staff
1000-1050	<i>Seminar</i> Financial Development	University Room All	
1000-1050	<i>Seminar</i> Chapter Activities & Awards	Gallatin Room All	
1100-1150	<i>Workshop</i> Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts	University Room All	
1100-1150	Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter Meeting	Jefferson Room Chapter mbrs only	
1200-1250	Lunch on your own	As desired All	
1300-1450	Candidate Presentations and Audience Q&A	Gallatin Room All	
1400-1450	Teller Orientation Meeting	University Room Tellers only	
1500-1650	Nominating Committee Meeting	Gallatin Room Cmte mbrs/alts only	
1700-1850	At Leisure	As desired All	
1900-2200	Dinner (buffet) & entertainment (“Ringling 5”) <i>*Courtesy of the Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter (Gallatin/Jefferson)</i>	Banquet Room All	

FRIDAY, 22 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
TBD-0755	Breakfast on your own	As desired	All
0800-0820	Opening Ceremony, 2011 National Convention	Banquet Room	All
0830-1145	1 st National Convention Session	Banquet Room	All
0900-1700	Registration	Lobby	All
0900-1700	MOWW® Hospitality Lounge	Board Room	All
1200-1415	MOWW Awards Luncheon & Nat Sec Speaker <i>* Guest speaker: National Security Distinguished Visitor</i>	Banquet Room	All
1430-2300	Virginia City Tour (depart from hotel) <i>*Catered meal and melodrama in Virginia City</i>	Virginia City	All (OPTIONAL)
TBD-TBD	Dinner on your own	As desired	All

SATURDAY, 23 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
TBD-0715	Breakfast on your own	As desired	All
0730-0850	Memorial Service	Banquet Room	All
0900-1050	2 nd National Convention Session	Banquet Room	All
0900-1600	MOWW® Hospitality Lounge	Board Room	All
TBD-TBD	Guided Fly-Fishing Trip (depart from hotel)	TBD	All (OPTIONAL)
1100-1150	Post-Convention General Staff Meeting	Banquet Room	Gen Staff mbrs only
1200-1250	Lunch on your own	As desired	All
1200-1600	Bozeman Museum Tour (depart from hotel)	Bozeman	All (OPTIONAL)
1300-1350	<i>Seminar</i> ROTC/JROTC	Gallatin Room	All
1400-1450	<i>Seminar</i> Information & Publicity	Gallatin Room	All
1500-1650	<i>Seminar</i> Membership	Gallatin Room	All
1400-1550	Policy-Planning Committee Meeting	State Room	All
1500-1550	Marketing Committee (<i>ad hoc</i>) Meeting	Montana Room	All
1600-1650	Non-Denominational Service (w/Chap Gen)	University Room	All (OPTIONAL)
1800-1850	CINC’s Formal Reception <i>*1830-1850: Receiving Line</i>	Banquet Room	All
1900-2100	Formal Convention Banquet (w/guest speaker) <i>* MOWW Distinguished Service Award (DSA) presented during banquet</i>	Banquet Room	All

POST-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, 24 JULY 2011

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	ATTENDEES
0800-0950	Post-Convention EXCOM Breakfast Meeting	Montana Room	EXCOM mbrs only
0800-0950	EXCOM Spouse/Guest Breakfast	Board Room	EXCOM Spouses/Guests
TBD	Departure	N/A	All



The Military Order of the World Wars



5 September 2011

FROM: HQ MOWW/CS

TO: Companions of the Military Order of the World Wars

SUBJECT: Minutes: Joint Session, Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting and the National Convention (22-23 July 2011)

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. On Friday, 22 July 2011, in accordance with the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) Constitution and Bylaws, the Joint Session, 2011 Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting and the 2010 National Convention (22-23 July 11) were called to order. Roberts Rules of Order applied. When mentioned, "Convention Book" refers to the MOWW 2011 "National Convention Book," dated 18-24 July 2011."
2. Assistant Chaplain General CAPT Theodore A. Atwood gave an invocation, the Bozeman (MT) Police Department Honor Guard presented the Colors, the Pledge of Allegiance was said in *en masse*, the MOWW Preamble was read and a roll call was called. The minutes from the preceding convention were read and accepted by a majority vote (motion, seconded and affirmative majority vote).
3. CINC COL Clifford D. Way, Jr., USAF (Ret) presented his welcoming remarks, thanking all Companions throughout the Military Order for their great work over the past year. He also his appreciation for those Companions attending MOWW's National Convention.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The minutes of the 2010 Joint Session, 2010 Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting & National Convention and actions cited therein were accepted were (i.e., a motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed).
2. The minutes of the 2010 Post-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting were also accepted were (i.e., a motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed).

NEW BUSINESS



1. CINC presented the Convention Rules found in the Convention Book (Motion to Approve, Seconded and Passed).
2. MOWW officers presented their reports.
 - a. Out-going Commander-in-Chief (CINC), Col Clifford D. Way, Jr., USAF (Ret), presented his “End-of-Tour Report ” as did the five out-going Vice CINCs (Convention Book):
 - 1) SVCINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret)
 - 2) VCINC COL M. Hall Worthington, USA (Ret)
 - 3) VCINC LTC Gary O. Engen, USA (Ret)
 - 4) VCINC John M. Hayes, USAF (Fmr)
 - 5) VCINC Jennie M. McIntosh, HPM.
 - b. MOWW Chief of Staff, Brig Arthur B. Morrill III, USAF (Ret), presented his annual report.
 - c. The Chair, MOWW Board of Trustees, CDR Arthur Judson II, USN (Ret), presented the trustees annual report—to include reporting on the Perpetual & Memorial Member (PM) Fund *corpus*.
 - d. Treasurer General LTC John H. Hollywood, USA (Ret), presented his report and MOWW’s proposed FY11-12 budget, which was approved by a majority vote (motion, second and vote). Additionally, he presented the “MOWW Budget Authority Resolution,” which was approved were (i.e., a motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed).
 - e. SVCINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret), presented the annual Budget Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.
 - f. Other national committee, council, board and foundation reports were presented (all reports are in the 2011 Convention Book):
 - 1) Policy Planning Committee. The Committee Chair, SVCINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret), presented the committee’s annual report, addressing the “MOWW Strategic Plan 2010-2015, now available on the MOWW website at: www.militaryorder.net.
 - 2) Constitution & Bylaws Committee. No proposed amendments to MOWW’s “National Constitution and Bylaws” were brought forward for convention vote.
 - 3) Membership Committee Report
 - 4) Patriotic Education Committee (PEC) Report.
 - 5) ROTC Committee Report
 - 6) Scouting Committee Report
 - 7) National Security Committee Report



- 8) Homeland Security Committee Report
- 9) Legislative & Resolutions Committee Report. The Committee Chair, LTC Ruth L. Hamilton, USA (Ret), presented four proposed National Resolutions for vote. Each of the following resolutions were passed by a majority vote (i.e., motions were made, seconded and passed).
 - a) “Ensuring Homeland Security”
 - b) “100th Anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the USA”
 - c) “USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) Relocation to Portland, Maine”
 - d) “Cold War Service Medal”
- 10) Youth Enrichment Foundation, Inc., (YEF) Report
- 11) Patriotic Education Foundation, Inc., (PEF) Report
- 12) Nominating Committee Report. The Committee Chair, PCINC LTG Robert L. Wetzel, USA (Ret), presented the report. This report was accepted were (i.e., a motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed), which was followed by a call for candidates and the national election. Officers were elected in keeping with MOWW’s “National Constitution and Bylaws.”

Note: National election results were published in the September 2011 Officer Review[®] and are available on the MOWW website: <http://www.militaryorder.net>.

CINC Col Way then called for a vote to accept all committee reports, which they were (i.e., a motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed).

3. A nomination proposing Col Frederick J. Graves, USAF (Ret), as General Staff *Emeritus* was approved by majority vote (motion, seconded and affirmative majority vote).

RECESS

CINC Way next called for issues or Items “For the Good of the Order,” and hearing none, he announced the recess of the 2011 General Staff Meeting and the 2011 National Convention.

NOTE: After the Joint Session, 2011 Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting and 2011 National Convention (First Session) recessed on 22 July 2011 to allow for the MOWW Awards Luncheon and National Security Seminar. It reconvened on Saturday, 23 July 2011 as the Joint Session, 2011 Pre-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting and 2011 National Convention (Second Session).

CALL TO ORDER



In accordance with the MOWW Constitution and Bylaws, CINC-elect CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret), called the Post-General Staff Meeting to order on Saturday, 23 July 2011. Roberts Rules of Order applied. There was no old business.

NOTE: An invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance and reading the MOWW Preamble were not necessary since the General Staff was still in session from the Joint Session of the Full National Convention.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The 2012 National Convention will be held in San Diego, CA, from 30 July – 5 August 2012, at the Four Points Sheraton. Additional information may be found on the MOWW website at: www.militaryorder.net.
2. The 2013 National Convention will be held in Dallas, TX, and the 2014 National Convention will be held in Baltimore, MD. As information becomes available on the Dallas and Baltimore conventions, it will be available on the MOWW website.
3. CINC-Elect CAPT Vowinkel announced his appointments to the EXCOM, assistant national officer positions, chairs of standing and *ad hoc* national committees, boards and councils and other appointments. Those appointments are listed in the September 2011 issue of the *Officer Review*[®] magazine and are available on the MOWW website: www.militaryorder.net.

NOTE: The entire membership of the Executive Committee of the General Staff (EXCOM) and the Budget Committee are determined by rule. Portions of the membership of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, the Ethic Committee, the Historical & Archives Committee, the Information, Publicity & Magazine Committee, the Legislative & Resolutions Committee, the Magazine Sub-Committee (of the Information, Publicity & Magazine Committee), the Nominating Committee are determined by rule.

RECESS

1. CINC Way next called for issues or Items “For the Good of the Order,” and hearing none, he announced the recess of the 2011 General Staff Meeting and the 2011 National Convention.

NOTE: After the 2011 Post-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting and 2011 National Convention (First Session) recessed on 22 July 2011 to allow for the MOWW Formal Reception and Banquet. It reconvened on Saturday, 23 July 2011 as the 2011 National Convention (Second Session).

2. After a benediction, the 2011 Post-Convention General Staff (GS) Meeting was adjourned.

CALL TO ORDER

1. The MOWW National Convention Banquet was the final Session of the 2011 National Convention. The banquet was held on Saturday, 23 July 2011, during which the officers-elect were installed.



2. In accordance with the MOWW Constitution and Bylaws, CINC Way called the 2011 National Convention to order on Saturday, 23 July 2011 at 1900. Roberts Rules of Order applied. There was no old business.
3. During the Formal Banquet, newly-elected national officers were installed, and oaths of office were also administered to appointed officers.
4. The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) recipient, Gen Joseph F. Dunsford, Jr., Assistance Commandant, United States Marine Corps, presented a review of on-going Marine Corps operations and issues affecting the US Armed Forces.
5. CINC Vowinkel called for issues or Items “For the Good of the Order,” and hearing none, the 2011 National Convention was adjourned.

For the good of the Order

///SIGNED///

ARTHUR B. MORRILL III, Brig Gen, USAF (Ret)
Chief of Staff, MOWW



MOWW BYLAWS

ARTICLE V | DUTIES OF OFFICERS

“SECTION 1. The Duties of the Officers of the Military Order of World Wars shall be as follows:

- a. The Commander-in-Chief (CINC).
 - 1) The CINC shall preside at the National Convention and meetings of the General Staff and the Executive Committee of the General Staff.
 - 2) He shall enforce a strict observance of the Constitution and Bylaws and perform such other duties as custom and parliamentary usage may require, or which the General Staff may prescribe.
- b. Vice Commanders-in-Chief (VCINC).
 - 1) The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVCINC) and the four Vice Commanders-in-Chief (VCINCs) shall assist the Commander-in-Chief (CINC) when called upon.
 - 2) In case of the CINC’s absence or disability the SVCINC followed by one of the four VCINCs (as determined by the General Staff) shall act in his stead. In the event of the CINC’s resignation or death, the CINC shall be succeeded to his office by the SR VCINC or if he is not able to serve, by one of the four VCINCs, as determined by the General Staff.
 - 3) If the CINC is replaced by the SVCINC, a VCINC will be selected by the General Staff to fill the SVCINC position and the vacant VCINC position will be filled by one of the five (5) At-Large (i.e., elected) General Staff Officers, as determined by the General Staff.
- c. The Chief of Staff (CS).
 - 1) The Chief of Staff is responsible for conducting the Order's affairs pursuant to the Resolutions and Directives of the National Convention, the General Staff and the National Constitution and Bylaws.
 - 2) The Chief of Staff is responsible for the routine business correspondence of National Headquarters with Commanders of the Order and individual Companions.
 - 3) The Chief of Staff shall maintain close liaisons with Regions, States, Departments and Chapters.
 - 4) The Chief of Staff shall implement the policies of the Order and is the custodian of records and files, as well as the seal of the Order.



- 5) The Chief of Staff is responsible for recording and reporting all meetings of Conventions, the General Staff and the Executive Committee of the General Staff, and shall transmit copies of minutes of such meetings to members of the General Staff and Chapter Commanders by mail, email and/or the Order's web site, as prescribed by actions of the Order."
- 6) The Chief of Staff shall also serve as both Commander and Adjutant of the National Headquarters Chapter for the purpose of providing appropriate administrative support to the members of that chapter to the extent that they would be entitled to such support as any other chapter of the Order. Such support will include the designation of the appropriate number of members of the National Headquarters Chapter as delegates to the National Convention, as described by the rules of the Order in the MOWW Policy Handbook. Notwithstanding his status as Commander of the National Headquarters Chapter, the Chief of Staff does not in consequence enjoy the right to serve as, or to be considered as, a voting delegate to any meetings of the General Staff or to the National Convention.
 - a) The Chief of Staff shall serve as the Editor-in-Chief of the Officer Review® magazine.
 - b) The Chief of Staff is a member of (all *ex officio* without a vote):
 - (1) The General Staff and Executive Committee of the General Staff.
 - (2) The Magazine Sub-Committee.
 - (3) The Budget Committee.
 - (4) The Legislative and Resolutions Committee.
 - (5) The Information and Publicity Committee.
 - (6) The National Convention Committee.
 - (7) A Trustee of the VADM Dyer Magazine Trust Fund.
- d. The Treasurer General.
 - 1) The Treasurer General is responsible for all monies paid into the National Headquarters. This includes, but is not limited to, its proper allocation, safe custody and disbursement as authorized by the approved budget or by the General Staff. The Treasurer General's account books shall be open to members of the General Staff at all times.
 - 2) The Treasurer General shall annually submit to the General Staff and National Convention a certified public accountant (CPA) audit of the receipts, disbursements, permanent funds, assets, and liabilities of the Order. The CPAs shall give a corporate surety bond, satisfactory to the General Staff, in such sum as the General Staff may direct, the premium thereon paid by the Order. The CPAs shall be members *ex officio* without a vote of the Board of Trustees.



- 3) At the end of each fiscal year the Treasurer General shall publish the financial statement of the Order in the Officer Review® magazine.
 - a. The Judge Advocate General shall give legal advice on matters pertaining to the Order upon request by a National Officer, the General Staff, or any Companion of the Order. The Judge Advocate General shall report to the General Staff and National Convention on all matters referred to him/her.
 - b. The Surgeon General shall report at National Conventions on such matters in the physical welfare field as may be of timely interest to the Order, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the General Staff.
 - c. The Chaplain General shall lead National Conventions and General Staff meetings with prayer and perform such other duties customary to his office, as directed by the General Staff.
 - d. The Historian General shall acquire and preserve records of historical interest relating to the Order and/or its members, and arrange for safe custody and accessibility of such records, subject to General Staff approval.
 - e. General Staff Officers (GSO).
 - 1) General Staff Officers-at-Large: Two (2) of the ten (10) General Staff members-at-large shall be assigned by the Commander-in-Chief to each of the five (5) Vice Commanders-in-Chief, and they shall constitute a staff to assist the respective Vice Commanders-in-Chief by:
 - a) Preparation, processing and presentation of staff studies, as directed by the Commander-in-Chief or assigned Vice Commander-in-Chief. Assignment of preparation, processing, and presentation of a staff study shall include designation of the General Staff Member-at-Large who shall be responsible for carrying through the studies to completed action. This shall include necessary coordination with other Vice Commanders-in-Chief, National Officers and Chairs of Committees, to include (in every case) the Policy Planning Committee, prior to submission to the assigning officer. The Commander-in-Chief shall be consulted as necessary and appropriate.
 - b) Monitoring the activities of standing and ad hoc committees assigned to the Vice Commanders-in-Chief by the Commander-in-Chief. Exempted from such assignments shall be committees chaired by the Commander-in-Chief, Vice Commanders-in-Chief, Past Commanders-in-Chief, or others specifically designated by the Commander-in-Chief. Representing, as requested, the Commander-in-Chief or a Vice Commander-in-Chief at designated functions within the Order.
 - c) Performing other duties as may be assigned by the General Staff.
 - 2) The Chief of Staff shall be kept informed of the activities of these General Staff Officers and provide such assistance as may be feasible to assist them in carrying out their duties.



- f. The Board of Trustees. The duties of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Military Order of the World Wars are prescribed below:
 - 1) Within any policy guidance established by the General Staff or the Order in National Convention, the Board of Trustees of the Order shall administer the Order's funds by investing and reinvesting all monies committed to its charge in the appropriate funds.
 - 2) The Board of Trustees shall submit a report to the National Convention and the General Staff, upon request, listing the investments held in each of the funds (and their parts) entrusted to their care. The report shall provide such additional data as may be directed from time to time by the General Staff.
 - 3) The Trustees shall also report on the amount of the corpus for the Perpetual and Memorial Membership Fund at each National Convention meeting. At any scheduled meeting, any two (2) members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum. If records are inadequate, the board of Trustees shall use its best judgment in establishing the corpus amount.

SECTION 2. Promoting Activity and Cooperation Among Chapters.

- a. Region Commanders shall promote activity and cooperation among existing chapters of their Region, and shall encourage the formation of new chapters and the increase of membership through improving and broadening the Order's public standing in their Region. They shall engage the support of his State or Department Commanders. They shall make regular reports to the Commander-in-Chief, and report to the General Staff and the National Convention.
- b. State and Department Commanders shall promote the activity of and cooperation among existing chapters of their respective State and Departments, and shall encourage the formation of new chapters, the increase of membership and the improving and widening of the Order's public standing in their respective States and Departments.
 - 1) They shall support their respective Regional Commanders, making such reports as necessary or required to their Regional Commanders, the Vice Commanders-in-Chief, Commander-in-Chief and the General Staff.
 - 2) In those States having one (1) or more organized Departments, each Department Commander shall, during the second quarter of the calendar year, call a convention of the delegates of the chapters within the Department for the purpose of electing Department officers and for such other business as may properly be considered.

SECTION 3. Each elected additional member of the General Staff from a Region shall, as possible, assist the Commander of the Region and, in case of necessity, act as relief of the Regional Commander.

SECTION 4. In the absence of any officer or their failure to perform their duties satisfactorily, these duties may be assigned to another Companion by the General Staff."



FUTURE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

2013 & 2014

- The 2013 MOWW National Convention will be held in Dallas, TX.
- The 2014 MOWW National Convention will be held in Baltimore, MD.

NOTE: As information becomes available on the Dallas and Baltimore conventions, it will be available on the MOWW website.



WORKSHEETS

NATIONAL OFFICER ELECTION RESULTS

Commander-in-Chief: _____

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: _____

Vice Commanders-in-Chief (4-each): 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Treasurer General: _____

Judge Advocate General: _____

Surgeon General: _____

Chaplain General: _____

Historian General: _____

General Staff-At-Large—Elected (5-each): 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____



WORKSHEETS

2012-2013 EXCOM MEMBERSHIP

Commander-in-Chief (Chair): _____

Immediate Past Living Commander-in-Chief: IPCINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkle, USN (Ret)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: _____

Vice Commanders-in-Chief (4-each): 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Treasurer General: _____

Judge Advocate General: _____

Chair, Council of Past Commanders-in-Chief: _____

Chair, Council of Region Commanders: _____

General Staff Members—Elected (3-each): 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Chief of Staff: Brig Gen Arthur B. Morrill III, USAF (Ret)



WORKSHEETS

2012-2013 CINC APPOINTMENTS

ASSISTANT NATIONAL OFFICERS (TG, JAG, SG, CH, HG):

- Assistant Treasurer General: _____
- Assistant Judge Advocate General: _____
- Assistant Surgeon General: _____
- Assistant Chaplain General: _____
- Assistant Historian General: _____

EXCOM MEMBERS (GS):

- General Staff (not to exceed three (3) members):
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

GENERAL STAFF OFFICERS (AT LARGE):

- General Staff (not to exceed five (5) appointments):
 1. _____
 2. _____



3. _____

4. _____

5. _____



WORKSHEETS

CINC-ASSIGNED OVERSIGHT FOR SVCINC & VCINCS

1. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVCINC)

General Staff Officer (GSO)

1. _____

2. _____

Region

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Committee

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

2. Vice Commander-in-Chief (VCINC)

General Staff Officer (GSO)

1. _____

2. _____

Region

1. _____



- 2. _____
 - 3. _____
- Committee
- 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____
 - 4. _____
 - 5. _____

3. Vice Commander-in-Chief (VCINC)

General Staff Officer (GSO)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Region

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Committee

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____



4. Vice Commander-in-Chief (VCINC)

General Staff Officer (GSO)

1. _____
2. _____

Region

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Committee

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

5. Vice Commander-in-Chief (VCINC)

General Staff Officer (GSO)

1. _____
2. _____

Region

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Committee



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WORKSHEETS

CINC-ASSIGNED OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR GSOs

1. General Staff Officer (GSO)—Elected

Region

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Committee

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

2. General Staff Officer (GSO)—Elected

Region

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2. _____
3. _____

Committee

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

3. General Staff Officer (GSO)—Elected

Region



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2. _____

3. _____

Committee

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3. _____

4. General Staff Officer (GSO)—Elected

Region

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2. _____

3. _____

Committee

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3. _____

5. General Staff Officer (GSO)—Elected

Region

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Committee

1. _____

2. _____



3. _____

6. General Staff Officer (GSO)—CINC-Appointed

Region

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Committee

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

7. General Staff Officer (GSO)—CINC-Appointed

Region

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Committee

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6. _____

7. _____

8. General Staff Officer (GSO)—CINC-Appointed

Region

1. _____

2. _____



- Committee
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9. General Staff Officer (GSO)—CINC-Appointed

- Region
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- Committee
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 3. _____

10. General Staff Officer (GSO)—CINC-Appointed

- Region
1. _____
 2. _____
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- Committee
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WORKSHEETS

CINC APPOINTMENTS FOR COMMITTEES & BOARDS

MOWW BYLAWS, ARTICLE VII, "STANDING COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS," SECTION 2, STATES:

- *"A Companion of the Military Order shall not be Chair of more than one regular standing committee during the same period of time unless so designated by the Bylaws."*

MOWW BYLAWS, ARTICLE VII, "STANDING COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS," SECTION 5, STATES:

- *"Except with the express consent of the Commander-in-Chief, a member of the Order may not be a member of more than two standing committees at the same time and may not, in any case, be a member of more than three (3) standing committees except in those cases where, by reason of National Officer status or past National Officer status, as assignment to more than one (1) standing committee is mandatory under provisions of the Constitution and/or Bylaws. In such instances, a Companion may be a member of one (1) additional, non-mandatory, standing committee."*

STANDING COMMITTEES (REQUIRED):

Boy & Girl Scouts Committee:

Chair: _____

BSA Vice Chair: _____

GS-USA Vice Chair: _____

Budget Committee (Statutory):

Chair: SVCINC

CINC

Four VCINCs

Treasurer General

Assistant Treasurer General

The two Immediate Past Living CINC

Chief of Staff (*ex officio* without a vote)



Chapter Activities & Awards Committee:

Chair: _____

NOTE: IAW the MOWW Policy Manual, Ch. 8, the CINC appoints Committee Chair and the Chair appoints four committee members

Constitution & Bylaws Committee (Statutory):

Chair: Selected from members

Three living Past CINCs

Judge Advocate General

Not to exceed (NTE) five other members

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Ethics Committee:

CINC appoints 3 members (Chair from this group)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Chief of Staff (Statutory)

Judge Advocate General (Statutory)

Financial Development Committee:

Chair: _____

Historical & Archives Committee:

Chair: Historian General (Statutory)

Vice Chair: Asst Historian General (Statutory)



Not to exceed (NTE) five other members

1. _____

2. _____

Homeland Security Committee:

Chair: _____

NOTE: IAW the MOWW Policy Manual, Ch. 8, the CINC appoints Committee Chair and the Chair appoints other committee members

Honors & Protocol Committee:

Chair: _____

Information & Publicity Committee:

Chair: _____

Chief of Staff (ex officio w/o a vote) (Statutory)

Law & Order Committee:

Chair: _____

NOTE: IAW the MOWW Policy Manual, Ch. 8, the CINC appoints Committee Chair and the Chair appoints other committee members

Legislative & Resolutions Committee:

Chair: _____

Chief of Staff (ex officio w/o a vote) (Statutory)

Magazine Committee (Statutory):

Chair: CINC appoints four Companions residing in Washington DC Area, with one being appointed as Chair

Immediate Past Living CINC

Chief of Staff (ex officio w/o a vote) (Statutory)



Membership Committee: Chair: _____

Monuments & Memorials Committee: Chair: _____

NOTE: IAW the MOWW Policy Manual, Ch. 8, the CINC appoints Committee Chair and the Chair appoints other committee members

National Convention & Seminars Committee: Chair: _____

National Security Committee: Chair: _____

Nominating Committee (Statutory): Chair: To be filled from Statutory Members
(except the IPCINC, who will be Vice
Chair)

Vice Chair: Immediate Past Living CINC

All other Past CINC's

All Region Commanders currently installed

One representative from each chapter

Patriotic Education Committee: Chair: _____

Policy Planning Committee: Chair: _____

ROTC Committee: Chair: _____

MOWW Board of Trustees: Chair: CDR Arthur Judson II; Exp: 30 Sep 11)

○ _____



Trustee: PCINC LTC David R. Titus; Exp: 30 Sep 13

Trustee: Maj Leon T. Roberts; Exp 30 Sep 13

Trustee: Chief of Staff (ex officio without a vote)

VADM Dyer Magazine Memorial Trust
Fund

AD HOC COMMITTEES (OPTIONAL):

• _____

AD HOC COMMITTEE NAME

Chair: _____

• _____

AD HOC COMMITTEE NAME

Chair: _____

• _____

AD HOC COMMITTEE NAME

Chair: _____



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ADVISORY & SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

- **Council of Past CINCs:** _____
Vice Chair: _____

- **Council of Region Commanders:** Chair: _____
Vice Chair (for Departments): _____
Assistant Chair (for States): _____

- **Gist Blair Memorial Fund:** Chair: _____
Vice Chair: _____

- **PEF Board of Trustees:** Chair: _____
Vice Chair: _____

- **Youth Enrichment Foundation:** President: _____
Vice Chair: _____



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PRE-CONVENTION EXCOM MEETING

Commander-in-Chief (Chair):	CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret)
Immediate Past Living Commander-in-Chief:	IPCINC Col Clifford D. Way, Jr., USAF (Ret)
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief:	COL M. Hall Worthington, USA (Ret)
Vice Commander-in-Chief:	LTC Gary O. Engen, USA (Ret)
Vice Commander-in-Chief:	Capt Deborah A. Kash, USAF (Ret)
Vice Commander-in-Chief:	Capt John M. Hayes, USAF (Former)
Vice Commander-in-Chief:	Companion Jennie F. McIntosh, HPM
Treasurer General:	LTC John H. Hollywood, USA (Ret)
Judge Advocate General:	COL Earle F. Lasseter, USA (Ret)
Chair, Council of Past Commanders-in-Chief:	PCINC COL BRION V. CHABOT, USA (Ret)
Chair, Council of Region Commanders:	LTC Michael C. Wilgen, USA (Ret)
General Staff Member—Elected:	COL Richard Minor, USA (Ret)
General Staff Member—Elected:	Lt Col Loyal G. Bassett, USAF (Ret)
General Staff Member—Elected:	LTC Ruth L. Hamilton, USA (Ret)
Ex Officio Member—Appointed :	CWO4 Allan R. Peschek, USN (Ret)
Chief of Staff:	Brig Gen Arthur B. Morrill III, USAF (Ret)



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POST-CONVENTION EXCOM MEETING

Commander-in-Chief (Chair): _____

Immediate Past Living Commander-in-Chief: CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: _____

Treasurer General: _____

Judge Advocate General: _____

Chair, Council of Past Commanders-in-Chief: _____

Chair, Council of Region Commanders: _____

General Staff Member—Elected: _____

General Staff Member—Elected: _____

General Staff Member—Elected: _____

Chief of Staff: Brig Gen Arthur B. Morrill III, USAF (Ret)



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