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# Commander-in-Chief's Comments

The 2009 National Convention in Baltimore now stands adjourned. It's "in the books," and we're moving into a new year of continuing "to serve [our] country, to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America, and to support the precepts of the Preamble to the Constitution of our Order, to the best of [our] ability," as we swore during our inductions that we would do.

The officers we elected are strongly dedicated to the precepts of the Order, as set forth in the Preamble to the Constitution. But more than that, we are firmly commit-



ted to being responsive to the needs of the individual chapters, and I hope you will contact us for any assistance you require. Don't know how to get in touch? Look in your *Officer Review* magazine for the website and download the contact information for the proper officer from the National Directory. Read the Constitution and Bylaws of the Order, and the *MOWW Handbook* that sets forth the policy of the Order—all on the website. We're eager to hear about your problems or successes, or even to hear about what we're doing well or badly at the national level.

I frequently hear that the policies of the Order don't always reflect the will of the chapters, and that a small group determines the direction in which we move. Remember that it is the members of the General Staff and the members in attendance at the National Convention who determine the policies of the Order. Each chapter is authorized two voting delegates at the Convention, plus one additional voting delegate for each 25 living members or major fraction thereof. To my knowledge, no chapter has ever wished to send more delegates than it has been authorized, and some chapters are completely unrepresented. If you want a greater voice in the policy development of the Order, send more voting delegates with voting instructions. The Order will benefit from the greater participation, and Companions and Chapters will have as much of a voice as they wish in the running of the Order.

Similarly, we often say that the Order is likely to die from a lack of younger, more active members. How many young, active members have YOU recruited this year? How about last year? Or for the past five years? Our Order's survival depends upon the commitment of each of us. Not to identify the problem: that has been done. We need those who believe in what we do as an Order to spread the fire—to export to like-minded eligible candidates the news of our purposes and activities, and to invite them to join us in our commitment. We need existing Companions to become active—at whatever level is possible—in supporting local and national programs.

This issue contains detailed reports on the highlighted activities of the Convention. I hope you'll read it closely, and decide whether what we're doing as a body reflects



accurately what the Order wants and needs. In the next issue, I plan to share with you my specific goals for the Order for my term.

Next year's Convention will be in El Paso (August 3-8, 2010). Start looking at your calendars, and start planning to join me there to participate in the running of OUR Order. Help spread the fire—don't let the flame die!

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# 79th Commander-In-Chief

# COL Philemon A. St. Amant II

GENERAL TROY MIDDLETON, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, CHAPTER

CINC COLONEL PHILEMON A. "PHIL" ST. AMANT II retired from the Regular Army in 1993, after more than 30 years of commissioned active service as a Field Artillery Officer and Foreign Area Specialist in the Middle East and North Africa. His assignments have included command and staff tours with various airborne units, and a teaching assignment at West Point. He commanded Observer Group Lebanon, in the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (Palestine) during the civil war in that country, and served subsequently as Middle East Branch Chief, J-5, Joint Chiefs of Staff. He has traveled extensively throughout the Middle East, and participated in policy negotiations in Egypt, Jordan, Israel, Iraq, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia. He was sent to Baghdad during the Iraq-Iran War as part of an 8-man team investigating the Iraqi attack on USS *Stark* in 1987, and later commanded the US Army NATO forces in Greece. His last assignment was as Chief of Staff of the Joint Command in Alaska.



Colonel St. Amant joined MOWW in 1980 and became a Perpetual Member in 1993. He has served as Chapter Vice Commander and Commander, Region Adjutant, GSO and Commander, and National GSO (appointed). He chaired the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for three years, and has headed the National Security Committee from 2006-2009.



Colonel St. Amant has a Bachelor's Degree from West Point, and a Master's Degree in French from Middlebury College (with studies at the University of Paris). He graduated from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the Naval War College (Senior Course).

Colonel St. Amant has been married since 1963 to the former Harriet Otto, and is the father of two married daughters. He has one grandson and three granddaughters.

# **Past Commander-in-Chiefs**

At the 2009 National Convention, during the Council of Past CINCs meeting, pictured right, standing left to right:

COL Bert Rice (2004-05); COL Jack Jones (2005-06); LTC David Titus (2006-07); LTC Alfred Shehab (1998-99); Col Jim Elmer (2007-08); COL Bri Chabot (2003-04); front row, seated left to right: COL Homer Schmidt (1996-97); CAPT Rollie Stevens (2002-03); Col Dean Smith (1995-96).

This distinguished group of Companions continues to serve the Order and provide counsel to the current CINC of the Order.





COL CLIFFORD D WAY, JR. Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief

DALLAS, TEXAS, CHAPTER

SENIOR VICE CINC COLONEL CLIFFORD D. "CLIFF" WAY, Jr. joined the US Air Force in 1954 and served on Activity Duty until 1959 as a Navigator and Squadron Adjutant with the 96th Air Refueling Squadron, SAC "Cold War," fling KC97 and 135s. From 1959 until 1984 Col Way served in various capacities with the Reserves starting with the 512th Airlift Wing as an Instructor Navigator for C-124s, later as Reserve Wing Procurement Officer at Carswell AF Base; Senior Officer in Charge for the City of Dallas Emergency Office with FEMA; and, Dallas-area Instructor for National Defense University Course. He retired with 30 years of service.

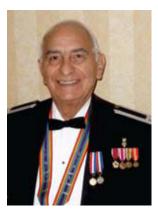
Col Way has a degree in Industrial Management & Transportation from Syracuse University. He has been awarded the Scabbard & Blade and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the National Defense University, and the Air War College Seminar.

Col Way joined the Dallas Chapter in 1979. His MOWW duties have included Dallas Chapter Adjutant, Jr. & Sr. Vice Commander, and Commander. Also Col Way has been Region VIII (OK, TX, except El Paso) Vice Commander, GSO, and Commander. He was the Chairman of the Ceremony & Parade Committee for the City of Dallas' Veterans Day activities, Dallas Chapter YLC Coordinator, member and Chairman of the MOWW Chapter Activities Committee and served as an Elected General Staff-at-Large National Officer.

From 1959 to 1998 Col Way was a Manufacturing and Financial Planning Manager at Texas Instruments until his retirement. He is an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church and for some 25 years was Fund Campaign Leader for the Richardson YMCA Division.

His military awards include the MSM with OLC, and the ACM, in addition to other unit, crew, and service area awards. His MOWW awards include the Silver Patrick Henry, the Outstanding Service Award, the Merit Award Plaque for outstanding service, and the Miniature Membership Medal for recruiting 10 members for the Dallas Chapter, in addition to National Citations for Distinguished and Exception Service.

Col Way, and his wife, Jackie, have been married for 52 years and they have three married children—all University graduates, eight grandchildren (four in college) and three grandchildren who have all attended YLCs. Their son is a hereditary member of the Order.



COL FREDERICK J. GRAVES
Vice Commander-in-Chief

BRADENTON/SARASOTA, FLORIDA, CHAPTER

VICE CINC COLONEL FREDERICK "FRED" J. GRAVES is a native of Maine, the eldest of four children. Col Graves received his Air Force commission in March 1956. He entered active duty in the Medical Service in June 1956, and retired in April 1982. During his service he held key administrative leadership positions at base and Headquarters' Command levels. He was awarded the Legion of Merit, and Meritorious Service and USAF Commendation Medals, each with an Oak Leaf cluster, as well as numerous achievement certificates.

Col Graves earned his BS from Southern Illinois University in 1961; and a Master's Degree in Hospital Administration in 1965 from The George Washington University in Washington, D. C.

He is an alumna of the Interagency Institute (Medical) and Life Fellow of the American College of Health Care Executives. In 1982, Col Graves joined the 500-bed South Miami Hospital staff as Assistant Executive Director for Support Services. In 1986 he joined the Miami Office of Licensure and Certification as a Surveyor with the State of Florida, HRS. A year later he became Regional Supervisor for the six-county area which monitored various Medical Facilities/Clinics, Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Units. During this assignment, he also achieved Licensure and Federal certification as a Nursing Home Administrator. In 1989, he became an Assistant Administrator at a Healthsouth Rehab Facility in Miami.

Col Graves is also a Past-President of the Army-Navy Club of Coral Gables, Florida and involved with other Veterans organizations. He has also served on the Manatee County Veterans' Council.

He has been a dedicated member of the Order since November 1990, and a Perpetual Member since January 1993. His MOWW activities include Past Chapter Commander of the Miami and Bradenton/Sarasota Chapters, where he remains very active and was Commander, Region VI (Florida & Puerto Rico)—a position he held from May 2003, until 2008 (the

same month in which he was awarded the MOWW Silver Patrick Henry Medal).

He was a member of the Council of Region Commanders since its inception, and Chairman 2005-2007. In 2006, he became a member of the Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter. His National Committees have been Chapter Activities 2004 to present; EXCOM, 2005 to present; Strategic Planning, 2006 to present and he introduced the POW/MIA Table at MOWW formal dinners. Col Graves and his wife, Norma, were married in August 1959 and have one son who lives in Illinois.



CAPT RUSSELL C. VOWINKEL Vice Commander-in-Chief

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, CHAPTER

VICE CINC CAPTAIN RUSSELL C. "RUSS" VOWINKEL was born and raised in Buffalo, New York. He was commissioned as an Ensign in the US Navy in 1962 after completing Aviation Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Florida. Captain Vowinkel served on active duty from 1962-1967 and served in the Viet Nam War Theater of Operations as a Naval Flight Officer during a period of this time. Captain Vowinkel completed 24 years in the Active Naval Reserve during which he successfully served three command tours.

In MOWW Captain Vowinkel served as Chapter Commander, Department Commander, Region XIV (CA, HI and NV) Treasurer and Vice Commander, elected General Staff Officer and National Information and Publicity Chair. At the 2008 National Convention, he was elected

Vice Commander-in-Chief (VCINC) of the Order.

Captain Vowinkel is married to Perpetual Member, Companion Beverly Vowinkel, and they are the parents of two sons, both former Army Officers and West Point Graduates. Captain Vowinkel resides in Southern California and part time in Northern Virginia.



LTC GARY O. ENGEN Vice Commander-in-Chief AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, CHAPTER

VICE CINC LIEUTENANT COLONEL GARY O. ENGEN joined MOWW as a Companion with the Augusta Chapter in 1994. He has since served as Chairman of several chapter committees including both their ROTC and Massing of Colors Committee and was elected Chapter Commander (2000-2001). He currently is chairman of the chapter's Membership and Patriotic Education Committees and serves as Director of the Augusta YLC.

At the national level LTC Engen has been a member of several committees and served in the positions of Chairman of the MOWW ROTC Committee (2003-present), General Staff-At-Large (Appointed 2007-2009) and EXCOM member (2008-present). In addition to his presentations at

past National Conventions and General Staff Meetings, he has also briefed on ROTC and/or Patriotic Education at several Region V (GA, NC, SC and TN) Conventions.

LTC Engen received his commission in the Field Artillery through the ROTC program at North Georgia College and enjoyed subsequent Artillery assignments as XO of a 105mm Howitzer Battery, 1/79th FA in Vietnam; Battery Commander with the 320th FA 82d Abn Div, Ft Bragg, N.C.; S-3/Operations Officer, 7th Inf Div Artillery; Battery Commander and Operations Officer, 2d Inf Div Artillery in Korea and as the S3/Operations Officer, 559th USA Artillery Group, Vicenza, Italy. Other staff assignments include Asst PMS at Northern Illinois University; XVIII Airborne Corps IG and US Army Airborne Board, Fort Bragg, N.C. His joint staff experience includes Asst to Chief of Staff for Operations at AFCENT, Brunssum, NL and as HQS Commandant, US Transportation Command, Scott AFB, IL. His last active duty assignment was the PMS of the Army ROTC at the University of Mississippi from 1990 until his retirement in 1993.

Since retirement, LTC Engen served as the ROTC SA at Lakeside High School, Evans, Georgia from 1993-2006. He also has coached the Augusta State University Rifle Team for the past 6 years. He is a member of numerous other associations including life membership in the NRA.

LTC Engen's education includes a BS in Math from North Georgia College, and both a MS and CAS in Education/Computer Science from Northern Illinois University. His military education includes Field Artillery Officers' Courses, Airborne and Ranger Courses, and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. His military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal, the Army

Commendation Medal, the Master Parachutist Badge and the Army's Ranger Tab.

He and his wife, Glenda, of Douglasville, GA, have a daughter, Dr. Lisa Leggio, a son, MAJ Mark Engen (also a MOWW Companion) and 3 grandsons. He currently resides in Augusta, Georgia.



# LTC MICHAEL S. GEORGE Vice Commander-in-Chief

GENERAL CRITZ CHAPTER, LAWTON-FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA, CHAPTER

VICE CINC LIEUTENANT COLONEL MICHAEL S. GEORGE, is a member of General Critz Chapter, Lawton-Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He previously served as a Vice Commander-in-Chief, having been elected at the 2006 National Convention. Previous to that he served as a National General Staff Officer-at-Large for four years. Last year he served as Vice Chairman of the National Security Committee, Vice Chairman of the Legislation and Resolutions Committee, Deputy Commander/GSO of Region VIII, Commander of the Department of Oklahoma, and Treasurer of Headquarters Chapter for Region VIII. He is also Secretary of the Texas Patriotic Education Foundation. He has served as a member of the Policy Planning Committee and was named Chairman of that

committee by Past CINC Jack Jones, a position historically occupied by the Senior Vice CINC. As Chapter Commander for two years, he initiated an increase in the number of students attending Youth Leadership Conferences and a community-wide fundraising effort to support the Chapter's YLC Program. As Region Commander he developed a Standing Operating Procedure for administering the six Region VIII Youth Leadership Conferences. He is a 1963 graduate of Texas A&M where he received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and was commissioned in the Regular Army. He has a Master of Arts Degree in Business from Webster University, and is a graduate of the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College where he later served as an Author/Instructor. He served on active duty for 24 years, where he commanded four Company/Battery level units including a Field Artillery Firing Battery in Vietnam. He served as a staff Officer from Battalion through Theater Army (USAREUR) as well as at the Installation level. He received the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Army Commendation Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters. After retirement, he taught at the School of Business at Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma for several years and was a Real Estate Broker and Property Manager. He and his wife, Bea, have three children, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



# Senator Saxby Chambliss Recieves DSA at 2009 National Convention



The 2009 Distinguished Service Award recipient was the Honorable C. Saxby Chambliss, Senator from Georgia, who recieved his award from then-CINC

LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel. Senator Chambliss thanked MOWW for his award and thanked all Companions for their service to Our Country.

In his presentation to the 2009 National Convention's Commander-in-Chief's Banquet, he reminded all attendees that our Country is at War and that this War and the terrorist acts of 9-11 have changed our lives forever. He informed all attendees of the great courageous service that our military members are doing everyday and will continue to do until this Global War on Terrorism is won. He commended all Companions of the Order for the excellent work they are doing for the youth of America. MOWW was proud to honor this great American and patriot for his distinguished service to Our Country. Pictured above left, Senator Chambliss recieving DSA Award from then-CINC LTG Wetzel; picured above, Companions from Georgia who attended the 2009 National Convention Banquet with Senator Chambliss.

# **Your Vice CINCs at Work**

Each year the Order elects five Vice Commanders-in-Chief (VCINCs), pictured below, with one being elected as Senior VCINC and the Order's Commander-in-Chief assigns areas of responsibilities to each of the VCINCs. This year has been setup as follows:

Sr. VCINC Col Clifford D. "Cliff" Way, Dallas, Texas, Chapter, will oversee two Regions, VII & VIII (7 & 8), and his two GSOs are Maj David E. Wirsig, Pinson Memorial, Texas Chapter and Companion Mrs. Jennie McIntosh, LTG Emmett H. Walker, Jr., Mississippi, Chapter, and his three Committees are the Chapter Activities & Awards, Budget (including the HQs Pay & Compensation Subcommittee), and Policy Planning Committees, in addition to the Council of Department and State Commanders.

VCINC Col Frederick J. "Fred" Graves, Bradenton/Sarasota, Florida, Chapter, will oversee three Regions: I, II & III (1, 2, & 3), and his two GSOs are CDR Robert L. "Bob" Gillen, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, Chapter and LTC Ruth Hamilton, General George G. Meade, Maryland Chapter, and his four Committees are the Legislative & Resolutions, Homeland Security, Honor & Protocol, and Patriotic Education Committees.

VCINC CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, San Diego, California, Chapter, will oversee three Regions: XIII, XIV, & XV (13, 14, & 15), his two GSOs are COL Thomas M. "Tom" Brown, Huntsville, Alabama, Chapter and COL Fred W. Darley, San Fernando Valley, California, Chapter, and his four Committees are the Boy & Girl Scouts, Historical & Archives, Constitution & Bylaws, and Information, Publicity & Magazine Committees.

VCINC LTC Gary O. Engen, Augusta, Georgia, Chapter, will oversee three Regions, IV, V & VI (4, 5, & 6) and his two GSOs are COL Gorham L. Black III, General George G. Meade, Maryland, Chapter and CPT Leo J. Goodsell, Columbus, Georgia, Chapter, and his four

Committees are the Membership; National Convention & Seminars; Law & Order; and ROTC Committees.

VCINC LTC Michael S. "Mike" George, General Critz, Oklahoma, Chapter, will oversee two Regions, X & XI (10 & 11) and his two GSOs are COL Robert E. Barton, General J. Chamberlain, Maine, Chapter and Capt John M.

Hayes, Dallas, Texas, Chapter, and his three Committees are the Memorials, Financial Development, and National Security Committees, in addition to the Council of Region Commanders.

CINC COL Philemon A. "Phil" St. Amant II, General Middleton/ Baton Rouge, Louisiana Chapter will chair the Executive Committee of the General Staff (GS). The Nominating and Ethics Committees, plus the Council of Past CINCs, are chaired by Past CINCs and are not under VCINC oversight; however, the Ethics Committee will be reporting to the CINC.

The Order is very thankful for the time and out-of-pocket expenses these dedicated Companions donate to the Order throughout their year in office. As they "Take Time to Serve Their Country" please take time to thank them for their leadership and for giving so much to MOWW.



# 2009 National Convention Report "Making It Happen!"

The Military Order of the World Wars 2009 National Convention, held in Baltimore, Maryland was a great success. The Order elected Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, COL Philemon A. "Phil" St. Amant II, General Middleton/Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Chapter to be the Order's 79th Commander-in-Chief (CINC). In addition, the Order elected VCINC Col Clifford D. "Cliff" Way, Dallas, Texas, Chapter to be the Senior Vice CINC, reelected two Vice CINCs and elected two new Vice CINCs. Information about these National Officers is on pages 5-7 in this issue.

Outgoing CINC LTG Robert L. "Sam" Wetzel, Columbus, Georgia, Chapter, nominated and the General Staff (GS) approved Companion LTC William G. "Bill" Shrecengost, COL William E. Fields, New Mexico, Chapter for election to General Staff Emeritus (see page 17).

The Order passed three new Resolutions: 1.) Fully Funding of the Armed Forces, 2.) Retention of the Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross, 3.) Retention of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" Law and Policy (see pages 20-21). The Chapters, Departments, and States, along with individual Companions can get a copy of these Resolutions from the MOWW website and these Resolutions should be distributed to members of Congress and to State and local elected officials according to MOWW policy (see MOWW Handbook on the MOWW website).

A complete list of the Order's National Officers and the Chairs of the Order's 21 Committees and three Councils are listed on page 12, and a list of the Chairs' and Vice Chairs' email addresses are on page 16 in this issue.

The recipients of the Order's National Citations are listed on page 13, and you will find the list of the Chapters and individual Companions who were the National Award winners for FY 08-09 listed on pages 14-15, and the winners of the MOWW Membership Citations on page 26.

The 2009 National Convention started on Tuesday, August 11th, with a fun-filled "best ball" scramble golf outing and the host Chapter workshop to discuss the operations of this

National Convention. In addition, the Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF), Inc. held their semi-annual board meeting to plan their support of the many MOWW youth activities

On Wednesday, August 12th, the morning was a busy time for the Budget Committee meeting, as they worked to produce a balanced FY 09-10 budget. After in-depth discussions the Budget Committee recommended for FY 09-10 a draft budget of \$682,527, income and expenses, which was presented to the National Convention and approved. This meeting was followed by the Executive Committee (EXCOM) of the General Staff meeting which discussed a myriad of issues about the Order.

The afternoon started with the MOWW Board of Trustees meeting to discuss the investment strategies for the Order's funds, followed by the Policy Planning Committee which continued their important work for the Order's future, discussing the approved Revision C to the MOWW Strategic Plan 2010, and reviewing their plan for developing MOWW Strategic Plan 2015. The Chapter Activities & Awards and National Security Committees held committee meetings grading the Chapter's submittal for these respective National Awards. The Constitution & Bylaws (C&BLs) Committee held a meeting to discuss and prepare for their presentation of the proposed changes to the Order's C&BLs to the National Convention.

The last activities for the afternoon were a Homeland Security Committee meeting with Coast Guard Sector Baltimore Commander, CAPT Mark P. O'Malley (see page 19), giving an informative presentation about the Coast Guard's efforts to secure the Baltimore ports and the Eastern shores of the United States, and an Information, Publicity, and Magazine Committee workshop where Chapters officers discussed ways to get better publicity for their chapters in their local communities.

The day concluded for Companions with the MOWW Welcoming Reception which gave all Companions and their spouses and friends a great chance to socialize with all in attendance. Everyone had a fun time mixing with their fellow Companions and friends from every corner of our Country.







A busy schedule of morning meetings were held on Thursday, August 13th, starting with the Council of Past CINCs holding a working breakfast meeting, and the Council of Region Commanders and the Council of State and Department Commanders holding a joint meeting to work on issues related to their responsibilities. The Patriotic Education Committee held a meeting for all Youth Leadership Conference (YLC) Directors and their staffs to work on the many critical issues associated with operating the many multi- and single-day YLCs for the Order. The Legislation and Resolutions Committee held a productive meeting reviewing and finalizing the many Resolutions presented to them from Companions and Chapters of the Order and was followed by the Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter holding their annual Chapter meeting.

The afternoon started with the very important Chapter Officers Information Briefing and new attendees' orientation to the National Convention. This briefing and orientation was followed by the Law & Order Committee meeting where they discussed ways to improve the Chapter Law & Order programs. The last activities of the afternoon were the Regional Caucuses, held to give Companions running for an elected National Officers position a chance to introduce themselves and answer questions about what they would do for the Order if elected, and time for the Region delegates to discuss each candidate. Following these Region Caucuses the Order's Nominating Committee conducted the nominating process to elect the 16 elected National Officers. The day was concluded with the Hann-Buswell Memorial Chapter formal reception and banquet.

Friday, August 14th was a another day of doing the work of the Order and having fun. It started with the opening ceremony and a joint meeting of the Pre-Convention GS meeting and first session of the National Convention. For the eighth year, the Order combined the Pre-Convention GS meeting with the National Convention sessions, which was again a success and well received by everyone. During this session the Order's National Officers were elected for the Fiscal Year 09-10 (see page 12). At the MOWW Awards Luncheon, CINC LTG Wetzel presented the annual awards to the Chapters and individual Companions (see pages 14-



15). The MOWW Awards Luncheon was also a National Security Seminar allowing for a prominent National Security speaker to address the National Convention. Mr. John C. "Chris" Inglis (see page 19), Deputy Director, National Security Agency (NSA) gave a very inspiring presentation about the issues and concerns related to the work of NSA and their efforts in fighting the National War on Terrorism. His presentation was extremely informative, timely and well received by all.

Following this luncheon two very successful seminars were completed: the Membership Seminar and the Chapter Activities & Awards Seminar. Both seminars were well attended with numerous issues addressed that impact on the day-to-day work of the Order. Friday evening was a workshop conducted by the Financial Development Committee. The Order's Treasurer General, LTC John Hollywood and his business partner, Companion Lt Col Stephen Rosenzweig presented information on how Companions can leave money to the Order in their wills and trusts. This presentation was followed by the Financial Development Committee Vice Chair, LTC Ludwig "Lud" Bezemek, presenting information on how chapters can raise funds through grants and donations, These presentations were the first of this type for the Order in many years and the feedback from the Companions in attendance was that this meeting was well received and appreciated.

Saturday, August 15th was not a day to relax for the delegates! The day opened with a moving memorial service for all Companions of the Order who have passed on to their final resting place since the last National Convention. All Companions in attendance were grateful for this beautiful memorial ceremony. The day continued with the second session of the Joint Pre-Convention GS meeting and National Convention. At the end of this 2nd session, the Pre-Convention GS meeting was adjourned and the second session of the 2009 National Convention was recessed and was immediately followed by the Post-Convention GS meeting where CINC-elect COL St. Amant announced his 21 committee chairs and announced the chairs of the three Councils who elect their Council Chairs. CINC-elect COL St. Amant also nominated to the GS the five Assistants

(Treasurer General, Chaplain General, Surgeon General, Historian General, and Judge Advocate General) and they were all approved (see list of Committee and Council Chairs and assistants on page 16). He also nominated a member to serve a one-year term on the MOWW Ethics Committee and the MOWW Board of Trustees (see page 19) and a Chairman of the MOWW Board of Trustees and the Gist Blair Fund and all were approved by the General Staff.

Following lunch the last two seminars were completed. The Patriotic Education and ROTC Seminars were held with a great exchange of information on these two very important programs for the Order. Following these seminars the Boy & Girl Scouts Committee held a meeting attended by all that addressed the many issues related to the relationship between the Scouts and MOWW.

Following this busy day of work, the evening was completed with the CINCs formal reception and banquet. Outgoing CINC LTG Wetzel presented the 2009 Distinguished Service Award to the Honorable C. Saxby Chambliss, United States Senator from Georgia (see page 7). In his presentation to the Convention Banquet, the Senator reminded all attendees that Our Country is at War and that this War has changed our way of life, both inside and out of the military. He congratulated the Order for the work they are doing for the youth of America. He informed all attendees of the courageous service that our military members are doing every day and will continue to do until this Global War on Terrorism is won. He talked about the importance of family support for the service members and the support they receive from Veteran Organizations like MOWW. After his comments, CINC LTG Wetzel presented the Commander-in-Chief Award to Past CINC Col James D. "Jim" Elmer (see page 17), Central Arkansas Chapter. This award is presented each year by the Commander-in-Chief to the Companion he feels has rendered the greatest service to him and the Order during his tenure as Commander-in-Chief. CINC LTG Wetzel commended Col Elmer for his work getting charters for all elements of the Order, finding State Commanders for States with no chapters, and for instituting the Membership Scholarship program the allows newly Commissioned Officers to join the Order. It was a wonderful night for all and the evening concluded with the change of commander from now Past CINC LTG Wetzel to CINC COL St. Amant.

On Sunday, August 16th, as many of the Companions headed home, CINC COL St. Amant hosted his Post-Convention EXCOM meeting, while his wife, Harriet, held a breakfast for the EXCOM member's spouses. CINC COL St. Amant best summarized the 2009 National Convention by stating that everyone worked hard, had fun and had the opportunity to meet and discuss the great achievements of the Order over the past years. He also stated that the excitement of this great National Convention will be carried by all Companions back to their chapters. In addition, he reported that all indications are that all Companions were

pleased with the informative presentations and wonderful exchange of information during the seminars, committee meetings and on the convention floor. He stated that his goals for the upcoming year will be published in the October issue of *Officer Review* magazine.

I close my report by saying that the leaders of your Order hope to see you at the next National Convention to be held in El Paso, Texas on August 3-8, 2010.









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CAPT Russell C. "Russ" Vowinkel (N)

LTC Gary O. Engen (A)

LTC Michael S. "Mike" George (A)

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CWO4 Allan R. Peschek (N)

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Companion Julia B. Peschek (N)

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COL Fred W. Darley (A)

LTC Ruth L. Hamilton (A)

Capt John M. Hayes (AF)

Companion Mrs. Jennie McIntosh

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Council of Region Commanders:

LTC Michael C. "Mike" Wilgen

Council of Department and State Commanders

CPT Robert E. "Bob" Mallin



# NATIONAL CITATIONS RECIPIENTS

Every Companion named has made a major contribution to the advancement of the patriotic ideals of MOWW. On recommendation of Region, State, Department, and Chapter Commanders, each individual has been awarded a National Citation by the Commander-in-Chief identifying the accomplishment and its contribution to the goals of the Order as set forth in the Preamble.

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**Maj Gen Wayne O. Burkes** LTC Emmett H. Walker MS Chapter

**CAPT Michael B. Connolly** Virginia Piedmont VA Chapter

**CAPT William W. Dibble, Jr.** Louisville KY Chapter

**LTC Michael J. Jarvis** Green Mountain VT Chapter

**CDR John Lopez III**North Texas Chapter

LTC Frederick W. Lovelace Central Pennsylvania Chapter

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**Col Eugene A. Hebert** Wilmington DE Chapter

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**COL David G Epstein** Gen J.P. Holland CA Chapter

**MAJ Debora R. Gleason** General Critz OK Chapter

**Companion Sarah Rawls** Virginia Beach VA Chapter

**Maj David E. Wirsig**Pinson Memorial TX Chaper



Col Eugene A. Hebert (left) recognized by then-CINC LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel for his contribution to the Order while serving as State Commander in Deleware.

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LTC Don B. Munson Dallas TX Chapter

**Col Gordon M. Palmer** Saddleback Valley CA Chapter

**LCDR Grant H. Pollock** Virginia Beach VA Chapter

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**2LT Jason A. Sokolov** Greater Boston MA Chapter

**MAJ Prosper N. Walker** Fort Hood TX Chapter

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**COL Gerald E. Webb**San Diego CA Chapter

LTC Lloyd C. White General Critz OK Chapter

**CDR Richard P. Wilking** Philadelphia PA Chapter

# NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

**THE YOUNG MEMBERS RECRUITMENT AWARD,** formerly the L. Clifford Davidson
Memorial Award. These awards are given annually
to the Chapters that achieve the most significant contribution to the future of the Order based upon the recruitment

of young members (those 50 years of age or younger).

The winner is the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter. The first runner-up was the Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter; the second runner-up was the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, California, Chapter. An individual plaque accompanies this award and is presented to a member of the winning Chapter with exceptionally distinguished involvement and leadership. The winner was Companion CDR John Carey of the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter.

THE NATIONAL SECURITY AWARD, formerly the Clearwater Chapter Award, are given annually to recognize Chapters for their work in National Security and that have demonstrated the most effective local programs in support of the Resolutions pertaining to National Security passed by the Order in National Conventions and Midwinter General Staff meetings. This award has three categories, but this year we only have candidates for the large Chapter Category.

In the large category (100 or more members), the winner was the **Dallas, Texas, Chapter**. The first runner-up was the **Columbus, Georgia, Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **Augusta, Georgia, Chapter**.

THE INFORMATION, PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD, formerly the Denver Cup, is given annually to the chapter with the most effective programs in the fields of internal communications, community and public relations, and utilization of television, radio, and other news media. The award is given in three categories, small, intermediate, and large.

In the large category the winner was the Dallas, Texas, Chapter. The first runner-up was the Augusta, Georgia, Chapter and the second runner-up was the El Paso, Texas, Chapter. An Honorable Mention was awarded to the San Diego, California, Chapter. In the intermediate category the winner was the Roanoke, Virginia, Chapter, the first runner-up was the Sun City Center, Florida, Chapter; the second runner-up was the Pinson Memorial, Texas, Chapter. In the small category the winner was the Fort Knox, Kentucky, Chapter and the first runner-up was the North Texas, Chapter.

**THE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARD** was established and approved at the 2007 National Convention. This new award is given in three categories, small, intermediate, and large.

In the large category the winner was the San Diego, California, Chapter; the first runner-up was the Dallas, Texas, Chapter and the second runner-up was the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, California, Chapter. In the intermediate category the winner was the Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter; the first runner-up was the Sun Cities, Arizona, Chapter; the second runner-up was the Topeka, Kansas, Chapter. In the small category the winner was the Pinson Memorial, Texas, Chapter, the first runner-up was the Fort Knox, Kentucky, Chapter and the second runner-up was the North Texas, Chapter.

THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT AWARD, formerly the Chicago Award, is given to the Companion who personally recruits the greatest number of new Companions each fiscal year. The winner, with 34 new members, was CAPT Harry Weinberg of the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter; first runner-up with 22 new members was BG Roger Bultman of Headquarters Chapter. There was a tie for second runner-up—Past CINC LTG Sam Wetzel of the Columbus, Georgia, Chapter, and CDR Robert Gillen of the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter with 19 new members each. Third runner-up with 14 new members was Past CINC COL Jack B. Jones of the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, California, Chapter; fourth runner-up was CDR Robert Rawls of the Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter with 13 new members; and fifth runnerup was Past CINC Col James Elmer of the Central Arkansas Chapter who recruited 10 new members.

THE CHAPTER PATRIOTIC EDUCATION PROGRAM AWARD, formerly the Commander J. Paul Scheetz/ Pittsburgh Chapter Patriotic Award. This award is bestowed on the Chapter receiving the highest number of points for activities in the implementation of the MOWW Patriotic Education Program during the preceding twelve months. The award is given in three categories, small, intermediate, and large. In the large category the winner was the El Paso, Texas, Chapter. The first runner-up was the Dallas, Texas, Chapter, and the second runner-up was the Augusta, Georgia, Chapter. In the intermediate category the winner was the Pinson Memorial, Texas, Chapter, and the first runner-up was the Roanoke, Virginia, Chapter. In the small category the winner was the Harvey Latham, Oregon, Chapter. The first runner-up was the Green Mountain, Vermont, Chapter.

THE CHAPTER LAW AND ORDER PROGRAM AWARD, formerly the Tacoma Law and Order Program Award, was instituted in 1995 to encourage law and order activities at the Chapter level and to honor those Chapters for their participation in support of this tenet of our Preamble, "Ever to maintain Law and Order." The winner was the General George G. Meade, Maryland, Chapter. The first runner-up was El Paso, Texas, Chapter; the second runner-up was the Dallas, Texas, Chapter.

THE NATIONAL LAW AND ORDER INDIVIDUAL AWARD was created to recognize the most outstanding law enforcement or criminal justice official in the United States of America (including Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia). This award was approved at the 2001 National Convention. The winner, and sponsoring Chapter, is to be announced at each National Convention with the actual presentation of the award to be made at an appropriate local ceremony to achieve maximum community visibility.

This year's winner was **Deputy Sheriff Malachi McCoy** of the Hillsborough County, Florida, Sheriff's Department, and the submitting organization was the **Sun City Center**, **Florida, Chapter** 

THE CHAPTER ACTIVITY AWARD, formerly the Memphis Cup. This award recognizes the great work the Chapters accomplished during the past year. The award is given in three categories, small, intermediate, and large. In the large category the winner was the Dallas, Texas, Chapter The first runner-up was the Augusta, Georgia, Chapter and the second runner-up was the El Paso, Texas, Chapter. In the intermediate category the winner was the Sun City Center, Florida, Chapter. The first runner-up was the Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter, and the second runner-up was the Pinson Memorial, Texas, Chapter. In the small category the winner was the Fort Knox, Kentucky, Chapter.

THE CHAPTER COMMANDERS AND ADJUTANTS ATTENDANCE AWARD is presented to the region with the highest percentage of Chapter Commanders and Adjutants attending the six seminars at the National Convention. The host Region is not eligible to compete for this Award. The winner was Region XIV (California, Hawaii, and Nevada).

**THE ROTC AWARD**, formerly the Brown Cup, is conferred to Chapters that have provided the best support of Junior and Senior ROTC units. There are six categories of support being recognized.

In the category of support for 1–18 ROTC units, the winner was the **Pinson Memorial, Texas, Chapter.** First runner-up was the **Columbus, Georgia Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **Mesilla Valley, New Mexico, Chapter** and an Honorable

Mention was awarded to the Topeka, Kansas, Chapter.

In the category of support for 19–24 ROTC units, the winner was the **San Diego**, **California**, **Chapter**. The first runner-up was the **Apache Trail**, **Arizona**, **Chapter** and the second runner-up was the **Phoenix**, **Arizona**, **Chapter**. In the category of support for 25–32 ROTC units, the winner was the **El Paso**, **Texas**, **Chapter**. The first runner-up was the **St. Louis**, **Missouri**, **Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **Fort Knox**, **Kentucky**, **Chapter** and an Honorable Mention was awarded to the **Greater Boston**, **Massachusetts**, **Chapter**.

In the category of support for 33–43 ROTC units, the winner was the **Virginia Beach**, **Virginia**, **Chapter**. The first runner-up was the **Augusta**, **Georgia**, **Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **Denver**, **Colorado**, **Chapter**, and an Honorable Mention was awarded to the **Pendleton Woods**, **Oklahoma**, **Chapter**.

In the category of support for 45–55 ROTC units, the winner was the **Puget Sound, Washington, Chapter.** The first runner-up was the **Dallas, Texas, Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **Memphis, Tennessee, Chapter,** and an Honorable Mention was awarded to the **General Troy Middleton, Louisiana, Chapter**.

In the category of support for 56 or more ROTC units, the winner was the **Philadelphia**, **Pennsylvania**, **Chapter**. The first runner-up was the **Columbia**, **South Carolina**, **Chapter**; the second runner-up was the **San Antonio**, **Texas**, **Chapter**, and an Honorable Mention was awarded to the **Atlanta**, **Georgia**, **Chapter**.

THE NATIONAL UNIT MEMBERSHIP AWARD was established and approved at the 2003 National Convention, to promote recruiting and retention of membership within the Order by recognizing the Chapter, Department, and Region with the greatest "percentage" increase in net new members, based on an annual percentage increase of living members. There is an exclusion of participation by new Chapters for two years from the date of their chartering. In the Chapter competition the winner was the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter with an increase of 27%. In the Department competition the winner was the Department of Massachusetts with an increase of 36%. In the Region competition the winner was Region I (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont) with an increase of 10%.

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# **CINC Appoints Three Companions to the EXCOM**







CINC COL Philemon A. "Phil" St. Amant II appointed COL Richard E. Minor-Phoenix, Arizona, Chapter; LTC Don B. Munson-Dallas, Texas, Chapter; and Companion Mrs. Jennie McIntosh-LTG Emmett H. Walker Jr., Mississippi, Chapter, to serve on the Executive Committee (EXCOM) of the General Staff (GS). These three Companions will serve as voting "Members-at-Large" of the EXCOM for one year.

The EXCOM does the work of the

GS throughout the year while the GS is not in session. Congratulations to these three Companions and all of the Companions of the Order wish them success as they serve on this important Committee.

# Order Elects One New General Staff Emeritus

Then-CINC LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel nominated, and the National Convention approved, one Companion, LTC William G. "Bill" Schrecengost, (pictured left) from the Col William E. Fields, New Mexico, Chapter for election to General Staff Emeritus.

LTC Schrecengost had submitted documentation in accordance with Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Order's Constitution, and was found to meet the Order's requirements. The Order's General Staff Emeritus Companions welcome LTC Schrecengost to their ranks, and all Companions thank him for his dedication and hard work for the Order.



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# **National Commander-in-Chief's Award**

Then Commander-in-Chief (CINC) LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel (pictured left) announced at the end of the 2009 National Convention that he had decided to present his Commander-in-Chief Annual Award to Past CINC Col Jim Elmer (pictured right) from the Central Arkansas Chapter.

This award is presented each year by the Commander-in-Chief to the Companion he feels has rendered the greatest service to him and the Order during his tenure as Commander-in-Chief. The award was instituted in 1943, by the courtesy of Lt General Milton G. Baker.

When then-CINC LTG Wetzel presented this award to Col Elmer, he stated that he was especially appreciative of the assistance and "candid" advice he received from Col Elmer throughout his term as CINC and thanked him for "going the extra mile" in assisting him in doing his duties as CINC and for helping the Order during his term in office with getting Charters to all elements of the Order, finding State

Commanders for those States without Chapters, and instituting the Membership Scholarship Program for new young Officers. Congratulations to Col Elmer for receiving this very prestigious award.





# RESOLUTION OF AFFILIATION

# The Military Order of the World Wars

AND
The National Society of Scabbard & Blade

WHEREAS, The National Society of Scabbard & Blade was organized as a military honor society in 1905 by cadet Officers at the University of Wisconsin -Madison, to raise the standard of military education in American colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, in subsequent years, Scabbard & Blade companies were organized on other college campuses to unite in closer relationship their military departments, until the Society became a major force in recognizing outstanding cadets and midshipmen of all U.S. military services; and,

WHEREAS, today the National Society of Scabbard & Blade has developed a new "program of work" to better meet the needs of future U.S. military Officers of the 21stCentury, and in which membership continues to be recognized as a high military honor with a focus on leadership development and discipline among its members; and,

WHEREAS, the continuing reputation of The National Society of Scabbard & Blade is testament to its founding principles of leadership, military proficiency, scholarship, devotion to duty and country, and readiness to meet any situation, and,

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars (the Order) was founded in 1919 to perpetuate the ideals of patriotism; the promotion of National Security, the fostering of fraternal relations among all branches of the Armed Forces of the United States; and the defense of the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our National government and the Constitution of the United States for which they had fought the Great War; and,

WHEREAS, these interests shared by The National Society of Scabbard & Blade and the Order, along with the historical significance of military service and leadership to both organizations, will strengthen and foster mutually beneficial relationships between the current Officer Corps and the future Officers and leaders of the Nation; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Military Order of the World Wars and The National Society of Scabbard & Blade pledge to support this Resolution of Affiliation in order to promote and expand participation and involvement in mutually beneficial programs throughout the Nation for a better America.

Approved in Baltimore, Maryland, August 15, 2009.

LTG Robert L. "Sam" Wetzel Commander-in-Chief

The Military Order of the World Wars

MG Douglas Dollar

National Executive Director The National Society of Scabbard & Blade

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During the 2009 National Convention, the Homeland Security Committee meeting speaker was Coast Guard Sector Baltimore Commander, CAPT Mark P. O'Malley, who presented an informative presentation about the Coast Guard's efforts to secure the Baltimore ports and the Eastern shore lines of the United States. Pictured above is CAPT O'Malley (right) with COL Stanley J. Whidden, General Leigh Wade, Washington DC, Chapter Commander.



The 2009 National Convention's National Security luncheon speaker was Mr. John C. "Chris" Inglis, Deputy Director, National Security Agency (NSA) who gave a very inspiring presentation about the issues and concerns related to the work of NSA and their efforts in fighting the National War on Terrorism. His presentation was extremely informative, timely and well received by all. Pictured above are Mr. Inglis (left) receiving a memento for his presentation from then-Sr. VCINC COL St. Amant as then-CINC LTG Wetzel looks on.

# **MOWW Board Of Trustees**

CINC COL Philemon A. "Phil" St. Amant II nominated and the 2009 National Convention approved, Past CINC LTC David R. Titus, Augusta, Georgia, Chapter, for a three year term on the MOWW Board of Trustees. CDR Art Judson, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Chapter and Maj Leon T. Roberts, CPT Francis B. Grevemberg, Louisiana, Chapter will continue to serve on this critical Board. In addition, CINC COL St. Amant nominated, and the 2009 National Convention approved, CDR Judson to be President of the Board for one year.

Both CINC COL St. Amant and outgoing CINC LTG Sam Wetzel thanked CDR Lawrence J. "Jack" Fetner II, Wilmington, North Carolina, Chapter, for his excellent service to the Order's Board of Trustees. CDR Fetner served seven years on the Board and as Chairman for that last three years.

All Companions of the Order thank all of these Board members for their service and wish them great success in the upcoming year as they work at monitoring and investing the funds of the Order.





# **MOWW Signs Resolution of Affiliation with the Scabbard & Blades**

Then-CINC LTG Wetzel (seated above, left) signs a Resolution of Affiliation between MOWW and the National Society of Scabbard & Blades (see page 18). Signing for Scabbard & Blades, seated above right, is Maj Gen (Ret.) Douglas Dollar, National Executive Director of Scabbard & Blades. Observing this signing, standing left, now-VCINC LTC Gary Engen and standing right is Cadet David Kearnes. Pictured above right, then-CINC LTG Wetzel presents the MOWW Commander-in-Chief Coin to Cadet Kearnes as Maj Gen Dollar looks on.



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### RESOLUTION

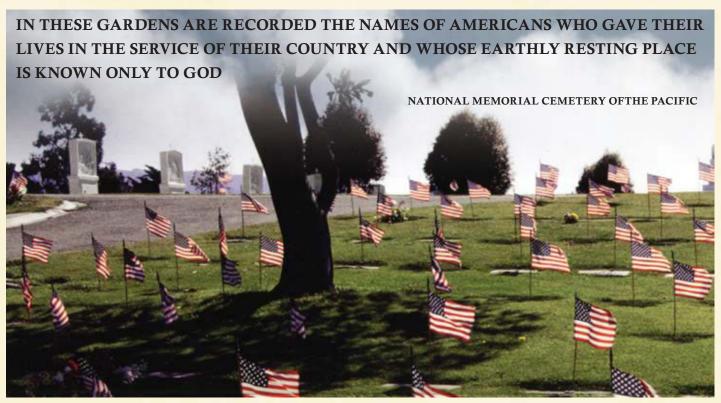
# Retention of the Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars holds as one of its ideals: "To encourage and assist in the holding of commemorations and the establishment of memorials of the World Wars;" and

WHEREAS, World War I Veterans, in 1934, established a Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross in California to memorialize those American World War I veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice during the Great War, "the war to end all wars;" and

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union in recent years has challenged the retention of this sacred Memorial in the name of separation of church and state, and this issue has been referred to the Supreme Court of the United States;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Military Order of the World Wars, in convention, in Baltimore, Maryland, August 11-16, 2009, strongly support the retention of the Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross as a National memorial honoring World War I Veterans.





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### RESOLUTION

# **Fully Funding the Armed Forces**

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars, since its founding after World War I, has always supported a strong National Defense as reflected in its Preamble, namely, "the adoption of a consistent and suitable policy of National Security for the United States of America;" and

WHEREAS, the credibility of the United States in an unstable world requires that the strength of the Armed Forces be increased to an absolute minimum of 2.1 million service members for the foreseeable future, and that defense budgets should be funded at five percent of Gross Domestic Product during times of war and four percent during peacetime; and

WHEREAS, likewise, the National Guard and Reserves must be substantially increased in strength, sustained, equipped, fully deployable, and not over-utilized in order to accomplish their indispensible State and Federal missions and roles in our National Defense;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Military Order of the World Wars in convention, in Baltimore, Maryland, August 11-16, 2009, reaffirms its full support to the Congress to fully resource and fund the Armed Forces so as to provide credible ground, air, and naval combat power in the Global War on Terrorism and for the Homeland Security of the United States America.

# RESOLUTION

# Retention of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" Law and Policy

WHEREAS, in 1993, Congress passed a law affirming that homosexuality is incompatible with military service; and

WHEREAS, Congress passed this law to protect good order, discipline, morale, and unit cohesion in the Armed Forces, which has been upheld in federal courts; and

WHEREAS, we are greatly concerned about the impact of any proposed repeal of this law on the morale, discipline, unit cohesion, and overall military readiness of our Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, any change in the law would undermine recruiting and retention, impact leadership at all echelons, adversely affect parents' willingness to support their sons and daughters joining the Military Services, and would degrade the readiness of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, this law should be continued with the support of both Congress and the Commander-in-Chief to send a clear message of support to all members of the Uniformed Services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Military Order of the World Wars, in convention, in Baltimore, Maryland, August 11-16, 2009, urges retention of the 1993 law referred to as the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" Department of Defense policy and opposes any legislative, judicial, or administrative efforts to change, repeal, or invalidate this law and policy.

# **End of Tour Report for 2008–2009**

By Past CINC LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel, Columbus, Georgia, Chapter

It has been a distinct pleasure to lead this great organization this past year. Eilene and I met many Great Americans and True Patriots in this wonderful country of ours. My monthly remarks in the *Officer Review* magazine detailed our visits and named many, not all, of the dedicated Companions who are "Making It Happen" for the Order. First I want to thank the great work by our Headquarters Staff: BG Roger Bultman, Mr. Ken Staples, Ms. Margaret Jute and Mrs. Diana Beruff. These superb people are truly underpaid and underappreciated in my opinion for the tremendous hours and effort they put in to keep this organization running smoothly and efficiently. Next, I thank my "Chain-of-Command", my EXCOM Companions for their loyalty, patriotism and leadership in pursuing the goals and objectives of the Order.

# General Remarks Regarding Leadership:

We have a good core of leaders in this organization. Some are taking up the reins and moving their Chapters, Department, States, Regions and the Order forward. What is remarkable is that we are Commission Officers who served our country as leaders in our respective services. But not all are willing to step up to the plate and take on responsible positions. I have to ask all Companions in the Chapters: "What kind of leader were you in your military service, and what kind of leader are you, if you are not participating or taking responsible positions in your Chapter's activities?" We have too many luncheon or dinner-only Chapters with no activity in-between for the eaters. The same faces run the Chapters over and over and so many Officers with great leadership ability are content to sit back and let Joe or Mary run it. Speaking of Mary's, I see many Chapters being led by very competent Hereditary Mary's, while Officers in the Chapter do not step up to the plate and volunteer to be the Chapter Commander or assume leadership positions of committees in the chapters. Every Companion in a Chapter should be on one of the Chapter Committees in my opinion. Up the Chain-of-Command to Departments, States, Regions, and at National Level we again see the same dedicated faces at each convention or meeting. We need to see more new faces at these conventions. Real Leaders get off their cans and take charge and get results with no wimpy excuses. Real Leaders can look themselves in the mirror every morning without regret. Are you a "Real Leader" participating? If not, I suggest that you get cracking!

### **CINC's Goals**

1. Membership: I took on the challenge to increase our living membership by 400 (3.3%) in one year and lower the average age from 76.4. I also issued the challenge for Every Companion to recruit one or more companions this year. Obviously not all Companions recruited a new member. Unfortunately we failed to meet our goal in living membership as you will see from the figures below. Now the Good News: Our Average Age was reduced from 76.4 to 64.3, much of which can be attributed to the good work of loyal dedicated Companions recruiting. Special compliments are due Past CINC Col Jim Elmer in his work with MOWW HQs (Ken Staples) to correct our rolls by using locater devices and phone calls to find out the status of Companions listed on the Order's data base as "bad addresses" and his work on the newly Commissioned Officer Recruiting Program that



gave out grants (paid for by Col Elmer) for one-half free annual membership with the other half being paid by a chapter or a Companion of the Order.

Results: The **Good News** is that we recruited **461 new** Companions this year as of 30 June 09. But that does not tell the whole story. The **Bad News** is that **Our Living Membership has dropped from 10,293 to 10,038 (-2%)** this fiscal year! Some of this is due to the work of Colonel Elmer and Ken Staples mentioned above. I think we now have a handle on more accurate figures for the Order. So, let's look at the numbers:

- New: 461 (good)
- Reinstated: 14 (good)
- Resigned: 50 (bad) Poor Leadership
- Deceased: 75 (bad) We will miss these Companions!
- Non Payment of Dues (NPDs): 280 (bad) Poor Leadership

So, even if you add the 280 and 50 to 10,038 our total membership would be 10,368, with good leadership, or an increase of 3%. Next, let's see who did well and who did not?

Region I: Living increased from 368 to 408 (+11%). Greater Boston increased from 107 to 136 (+27%), and Cape Cod went from 25 to 43 (+72%) Congratulations! Great Leadership!

- **Region II**: Living decreased from 276 to 272.
- Region III: Living decreased from 581 to 546. New York went from 6 to 16 (+167%). Congrats to this new Chapter.
- Region IV: Living increased only from 1170 to 1171, but VA Beach increased from 55 to 65 (+18%) and Gen Meade (MD) increased from 178 to 187 (+5%). Congratulations! Great Leadership!
- Region V: Living only increased from 1026 to 1028, but Columbus, GA went from 110 to 132 (+20%), and Augusta, GA went from 129 to 139 (+8%). Congratulations! Great Leadership!
- **Region VI**: Living decreased from 893 to 851.
- Region VII: Living decreased from 455 to 450, but Central Ark went from 34 to 43 (+26%). Congratulations! Great Leadership!
- Region VIII: Living decreased from 1192 to 1159.
- Region IX: Living decreased from 234 to 223.
- Region X: Living decreased only from 262 to 261.
- Region XI: Living decreased from 291 to 273.
- Region XIII: Living decreased from 1045 to 969.
- Region XIV: Living decreased from 1296 to 1253, but Gen Vandenberg (CA) went from 102 to 119 (+17%). Congratulations! Good Leadership!
- **Region XV**: Living decreased from 297 to 284.

The highlighted areas tell the story. **Leaders get Results!** My hat is off and my personal compliments to those Leaders in those Chapters and their Companions for getting out and recruiting, and cutting out resignations and NPDs (Non Payment of Dues), and really for **Making It Happen!** 

Noteworthy also is the recruiting effort by all companions who took Colonel Jim Elmer up in his program of recruiting new Lieutenants and Ensigns. In that regard, "Congratulations" to CAPT Harry Weinberg and 2LT jason Sokolov for recruiting 30 new Officers into the Greater Boston [Massachusetts] Chapter.

It is also obvious that Every Member did not get a Member as I challenged the Companions of the Order. Why is it so difficult for you to get one member?





- 2. Patriotic Education (the reason I joined the Order): My goal was for every Chapter to host or sponsor students for one Youth Leadership Conference (YLC). Some Chapters for the first time this year ran their own YLC, and from my information many more did send students to another Chapter's YLC. Congratulations are in order to Colonel Dick Minor and his dedicated YLC Directors of the many multi- and single-day youth leadership conferences around the country. This is a tough job and I was really impressed with every YLC I attended. Would it not be great if every High school junior and senior could attend one of MOWW's YLCs!
- 3. National Security: This Goal has been one of my priorities since I have been a Companion of the Order. My assessment: First we have a first rate National Security Web Site at www.mowwnationalsecurity.com run by Col Phil St. Amant II and LTC Mike George with all kinds of good information for local Chapters to use in educating and informing the public. However, I am not sure that it is being used by all chapters. My goal was for every Chapter to have an Active Speaker's Bureau and to have at least two outside speakers on National Security at their meetings during the year.

In my travels, I did not see many active Speakers' Bureaus. The excuse that we do not have many Companions does not cut it. If you only have 15 members for example, surely one Companion could be your designated Speaker to carry out this responsibility. In this day and age it is even more urgent that Companions get out to speak at Clubs like Rotary and Kiwanis, also at Schools, Churches and other organizations to insure that the public is aware of our National Security posture and military personnel and equipment requirements. Letters to the Editor and to the local members of Congress, and submitting Editorials are important ways to send the message. As an aside, I would like to see the National Security Award put more emphasis in the scoring on speakers going out from the Chapters to the public, as opposed to outside speakers coming to the Chapter's meetings to speak.

- **4. JROTC/ROTC**: My goal was to increase the number of schools supported by the chapters. We did increase the numbers by about 5%, which is good. However, only 41 Chapters submitted JROTC/ROTC Reports this year. In the future, every Chapter Commander should take it on as a personal responsibility to submit a ROTC report. A lot of good work is being done for the students in the schools and credit by the Chapters should be taken for it. Special mention is due to LTC Gary Engen, Chairman of this committee.
- **5. BOY and GIRL SCOUTS**: My Goal was to increase the number of scout units supported by Chapters. In my travels I noted that Girl Scout units supported are increasing where a female Companion takes on the task. Good job!
- **6. PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES**: This Goal was for every Chapter to conduct a **Massing of the Colors** and participate in **Veterans Day and Memorial Day** activities. This one is very hard to quantify without contacting each Chapter; however, I noted many Chapters continue to participate in both of these goals and that a few new Massing of the Colors took place this past year.
- **7. AWARDS**: This Goal was to increase the number of awards submissions in every category. MAJ JoAnne Barton and her Awards sub-committee have been working hard to encourage the Chapters to increase the submissions for awards and certificates. Proof





will not be known until the National Convention when all awards will be judged and the numbers submitted is provided. She and her Awards sub-committee are discussing two new awards: Homeland Security Award and Youngest Companion at the National Convention. (Editor's note: The Order significantly increased submittals for awards at the 2009 National Conventiongreat job!)

- 8. CINC's SOLICITATION: Congratulations to all contributing Companions on reaching our \$90,000 goal early (by March) for 2009.
- **9. ESTATE PLANNING:** The Goal for Companions to include MOWW in their estate planning is hard to quantity. Hopefully more Companions are aware of this important issue and are doing something to help the Order, financial, for its future.
- **10. LAW AND ORDER**: We now have a good Law and Order Program thanks to the great work of **Colonel Tom Roberts**. He put a lot of effort into the Annex in the *MOWW Handbook* and all Chapter Commanders should use this information to establish a committee, even if it is a one-man committee, to honor our law and order people that do extraordinary work in the local community. It would be great if every Chapter submitted a deserving **First Responder** for the National Award. Presenting an MOWW Award locally to such people is a super way to not only honor the individuals, but also good publicity for the Chapter.
- 11. MAKE IT HAPPEN: In our travels, we have noted my motto (I have used it for a number of years) was picked up by a number of the Companions. And many Companions are truly working hard to "Make It Happen" for the good of the Order and are to be complimented for their efforts.

### FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY AND OUR ORDER

I am very concerned about the future of our Country and its impact on the Military Order of the World Wars. We are heading into a deep recession and down the slippery slope of socialism with massive federal spending, with huge multi-trillion dollar deficits, and no way of paying the bills without large tax increases. Our dollar is in decline and may soon be worthless. More talk of a global currency and global government is frightening. The impact of all of this on our MOWW Programs will mean less money locally, for our individual Companions and their Chapters, to support our programs. Less money for National Defense will impact on our military forces and their readiness. This brings visions of the 1930s to mind. Suggestions of pulling all forces back to the United States with no more support for international problem areas, and cutting down our nuclear weapons, impacts on our credibility as a super power. Talk of negotiating with terrorists is ridiculous. You

simply do not negotiate with terrorists. They will hand you your

We currently have two wars in progress in Iraq and Afghanistan and our courageous Service men and women are doing a terrific job despite their multiple deployments. We need more Active Duty force structure to handle not only these two wars but the potential of other conflicts arising.

But we have two immediate problems that must be tended and tended soon: **Iran and North Korea's Nuclear Programs**. For North Korea, I say quit pussyfooting around and just go and take out their missile and nuclear facilities with missiles and bombs. For Iran, get tough with a naval blockade (quarantine) and support the people in Iran in their quest for rising up and throwing out the mullahs. Support the Israelis, who are getting impatient about the Iranian SS-6 nuclear-capable missiles which can destroy not only Israel, but Europe as well. We simply cannot let the Iranian terrorists have nuclear weapons and materials to continue their world wide support of terrorists.

FINAL NOTE: It has been a distinct honor to be your Commander-in-Chief this past year. You are all Patriots and Great Americans who show the way for many dedicated citizens. Continue to fight for what is right for our great country and for our dedicated military personnel. Eilene and I will continue to work "For the Good of the Order". We wish you the very best in the future.

God Bless and Make It Happen!



# **National Membership Citations**

The Order proudly presents its National Membership Citation to the following Companions who have recruited ten (10) or more new members during July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. We applaud these Companions for their outstanding efforts in recruiting during the past year.

The winner, with 34 new members, was CAPT Harry Weinberg of the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter. Accepting the award for CAPT Weinberg from then-CINC LTG R. L. "Sam" Wetzel is Massachusetts Department Commander,



CDR Robert L. Gillen (pictured right). First runner-up with 22 new members was BG Roger Bultman of Headquarters



Chapter. There was a tie for second runner-up—LTG Sam Wetzel of the Columbus, Georgia Chapter, and CDR Robert Gillen of the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, Chapter with 19 new members each. Third runner-up with 14 new members was Past CINC COL Jack B. Jones of the General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, California, Chapter; fourth runner-up was CDR Robert Rawls (pictured left) of the Virginia Beach, Virginia, Chapter with 13 new members; and fifth runner-up was Past CINC Col James Elmer of the Central Arkansas Chapter who recruited 10 new members. Congratulations to all of them!

# National Security Website www.mowwnationalsecurity.com

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

The website has a listing page called Speakers Bureau. Any MOWW Companion willing to be a guest speaker is invited to be added to the Speakers Bureau listing by contacting VCINC LTC Michael S. "Mike" George by email at mnbgeorge@aol.com

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

# **Have You Seen Your Picture?**

2009 NATIONAL CONVENTION BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Roadrunner Photo was proud to be your official photographer for the 2009 National Convention in Baltimore, MD. Many Companions reviewed the beautiful display of photos from Mr. Bill Korhely "The Photo Guy" on Saturday and Sunday in the hotel.

If you would like to order a specific photo or a Compact Disc of numerous photos from the 2009 National Convention, please contact:

Mr. Bill Korhely by email at:roadrunnerphoto@cox.net or roadrunnerphoto@yahoo.com; or contact him by telephone at (480) 655-1115

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# **Chapter Commanders Has Your Treasurer Returned**

# Your Chapter's IRS Letter?

Your chapter must return the MOWW IRS certification letter to MOWW National Headquarters in order to receive your Chapter's annual Perpetual Membership dividend check and your semi-annual chapter dues rebate check (if applicable).

It must be received at MOWW Headquarters by <u>SEPTEMBER 30, 2009</u> per MOWW Bylaws, Article I, Section 13.

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Bradenton-Sarasota FL	Lt Col Thomas D. Frey (AF) *	Graves, F. Col
Cape Cod MA	ENS Neil Carlson (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Daniel Cline (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Joseph DeBoer (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS John Girard (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Nicholas Labrecque (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Patricia Malagrino (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Andrew McBride (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Mark Mozelak (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Chandler Nelson (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Brendan Pigott (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Philip Reilly (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Matthew Sargent (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Travis P. Souza (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Michael Terlecki (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Amanda R. Wayne (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
Cape Cod MA	ENS Nathan Ziminsky (N)	Gillen, B. CDR
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Central Arkansas	2LT Alexander P. Miller (A)	Elmer, J. Col
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Central Arkansas	2LT Jeremy M. Weeks (A)	Elmer, J. Col
Central Arkansas	Col Marilyn Kott (AF) *	Elmer, J. Col
Central Arkansas	COL Donald E. Jackson, Jr (A)	Elmer, J. Col
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Columbus GA	COL Ronald O. Mullenix (A)	Feliciano, J. COL
Columbus GA	COL Gary A. Jones (A)	Feliciano, J. COL
Columbus GA	COL Gregory A. Stone (A)	Feliciano, J. COL
Dallas TX	CDR Vernon E. Pringle, Jr. (N)	Crocker, J. CPT
Dallas TX	MAJ Braynard H. Werner, Jr. (A)	Clark, Jr., A. CPT
Dallas TX	LTC John W. Bickel (A) *	Gross, W. LT
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New Members—June 1, 2009 through July 31, 2009

\*Denotes Perpetual Member

Daniel N. R. Maher (H) \*

CPT Andrew Abicht (A)

CPT Samuel E. Alexander, Jr. (A)

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2LT August J. Brower (A)
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MAJ Robert B. Nolan (A)
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Central AR

Central FL

Col George C. Woolsey CA

Col Woods-Oklahoma City OK

Fort Walton Beach FL

Fort Walton Beach FL

Fort Worth TX

Gen Critz OK

Gen I P Holland CA

Gen J P Holland CA

Gen Leigh Wade DC

Gen Leigh Wade DC

Headquarters

Headquarters

Huntsville AL

Joseph H Pendleton CA

LTG John M Wright Jr CA

Miami FL

Milwaukee WI

New Haven CT

Philadelphia PA

Puget Sound WA

Richmond VA

Richmond VA

San Antonio TX

San Diego CA

Sun City Center FL

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# RANK/NAME/(SERVICE)

COL William C. Painter Jr (A) \*

MAJ Athalee A. Lomas (A) \*

COL O. B. Franks (A) \*

CAPT Don H. Barnhart (N) \*

Lt Col Ray L. Howard (AF) \*

MAJ Beverly C. Foshee (A) \*

WOJG Leon A. Tice Jr (A)

LTC Clifton R. Brooks (A) \*

LtCol Richard E. Jones (MC)

Mrs. Barbara B. Straub (H) \*

Maj James R. Bothwell (AF) \*

COL Joseph L. Strelecki (A) \*

ENS Reginald A. Blakely (N) \*

Maj Russell E. Whipple (MC) \*

BrigGen Frederick J. Karch (MC) \*

COL Gerald K. Johnson (A)

Col John J. Drobot (AF) \*

COL H. D. Southerland (A) \*

CPT Ray Coffey (A)

COL Neil D. Kravetz (A) \*

Lt Col Bruce A. Vaughan (AF) \*

Col Julien M. Burkness (AF) \*

MAJ Robert A. Likins (A)

Lt Col Nick Marchetti (AF)

LT George J. Moore (A) \*

COL Thomas E. Watson Jr (A) \*

Col George S. Woodall (AF) \*

Mrs. Joyce H. Scherger (E)

Col Norman T. David (AF)\*

DR Joyce C. Schmock (A)

Lt Col Walter F. Silva (AF)

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# Freamble

To cherish the memories and associations of the World Wars waged for humanity;

To inculcate and stimulate love of our Country and the Flag;

To promote and further patriotic education in our Nation;

Ever to maintain law and order, and to defend the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our National Government and the Constitution of the United States;

To foster fraternal relations among all branches of the Armed Forces;

To promote the cultivation of military, naval, and air science and the adoption of a consistent and suitable policy of national security for the United States of America;

To acquire and preserve records of individual services;

To encourage and assist in the holding of commemorations and the establishment of memorials of the World Wars;

And to transmit all these ideals to posterity; under God and for our country, we unite to establish the Military Order of the World Wars.







