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Commander-in-Chief's Comments

May is a month bringing promises of gentle rains and quiet breezes before the heat of summer, with its threats of storms and disruptions. It's a peaceful month that fills us with feelings of warmth and optimism.

But May is also a month for reflection. In the United States, we celebrate Memorial Day during this period, and more than just hot dogs and beer and ball games, Memorial Day is for us the opportunity to reflect upon the actions of those who have died in America's wars to permit us to enjoy the blessings of freedom in a land with a continental span and endless opportunities.

The earliest and perhaps most eloquent explanation of the debt owed by citizens to their protectors comes to us from the historian Thucydides, writing about the fifth century BC Peloponnesian Wars, who recorded the speech of the Athenian orator and general, Pericles.

"Fix your eyes upon the greatness of Athens," Pericles told the assembled Athenians, "... and reflect that this empire has been acquired by men who knew their duty and had the courage to do it.... The sacrifice which they collectively made was individually repaid to them; for they received again each one for himself a praise which grows not old, and the noblest of all tombs. I speak not of that in which their remains are laid, but of that in which their glory survives, and is proclaimed always and on every fitting occasion both in word and deed. For the whole earth is the tomb of famous men; not only are they commemorated by columns and inscriptions in their own country, but in foreign lands there dwells also an unwritten memorial of them, graven not on stone but in the hearts of men."

That theme of the obligation of citizens to those who had fallen in defense of the nation was taken up once more in our own country, after the end of our costly War Between the States. Graves of the fallen on both sides were decorated with flowers by grateful citizens, and on 5 May 1868, General John Logan, the commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, issued his General Order Number 11: "the 30th day of May 1868 is designated for the purpose of... decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country..., and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet church-yard in this land."

After two great wars that pitted nation against nation across the globe in defense of the shared principles of liberty and justice that have distinguished our Country and a handful of others, we understand the sacrifices made by a few on behalf of the many. Today, as America's Armed Forces are again deployed around the world in defense of our interests, and engaged in two wars against those who would seek to destroy us, it is fitting that we remember our past, defend our present, and continue to strive for a brighter future.

And lest we forget those to whom we owe the greatest debt for the blessings America enjoys, let us recall on this Memorial Day the words of the Homage with which many of our chapters close their meetings: "Let us pause and pay homage to the memories of our departed heroes, and may the memory of those men be enshrined in the hearts of those for whom they so willingly died. Their hands indeed are motionless, their lips are hushed, their bodies returned to dust, but the warmth of their love for their country can never die, Let us each, in silence, offer his own prayer."

Amen



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Back Cover: A joint service color guard marches the Stars and Stripes and all of the service flags through downtown Indianapolis during the 50th Indy 500 Festival Parade in May 2007. Servicemembers, prominently featured in the event, rode on floats and carried red, white and blue banners. DoD photo by Samantha L. Quigley

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Twenty years since OPERATION JUST CAUSE

By Col Stanley J. Whidden

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December 2009 marked the twenty years since the United States invasion of Panama, codenamed OPERATION JUST CAUSE, in December 1989. JUST CAUSE was the first successful major joint military operation since the end of Vietnam, marking the reawaking of the American Military. It was also the first successful post Goldwater-Nichols operation conducted since Vietnam, pursuant to the Powell/Weinberger doctrine.

The Weinberger doctrine was an outgrowth of the collective lessons learned from the Vietnam War and the desire of the U.S. government to avoid such quagmires in the future. The Weinberger doctrine tenets are the following:

1. The United States should not commit forces to combat unless the vital national interests of the United States or its allies are involved.
2. U.S. troops should only be committed wholeheartedly and with the clear intention of winning. Otherwise, troops should not be committed.
3. U.S. combat troops should be committed only with clearly defined political and military objectives and with the capacity to accomplish those objectives.
4. The relationship between the objectives and the size and composition of the forces committed should be continually reassessed and adjusted if necessary.
5. U.S. troops should not be committed to battle without a "reasonable assurance" of the support of U.S. public opinion and Congress.
6. The commitment of U.S. troops should be considered only as a last resort.

The strategic objective of JUST CAUSE was to depose and replace Manuel Noriega, the Panamanian leader, general, and dictator (supported by the Panamanian Defense Force—the PDF—and other international supporters) with president-elect Guillermo Endara and a reconstructed Panamanian government.

The Torrijos-Carter Treaties, signed by President of the United States Jimmy Carter and Omar Torrijos of Panama on September 7, 1977, initiated handing the Panama Canal over to Panamanian control. U.S. relations with General Noriega spanned decades (from 1959) when Noriega served as a U.S. intelligence asset on the Central Intelligence Agency's payroll. Noriega advanced U.S. interests in Central America, by sabotaging the socialist government in Nicaragua, the Sandinistas, and the FMLN revolutionaries in El Salvador. Moreover, he worked with the Drug Enforcement Administration to stop illegal drug shipments, juxtaposed that he also simultaneously worked with the drug dealers.

During the 1980s, Ronald Reagan requested that General



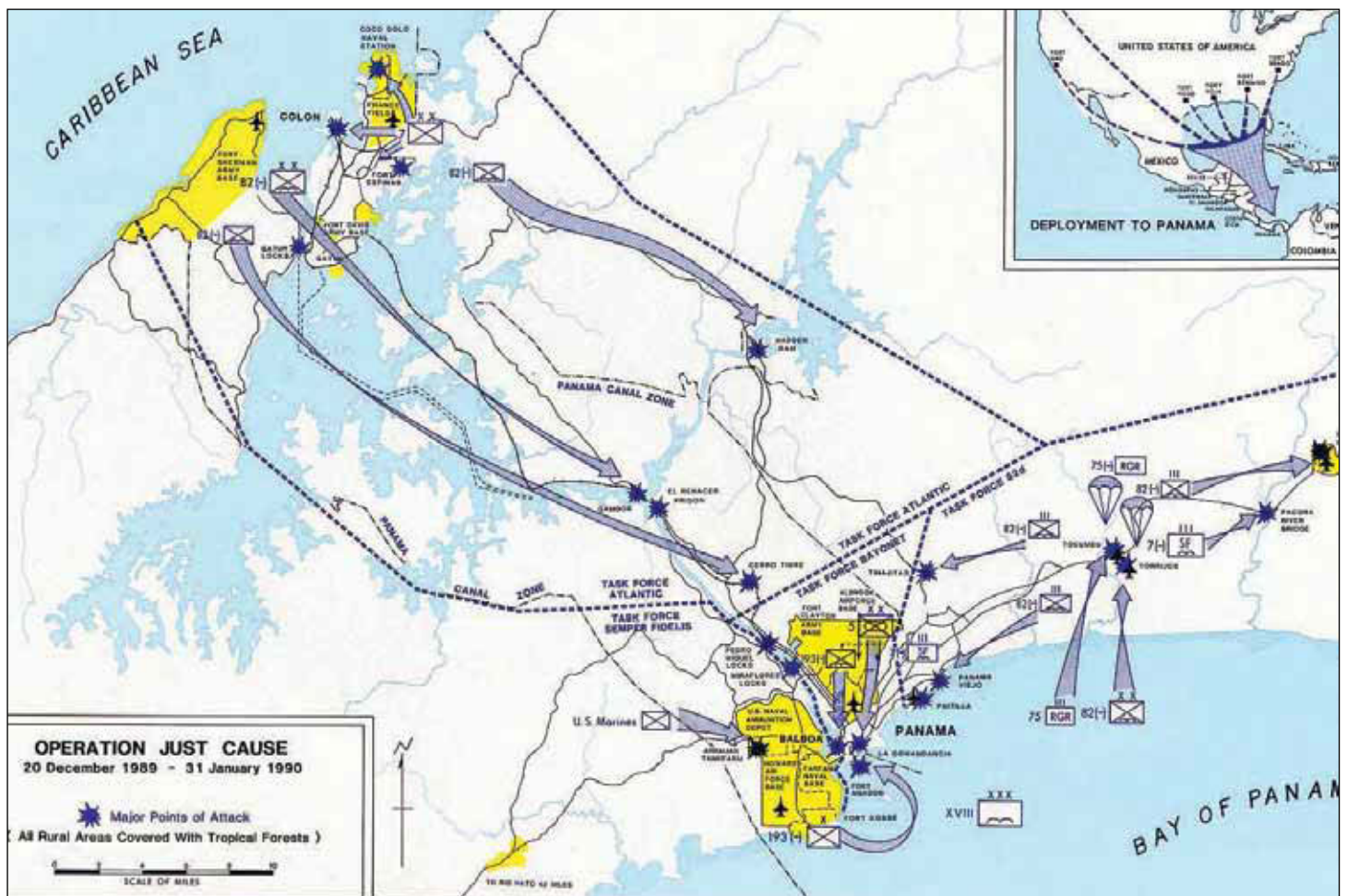
Marines of Company D, 2nd Light Armored Infantry Battalion, stand guard with their LAV-25 light armored vehicles outside a destroyed Panamanian Defense Force building during the first day of Operation Just Cause. DoD photo by PH1 Elliott

Noriega peacefully resign as a result of several drug-related indictments in U.S. courts. In March 1989, Noriega's forces repressed an attempted coup. In May 1989, the national election results showed that Guillermo Endara had defeated Carlos Duque, a pro-Noriega, but Noriega supporters beat up Endara. Noriega declared the election null and maintained power by force, insisting that they won the presidential election. George H. W. Bush called on Noriega to honor the will of the Panamanian people.

In October 1989, Noriega stopped a second coup attempt by Major Moisés Giroldi. Later, Noriega's forces killed an unarmed American serviceman, wounded another, arrested and brutally beat a third American serviceman and then brutally interrogated his wife, threatening her with sexual abuse. These incidents were cited by Thomas R. Pickering, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Security Council, as sufficient grounds for invasion as an act of self-defense within Article 51 of the UN Charter.

The official United States justification for the invasion was articulated by President George H. W. Bush on the morning of December 20, 1989, a few hours after the start of the operation. President Bush listed the following four reasons for the invasion:

- Safeguarding the lives of U.S. citizens in Panama. In his statement, President Bush claimed that Noriega had declared that a state of war existed between the United States and Panama and that he also threatened the lives of the approximately 35,000 U.S. citizens living there. There had been numerous clashes between U.S. and Panamanian forces; one U.S. Marine had been killed a few days earlier and several incidents of harassment of U.S. citizens had taken place;
- Defending democracy and human rights in Panama;
- Combating drug trafficking. Panama had become a center for drug money laundering and a transit point for drug trafficking to the United States and Europe;



- Protecting the integrity of the Torrijos-Carter Treaties. Members of Congress and others in the U.S. political establishment claimed that Noriega threatened the neutrality of the Panama Canal and that the United States had the right under the treaties to intervene militarily to protect the Panama canal; and,

- Noriega and the Panamanian legislature's declaration of a state of war between the United States and Panama.

JUST CAUSE began on December 20, 1989, at 0100 hours, local time, and involved 27,684 U.S. troops and over 300 aircraft—including the AC-130 Spectre gunship, OA-37B Dragonfly observation and attack aircraft, and the F-117A Nighthawk stealth aircraft flown by the 37th Tactical Fighter Wing, and AH-64 Apache attack helicopter. The invasion of Panama was the first combat deployment for the AH-64, and the F-117A. These aircraft were deployed against the 46,000 members of the Panamanian Defense Force. The HMMWV (High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle pronounced Humvee) was also very prominent in this U.S. military action.

Operation JUST CAUSE began with an assault of strategic installations, such as the civilian Punta Paitilla Airport in Panama City, a PDF garrison and an airfield at Rio Hato, where Noriega also maintained a residence. U.S. Navy SEALs destroyed Noriega's private jet and a Panamanian gunboat. Military command centers throughout the

country were simultaneously attacked. The attack on the PDF central headquarters (referred to as La Comandancia) started fires, which destroyed most of an adjoining neighborhood, named El Chorrillo, in the poor section of downtown Panama City. During the firefight at La Comandancia, the PDF downed two special operations helicopters and forced one AH-6 Little Bird to crash-land in the Panama Canal. Elements of the 508th Airborne Infantry and 59th Engineer Company (sappers) secured Fort Amador in a night time air assault early on December 20. Fort Amador was a strategic position because of its relationship to the large oil farms adjacent to the canal, the Bridge of the Americas over the canal, the Panama Canal's Pacific entrance, and key PDF command and control Headquarters. Also, the U.S. needed to secure Fort Amador's large U.S. housing area to prevent the PDF from taking U.S. citizens as hostages. This position also protected the left flank of the attack on La Comandancia and the securing of the neighborhood El Chorrillos, guarded by Dignity Battalions: Noriega supporters used as political goon squads. A few hours after the invasion began, Guillermo Endara was sworn in at Rodman Naval Station and Civil Affairs started in an immediate transition to a new government.

Formed December 1, 1989, United States Army Reserve Special Operations Command (USARSOC) controlled the Army Reserve Special Forces, Civil Affairs (CA) and

Timeline

1987

September: U.S. Senate passes resolution urging Panama to re-establish a civilian government. Panama protests alleged U.S. violations of the Canal Treaty.

November: U.S. Senate resolution cuts military and economic aid to Panama. Panamanians adopt resolution restricting U.S. military presence.

1988

February: Noriega indicted on drug-related charges. U.S. forces begin planning contingency operations in Panama (OPLAN BLUE SPOON).

March 14: First of four deployments of U.S. forces begins, providing additional security to U.S. installations.

March 16: PDF officers attempt a coup against Noriega.

April 5: Additional U.S. forces deployed to provide security.

April 9: Joint Task Force Panama activated.

1989

May 7: Civilian elections are held; opposition alliance tally shows their candidate, Guillermo Endara, beating Noriega's candidate, Carlos Duque, by a 3-to-1 margin. The election is declared invalid two days later by Noriega. May 11: President Bush orders 1,900 additional combat troops to Panama (Operation NIMROD DANCER). May 22: Convoys conducted to assert U.S. freedom of movement. Additional transport units travelled from bases in the territorial U.S. to bases in Panama, and back, for this express purpose.

Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep: U.S. begins conducting joint training/freedom of movement exercises (Operation SAND FLEA) and Operation PURPLE STORM). Additional transport units continued from this date to travel repeatedly from bases in the territorial U.S. to bases in Panama, and back, for this express purpose.

Oct 3: The PDF, loyal to Noriega, defeat second coup attempt.

Dec 15: Noriega refers to himself as leader of Panama and declares a state of war with the U.S. Dec 16: Marine Lieutenant shot and killed by PDF. Navy Lieutenant and wife detained and assaulted by PDF. Dec 17: National Command Authority directs execution of Operation JUST CAUSE.

Dec 18: Army Lieutenant shoots PDF Sergeant. Joint Task Force South (JTFSO) advance party deploys. JCS designates D-Day/H-Hour as Dec 20, 1989.

Dec 19: U.S. forces alerted, marshaled and launched.

D-Day: Dec 20, 1989

The United States invasion of Panama begins. The operation was conducted as a campaign with limited military objectives. JTFSO objectives in PLAN 90-2 were to: Protect U.S. lives and key sites and facilities, capture and deliver Noriega to competent authority, neutralize PDF forces, neutralize PDF command and control, support establishment of a U.S.-recognized government in Panama, and restructure the PDF. Major operations detailed elsewhere continued to the 24th of December

D-Day + 14, 3 Jan 90

Noriega surrenders to U.S. forces.

D-Day + 23, 12 Jan 90

Operation JUST CAUSE ends and PROMOTE LIBERTY begins.



Rangers from Charlie Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, US Army, prepare to take La Comandancia in the El Chorrillo neighborhood of Panama City during the invasion of Panama, December 1989

Psychological Operations units. Within days of its activation, Operation JUST CAUSE in Panama thrust the Command into action. USARSOC identified and mobilized individual volunteer Reserve Soldiers for duty in Panama, and the succeeding CA operation there, known as PROMOTE LIBERTY.

JUST CAUSE saw 96th CA BN jumping in at H-Hour with the Rangers. Individual Reservists were called up, not units. Major tasks included getting the international airport functioning, providing medical assistance, establish a "user-friendly" demilitarized police force, establishing a displaced civilian facility, and assisting the legally elected government to take control. U.S. CA policy was one of teaching Panamanians how to satisfy their own needs. The Joint Task Forces Panama (JPTF), Military Support Group, Civil Affairs Task Force (CATF) a composite command under the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), set up the Balboa High School refugee camp to handle the mass of dislocated civilians from El Chorrillo. This unit made history by being the first U.S. Army Reservist called into active combat service since the Vietnam War—and the first since World War II to stabilize a government.

The U.S. lost 23 troops, 325 were wounded (WIA) and 3 American civilians were also killed. The U.S. Southern Command, at that time based on Quarry Heights in Panama, estimated the number of Panamanian military dead at 205, lower than its original estimate of 314. About 2,700 families that were displaced by the El Chorrillo fire were each given \$6,500 by the United States to build a new house or apartment in selected areas in or near the city. Since Noriega's ouster, Panama has had three presidential elections, with candidates from opposing parties succeeding each other in the Palacio de las Garzas.



U. S. armored M-113 personnel carrier finds shelter in a Panama City laundramat. The use of heavy forces mounted in M-113's were key to success in combat in the city, providing firepower, protection, and mobility. Maxwell Thurman Photograph Collection, USAMHI..

On February 10, 1990, the Endara government abolished Panama's military and reformed the security apparatus by creating the Panamanian Public Forces. In 1994, a constitutional amendment permanently abolished the military of Panama. Noriega was brought to U.S. trial and is still in U.S. prison.

In conclusion, JUST CAUSE reawakened and revitalized the U.S. Military by fulfilling all of the requirements of the Weinberger Doctrine. As General Colin Powell said, the Doctrine denotes the exhausting of all "political, economic, and diplomatic means," which, only if those means prove to be futile, should a nation resort to military force. General Powell has expanded upon the Weinberger Doctrine, asserting that when a nation is engaging in war, every resource and tool should be used to quickly achieve decisive force overwhelming the enemy, minimizing U.S. casualties and quickly ending the conflict by forcing the weaker force to quickly capitulate and quickly leave. This is well in line with Western military strategy dating at least from Carl von Clausewitz's *On War*.

Col Stanley J. Whidden, M.D., Ph.D, holds the historical distinction of being the Civil Affairs Team Leader of the Agriculture and Education Team for the United States invasion of Panama, OPERATION JUST CAUSE and was called back (August 1990) into combat to establish the Saudi Arabian Host Nation Support (22nd SUPCOM/ARCENT) during Operation DESERT SHIELD/STORM and the Kuwait Task Force ((KTF) 352nd Civil Affairs Command USAR) and was called back (May 1993) into combat as the G-5 United Nations Somalia Logistic Command (UNSLC), United Nations Somalia (UNSOM II), U.S. Forces Somalia (USFORSOM), Joint Task Force Somalia (JTFS) during Operation PROVIDE HOPE.

Major Operations and U.S. units involved

All 27 objectives related to the Panamanian Defense Force were completed on D-Day: December 20, 1989; as initial forces moved to new objectives, follow-on forces from 7th Inf Div (L) moved into the western areas of Panama and into Panama City.

D-Day -1 (19th Dec 89)

- * 3d Bde, 7th Inf Div (L) (4/17 Inf), already deployed as part of peacekeeping forces in the region, deploy to predetermined positions.
- * 27th Bde, 7th Inf Div (L), alerted for deployment.
- DRF 1 (3/27th Inf) and DRF 2 (2/27th INF) deploys.

D-Day (20 Dec 89)

- * 3d Bde, 7th Inf Div (L) (4/17 Inf), begin operations in Colon City, the Canal Zone and Panama City.
- * Remainder of the 2d Bde, 7th Inf Div (L)(3/17th Inf), deploys and closes in Panama.

D-Day + 1 (21 Dec 89)

- * JCS directs execution of PLAN BLIND LOGIC.
- * Panama Canal reopened for daylight operations.
- * Refugee situation becomes critical.
- * TF Bayonet begins CMO in Panama City.
- * Marriott Hotel secured and hostages evacuated.

D-Day + 2 (22 Dec 89)

- * FPP established.
- * CMO and stability operations become primary focus.
- * 2d Bde, 7th Inf Div (L), deploys to Rio Hato.
- * 1st Bde (9th Regiment), 7th Inf Div (L), alerted for deployment.

D-Day + 3 (23 Dec 89)

- * International airport reopened.
- * 2d Bde, 7th Inf Div (L) and SF elements begin ops in west.
- * 96th CA Bn assumes responsibility for DC Camp from USARSO.
- * 1st Bde (9th Regiment) 7th Inf Div (L) closes in Panama.

D-Day + 4 (24 Dec 89)

- * Noriega enters Papal Nunciatura.
- * Money for Weapons program initiated.
- * Combined U.S./FPP patrols begin.

D-Day + 5 (25 Dec 89)

- * Rangers secure David.
- * Operations in western Panama continue successfully.

D-Day + 14 (3 Jan 90)

Noriega surrenders to U.S. forces.

D-Day + 23 (12 Jan 90)

Operation JUST CAUSE ends and PROMOTE LIBERTY begins.



We Must All Be Alert for Terrorists

By LTC Wayman J. Johnson
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Like it or not, terrorism is again on center stage. Jihadist war on America is alive and well, even if we pretend it isn't. The vigilance of individual citizens is critical to protecting our Country from the threat of terrorism. Eight years after the terrorist attacks of 9/11, it's important to remember the United States is not immune from the atrocities of international terror attacks.

The common citizenry is an "untapped resource" in the fight against terrorism. For years, the anti-terrorism intelligence and law enforcement communities have been voicing a desire to tap information possessed by average citizens who have observed terrorism related activities but didn't have an adequate means of reporting the observations and in many cases didn't recognize the activities. But now the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) appears to be finally listening to the suggestion that American citizens are a great asset in gaining information on terrorist cells operating inside the United States.

So, what exactly is it that serves to change the average American citizen into a "viable intelligence and law enforcement asset?" First, it is essential that every American understand that terrorists and terrorist organizations are not "spontaneous" in their actions. The word simply doesn't exist in their vocabulary and means of thinking. Every terrorist attack is very well planned, coordinated, and executed with extreme discipline.

There are five elements to every terrorist attack. These elements are:

- (1) Target Identification,
- (2) Intelligence Gathering & Planning,
- (3) Logistics & Training,
- (4) Rehearsals or "Dry Runs," and
- (5) The physical manifestation of the attack itself.

Suspicious activity is often recalled after an event. We must train ourselves to be on the lookout for things that are out of the ordinary and arouse suspicions.

If you spot suspicious terrorist activity or if you see suspicious behavior, take note of the details (**SALUTE**):

S – Size (Jot down the number of people, gender, ages, and physical descriptions)

A – Activity (Describe exactly what they are doing)

L – Location (Provide exact location)

U – Uniform (Describe what they are wearing, including shoes)

T – Time (Provide date, time, and duration of activity)

E – Equipment (Describe vehicle, make, color etc., license plate, camera, guns, etc)

Keep in mind, those who commit terrorist acts usually live among us without appearing suspicious while planning and preparing for their attack. They may be your neighbor,

student or friend.

Often, a terrorist's need for specialized training or equipment, or the need to conduct surveillance on possible targets and gather information on the planned attack location will arouse suspicion. All of these things make terrorists vulnerable to detection by those watching for certain characteristics.

Learn to recognize the difference between normal and abnormal behavior. It can be a fine line. Stay alert in your daily travels and routines and get to know who your neighbors are, what cars are normally in your neighborhood and who regularly makes deliveries at work and in your neighborhood.

Staying alert is NOT about becoming paranoid. Staying alert is being aware of one's surroundings. Be alert to indications of possible trouble. They may include:

- A local activity that could indicate problems in your community. One of the clues that led to the recent break-up of a terrorist plot was that several of the cell members were spotted celebrating in an apartment complex on the anniversary of 9/11.

- Previous activity or crimes.
- Controversial issues being debated.
- Suspicious thefts.

It is **impossible** to identify a terrorist only by appearance, nationality, or language. You CAN only identify a terrorist threat by observing or hearing about suspicious activity that may lead to a criminal act.

Identifying suspicious activity is not a difficult science. Rely on your judgment. Your suspicion of a threat could be confirmed with only one incident or it could take a series of incidents. Your suspicions will need to be based on experience, judgment and common sense. Here is just one example:

Unusual Interest in High Risk or Symbolic Targets

Perhaps, you are at a high profile location such as a National Monument and you notice a person nearby taking several photos. That's not unusual. But then you notice that the person is only taking photos of the locations surveillance cameras, entrance crash barriers and access control procedures. Is that normal for a tourist? No.

The following should cause a heightened sense of suspicion:

- Suspicious or unusual interest
- Surveillance (suspicious in nature)



New Jersey State poster encourages citizens to be alert and report suspicious activity.

- Inappropriate photographs or videos
- Note-taking
- Drawing of diagrams
- Annotating maps
- Using binoculars or night vision devices

Unusual or suspicious activity does not necessarily mean that terrorist activity is happening, but be aware of the following suspicious behaviors:

- Individuals acting furtively and suspiciously
- Individuals avoiding eye contact
- Individuals departing quickly when seen or approached
- Individuals in places they don't belong
- A strong odor coming from a building or vehicle
- An overloaded vehicle
- Fluid leaking from a vehicle, other than the engine or gas tank
- Over dressed for the type of weather

Fraudulent Identification

Many of the 9/11 terrorists were in the country illegally and using fraudulent IDs. Altering or using false government identification in any way, and for any purpose, is against the law. Fraudulent IDs include drivers license, social security card, passport and birth certificate

If you believe someone is using altered government identification, please notify the law enforcement authorities. Do NOT request to see another person's ID when not appropriate. Allow law enforcements to do the investigating.

Terrorists, when not acting alone, need to meet with their co-conspirators and often times work within a cell.

Pay attention to visitors and guests that:

- Arrive and leave at unusual hours
- Try not to be noticed
- Act in a suspicious manner
- Park an unusual distance from the meeting
- Have an unusual number of unrelated people living together

Not all people who maintain privacy are terrorists. But people intent on doing illegal acts want to be left alone.

Some signs that may raise your suspicions are:

- They only let you into the apartment or house with plenty of prior notice
- They change the locks often
- They keep certain rooms off limits
- They cover tables and other pieces of furniture
- They never allow maid service in a hotel room
- They only take hotel room service outside the door
- They only accept deliveries at the hotel's front desk or outside a closed door. Deliveries are a common method for terrorists to carry out their attacks.

Be aware of:

- a vehicle with hazardous material parked or driving in an inappropriate area
- Unusual deliveries of chemicals or fertilizer
- Unattended bags or boxes in a public access place

- Fire extinguishers that may have been moved or tampered with
- Unusual or unexpected mail

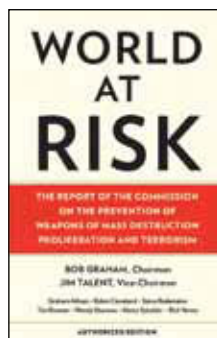
Unusual Purchases or Thefts

Terrorists need supplies to carry out their attacks and accomplish their goals. Pay attention to purchases, rentals or thefts of:

- Police, security, public utility, mail carrier, or airline uniforms and equipment
- Explosives
- Weapons
- Ammunition
- Propane bottles
- Toxic chemicals
- Vehicles able to contain or haul hazardous materials

Additional suspicious activity may include:

- Someone bragging or talking about plans to harm citizens in violent attacks or who claims membership in a terrorist organization that espouses killing innocent people.
- Suspicious packages, luggage, or mail that have been abandoned in a crowded place like an office building, an airport, a school, or a shopping center.
- Suspicious letter or package that arrives in your mailbox. Stay away from the letter or package and don't shake, bump or sniff it; wash hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- Someone suspiciously exiting a secured, non-public area near a train or bus depot, airport, tunnel, bridge, government building, or tourist attraction.
- Any type of activity or circumstance that seems frightening or unusual within the normal routines of your neighborhood, community, and workplace.
- Someone unfamiliar loitering in a parking lot, government building, or around a school or playground.
- Anyone asking a lot of questions especially concerning routes or loads or drop-off times.
- Recruiters should be alert for unusual employment applications. Don't assume it couldn't be an inside job.



The Congressionally-chartered Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation released their report in January 2010. The report is available to the public, free of charge, as a PDF document.

In an earlier 2008 report, this panel warned that it was likely that, before the end of 2013, a weapon of mass destruction would be used somewhere in the world by terrorists. It recommended 17 steps to counter that, including a section on citizen involvement. Please follow the link to see the report: www.preventwmd.gov/report/

The Battle of Iwo Jima

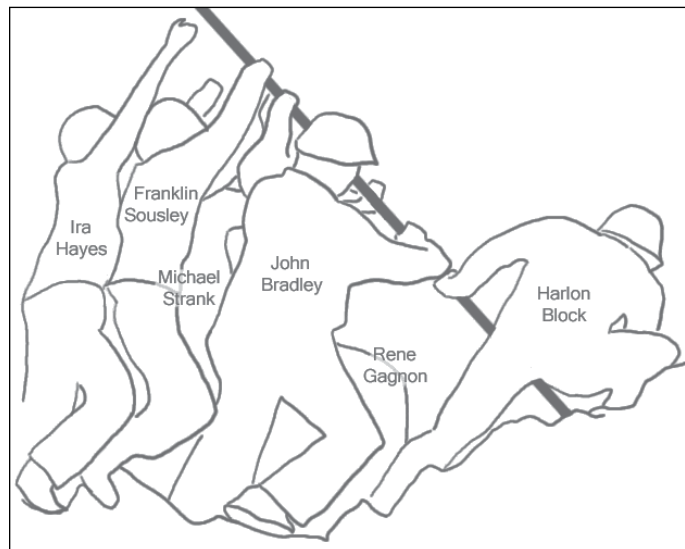
Each year I am hired to go to Washington, DC, with the eighth grade class from Clinton, Wisconsin, where I grew up, to videotape their trip. I greatly enjoy visiting our Nation's capitol, and each year I take some special memories back with me. This fall's trip was especially memorable.

On the last night of our trip we stopped at the Iwo Jima Memorial. This memorial is the largest bronze statue in the world and depicts one of the most famous photographs in history—that of the six brave service men raising the American Flag at the top of a rocky hill on the island of Iwo Jima, Japan, during WW II.

Over one hundred students and chaperones piled off the buses and headed towards the memorial. I noticed a solitary figure at the base of the statue, and as I got closer he asked, "Where are you guys from?"

I told him that we were from Wisconsin.

Hey, I'm a cheesehead, too! Come gather around Cheeseheads, and I will tell you a story." (James Bradley just happened to be in Washington, DC, to speak at the memorial the following day. He was there that night to say goodnight to his dad, who has since passed away. He was just about to leave when he saw the buses pull up. I videotaped him as he spoke to us, and received his permission to share what he said from my videotape. It is one thing to tour the incredible monuments filled with history in Washington, D.C.,



Pictured top: Diagram shows the placement and name of each man holding up the Flag at the Iwo Jima Memorial. Above, the three Marines killed on Iwo Jima depicted in the memorial: (left to right) Corporal Harlon Block, Sgt. Mike Strank, and PFC Franklin Sousley.

but it is quite another to get the kind of insight we received that night.)

When all had gathered around, he reverently began to speak. Here are his words that night. "My name is James Bradley and I'm from Antigo, Wisconsin. My dad is on that statue, and I just wrote a book called "Flags of Our Fathers" which is #5 on the New York Times Best Seller list right now. It is the story of the six boys you see behind me. Six boys raised the flag.

The first guy putting the pole in the ground is Harlon Block. Harlon was an all-state football player. He enlisted in the Marine Corps with all the senior members of his football team. They were off to play another type of game. A game called "War. "But it didn't turn out to be a game. Harlon, at the age of 21, died with his intestines in his hands. I don't say that to gross you out, I say that because there are Generals who stand in front of this statue and talk about the glory of war. You guys need to know that most of the boys in Iwo Jima were 17, 18, and 19 years old. (He pointed to the statue) You see this next guy? That's Rene Gagnon from New Hampshire. If you took Rene's helmet off at the moment this photo was taken, and looked in the webbing of that helmet, you would find a photograph—a photograph of his girlfriend. Rene put that in there for protection, because he was scared. He was 18 years old. Boys won the battle of Iwo Jima. Boys. Not old men.

The next guy here, the third guy in this tableau, was Sgt. Mike Strank. Mike is my hero. He was the hero of all these guys. They called him the "old man" because he was so old. He was already 24. When Mike would motivate his boys in training camp, he didn't say, "Let's go kill some Japanese" or "Let's die for our Country." He knew he was talking to little boys. Instead he would say, "You do what I say, and I'll get you home to your mothers."

The last guy on this side of the statue is Ira Hayes, a Pima Indian from Arizona. Ira Hayes walked off Iwo Jima. He went into the White House with my dad. President Truman told him, "You're a hero." He told reporters, "How can I feel like a hero when 250 of my buddies hit the island with me and only 27 of us walked off alive?" So you take your class at school. 250 of you spending a year together having fun, doing everything together. Then all 250 of you hit the beach, but only 27 of your classmates walk off alive. That was Ira Hayes. He had images of horror in his mind. Ira Hayes died dead drunk, face down at the age of 32...ten years after this picture was taken.

The next guy, going around the statue, is Franklin Sousley from Hilltop Kentucky. A fun-lovin' hillbilly boy. His best friend, who is now 70, told me, "Yeah, you know, we took two cows up on the porch of the Hilltop General Store. Then we strung wire across the stairs so the cows couldn't get down. Then we fed them Epsom salts. Those cows crapped all night." Yes he was a fun-lovin' hillbilly boy. Franklin died on Iwo Jima at the age of 19. When the telegram came to tell his mother that he was dead, it went to the Hilltop General Store. A barefoot boy ran that telegram up to his mother's farm.



John Bradley, Ira Hayes and Rene Gagnon were honored in Washington, DC. President Truman told them that they were American Heroes. They were the only survivors of when the Flag was raised on Iwo Jima.

New York Times would call, we were trained as little kids to say, "No, I'm sorry sir, my dad's not here. He is in Canada fishing. No, there is no phone there, sir. No, we don't know when he is coming back." My dad never fished or even went to Canada. Usually, he was sitting there right at the table eating his Campbell's soup. But we had to tell the press that he was out fishing. He didn't want to talk to the press. You see, my dad didn't see himself as a hero. Everyone thinks these guys are heroes, 'cause they are in a photo and a monument. My dad knew better. He was a medic. John Bradley from

The neighbors could hear her scream all night and into the morning. The neighbors lived a quarter of a mile away.

The next guy, as we continue to go around the statue is my dad, John Bradley from Antigo, Wisconsin, where I was raised. My dad lived until 1994, but he would never give interviews. When Walter Cronkite's producers, or the

Wisconsin was a caregiver. In Iwo Jima he probably held over 200 boys as they died. And when boys died in Iwo Jima, they writhed and screamed in pain. When I was a little boy, my third grade teacher told me that my dad was a hero. When I went home and told my dad that, he looked at me and said, "I want you always to remember that the heroes of Iwo Jima are the guys who did not come back. Did NOT come back."

So that's the story about six nice young boys. Three died on Iwo Jima, and three came back as national heroes. Overall, 7,000 boys died on Iwo Jima in the worst battle in the history of the Marine Corps. My voice is giving out, so I will end here. Thank you for your time."

Suddenly, the monument wasn't just a big old piece of metal with a flag sticking out of the top. It came to life before our eyes with the heartfelt words of a son who did indeed have a father who was a hero. Maybe not a hero for the reasons most people would believe, but a hero none-the-less.

We need to remember that God created this vast and glorious world for us to live in, freely, but also at great sacrifice. Let us never forget from the Revolutionary War to the Afghanistan War and all the wars in-between that sacrifice was made for our freedom. Remember to pray praises for this great Country of ours and also pray for those still in murderous unrest around the world. STOP, and thank God for being alive—at someone else's sacrifice. God Bless!

From the book: *Heart Touchers "Life-Changing Stories of Faith, Love, and Laughter"* by Michael T. Powers



2009 Veterans Day

By Col James Snyder
Greater Kansas City, Missouri, Chapter

For Veterans Day, the Chapter's wreath-laying ceremony took place at the small World War I memorial, located at Ward Parkway and Meyer Boulevard in south Kansas City, Missouri. *Pictured above left*, Southeast High School Color Guard, which has provided the Color Guard for this ceremony for the past several years. *Pictured top right*, Chapter Cdr, Companion Mrs. Pat Snyder (in red) looks on as Mrs.

Betty Dwigans read the poem, "In Flanders Fields", assisted by COL Tom Graves holding the bull horn. Next to Betty is LCDR Joe Dwigans. *Pictured bottom right*, Companions line the walkway on which the wreath is presented. On the left are Companions Col Jim Snyder, CAPT Dorsey Moore, Col Dan Donegan and COL Vern Otte. On the right are Maj Gary Fox and Gary's grandson—a Junior AFROTC Cadet, LCDR Joe Dwigans, Mrs. Betty Dwigans, Chaplain (COL) Tom Graves, and Companion Mrs. Pat Snyder, the Chapter Cdr. In the background is the Color Guard from the Southeast High School Junior ROTC unit.

A Memorial Day at Fort Huachuca

By CWO Theodore L. "Ted" Cogut
Catalina Mountains, Arizona, Chapter

Just outside the fence a pony, a paint pony as I remember it, was being led by its bridle. The couple guiding the animal kept it on a slow, steady pace. They did not want the pony to distract from the solemn ceremony taking place just inside the fence, where we were. And with his deliberately quiet stepping on the dirt path, to be unobtrusive also seemed to be the pony's intent.

My wife and I found chairs among uniform rows on a perfectly mowed lawn under a canopy shielding us from the Memorial Day sun. Listening to speeches at this military cemetery on the grounds of U.S. Army's Fort Huachuca, we were aware that here the Buffalo Soldiers once rode out into the bright Arizona day. As a part of the ceremony, a dear friend and member of the Gold Star Wives, Mrs. Maureen Whitaker, (*pictured right*) would place a wreath in honor of those resting in the long lines of nearby graves.

Many years ago, at my first visit to Fort Huachuca, I did not know that one day I would have reason to become familiar with its cemetery. To me, the Fort then seemed to be the usual military encampment, but I was then and continue to be impressed with the large lettering, visible from a fair distance, that was painted on its water tower. It reminds you that our best young men and women are volunteers on the ramparts, protecting our freedom.

This is the water tower lettering:

FORT HUACHUCA

A GOOD PLACE TO REENLIST

SINCE 1877



Dipping its head slightly with each measured step, the pony continued on its path as if oblivious to what was happening inside the fence: the recitation of how Memorial Day observances had begun, the speech by the General commanding the installation. This rider-less pony, with reversed boots in its stirrups, in a very real sense exemplified the dignity of the occasion just as much as did the words being spoken at the lectern. Was he there to pay homage to a particular soldier who rested amongst the monuments? A soldier who, when the pony had been free to do so, had run with him on sunny days such as this one?



One of the newest monuments in the cemetery was engraved with the name of a Master Sergeant with whom I had shared a long and treasured friendship.

We first came to know of each other through the weather forecast folders we both made. The folders, depicting enroute weather, were presented to pilots just before their takeoffs. Upon arrival at his destination, the pilot would give the folder to the forecaster at that base. I made my folders in the weather station on the western Atlantic base of Kindley Field, Bermuda; my friend made his in the weather station at Lajes in the eastern Atlantic, on the Azores Islands. If there was criss-crossing air traffic, and if we both were on duty that day, his folder and mine were sometimes exchanged. It wasn't the depicted weather that first caught our eyes when the pilots dropped the folders on our respective forecaster's briefing counters, some 2500 miles apart, but rather, the forecaster's signature. So we happened to observe that he and I had been blessed with parents who had the great good sense to name both of us "Theodore L." Of course, we both had had overseas tours that were far less idyllic. I had been the forecaster on Saudi Arabian sands at what was then the isolated Dhahran Air Field and had two Vietnam War tours in the Army Artillery. He had been in the remote Aleutians and ice-capped Greenland. In Vietnam, a soldier standing beside him was killed by an incoming rocket.

At the specified time, our dear friend placed the Gold Star wreath at its honored place. TAPS and its haunting echo sounded. We carefully made our way past a great number of grave stones, noting names, dates of service, military units. A long stop at a particular monument—the place where her husband rested, he who shared with me a first name and middle initial. A slow salute. And one last glance at the now deserted pony path.



New Patriotic Stirrings in Boston

By CDR Robert L. Gillen

Commander, Department of Massachusetts
Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter

Since 2006, the Greater Boston and Worcester Chapters, and on the national level the Hann-Buswell Chapter, as well as former CINC COL Jim Elmer, have been active in supporting the creation of a new Veterans memorial at Northeastern University and various patriotic observances related to that memorial. We all know the old adage “one good thing leads to another” and we in the Boston area have been hoping that the quiet, but persistent, efforts at Northeastern would stimulate a reconsideration at other local universities of their attitudes towards their alumni Veterans and, in general, to the importance of patriotic service.

Veterans Day 2009 provided us with two gratifying local examples at the Boston College and Harvard University ceremonies of the increase in attention to our cherished values. The Greater Boston MOWW was well represented at both of these important ceremonies.

At Harvard, a granite monument to the memory of alumni who were awarded the Medal of Honor, was dedicated by Tom Reardon of Harvard Veterans Alumni Association, Inc. Companions CAPT Tom Hudner USN (Ret.), recipient of the MOH, and MG Robert Davenport both attended the Harvard ceremonies. There were even comments that Harvard University looks forward to the day when ROTC cadets will return to the University’s campus.

Simultaneously, at Boston College at a well-attended ceremony, a major Veteran’s monument: a 70-foot long granite wall was dedicated to its fallen alumni. The Greater Boston Chapter awarded Paul G. Delaney, an Army ROTC graduate and a decorated Viet Nam Veteran, with a Silver Patrick Henry Citation, plaque and medal for his untiring efforts to establish this new memorial. We believe that it is not simply a coincidence, especially since the Boston College cadets have long been members of the ROTC battalion headquartered at Northeastern.

While alumni at each of these colleges no doubt have been working hard to establish these new monuments and the



Above, the presentation of the Silver Patrick Henry Award to Paul G. Delaney on March 2, 2010. Left to right, CDR Bob Gillen, Paul Delaney, and CDR Red Clevenger, Chapter Cdr Greater Boston Chapter.



dedication ceremonies, I can not help but believe that the example set by Northeastern University provided them with moral support and the incentive that helped them accomplish these important patriotic achievements.

All of this is to the point that it is important for each chapter to include in its program some long-range objectives concerning the improvement in the general, non-military community of respect for military service and appreciation of the values for which our country stands. Certainly, here in Boston, we hope we are seeing momentum build in the right direction.

Left, pictures of the new memorial at Boston College on Veterans Day 2009.

The National Armor and Cavalry Museum

*Submitted by Past CINC LTC David R. Titus
Augusta, Georgia, Chapter*

The Patton Museum collection of armored vehicles and armor-connected artifacts have begun the journey, accompanied by the Armor School, to new digs in Fort Benning, Georgia.

Patton Museum director Len Dyer explained that the museum, which has been a fixture on Fort Knox for 60 years, is the property of the Army, and that it's officially known as the Armor Museum, dedicated in honor of General George S. Patton Jr. But it's more than just a museum he stressed; it's a classroom.

Dyer believes that the true value of the museum is the support it provides for training Soldiers.

"This museum not only tells history, lineage, capabilities, and limitations to Soldiers who are going through training here, but we are also part of that research and development program that the Army uses," he explained. "We have lessons learned on armored warfare going back almost 100 years.

"If you take the Armor Center and Armor School and think of it as a college class — a chemistry class, for example — this is the laboratory...this is where they come and learn about the vehicles," he added.

"Going down to Benning is just a PCS move (Permanent Change of Station) as far as that goes," Dyer said. "The bottom line is we've been directed by the Center of Military History, which manages and controls the collection, that there will only be one...Armor Museum and from the (Training and Doctrine Command) perspective it stays with the (Armor) School," said Dyer.

The Armor Museum will have a new facility built at Fort Benning, which will be located near the new National Infantry Museum. The new name will be the National Armor and Cavalry Museum. The new facility, once built,

will contain three times more exhibit space. There are 50 vehicles on display at the Patton Museum, but the Armor and Cavalry Museum will easily hold 150 displays.

"Once the Armor Museum and the Infantry Museum are up and running (Infantry did a grand opening in June) they will jointly form one of the largest military museum complexes in the world," said Dyer.

Although the ground for the new facility hasn't even been broken—the move still must go forward, according to BRAC guidelines. And the museum will receive assistance with the move from Fort Knox's 233rd Transportation Company.

The 233rd have started transporting museum vehicles from the Fort Knox Richardson Motor Pool and will continue doing so on a weekly basis. The armor vehicles will be moved to Fort Benning via heavy equipment transport — or via convoy on highways and interstates.

The benefits of using the 233rd includes the soldiers gaining hands-on experience when transporting the heavy equipment, as well as saving money for the American taxpayer in the form of transportation costs, the most expensive part of the move, explained Dyer.

According to 2nd Lt. Sean Chang with 233rd Operations, there will be roughly six-to-eight convoys heading to Fort Benning, moving between 9-13 pieces of museum equipment. Each convoy will take about nine days to move the pieces to Benning.

"The interstates and highways are a little tricky because of the size and weight of our HETs," said Chang. "The main issue we have to deal with when taking these roads is obtaining convoy clearances from each state we are passing through. As for the drivers, all of them are licensed and will go through extra training for dealing with CONUS interstate driving.

"While we are not going to be running into IEDs and enemy combatants, (we) will be driving through traffic and dealing with the possibility of vehicle breakdown," he added.



The Armor artifacts at the Patton Museum will move from Fort Knox, Kentucky, to Fort Benning, Georgia. Fort Knox's 223rd Transportation Company will facilitate the Heavy Equipment Transport. Photo Credit: Kellie Etheridge (USAG Fort Knox)

The largest vehicle in the collection, the T28, has already been removed from the grounds around the Patton Museum and taken to a maintenance facility to prepare it for transfer to Benning. The Kentucky National Guard Maintenance Facility (KY MATES), will help make sure all the vehicles are prepped for shipping.

Two hundred-eighty macro artifacts—tanks, anti-tank guns, vehicles, and items weighing 1,000 pounds and above or 75mm and above—are in the collection, with 230 going to Georgia.

Twenty of those vehicles will be used as monument pieces around Benning's Harmony Church, the new Armor School area. Fort Knox will not begin losing its monument pieces, which can be found around Headquarters and other buildings on post until after the annual May Armor Warfighting Conference.

The museum will remain open until after Labor Day to take advantage of summer visitation.

"After that point, the rest of the monument pieces that have not gone, and the core collection—displays at the museum—will then be going down to Fort Benning," said Dyer. "They will go into storage facilities until the new museum is built."

However, out of the 280 armor artifacts, there will be 48 left on Fort Knox to continue the armor legacy and tell its story. These pieces will remain at the gates, key intersections, the traffic circle and even some of the vehicles outside the museum will stay. As for the monumental gardens on the museum grounds, Dyer explained that a course of action for all the monuments has not been decided upon yet.

The Patton Museum will not close. After Sept. 7, the armor element of the museum will be cordoned off to visitors. Access to the Patton collection, Abrams auditorium, and the gift shop will still be available, Dyer explained.

Christopher Kolakowski will then become museum director, with the Patton Museum becoming The General George Patton Museum.

The new museum will become the classroom for the U.S.

Army Recruiting Command, Accessions Command, Cadet Command, and for the units on post. It will focus on aspects of leadership, including styles, techniques, and traits from leaders throughout the Army's 234-year history.

Kolakowski is still in the planning process for the new museum.

"There's still going to be an armor and cavalry section of the story here, but the focus is going to be broader," he explained.

Since the museum will have a broader focus, Kolakowski intends to put Patton into context and show his impact on training and recruiting for the transforming Army. Visitors to the museum will also learn about General Patton's contemporaries and protégés.

General Patton's grandson, James Patton Totten, who also serves on the Patton Museum Foundation Board, supports the move of the armor collection and is excited about the changes happening to the museum at Fort Knox.

"We get to expand our scope," said Totten. "[The museum] will be embracing the concept of audacious leadership, which spreads across the whole spectrum of leadership. We aim to make it one of the best [museums] in the country."

Kolakowski is fully aware of the monumental task that awaits him in less than seven months.

"In terms of visitation, this is the busiest Army museum worldwide. It's also in the top 10 in terms of visitation and tourist sites in the commonwealth and we understand the responsibility that that conveys," he said.

This article was written by Kellie Etheridge for www.army.mil/



The Armor Museum follows the Armor School from Fort Knox, Kentucky, to Fort Benning, Georgia. Above, soldiers use the vehicles for training.



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- 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 Only)

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
- 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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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

Proposed Amendments to the MOWW Constitution and Bylaws

To Be Presented to the 2010 National Convention

By CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel

Chairman, MOWW Constitution and Bylaws Committee

San Diego, California, Chapter



The following amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Order will be considered for adoption by the delegates to the 2010 National Convention in El Paso, Texas. Delegates should seek the views of their Chapters with respect to each proposal and should arrive at the National Convention prepared to cast their votes. The wording of the proposals and the justifications accompanying them are the product of the submitters as revised by the Editor due to space limitations. Voting recommendations from the members of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee are published after the "Rationale" of each proposed amendment.

Constitution Amendments Requiring Approval of Three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the Delegates Voting

C-1) Article V, Officers, Section 2 (a), should be changed to read as follows:

"The National Convention shall elect a Commander-in-Chief (CINC) every two years and the following officers each year: the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, four Vice Commanders-in-chief (no two of whom shall come from any one region), the Treasurer General, the Judge Advocate General, the Surgeon General, the Chaplain General, the Historian General, and five of the ten General Staff Members-at-Large. Members already properly designated as Emeritus members of the General Staff shall not be eligible for election as General Staff Members-at-Large. The CINC shall hold office for two (2) years and the other officers listed in this paragraph shall hold office for one year and all shall hold their office until their successor has been duly elected and qualified."

RATIONALE: Presently the CINC serves as the recognized Commander of the Order and the one-year term limits the opportunities to perform representational duties, make visits, and gain the knowledge necessary to enact or energize the strategies necessary to sustain the Order. Continuity of management and policy at the top is essential to be successful in carrying out the work of the Order and creating a two-year term for the CINC would help demonstrate that we are serious about good management practices and our public education mission. Adoption of this change may mean that fewer Companions would have the opportunities to serve as CINC, but would not hinder Companions from having the opportunity to serve in any of the other elected National Officer positions. The obvious advantage for a two-year term for the CINC is that it allows more time to nurture programs through to completion. A one-year term is simply not long enough.

Committee Recommendation: Disapprove

C-2) Article V, Officers, Section 2 (b), add a last line, so as to read as follows:

"The Commander-in-Chief shall appoint five of the ten General Staff Members-at-Large. Members already properly designated as Emeritus members of the General Staff shall not be eligible for appointment as General Staff Members-at-Large."

RATIONALE: When a Companion is approved by the Order for "General Staff Emeritus" status they are life members of the GS with all rights and privileges of the GS. Article V, Sec. 2 (a) restricts GS Emeritus status Companions from running for election as GS Members-at-Large and this change applies the same restriction to being appointed to GS Members-at-Large positions. In addition, this change fortifies the GS Emeritus status as stated in Article VI, Sec. 5 (a).

Committee Recommendation: Approve

Amendments to the Bylaws Requiring Approval of Two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the Delegates Voting

B-1) Article I, Finances, Sec. 11, re-write the second line to read:

"National Headquarters will remit no funds to any chapter until receipt of its properly signed annual compliance letter."

RATIONALE: This correction clarifies that the "compliance letter" (certification) must be properly signed to be considered "in-compliance" with the intent of this requirement which satisfies many issues for the Order (i.e. IRS requirements, annual Financial review, swearing-in and installing their Officers, etc.).

Committee Recommendation: Approve

B-2) Article II, Charters, Sec. 4, add a new last line that reads as follows:

"If a two-year term is used for any elected position in the Chapter, Department, State, or Region, "installation" is only required for the beginning of the term."

RATIONALE: Since many Chapters are using two-year terms for their officers this clarifies the "installation requirements" and removes the need to install officers with two-year terms each year.

Committee Recommendation: Approve

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.

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"

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 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.

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) and 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:

National Citations, See Chapter XVII, Section B (4), *MOWW 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).

Report of New Officers Installed, See Article II, Sec. 4, *MOWW Bylaws*. 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 Handbook*. The proper form is presented by a Companion at the Nominating Committee's meeting registration at the 2010 National Convention registration desk.

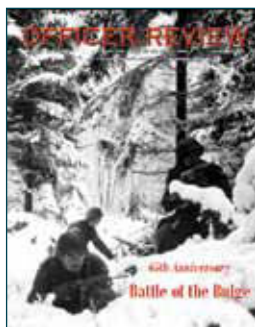
National Convention Space and Equipment Support, Suspense date is June 30, 2010. Email this information to Col Roy Gray at RoyGR0619@aol.com. Your request should be sent by email, as soon as possible to Col Gray, but not later than August 1, 2010.

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 and a copy of the letters you require will be mailed to you.

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!



America's Youth Should Be The Focus

By CDR Robert Rawls
Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter

There is much latitude when matching courses of action for how to accomplish the precepts of the MOWW Preamble. Understanding that each precept has great value, “to promote and further patriotic education in our Nation” is the most significant, as it is a prerequisite linked to all of the others. Without education, none of the remaining precepts will be achieved.

So with the focal point being education, the next question is where and how MOWW can best facilitate imbuing patriotism. Not surprising, readers are most likely already answering that MOWW-sponsored YLCs currently provide the best venue for the mission. The more I’ve thought about Youth Leadership Conferences, the more I’ve become convinced that YLCs represent the best line of attack for fostering patriotic education for the Nation’s youth.

It only takes a quick glance at today’s American society to note a predominant “what’s in it for me” syndrome. Overall, a marked shift in attitude from one of selflessness for-the-good-of-others to one of self-centeredness has eroded the fiber of Americanism. Although daunting and will take generations, this trend must be reversed.

Despite application at times, the selflessness concept is at the heart of MOWW’s essence. And perhaps this selflessness approach in a contradictory society is why recruiting often becomes such a task. What’s in it for me is counter to the model of service.

Education is the only viable answer to effectively enhancing altruism. Education should start at the earliest stages of a person’s life in the home and be augmented by societal institutions such as school and church. Without starting with selflessness and other core values, instilling patriotism is futile.

With respect to a person’s education continuum, YLC staffs obtain a high school student after being trained in society for over a decade. The task, in only a few days, is to make a considerable lifelong impact regarding personal values and patriotism. From what I have observed, YLCs do make this impact. Feedback from conference graduates consistently validates the value of YLCs and the positive changes that occur.

Since YLCs represent a successful education tool, all should be done by MOWW to promote, enhance effectiveness, and expand availability of YLCs.

At present, YLCs are not adequately advertised. The sole

national exposure is via the website. Otherwise, advertising falls on the shoulders of individual YLC staffs and local MOWW entities. Public schools are not conscious of YLCs or their scope and purpose. And certainly individual households are, for the most part, unaware. With increased awareness, particularly coupled with graduate feedback, the desire for attendance will increase. More quotas will foster exposure and garner greater interest.

Illustrating the exposure point, the November 2009 AIFCV YLC class in Williamsburg, Virginia, had to be cancelled due to lack of applications. Currently for AIFCV YLC classes, the maximum number of seats is forty. Rarely does a class size near forty. With proper national and local level exposure, requests for attendance should far outnumber available seats.

The YLC curriculum is only varied slightly from location to location. However, it is imperative that YLCs address the education “missing links” that promote selflessness, core values, and ultimately the relevance and appeal for patriotism. If successful, and in time, the patriotic element will logically be linked to other elements of the Preamble.

No matter how, assuming YLCs become more desirable, MOWW will need to increase efforts in generating revenue for quotas. The average quota nationally exceeds \$200. Locally, a quota for the AIFCV YLC is \$300. The Virginia Beach Chapter normally sponsors an average of ten students per year at a cost of \$3,000, or approximately 70% of the chapter’s budget. Funds are generated via personal donations and fundraising. Increased YLC exposure nationally may help to identify additional funding sources that will ease the burden of chapter budgets and afford the opportunity to support an exponential boost of scholarships.

In closing, members of MOWW can, and should, promote patriotism in every way possible. However, in view of a number of variables, YLCs should represent the central thrust of MOWW efforts. The youth—our reliefs—will follow us with or without an instilled sense of selflessness and patriotism. It is up to us to attempt plugging societal shortcomings to the maximum extent possible. Our youth are our future!

By positively influencing the Nation’s youth, we can obtain both tangible and intangible positive results. Whether we help to instill or enhance a want to honor the Flag, support our government, or put self before others, we can make a vast difference. And as an aside, I suspect all of this may just positively influence recruiting for the Order; a significant entity of our great Nation working for our great Nation.



All Companions Are Invited to Share Their Stories

Memorial Day is a day of remembrance for those who have died serving our Country. Sharing memories of our loved ones is the best tribute we can make to them. Each year PBS invites all those who have lost a spouse, a child, a parent, another relative or a friend to use their website space and write a eulogy, remembrance, prayer or poem in their honor. PBS also invites you to share your own story of grief over the loss of a loved one. Please go to: www.pbs.org/memorialdayconcert/stories/submit/

For those who request it, your eulogies and remembrances will be ceremonially hand-carried directly to the appropriate memorial site—the World War II Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, the Vietnam War Memorial or Arlington National Cemetery (for Iraq & Afghanistan).

After the National Memorial Day Concert, every single one of the submitted messages will be carefully read.

At each location the remembrance ceremony includes prayers and words of gratitude, reverently spoken by the clergy in attendance, presentation of the eulogies and remembrances, and playing of Taps by a U.S. military bugler. These submissions are deeply moving and inspire PBS to continue producing the National Memorial Day Concert.



Photos of Bugler at Washington Monument and National Memorial Day Concert courtesy of PBS



2010 National Memorial Day Concert

The show will be broadcast live from the West lawn of the United States Capitol on PBS, Sunday, May 30.

Check local listings for broadcast time in your area.

On Memorial Day weekend, PBS will unite our Nation with an evening that has become an American tradition. The multi award-winning National Memorial Day Concert honors the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform, their families at home and all those who have given their lives for our Country.

The concert features actors Joe Mantegna and Gary Sinise, and other guest artists, along with conductor Erich Kunzel and the National Symphony Orchestra. The 2010 performers will be announced at a later date.

2010 National Memorial Day Events Include:

Navy Memorial

Saturday, May 29, 2010.

11 a.m. Rolling Thunder visits the Navy Memorial and holds a wreath-laying ceremony featuring special guests and live performances.

Rolling Thunder Motorcycle Rally

Sunday, May 30, 2010, beginning at noon.

Departure from the Pentagon at 12 p.m. Speaker Program and Musical Tribute 1:30 p.m. at the Reflecting Pool across from The Lincoln Memorial. An annual demonstration seeking to improve veteran benefits and resolve POW/MIA issues.

Air Force Memorial

Monday, May 31, 2010, 9:00 a.m. Wreath laying ceremony.

Arlington National Cemetery

Monday, May 31, 2010, 11:00 a.m.

A memorial service in the amphitheater followed by a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in honor of Memorial Day.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Monday, May 31, 2010, 1:00 p.m.

This year's annual Memorial Day ceremony includes Presentation of the Colors, remarks by a special guest and wreath-laying service.

National Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 31, 2010, beginning at 2 p.m.

The parade of Marching Bands and Veterans units from all 50 states.



Mail Call

Letters to the Editor

The last time our United States decided to truly engage in a War, our leaders designated General Norman Schwarzkopf, known as a patriot and a warrior, to plan, gather his troops, equipment and supplies and with determination, take us to war to WIN and did he DID win.

Since that time, our leaders have “played” at war, spending money and American lives without the determination to WIN. Warriors do not play war, they fight to win. There is NO substitute for Victory.

Americans are tired of our civilian and military leaders “playing” war, wasting American money and lives. When America’s true leaders decide to stop playing war and decide to WIN this war, they will send not a few battalions for six months to a year, but sufficient numbers of Army and Marine divisions with sufficient equipment and supplies to fight as long as it takes to win the war. To do less is criminal, cowardly and un-American.

—CPT Joseph Amza Edwards
Joseph H. Pendleton, California, Chapter

I have just read the article titled “Son Tay Raid” in the January/February issue of Officer Review. Not only was it an excellent article, but it brought back memories from my year at the Army Command and Staff College at Leavenworth, Kansas 1969-79. Then LT COL Joe Cataldo was the Section Chief of my section of students. Joe had a great sense of humor, but also had the leadership qualities to keep a section of majors and lieutenant colonels, most had just returned from one or more tours in Vietnam, in line and concentrating on our studies. Joe also knew how to have fun, so our section had at least its share of parties during our year at C&GSC.

One story I later heard about the Son Tay Raid was not in the article. It is my understanding that Dr. Cataldo secreted at least one bottle of good Scotch in his medicine bag for the raid. The Scotch was to be distributed among the POWs during the flight back to the U.S. base after their release. When no POWs were found, the contraband was reportedly consumed by the raiders, probably to lighten the load for the return trip. At least that is what I would guess Joe would contend.

— COL Calvin “Jerry” Lyons
Knoxville, Tennessee, Chapter



INDIVIDUAL AWARDS CEREMONY, MAY 25, 2009

“The Outstanding Cadet in Western Language Minor Award is sponsored by the Military Order of the World Wars in memory of Major G. Raoul Lufberry. The award was presented by Past Commander, Colorado Springs Chapter, Colonel Richard Rima, USAF Retired, to Joseph P Dougherty, Class of 2009, Squadron 19.”

Thank you for your generous sponsorship of the Outstanding Cadet in a Western Language Minor Award at the U.S. Air Force Academy. It is a true honor to receive recognition in connection with such a true American hero as Raoul Lufberry—and somewhat coincidental, to boot. On this card are images of the cemetery at Luxeuil-les-bains. While on a semester exchange to the French Air Force Academy this past Fall, I was privileged with the humbling opportunity to lay a wreath at the tomb of Kiffin Rockwell, one of Lufberry’s fellow aviators in L’Escadrille Lafayette. This felicitous connection will help me to remember both you and this award for the rest of my life. Thank you again.

— Joseph P. Dougherty
Palmer, Arkansas

Editor’s Note: Cadet Dougherty’s is pictured at the presentation with MOWW Companion Col Richard Rima top photo.

I wanted to thank you for donating the Capt Charles Avery Satterlee Memorial Award at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. I received the award this year, and it meant a great deal to me! Sincerely appreciate your role in the award. Again, thank you!

— ENS Emily Kehrt
Cranbury, New Jersey

We would like to pass on our appreciation to your organization for supporting our unit with the award you provided to Cadet Maribel Rodriguez. This award allowed us



to recognize this cadet for their dedication and hard work for the past school year. This support demonstrates the desire by your organization to ensure our future leaders stay on track to graduate from Jefferson High School.

We hope to continue the strong relationship with your organization in supporting the future leaders of our county, state, and country. Please feel free to contact us with any opportunities to assist your organization

— *Bryan G. Watson, Maj, USAF (Retired)*
Senior Aerospace Science Instructor
Jefferson City High School, Jefferson, Georgia



Thank you very much for the Military Order of The World Wars ROTC Award, for good citizenship and patriotism.

This prestigious award was presented by MAJ Randy Schroder, Senior Army Instructor to Cadet Lorena Balderas who met

all the requirements for your award as outlined in Army Regulation 145-2.

The Yellow Jacket Battalion of the Edcouch-Elsa Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps extends its thanks and appreciation to your organization for allowing us to present this award to this fine young American.

— *Randy Schroder MAJ, (Ret), USA*
Senior Army Instructor
Edcouch-Elsa High School, Edcouch, Texas

I respectfully request to thank you for your generous donation which I received as an award for most prestigious pistol marksman. Your contribution and thoughtfulness will greatly aid me as I begin my career as an Officer and continue my pistol training on my own. Thank you again and may you always have fair winds and following seas!

— *ENS Alyssa McDonald*
Farmingville, New York



I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the Military Order of the World Wars for your support of the Air Junior ROTC program. The Junior ROTC award you supported our unit with was presented to an outstanding cadet by the name of Josh Williams.

Josh has been an active member of our unit this past year and has participated in numerous color guards, community service projects, unit fundraisers, and the drill team. He maintained an "A" in Junior ROTC, and his overall grade point average is exceptional.

Because of your support and other organizations like yours, we were able to recognize him and several other cadets for all the outstanding work they accomplished this year. Our principal, Mr. Larry McBryde presented the award on behalf of your organization (*pictured below, left*). Enclosed is a photo of Josh receiving the award. Again thank you, and we hope we can count on your support again next year.

— *Eric C. Kocke MSgt, (Ret), USAF*
Aerospace Science Instructor
Lexington High School, Lexington, Tennessee



On behalf of the cadets, cadre and staff of Clarkson University's Army ROTC program, I wish to thank you and The Military Order of World Wars organization for your support of our Officer training program.

By promoting outstanding military and scholastic achievements your support encourages these future leaders to continue to strive for excellence throughout their military careers.

Again, thank you for your support of these great young Americans and future leaders of our Armed Forces.

— *LTC John C. Hinrichs*
Professor of Military Science
Clarkson University, Potsdam, New York

Editor's Note: Certificate pictured above identifies MOWW SROTC Medal recipients: From left to right: Michael Frisone, Gold; Patrick Knight, Silver; and J. C. Schumacher, Bronze. Cadet Battalion Commander, Michael P. McLaughlin is pictured awarding each Cadet their Medal.

On behalf of Northwest High School's JROTC cadets and instructors, we wish to take this opportunity to thank you for helping to make our 2009 awards dinner a tremendous success. We deeply appreciate your sincere dedication and support of our program and students.

— *C/Captain Executive Officer Torie Vidrine*
and C/Major Commander Claytiana Thomas
Northwest High School, Opelousas, Louisiana

Thank you very much for the MOWW Certificate of Recognition. I will be starting college this Fall, attending Penn State. I am ultimately considering a career in medicine.

This Certificate will remind me to continue to exercise the values that I practiced while earning the Girl Scout Gold Award. Thank you once again for your accolades and support of my effort.

— Elizabeth Gavel
State College, Pennsylvania



I would like to thank the Military Orders of the World Wars for awarding me the Military Orders of the World Wars Medal at the C.K. McClatchy AFJROTC Awards Ceremony.

I have tried to do my best in the ROTC program at McClatchy High school. I will try to improve my leadership skills even more, in class and as a member of our unit's drill team with arms. I will continue to learn more from the senior cadets and teach the newer cadets. This award will inspire me to continue to do my best in everything I do.

Again, thank you and your association for the medal I received. I will always wear it with pride and honor.

— C/MSgt Gemson Ye,
C.K. McClatchy High School AFJROTC
Sacramento, California

The MOWW JROTC Award was presented at our annual awards ceremony on 16 May 2009. Lt Col Robin C. Sites, USAF (Retired), our Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, was the presenter.

The recipient of the award was C/TSgt Shane Campbell. Cadet Campbell met all eligibility criteria specified by the MOWW. He is a fine young man that is very active in our program and has been instrumental to our success this school year.

Thank you very much for your consistent support of the JROTC programs around the nation. The young cadets certainly enjoy receiving your recognition of their efforts.

— Robin C. Sites, Lt Col, USAF (Retired)
Senior Aerospace Science Instructor
Lincolnton High School, Lincolnton, N. Carolina

Our 36th Annual Awards Banquet was held on April 24, 2009, at the Hixson High School football field. The Military Order of World Wars Award was presented to Brandon Milsaps. We thank you for your support of our squadron and look forward to your participation again next year.

— Earl Monroe, SMSGT, USAF (Retired)
Aerospace Science Instructor
Hixson High School, Hixson, Tennessee

The Military Order of World Wars JROTC Award was presented to Cadet Amelia Simington at our annual Awards Banquet.

Thank you for your continued support of Air Force Junior ROTC Unit OH-011.

— William E. Fischer, JR., Major, USAF (Retired)
Senior Aerospace Science Instructor
Westland High School, Galloway, Ohio

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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.

Allergic Rhinitis

By Col Jerry Wheaton

Past Surgeon General

LTG John M. Wright, California, Chapter

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Allergic Rhinitis—an irritating condition costing about two billion dollars a year!

Known as “hay fever” allergic rhinitis affects one in every five people in this country; responds well to the proper treatment, and is a condition that has

been a pharmaceutical company goldmine!

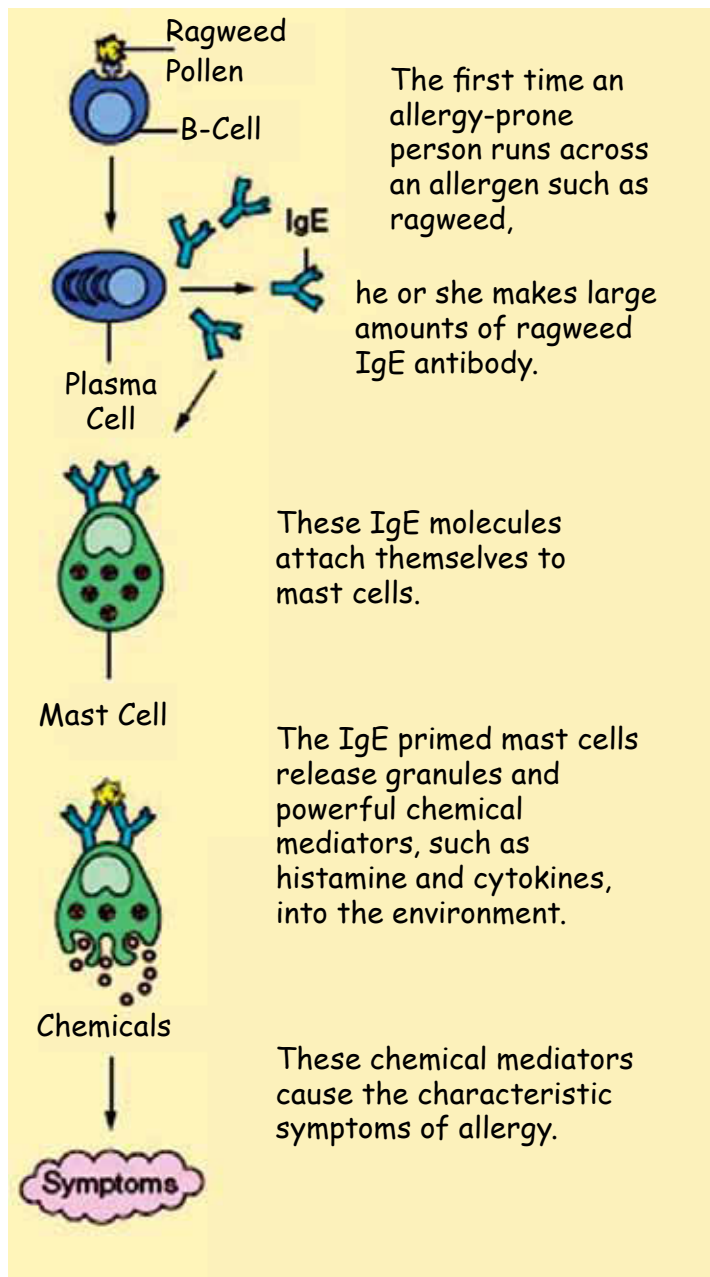
A normal-functioning nose will pass about five to eight quarts of air a minute through the nasal passages; air that is conditioned by the nose before it gets to sensitive lung tissue by adding moisture (added through the secretion of large amounts of mucous), warming (caused by the air passing over a network of blood vessels just under the surface of the nasal epithelium), and trapping small particles; preventing them from reaching the lungs (particles such as various dusts and pollens).

With allergy, when the nose traps pollen or other particles to which you have become sensitized, an inflammatory process starts, with mast cells secreting histamine and leukotrienes causing blood vessels to swell, congestion of nasal membranes, and increased mucous production. In short, you have a runny nose!

There are several types of rhinitis, with seasonal rhinitis due to pollen allergy as one of the most common. Of course, rhinitis can occur without allergy due to the viruses that cause the common cold and some medications. Among the medication effects are the runny nose caused by Viagra and erectile dysfunction pills in general, is an unwanted side effect; alpha-blocker drugs used for prostatic hypertrophy, ACE Inhibitory drugs, beta blockers, aspirin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, and the runny nose some women experience during pregnancy. Additional causes in some people are: eating, exposure to cold or very dry air, air pollutants, and strong odors.

Treatment involves avoidance (difficult), immunotherapy (shots), and medications. Most people rely on medication and the major types are: oral and nasal spray antihistamines, nasal steroid sprays, leukotrienes and decongestants. Current antihistamines do not have the sedative and anticholinergic (dry mouth) of the older types and are

quite effective. Leukotiene blockers such as montelukast (Singular) can relieve most symptoms; decongestants are available as OTC (over the counter) (can relieve nasal congestion but have no anti allergic action; other medications include ipratropium in a nasal spray (Atrovent) effective for runny noses, Cromolyn, an intranasal spray that stabilizes mast cells. The many treatments give one a wide choice of therapy, and trial and error is the usual means by which sufferers of the runny nose achieve some relief!



Mast cells are involved in allergy. Allergies such as pollen allergy are related to the antibody known as IgE. Like other antibodies, each IgE antibody is specific; one acts against oak pollen, another against ragweed, etc.

Membership Update

NEW MEMBERS

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Apache Trail AZ	MAJ Paul R. Babeu (A)	Stephens, B. COL
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New Members—March 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010

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If you are interested in joining the Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter, or attending their formal banquet at the 2010 National Convention in El Paso, please contact

Past CINC LTC Alfred Shehab at (410) 674-7333, or by email at hotspur38@hotmail.com; or CWO4 Allan R. Peschek at allanpeschek@harbornet.com

Come join the MOWW Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter, Companions who truly live up to the MOWW motto of "It Is More Noble To Serve Than Be Served." Your membership is welcomed.



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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



GEN GEORGE MEADE, MARYLAND, CHAPTER

Past CINC COL Bert Rice recognizes Eagle Scout Brian Powell with the presentation of an MOWW Certificate and Coin of Excellence for his achievements.



GENERAL CRITZ, OKLAHOMA, CHAPTER

VCINC LTC Michael S. George receiving the Gold Patrick Henry Award from Sr. VCINC Col Clifford "Cliff" Way, on behalf of CINC COL Phil St. Amant II, at the Chapter's May meeting.



GEN HOYT VANDENBERG, CALIFORNIA, CHAPTER

Chapter Cdr MAJ Jim Murphy (right) presented Mr. Jerry Lenthall, former SLO police sergeant and former county supervisor, an MOWW Certificate of Appreciation for his talk at the January meeting.



AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, CHAPTER

Cadet Commander Monica Henley and Cadet Lt. Commander Thomas Jones of the Glenn Hills Navy High School JROTC receive the MOWW Community Service Plaque and Certificate of Achievement from Chapter Cdr LTC Larry Russell (left). Companion and Senior Naval Science Instructor CDR Earl Richardson stands by proudly.



VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA, CHAPTER

The Chapter held it's annual Christmas Social December 11th at the Cosmopolitan Apartments Clubhouse. After enjoying a bountiful potluck gala, Captain Pat Hunt (left) and Commander Bob Rawls (right) received special recognition for efforts in preparing for and conducting the city's 2009 Veterans Day patriotic events. Ms. Priscilla Beede (center) made the presentation on behalf of the city of Virginia Beach.



MIAMI, FLORIDA, CHAPTER

Lt Col W. D. Wright (right) was installed as the new Chapter Cdr by LTC Harry Lascola, from Sun City Center, Florida, Chapter.



PHOENIX, ARIZONA, CHAPTER

Chapter Cdr Companion **Mrs. Deborah Kerr-Minor** (center) presented MOWW Girl Scout Gold Award Certificates in March 2010.



GEN MATTHEW RIDGWAY, PENNSYLVANIA, CHAPTER
BG Roy Uptegraff III, USANG, Commander of the 171st Air Refueling Wing, was the chapter program speaker for the October meeting. BG Uptegraff briefed on the missions of the 171st Air Refueling Wing. Vice Chapter Cdr **LTC Samuel Wilson** (on the right) presenting BG Uptegraff with an MOWW Certificate of Appreciation.



SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CHAPTER

The **Merrie Court Singers** performed madrigal songs, old european christmas carols, and led a sing -a -long of current holiday songs at the annual Chapter Christmas Party. Standing among the singers are Companions; back row, left to right-**MAJ Vernal Bracken**, Lt Col Ken Shanklin, LTC Greg Dickerson, COL Bill Coad, and Ms. Mary Lou Bracken. Middle row: Ms. Sharon Conable, CPT Laura Ecuyer, Ms. Elaine Johnson, and MAJ Wendy Weller.

Names and Faces



LTG EMMETT H. WALKER JR, MISSISSIPPI, CHAPTER
 Chapter Cdr and GS Member-at-Large, **Mrs. Jennie McIntosh** (left), after installation of new member **Dr. Samuel Richardson**, USN, (Ret.), who was sponsored by **LTC Philemon A. St. Amant, Sr.** (the CINC's father, not pictured) and **General Wayne Burkes**, MS State Commander (pictured right).



GEN MIDDLETON-BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, CHAPTER
 Louisiana's Governor **Bobby Jindal** presented CINC **COL Philémon St. Amant II** with the recently authorized Louisiana Veterans Honor Medal. Over 1000 medals were authorized by the legislature to honor every Louisiana resident who served honorably in any branch of the U.S. Armed Forces. CINC COL Philemon St. Amant II was accompanied by his wife, **Harriet**, and are pictured above with the Governor after receiving this Medal.



REGION VII (AL, AR, LA, MS)

Mr. Ed Douglas, Rgn. VII Cdr (right) inducted **Mr. Lubin E. Mire** (second from the left) as a Perpetual Hereditary Member; as **Col A. N. Dioden Jr.** Chapter Cdr (second from the right) and **Maj Leon T Roberts**, Sr. Chapter Adjutant and sponsor look on.



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