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Building Our Future



I am honored to be the Order's 82nd Commander-in-Chief, and elected to lead the Order for the next year. I have been provided an outstanding staff team and I have been privileged to observe the tremendous leadership of past CINCs. When I accepted the "command sword" during the Installation Ceremony, I promised to represent MOWW to the best of my ability—and I will.

As I begin my tenure, I must begin by giving thanks. First, thanks to our Immediate Past CINC, CAPT Russell C. Vowinkel, USN (Ret), and MOWW's Chief of Staff, Brig Gen Art Morrill, USAF (Ret), for the guidance and mentoring they provided me in recent months. I also appreciate the San Diego Chapter for hosting a great National Convention. In so doing, they provided a great annual forum for business, education and fun.

My vision for the coming year is simply for MOWW to be a premier veteran's service organization that all officers will want to join.

To accomplish that, we must achieve the following goals:

- Grow chapter membership by a net increase of five percent
- Enhance leadership training at all levels within our Order
- Improve Companion, chapter and community recognition
- Strengthen chapter outreach programs
- Expand MOWW visibility

You will be reading more about these goals in the *Officer Review*®. We'll need your personal support because achieving these things will require a team effort involving everyone.

Finally, my wife Glenda and I look forward to visiting chapters and meeting the many great Companions who represent the strength of our Order. I sincerely look forward to serving our Order and each of you this year.

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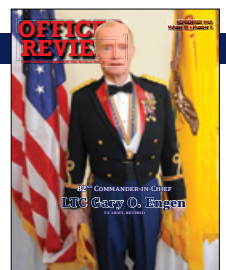
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The Order elected Vice Commander-in-Chief LTC Gary O. Engen, USA (Ret), (Augusta Chapter, GA) as the Order's 82nd Commander-in-Chief (CINC).

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CINC LTC GARY O. ENGEN, USA (RET); AUGUSTA CHAPTER (GA)



CINC Engen has a Bachelor of Science degree (Math) from North Georgia College and advanced degrees (Education/Computer Science) from Northern Illinois University. He was commissioned from Army ROTC in the Field Artillery in 1965 and enjoyed artillery and joint assignments during his 28 year career. His last assignment was as a Professor of Military Science at the University of Mississippi. After retiring, he headed the Lakeside High School JROTC (Evans, GA). He joined MOWW in 1994 at the Augusta Chapter where he was the Chapter Commander and is currently the chapter chairman of the Membership and Patriotic Education Committees, and the Director, Augusta YLC. He was a General Staff Officer at-large, and was the Chair, MOWW ROTC Committee.

SVCINC CAPT DEBORAH A. KASH, USAF (RET); SAN DIEGO CHAPTER (CA)



SVCINC Kash is a graduate of the Texas Christian University's Harris College of Nursing and the AFROTC program there. She served at March AFB (CA) as the Infection Control Officer, and at the 609th Contingency Hospital, Zweibrücken (Germany) during Operation DESERT STORM. SVCINC Kash has been a Chapter Commander, the Commander, Department of Southern California, a General Staff Officer, a Vice Commander-in-Chief, the Chair, MOWW Chapter Activities and Awards Committee, and the Chair, MOWW Membership Committee. She currently serves on the San Diego YLC Board of Directors.

VCINC CAPT JOHN M. HAYES, USAF (FMR); DALLAS CHAPTER (TX)



VCINC Hayes is the Military & Veterans Affairs Liaison for Congressman Marchant, 24th Congressional District (TX). He was the Corps Commander of Arnold Air Society (AFROTC National Honor Society) at Southern Methodist University (1967), where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree. He served in the US Air Force (1967-1972) as a C-141 Aircraft Commander at Charleston AFB (SC), and as an EC-47 Chief Flight Examiner, Instructor Pilot and Supervisor of Flying at Phu Cat AB and Danang ABs, Republic of Vietnam. He flew 166 combat missions over Vietnam. From 1972-2005 he was a Braniff and US Airways airline pilot, retiring as a Captain with 24,000 flying hours. He was the Commander, Region VIII and the Dallas Chapter, and the Fort Worth YLC Director. He was the Chair MOWW Membership Committee, and the Chair, MOWW Monuments & Memorials Committee.

VCINC LTC WAYMAN J. JOHNSON, USA (RET); AUGUSTA CHAPTER (GA)



VCINC Johnson was commissioned from SC State University Army ROTC (Infantry), and was a member of the Scabbard & Blade Honor Society. He served two tours in Vietnam (4th Infantry Division, 1st Air Cavalry Division) leading missions to detect concealed enemy locations. He retired after 23 years as a Chemical Corps officer with Active and Reserve components. In his civilian career, he retired in 2009 as a Principal Quality Engineer after working 33 years at a nuclear materials production site operated for the Department of Energy. He has an AAS in Industrial Management (Grayson College, TX), a BS in Chemistry (SC State University) and a Master's Degree (University of OK). He is the Chair, Homeland Security Committee. He previously served as a General Staff Officer, and as the Commander of Region V, the Department of Georgia and the Augusta Chapter.

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VCINC LTC CLAY C. LE GRANDE, JR, USA (RET); GEN MIDDLETON CHAPTER (LA)



VCINC Le Grande received a BA degree (History) from Louisiana Tech University in 1968. He received a direct commission in the Adjutant Generals Corps in 1978 after 10 years of enlisted service. He served in combat service support units from Company to Theater Level. His culminating assignment was Commander, 321st Theater Materiel Management Center, for Third Army forces in the Middle East & Southwest Asia (with service during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM). He retired from the US Army in 2003 with 35 years of active and Reserve service. As a member of the Gen Middleton Chapter, he served as Vice Commander for Youth Leadership, Vice Commander for Membership, and as Chapter Commander. He is currently serving his second year as Louisiana Department Commander and Region VII Adjutant.

VCINC LTC RUTH L. HAMILTON, USA (RET); MG MEADE CHAPTER (MD)



VCINC Hamilton was commissioned in 1985 as a second lieutenant in the Adjutant General's Corps. During her 26 years of service she had a variety of assignments worldwide. Some of her unique experiences include serving as the first female Honor Guard Commander at LANDSOUTHEAST in Izmir, Turkey while assigned as the NATO Morale Welfare Activities Officer; command of the 178th Personnel Service Company in Aschaffenburg, Germany, as a first lieutenant; service as the Trip Coordinator and Assistant Executive Officer to the Supreme Allied Commander of Europe/Commander-in-Chief, European Command; and service as the Executive Officer for two Adjutants General of the US Army. Prior to her election as a VCINC, she served as: an elected General Staff Officer; an appointed member of the EXCOM; Chair, Legislative & Resolutions Committee; Chair, Honors & Protocol Committee; Vice Chair, Magazine Committee, and; Constitution & Bylaws Committee member. VCINC Hamilton has bachelor degrees in

Nutrition Education, Dietetics, and Home Economics Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She also holds a Master of Human Relations degree from the University of Oklahoma.



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BRIG GEN ARTHUR B. MORRILL, USAF (RET)
CHIEF OF STAFF, MOWW

OVERVIEW. The 2012 National Convention was held in San Diego, CA, from 30 July-5 August 2012. The business of the Order was conducted, recognition honoring many Companions and Chapters was accomplished, educational seminars were conducted and social events were available. In short, it was a great convention.

MONDAY, 30 JULY 2012. Pre-convention activities began with a golf outing at MCAS Miramar Memorial Golf Course—an event thoroughly enjoyed by all participating golfers. At the same time, and throughout the day, final preparations for the National Convention kept the San Diego Chapter Companions quite busy.



(L-R): San Diego Chapter Commander Col Kholos accepts a MOWW Proclamation from Council Representative Cynthia Harris as CINC CAPT Vowinkel looks on.

TUESDAY, 31 JULY 2012. Pre-convention activities continued with a Pre-Convention EXCOM meeting reviewing accomplishments and lessons learned. Next were the Budget Committee, Board of Trustees, Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF) and the Council of Region Commander meetings. That evening, Companions enjoyed “Old Town” San Diego for a fun evening of sight-seeing and dinner.

WEDNESDAY, 1 AUGUST 2012. Companions toured the USS Midway and visited Cabrillo National Monument, or perused the exceptional San Diego Zoo. Patriotic Education, Inc., held their annual meeting in the late afternoon. The day ended with the CINC Welcome Buffet that featured unique delicacies such as grape leaf-wrapped lamb, hummus, tabbouleh and Baba Ganoush—and skewered chicken.

Companions were also warmly welcomed by Council Representative Cynthia Harris, who presented a MOWW Day Proclamation to CINC CAPT Vowinkel and San Diego Chapter Commander Col Kholos. Those victorious on the links were also heartily feted.

THURSDAY, 2 AUGUST 2012. The first day of Convention Activities proper began early with the Past CINC’s Breakfast, during which Chief of Staff Brig Gen Morrill, CINC CAPT Vowinkel and CINC-candidate LTC Engen, respectively, briefed the Past CINCs.

That session set the business tone of the day for Patriotic Education, Policy-Planning, Hann-Buswell, Homeland Security, Chapter Operations, Law & Order, and Financial Development meetings and seminars. The Chapter Operations Seminar was new for this year, and covered Chapter Focus Areas, Recognition, and the Companion’s Tool Box. Once again, COL Dick Minor linked the Patriotic Education Committee’s objectives to the MOWW Strategic Plan—something all committees must do during 2012-2013.

The afternoon began with an excellent seminar on National Security presented by LTC Bill Rapp. Immediately following, the focus shifted to nominations, candidate presentations and election processes. This involved Teller Orientation, National Candidate presentations, Regional Caucuses and the Nominating Committee meeting. These many efforts were ably led by PCINC COL Phil St. Amant, and well assisted by PCINC Col Cliff Way and COL Dick Minor, and supported by the invaluable Nominating Committee Tellers. The election results can be found elsewhere in this issue.

The mid-day period also featured high tea for spouses and guests at the Aubrey Rose Tea Room in San Diego. Those attending learned that the terms,



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“high” and “low” refer to the tables on which the meal was served. “Low” tea is served sitting down in a sitting room on “lower” tables, e.g., like a coffee table. “High” tea is served in a dining room with more substantial dishes. For most Americans, the “High Tea” actually refers to the afternoon tea—which attendees thoroughly enjoyed.

FRIDAY, 3 AUGUST 2012. The day marked the formal opening of the 2012 National Convention. After approving the 2011 Convention minutes, CINC CAPT Vowinkel, Scouting Chair Maj Williams and HPM Deborah Minor-Kerr (MOWW GS-USA Coordinator) presented MOWW’s proclamation celebrating the centenary of Girl Scouting. Ms. Jo Dee C. Jacob (San Diego Imperial Council) and several Girl Scouts received this proclamation.

Next was the presentation of the National Citations—honoring the Companions who went above and beyond. These presentations were followed by end-of-year reports by CINC CAPT Vowinkel, CS Brig Gen Morrill, SVCINC COL Worthington and VCINCs LTC Engen, Capt Kash, Capt Hayes and HPM McIntosh.

Next were reports from the Board of Trustees, Treasurer General and Budget Committee. The Budget Committee proposed three amendments to increase the CINC’s travel allowance, provide for medical/dental coverage for HQ MOWW employees, and to make a slight adjustment in employee salary. All were approved.

The Membership Report highlighted the imperative to increase recruiting efforts in every chapter, a topic energetically addressed in the Membership Seminar and one of CINC Engen’s priorities. Next were reports from Chapter Activities, Policy-Planning, Patriotic Education, ROTC, Scouting, National Security, Homeland Security, and Law & Order. Additionally, selected conferees attended the Gist Blair Memorial Fund, Patriotic Education Foundation (PEF) and Youth Enrichment Foundation (YEF) meetings.



MOWW Scouting Leadership recognize the 100-year anniversary of the Girl Scouts. (L-R): HPM Deborah Minor-Kerr (MOWW GS-USA Coordinator); guest Girl Scouts; CINC CAPT Vowinkel; Ms. Jo Dee C. Jacob (San Diego Imperial Council), and MOWW Scouting Chair Maj Williams.

GSO LTC Hamilton (Chair, Legislative & Resolutions Committee) then presented five proposed resolutions (i.e., “Budget Cuts Threaten Military Readiness” (Approved), “Addition of Franklin D. Roosevelt’s D-Day Prayer to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC” (Approved), “Memorial Museum and Leadership Archives in Honor of General of the Armies John H. ‘Blackjack’ Pershing” (Approved), “Maintaining Law & Order Overrides Religious Freedom” (Defeated) and “Birthright Citizenship” (Defeated). Approved resolutions are elsewhere in this issue.

The morning session of the National Convention and General Staff Meeting was followed by the MOWW Awards Luncheon. The many awards recognized excellence in MOWW chapters, individuals and programs—a terrific event.



Additionally, during the luncheon, the parents of Phoenician Essay Award winner, Mr. Zachary N. Hall, from the Northwest Youth Leadership Conference (NWYLC) accepted his award and a check for \$2,000. His essay is elsewhere in this issue.

(L-R): LTC David Gibson, Director, Northwest, YLC; poster of Phoenician Award winner Zachary Hall; his parents, John and Dani Hall; CINC CAPT Vowinkel.

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Representative Duncan R. Hunter (CA-52), MOWW's 2012 Distinguished Service Award recipient addressed Companions about a variety of national security and budget issues.

The luncheon speaker, Companion COL Luther R. Lloyd, USA (Ret), spoke on "The Islam You Do Not Understand." That evening conference attendees departed for the San Diego Harbor Dinner Cruise—an event that featured an excellent meal, live music, a harbor fireworks display and great views of the San Diego Harbor.

SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST 2012.

The day began with a heartfelt Memorial Service honoring departed Companions. Immediately following, the convention reconvened and the General Staff meeting was

held. PCINC COL St. Amant presented his Nominating Committee Report—which was approved after some due process. CINC-elect Engen then guided the session by announcing his Assistant National Officers, GSO, and committee appointments—including three *ad hoc* committees. These assignments are listed elsewhere in this issue.

That afternoon, conferees attended several informative sessions, i.e., ROTC, Scouting, Chapter Activities, and Information & Publicity. The third was the Membership Seminar, during which Companions were highly engaged and shared many suggestions with each other.

The evening featured the CINC's Receiving Line & Reception, and MOWW's Installation



LTC Gary O. Engen, USA (Ret), becomes the 82nd Commander-in-Chief of MOWW as he accepts command from IPCINC CAPT Russell Vowinkel, USN (Ret).

Banquet. Representative Duncan R. Hunter (CA-52), a Companion from the San Diego Chapter, was this year's Distinguished Service Award winner. [See the *Officer Review*, July 2012.] He provided an excellent talk on a variety of national security and budget issues. He also provided very insightful thoughts on the way ahead. The audience was clearly captivated.

The last portion of the Formal Banquet was the investiture of the 82nd Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the World Wars, LTC Gary O. Engen, USA (Ret), and the newly-elected National Officers of the Order. PCINC LTC Alfred H. M. Shehab, USA (Ret) and IPCINC Col Clifford D. Way, Jr., USAF (Ret), presided. This dignified transfer of Order leadership was in keeping with the highest MOWW traditions.

The ceremony celebrated the leadership of CINC Vowinkel while heralding the new leadership team led by CINC LTC Engen. This event culminated an exceptional national convention graciously hosted by the San Diego Chapter Companions.

SUNDAY, 5 AUGUST 2012. As most of the Companions prepared to head home, CINC LTC Engen and his senior leadership team immediately focused on business during the Post-Convention EXCOM meeting. During that session he announced senior leadership oversight assignments while underscoring the need for engaged leadership and support, and

highlighting his priorities for the coming year. [See "CINC's Perspective," this issue.] While CINC LTC Engen met with the EXCOM, Glenda Engen graciously hosted a lively breakfast for the spouses and guests of EXCOM members.

CONCLUSION. By all measures, the San Diego Convention was a total success. I look forward to seeing all of you in Dallas, TX, for the 2013 National Convention (12-18 August 2013)—another great opportunity for service, education and camaraderie! ★

MOWW || 2012 National Resolutions



☆ RESOLUTION ☆

MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND LEADERSHIP ARCHIVES IN HONOR OF GENERAL OF THE ARMIES JOHN J. "BLACKJACK" PERSHING

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

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

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

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

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

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

☆ RESOLUTION ☆

ADDITION OF FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT'S D-DAY PRAYER TO THE WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL IN WASHINGTON, DC

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

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

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

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

☆ RESOLUTION ☆

BUDGET CUTS THREATEN MILITARY READINESS

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

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

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

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

MOWW || 2012 Phoenician Award Recipient

2012 Phoenician Award Essay Question:

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

BY ZACHARY N. HALL

NORTHWEST YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE | PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

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

When I got my job as a lifeguard at my local community center, I had to fill out a form called the W-9. The purpose of this form was to show that I was an eligible worker in the United States. It was simple, all I had to do was provide a few critical pieces of information and I was ready to work. At my father's work place, the company uses the E-Verify process. It is a little more involved and is administered by the Department of Homeland Security. This process verifies that a worker is in the country legally and is eligible to work. I believe that a system like E-Verify could be used to verify the

voting eligibility of anyone registering to vote. Call it "V-Verify"—at no cost to the voter. Of course, states would be a part of the process due to voting being very much a local issue.

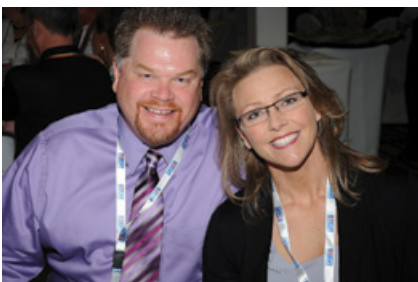
We live in a time where elections can be decided by a very slim margin. For example, in California in 1996, Loretta Sanchez beat incumbent Robert Dornan, but voter fraud was alleged. After the election, Dornan was able to show that non-citizens and felons had been registered to vote. This is only one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

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

Phoenician Award Recipient

Recognition Of Excellence

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



John and Dani Hall, proud parents of MOWW's Phoenician Award recipient Zachary N. Hall.



ZACHARY N. HALL
THE 2012 PHOENICIAN AWARD RECIPIENT

THE PHOENICIAN AWARD was created to provide national recognition to a Youth Leadership Conference (YLC) student who is judged to have written the most effective essay in competition. The recipient is selected annually from among candidates nominated for the award by the director of each multi-day YLC. The Phoenician Award winner receives a \$2,000 First Prize during the annual MOWW National Convention. Second and third prize recipients are presented \$1,000 and \$500, respectively, by their local area MOWW representatives on behalf of the national MOWW organization.

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MOWW || 2012 National Citation Recipients

Every Companion named has made a major contribution to the advancement of the patriotic ideals of MOWW. On recommendation of Region, 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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*Katherine R. Adams, HPM
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*Col Louis N. Ferguson, USAF (Ret)
Prince George's County MD Chapter*

*1LT Jerald N. Hutchins, USA (Fmr)
Portland OR Chapter*

*MG Donald L. Jacka, Jr., USA (Ret)
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*COL Robert L. Reese, AUS (Ret)
General Ridgway-Pittsburgh PA Chapter*

*LTC Donald A. Siegel, AUS (Ret)
CPT Grevenberg Chapter*

*MAJ Thomas N. Yde, USA (Ret)
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CPT Grevemberg-New Orleans LA Chapter*

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*Lt Col Elsa J. Baker, USAF (Ret)
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*MAJ Michael E. Belcher, USA (Ret)
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*LTC Charles S. Chamberlin, USA (Ret)
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*Capt Vernon A. Elarth, USAF (Fmr)
Sun City Center FL Chapter*



*COL Daniel G. Foust, USAR (Ret)
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*Sheryl A. Harris, HPM
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*Maj Thomas E. Kelly, USMC (Ret)
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*Mimi Thackston, HPM
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Saddleback Valley CA Chapter*

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Philadelphia PA Chapter*

*COL Robert L. Windus, USA (Ret)
Portland OR Chapter*

MOWW || 2012 National Award Winners

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



The MOWW Constitution and Bylaws established the Distinguished Service Award of the Military Order of the World Wars. This award is presented at the National Convention to recognize an American Citizen who has made an extraordinary contribution to the preservation of our Constitutional Liberties, and who selflessly promotes a strong National Defense. It is the most prestigious Award of the Order.

- *Winner: Representative Duncan D. Hunter (CA-52), House of Representatives, United States Congress (Washington, DC).*

NATIONAL COMMANDER AWARD

The Commander-in-Chief is authorized to present the National Commander Award to the individual who, in his or her opinion, has made an outstanding contribution to the Order and has done the most in assisting the Commander-in-Chief in fulfilling his responsibilities.

- *Winner: Brig Gen Arthur B. Morrill III; BG Bultman Chapter (VA)*

PHOENICIAN AWARD

The Phoenician Award is given each year for the most outstanding patriotic essay written by a student attending one of MOWW's Youth Leadership Conferences.

- *2nd Runner-Up: Tammy Winter (Texas Wesleyan YLC; Director: MAJ David Wirsig), Check: \$500.00*
- *1st Runner-Up: Julia Snipes (American Independence Foundation of Colonial America YLC; Director: MAJ Earl Johnson), Check: \$1,000.00*
- *Winner: Zachary N. Hall (Northwest YLC; Director: Col Dave B. Gibson), Check: \$2,000.00*

CHAPTER ACTIVITY AWARDS

The Chapter Activities Award is presented to those chapters who have actively fulfilled the ideals and principles of The Military Order of the World Wars as set forth in the Preamble. It is also awarded to chapters which are a positive patriotic force within their communities, and that have grown in stature by performing good deeds for "The Good of the Order"

- *Small Chapter:*
 - *1st Runner-up: Santa Fe Chapter (NM)*
 - *Winner: Fort Knox Chapter (KY)*
- *Intermediate Chapter:*
 - *2nd Runner-up: Gen Critz Chapter (OK)*
 - *1st Runner-up: Topeka Chapter (KS)*
 - *Winner: Sun City Center Chapter (FL)*

- *Large Chapter:*
 - *2nd Runner-up: Augusta Chapter (GA).*
 - *1st Runner-up: El Paso Chapter (TX).*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX).*

NATIONAL SECURITY AWARDS

The National Security Awards are given annually to the chapters demonstrating the most effective local programs in support of the resolutions pertaining to national security passed by the Order in the National Convention.

- *Intermediate Chapter:*
 - *Winner: Columbus Chapter (GA).*
- *Large Chapter:*
 - *1st Runner-Up: El Paso Chapter (TX).*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX)*

HOMELAND SECURITY AWARD

The Homeland Security Award is a new award adopted at the 2010 Convention for excellence in supporting the MOWW Homeland Security Program.

- *Winner: El Paso Chapter (TX)*

CHAPTER LAW & ORDER PROGRAM AWARDS

The Law & Order Award, which has chapter and individual categories, was instituted to honor exceptional chapters supporting the following Preamble tenant: "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."

- *Small Chapter:*
 - *Winner: Pinson Memorial Chapter, (TX).*
- *Large Chapter:*
 - *1st Runner-up: Augusta Chapter (GA)*
 - *Winner: El Paso Chapter (TX)*

LAW & ORDER EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

The National Law & Order Exceptional Service Award was created to recognize the distinguished service of a law enforcement or criminal justice official.

- *2nd Runner-Up: SFC Richard Howard (Sponsor: Augusta Chapter (GA))*
- *1st Runner-Up: Sheriff Detective Ronald Corr (Sponsor: Sun City Center Chapter (FL))*
- *Winner: Supervisory Patrol Officer Thomas Norman (Sponsor: Central Arkansas Chapter (AR))*

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LAW & ORDER OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARD

The National Law and Order Outstanding Performance Award recognizes outstanding performance for heroic actions

- *2nd Runner-Up: Under Sheriff Hugh Mills (Sponsor: Greater Kansas City Chapter (MO))*
- *1st Runner-Up (TIE): Deputy Sheriff Eldon Powers (Sponsor: Augusta Chapter (GA))*
- *1st Runner-Up (TIE): Police Officer Gabriel Candia (Sponsor: El Paso Chapter (TX))*
- *Winner: Sergeant Louis C. Felini (Sponsor: Dallas Chapter (TX))*

Note: This award's presentation is made at an appropriate local ceremony by the sponsoring chapter.

CHAPTER PATRIOTIC EDUCATION PROGRAM AWARD

The Chapter Patriotic Education Program Award is bestowed on the Chapter conducting the best patriotic education program for the preceding year. The purpose of this competition is to encourage chapters to develop programs that will provide the youth of our country with a knowledge and appreciation for this nation's institutions and government.

- *Intermediate Chapter:*
 - *Winner: LTG Critz Chapter (OK)*
- *Large Chapter:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: El Paso Chapter (TX)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: Augusta Chapter (GA)*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX)*

ROTC AWARDS

The ROTC Annual Award is presented to the chapters providing the best support of ROTC Units.

- *Category 1: Chapters supporting 1-12 ROTC units*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: Gen Critz Chapter (OK)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: Topeka Chapter (KS)*
 - *Winner: Mesilla Valley Chapter (NM)*



- *Category 2: Chapters supporting 13-23 ROTC units:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: Apache Trail Chapter (AZ)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: Columbus Chapter (GA)*
 - *Winner: San Diego Chapter (CA)*
- *Category 3: Chapters supporting 24-31 ROTC units:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: Fort Knox (KY)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: El Paso Chapter (TX)*
 - *Winner: Augusta Chapter (GA)*
- *Category 4: Chapters supporting 32-50 ROTC units:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: Fort Worth Chapter (KS)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: Col Woods-Oklahoma City Chapter (OK)*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX)*
- *Category 5: Chapters supporting 50-64 ROTC units:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: San Antonio Chapter (TX)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: Philadelphia Chapter (PA)*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX)*
- *Category 6: Chapters supporting 65+ ROTC units:*
 - *2nd Runner-Up: Houston Chapter (TX)*
 - *1st Runner-Up: GEN Middleton Chapter (LA)*
 - *Winner: Columbia Chapter (SC)*

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA "SQUARE KNOT" AWARD

The Boy Scouts of America "Square Knot" Award, presented for the first time, recognizes members of the Order who are dedicated to and actively involved in furthering the Boy Scouts of America program.

- *COL Steven M. Amster (Augusta Chapter (GA))*
- *COL Pendleton Woods (Col Woods-Oklahoma City Chapter (OK))*
- *1LT Barry S. Kopeloff (Col Roosevelt Chapter (NY))*

MOWW || 2012 National Award Winners

NATIONAL SCOUTING AWARD

The newly-established "National Scouting Award" recognizes the Companion who contributed the most through the year to realize the goals and objectives of the Order's Resolution of Cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the USA.

- *Winner: Lt Col Oren Lee Peters*
(*Col Woods-Oklahoma City Chapter (OK)*)

INFORMATION & PUBLICITY AWARD

The Information & Publicity Award is conferred annually to the chapter with the most effective public relations program for the operating year within the chapter, the community and at a national level. It includes published items (except for items published in the Officer Review®), as well as electronic media (television, radio and the internet).

- *Small Chapter: (< 50 current members).*
 - *1st Place: Pinson Memorial Chapter (TX).*
 - *Winner: Fort Knox Chapter (KY).*
- *Intermediate Chapter: (50-100 current members).*
 - *2nd Place: Topeka Chapter (KS).*
 - *Winner: Sun City Center Chapter (FL).*
- *Large Chapter: (100+ current members).*
 - *2nd Place: El Paso Chapter (TX).*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX).*

CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARDS

The next award is the Chapter Newsletter Award, which is presented to the chapter with the most comprehensive newsletter.

- *Small Chapter: (< 50 current members)*
 - *2nd Place: Fort Knox Chapter (KY)*
 - *Winner: Pinson Memorial Chapter (TX)*
- *Intermediate Chapter: (50-100 current members)*
 - *1st Runner-up: West Valley Chapter (AZ)*
 - *Winner: Sun City Center Chapter (FL)*
- *Large Chapter: (100+ current members)*
 - *2nd Runner-up: San Diego Chapter (CA)*
 - *1st Runner-up: Augusta Chapter (GA)*
 - *Winner: Dallas Chapter (TX)*

SPECIAL RECOGNITION, OFFICER REVIEW®

This award recognizes continuing excellence in writing in the Officer Review®.

- *COL (Dr) "Hal" Kushner*
(*Space Coast-Indian River Chapter, FL*);
"Dying is Easy; Living is the Difficult Thing"

VADM DYER

WRITING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Vice Admiral George C. Dyer Awards for Writing Excellence in MOWW's magazine, the Officer Review® are made possible by the VADM Dyer Memorial Magazine Trust Fund

- *Honorable Mentions*
 - *3rd Honorable Mention:*
CPT (Dr) Robert E. Mallin (Santa Fe Chapter);
"Six Hoc Transit Gloria Mundi"
 - *2nd Honorable Mention:*
LTC Wayman J. Johnson (Augusta Chapter);
"Can Do! Chapter Homeland Security Program"
 - *1st Honorable Mention:*
BG Raymond E. Bell, Jr., PhD (BG Bultman Chapter);
"Pershing's Counter-Insurgency"
- *Writing Prizes*
 - *2nd Prize Award (\$1,000):* CAPT Richard H. Miller
(*Santa Fe Chapter*); *"FIDO"*
 - *1st Prize Award (\$2,000):* COL Arthur Tulak
(*Gaylord-Dillingham Memorial Chapter*);
"Operational Reserve Component Means Operational Risk for States"

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITING AWARD

The Membership Recruiting Award is presented to the single Companion who personally recruited the greatest number of new members of all membership categories.



- *PCINC Col James D. Elmer*
(*Central Arkansas Chapter*)

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RECRUITING EXCELLENCE AWARD

The new Recruiting Excellence Award is presented to the top three chapters who achieved the most significant net new member increases in living veteran and hereditary Perpetual and Regular member categories.

- **GOLD AWARD.** The Gold Award is presented to the chapter that recruits at least six (6) new members AND achieves a ten percent or greater ($\geq 10\%$) net increase in membership. The recipient is awarded a streamer, is listed on the MOWW Recruiting Honor Role on the MOWW website, and is presented a check for \$2,000 to be applied to support chapter programs.
 - *Winner: Sun City Center Chapter*
- **SILVER AWARD.** The Gold Award is presented to the chapter that recruits at least four (4) new members AND achieves an 8.0 - 9.9 percent net increase in membership. The recipient is awarded a streamer, is listed on the MOWW Recruiting Honor Role on the MOWW website, and is presented a check for \$1,200 to be applied to support chapter programs.
 - *Central Arkansas Chapter*
- **BRONZE AWARD.** The Bronze Award is presented to the chapter that recruits at least two (2) new members AND achieves a 7.0 - 7.9 percent net increase in membership. The recipient is awarded a streamer, is listed on the MOWW Recruiting Honor Role on the MOWW website, and is presented a check for \$750 to be applied to support chapter programs.



◦ *Gen Vandenberg Chapter*

PERPETUAL MEMBER RECRUITING AWARD (ORGANIZATIONAL)

The Perpetual Member Recruiting Award is an organizational (i.e., chapter) award is designed to encourage chapters to increase the number and proportion of those Perpetual Members who are ≤ 50 years in age within the chapter. The winning chapter receives a gold flag streamer

- *Dallas Chapter*

PERPETUAL MEMBER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

The Perpetual Member Recruiting Award is an individual award that goes to a Perpetual Member for their contributions to the chapter and its programs—whether that individual is a member of the chapter winning the organizational award or is a member of another MOWW chapter. It is focused on the achievements of Perpetual Members who are ≤ 50 years in age

- *Maj Donald Nguyen (Dallas Chapter)*

RECRUITING HONORABLE MENTION (INDIVIDUAL)

Honorable Mention recognition is given to congratulate Companions who also excelled in recruiting:

- *PCINC COL Jack B. Jones (Gen Vandenberg Chapter)*
- *Brig Gen A. B. Morrill III (BG Bultman Chapter)*
- *CPT Allen B. Clark, Jr. (Gen Pendleton Chapter)*
- *COL Billie L. Stephens (Apache Trail Chapter)*

CHAPTER COMMANDER & ADJUTANT AWARD

The Chapter Commander and Adjutant Award is presented to the Region with the highest percentage of chapter commanders and adjutants attending the annual National Convention. (The host region is excluded from this competition.)

- *Winner: Region XV*

BRIG GEN HORACE W. PORT AWARD

The Brig Gen Horace W. Port Award is presented annually to the Region with the highest percentage of its National Staff Officers registered and in attendance at the annual National Convention

- *Winner: Region XV*

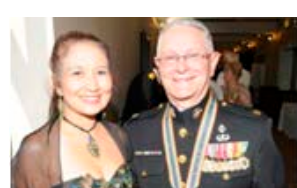
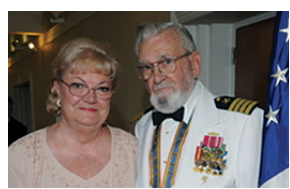
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Certificate of Appreciation for exceptional performance in hosting the 2011 National MOWW Convention

- *San Diego Chapter (CA)*



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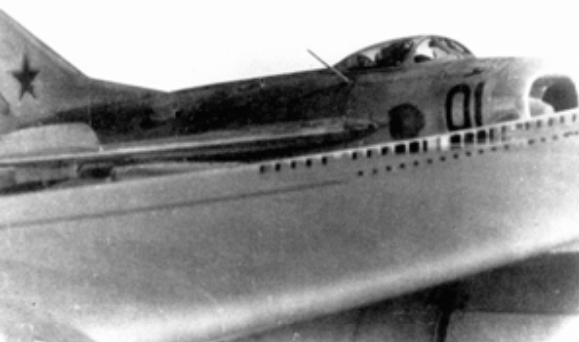


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LT COL BRUCE M. BAILEY, USAF (RET), USA (FMR)
DALLAS(069) CHAPTER, TX

SPECIFICATIONS (MIG-19S)



GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Crew: One

Length: 12.54 m (41 ft)

Wingspan: 9.0 m (29 ft 6 in)

Height: 3.9 m (12 ft 10 in)

Wing area: 25.0 m² (270 ft²)

Empty weight: 5,447 kg (11,983 lb)

Max. takeoff weight: 7,560 kg (16,632 lb)

Powerplant: 2 × Tumansky RD-9B
afterburning turbojets, 31.9 kN (7,178 lbf)
each

PERFORMANCE

Maximum speed: 1,455 km/h (909 mph)

Range: 1,390 km (860 mi) 2,200 km with
external tanks

Service ceiling: 17,500 m (57,400 ft)

Rate of climb: 180 m/s (35,425 ft/min)

Wing loading: 302.4 kg/m² (61.6 lb/ft²)

Thrust/weight: 0.86

ARMAMENT

Guns: 3x 30 mm NR-30 cannons (75 rounds
per gun for wing guns, 55 rounds for the
fuselage gun)

Hardpoints: 4 underwing pylons and
provisions to carry combinations of:

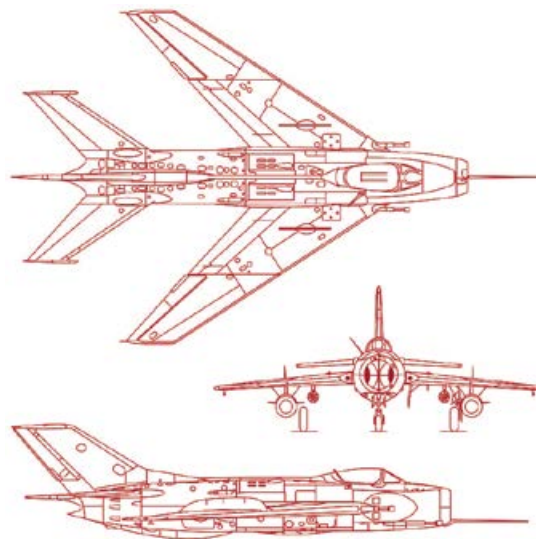
Rockets: unguided rockets

Missiles: 4 Vypel K-13 AAMs

Bombs: Up to 250 kg (550 lb) of bombs

The RB-47 was intercepted and ‘paced’ by Soviet fighters routinely in many areas, but especially along the narrow gap we had to fly entering the Baltic Sea. There were only three or four pilots the Soviets trusted enough to make those intercepts because it was easy to defect into other countries from that area.

Our linguists could identify the pilots in spite of many guises to hide their real identity. Occasionally they would come up in a group of four with two newer pilots. We suspect the “old heads” had orders to shoot down any attempts at defection. We got to know the regulars pretty well.



The MiG-19 tucked in under the wing, real tight. The mission was flown as briefed however. Upon receiving the mission materials, DIA queried SAC as to why the mission wasn’t aborted. The rules of engagement stated that we would continue as planned unless the fighters fired upon us or closed to within lethal range with their fire control (AI) radar in lock-on mode.

SAC’s reply was that missions were aborted only when the fighters demonstrated hostile intent. DIA retorted with, “When you let a Soviet fighter get that close and tuck in under your wing, how do you determine his intentions?” SAC answered, “By the look in the pilot’s eyes.” ★



MOWW || Chief's Notes: Tax Reporting

BRIG GEN ARTHUR B. MORRILL, USAF (RET)
CHIEF OF STAFF, MOWW

Responsible Officers Commanders & Treasurers

MOWW tax reporting process:

1. Chapters electronically file the IRS Fm 990-N "e-Postcard" on-line using the IRS website
2. Chapters mail IRS "e-Postcard" email receipt and completed MOWW Form 9 ("IRS Reporting Certification") to HQ MOWW
3. HQ MOWW validates chapter EINs with IRS NLT 30 Sep of each year

NOTE: THE MOWW TAX YEAR IS FROM 1 JUL TO 30 JUN OF THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR. THE ORDER AND ITS INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS ARE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)19, "POST OR ORGANIZATION OF PAST OR PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES," TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS. EACH IS REQUIRED TO HAVE AN IRS-ASSIGNED EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN) UNIQUE TO THEIR CHAPTER. COMMANDERS AT ALL LEVELS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE.

MOWW sub-element (chapter, etc.). Chapters must file using their EIN—not the National Order's EIN.)



1: Chapters file with the IRS.

- All MOWW chapters must have their own IRS-assigned Employee Identification Number (EIN). All chapters must file with the IRS and ensure chapter compliance with MOWW tax reporting policy.
- Not earlier than 1 July but not later than 30 Sep of each year, all chapters (and any other MOWW sub-element with an EIN) must electronically file with the IRS using an on-line IRS Fm 990-N, i.e., "e-Postcard" (or applicable IRS Forms 990), for the preceding MOWW tax year, i.e., 1 Jul-30 Jun of the following year. Here is the IRS link: <http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=169250,00.html>
- The IRS will send the chapter filer an email receipt indicating the IRS has accepted the "e-Postcard" submitted (filed). Chapter Treasurers must print and keep a copy of the IRS email for each tax year in chapter records, and provide a copy of the IRS email receipt to HQ MOWW. (Note: HQ MOWW does not file the IRS Form 990-N ("e-Postcard") for any

2: Chapters certify with HQs.

- All chapters must submit a MOWW Form 9 ("IRS Reporting Certification") to HQ MOWW after successfully filing with the IRS, i.e., after they receive the IRS "e-Postcard" email receipt (see above), but must do so before 30 Sep of each year.
- Chapters must keep a copy of the MOWW Form 9 sent to HQ MOWW for each tax year in chapter records. All chapters must also submit a copy of their IRS email receipt to HQ MOWW. (HQ MOWW does not mail on-line forms to chapters, etc.) Here is the MOWW website link for the MOWW Form 9: <http://www.militaryorder.net/PDFs/30%20April%20Forms/MOWW%20Fm%209--PDF--IRS%20Reporting%20Certification.pdf>

3: HQ MOWW validates EINs with the IRS.

- Each year, HQ MOWW must submit to the IRS a validated "Sub-Element List" of chapter EINs.
- HQ MOWW must validate with the IRS the contents of the IRS-provided "Sub-Element Listing" (SEL). This SEL lists those MOWW sub-elements (e.g., chapters, etc.) with EINs that filed with the IRS for the preceding tax year.

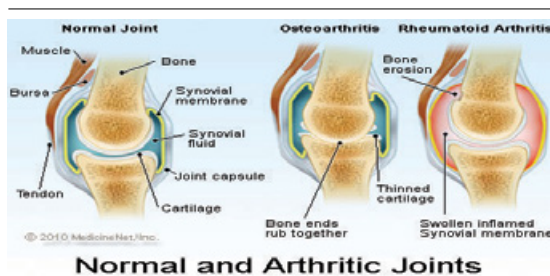
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MOWW || Surgeon's Tent

“When ‘ARTHUR’ comes to get me”

CPT (DR) ROBERT E. MALLIN, USA (FORMER)
SANTA FE (209) CHAPTER, NM

I once heard the saying, “When ‘Arthur’ comes to get me,” from an 82 year-old piano player in New Orleans, when he was asked when he planned to retire. He meant, of course, he’d not quit until arthritis finally immobilized his fingers. While “arthritis” comes in many forms, e.g., gout, syphilitic, there are only two main types of arthritis. First is osteoarthritis (OA), which has “mechanical” causes. Second is rheumatoid or autoimmune arthritis (RA), which can start at any age.



Osteoarthritis (OA), the most common form of “arthritis” (i.e., joint inflammation illness), occurs when the joint wears down. Hips, knees, fingers, hands and the spine commonly suffer. There is often a history of repeated stress. When a musician refers to aches he is usually referring to OA, the kind resulting from repeated joint use and the mechanical wearing away joint contents.

This can take years or decades. It is a loss of padding between the bones which lets them grind on each other like a car engine operating without lubricant. Longtime baseball pitchers and lifelong runners can experience this. The condition gets more symptomatic with time: pain, swelling, tenderness and stiffness—especially after non-use. One occasionally hears “crepitus” (a grinding sound). Diagnosis may include x-rays, rheumatic arthritis blood tests or removal of fluid from joints.

Repeated minor or major trauma increases the chances of OA—especially in men under 45 and women over 45. Malalignment and obesity affect joints to a greater degree. Diagnosis may include

blood tests, x-rays and fluid removal from the joints.

As OA’s and RA’s course and treatment are different it is important to differentiate the two. Rheumatoid arthritis (RA) is an autoimmune disease wherein the body fights itself. Joints may be affected. Linings are attacked as if they were a foreign substance. Pain, stiffness and inflammation may be present along with deformities and loss of function. The disease is ongoing with occasional bad and good times. Check out your symptoms when you suspect joint issues.

While RA’s causes are generally unknown, there may be a genetic component, although it is not contagious. Interestingly, when RA destroys all joint linings, it stops. While some older people have deformity and loss of function, the disease’s progress and pain are gone. It is “burnt out.” While lost cartilage or tissue cannot be replaced, artificial substances may help restore the padding’s function. There are also ways to treat symptoms and slow down the disease’s progress.

As to medications, even “over the counter” nonprescription medications should be cleared with your health care professional. Topical creams and lotions can help relieve symptoms. Acetaminophen relieves pain (especially in OA) but it does not affect the inflammation of RA. Steroids and non-steroid medications can greatly help RA. Sometimes heavy drugs (narcotics) are prescribed.

Your part: keep fit; keep informed; check symptoms out—the earlier the better.

Importantly, you should ask an expert prescribe an exercise regimen to help you retain motion without stressing your joints, etc. ★



CPT (Dr.) Robert E. Mallin, USA (Former) is a graduate of Adelphi University and New York Medical College. He is certified with the American Board of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. In private practice from 1975-94, he was the Alaskan State Physician of the Year. While in the US Army (1966-1968) he earned a Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Air Medal, and a Combat Medical Badge.



MOWW || VA: Have You Heard?

Warning to Veterans



An organization calling itself Veterans Affairs Services (VAS) is providing benefit and general

information on VA and gathering personal information on veterans. This organization is not affiliated with VA in any way: <http://www.vaservices.org/us/index.html>

VAS may be gaining access to military personnel through their close resemblance to the VA name and seal. The VA coordinated with DoD to inform military installations of this group, and their lack of affiliation or endorsement by VA to provide any services.

In addition, the VA's General Counsel requests that if you have any examples of VAS acts that violate Chapter 59 of Title 38 US Code, such as VAS employees assisting veterans in the preparation and presentation of claims for benefits, please pass any additional information to: Michael G. Daugherty, Staff Attorney Department of Veterans Affairs Office of General Counsel (022G2)

It's Official— DD-214s are NOW On-line.



The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following web site for veterans to gain access to their DD-214s on-line:

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

This may be particularly helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his DD-214 for employment purposes. NPRC is working to make it easier for veterans to download copies of their documents from their military files online.

Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents.

Other individuals with a need for documents must still complete the Standard Form 180, which can be downloaded from the on-line web site. Because the requester will be asked to supply all information essential for NPRC to process the request, delays that normally occur when NPRC has to ask veterans for additional information will be minimized. The new web-based application was designed to provide better service on these requests by eliminating the records center mail room and processing time.

Redesigned Transition Assistance Program Announced



On 23 Jul 12, President Obama announced the launch of the redesigned Transition

Assistance Program developed by an interagency team from the Departments of Defense,

Veterans Affairs, Labor, Education, and Homeland Security as well as the Office of Personnel and Management and the Small Business Administration.

The revamped program, called Transition GPS, is the first major overhaul of the transition assistance program for military members in nearly twenty years. The effort began in response to a call from President Obama in August 2011 to ensure all service members are "career ready" when they leave the military.

"I applaud the leadership of President Obama to bring together government agencies around the goal of enhancing career opportunities for service members," said Secretary of Defense Leon E. Panetta.

"Our personnel have developed extraordinary technical expertise and world-class leadership skills that are in high demand. Transition GPS will help military members apply their experience to additional training, formal education, and develop successful civilian careers."

"One of our fundamental responsibilities as a government is to properly prepare and support those serving in our military so they are career-ready as they transition back into civilian life. With this new initiative, we can better ensure veterans receive the care, benefits and employment services they have earned," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "This collaborative effort will have an impact well beyond this current generation of individuals returning from combat." ★

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GREATER BOSTON (004), MASSACHUSETTS

“Fair Winds and Following Seas”

BY CDR ROBERT L. GILLEN, USN (RET)

On 5 Jun 12, Massachusetts Department Commander, CDR Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret), swore in Ensign Dannemiller, the newest Perpetual Member of the Greater Boston Chapter.

On 21 May 12, Ensign John Joseph Dannemiller, Jr., reported aboard the USS Constitution. What makes this special is that he is the first commissioned officer to be assigned to the Constitution who was also christened on the Constitution. Added to this is the fact that he was born in Charlestown. This makes him the second native-born Townie to serve as one of Old Ironsides commissioned officers.

Ensign Dannemiller is a graduate of Villanova University, where on 18 May 12, he was commissioned into the Navy by his grandfather, CDR Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret), the 59th Commanding Officer of the Constitution; who is the only Townie to have served as a Commanding Officer of Old Ironsides. Ensign Dannemiller has been selected to attend Naval Flight Officer School at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, FL.

Young Dannemiller reported aboard with a wealth of experience about this special ship. On 26 Mar 66, he and his younger brother, Robert Edward Dannemiller, kicked off the formal fund raising effort “Old Ironsides Pennies Campaign.” The brothers, symbolically representing all school children of America, made the first public donation of pennies by each depositing a ten-pound bag of pennies into a special chest during ceremonies aboard USS Constitution. (As many MOWW Companions will remember, the MOWW was a major contributor to this campaign.) The funds raised were used to purchase sails, line and other running gear, which enabled the USS Constitution to sail for the first time in 116 years. Because of this and his many other efforts in support of Old Ironsides, then-Commanding Officer, CDR Beck in 1997 designated him as “Powder Monkey 001.”

Companions wish this newest Perpetual Member of MOWW “Fair Winds and Following Seas” in his future navy career.



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SAN DIEGO (100), CALIFORNIA

Eagle Scout Recognition

BY SVCINC CAPT DEBORAH A. KASH, USAF (RET)

VCINC Capt Debbie Kash, USAF (Ret), presented MOWW Eagle Scouts Certificates to Sean Connell and Jonathan Hart. Sean is a 2010 graduate and 2011 Student Leader of the San Diego Youth Leadership Conference.

The Eagle rank was established as Scouting's highest award in 1911. To earn the Eagle Scout rank, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills before reaching 18-years of age.

(L-R): Eagle Scouts Sean Connell and Jonathan Hart with VCINC Capt Debbie Kash, USAF (Ret).



MG MEADE (026), MARYLAND

Vietnam's 50th—In Remembrance of Their Valiant Service

BY LTC JOHN H. HOLLYWOOD, USA (RET)

Memorial Day 2012 marked the 50-year anniversary since the US entered into the Vietnam War. Chapter Companions were special guests at the commemoration services held at the Wall (the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on the National Mall). The Memorial Day event reinforced the importance that a nation stand united behind its troops. President Obama, kicking off the 50th Anniversary Commemorative Celebration of the Vietnam War, said in his remarks, "... let us always stand united in support of our troops that we placed in harm's way. That is our solemn obligation." Additionally, this year's Memorial Day was also the launch date of a 13-year project to commemorate and remember American involvement in Vietnam.

(L-R): LTC John H. Hollywood, USA (Ret); CDR Robert F. Hartman III, USN (Ret); Companion John S. Hollywood; LTC William W. Sondervan, USA (Ret).



DALLAS (069), TEXAS

Cadets Open Museum to Honor Veterans and Display Their History

BY LT WESLEY E. GROSS, USA (FMR)

Thomas C. Marsh Middle School celebrated the official dedication of the Marsh Military Museum on 8 May 12. The cadets raised \$50,000 through service projects and fund raisers to buy a large Quonset hut to house the museum. They gathered military items from the attics of veterans and memorabilia dating back to World War I. The displays feature each of the five branches of the US military.

(L-R): Past Chapter Commander, VCINC Capt John M. Hayes, USAF (Fmr), and Companion LTC Robert E. Davis, USA (Ret), stand with cadets at the entrance of the museum. LTC Davis served as the keynote speaker and cut the ribbon.

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RICHMOND (031), VIRGINIA

COL Steve Flaherty Receives Chapter's "Law & Order" Award

BY CDR JOHN BAUMGARTEN, USN (RET)

At a joint MOWW–MOAA “Law & Order Night” dinner meeting, CINC CAPT Russell Vowinkel, USN (Ret), presented the Chapter’s “Law & Order” award to COL W. Steven Flaherty, Superintendent of the Virginia State Police.

(L-R): COL W. Steven Flaherty and CINC CAPT Russell Vowinkel, USN (Ret), listen as MOWW Region IV Commander CDR John Baumgarten, USN (Ret), reads the plaque citation.



SUN CITY CENTER (226), FLORIDA

Without Publicity There Can Be No Public Support...

BY CAPT B. FRANK KEPLEY, USN (RET)

The Chapter presented an Exceptional Service Award to Karen Jones, Editor in Chief, News of Sun City Center. The award was presented to Ms. Jones for her outstanding efforts to identify and publicize the activities of the veterans organizations of Sun City Center in general and MOWW in particular. Chapter Commander Lt Col Frank Zahrobksky, USAF (Ret), presented the award.



GEN VANDENBERG (213), CALIFORNIA

Under Sheriff Martin Basti Selected as Law Enforcement Officer for 2012

BY CPT DICK HATHCOCK, USA (FORMER)

A well-attended May luncheon meeting featured the presentation of the Chapter’s Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award. The recipient was recently retired Under Sheriff Martin Basti. San Luis Obispo County Sheriff Ian Parkinson cited Under Sheriff Basti’s 33 years in law enforcement, his devotion to duty and service to San Luis Obispo County as reasons for his selection.

(L-R): PCINC COL Jack Jones, USA (Ret); Chapter Commander CPT Dick Hathcock, USA (Former); Under Sheriff Martin Basti; Sheriff Ian Parkinson, and CDR (CH) William Houston, USN (Ret).

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|| VIRGINIA PIEDMONT (030), VIRGINIA

Piedmont Patriots

BY COL PAUL H. LILLY, JR., USAF (RET)

Companions CAPT Mike Connolly, USN (Ret) and Betty Jo Lilly at the 22 Apr 12 meeting.



|| GEN RIDGWAY-PITTSBURGH (018), PENNSYLVANIA

“I was truly blessed to be selected...”

BY COL ROBERT L. REESE, USA (RET)

In May, students from Oliver HS, West Mifflin Area HS and Valley HS presented their essays on what they learned during their attendance at the Youth Summit hosted by the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge.



|| PUERTO RICO (121)

Induction of Two Perpetual Members

BY COL JUAN R. FIGUEROA, USA (RET)

The General Membership luncheon meeting was a success with the attendance of thirty-five Companions, spouses and guests. A highlight of the meeting was when COL Daniel Osorio, USA (Ret), inducted our Companions BG Fernando Fernández, USA (Res), and MAJ Eva Torres Colón, USA (Ret), as new Perpetual Members, as Chapter Commander MAJ Edgar O. Vélez, USA (Ret), looks on.

(L-R): MAJ Eva Torres Colón, USA (Ret); BG Fernando Fernández, USA (Res); COL Osorio, USA (Ret); MAJ Edgar O. Vélez, USA (Ret).

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NEW MEMBER
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(Kirkland, R. CDR)

CENTRAL AR

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(Elmer, J. Col)

2LT Jessica E. Webb (A)
(Elmer, J. Col)

2LT Adam K. Brown (A)
(Elmer, J. Col)

Lt Col Kevin P. Wade (AF)
(Thomas, A. Lt Col)

2LT Justin K. Holmes (A)
(Elmer, J. Col)

COL James R. Maloney (A)
(Elmer, J. Col)

Capt Henry T. Haven, Jr. (AF)
(Elmer, J. COL)

COL WOOLSEY CA

CDR Charles E. Huff (N)
(Blankenship, J. LT)

Carol L. Fritz (H)
(Aubrey, D. LTC)

Col Michael J. Maloco (AF)
(Blankenship, J. LT)

1LT Vince V. Mottola (MC)
(Lopez, F. BG)

CONEJO VALLEY CA

COL John Fer (AF)
(Knotts, J. Col)

DALLAS TX

CAPT Allan J. Tomlinson (N)
(Wagner, J. CAPT)

Lt Col Phillip R. Hardin (AF)
(Backoff, A. CPT)

GEN VANDENBERG CA

2LT Bruce K. Ng (A)
(Jones, J. COL)

2LT Andrew F. Brown (A)
(Jones, J. COL)

GEN WADE DC

Constance A. Burns (H)
(Whidden, J. COL)

GREATER BOSTON MA

COL Edward S. Graham (A)
(Stamper, W. LTC)

LTG WRIGHT CA

COL William F. Gavitt, Jr. (AF)
(Hawley, Q. CAPT)

MG MEADE MD

LtCol Katherine A. Polevitzky (MC)
(Shehab, A. LTC)

MG CHAMBERLAIN ME

CPT William J. Schneider (A)
(Griffin, J. 1LT)

MG WHEELER-HUNTSVILLE AL

COL Michael W. Hodge (A)
(Roddy, M. COL)

PUGET SOUND WA

BG Oscar B. Hilman (A)
(Mandigo, A. CDR)

SAN DIEGO CA

CAPT Thomas E. Morgan (N)
(Lelaunt, A. 1LT)

SANTA CRUZ VALLEY AZ

2LT Richard W. Simpson (A)
(Leander, R. LTC)

SUN CITY CENTER FL

LTC Julian N. Graham, Jr. (A)
(Greason, S)

Taps

RANK/NAME (SERVICE)

APAHE TRAIL AZ

LTC Roger W. Obermeier (A) *
Lt Col Ralph Jackson (AF) *

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Maj Hodnett J. Copland, Jr. (AF)

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2LT Claude K. Williams (A) *

COL T. ROOSEVELT NY

1LT William H. Grob (A)

COLUMBUS GA

COL Aaron Cohn (A)

FORT WORTH TX

Maj Michael M. Kelly (AF) *

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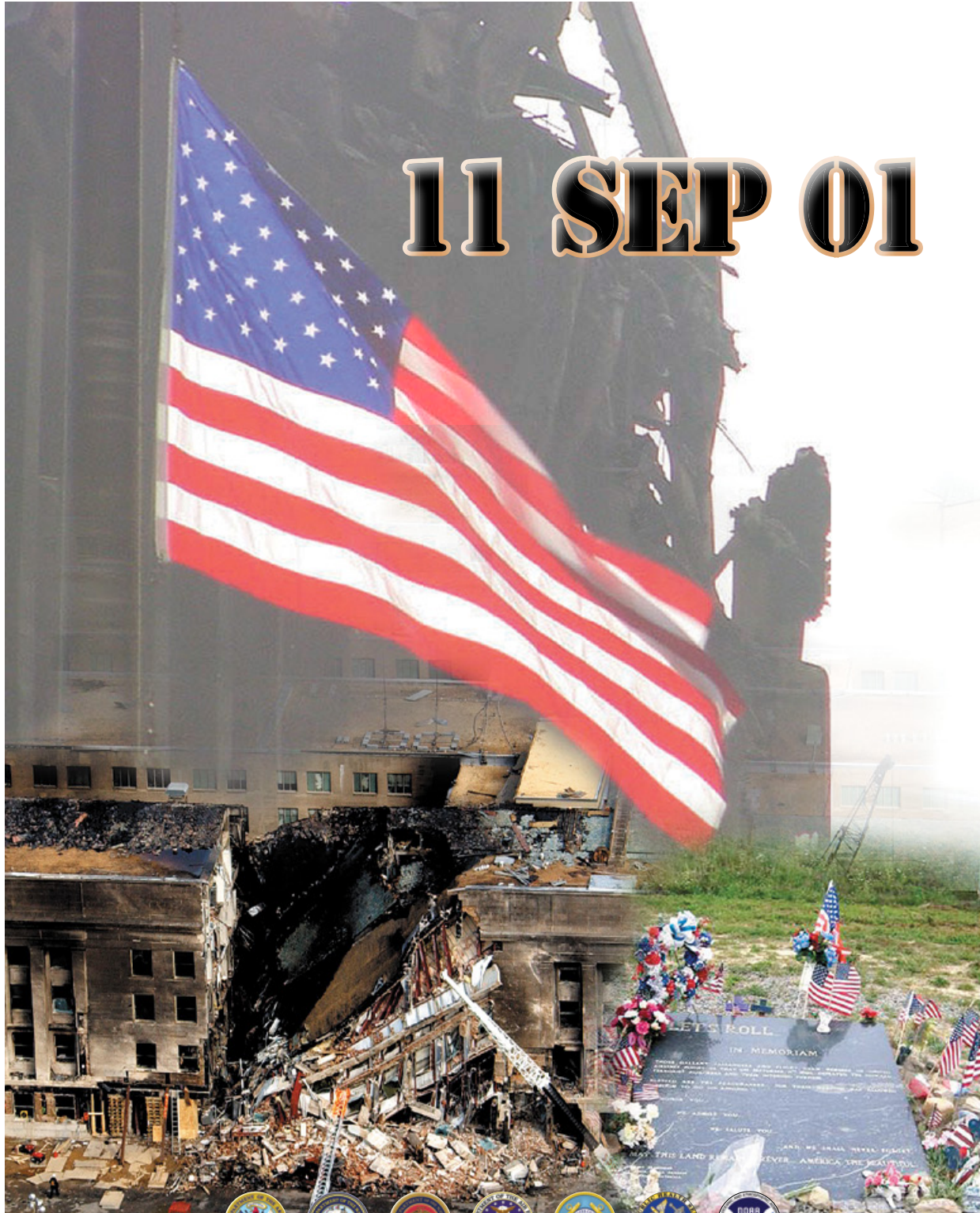
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