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Top YLC Students, 2019

Every summer for the past twenty-five years, the Dallas Chapter has sponsored dozens of high school students from throughout the Greater North Dallas area, to attend one of the four Youth Leadership Conferences hosted by Region VIII of the Military Order of World Wars. Outstanding students are chosen at each YLC and those who were sponsored by our chapter are honored during our September Luncheon. This year's selections represent Conferences held at Texas Wesleyan University, Texas A&M University and aboard the USS Lexington.

This Month's Program, September 2022

"The Leaders of Tomorrow"

Following our long-standing tradition, we are pleased and honored to host three Outstanding young leaders of tomorrow, who excelled during their weeklong immersion at our YLC's completing tasks requiring the application of principles of leadership; practical exercises in free enterprise; and litigation of contemporary court cases that examine the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights.



Debating cases heard at the US Supreme Court

Ms. **Veronica Ross** attended the YLC conducted aboard the aircraft carrier, *USS Lexington*, in Corpus Christi. She is a student at Central High School in San Angelo, near Goodfellow Air Force Base.

Ms. **Michelle Johanson** attended the YLC at Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth. She is a senior Air Force JROTC Cadet at Forney High School in Forney.

Ms. **Adeline Fields** attended the YLC at Texas A&M University in College Station. She is an honor student at The Oakridge School in Arlington.

It is our special pleasure to have as our VIP Guests, the Principals of the High Schools of all three young students: Drs. **Bill Waters**, **Wes Benjamin**, and **Jim Anderson**.

Commander's Comments

"It is Better To Serve..."



Companions, Our Order is a Patriotic Veterans Service organization. We celebrate Patriotism, the Constitution, our military services, statues, memorials, history, government, and American culture!

Last month I had the pleasure of representing our chapter by attending the MOWW National Convention in Jacksonville, Florida. At our next chapter meeting, I will review with the chapter many of the key points discussed at the convention. Some of the areas we will discuss will include our Youth programs and several initiatives the Dallas Chapter is undertaking which may become national programs.

Our chapter and several Companions won National Awards which will also be presented at the chapter meeting,

Additionally, we will have several YLC students, parents, and school officials in attendance. LTC Don Munson will give a brief presentation about YLC, and three of our outstanding students, who represented our chapter with distinction will give a brief presentation of their experience.

We will also induct four new Companions, this month.

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Speaker Programs Just Keep Getting Better

6 Sep 22 – Youth Leadership Conference Awards
“Outstanding Students from 2022 YLCs”

4 Oct 22 – JROTC Awards & LT Natan Ton-That
“From Communism to Freedom”

1 Nov 22 – Colin P. Cahoon, former UH-1 Pilot & Author
“Mended Wings: The Vietnam War Experience”

To cherish the memories...

“I’ll See You On the Beach”

Our Order held its annual **National MOWW Convention in Jacksonville, FL**, from 3-7 August 2022.

In a stunning break from tradition, last year’s Commander-in-Chief was reelected to a second consecutive term of office. According to the National Historian, he is the first to seek reelection in over 80 years.

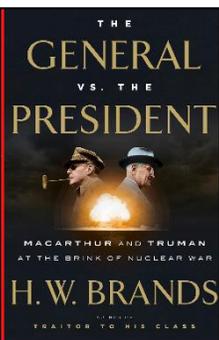


CINC Michael Okin, US Army

To promote a suitable policy of National Security

Monthly Military Book Discussions

This month’s topic will be: *The General vs. the President: MacArthur and Truman at the brink of nuclear war.*



The contest of wills between these two titanic characters unfolds against the turbulent backdrop of a faraway war and the specter of Communists in our government, conjured at home by Sen. Joseph McCarthy. From the drama of Stalin's blockade of West Berlin, to the daring landing of MacArthur's forces at Inchon, to the shocking entrance of China into the war, *The General and the President* vividly evokes the making of a new American era.

The book club will meet on Wednesday, September 15, 2022, at the Prestonwood Creek Country Club, 15909 Preston Road, Dallas, TX. A light breakfast is available.

Discussions begin at 7:30 a.m. and wrap-up by 8:45 a.m. Please RSVP to Bob Epstein at: 214-789-4408, or macabee1948@gmail.com

(Commanders Comments continued)

Several new Companions have stepped up, but we still have many ways for you to serve. In many instances it only requires an hour or two each month. We need volunteers to help in supporting the **YLC, ROTC, JROTC, Civil Air Patrol, Law & Order, and First Responder** programs.

We also have opportunities to serve as Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. If you would like an opportunity to serve on the staff or on one of our committees, please call me, or contact any staff member.

Patriot Belta Lowry is coordinating our newest Dallas Chapter initiative to Interview our Distinguished Chapter Members. *HPM Scott Murray* will head this **Historical Project**. He has agreed to film and moderate the interviews.

VADM David Robinson, USN (Ret) will be our first distinguished Companion to be recognized. *VADM Robinson* was awarded a Navy Cross for his gallantry in action during the Vietnam conflict.

More of our distinguished Companions will be recognized and their stories will also be told. We will be distributing a new chapter **Membership Questionnaire** for our military Companions to complete at our chapter luncheon. Please complete at the luncheon and give to *HPM Pat Teipel*. We plan to have similar questionnaires for Hereditary Perpetual members and our most recent Patriots.

Our Newsletter Editor, *LTC Don Munson*, will continue to maintain a gallery of photos and biographies of our Companions and former officers. We plan to create and distribute a hard copy edition containing the biographies of all chapter Companions and Patriots. Note: **your Newsletter Editor (for the past 14 years) needs to relinquish his position. Please contact [972-971-1413] and relieve him.**

While several of our chapter Companions won National Awards, we did not win the coveted **Pershing Award**.

My mission this year is for the Dallas chapter to return to its prior place as the Best MOWW Chapter in the nation!

Thank each of you for your arduous work and dedication to our chapter! I am extremely proud to serve you as your Chapter Commander.

Without your dedication and help, our chapter’s success would not happen!

Ductus Exemplo,

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

National Defense Seminar Briefings:

**09 Oct 22 – “Future Warfighting Concepts”
Colonel John Antal (US Army, Ret)**

**11 Dec 22 – “Space: A Warfighting Domain”
General Kevin Chilton (US Air Force, Ret)**

**29 Jan 23 – “Air and Naval Power in the 21st Century”
Admiral James Foggo (US Navy, Ret) and
Major Heather Penney (former USAF pilot)**

**2 Apr 23 – “Naval Challenges in the 21st Century”
Admiral John Richardson (US Navy, Ret)**

**4 Jun 23 – “Season Two Wrap-up”
Presentation of the Congressman Sam Johnson
Defender of Freedom Award**

National Security

National Defense Seminars, Part Deux

At 4:00 p.m. on 9 October 2022, in the Heritage Ranch Country Club (465 Scenic Ranch Circle, McKinney, TX), **Season Two** of the National Defense Briefing Series will focus on “*Future Warfighting Concepts*”.

The U.S. record for predicting the future of warfare is notoriously poor. Former U.S. Secretary of Defense, Robert Gates, famously quipped, “When it comes to predicting the nature and location of our next military engagements, our record has been *perfect*. We have never once gotten it right, from the Mayaguez to Grenada, Panama, Somalia, the Balkans, Haiti, Kuwait, Iraq, and more—we had no idea a year before any of these missions that we would be so engaged.” And yet, for better or worse, the U.S. military is deeply invested in the forecasting business because the services need to start building today what will be needed one or even two decades from now.

The future of warfare will require additional investments in precision, information, and automation; more capacity to tackle the challenges posed by each of our five potential adversaries; enhanced forward posture in all three theaters of concern; and a renewed emphasis on agility at every echelon.



5th Generation Drones



Hon. Robert Gates

The NDSB Keynote Speaker on 09 Oct 22, will be Dallas Chapter Companion, John Antal:

Colonel John Antal (USA, Ret) served 30 years in the US Army as a combat arms (Armor) officer. He commanded units from platoon through regiment and served on Corps and *multinational* staffs.



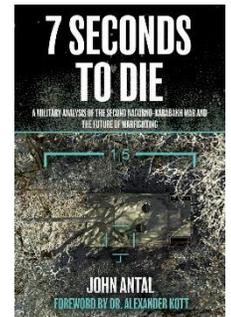
COL John Antal, USA

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, including: **7 Leadership Lessons of D-Day** and **7 Leadership Lessons of the American Revolution**.

John’s latest book, **7 Seconds to Die**, is an excellent textbook for today’s military strategists and should be required reading for anyone interested in understanding the changing methods of war.

His book was the basis for his presentation to the chapter during our July Luncheon. In it, he documents the Second Nagorno-Karabakh War -- the first war in history won primarily by unmanned drones and combat systems.



John served on the US Army Science Board educating active-duty military leaders on the lessons of recent military conflicts highlighting the changing methods of warfare.

The National Defense Seminar briefings are one of the best fundraising programs we currently conduct. You can support this worthy program by attending the seminar suppers. The food is excellent, the speakers are magnificent, the camaraderie is superior, and the money goes to support the chapter’s many other charitable events.

For more information on the National Defense Seminars series, click [HERE](#) or contact:

Captain (USN) [Barry Brown](#) at 972-890-3541.

Notice: The next Commander and Staff Meeting of the Operating Year, will be held Thursday, 15 SEP 2022, at 1300 hrs (1:00 p.m.), in the Frontiers of Flight Conference Room, 6911 Lemmon Avenue, Dallas, TX (adjacent to Love Field).

The Commander urges all Staff and Committee Chairs to send Agenda reports to him (NLT15 Sep 22

"Drugs and Mass Shooters"

James L. Capra, spent over 27 years in the Department of Justice, serving as a Senior Executive Service Officer in the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

Following his promotion to the Office of Congressional and Public Affairs in DEA Headquarters, he had constant contact with dozens of Congressional committees and became Assistant to the Chief of Operations. He is credited with developing the DEA's methamphetamine strategy and establishing the Clandestine Laboratory Group.



James Capra, DEA

In 2006, Jim was assigned as the Special Agent-in-Charge in Dallas, responsible for DEA personnel and operations in North Texas and the State of Oklahoma. Ultimately, he was promoted to DEA's Chief of Operations, responsible for all global DEA activities, covering 227 domestic offices and 86 foreign offices in 67 countries, worldwide. He spoke frankly and passionately about the undeniable flood of drugs and human traffic currently flooding our open southern border.

Hearing from this career DEA professional made it painfully difficult to comprehend the denials of today's senior Justice Department leadership.

To maintain Law and Order

Chapter salutes Dallas' Finest Officers in Blue

Our Chapter's Law and Order Committee Chair, LT Chuck Daniels reports that the Dallas Community Police Awards Committee (DCPAC) have resumed presentations to the Officers of the Month.



This month's Dallas *Officer of the Month*, Ashley Zabrosky, received Citations from our Chapter, the DCPAC, and Dallas Police Chief Eric Garcia.

DCPAC is composed entirely of civic clubs and individuals who volunteer their resources to honor deserving men and women of the Dallas Police Department. Your Dallas Chapter has been a member of the Board of Directors for the past six years.

To preserve records of Service...

Companions Down

Our Chapter Surgeon, "Doc" Aurbach, sadly reports the passing of Perpetual Companion LT Jack Hall, US Army. Jack joined the chapter in 2018, at the tender age of 88. He was within days of his 92nd Birthday. Unfortunately, his sponsor, John Wagner, was notified of the funeral service too late to organize a proper chapter turnout to pay tribute to Jack.



1LT Jack Hall

Special thanks to Maj Bill Coleman for sending the flowers.

Maj Terry Thorsen is still recovering from a massive paralyzing stroke and although the physical therapy is punishing, he insists that he will "soon" be strong enough to return to the Park City Club.

HPM Steve Suiter, our Webmaster, is recovering quickly from hip replacement surgery. Those of you with hip replacements can attest that walking with a new hip is reminiscent of your first year on Earth. Nevertheless, Steve insists that he will join us for Lunch in September.



Steve Suiter,
Webmaster

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.

To promote Patriotic Education...

Bill Farmer raises the Bar – again

Any chapter in the nation would love to say they presented hundreds of Eagle Scout awards, this year. Dr. Bill Farmer, our **Silver Beaver** Scout has presented over 3,000 Citations in the period from 2012-2022. That is an average of 300 per year. Keep it up Bill.

The Scouts of America need an army of Council Representatives like you.



To foster fraternal relations...

Congratulations Seidel Chapter, AFA



During their August Luncheon, the Seidel Chapter of the Air and Space Force Association proudly announced that it has been selected as the BEST AFA chapter in the nation.

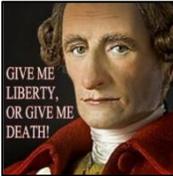
We salute your achievement, riding high, into the sky.

National Defense and Homeland Security

INTERNAL FORCES OPPOSING THE US CONSTITUTION AND REPUBLIC

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

The US Constitution and our representative republic is under attack. Founding Father, patriot, orator, and military officer, **Patrick Henry**, was governor of Virginia when our Constitution was approved. He would not recommend Virginia delegates ratify the Constitution until a Bill of Rights were added to ensure individual citizen rights and limit the power of the federal government. The first 10 amendments, the Bill of Rights, were ratified on December 15, 1791. Three of these amendments are under direct threat, today:



Amendment I Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment X The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

Some US Senators and Representatives support limiting terms of our Supreme Court Justices, which historically have held lifetime appointments since our founding, to prevent and limit political interference.

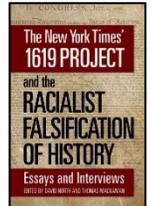


A significant percentage of legislators believe the Second amendment should also be eliminated. Many propose the idea of abolishing the Electoral College, which gives smaller populated states an equal voice in the Senate. Some propose giving the city of Washington, DC statehood. Others propose increasing the number of Justices on the US Supreme Court; extending Election Day voting for a week or longer; and mail-in voting for every election; without voter identification.

Many Marxists, socialists, progressives, globalists, billionaires, professors, and others oppose and are attacking the US Constitution and our representative republic by disregarding and rejecting its history.

A recent Harvard Youth Poll revealed only 31 percent of young Americans between 18-29 years old believe the US is the greatest country in the world, and 50 percent believe other countries are as great or greater.

Many of today's youth are taught that America is a racist country, and a growing percentage believe slavery started in the US. Some students have been influenced by social media and educators to believe the false history of the *1619 Project*, critical race theory (which promotes racism, and replaces equal opportunity with equal outcomes), and socialism as a superior economic system to capitalism.



As fewer high school, college, and university graduates seem to understand our system of government, perhaps requiring students to pass the US citizenship test should become a graduation requirement for all secondary schools, colleges, and universities. The US citizenship test is given in English because reading, speaking, and writing English are required to become a citizen.

Most states have history, government, and economics requirements for secondary, college, and university graduation. However, as an increasing number of "leaders" in media, educators, and government officials, disrespect, reject, dismiss, and even speak out against our founding fathers, the Constitution, American history, the Bill of Rights, and America's economic system; greater effort should be made to teach students about the greatest country the world has ever known. Students need to learn more about the country's history from Veterans, who have defended America and appreciate its history and government.



Celebrate the Birthday of our Government this **Constitution Day, September 17th**.

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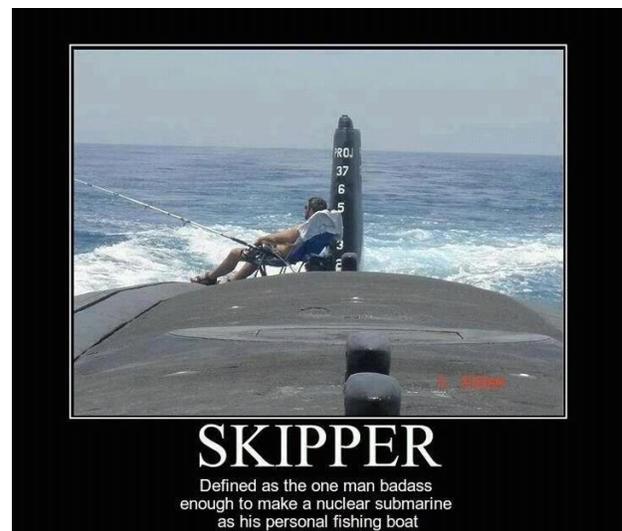
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

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| 1 September | HPM John D. Lester |
| 1 September | CPT Weldon W. Nash, Jr |
| 5 September | WO Billy W. Franklin |
| 7 September | MS Kathleen L. Spangler |
| 8 September | LTC Jerry B. Jochum |
| 8 September | LT Derrick W. Watson |
| 10 September | Mr Spencer J. Adams |
| 10 September | COL Jeffrey W. Gault |
| 13 September | LCDR Harry Chris |
| 13 September | Ms. Maurine P. Dickey |
| 13 September | Capt Curtis L. Frisbie |
| 13 September | COL Gary D. Jackson |
| 13 September | CDR Kurt Richter |
| 15 September | LCDR David Minton |
| 16 September | CPT Robert E. Sanders |
| 17 September | LTC Milton C. Henderson |
| 17 September | Mr John R. Warterfield |
| 18 September | LTC Kenneth W. Boatman |
| 18 September | Col Bennett W. Cervin |
| 18 September | LTC Kaaren J. Teuber |
| 19 September | CAPT David L. Love |
| 19 September | LTC Donald R. Willis |
| 21 September | LT Curtis Baggett |
| 21 September | LT James W. Crysedale |
| 21 September | Lt Col Bryan Maupin |
| 21 September | Mr Aaron K. Schmidt |
| 24 September | MAJ James S. Angelino |
| 25 September | GEN Gordon Sullivan |
| 28 September | Mr Christopher Neumeier |
| 29 September | Mr Andrew Warner |
| 30 September | CPT James Grogan |



Military Memes



Your Chapter in Action, August 2022



Two super events in August: Hon. Allen Clark was installed as our Senior Vice Commander, and Past Commander *Emeritus*, Paul Brown returned after recovering from quadruple bypass heart surgery.



Dallas Companion (and Region 8 Commander) Chuck Daniels was proud to announce that we and DCPAC are once again presenting awards to the Officers of the Month of the Dallas Police Dept.



Michael Menefee and John Wagner represented the Chapter at the Arlington (TX) ceremony where Medal of Honor recipient, CPT Florent Groberg, US Army, was the Keynote Speaker.



Dallas Scouting Chairman Bill Farmer recently presided over a record setting ceremony. To the best of anyone's knowledge, it is the first time a brother and sister received their Eagle Scout awards at the same time.



It's always nice to see a packed house. Beautiful venue, superb service, collegial company, and outstanding programs. Next time you get a chance, thank Companion Harry Chris, who makes it possible



“Turn to God for direction”

Our televisions, phones, and radios remind us daily that we live in a world filled with turbulence, uncertainty, conflict, and anxiety.

But through the ages, the wise have turned to God for their peace and their direction.

As the Psalmist writes, "The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true." (Psalm 19:8-11)

As the wise men followed the starlight above the manger in Bethlehem, may we each commit ourselves to pursuing the Lord, and in doing so find joy in our hearts.

Jamie Malakoff
Chapter Chaplain



Recruitment and Retention

Membership takes off

The COVID-19 pandemic created havoc among organizations that rely on constantly replenishing their membership with younger new members.

As the world learns to cope with the virus, our lives are returning to what was once considered a more normal routine.

Chapters throughout the Military Order of World Wars and our fellow veteran organizations have reported a surge of applications.

In the coming months, we will induct into the chapter more than a dozen new Companions and Patriots.

While this initial flood of former officers is a welcome occurrence, it behooves each and every one of you to rise to the challenge of redoubling your efforts to make this windfall of new members a new “normal routine.”

Meanwhile, welcome the following former officers who were recently (or are soon to be) inducted:

COL Gregory Tate (USA),
Col Ray Williams (USAF),
LtCol Harold Curtis (USMC),
Capt Dale Monroe (USMC),
CW2 Elizabeth McCormick (USA),
and Carolina Pace (HPM).



Joining them will be a new handful of Patriots that will include:

Edward Reith*,
Jess Johnson*,
Gene Pugh*,
Phylliss Pugh,
Charles Fife,
Joe Hoffman,
James Johnson,
Mark Rutledge, and
Christopher Ingelido,

(asterisk denotes former military)

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