



Dallas Military Order News



Companions and their spouses assembled for the Installation of Officers to lead the Chapter throughout FY 2023. Pictured above are the Commander's staff and committee chairs. (l to r): HPM Scott Murray, Capt Robert Ganson, LTC Don Munson, LTC John Wagner, CPT Fred Aurbach, Chapter Commander LtCol (USMC) Michael Menefee, COL Jeff Gault, CPT Tom Garriss, LT (USN) Chuck Daniels, LTC Chuck Chamberlin, LT Brandon Hern, MAJ John Van Buskirk, Capt John Hayes, HPM Pat Teipel, HPM Carolyn Walker, CPT Tom Galli, MAJ Reyno Arredondo, CPT Michael Dundon, MAJ Bill Coleman, CPT Allen Clark, and LT Natan Ton-That.

This Month's Program, July 2022

Warfare Distractors: The Next Level

Colonel John Antal's latest book, *7 Seconds to Die*, is an excellent primer for today's military strategists and for anyone interested in understanding the changing methods of war. John is a military historian, leadership expert, and master storyteller.



He served 30 years in the US Army as a combat arms officer. He has commanded units from platoon through regiment and served on Corps and multinational staffs. At the Pentagon, he served as Special Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and later retired after serving at Fort Hood, Texas, where he was the Operations Officer (G-3) of the 165,000 personnel of III Armored Corps.

In his post-Army career, he has been a military consultant, a video game producer, a magazine editor, a talk show host, and the author of sixteen books and hundreds of articles on military and leadership subjects. He serves on the US Army Science Board educating military leaders on the lessons of recent military conflicts and changing methods of warfare.

Commander's Comments

"It is Better To Serve..."

Companions, our chapter continues to help young people, serve veterans, police, sheriffs, scouts, JROTC, and ROTC students, Civil Air Patrol, and our country. We still have several opportunities for you to serve. Our Order is a Patriotic Veterans Service organization. We are non-partisan, except that we unanimously celebrate Patriotism, the US Constitution, our armed forces, military memorials, and American culture.

On Saturday, 09 July, at 10:00 a.m. there will be a dedication of the **Chosin Few** memorial at the DFW National Cemetery. This memorial celebrates the battle of the Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War (1950-1953). The battle was fought, in what is now North Korea, from 26 Nov 50 to 11 Dec 50.

The battle was between 30,000 US, ROK, and British troops against 120,000 Chinese. The 1st Marine Division was the largest American unit in battle. The division was surrounded and severely outmanned. The fighting was hand to hand, in the mountains, in heavy snow. Temperatures were below zero



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Happy 246th Birthday, USA !

Future National Defense Seminar Briefings:

18 Sep 22 – “Air and Naval Power”
Admiral James Foggo, and Major Heather Penney

11 Dec 22 – “Space: A Warfighting Domain”
GEN Kevin Chilton (former Astronaut)

National Security

National Defense Seminars, Part Deux

Season Two, Episode Two of the National Defense Briefing Series will focus on “Air and Naval Power” on 18 Sep 22, at 4:00 p.m. in the Heritage Ranch Country Club, 465 Scenic Ranch Circle, Fairview, TX.

Unlike the other services, the Navy has sought to expand its force structure. However, its previous plan to reach 355 ships collapsed because of high costs and the need to incorporate new technologies, such as unmanned systems.



In FY 2023, Navy active-duty personnel would increase to 347,800. Fleet size would increase to 306. Secretary of Defense Esper outlined a “500+ ship” future fleet described as “an ever-present, resilient, and dominant fighting force.”

Carriers and large surface combatants (LSCs) would be cut to pay for *unmanned* vessels, additional submarines, and small surface combatants. Naval aviation, in contrast to the surface and submarine fleets, will continue to be “*manned* platforms.”

The Secretary of Defense and the Navy seem to have different interpretations about the future fleet. The new smaller and increasingly *unmanned* 500+ fleet would cost about the same as the current 355-ship fleet.

Admiral Foggo and Major Penny will discuss the impact of these and other trends in Air and Naval Power to a packed house of military, academic, and corporate personnel, so register early. This series has generated enormous interest throughout the north Texas community.



The series is jointly sponsored by the Dallas Chapters of the **Military Order of the World Wars**, the Association of the US Army, the Navy League, the Air and Space Forces Association, (formerly AFA), and the Jewish War Veterans.

For more information on the National Defense Seminars program, contact Capt. [Barry Brown](#) at 972-890-3541.

The Panel for our 18 September 2022, briefing will be:

Admiral James Foggo (US Navy, Ret), a 1981 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He is also an Olmsted Scholar and Moreau Scholar, earning a Master of Public Administration at Harvard University.



He commanded the attack submarine, USS Oklahoma City (SSN 723) in 1998, which was awarded the Commander Fleet Forces Command Trophy for being the most improved ship in the Atlantic Fleet.

Ashore, he has served as executive assistant to the Director of naval nuclear propulsion for Western Europe and the Balkans; executive assistant to Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and executive assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe.

In Naples, Italy, he served as Commander, Submarine Group 8; Commander, Submarines Allied Naval Forces South; and Deputy Commander, US 6th Fleet. Additionally, he was NATO Task Force Commander in Joint Task Force Unified Protector in Libya. During his last European assignment, he commanded the entire US 6th Fleet.

ADM Foggo is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Chief Executive Officer of the National Cybersecurity Center. He has been a Director of the Defense Information Systems Agency and the National Communications System.

Maj. Heather Renee Penny (USAF, Ret), a defense policy expert at the Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies in Arlington, VA, charged with Air Force issues focused on leveraging the advantage that only aerospace power affords.



She is best known for her role as a USAF lieutenant who was one of two F-16 (*Viper*) pilots who flew their unarmed planes with the mission of ramming United Airlines Flight 93, before it reached Washington, D.C., during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

In the [Washington Post](#), Penny described her willingness to down Flight 93, saying that "there are things in this world that are more important than ourselves. As complex and diverse as it is, this idea called **America**, binds us together in citizenship, community and brotherhood."

Major Penny was previously the Director of Aviation Training Systems at Lockheed Martin, in Washington, DC, for more than 11 years. For the past 5 years she has been a member of the Board of Directors of Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), an international organization with over 200,000 members, worldwide.

Speaker Programs Just Keep Getting Better

5 Jul 22 – Col John Antal, US Army (Ret)
“Warfighting Disrupters”

2 Aug 22 – CPT James L. Capra, US Army (Fmr)
“The History of Drugs and Mass Shooters”

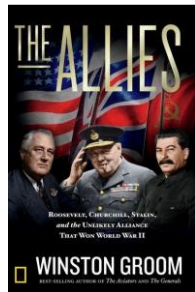
6 Sep 22 – YLC Awards & LT Natan Ton-that
“From Refugee to Proud American Patriot”

To promote a suitable policy of National Security

Monthly Military Book Discussions

This month’s topic is ***“The Allies: Roosevelt, Churchill, Stalin, and the Unlikely Alliance that Won World War II.”***

Three great Allied leaders emerged to control the war in Europe and the Pacific. Vastly different in political beliefs, not always in agreement, or even on good terms. But these three men changed the course of history. Using the correspondence between the three world leaders, enriching details of their personal lives, and riveting tales of combat, best-selling historian Winston Groom recounts the biggest story of the 20th century.



Discussions begin at 7:30 a.m. and wrap-up by 8:30 a.m. At the Prestonwood Country Club, 6600 Columbine Way, Plano, Texas Come early, a light breakfast is available.

National Convention, 3-7 August 2022

“I’ll See You On the Beach”

Our Order will hold its national convention **in Jacksonville, FL, 03-07 August**. The convention will be held at the **Southbank Marriott Hotel, 1515 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207**.

Attending the national conference is a great way to increase your chapter involvement, knowledge, and commitment.

Fort Worth Chapter celebrates 50th Anniversary

On Saturday, 17 July at the Walnut Creek Country Club in Mansfield, TX the Fort Worth Chapter of MOWW will celebrate its 50th anniversary. Please RSVP by 06 July 2022 if you would like to attend.

Notice: The first Commander and Staff Meeting of the new Operating Year, will be held Thursday, 21 JULY 2022, at 1300 hrs (1:00 p.m.), in the Frontiers of Flight Conference Room, 6911 Lemmon Avenue, Dallas, TX (adjacent to Love Field).

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To avoid defeat and annihilation, the Marines decided to break out to the sea and attack in another direction. They fought for seven days, the whole 70-mile trip, at a cost of more than 6,000 men. The Communists lost 50,000 men.

My father was a Marine Captain in the that War. I followed his footsteps and served as an Infantry Lieutenant with the 3rd Battalion, 5th Regiment, 1st Marine Division. Several survivors of the *Chosin Reservoir* will attend the dedication, including LtGen Richard E. Carey, USMC (Ret).

Our next Luncheon is 05 JULY 2022, and we are expecting a large turnout. Our Speaker, COL John Antal, USA (Ret), is a West Point graduate and a distinguished military officer. **His topic will be *“Warfighting Disrupters”***. He will bring several of his books for purchase. COL Antal is a highly sought-after speaker. You will not want to miss his very informative presentation.

We still have Companions down. Commander Emeritus, Capt. Paul Brown is still recovering from open heart surgery, and Maj Terry Thorsen is still recovering from a massive stroke. We were also informed that HPM Steve Suiter, Webmaster has undergone hip replacement surgery. He is recovering, but in a lot of pain. Please continue to keep these Companions and their wives in your prayers. Let me or anyone on the staff know if you or your spouse is ill so we can add you to our prayer list.

Michael W. Menefee

LtCol Michael W. Menefee, USMCR (Ret)
Commander, Dallas Chapter MOWW

To maintain Law and Order

Chapter salutes Dallas' Finest Officers in Blue

n 17 Jun 22, our Law & Order Chair, LT Chuck Daniels presented an MOWW Citation for Outstanding Service to Dallas Police Officer Terigi Rossi (#6544), for his selection as the Dallas Police Department ***Officer of the Month***.



Officer Rossi has been a member of the DPD for 32 years and is the recipient of over 75 commendations for excellence. He was initially assigned to Central Patrol Division, and then to the elite SWAT Unit.

His most rewarding contributions have been during the volunteer time he spends working with handicapped children and the Special Olympics program. Officer Rossi is another reason that Dallas’ Officers in Blue are the Finest in Texas.

Dallas Companions in the News

LtCol Michael Menefee, USMC (Ret)

Michael Menefee was inducted as our 69th Chapter Commander. He is a sixth generation Texan who was born in Fort Worth. He attended Texas Tech University for two years and enlisted in the USMC in 1971. Upon graduation from OCS, Sgt Menefee was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant of Marines. After the Officer Basic course, 2nd Lt Menefee was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, as an 81 mm mortar platoon commander. 1st Lt Menefee completed USMC Mountain Warfare Survival School and Cold Weather Training at Bridgeport, CA, and desert training at 29 Palms, CA. He served in Alaska and aboard two ships in the Pacific.

Capt Menefee transferred to the USMCR and completed multiple USN and USMC intelligence schools to become an Intelligence Officer. He earned a BS from USNY; an MSA from Central Michigan; and a Postgraduate Intelligence Program (PGIP) degree in Strategic Intelligence from the National Intelligence University. He is also a graduate of Amphibious Warfare School, Command and Staff College, and the National Defense University.

Michael served as a Photo Imagery Officer at 4th Marine Aircraft Wing (MAW); and G-2, 2nd MAW. He was a Watch Officer at Fleet Intelligence Center, Pacific. During tours at USCINCLANT and USACOM, Maj Menefee was a briefer, analyst, and Intell Center Watch Officer.

LtCol Menefee participated in intelligence planning for Operation's DESERT SHIELD/ DESERT STORM; UPHOLD DEMOCRACY; multiple non-combatant and embassy evacuations in Africa and Latin America. His final tour was at Joint Staff, J-2, where he was a briefer, Liaison to State Department and CIA, and JCS Crisis Operations Officer for Strategic Warning.

Michael retired in 2001. His awards include a Defense Meritorious Service Medal and a Joint Service Commendation Medal. He also holds multiple professional designations from the College for Financial Planning.

Michael and his wife, Cathy, have been married for 40 years. They have 3 children and a granddaughter. They currently live in Arlington, TX



CPT Allen Clark, US Army (Ret)

Allen B. Clark graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1963 and was commissioned in the Army Corps of Engineers. Two years after his graduation from West Point, Allen volunteered for a tour in Vietnam, where he served as a Military Intelligence officer assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group. He was wounded in an early-morning mortar attack at the Dak To Special Forces camp on June 17, 1967, necessitating the amputation of both legs below his knees. In recognition of his military service, he received a Silver Star for Gallantry in Action, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He calls it his “**Alive Day**.” God had other plans for him.

While learning to walk on prosthetic legs, Allen obtained an MBA in finance from SMU's Cox School of Business in Dallas, Texas. His first post-graduate position was as an investment manager for *Ross Perot*. His other private sector experience has spanned oil and gas exploration, real estate marketing, and mortgage lending. He has been vice president of a bank, president of three oil service companies, and co-founder of a real estate investment company in Texas.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan selected him to be Deputy Administrator for the Department of Veterans Affairs. In 1982, the Texas Republican Party nominated him to run for State Treasurer in a race that was won by former Texas State Governor, Ann Richards.

In 1989, Allen was nominated by President George H.W. Bush and confirmed by the US Senate as Assistant Secretary for Veterans Liaison at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. In 1991, became the Director of the National Cemetery System.

Last month, he appeared in the West Point Officers Association of Graduates magazine commemorating his 55th Alive Day with a roomful of close family, classmates and friends.



Allen shared his 80th Birthday and 55th Alive Day with his wife, Linda, Jamie Malakoff, Marshall & Susan Miles, and Reyno & Mary Arredondo. All are West Point graduates, and all are proud Dallas Chapter Companions (recruited by Allen).

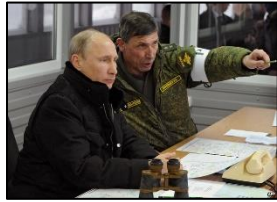
National Defense and Homeland Security

UNEXPECTED CONSEQUENCES OF THE RUSSIA-UKRAINE WAR

By: LtCol Michael W. Menefee, USMCR (Ret)

Before Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February, most analysts thought the Russian military would dominate Ukraine's military in a short war which would result in a Russian victory. Several months into the war, Russia's military is dominant, but their victory is not assured.

Vladimir Putin is the former KGB officer, president, and dictator of the authoritarian government of Russia. Unconfirmed reports state he may have cancer. Putin thought he saw an opportunity to take advantage of a weakened US and a fractured NATO, but sorely misjudged the resolve of the Ukrainian President Vladimir Zelensky.



The US had just suffered a humiliating withdrawal in Afghanistan and had a deeply divided political electorate. Inflation was increasing because the US had curtailed its petroleum production. It had also increased its deficit by **\$10 trillion**, and the Congress was not focusing on foreign policy.

Putin considers the American president and his foreign policy weak, and his administration's appointees and subordinates even weaker. European nations in NATO were not funding themselves adequately. Even though US intelligence was telling the world daily that Russian troops were being tactically placed along the Ukrainian border as a probable prelude to an invasion, the US did little, and NATO did nothing, to prevent Russia from invading. Russia may have thought that with all the military equipment left to the radical [Taliban] Muslim extremists in Afghanistan, (Forbes estimates - \$85 billion) that the US could not afford to send Ukraine massive amounts of military aid without further harming its already damaged economy.



Western intelligence has observed, unexpectedly, that Russian military leadership has been much weaker and less effective than predicted. Russian conscripts have performed poorly.



Russia is still using its WWII strategy of exploiting artillery and missiles to savagely destroy cities, without regard for human life. Most Europeans and Westerners consider this strategy of warfare to be inhumane and uncivilized.

A second unexpected outcome is that Russia's military strategy and tactics have galvanized the Western allies and NATO to oppose Russia and Putin. Vladimir Putin thought his invasion would weaken NATO, but instead it united it against Russia.



Finland and Sweden have changed their neutrality status and have asked to join NATO because of Russian aggression in Ukraine. Ukraine has also asked to join NATO.

The third unexpected outcome of the Russian invasion is Russian military losses have been considerably higher than projected. Depending on the source, estimates of Russian losses are: 15 generals and 36,000 men, 1,582 tanks, 3,737 armored personnel carriers, 628 artillery pieces, 217 aircraft, and 186 helicopters.

Another unforeseen issue was the US hoped China would condemn Russian aggression, but instead they have increased oil purchases from Russia 55 percent.



India has also increased Russian oil imports 10 percent. These oil purchases help Russian oil revenue, providing Russia a long-term ability to outlast Ukraine and Western support.

Oil analysts estimate higher US domestic oil prices (\$100/barrel oil) are providing \$1 billion/week to Putin, while at the same time, the US is sending the Zelensky government \$1 billion/month in military arms. This means the US is inadvertently funding both sides of the conflict!

Lastly, since Russia has cut natural gas supplies, Europe is returning to coal. Three percent of European energy comes from renewable energy, and electricity is one fifth of the energy needed by the world. The European countries are shifting back to fossil fuels instead of destroying their economies without energy.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

"The secret to Birthdays is to pick one you like and stick to it!" ...*Snoopy*



3 July MajGen James Williams

4 July  COL Terrell Hoebeke

4 July COL Reynaldo Rodriguez

6 July LTG Rick Lynch

7 July COL Rodney P. Reed

10 July Col Jack Bryan

10 July LT Keith L. Griffiths

11 July Capt Tomasz Nowak

13 July HPM Jay Minton

14 July LTC James Brown

15 July COL George Germond

15 July BG Terry L. Holden

16 July  CDR David Ayres

17 July Col Richard C. Groesch

18 July Miss Caroline Paleschic

20 July Capt James Coffee

23 July HPM Valerie Bullock

23 July Lt Col James W. Haskell

23 July CAPT Marc Liebman

24 July LT Walter Laidlaw

24 July MRS Diane L. Schmidt

26 July LTC Bonnie Sweitzer

28 July LCDR Jerril Burnett

28 July MAJ Joseph K. Merton

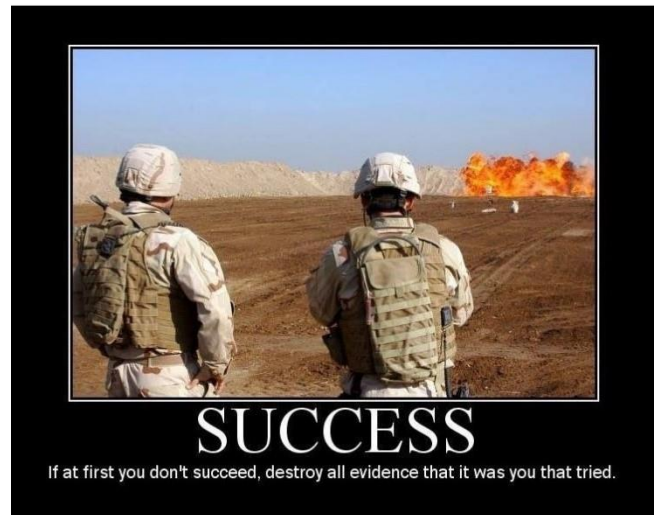
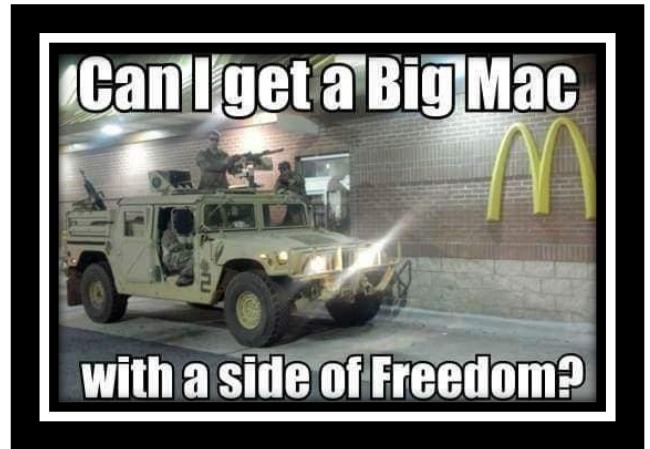
29 July Capt W. Lyle Mueller

29 July CPT Mark W. Smits

30 July COL Raymond L. Foster



Military Memes



Your Chapter in Action, FY 2022



The Board of Directors of the Greater Dallas Veterans Day Foundation assembled at their favorite steak house to celebrate 24 consecutive years of organizing and conducting the annual 11th of November Veterans' Day Parade. The next day, they began planning for this year's 25th Anniversary. Although the parade is an independent function which includes dozens of additional volunteers, note that all the members of the Board are **Dallas Chapter Companions**.

(l-r) Scott Murray, Joe Cordina, David Iverson, Tracy Fisher, Larry Patterson, Don Munson, King Moss, and Pat Teipel. Board members, Al Zapanta and Ken Cordier, were unable to attend this memorable special evening.



Michael Menefee is installed as the 69th Dallas Chapter Commander. He then presented coveted *Commander's Eagles* awards to Don Munson and Bill Coleman



Michael next presented Silver Patrick Henry plaques to Brandon Hern (Adj), Fred Aurbach (Surg), and John Van Buskirk (JAG) for their many years of service to the Order.



Lifetime Achievement awards were then presented to former CINC Chuck Chamberlin and President Reagan's Asst. Sec. in the Department of Veterans Affairs, Allen Clark



Welcome to the Chapter our newest Companions, Carolyn Foust-Walker and LT Natan Ton-that. Michael concluded the awards by presenting Outstanding medals to Committee Chairman, John Wagner, and our Marshal, Pat Teipel

Chaplain's Message



“Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people.”

Such are the words of King Solomon, given to us in the 14th Proverb.

As we celebrate our nation's independence, we are right to feel thankful for and to take heart in our nation's moral goodness.

All who have served in uniform know first-hand that achieving and sustaining a righteousness nation requires sacrifice.

Thank you for your service.

May we always be vigilant in safeguarding this great nation, and may we take this special holiday to recommit ourselves to her high ideals.

Happy 4th of July to each of you!

Jamie Malakoff
Chapter Chaplain



Patriotic Education

Gig 'em Aggies

The Chapters of Region VIII of our Military Order are currently conducting four (4) Patriotic Education Foundation Youth Leadership Conferences, which will sponsor over **300 students** from more than 200 high schools throughout the State of Texas.

MOWW Companions who have volunteered to be the Directors of the 2022 YLC's are:

- LTC Bob Mathews, **Oklahoma Christian University** (Edmond, OK) from 6-9 June.
- COL Bob Woods, aboard the aircraft carrier **USS Lexington** (Corpus Christi) from 19-23 June.
- LTC Paul Fraidley, **Texas Wesleyan University** (Fort Worth) from 10-14 July.
- MG Gary Bunch, **Texas A&M University** (College Station) from 17-21 July.



As always, the YLC Directors extend an **Open Invitation** to all **Companions** to visit the conferences and witness first-hand the reasons that students who attend, send letters of appreciation to their Sponsoring MOWW chapters expressing comments such as: *“This has been a life-changing experience for me.”*

The best time to visit is on a Wednesday, as each YLC holds a fun-filled Banquet that evening.

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