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In compliance with National Guidelines to diminish the impact of the COVID-19 virus, currently ravaging our country, the Park City Club is closed, until further notice. Our APRIL & MAY Dallas Chapter Luncheons are cancelled. Hope to see you in JUNE.

Commander's Message

In the '50s, there was a show on our black & white TV called "The Life of Riley" starring William Bendix. I do not know if you are old enough to remember it, but I am. He was an average worker in a defense plant, and the show was about his family and neighbors. We enjoyed that show and laughed at his predicaments. As unexpected things happened, he would say "What a Revolting Development This Is". And then, he would deal with the problem.



William Bendix as Chester A. Riley with Marjorie Reynolds as his wife, Peg

Well, that is where we are today, and we must move forward and deal with the revolting problem of this COVID-19 Coronavirus.

Because of the threat of this microscopic enemy, I felt compelled to *cancel* the 7 April Chapter Luncheon.

At this time, the 2 June Chapter Banquet is still scheduled, but we will have to exercise sound judgment in the coming months. In the meantime, I am writing to ask you to do two (2) things for yourself and the Chapter.

1st Be Safe. For now, avoid this microscopic enemy by staying home whenever possible. If you must travel outside the safety of your home, first and foremost, please do everything recommended by our doctors to protect yourself no matter how inconvenient.

2nd Exercise Leadership. This month, you will have time on your hands and electronic communications available (Telephone, FaceTime, and Internet) to contact others to see if they are safe and ask them to exercise restraint. Our generation, especially, can exercise influence with the younger generation by calling them and asking them to exercise the restraint which the medical community is recommending. The picture on this page from Spring Break in Port Aransas, TX, on **18 Mar 20** shows once again that youth feel invincible and sometimes act selfishly. All it takes is someone older, for whom they care, to make a telephone call to get them to think twice about their thoughtless, and potentially dangerous behavior.



Spring Break, Port Aransas --- despite medical warnings that young people are often undiagnosed carriers of the virus

This virus cannot live outside of its human carrier for a prolonged length of time and the sooner we prevent an infected carrier from transmitting the virus onto a non-infected person or surface, the sooner we will get out of this predicament.

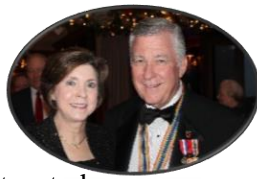
Until we can meet again, take care and God Bless.



THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

MY FELLOW COMPANIONS.

I want to talk with you about two matters today.



Youth Leadership Conference Funding

I have received an important message about the Youth Leadership Conferences this summer. Region VIII Commander has announced that all YLC Sites have agreed to continue to make their space available for the YLC's this summer notwithstanding the COVID-19 Coronavirus.



Youth Leadership locations (Summer 2020); Oklahoma Christian University, Texas Wesleyan University, USS Lexington, and Texas A&M University

This means that we must get busy and finish raising the money to fund the YLC's. We started our Fund-Raising Campaign on 2 January, and through this date, only **40** of our Companions have made contributions. As you know, I tentatively committed to Region VIII that this Chapter wanted slots for **60** students. The Chapter is now approaching the Deadline for a firm commitment. This Fund-Raising Drive will end on 30 April. So, if you have not made a donation, as of this date, I am asking you to send your donation **NOW** to Major Bill Coleman at:

Major Bill Coleman, MOWW
381 Casa Linda Plaza #148
Dallas, TX 75218

This MISSION is far too important to Fail or Abort. I cannot emphasize enough that we are going to need every Companion to make a donation, no matter how small. If you believe that this Outreach Program is important, not only to our youth, but to our Country, then **PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATION TO BILL COLEMAN, NOW.**



ROTC Awards Presentations

After coordination with the Sons of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Dedalians, Navy League of the United States and the Reserve Organization of America and a number of ROTC/JROTC Units, CDR Alan Mandigo (Chairman, National ROTC Committee) has recommended that:

1. All 2020 MOWW ROTC/JROTC Awards be mailed or safely delivered to the ROTC and JROTC Units that each MOWW Chapter sponsors.
2. MOWW Chapters should discourage Companions from presenting at those schools that have not canceled their 2020 Spring Award Ceremonies.



For the first time in memory, ROTC and JROTC awards will **NOT** be presented, in person, by MOWW

In compliance with the National ROTC Chairman's Recommendation and the unanimous request of ROTC & JROTC Units, the Dallas Chapter Companions will not be presenting ROTC or JROTC Awards, this spring. The Awards will be mailed, in order that the Unit may present them at a convenient time.

I want to thank all of you who volunteered to present Awards this spring. We will need your assistance in 2021. In the meantime, I would ask that you stand down.

Paul W. Brown
Dallas Chapter Commander Emeritus

KNOW YOUR COMPANIONS

LtCol Michael Scott Casey, US Marine Corps

Scott Casey grew up in Amarillo, TX. He attended Caprock High School, and participated in MCJROTC, and as a member of the rifle team and color guard. He graduated from West Texas A&M with a B.S. in Education, in 1991, and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant from the USMC Platoon Leaders program. Scott completed Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Fort Sill, OK, and reported to the 1st First Marine Division, in Twenty-Nine Palms, CA. During this period, he participated in *Operation Restore Hope* in Somalia and then deployed with his unit to Okinawa, Japan.



From 1995 to 1998, Scott served as the Officer Selection Officer (OSO) for Recruiting Station Des Moines, 9th Marine Corps District and was recognized as **OSO of the Year**, for two consecutive years. In 1999, he reported to Camp Pendleton, CA, where he served as Battalion Operations Officer, 5th Bn, 11th Marines. In 2000, he became Commanding Officer of Battery F, 2d Bn, 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division.

In 2001, he deployed his Battery to Australia in support of 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, then was transferred to the 4th Marine Corps District, New Cumberland, PA. In 2004, he reported to 3rd Marine Division, Kaneohe, HI, where he served as the Battalion Executive Officer, 1-12th Marines. He deployed, twice, in support of *Operation Iraqi Freedom*.

LtCol Casey's awards include the Bronze Star, the Combat Action Ribbon, 4 awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, and numerous Navy/Marine Corps and Army Achievement Medals.

In 2007, Scott served as the Head of Officer Recruiting for the entire Marine Corps. In the summer of 2010, he reported to the 8th Marine Corps District, Ft. Worth, TX, to serve as the District Executive Officer. He retired in 2012 and for the past 8 years has been the Senior Marine Instructor with the Granbury ISD.

LtCol Casey and his wife, Denise, enjoy family time with their two daughters and a son, in Granbury, TX.

COL Ed Elder, US Army

Edward Elder was born in Dallas Texas. He graduated from Tarleton State University, in Stephenville, TX, with a B. A. in History and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry.

Upon graduation from the Infantry Officers Basic Course at Ft Benning GA, he was assigned to 2nd Armored Division (Forward) in the Federal Republic of Germany, with duty as a Platoon Leader in the 2nd Battalion, 50th Infantry (Mechanized).

Ed later served at HQ, V Corps, in Frankfurt, working in the G-4 Directorate of Industrial Operations, in the Office of Non-Combatant Evacuations.

He returned stateside and joined the Army Reserves, serving eight years in 12th Special Forces Group (Airborne), as Company S2, then, Commander of Operational Detachment A-1241 and later as Commander of Company A, in Oklahoma City, OK and Company B, in El Paso, TX .

Ed spent the following 6 years with the 75th Division as S-3 (Training Officer) of a Battalion in Dallas, TX. He was transferred to 2nd Simulation Exercise Group at Ft Sill, OK, and selected as Battalion Commander of the Logistics Support Battalion, in Waco, TX.

Following his promotion to Colonel, he served 4 years as the Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer for the State of Texas, working hurricanes, flooding events and wildfire disasters.

After mandatory separation, he volunteered to return to active duty, was in-processed at Ft. Jackson, SC, underwent Command and General Staff training at Ft Leavenworth KS, and then to Kabul, Afghanistan, where he was assigned to the 7th Marines Regimental Combat Team, in Helmand Province. Upon completion of this tour, he retired, having served for over 31 years.

Ed worked for the City of Dallas for 33 years as Supervisor of the Water Utilities Survey Section.

Ed is a widower, with 2 children and 2 wonderful grandchildren. He and his family currently live in Mesquite TX.



United States Space Force

by Michael Menefee, LtCol, USMC (Ret)

On 20 December 2019, President Trump created the first new military service in more than 70 years, when he signed the FY 2020 National Defense Authorization Act. This act established the **United States Space Force** (USSF) as the sixth branch of the armed forces, within the Department of the Air Force, similar to the USMC under the Department of the Navy.



General John Raymond is the senior officer of US Space Force and is the **Chief of Space Operations** (CSO). The CSO is the principal uniformed adviser to the Secretary of the Air Force on Space Force activities. General Raymond is a full member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He reports to the Secretary of the Air Force, under the direction and guidance of the Secretary of Defense. Both the Headquarters USSF and CSO are in the Pentagon

US Space Command (USSPACECOM) is a new separate joint US combatant command, responsible for command and control of military space operations, and falls under US Space Force. USSPACECOM is the successor of Air Force Space Command which was a major command of the United States Air Force from September 1982 to December 2019. General Raymond is the concurrent, dual-hatted, commander of both USSF and USSPACECOM. Should conflict extend to space, the National Reconnaissance Office would take direction from the commander of USSPACECOM. As a combatant command, USSPACECOM is responsible for preparing all military operations in space, and is supported by Joint service members drawn mostly from the Air Force, but also from the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

Many have asked, why not just give the United States Air Force the mission? Lieutenant General Steven L. Kwast, USAF (Ret), argues, 'the different missions cannot be fulfilled with existing forces.'

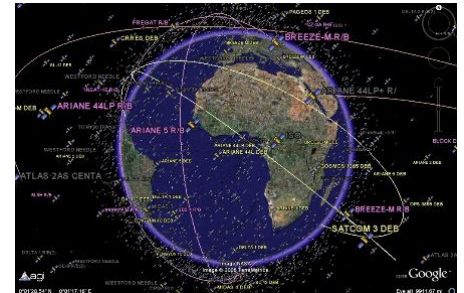
Humor in Uniform

As seen through the eyes of the Warriors



US Space Force is a "technology-focused service." Other agencies that work on space-related issues, like the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, will continue to operate as before, but most of the Pentagon's space programs will eventually be under Space Force. SecDef Mark Esper has said, "It has just been recently that both China and Russia pushed us to the point where space has become a war-fighting domain." USSF's purpose is to protect the interests of the US in space, prevent aggression, and conduct prompt and sustained space operations. USSF is to preserve space for all mankind. Space Force will take over military space duties of the Air Force, Army, and Navy. However, it will not compete with NASA, which remains a civilian space agency, nor will it send the military into space.

The US has approximately 290 satellites, followed by China with 280, and Russia with 147. China is expected to deploy more than 40 satellites in 2020. In the fourth quarter of 2019, China launched multiple missions within days or hours of each other, including launching two rockets within six hours from the same launch site. General Raymond recently said, 'Russian



spacecraft began maneuvering toward an American satellite shortly after it was launched into orbit in November.' This potential conflict marks the first time the US military has publicly identified a direct threat to an American satellite by an adversary. US Space Force will be used to stop Chinese and Russian aggression in space.

Space Force will leverage the DAF for more than 75 percent of its functions to avoid duplication and reduce costs. Air Force officials have stated that suitable Air Force personnel and civilians with space-related specialties will transfer to or join Space Force over the next 18 months, to man the proposed 15,000 personnel force. A higher percentage of women may be used in its mission than in other services, and approximately 60 cadets from the US Air Force Academy will be commissioned into Space Force, this spring.



Humor in Uniform

Not Politically Correct



Happy Birthday, Companions

“People who have the most birthdays – live the longest”

4 April	LT David Iverson	
5 April	COL John Moffett	
6 April	LT Bill Pry	
6 April	Maj Howard Roberts	
7 April	LtCol Gregory Dowell	
7 April	MG Keith Thurgood	
10 April	Capt Ed Fitzmaurice	
10 April	COL Robert Gill	
11 April	CAPT Barry Brown	
13 April	LTC Robert Davis	
14 April	LT Richard Forster	
16 April	Capt Earl Barnette	
18 April	MAJ Paul Divis	
18 April 1925	CPT Lee Drain	
20 April	MR Chris Rajala	
20 April	MR John Rajala	
20 April	MR Lamar Richardson	
21 April	MS April Adams	
21 April	Col Mark Kipphut	
22 April	LTC Woody Alexander	
24 April	LTC Michel Minear	
26 April	LTC Jesse Bullard	
26 April	COL Alan DiMiero	
26 April	COL Ed Elder	
26 April	COL William Lee	
26 April	Lt (JG) Win Padgett	
27 April	LTC Christopher Carney	
27 April	MAJ Paul Rittmuller	
29 April	LTC Gilbert Bernabe	



Speaker Programs Just Keep Getting Better

**7 Apr 20 – Judge John Roach, Collin County Court
THIS LUNCHEON IS CANCELLED**

**5 May 20 –Elaine Cesare, Drug Enforcement Agency
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**2 Jun 20 – Scott Murray, Renown News Analyst
"A Nostalgic Return to Normandy"
plus, Installation of Commander & Staff for FY 2021**

**7 Jul 20 – Brenda Culpepper, County District Attorney
"Law Enforcement in North Texas"**

**4 Aug 20 –Dr. Stephen Holt, Dir, Dallas VA Hospital
"80 Years of Helping Military Veterans "**

**1 Sep 20 –Top Students from 2020 Youth Conferences
"Changing the World and making it better"**

Officer of the Month

Chapter salutes Dallas' Officers in Blue

On 19 Mar 20, Chapter Commander, Capt (USAF) Paul Brown, was scheduled to give Detective **Nathan Williams** (#5529), our Outstanding Service Citation for his selection as Dallas Police Department **Officer of the Month**.

Detective Williams has “done it all” for 33 years serving first as a Patrol Officer, then in the Traffic Unit as a DWI Officer, Accident Investigator, Motorcycle Officer and currently, as a Detective in the Vehicle Crimes Unit. During a period of limited manpower, his organizational skills, while supervising hundreds of investigations, daily, has been truly awesome.

Detective Williams is another sterling example of why the Dallas Police Department continues to be one of the finest in the Nation.

The presentation of the MOWW Certificate of Merit has been delayed because Dallas Police Officers have been restricted from attending any non-essential meetings because of COVID-19. The Chapter will deliver the Certificate to the DPD Liaison Officer for delivery to Detective Williams.”

Notice: Next Commander's Staff Meeting will be held, virtually, the 3rd Thursday in April, pending the lifting of restrictions caused by the Corona virus. Meanwhile, Just Stay Safe.

March Luncheon Activities



Clockwise from top left: Chapter Commander, Paul Brown presented our Guest Speaker with a Certificate for his contributions to our National Security. Doug Gagliano received an **Outstanding Service** medal for his many years of work assembling the thousands of Veterans Day Parade participants. Pat Teipel received one, too, for his two (2) years as the Parade Chairman.



From top left: The Dynamic Duo of Barbara and Jeff Butcher are now *Perpetual* Companions of our Chapter. They were joined by their sponsors, John Wagner and P.J. Putnam. Paul presented Citations to Cliff Way, Russ Hooper, and Don Munson in recognition of their **MOWW National** awards as Chairmen of the YLC, ROTC, and Newsletters Committees, respectively.



A House Built on a Rock

Jesus once contrasted a house built on rock with a house built on sand. Of that built on rock, Jesus said, *“The rain came, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.”*

But of that on sand, Jesus said, *“The rain came, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”*

In good weather, one cannot distinguish between the two houses. It is only when the storm hits that the foundation is revealed. It is in times of great challenge that our true character is uncovered.

Living in New York City on 9/11, and seeing the world transform before my eyes, I found strength in reading, *Five Days in London*.

As the entire world stood on the brink of darkness at that time, Winston Churchill rallied his people saying, *“If the Empire shall last a thousand years, men will still say this was their finest hour.”*

We too shall overcome all the uncertainty and hardship of our present day. It is our history. It is who we are. God bless each of you.

Jamie Malakoff
Chapter Chaplain

Last Month's Program, Feb 2020

Covert Intel Collection

West Point graduate, Adam Kraft, presented a chilling picture of the world of “covert intelligence collection”, known more commonly by the name, Spy Games.



He covered how ongoing global Cyberwar is impacting our national security infrastructure.

During the question and answer session, following his presentation, it was obvious that, even after leaving the Defense Intelligence Agency, there continue to be strict limitations on what he can and cannot discuss.

Adam was Certified, by the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence, and confirmed by the CIA and NSA as a *Certified Intel Collection Management Professional* (yes, Dorothy, it's true, there is such a title).

He has conducted operations planning and executed countless missions in geospatial imagery, signals intercepts, and cyberspace exploitation.



In the words of a former Commander of Coalition Forces in Iraq, Adam provided critical collection support to 7 national-level campaigns, fully integrating all-source collection in every one of them.

One day, Adam will write his memoirs, until then, stay vigilant.

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