

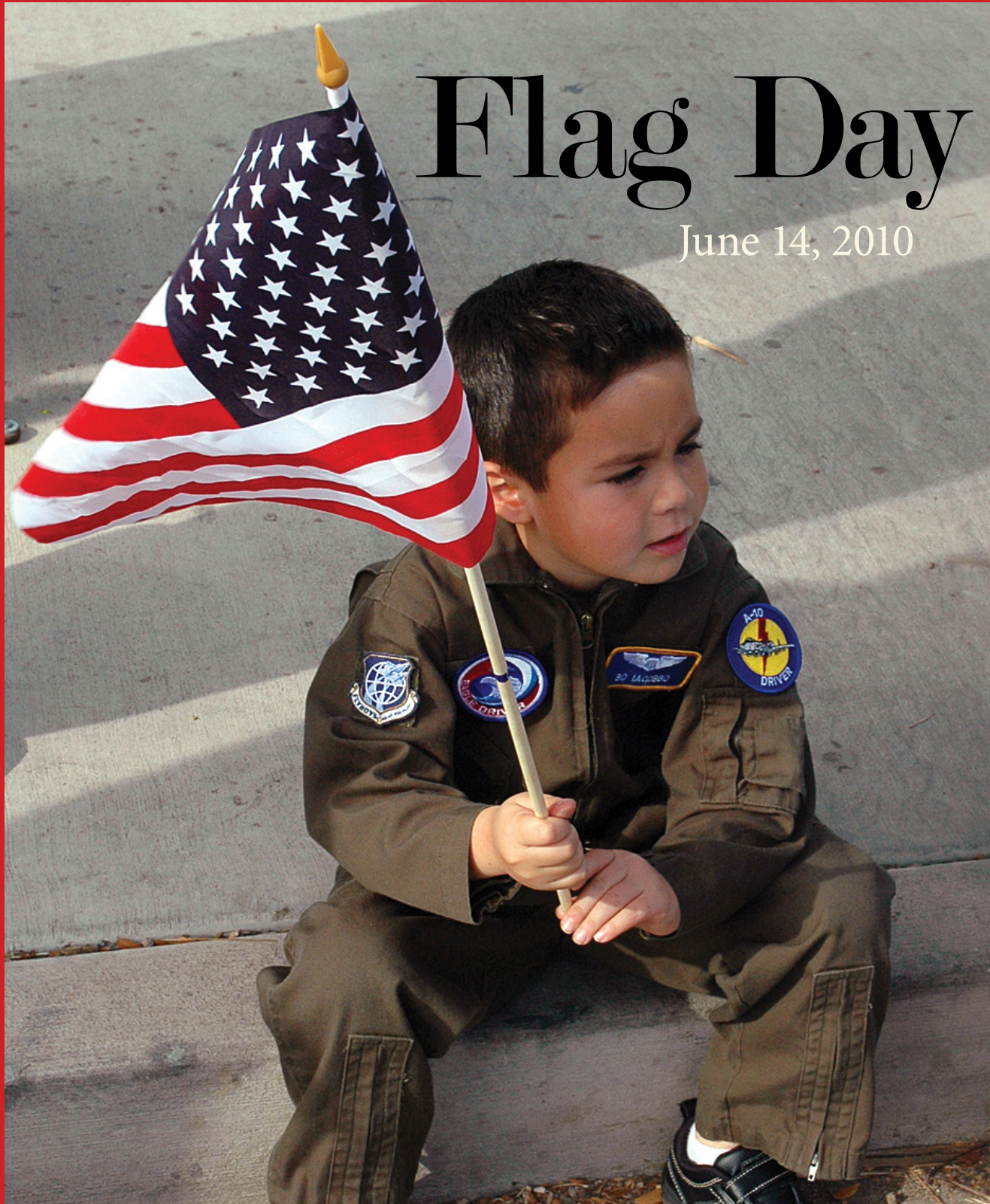
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Commander-in-Chief's Comments

The period around the end of May and the beginning of June marks an important series of events in America, as colleges and high schools hold their graduation ceremonies. Because of travels on MOWW business this year, I'll miss my granddaughter's high school graduation, but I know what will be said sometime during all the various ceremonies.

A speaker will deliver the "Commencement Address," in which they will note that the occasion marks a transition, a new beginning, as the students move from being a protected class whose needs are met by others, to active membership in a new cohort of adults, assuming a new status in a world of opportunity. It will be an inspiring speech, and students and parents alike will reflect upon those new opportunities and new risks. And they'll be cautiously pleased at the new beginning they see before them.

But June marks also the anniversaries of two other "beginnings" for America, which we need to remember and upon which we ought perhaps to reflect more frequently.

On June 14th, we will celebrate the 235th anniversary of the establishment of the United States Army. Organized before the establishment of the independent nation, our "senior service" was created by an act of the Second Continental Congress, resolving "that six companies of expert riflemen be immediately raised in Pennsylvania, two in Maryland, and two in Virginia; [and] that each company consist of a captain, three lieutenants, four sergeants [sic], four corporals, a drummer or trumpeter, and sixty-eight privates."

Two years later, on June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress passed a Flag Resolution, establishing "that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

These two American "beginnings" ought to be more widely recognized than they are. How much media attention will they receive this year?

In the more than two centuries since the establishment of the military arm of the United States, the original 810 soldiers of the Continental Army have grown into the most powerful military, naval and air forces in the history of the world. Active Duty and Reserve Component members of America's Armed Forces are serving in about 130 countries around the world. They secure the interests of America and its allies in defense of freedom, and provide military assistance training and humanitarian assistance to those in need.

American military men and women have made the Stars and Stripes the most recognized and most respected banner in the world, as they serve near the roof of the world in Afghanistan, or in the deserts of Iraq. They overfly the globe at supersonic speeds and at altitudes of tens of thousands of feet, and they swim nearly silently in the darkness of the oceans' depths in the service of our Country. From the International Space Station to the depths of Cheyenne Mountain, America's military members stand ready to serve. Let's remember them and tell people about them—not just on Veterans Day, or Memorial Day, or the Fourth of July, but every day, and in every place we can.

A special "Thank You" to all who donated to this year's CINC Solicitation. The Order reached their goal (see page 28) and these funds will help with the operation of the Order for this year.

Finally, remember the upcoming National Convention in El Paso in August. The convention marks the end of an operational year and yet another new "beginning" for the Order. Colonel Gray, Major Barton and the El Paso Chapter have worked tirelessly to arrange what looks to me like an unforgettable experience. Those of us who attend national meetings regularly understand the organizational and personal benefits that accompany these events. Newcomers will be equally inspired by the "Companion-ship" that accompanies this serious gathering. I urge everyone to get their reservation in—and to enjoy.

Help spread the fire!



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U.S. Air Force photo by Lorna Gutierrez

Back Cover: U.S. Army Lt. Col. Gregory Day, front, Commander of the 1st Battalion, 186th Infantry, 41st Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Oregon Army National Guard, leads his unit during a parade through Medford, Ore., April 24, 2010. The unit demobilized during a ceremony following its 400-day deployment in Iraq as part of the largest mobilization of Oregon Guard members since World War II. National Guard photo by U.S. Army Sgt. Eric Rutherford

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Clearwater, Florida, Chapter Companions, 1st Lt Gerard "Bud" Berry and Col Marilyn DiGiriol taught Flag Etiquette and Education to 5th grade students at Belleair Elementary School in Clearwater, during the Great American Teach-In Day, November 18, 2009.

The photo essay on pages 4 and 5 illustrates Col Elmer's point that the students are interested in Flag Education and that it is a worthwhile pursuit for the Order to do throughout the country.



A Statewide Flag Education Program

*By Past CINC Col Jim Elmer
Central Arkansas Chapter*

In the spring of school year 1988-1989, patriotic leaders in Arkansas initiated the Arkansas Flag Education program. These far-sighted patriots decided that every fifth grade student in the state of Arkansas should receive a flag education class in order to learn proper flag etiquette and respect for the flag. Why fifth graders? There are several good reasons: fifth graders are like sponges about learning new things, they are old enough to understand respect for the flag and, in Arkansas, fifth graders raise and lower the flag in most elementary schools.

Naturally, if the program were to survive, support from the State of Arkansas leadership was essential. It was quickly acquired. Management of the program, funding, class content, and instructor recruitment were additional critical issues that had to be resolved. The Arkansas Veterans' Affairs Office agreed to manage the program. Recognizing that a handout was essential, a four-page color pamphlet, including pictures showing correct display of the flag, was designed. Major Veterans' organizations agreed to provide the annual funding to print the pamphlet, titled "Long May It Wave, Proper Care and Treatment of the American Flag". There would be sufficient copies printed so that every fifth grade student and their teacher would receive a copy of the pamphlet. In order to insure long-term support for the program, the governor's name, pictures of the Directors of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Education, and the logos of the supporting Veterans organizations were all printed on the flag pamphlet. Additionally, the governor agreed to provide a small business-sized card on which each student could put their name to signify they had completed the program. A picture of the flag and the Governor's signature are on the front of the card and the Pledge of Allegiance is on the back.

It was decided that any patriotic volunteer, Veteran, active duty military, or civilian could serve as an instructor, but there had to be some basic structure to the program. Accordingly, a lesson plan requiring about 45 minutes to teach, including flag history, the flag code, and flag etiquette, was developed and provided to every instructor.

With all this planning, there still had to be some way to enlist the support of the schools and to recruit instructors and distribute materials. A letter from the Arkansas Director of Education to every superintendent and elementary principal served to both publicize the program and to encourage support. In Arkansas

the Department of Veterans' Affairs has a representative in every county. These County Veterans' Services Officers (VSOs) recruit instructors and distribute materials sent to them by the Department of Veterans' Affairs. The Central Arkansas Chapter of MOWW provides flag education classes for all the schools in Pulaski County (the most populous county) and parts of several other surrounding counties.

The program has been tremendously successful. However, as with any big program, there comes a time when support seems to slow down, especially if you use volunteer instructors. That's how the Central Arkansas Chapter of MOWW became involved. Shortly after the chapter was activated in 1993, chapter members learned that flag education instructors were needed. Following the second and third precepts to our Preamble: "To inculcate and stimulate love of our Country and the Flag" and "To promote and further patriotic education in our Nation", support of the flag education program quickly became a chapter project.

This article was originally submitted for the June 2005 *Officer Review* magazine. The following information is to update the original article. The Central Arkansas Chapter involvement increased annually, starting with about 800 students, until in 2009-2010 we presented flag education classes to more than 6,000 students. To date, we have presented flag education to nearly 26,000 Arkansas elementary students.

There are added benefits to conducting a coordinated flag education program. We have been requested to give flag education programs to civic clubs, church groups, Veterans organizations, and Girl and Boy Scouts—all giving us a chance to increase MOWW visibility. Additionally, some of our newly commissioned Officer members who were given scholarship-memberships in the Order have expressed an interest in supporting the program.

When nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of our citizens do not know the words to our National Anthem, when it's deemed politically incorrect to wear an American Flag lapel pin, and we're not supposed to pray in schools, flag education is still permitted and may well be one of the best ways to re-instill a love of our Country in the youth, our future.

On a personal note, presenting a flag education class has been one of the most satisfying things I've ever done. Then when you get a package containing a handwritten "Thank You" note from every student in the class and you read their "precious" comments, it's like the icing on the cake.

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Battle Of The Bulge

The North Shoulder

*By Major William L. Muncaster
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On September 16, 1944, at a meeting with a number of senior officers in his study, Hitler listened to General Jodl discussing the American Army advance in the region of the Ardennes. At the mention of the Ardennes, Hitler told Jodl to stop and after a long pause, stated, "I have made a momentous decision. I shall go over to the offensive, that is to say here, out of the Ardennes, with the objective, Antwerp!"

By December 15th the planned forces were in position to begin the attack the next day. The Germans had removed major units from defenses in France and had moved them into position while convincing U.S. intelligence that the German forces in the Ardennes were being reduced.

The U.S. Forces on the line in the Ardennes were, starting from the north, the 102nd Cavalry Squadron, the 99th Infantry Division, the 106th Infantry Division, the 28th Infantry Division and the 4th Infantry Division. An Engineer Combat Group with four battalions also supported this region.

The 99th Infantry Division had been raided for replacements for Europe prior to its deployment and had arrived in Europe five weeks before the attack. The Division had filled its ranks with replacements from Air Corps ground personnel, ASTP and anti-aircraft units. It covered a front of twenty-two miles from Monschau to the Losheim Gap.

The 106th Division was fresh off the boats in France with many replacements from ASTP for troops raided earlier for the European theater. On December 10th it replaced the 2nd Infantry Division in its 18-mile front. The 2nd Division was participating in First Army's attack on the Roer River Dams.

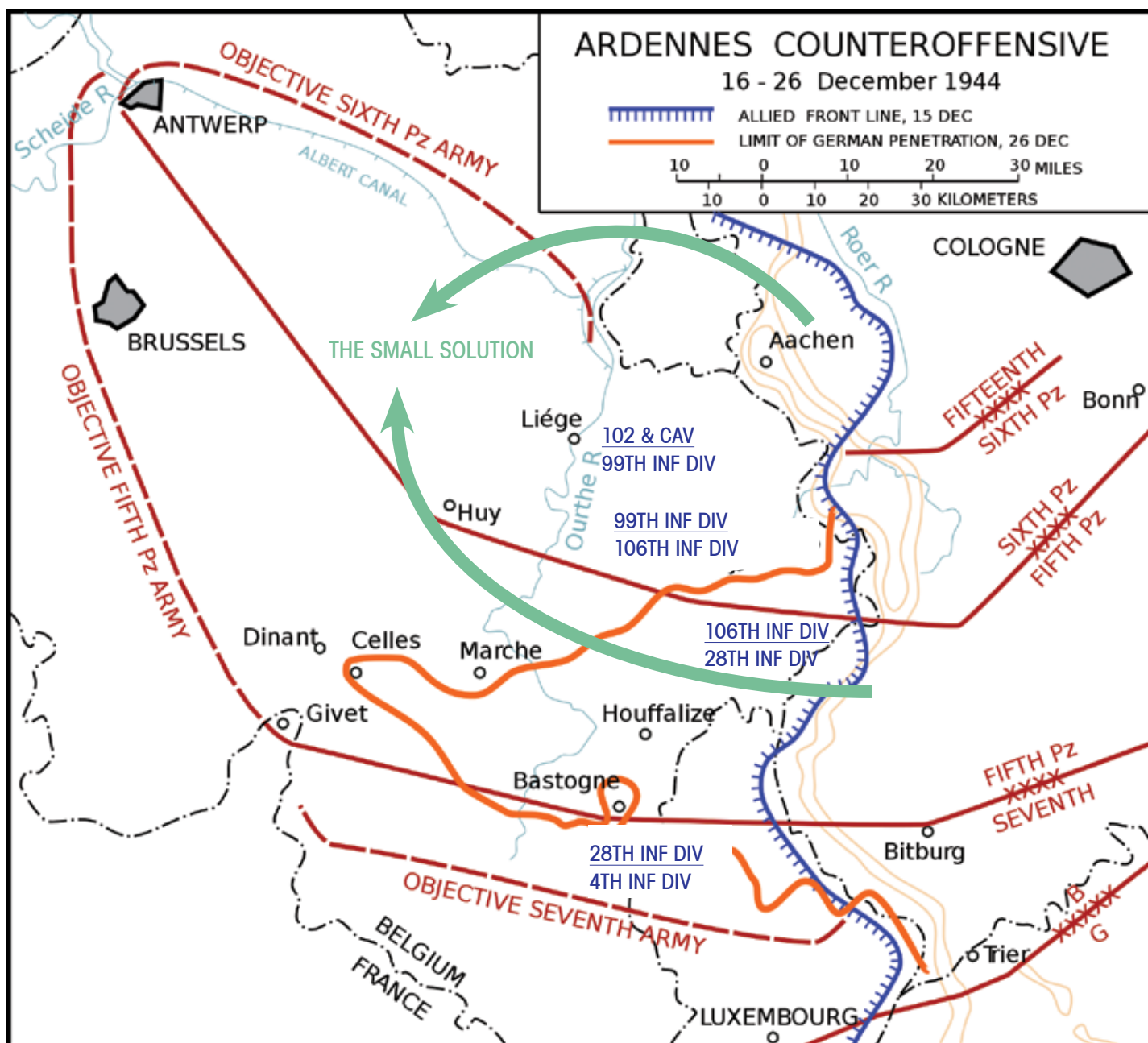
The 28th Infantry Division had lost 5,000 men in the Huertgen Forest fighting and was sent to the Ardennes to recover and receive replacements. This division took over a 22-mile front along the Our River from the Loesheim Gap to the juncture of the Our and Sure Rivers.

The 4th Infantry Division had, like the 28th, lost 5,000 men at Huertgen. That division was also sent to the Ardennes to rest and receive replacements. Their front was 20 miles long from Eternach south to Luxembourg City.

The Allies had convinced themselves that Hitler could never again assemble a force large enough to launch a major attack.



US Army Sergeant James Storey, Private Frank Fox, and Corporal Dennis Lavanoha on a scouting mission, Lellig, Luxembourg, Dec 1944; note bedsheets used for camouflage.
Photo Credit: United States Army Center of Military History



Facing the U.S. forces in this area were German troops of Army Group B, consisting of the Fifteenth Army in the north, the Sixth Panzer Army in the center and the Fifth Panzer Army in the south.

The Fifteenth Army consisted of three VG (Volksgrenadier) divisions (the 24th, 276th and 340th) and the 3rd Panzergrenadier Division in the 67th Corps.

The Fifth Panzer Army consisted of four Corps. The 47th Panzer Corps had three Panzer Divisions, the 26th VG Division and the Fuhrer Begleit Brigade; the 58th Panzer Corps was comprised of the 116th Panzer Division and the 560th VG Division; the 29th Panzer Corps had the 167th VG Division; the 66th Corps had the 18th and 62nd VG Divisions.

The Sixth Panzer Army was the largest and most powerful of the attacking forces with two powerful Corps. The

I Corps had the 1st and 12th (Hitler Jugend) S.S. Panzer Divisions, the 3rd Parachute Division, the 12th, 277th and 326th VG Divisions and the 150th Panzer Brigade. The II Corps consisted of the 2nd and the 9th S.S. Panzer Divisions.

The powerful Fifth and Sixth Armies launched their attack early in the morning of December 16th, their line of attack practically along the boundary between the 99th and the 106th Infantry Divisions. Their fuel and ammunition stocks required that the attack reach Antwerp by the end of the third day. Success of this attack would provide the Germans with much needed ammunition, fuel and rations and would effectively separate the U.S. Forces from the British Forces to the north. And, to have a force of such strength in the rear areas of the U.S. positions, would constitute a serious threat to U.S. Forces and would probably



necessitate a retreat to new defense positions to counter the powerful German Fifth and Sixth Panzer Armies. Supplies and replacements would, once again, have to come through the French ports, requiring tremendous increases in quantities of trucks and in distances to be covered. Just the gasoline needed for re-supply would be a huge additional burden on the logistics.

The men of the 99th Infantry Division helped make history. Their blood wrote a few pages of the most glowing kind of history in the annals of American fighting men. On December 16, 1944: A twenty-two mile front in the Ardennes forest, fog, cold, deep snow, dense woods and constant shelling by artillery. Outnumbered 5-to-1 all along the line and, in places, 15-to-1, soldiers of the 99th Division fought the Germans to a standstill despite the dense forests that made continuous defensive positions impossible. The 99th Division's line was mostly separate strong points along the front. Ammunition was short and the soldiers waited until the enemy was nine-to ten-feet from them and then opened fire, slaughtering the attackers. Soldiers wept when they had to retreat as they ran out of ammunition. Others fought until their ammunition was gone and then fought the Boches with bayonets. All supplies to the men in the cold, wet foxholes came by foot. Almost all of the men suffered frozen feet and hands. (The worst weather in 125 years permitted no air support until the weather broke on December 23rd and the U.S. Air Corps flew 5,000 bombing and strafing sorties, destroying much of the enemy's lines of communications and logistics).

The Fifteenth Army troops attacked through the northern sector of the 99th Division, a diversionary attack to prevent flank attacks by the Americans against the northern flank of the Sixth Panzer Army and to get to Allied supplies at Aachen. Though seriously outnumbered the 395th Regiment halted the attack at Hofen, the Fifteenth Army was stopped and never overcame the resistance.

The Sixth Army attacked in the direction of the Losheim Gap which was, effectively, the divisional boundary between the 99th and the 106th Divisions. The 99th Division stymied the attack. The Fifth Army attacked through the divisional boundary between the 106th and the 28th Divisions. When the Fifth Army penetrated the defenses in the their zone of attack the 99th Division faced attacks from the south as well as from the east. Despite being attacked by 5 German divisions in eight days the 99th never permitted the enemy to gain access to the only roads that led straight to Antwerp. The deadlines for achieving their objective lost, the Sixth Army forces turned south to take

advantage of the breakthrough.

When it was obvious that they could not reach Antwerp, the Germans sought to revert to what they called "The Small Solution" which was to take Liege where there were large stocks of food, ammunition and fuel (this plan had been specifically prohibited by Hitler before the assault was launched). That objective, if taken, would possibly permit continuation of the attack in the direction of Antwerp. It was learned later that such a continuation of the attack would not have succeeded, the German troops were, at this point, concerned with two things; staying alive and defending the Fatherland.

Only the loss of one particular fight could have produced an American defeat of the Battle of the Bulge—a loss at the Northern Corner at Elsenborn Ridge. If the Northern Corner had not repulsed the Nazi attacks until reinforcements arrived to secure the Corner, the Sixth Panzer Army would have driven in hours to Antwerp and the Battle of the Bulge would have been lost or been fought from England. Holding back the Germans for two days produced the Northern Shoulder, and as the actual Battle of the Bulge confirmed—Victory.

Nothing contained in the above description of the Battle is intended to diminish the valor displayed by those Divisions that fought to relieve Bastogne or defeat the German forces still in the Bulge (Seventh Army and strong elements of the Fifth and Sixth Panzer Armies). The Battle of the Bulge continued until January 27th, 1945.

The main point of this story is to remind the world that Hitler's plan to take Antwerp, with its supplies and, at the same time, separate the U.S. and the British forces, was dead by December 17, 1944. An additional benefit of this article is to acknowledge the heroic actions of the men of the 99th Infantry Division, the 2nd Infantry Division, the 106th Infantry Division, the supporting 14th Armored Cavalry units, Engineer Combat Groups and the Artillery units. The 99th Division's casualties were 81%. The coldest winter in 125 years killed as many men as did the enemy.

At his surrender at the Ruhr Pocket, General Van Manteuffel stated, "The 99th Infantry Division were the elite troops of all the enemy troops we fought."

In the past, too little has been made of this critical period in the Battle of the Bulge.

Major William L. Muncaster, AUS (Ret), as a 29 year-old Captain, was the Executive Officer in Division Headquarters and Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division in 1944-1945. He was among those whose feet froze.

Three Patriots Honored By Dallas Chapter

By LT Wes Gross
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Silver Patrick Henry Awards for Patriotism were presented to three outstanding patriots at the Dallas April meeting. The first plaque was to WWII hero, LTC James (Maggie) Megellas, USA, for patriotism over and above his heroic service in 1943–46, but also for all the patriotic service he continues to this day. As a 2nd Lieutenant in the mountains of Italy, the amphibious landing at Anzio, Operation Market Garden and the Battle of the Bulge, he became the “most decorated officer in the history of the 82nd Airborne Division”. But his patriotic activities still continue today as he makes numerous appearances and speeches around the Nation and overseas, plus he continues to travel to the War Zone in Afghanistan to “be with the guys” to give them support and encouragement in the “War on Terror”. His fourth trip to Afghanistan is scheduled in the fall of 2010. LTC Megellas, who received the DSC, three Silver Stars and was recommended for the Medal of Honor celebrated his 93rd birthday on March 11, 2010.

The second Silver Patrick Henry plaque was awarded to Michael Hogg, Director of Operations for Snowball Express, the highly successful volunteer program established to “provide hope and new memories to the children of our military fallen heroes who have died while on active duty since 9/11”. Snowball Express came to Dallas in early December 2009, where Mike directed logistics and the entertainment for some seventeen hundred surviving family members of our killed heroes for five days. Retired Navy Chaplain (LCDR) Hogg is also a volunteer leadership instructor at MOWW Youth Leadership Conferences at Texas A&M and Texas Wesleyan Universities. This summer will be his second at both YLCs.

A third Silver Patrick Henry plaque was presented to Ms. Donna Cranston, the On-site Coordinator of the internationally famous “Welcome Home a Hero” program at DFW Airport and the founder of “Defenders of Freedom”, a non profit organization formed to support troops actively serving our country to keep America safe, and also to show our troops as much support as possible in helping provide for their needs during deployment. The “Welcome Home a Hero” program celebrated the five-year anniversary in June 2009. Donna has been there for our troops since day 2, coordinating well over 10,000 volunteers in greeting seven-day-a-week flights since the start of the program in 2004, welcoming home an estimated half million troops. Ms. Cranston was previously honored by President George W. Bush at the White House.

LTC Megellas was also surprised at an induction ceremony making him a perpetual member of the Dallas chapter of MOWW. Ten chapter members, “Friends of Maggie”, contributed to sponsor him in membership. Major Dick Agnew, a fellow Legion of Honor member and DSC recipient (Korean War) led the sponsors as the sponsor of record.



Pictured top, LTC James Megellas with Silver Patrick Henry Plaque; above left, LCDR Mike Hogg with Dallas Chapter Cdr LT Wes Gross; below left, Ms Donna Cranston with LT Wes Gross; above, LTC Megellas' induction photo with sponsors: (left to right) “Friends of Maggie” CPT Bob Dickson, CPT John Hayes, LTC Don Munson, LTC James Megellas, MAJ Dick Agnew, LT Wes Gross, LTC King Moss, CPT Allen Clark, (contributing but not present: COL Ken Cordler, COL John Antal and Mr. Bill Farmer).



Thousand Oaks, California YLC

Leadership & Process—Structure and Fun

*By LtCol Thomas A. Zuppari
Thousand Oaks, California, Chapter*

Organizers of the Thousand Oaks Youth Leadership Conference (TOYLC) enjoyed presenting another super program in 2009. The conference ran from 15 to 19 June. Students who attended overwhelmingly reported many positive responses in our End-of-Conference Survey. We thank our support base, Ed Hogan, Capt Rosie Nolan, Capt Ed Shuttleworth, Capt Starr Thompson, Chief Warrant Officer Patrick L. Clark, Colonel Robert Colbern, Lt Col Don Aubrey, Captain Ed Hardeman, Lt Cmdr Eleazar Ruiz, Lt Col Jack Harris, Captain Jim Steiner, and Major Hal Geer.

Our overall objective for TOYLC 2009 was to continue to

create an environment rich in mentoring and leadership-by-example, living up to our motto, “a safe place to learn and make mistakes as long as you try to do your best.” The program is designed to create a comprehensive culture of “leadership and process” with a balance of “structure and fun.”

Students were organized into six teams. To enhance leadership training and teamwork, all were encouraged to interact during Leadership Challenges and during dynamic speaker presentations. Participation in four of the program’s ten Leadership Challenges began on the first day right after Orientation and continued following dinner. Each Leadership Challenge consisted of a specific problem-solving situation. The goal was to progressively develop teams through mutual support.

Team members and the respective team leaders were required to work together, quickly and effectively, in order to



us with a wide range of life experiences along with their similarities and differences. So we go forward each year with certain expectations as we plan and organize for what we hope to be our best YLC yet. Each year for TOYLC, we attempt to upgrade and improve our conference. With lots of notes, survey results, and a little imagination, each year for the past seven years, I chop away and fine-tune our program to try to make it better for the next year. While remaining mindful of the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) Preamble and our desire to improve citizenry in our Nation's youth, I attempt to do my best in my preparations. I have the "best of intentions" to develop a meaningful and educational program.

It's a funny thing, though, about "best intentions." It seems that a program, project, or process can run well on many things, but I'm not sure if much of anything can run on just "best intentions." Noble as our best intentions may be, without good productive participation by our students, their work, their growth, and their achievement, our best intentions can be meaningless.

As we provide instruction in leadership during the conference, we are actually involved in real-time instructor-student teamwork with our student body, based on our best intentions and our expectations of their participation and performance. Students are clearly a measurable variable in our YLC equation. Our success is dependent on their participation. As TOYLC heavily incorporates a student-led leadership lab, we



Pictured, top: TOYLC Students; below: former MOWW Chief of Staff LTG Herb Temple talking with the TOYLC Students.

successfully complete a Leadership Challenge (LC). Each morning the winning team for each LC was recognized at a brief awards ceremony and a pre-breakfast flag raising ceremony. Team banners and colorful Leadership Challenge streamers were used to recognize the team victories.

We were very pleased that much of the conference again went according to plan. We otherwise adapted to surprises. But we recognize that no matter how much we plan for success, the credit for a successful conference is due to the students.

Each year those of us associated with conducting Youth Leadership Conferences share common goals. We are confident that our training and experiences are sure to support a hearty program.

Our target audience of high school teenagers come to

truly rely on the student's interaction and interest in the program; a program they can "care about." Our goal is to develop, over the short duration of the conference, a student body that gains a vested interest in the program with a desire to be a member and excel within it.

Recognition for a job well done is a cornerstone in developing an effective program. Students and Teams and their Leaders are recognized daily throughout the conference. Final overall awards are presented during our Awards Banquet. We attempt to provide clear guidelines, Rules of Engagement, a tight and comprehensive schedule, little "down time," engaging and meaningful activities that keep them moving, and real student involvement with decision-making responsibilities. We are excited that this formula continues to be well received yielding encouraging



feedback from the students.

TOYLC is a demanding program. Our satisfaction at the completion of each year's conference comes from the enthusiastic reports by the students themselves. We also attribute the fulfillment of our plans to the many dedicated and motivated young people that we have been so fortunate to have in attendance. Our "best intentions" would be empty

if not for the wonderful participation, cooperation, and energy of our fine students.

Please enjoy a bit of TOYLC online at:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=moJf-DjzULY>

LtCol Zuppardi is the director of TOYLC.



Hill Country Chapter Honors Eagle Scouts

*By Capt Kenneth Hartwein
 Hill Country, Texas, Chapter*

The Chapter honored Eagle Scouts at their monthly meeting at the YO Ranch Hotel in Kerrville, Texas. Shown in the photograph is a group of scouts from the Texas Hills District. Troops represented were 111, 311, 370, 471, and 831. From left to right are Col Harrison Matthews (Fredericksburg), from Kerrville: Andrew Anderson, Brien Allen, Trevor McCain, Stanley Vieau, and Michael Fischer, II.

Continuing, Edward Jaxx of Bandera, Andrew Haertner and Tanner Bohyer-VanDerbur of Hondo. Next, Travis Stone of La Coste and Tyler Bishop of San Antonio with LCDR Robert Collier, Jr. (Harper), Scout Master of Troop 111. The Eagle Scouts and MOWW Chapter members were addressed by guest speaker CPT Deborah Dombeck, US Coast Guard, who told of her experiences and stressed leadership, dedication to our Country and patriotism. MOWW Eagle Scout Recognition Certificates were then handed out by Scout Master Robert Collier and Chapter Commander Col Matthews. A second group of scouts from the Hill Country District were similarly honored next by the presentation of certificates.

“Horses for Heroes” Program

By CDR Douglas Kienitz

Capt Robert Dilworth, Texas, Chapter

Nancy Krennek, pictured center, founder of the Ride On Center for Kids (R.O.C.K.), spoke on April 3, 2010, at the Capt. Robert Dilworth-USN, Chapter meeting in Georgetown, Texas.

Her interest in assisting kids eventually led to working with the rehabilitation of injured service members in the “Horses for Heroes” program, which included time several years ago at Fort Hood, and now the training is done each week at the Georgetown riding center.

MOWW CDR Vic Pierson and Companion CPT Erik Stoeckle (right), who is in the program also touts its benefits to the Chapter members.



The Huntsville Alabama Chapter Re-named

Submitted by MAJ Richard A. Makowski

MG Joe Wheeler, Alabama, Chapter

The Huntsville, Alabama, Chapter recently conducted a roll call vote of the Chapter to change the Chapter name from The Huntsville Alabama Chapter 202 to The MG Joe Wheeler, Alabama, Chapter. The Chapter met the requirements outlined in the *MOWW National Handbook* to include obtaining over 66% majority “yes” vote.

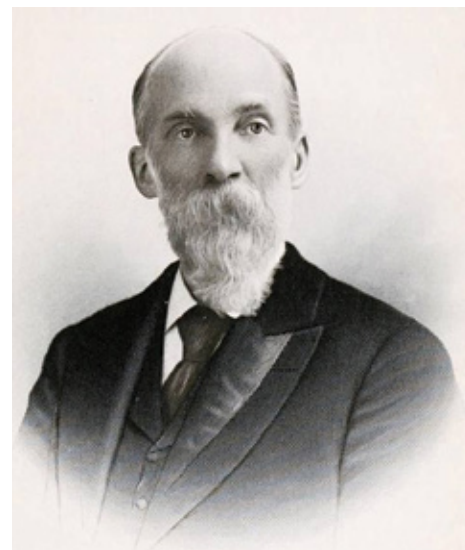
Major General Joseph Wheeler (September 10, 1836 to January 25, 1906) was an American military commander and politician. He has the rare distinction of serving as a General during war time for two opposing forces: first as a noted Cavalry General in the Confederate States Army in the 1860s during the American Civil War, and later as a General in the United States Army during both the Spanish-American War and Philippine-American War near the turn of the century.

Later, MG Wheeler was elected from Alabama to the United States House of Representatives, a position to which he was re-elected for seven subsequent terms. While in Congress, Wheeler strove to heal the breach between the North and the South and championed economic policies that would help rebuild the southern states. In 1898, Wheeler volunteered for the Spanish-American war, receiving an appointment to Major General Of Volunteers by U.S. President William McKinley. He assumed command of the cavalry division, which included Theodore Roosevelt’s Rough Riders, and was nominally second-in-command of the V Corps.

In 1899, MG Wheeler sailed for the Philippines to fight in the Philippine-American War. He commanded the First Brigade in Arthur MacArthur’s Second Division during the Philippine-American War until January 1900. Supposedly while serving in the Philippines, Wheeler encountered an infantryman who was complaining about the heat and being tired. Wheeler promptly dismounted, took the man’s rifle and pack, told him to mount his horse, and marched the rest of the way with the infantry.

After the war, MG Wheeler became a planter and a lawyer near Courtland, Alabama, where he married and raised a family. His home, Pond Spring, in an area now known as Wheeler, Alabama, is a historic site owned by the Alabama Historical Commission.

In 1925, the state of Alabama donated a bronze statue of Joseph Wheeler to the National Statuary Hall Collection at the United States Capitol. Additionally, several locations in Alabama are named after Wheeler including Joe Wheeler State Park, Wheeler Lake and Dam, and the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge.



Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Returns ‘Mighty Mo’ to Battleship Row

PEARL HARBOR (NNS) -- Nearly 100 Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard (PHNS) employees undocked USS Missouri (BB-63) Jan. 7 in support of the floating naval museum’s return to “Battleship Row” next to the USS Arizona Memorial.

“Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard played a key role in winning World War II, so shipyard workers have tremendous appreciation for Missouri’s historical significance,” said PHNS Commander Capt. Gregory Thomas.

As the 54,889-ton ship glided over the sill of Dry Dock 4, Missouri entered the harbor waters for the first time in more than two months. The ship had been dry-docked at PHNS since Oct. 14 for \$18 million of maintenance and preservation work.

“We are proud of our role in helping to preserve this vital symbol of victory over oppression in World War II but we are also humbled,” Thomas said. “We are in awe of the great men and women who served on the Missouri over five decades and in three wars.”

Thomas also said the historic significance of the vessel was recognized by several PHNS employees.

“It was particularly moving for shipyard workers to look upon Missouri, sitting proudly in our dry dock as we went to work the morning of Dec. 7, 2009,” he said.

The majority of the maintenance and preservation work was performed by BAE Systems Ship Repair, the lead public-private venture partner with the shipyard. The shipyard supported the effort by docking and undocking the vessel.

Engineers planned the dry-docking and riggers, shipwrights and other shipyard workers placed 309 four-ton keel blocks to support the battleship, more than five times as many keel blocks required to support a modern guided-missile cruiser.

Missouri’s docking was completed on schedule, within one minute of the planned 10-hour evolution, and within one foot of each of the 309 keel blocks.

The same engineers and naval architects planned for the successful undocking, and a small team from PHNS’s Environmental Division provided environmental oversight.

Despite the vessel’s successful docking, however, the massive, 887-foot-long battleship presented unique challenges during the undocking evolution.

“The shipyard docking team completed extensive preparations to control this large vessel,” said Dockmaster Sonny Del Toro. “During planning, we kept asking how we could make the process better for battleship Missouri.”



Docking Officer Lt. Lorenz Tate pointed out two unusual concerns undocking the battleship presented: ensuring the watertight integrity of Missouri's hull and the number of people aboard the ship.

"It's different from an operating (U.S. Navy) ship, where you know the integrity of the hull," he said. "With (Missouri), you don't know, given the age of the ship and the age of the hull. You have to plan for scenarios, such as leaking."

Nearly 1,000 passengers were aboard Missouri for the two-mile journey to Ford Island, and their movement had to be controlled during the initial phase of undocking because it could mask indications of shipboard flooding, he said.

Approximately 500,000 gallons of ballast water were placed in selected tanks, voids and spaces aboard Missouri to properly balance the vessel for lifting off the docking blocks without damaging the blocks or the ship.

When 53 million gallons of seawater flooded the dry dock, shipyard employees began thorough inspections aboard Missouri, checking the ship's water-tight integrity.

Missouri was also closely monitored to determine if the ship was listing too far to port or starboard, an effort to observe potentially adverse flooding into the empty tanks around the plating, according to PHNS Naval Architect Jason Morrison.

"In regular spaces, it is one thing (to check for leaks), but it is tough with the tanks, and Missouri has roughly 600," said Morrison. "That's why it was very important for the ship riders to stay very still as the ship lifted off."

After Dry Dock 4 was filled to sea level, the caisson - the "door" to the dry dock - was removed, and the docking team carefully guided the ship to the dry dock's entrance. There, four tugboats met the battleship, pushing and pulling the historic vessel to Foxtrot 5 Pier at Ford Island.

The USS Missouri Memorial Association resumed tours of the ship the weekend of Jan. 29, 2010.

The U.S. Navy donated the ship to the Missouri Association in 1998 as part of the Ship Donation Program authorized by Congress. The battleship is one of 46 museum ships donated by the U.S. Navy.

"(Missouri) is a national monument. We have to save it. If we lose this ship, we'll lose an important piece of history," said PHNS Environmental Protection Specialist Gail Shon.

PHNS is the largest industrial employer in the state of Hawaii with a combined civilian and military workforce of more than 4,700 personnel.

For more information on PHNS, visit www.navsea.navy.mil/shipyards/pearl. For more news from Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, visit www.navy.mil/local/phnsy/.

This article was written by Katie Vanes, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs.

This article has been reprinted from the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, California, Chapter Newsletter written by Past CINC COL Jack B. Jones

JACK'S CORNER

We welcome a new member this month! At the last meeting, Annette Fedor, wife of CDR Lou Fedor asked to join MOWW and the Vandenberg Chapter. She submitted her application which is in process as we write, and will be inducted as soon as we receive her credentials.

Membership has always been job one in the MOWW and in these tumultuous times it is more important than ever.

Nationally, MOWW is operating in the red and the Order is down over a hundred members net! Part of this is due to the recession and part is because folks are busier than ever. We still have an additional problem which continuously raises its ugly head, and that is many still believe that we only accept WWII veterans as members. That, of course, is not so:

ANY COMMISSIONED OFFICER WHO IS FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED FROM ANY PERIOD OF OUR HISTORY IS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN.

This includes, WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, The Cold War, Grenada, Panama, Desert Storm, Iraqi Freedom, Afghanistan, etc. It also does not imply that the candidate served for an extended period of time or retired from the military. The bottom line is : If you are not sure; ask me or call HQ on the toll free line and ask them.

It is said that "Every member is a member of the membership committee" and our goal each year is for each member to sponsor or recruit a new member. If we become active in attracting new members, then we can be stronger and make a greater contribution to our chapter, community and the Nation. Remember our mottoes: "It is better to serve than to be served" and "Take time to serve your country." We do this when we accomplish the precepts of our Preamble.

So, let's support the chapter, our Commander and Staff as well as the most Noble of all Officer Organizations—
The Military Order of the World Wars!

IT IS TRULY NOBLER TO SERVE THAN TO BE SERVED!



Hotel Information

2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION

El Paso More Than You Imagined



Located in the Chihuahuan Desert on the western-most tip of Texas and recognized as the 2nd safest city in the U.S. in 2009, El Paso is more than you can possibly imagine: it's a city with a rich colorful history, sweeping mountain vistas, spicy cuisine, unique shopping and lively entertainment in some of the most spectacular performing arts venues in the state.

During August, El Paso's climate tends to be in the 80s and in the low 70s in the evening. Temperature variations between night and day tend to be moderate during summer.

El Paso offers the best Mexican food in the United States. Hundreds of restaurants spread out across

El Paso, featuring dishes made from recipes which have been handed down from generation to generation.

El Paso's main shopping district is known as the Golden Horseshoe. The area is the most unique shopping experience in the U.S. with over 500 stores offering discounts. It's as close as you can get to buying direct from the manufacturer. But there are also several enclosed modern shopping malls scattered around the city, to include an outlet mall with over 100 famous name brand stores. El Paso is famously known for Western wear, Southwestern art, and Mexican imports, and the city still reigns as the Boot Capital of the World with over two dozen boot companies.

The Official Visitor's Guide is a good resource to request before your trip to El Paso, or contact the El Paso Convention & Visitors Bureau at 800-351-6024 or 915-534-0600.

And there's plenty more to discover, visit www.visitelpaso.com for more information.

2010 National Convention Hotel Reservation Information

WHERE: Wyndham El Paso Airport – Hotel

GROUP NAME: Military Order of the World Wars

RESERVATIONS: Wyndham Reservations Toll Free 1-800-742-7248 or 915-778-4241.

Please provide the name of group as "The Military Order of the World Wars" for special rate.

ROOM RATES: \$89.00 Standard - Single/Double Occupancy

\$109.00 Tower Suite - Single/Double Occupancy

****Rates above are for Single and Double Occupancy only and do not include the Tax Occupancy Rate of 15.5%.**

ROOM BLOCK CUT OFF DATE: Tuesday, July 20, 2010

Please make reservations before cut off date, Wyndham El Paso Airport Hotel will release the blocked rooms for general sale at the Standard Rate.

All reservations must be guaranteed by a Credit Card. For cancellations please call Hotel 24 hours prior to the check in date to avoid any charges to your Credit Card. For online reservations go to www.wyndhamelpaso.com Rate Code 08036703MI



CHECK-IN TIME: 3:00PM

CHECK-OUT TIME: 12:00PM

PARKING: Complimentary Parking is Available

COMPLIMENTARY AIRPORT SHUTTLE

FOR QUESTIONS:

PLEASE CONTACT COL ROY GRAY

By telephone: 915-842-0737 or 915-328-4442

By Email: RoyGr0619@aol.com



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Tuesday, August 3, 2010 Pre-Convention Activities

- 0800-1400 Golf-Butterfield Trail Golf Course-Optional
- 1100-1700 Early Bird Registration
- 1300-1700 Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF) Board Meeting
- 1800-2300 Tour #1-Evening at Cattleman's Steakhouse-Optional
- 1800-2200 Dinner on your own

Wednesday, August 4, 2010 Pre-Convention Activities

- 0700-0920 Budget Committee Meeting
- 0800-1700 MOWW Hospitality Lounge
- 0830-1700 Registration
- 0930-1530 Tour #2-Old Mesilla Tour & Shopping-Optional
- 0930-1150 Pre-Convention Executive Committee (EXCOM) Meeting (Members only)
- 1200-1250 Lunch on your own
- 1300-1450 MOWW Board of Trustees Meeting (Members only)
- 1300-1450 Policy Planning Committee Meeting (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1500-1550 National Security Committee Meeting (Members only to evaluate award submits)
- 1500-1650 Chapter Activity Committee Meeting (Members only to evaluate award submits)
- 1500-1550 Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting
- 1600-1650 Homeland Security Committee Meeting with Guest Speaker (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1700-1750 Information & Publicity Committee Meeting (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1800-2100 Welcome Reception and Buffet (**ALL INVITED**)

NATIONAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2010

- 0700-0950 Council of Past CINCs Breakfast Meeting (Members only)
- 0700-0820 Council of State and Department Commanders Meeting
- 0800-1900 MOWW Hospitality Lounge (Host: Mesilla Valley)
- 0830-0950 Council of Region Commanders Meeting
- 0900-1700 Registration
- 0900-1150 Patriotic Education Committee Meeting (For all YLC Directors & Staff)
- 1000-1500 Tour #3-Mission Tour-Optional
- 1100-1150 Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter Meeting
- 1200-1250 Lunch on Your Own

(NOTE: All attendees should arrive by 1300 hours today to attend the Chapter Officers Information Briefing & New Attendees Orientation)

- 1300-1350 Chapter Officers Information Briefing and New Attendees Orientation (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1400-1450 Law & Order Committee Meeting (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1500-1550 Caucus-All Regions-Candidate Presentations (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1600-1650 Caucus-All Regions-Discussion Breakout Groups
A. Eastern B. Midwest C. Southeast D. West

- 1600-1650 Nominating Committee "Tellers" Meeting
- 1700-1850 Nominating Committee Meeting (Only Nominating Committee members or their alternates per *MOWW Handbook* policy)
- 1900-2200 Dinner on your own
- 1930-2230 Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter Reception & Banquet with Guest Speaker (Members & Guests)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 2010

- 0800-1800 MOWW Hospitality Lounge
- 0800-0830 Opening Ceremony of 2010 National Convention (**ALL INVITED**)
- 0830-1045 First Joint Session of the Pre-Convention GS Meeting and National Convention
- 0900-1700 Registration
- 1200-1415 MOWW Awards Luncheon & National Security **SEMINAR** with Guest Speaker (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1430-1600 Membership **SEMINAR** (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1615-1745 Chapter Activities & Awards **SEMINAR** (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1800-2200 Dinner on your own
- 1900-2100 Financial Planning and Development Workshop (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1900-2100 Patriotic Education Foundation (PEF), Inc. Board Meeting
- 1900-2100 Patriotic Education, Inc. (PEI) Board Meeting

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 2010

- 0730-0850 Memorial Service (**ALL INVITED**)
- 0800-1600 MOWW Hospitality Lounge
- 0900-1200 Registration
- 0900-1050 Second Joint Session of Pre-Convention GS Meeting and National Convention
- 1000-1500 Tour #4-El Paso Shopping Tour- Optional
- 11000-1150 Post-Convention General Staff Meeting (Members of the General Staff)
- 1200-1250 Lunch on your own
- 1300-1350 Patriotic Education **SEMINAR** (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1400-1450 ROTC **SEMINAR** (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1500-1550 Boy Scout/Girl Scout Committee Workshop (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1600-1650 Non-Denominational Ecumenical Service with Chaplain General (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1600-1650 Catholic Services (Location TBA)
- 1700-1800 OPEN TIME
- 1800-1900 CINCs Formal reception (**ALL INVITED**)
- 1900-2200 National Convention Formal Banquet (**ALL INVITED**)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2010

- 0730-1030 EXCOM Post-Convention Breakfast Meeting
- 0800-0950 EXCOM Spouse Breakfast
- 1100 Departures

All Companions are encouraged to attend and participate in all of the meetings listed above, except those meetings indicated with "Members Only".

(Chapter Commanders & Adjutants should note the five **red** highlighted **SEMINARS** that they must attend.)



Optional Tours

2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION

GOLF OUTING Tuesday, August 3, 2010 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. \$45.00 per person

Those participating will need to arrive at the hotel by Monday evening. Butterfield Trail Golf Club is located adjacent to Fort Bliss and the El Paso Airport. It was designed by world renowned architect Tom Fazio, boasting a spacious 8,800 square foot club house. Transportation will be provided by the Wyndham Hotel Shuttle for those needing transportation. NOTE: Golf outing is EARLY MORNING due to the usual August temperatures in El Paso. Tee Time: 08:30 a.m. Fees includes cart. Fees DO NOT include breakfast or lunch.



TOUR # 1 CATTLEMAN'S STEAKHOUSE AT INDIAN CLIFFS RANCH

Tuesday, August 3, 2010 6:00 p.m.–11:00 p.m. \$49.50 per person

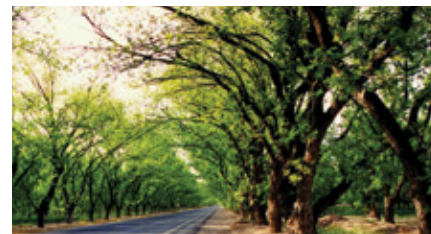
Cattleman's Steakhouse is situated on a working ranch and is surrounded by miles of desert scenery. Steaks are aged, tenderized and cooked to perfection. Meals include ranch style beans, pineapple-laced coleslaw, and other sides. Cattleman's has been voted as one of Texas' top ten restaurants by readers of *Texas Highways* magazine and has been named "Best Steak in the County" by Michael Stern—*People Magazine's* food critic. Located in the restaurant, there is also a gift shop with Southwestern Jewelry, Art, and Novelty items. Hollywood has made various movies on the ranch...including stars Jack Nicholson, Chuck Norris, and David Carradine. Movies filmed there include: "The Border", "Glory Road", "Resurrection" and many more. Price includes: transportation, Tour Guide, Meal (steak), Tax and Tip.



TOUR # 2 OLD MESILLA TOUR

Wednesday, August 4, 2010 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. \$42.25 per person

The Don Juan de Onate trail leads to the "Santa Fe" style village of Old Mesilla, New Mexico, a resting stop since 1535. It is located just outside of Las Cruces, New Mexico., on the banks of the Rio Grande. Old Mesilla is now home to specialty shops and fine art galleries. The famous trial of Billy the Kid was held here. Lunch is served at the Historic Double Eagle Restaurant. If time permits on the return trip, a stop at Stahmann Farm's County Store on Old Highway 28 will allow you to sample ice cream and shop. Miles of pecan trees line Highway 28 on the way to Stahmann's Store where you can find pecans, confections, and gifts. Price includes transportation, tour guide, and lunch.



TOUR # 3 HISTORIC MISSION TOUR

Thursday, August 5, 2010 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. \$32.50 per person

You will visit the Ysleta and Socorro Missions, which are the oldest in Texas, and view the only jail Billy the Kid ever broke into, plus tour the San Elizario Presidio Chapel. Following ancient Native American trails, Don Juan de Onate's colonists established El Paso del Norte (The Pass of the North). The close knit valley of 4 major missions has endured the test of time. Price includes transportation, tour guide, and lunch.



TOUR # 4 EL PASO SHOPPING TOUR

Saturday, August 7, 2010 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. \$31.00 per person

You will go to unique shops of El Paso. Tony Lama Factory Outlet provides an opportunity to purchase cowboy boots. El Paso Saddleblanket, a 2-acre store provides souvenirs, Mexican imports, pottery, rugs, hats, and more. Helen of Troy Outlet includes a variety of small home and personal appliances. There will also be a stop at the Texas Store. Lunch is included at Los Bandidos de Carlos & Mickey's, one of El Paso's premier Mexican restaurants. Price includes transportation, tour guide, and lunch.





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PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR REGISTRATION FORM TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN **JULY 22, 2010**

Please print legibly-clip and mail completed registration form-make a copy for your records

NAME _____ RANK _____ SERVICE _____

CHAPTER _____

Current Office(s) Held _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ E-Mail Address _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Spouse/Guest _____ Special Dietary Needs? _____

Airport Data: Arrival Date: _____ Time _____ Airline/Flight # _____

FEE COMPUTATION SCHEDULE (See Notes Below)

Delegate/Companion (Note 1) No Later Than July 22- **\$220** After July 22- \$250 = \$ _____

Spouse/Guest (Note 2) No Later Than July 22- **\$205** After July 22- \$235 = \$ _____

OPTIONAL EVENTS (See Note 3 Below)

GOLF OUTING AUG 3 HANDICAP(S) ____ / ____ NUMBER ____ X \$45.00 = \$ _____

TOUR #1 AUG 3 CATTLEMAN'S STEAKHOUSE NUMBER ____ X \$49.50 = \$ _____

TOUR #2 AUG 4 OLD MESILLA TOUR NUMBER ____ X \$42.25 = \$ _____

TOUR #3 AUG 5 MISSION TOUR NUMBER ____ X \$32.50 = \$ _____

TOUR #4 AUG 7 EL PASO SHOPPING NUMBER ____ X \$31.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ _____

HANN-BUSWELL MEMORIAL CHAPTER RECEPTION & BANQUET (Chapter Members & Guests Only)
(If you have not pre-paid, contact Chapter Adjutant CWO4 Allan R. Peschek at the Convention.)

Note 1) Delegate fee covers: Registration, Delegate Book, Shared Convention Admin Expenses, Welcome Reception & Buffet, Awards Luncheon, Formal Reception and Convention Banquet.

Note 2) Spouse/Guest fee covers: Registration, Shared Convention Admin Expenses, Welcome Reception & Buffet, Awards Luncheon, Formal Reception and Convention Banquet

Note 3) Make sure you have comfortable walking shoes! Prices include meal and transportation for all tours except golf outing.

Make check payable to El Paso Chapter MOWW, and mail with completed registration form and check to:
EL PASO CHAPTER MOWW, P.O. Box 6566, El Paso, TX 79906-0566

QUESTIONS: Contact Col ROY GRAY, by email at RoyGR0619@aol.com or by telephone 915-842-0737



Awards— Submit Now!

*By Sr. VCINC Col Clifford D. Way
Chair, MOWW Chapter Activities
and Awards Committee
Dallas, Texas, Chapter*

MAJ JoAnne Barton (Vice Chair-Awards) and I said that each year we would publish a listing of all the awards and who you should send your Chapter's entry to, with address, email, and phone number. The submittal date would also be listed and what size category will be used. Please make this list available to the members of your Chapter who will be working on these awards. This list will also be posted on the MOWW web site (click on file cabinet icon). All Award submittals must be received by the date listed below.

MOWW Chapter Awards (except ROTC) use three categories for Chapter Awards: Small, Intermediate and Large. These categories are determined by: Small, 15-49 living members; Intermediate, 50-99 living members; and Large, 100 plus living members.

THE NATIONAL SECURITY AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: VCINC LTC Michael S. George
1006 NW Kingswood Road
Lawton, OK 73505

Phone: 580-536-4902, Email: mnbgeorge@aol.com

Must be received by June 15, 2010

THE INFORMATION PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: The Military Order of World Wars
Attn: Mrs. Beverly Vowinkel
435 North Lee Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: 703-730-7761, Email: rcv3515@aol.com

Must be received by June 15, 2010

THE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: The Military Order of World Wars
Attn: Mrs. Beverly Vowinkel
435 North Lee Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: 703-730-7761, Email: rcv3515@aol.com

Must be received by June 15, 2010

THE CHAPTER PATRIOTIC EDUCATION PROGRAM AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: MAJ JoAnne Barton
4724 G. V. Underwood Dr.
El Paso, TX 79924

Phone: 915-751-7076, Email: joannelp1@aol.com

Must be received by July 10, 2010

THE CHAPTER LAW AND ORDER PROGRAM AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: LTC Don B. Munson
1000 Basilwood Place
Coppell, TX 75019

Phone: 972-471-3499, Email: don.munson@tx.rr.com

Must be received by June 15, 2010

THE CHAPTER ACTIVITY AWARD

Three categories: Small, Intermediate, and Large.

Mail to: Sr. VCINC Col Clifford D. Way
7618 Kilmichael Lane
Dallas, TX 75248-2341

Phone: 972-387-0021, Email: cliffway32@tx.rr.com

Must be received by July 10, 2010

THE JROTC/ROTC AWARD

Six categories, based on number of Units supported by the Chapter. The categories are determined annually by the number of units supported by the Order.

Mail to: VCINC LTC Gary O. Engen
1327 Winter Street
Augusta, GA 30904

Phone: 706-733-7682, Email: gengen@comcast.net

Must be received by June 15, 2010

THE YOUNG MEMBERS RECRUITMENT AWARD

Chapter's recruitment of young members 50 years of age or younger. Award to Chapter which achieves most significant contribution to the Order (No categories).

Mail to: COL Gorham Black, III
8739 Birkenhead Court
Laurel, MD 20723

Phone: 301-776-1807, Email: glblackiii@aol.com

Must be received by July 15, 2010

THE NATIONAL LAW AND ORDER INDIVIDUAL AWARD

Chapter submits a person as an outstanding law enforcement or criminal justice official. Winner will be announced at the National Convention and receive their award at an appropriate local Chapter ceremony. (No categories).

Mail to: LTC Don B. Munson
1000 Basilwood Place
Coppell, TX 75019

Phone: 972-471-3499, Email: don.munson@tx.rr.com

Must be received by June 15, 2010

NATIONAL CITATION AWARD

Every Region, State, Department, and Chapter Commander should recommend one Companion every year to receive this award at the National Convention. The citation would be for contribution to the advancement of the patriotic ideals of the Order.

Mail to: Military Order of World Wars
National Citation Award
435 North Lee Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: 703-683-4911, Email: moww@comcast.net

Must be received by June 15, 2010

This handy list is provided to encourage chapters to submit entries for these awards and be recognized at the next National Convention in El Paso, Texas.

Please consult the appropriate appendix in the *MOWW Policy Handbook* for the correct format, and information as required for each award. If you are not clear, email or call the person listed for that award. The Chapter Activities and JROTC/ROTC categories have a non-competitive form that may also be sent in for chapter credit. I would expect every Region, State, Department, and Chapter Commander to submit a National Citation for a Companion within their organization!

Call for Articles

We need your funny, serious or everyday military stories as a leader, follower, or just one of the group. Please limit your story to no more than 1,000 words, if possible. Your fellow Companions need to hear from you! Vignettes, short stories or in-depth accounts of your military experiences or MOWW activities are needed, photos with explanations help! Send your story by e-mail to MOWW National Headquarters to officerreview@gmail.com

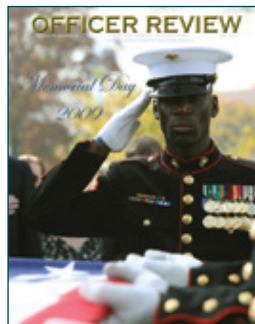
Your fellow Companions need to hear from you! The MOWW magazine is very important to all Companions. As your editor, my goal is to keep your magazine interesting and personal. Please consider contributing!

Call for Names and Faces

In addition, *Officer Review* would like to encourage all Chapters to submit photos and captions about their activities—both social and MOWW-related business.

Please try to send the highest quality photos you can get to officerreview@gmail.com or moww@comcast.net

Let us hear from your Chapter! Please be sure to tell us about the event and provide the names of those in the photo.



National Officers, Region, Department, and Chapter Commanders Reports

IMPORTANT!

National Officers, Region, Department, and Chapter Commanders are encouraged to log onto MOWW's website (militaryorder.net) then go to the Member's Section and look for "Letters of Instructions."

Please review these items (listed below) and take appropriate action on the following:

Report of New Officers Installed, See Article II, Sec. 4, MOWW Bylaws. Suspense date is June 30, 2010 (email submittals are acceptable).

National Citations, See Chapter XVII, Section B (4), *MOWW Policy Handbook*. Suspense date is June 15, 2010 (email submittals are acceptable).

Application for General Staff (GS) Emeritus Status, See Article VI, Sec. 5 (a), MOWW Constitution. Suspense date is June 30, 2010 (email submittals are acceptable).

Report of Appointments of State Commanders by the Region Commanders, See Article V, Sec. 4, MOWW Constitution. Suspense date is June 30, 2010 (email submittals are acceptable).

Delegates to National Convention, See Article IV, Sec. 1 (a), MOWW Constitution. The proper form is presented by a Companion at the Order's registration desk at the 2010 National Convention.

Delegates to the Nominating Committee Meeting, See Appendix N, paragraph 1, *MOWW Policy Handbook*. The proper form is presented by a Companion at the Nominating Committee's meeting registration at the 2010 National Convention registration desk.

National Convention Space and Equipment Support, Suspense date is June 30, 2010. Email this information to Col Roy Gray at RoyGR0619@aol.com. Your request should be sent by email, as soon as possible to Col Gray, but not later than August 1, 2010.

If you do not have a personal computer, please ask a member of your Chapter to assist you in reviewing these letters of instructions. You can also find a computer and someone to assist you at your local library. If necessary, contact MOWW National Headquarters for assistance.

Note: On Thursday afternoon prior to the Nominating Committee meeting, all Companions are encouraged to attend the meeting prior to the Nominating Committee meeting (1500-1550 hours, "Caucus-All Regions-Candidate Presentations," per Agenda on page 17) when each candidate for National office will have three minutes to comment on their candidacy and answer questions. Following the candidate presentations, each Region will be given the opportunity to caucus, discuss the candidates, and make recommendations to their Nominating Committee members.

Nominating Committee Instructions for 2010 National Convention

Notice to Region, State, Department and Chapter Commanders and all other National Officers

*By Past CINC Col Jim Elmer
Chair, MOWW Nominating Committee
Central Arkansas Chapter*

Purpose: To provide guidance on the voting process and Committee membership relevant to attendance at the MOWW National Convention Nominating Committee Meeting. This memorandum will also serve to clarify the verification of Committee members authorized admission to the Nominating Committee Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Chapter Committee Members: The National Convention Rules of the Order, for the Nominating Committee meeting, are located on the MOWW website and mentioned in Chapter VIII of the *MOWW Policy Handbook*. Each chapter is authorized one representative to the Nominating Committee. The Chapter Commander, by virtue of their election as Chapter Commander, is authorized to be a voting member of the Committee. The Chapter Commander is the PRIMARY representative of the chapter to the Nominating Committee. However, if they should be unable to attend the National Convention, they should name an ALTERNATE representative to represent the chapter at the Nominating Committee Meeting. The Chapter representative (PRIMARY or ALTERNATE) who wishes to be a member of the Committee, will hand carry an authorization letter to the convention (a copy can be found in the *MOWW Policy Handbook* on the Order's web site) and present it to the Nominating Committee Registration Desk prior to the Nominating Committee meeting and receive a numbered ballot. The chapter representative who is going to be a registered Committee member will be required to show their National Convention badge and their numbered ballot to be admitted to the Nominating Committee meeting room.

2. Chapters Without a Selected Representative: In the absence of a chapter PRIMARY or ALTERNATE committee member as designated by the Chapter Commander, the chapter members present at the National Convention may select one of their members present as its chapter Nominating Committee member. A blank Committee Member Selection form may be obtained from the Chairman, Nominating Committee or the Nominating Committee Operations Director (to be announced) at the Committee Registration Desk during the National Convention. Complete this form and present it to the Nominating Committee Registration Desk prior to the Nominating Committee meeting to receive a numbered ballot.

3. Department Commanders as a Chapter Representative to the Nominating Committee: Department Commanders are NOT automatic voting members to the Nominating Committee meeting. However, a Department Commander may elect on their own authority to represent a chapter when there is NO chapter representative present at the National Convention. A blank Committee Member Selection form may be obtained and completed as outlined in paragraph 2 above. The Department Commander will only have one vote and can represent only one Chapter.

4. General Staff Officers-at-Large (Elected and Appointed) as Chapter Representatives: General Staff Officers-at-Large (Elected and Appointed) are NOT automatic voting committee members to the Nominating Committee meeting. However, they may be selected to represent their chapter in the same manner as other chapter members, as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

5. Past Commanders-in-Chiefs (PCINCs) and All Currently Installed Region Commanders as Automatic Voting members to the Nominating Committee:

5a. Chapter II of the *MOWW Policy Handbook* specifies that all Past CINCs and all currently installed Region Commanders (posted on the rolls at MOWW National Headquarters) are automatic members of the Nominating Committee with voting privileges.

5b. By custom however, as developed over the years, the Chairman of the Nominating Committee (2nd Past CINC) and the Vice Chairman of the Nominating Committee (Immediate Past CINC) will not cast ballots for any candidates or display any favoritism for specific candidates. Additionally, to ensure complete impartiality in voting, Companions and spouses who assist the Nominating Committee with the vote-counting cannot be related or married to any announced candidate for National Office.

5c. Region Commanders do not have the authority to represent a chapter in their Region when that chapter is unrepresented at the Nominating Committee Meeting. In addition, when the Region Commander is unable to attend, they may provide written authorization for only the Region's Senior Vice Commander or Region General Staff Officer to represent that Region at the Nominating Committee Meeting.

6. Announcement of Voting Results: The previous policy of not announcing the tally of votes for each individual candidate will be continued in 2010. Only the winner's names will be announced for each National office. This is for two reasons: First, so as not to discourage future leadership candidates for office who may not be well known and receive only a few votes; Second, to avoid acrimony and hard feelings over closely contested positions. It should be reminded that the Nominating Committee report is a recommendation to the National Convention. Candidates not satisfied with the results of the Nominating Committee have the option of having their name entered as a candidate from the floor of the full Convention after the Nominating Committee presents its recommendations.

(The National Convention Rules of Order for the MOWW Nominating Committee meeting are located in Appendix N of the MOWW Policy Handbook on the MOWW website: www.militaryorder.net)

National Officer Candidates

(Listed below alphabetically, by rank)

Commander-in-Chief (CINC)

(1 Position)

Sr. VCINC Col Clifford D. "Cliff" Way (AF)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (Sr. VCINC)

(1 Position)

VCINC Col Frederick J. "Fred" Graves (AF)

VCINC CAPT Russell C. "Russ" Vowinkel (N)

VCINC LTC Michael S. "Mike" George (A)

Vice-Commanders-in-Chief (VCINC)

(4 positions)

VCINC LTC Gary O. Engen (A)

Treasurer General

LTC John H. Hollywood (A)

Judge Advocate General (JAG)

COL Earle F. Lasseter (A)

Surgeon General

OPEN

Chaplain General

OPEN

Historian General

CWO4 Allan R. Peschek (N)

General Staff at Large-Elected

(5 Positions)

Capt John M. Hayes (AF)

Companion Mrs. Jennie McIntosh

The above list of Candidates for National Office does not preclude individual candidates from being nominated from the floor during the Nominating Committee process or from the National Convention floor.

National Security Web Site

www.mowwnationalsecurity.com

Companions should check this website periodically for articles, information, and recommended books on National Security issues.

The website has a listing page called Speakers Bureau. Any MOWW Companion willing to be a guest speaker is invited to be added to the Speakers Bureau listing by contacting

VCINC LTC Michael S. "Mike" George
by email at mnbgeorge@aol.com

If you need one of the speakers to address your Region, State, Department, or Chapter meetings—or any other community or business event—please invite the speaker directly, using their contact information listed on the website.

How Do You Like MOWW's Web Site?

MOWW would like to know if you have any questions or comments about our Web page. Is it useful? Does it help you in your chapter efforts? What would you like to see on the Web site? Send any comments or questions to: moww@comcast.net attention Ken Staples.



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VA Uses Recovery Act Money to Repair Historic Monuments

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will use up to \$4.4 million in funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) program to repair and preserve historic monuments and memorials at VA-operated National Cemeteries, soldiers' lots and other facilities throughout the United States.

"The Recovery Act will help us preserve these historic memorials for future generations," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "In many cases, these irreplaceable historic structures will receive long overdue repairs while keeping skilled American artisans employed on projects important to our heritage."

Funds for the monument and memorial repairs are coming from more than \$1.4 billion in the Recovery Act allocated to VA.

Forty-nine monuments at 36 sites in 23 states will be repaired or conserved under this program. These represent some of the oldest and most significant memorials at VA cemeteries, and require treatments that include cleaning, roof and step repairs, stone consolidation, joint repointing, and painting or waxing of metals.

Cost estimates for individual projects range from less than \$10,000 to \$510,000. The monuments and memorials included in this treatment initiative were installed between 1842 and 1952, and most are associated with the Civil War.

The most costly preservation project is the National Soldiers' Monument at Dayton National Cemetery in Ohio. The Soldiers' Monument dominates the landscape from atop a mound at the center of the cemetery. The cornerstone was laid in 1873 and it was completed in 1877. This dramatic structure is composed of a 30-foot marble column on a granite base and topped with a soldier at parade rest (pictured left).

At the corners of the base are four figures representing the infantry, cavalry, artillery and Navy. President Rutherford B. Hayes delivered the dedication address on Sept. 12, 1877, to a crowd of about 22,000. This monument was severely vandalized in 1990, and the current initiative will address problems associated with the repair.

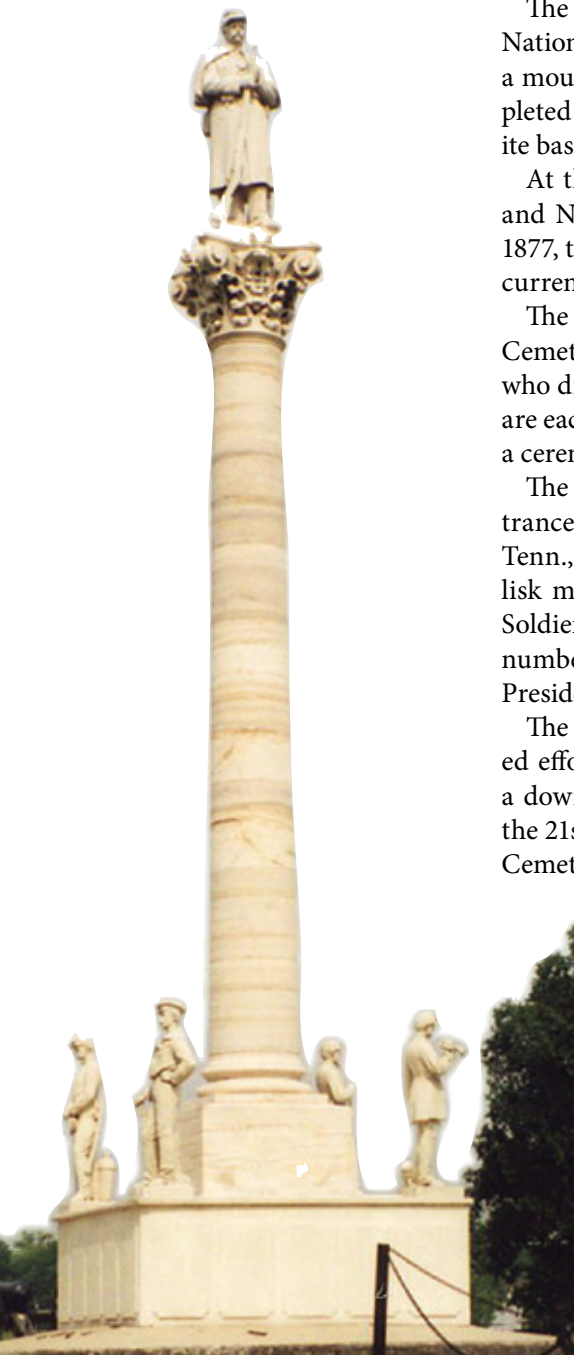
The oldest monument among the 49 sites is Dade's Pyramids at St. Augustine National Cemetery in Florida. The pyramids cover vaults that contain the remains of 1,468 soldiers who died during the Second Seminole War from 1835 to 1842. The three Dade's Pyramids are each six feet tall and were constructed in 1842 of coquina stone. They were dedicated at a ceremony that marked the end of the Florida Indian Wars.

The funds will also be used to repair and conserve three monumental limestone entrance archways built around 1870 at National Cemeteries in Nashville and Chattanooga, Tenn., and Marietta, Ga. The VA will also use ARRA funds to conserve the soldiers' obelisk monuments at cemeteries affiliated with the National Homes for Disabled Veteran Soldiers. Also scheduled for repairs are 11 monuments funded by states where large numbers of their troops were buried, five Confederate monuments, and a memorial to President Zachary Taylor located near his tomb in Louisville, Ky.

The Recovery Act, signed into law by the President on Feb. 17, 2009, is an unprecedented effort to jumpstart the American economy, create and save millions of jobs, and put a down payment on addressing long-neglected challenges so our Country can thrive in the 21st century. In addition to repairs to monuments and memorials, America's National Cemeteries will receive an estimated:

- \$25.9 million for National shrine projects to raise, realign, and clean headstones or grave markers and repair sunken graves at various locations across the country;
- \$5.9 million for energy-related projects such as conserving energy and water through the use of wind turbines, solar power and other measures;
- \$9.5 million to repair roads, buildings, and other cemetery infrastructure at locations nationwide; and
- Nearly \$6 million for equipment purchases for cemetery operations.

VA operates 131 national cemeteries in 39 states and Puerto Rico and 33 soldiers' lots and monument sites. More than three million Americans, including Veterans of every war and conflict — from the Revolutionary War to the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan — are buried in VA's National Cemeteries on more than 19,000 acres of land.





Mail Call

Letters to the Editor

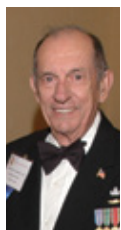


Companions: It is with a heavy heart that I pass along this news of the passing of our National Chaplain, the Reverend Major Charlie Beasley, who entered into rest April 24, 2010. I was very close to Charlie and worked with him during my time in Augusta, prior to relocating to Huntsville. Charlie was a Veteran of the 4th Infantry Division in WWII and served in combat in the liberation of Europe. After the War he became a businessman and later a Christian Minister with his own Church congregation. Charlie has served as our National MOWW Chaplain for about seven years. He was a man of faith, a soldier, a patriot, a family man, a leader in his community and in our Order. He made a difference and will be severely missed. Our thoughts and Prayers are with Veronica, his devoted and lovely wife.

Well Done Charlie, Be Thou at Peace.

— Past CINC COL Brion V. Chabot,
MG Joe Wheeler, Alabama, Chapter

Editor's Note: In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorials be made to MOWW ETF (Scholarship Fund), c/o LTC David Titus, 4850 Wrightsboro Road, Grovetown, GA 30813



Companion Art Arseneault was a very special friend and dedicated member of The Order. He was a regular attendee at National and Regional events and was known throughout The Order as one who encouraged participation by others. He served in positions of responsibility at the Chapter, Department and Region levels. He served his Country proudly and developed leaders through his example.

Art suffered from throat cancer and his treatments seemed to restore his health. Complications from the treatment caused pulmonary problems which became critical the past few months and resulted in his death on April 12, 2010.

Art is preceded in death by his first wife, Willidean Arseneault; son, Carl Arseneault, CPT, US Army, Retired; and granddaughter, Michelle Leigh Baker. He is survived by his sister, Sally Pedrick of PEI., many children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and his loving wife, Jean M. Arseneault, 6617 Crescent Dr. , Knoxville, TN 37920.

May his soul rest in the peace of the Lord.

— Past CINC LTC David Titus,
Augusta, Georgia, Chapter

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memorials may be made to Military Order of the World Wars, 435 North Lee Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 or Father Eric Andrews, Paulist Productions, 17575 Pacific Coast Highway, PO Box 1057, Pacific Palisades California, 90272.



MOWW Companions & Friends,

All is well with me, because I am redeploying home. Will debrief everyone at our MOWW meeting when I return to normal at home. Not sure if our MOWW chapter has received a US Flag flown in Iraq sovereign air space but I have one and flag certificate to present to MOWW.

In regards to YLC, I would like to help again...just need to check my Counterdrug July calendar since I will have many things to catch-up in my Joint Counterdrug Task Force's Drug War mission & responsibility (drug war is heating up!). My new Counterdrug Army O-6 has added several areas to my North TX region so now I have the largest region area of operation in our TF (150+ Texas counties). I have a new Army MAJ as my Deputy Cdr, two Army CPTs, & one Air Force Capt, and many Army/AF NCOs. So, I will be quite busy and will be TDY a lot to have situation awareness/oversight of my area of responsibility.

Mission accomplished in Iraq and I have several personal life significant events to mention: (1) supported the Iraq historic election in establishing a democratic government on 7 March...maybe I will return to visit Iraq in 10 years when I am retired and when they have a stable government; (2) led and was recognized by big Air Force as our 332nd Expeditionary Communications Squadron "Tuskegee Communicators Dominators" won #1 (the best of all AF small communications units, both CONUS/OCONUS) small communications unit in the Air Force during my deployment...very proud of my troops and they deserve all the credit; (3) lost total 22 pounds and am a leaner meaner combat proven warrior...I gained a lot sympathy pounds during my wife's pregnancy before I deployed, a lot of sympathy eating at 2 a.m. Wow, it has been 6 months now in the Iraq combat zone and my new son is almost 7 months old. God bless everyone and can't wait to be back home!

— Maj Don Nguyen
Dallas, Texas, Chapter

Editor's Note: This letter was originally sent to the Companions of the Dallas Chapter by Maj Nguyen, pictured above.

Gavel-to-Gavel

Submitted by Judge Advocate General (JAG)
COL Earle F. Lasseter
Columbus, Georgia, Chapter



Health Risks



Metal-on-metal hip replacement is often done in hip resurfacing procedures, a surgery in which the femur bone is reshaped and the artificial hip attached. Credit: Charlie Riedel/Associated Press

CONCERNS OVER 'METAL ON METAL' HIP IMPLANTS

Some of the Nation's leading orthopedic surgeons have reduced or stopped use of a popular category of artificial hips amid concerns that the devices are causing severe tissue and bone damage in some patients, often requiring replacement surgery within a year or two. In recent years, such devices, known as "metal on metal" implants, have been used in about one-third of the approximately 250,000 hip replacements performed annually in this country. They are used in conventional hip replacements and in a popular alternative procedure known as resurfacing. The devices, whose ball-and-socket joints are made from metals like cobalt and chromium, became widely used in the belief that they would be more durable than previous types of implants.

Studies in recent years indicate that the devices can quickly begin to wear, generating high volumes of metallic debris that is absorbed into a patient's body. That situation can touch off inflammatory reactions that cause pain, death of tissue in the hip joint and loss of surrounding bone. Doctors at leading orthopedic centers like the Mayo Clinic say they have treated a number of patients over the last year with problems related to the metal debris. Surgeons at Mayo had reduced by 80% their use of metal-on-metal implants over the last year in favor of those made from other materials, like combinations of metal and plastic. Other doctors said that to be cautious they were also scaling back their use of the all-metal implants until the scientific evidence became clearer.

Given the large number of people who have received metal on metal devices, thousands of patients in the United States could be affected. All the major orthopedics makers sell metal on metal hip devices. Some experts argue that some manufacturers, in a rush to meet the demand for metal-on-metal devices, marketed some poorly designed implants and that some doctors fail to properly implant even well-designed ones.

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FDA WARNS OF GREATER MUSCLE RISK FROM ZOCOR

The Food and Drug Administration says that the highest available dose of the cholesterol drug Zocor can cause muscle damage as well as severe and potentially lethal kidney damage. The agency says statin drugs like Zocor are known to cause muscle damage in some patients, but the risk is more severe when patients are taking 80 milligram doses of Zocor.

In March, FDA notified healthcare professionals and patients that, based on review of data from a large clinical trial and other sources, there is an increased risk of muscle injury in patients taking the highest approved dose of the cholesterol-lowering medication, simvastatin (Zocor) 80 mg, compared to patients taking lower doses of simvastatin and possibly other drugs in the "statin" class. The FDA is also reviewing data from other clinical trials, observational studies, adverse event reports, and data on prescription use of simvastatin to better understand the relationship between high-dose simvastatin use and muscle injury.

Recommendations for healthcare professionals, recommendations for patients and a data summary of information used in this ongoing review are provided in the Drug Safety Communication. For more information visit the FDA website at: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/SafetyInformation> and <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety>. The risks include rhabdomyolysis, a form of muscle damage that can lead to kidney damage or failure, and death. Zocor or simvastatin, is sold by Merck and Co.

Merck's cholesterol drug Vytorin and Abbott Laboratories' drug Simcor also contain simvastatin. According to the FDA, the warning is based on clinical trials, studies, reports of side effects by users, and prescription data.

FDA ISSUES WARNINGS ON DIALYSIS MACHINE

Federal regulators have given medical device maker Baxter International's recall of its dialysis machines the agency's most urgent safety warning. The Deerfield, Illinois-based company issued a recall on certain HomeChoice dialysis machines in January after reports of patients overfilling abdominal cavities. The FDA has categorized the action as a Class 1 recall, its most severe level. The classification applies to problems that can cause "serious adverse health consequences or death." Baxter says it is still investigating the source of the problems and says it's working on changes to labeling and software to prevent patient errors. According to the company, the machines can still be used.



SURGEON'S OFFICE

Do I Have To Use The Treadmill?

By Col Jerry Wheaton

Past Surgeon General

LTG John M. Wright, California, Chapter

There is no question about the positive effect of exercise on preventing or controlling osteoporosis, diabetes, heart and other diseases, but do you have to do the treadmill or other exercise routines? The answer is, "no," there are other ways to get sufficient exercise.

A long term study of Harvard alumni showed the lowest death rates in those who burned at least 300 calories a day. The health benefit of exercise seems to require enough effort to burn about 100 calories. What does it take to burn 100 calories?

A half hour of sweeping the porch or sidewalk will burn more than 100 calories as will vacuuming. Dancing for 15 to 30 minutes, depending on the amount of exertion and walking a mile at your regular pace will also burn 100 plus calories. Gardening for 30 minutes is another way to burn calories. Walking the dog can be a great exercise and two or three daily walks with the dog can just about give you the necessary daily exercise.

The list can be extensive, add painting a wall, caring for a disabled adult, mopping the floor, ironing, and using the stairs instead of the elevator. These are normal daily activities and they all add up in the exercise column.

The National Institute on Aging studied a group of people more than 70 years of age. Because our ability to remember exactly what we did during the day varies and may not be reliable, these researchers used a technique that shows the amount of calories burned by measuring the amount of "heavy" hydrogen and oxygen remaining in the body at the end of a period of time. About 300 persons took part in this study, drank the heavy hydrogen/oxygen water and then reported two weeks later to have the amount remaining in their bodies measured. They were then followed for the next six years. Those who burned less than 520 calories a day more than they needed to keep their bodies normal, had 25% of their group die while just 12% died in the high energy expenditure group where they burned more than 770 calories. The difference was not one of formal exercise, but rather the fact that they walked, carried groceries and did other chores.



Important ROTC Reminder

By VCINC LTC Gary Engen

Chairman, MOWW ROTC Committee

Augusta, Georgia, Chapter

The suspense date for MOWW Chapters to submit their annual ROTC (Junior and Senior) report is June 15, 2010. Please send, by email, the answers to the required reports listed in the *MOWW Policy Handbook*, (located on the MOWW web site: www.militaryorder.net), to my home email at gengen@comcast.net

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at (706) 733-7682. Your Chapter has done the work, and for a few minutes of your time this information can be transmitted to the Committee so that the Order can recognize your Chapter for completing this very important task.

Don't Forget— Submit Your Report!

All National Officers, Committee and Council Chairs, and Region Commanders must submit their end-of-year report to MOWW National Headquarters not later than July 9, 2010, for publication in the 2010 National Convention Delegate's book.

Reports from the ten General Staff-At-Large Officers (elected & appointed) are optional, but requested.

Please submit your report by email or snail mail (no faxes please) to be received at MOWW Headquarters by July 9, 2010. The book prepared by MOWW National Headquarters will be provided to all delegates attending the 2010 National Convention meeting in El Paso, Texas.

"Take time to serve your Country"

Membership Update

NEW MEMBERS

CHAPTER	RANK/NAME/(SERVICE)	SPONSOR
Apache Trail AZ	Lt Col Peter J. Kehoe (AF)	McKnight, C. Lt Col
Apache Trail AZ	Maj Daniel Leos (AF)	Stephens, B. COL
Apache Trail AZ	MAJ David McAleer (A)	Stephens, B. COL
Austin TX	LTC John F. Rehm (A)	Website
Baton Rouge-Gen Middleton LA	Jeanelle B. Diodene (E)	Diodene Jr, A. COL
Col Theodore Roosevelt NY	William J. Thomas (H) *	Emmons, G. CPT
Colorado Springs CO	2nd Lt Dustin W. Keller (AF) *	Hill, Jr., W. Col
Columbia SC	Col Raymond P. Pignitor (AF) *	Website
Columbia SC	LTC John R. Martin (A) *	Marcucci, J. LtCol
Columbus GA	LTC Samuel E. Nelson (A)	Website
Conejo Valley CA	Col Evan E. Clements (AF)	Knotts, J. Col
CPT Grevemberg LA	LCDR James R. Corcoran (N)	Siegel, D. LTC
Dallas TX	Donna J. Starnes (E)	Darelius, D. Capt
Dallas TX	1LT William R. Skeeters (A)	Clark, A. CPT
Dallas TX	Lt Col Jack D. Bond (AF)	Clark, A. Capt
Denver CO	John L. Devitt (H)	Ritchie, C. LCDR
Gaylord Dillingham Mem HI	LTC Don Arakaki (A)	Tom, J. LTC
Gen George G. Meade MD	CW5 Fred L. Shinbur (A)	Burntack, E. COL
Gen George G. Meade MD	BG Jeannie Shinbur (A)	Burntack, E. COL
Gen J. P. Holland CA	CPT Joseph A. Edwards (A)	Gordon, J. CDR
Green Mountain VT	Thomas E. O'Donovan, Jr. (H) *	Website
Green Mountain VT	COL Carroll A. Ockert (A)	O'Donovan, T.
Headquarters	Maj Patrick J. Swint (AF)	Website

New Members—April 1, 2010 through April 30, 2010

**Denotes Perpetual Member*

Commander-In-Chief Solicitation — Congratulations to All



Congratulations! MOWW Companions contributed \$90,400 in support of the annual CINC Solicitation for this fiscal year.

The Order's goal was \$90,000 and CINC COL Philemon St. Amant II thanks all those that contributed, and a special "thank you" to those that gave twice.

All Companions received the third CINC solicitation letter. The Executive Committee of the General Staff of the Order approved mailing the third CINC's solicitation letter to all Companions of the Order, even those Companions who contributed to the first or second solicitation letter. The Order is a self-sustaining organization and the CINC solicitation helps with the overall annual operation of the Order.

Again, a special "Thank You" to all Companions who have given; however, if you haven't done so, the Order is still accepting donations. CINC COL St. Amant and MOWW thanks all of you who have donated to our beloved Order this year!

Thank you, Companions, your contributions "Help spread the fire!"

Membership Update

NEW MEMBERS (Continued)

CHAPTER	RANK/NAME/(SERVICE)	SPONSOR
Joseph H. Pendleton CA	Betty Spoutz (E)	Baird, J.
Puget Sound WA	LTC William L. Boice (A) *	Ball, M. LT
Puget Sound WA	LTC Gillian S. Boice (A) *	Ball, M. LT
Richmond VA	2LT Richard J. Groenier (A)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Richmond VA	2LT Mary E. Jocelyn (A)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Richmond VA	2LT Jenkins L. Dove (A)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Richmond VA	2nd Lt William M. McVeigh (AF)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Richmond VA	ENS Joelle C. Portzer (N)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Richmond VA	2LT Christopher M. Melton (A)	Tarantino, J. LTC
Saddleback Valley CA	LTC William T. Anton (A) *	Wandke, R. LTC
Sun Cities AZ	Heather L. Horn (E)	Kain, Jr. J. LT

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In Memoriam

DECEASED MEMBERS

CHAPTER	RANK/NAME/(SERVICE)
Atlanta GA	LT Preston F. Roddy (A)
Augusta GA	MAJ Charlie R. Beasley (A) *
El Paso TX	COL Elwyn E. Leslie (A) *
El Paso TX	LTC Harold F. Smith, Jr. (A) *
El Paso TX	LTC Donald W. Hallauer (A) *
Greater Kansas City	Capt Stanley R. Chambers (AF)
Hann-Buswell Memorial	LCDR Arthur J. Arseneault, Jr. (N) *
Headquarters	MG Donald W. Graham (A) *
Headquarters	LTC Floyd B. Lyerla (A)
Houston TX	COL Samuel A. Bjorkman (A) *
Knoxville TN	LCDR Arthur J. Arseneault, Jr. (N) *
Monterey Bay CA	Richard B. Peckham (H) *
North TX	COL Edwin D. Heath, Jr. (A) *
Richmond VA	COL Leslie W. Rose, Jr. (A)
Space Coast-Indian River FL	MAJ Hatcher M. James (A) *
Space Coast-Indian River FL	COL Ralph W. Bunn (A) *
Space Coast-Indian River FL	Dr William H. Harrison (AF) *

Deceased Members—April 1, 2010 through April 30, 2010

*Denotes Perpetual Member

Preamble

*To cherish the memories and associations
of the World Wars waged for humanity;
To inculcate and stimulate love
of our country and 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.*

Names and Faces



AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, CHAPTER

Six of the current 21 living Augusta Chapter Commanders, from left to right: VCINC LTC Gary O. Engen, 2000-01; Past CINC LTC David R. Titus, 1992-93; BG Robert T. Cutting, 1988-89; LTC Lawrence Russell III, 2009-10; MAJ Dewitt R. Dent, 1993-94; and COL Brian J. Mulherin, 1984-85.



PHOENIX, ARIZONA, CHAPTER

Past Chapter Cdr Major Glenn Goins (second from left) presents the Bronze Patrick Henry to the JROTC Program at Carl Hayden High School for 17 years of supporting the Phoenix Chapter MOWW Massing of the Colors. Accepting the award are Army Instructor Mr. John Cordero-Torres, Carl Hayden High School and Cadet Major Ervin Delgado, Battalion Commander. Current Chapter Cdr Companion Mrs. Deborah J. Kerr-Minor (left) and ROTC/JROTC Chapter Chairman LTC John Finical (right) look on.



DALLAS, TEXAS, CHAPTER

Chapter Cdr LT Wes Gross presents an MOWW JROTC Medal and Certificate to Cadet Jose Aguilar at the Dallas ISD Moises Molina High School JROTC Awards Ceremony. COL Joe Conley (right), Senior Army Instructor looks on.



SUN CITY, TEXAS, CHAPTER

Daughters of the American Revolution presented a DAR Award to MOWW Companion CDR Robert Kelety in recognition for Excellence in Community Service.



SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, CHAPTER

Chapter Companion LCDR Tad Riley recognizes Mar Vista High School NJROTC Cadet Corey Emerson with the Chapter's Outstanding First Year Cadet Award.



CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, CHAPTER

CW4 Richard Johnson manned the MOWW table during the Great Lakes Naval Station Retiree Day in October.



GENERAL CRITZ, OKLAHOMA, CHAPTER

Companion **Col Don Van Meter** presents an MOWW JROTC Medal to **Cadet 2LT Liliana Salas** at the Wichita Falls, Texas JROTC Banquet/Ball.



EL PASO, TEXAS, CHAPTER

Companion **LTC Rafael Garcia**, Chapter Treasurer, presents a check to Horizon ROTC **Cadet Jennifer Minjarez** to help her with her travel expenses to the NRA Army Services Civilian Marksmanship match held in Ohio. Jennifer placed 2nd in the match. This qualified her to compete in the All ROTC "Best of the Best" match held in Anniston, Alabama, in late March and she was also invited to compete in the Junior Olympics match held in Colorado Springs in early April.



SUN CITY, FLORIDA, CHAPTER

Outside right: Tampa Chamber of Commerce Chapter representatives, from left: **Lt Col Gordon** and **Jan Bassett**, **Mary Foster** and **LTC Harry Lascola**, **LTC Jack** and **Darlene Craig**, and **CW4 Richard** and **Angela Wallace**. Inside left: Commander's 17th Birthday cake-cutting, from left to right, **CDR Ed Miller**, **Lt Col Gordon Bassett**, **CAPT Jack Seelye**, **LTC Harry Lascola**.



Names and Faces



COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, CHAPTER

Past CINC **LTG Sam Wetzel** with Chapter guests JROTC **Cadet Ford (L)** and **Cadet Scott** at the March Dinner Meeting.



LTG EMMETT H. WALKER JR, MISSISSIPPI, CHAPTER

At the Chapter's March dinner meeting, Vice Chapter Cdr **CAPT Hugh Hunt** presented guest speaker, **Mr. David Mars** with an MOWW commemorative coin.



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