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Dallas Military Order Eagles



Best Chapter Newsletter in the Nation

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This Month's Program, Sept 2019

Awards to Top YLC Students & JROTC Cadets

This month, we will honor **12** participants from Youth Leadership Conferences, who were *sponsored by our Chapter* and selected by their YLC Counselors and Peers as the best and brightest. They and their high school Counselors will be our guests at the Luncheon and Ceremonies. The Chapter will present the prestigious **Bronze Patrick Henry Award** to these young Americans, and we will hear each student's perspective of the benefit received at the Conference.

Beginning this past spring over 50 Dallas Chapter Companions interviewed juniors in over 40 High Schools in the Dallas area to select the brightest and most motivated with leadership potential to attend one of the five Youth Leadership Conferences organized by Region VIII of the Military Order of the World Wars. During June and July, these Conferences were conducted at the aircraft carrier *USS Lexington*, Oklahoma City University, University of Texas-Dallas, Texas Wesleyan University and Texas A&M University, with a demanding curriculum advancing leadership abilities and patriotism designed to prepare them for the leadership of this Country.

Additionally, we will honor **6** JROTC Cadets who have been selected by Instructors from their JROTC Units for outstanding performance at JROTC conducted programs. They will be our guests and will receive the prestigious **Bronze Patrick Henry Citation and Medal**.

We hope that you will participate in the Ceremonies by attending the Luncheon to personally congratulate them and show your support. One of your greatest legacies can be personal involvement with the future leaders of this Great County.



Dallas Companion, LTC Chuck Chamberlin, was installed as the 89th Commander-in-Chief of our Military Order during the National Convention at the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, CA.

Next Month's Program, Oct 2019

The Heroes of Roberts Ridge: Predators in Afghanistan

Lt Gen John Campbell USAF (Ret) will present a comprehensive briefing and Visual Presentation about the evolution of the armed Predator and how it saved American lives in the "*Battle of Robert's Ridge*". Last summer, two Medals of Honor were awarded for action in the Battle. Lt Gen Campbell will tell the story of that battle, why it took 15 years to recognize those heroes, and how an innovation in warfare saved lives and resulted in the award of those medals.

Lt Gen Campbell retired from the US Air Force after a 32-year career. In his last military assignments, he served as Commander, 31st Fighter Wing, Aviano, Italy; Commander 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall Air Force Base, FL; Deputy



Director of Operations, Joint Staff, the Pentagon; and Associate Director of Central Intelligence, CIA, Langley Va. Prior to his Washington assignments, he served as an F-15 and F-16 fighter pilot and commander, including assignments in Saudi Arabia, Germany, and Italy. He is the recipient of the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Air Medal, and CIA Distinguished Service Award, National Reconnaissance Distinguished Service Medal and National Security Award.

Today, General Campbell serves on numerous boards and community organizations. He resides in McKinney with his wife, Marky. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Mark your calendar for 1 **October 2019**.



Youth Leadership Conference and JROTC Summer Leadership program winners posed with their school Principals, School Counselors, and Senior Military Instructors during a previous Dallas Chapter Awards Luncheon.

Commander's Corner

SPONSORSHIP OF APPLICANTS

MY FELLOW COMPANIONS. What does it really mean to sponsor an Applicant for Membership? What is the difference between Perpetual and Annual Membership? Why are these questions important to your Chapter and should be important to you?

Sponsoring an Applicant The MOWW National Policy Manual reads "*By taking the Order's Oath, every Companion pledges to personally recruit, retain and facilitate the involvement of new Companions*". In layman terms, when you have recruited and stood with your applicant at the Induction Ceremony, your responsibility is not finished. Many Companions lose interest in participating because they are left to their own devices to make friends, establish camaraderie, and find their place in the Chapter. Your Applicant is now Your Companion. Call and ask if Your Companion is coming to a Meeting. Introduce Your Companion to other Companions. In other words, make Your Companion know that it was not a mistake to join one of the best Chapters in the Nation. Remind them of our commitment to serve our Community.

Perpetual vs. Annual Membership Every \$40 Annual payment made to National HQ, stays at HQ. HQ does not share with the Chapter. To the contrary, when a one-time \$350 Perpetual fee is paid, HQ invests a portion of that money, and every year thereafter (even after the Perpetual Companion's demise), HQ calculates the return on its investments and returns a substantial percentage (%) to the Chapter for its operations. In other words, **IT IS A GIFT TO THE CHAPTER THAT KEEPS ON GIVING FOREVER TO CARRY OUT OUR OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO THE COMMUNITY.**

Furthermore, as time goes by, e-mail and residence addresses change, and Companions forget to notify HQ. In either event, if the Annual Renewal Fee is not paid for any reason, HQ will remove the member's name from the rolls, without notice & cancel the membership. If a Companion wants to remain as a Companion, he or she must start all over by finding a Sponsor, completing an Application and paying the Application Fee. All these issues are resolved by simply being a Perpetual Companion.

I urge every Annual Companion to upgrade to Perpetual Status this year, and when you recruit Applicants, explain these facts.

I hope to see you on Tuesday, 3 September, for camaraderie, a good lunch, and your support as we honor YLC and ROTC Students, today, who will be the Leaders of our Great Country tomorrow.


Paul W. Brown

Dallas Chapter Commander

Guest Speakers

Speaker Programs Just Keep Getting Better

3 Sep 19 – Capt Paul Brown, Dallas Chapter Commander
"Patrick Henry awards to Top students & cadets"

1 Oct 19 – Lt Gen John Campbell, USAF (Ret)
"Employment of Predator Drones in Afghanistan"

5 Nov 19 – Brig Gen Steve Rosser, USAF (Ret)
"Evacuation of Americans during Iran Revolution"

3 Dec 19 – Capt Paul Brown, Dallas Chapter Commander
"Annual Chapter Christmas Banquet"

7 Jan 20 – Speaker: TBD
"Topic: TBD"

4 Feb 20 – Speaker: TBD
"Topic: TBD"

Officer of the Month

Chapter salutes Dallas' Finest Officers in Blue

On 2 Aug 19, Chapter Commander *Emeritus Paul Brown* presented Officer Aaron Rucker (Badge 9004) our Outstanding Service Citation for his selection as Dallas Police Department's Officer of the Month.

As a member of the *Fusion Center*, his extensive knowledge in gathering and analyzing intelligence has made him and invaluable member of the Fusion



Commander Paul Brown presented our **MOWW Outstanding Service Citation** to Officer Rucker to the delight of his family.

Team. His assistance to the Narcotics Division, and the Gang and Robbery Units attest to his superlative and competent professionalism. His devotion to "Heroes, Cops, and Kids" builds incalculable, positive relationships in the community that he serves.

Officer Rucker is an outstanding reason why the Dallas Police Department is one of the finest in the nation.

Attention Chapter Staff:

The Chapter Command and Staff meeting will be held on Thursday, 19 Sep 19, at 1:30 p.m. in the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field.

KNOW YOUR COMPANIONS

LCDR Harry Chris, US Navy

Lieutenant Commander Harry Chris was born in Beaumont, Texas, in 1938. He is a Native son of Texas; however, he was raised in the swamp-land of Jeanerette, in deep south Louisiana.



Harry attended high school in Jeanerette and that same year he applied for and received a full Navy ROTC scholarship to attend Tulane University, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Harry graduated in June 1961 with both a Bachelor and a Master's degree of Architecture. He was commissioned as an Ensign in the US Navy and was immediately assigned to the west coast aboard the aircraft carrier, *USS Yorktown (CVS10)*, "The Fighting Lady" of WWII fame.

During the next three years, he completed two 18-month deployments, first to the Far East where he spent 18 months assigned as an engineering officer; followed by a second 18-month deployment as a gunnery officer.

Following his duty in the Far East, [then] Lieutenant Chris was assigned as an associate professor in the Navy ROTC Department at the University of Texas, in Austin. Harry spent two years teaching courses in Naval Weapons and Naval History to future Naval officers.

In June 1966, Harry resigned from active duty and transferred from the regular US Navy to a US Naval Reserve unit. He served an additional 10 years in the Naval Reserves before resigning his commission, at the rank of Lieutenant Commander, and entering the corporate world.

Harry has resided in Dallas since October 1969. In 1979, he founded CCI, a national architectural firm, specializing in the design of country clubs and golf courses. He sold the firm in 2014.

In 1984, he founded, owned, designed, built, and operated the *Park City Club*, Preston Center, Dallas, Texas, current **Home of the Dallas Chapter, MOWW**.

MAJ Terry Thorsen, US Marine Corps

Terry Lynn Thorsen was born in Beloit, Wisconsin in 1943. At age twelve, his family moved to Arlington, Texas, when his father was hired by Chance Vought Aircraft Manufacturing Company. He graduated from Arlington High School and four years later graduated from Arlington State College (now the University of Texas, in Arlington, receiving a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the US Marine Corps.



He spent his first three years in the Marines assigned as a Radar Intercept Officer (RIO) in the rear seat of McDonnell Douglas F-4 (*Phantom*) jets. He was then assigned to VMFA-232 (*Red Devils*) squadron, at El Toro Marine Corps Air Station in southern California. The "*Red Devils*" squadron is the oldest and most decorated fighter attack squadron in the Marine Corps and from the time he joined it, he prepared for combat.

On 1 April 1969, the squadron began flying combat sorties throughout I-Corps South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, the Gulf of Tonkin and some escort missions into North Vietnam. Terry flew 123 combat missions, sixty percent of which were close air support, earning 10 Air Medals, one Bronze Star Award, two Navy Unit Commendations, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

In civilian life, Terry has been a professional Photographer, a Crime Scene Investigator, a Crime Scene Supervisor, and Director of a Crime Lab, in charge of Quality Control, Safety, Training, and Accreditation.

In 2019, he became a published Author, writing about his USMC experience and his 1969 combat tour in Vietnam. The book is titled, "*Phantom in the Sky: A Marine's Back Seat View of the Vietnam War*", published by the University of North Texas Press and released March 2019.

Terry and his wife, Audriana, live in Mansfield, Texas.

Happy Birthday, Companions!

“Age only matters with Cheese”



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	MRS Maurine P. Dickey
13 September	Capt Curtis L. Frisbie
13 September	COL Gary D. Jackson
15 September	Capt H. Keith Barrett
16 September	COL Donald G. Lincoln
16 September	CPT Robert E. Sanders
17 September	CPT Velpeau Hawes, Jr
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 James W. Crysdale
21 September	Mr Aaron K. Schmidt
23 September	LTC Thomas J. Galli
24 September	MAJ James S. Angelino
25 September	GEN Gordon Sullivan
28 September	Mr Christopher G. Neumeier
29 September	Mr Andrew Warner
30 September	CPT James Grogan

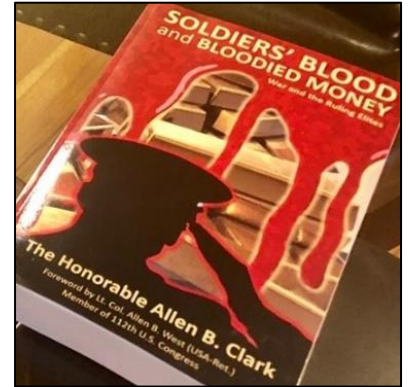


The focus is on War

Allen Clark looks behind the curtain

At the chapter Luncheon on 3 Sep 19, Dallas Chapter Companion Captain **Allen Clark** (USA-Ret) has agreed to man a table to autograph his newly published book titled: “*Soldiers' Blood and Bloodied Money: Wars and the Ruling Elites*”. His book is offered at \$20 (cash or check).

His book is the product of extensive research about wars and the real reasons behind them. It is controversial and hard-hitting relative to the truths in history, rather than what is presented in many current history books.



Allen’s book allows you to more clearly understand the political, social, financial, and religious motivations that lead to wars. He gives special focus to the American Revolution, Civil War, Spanish-American War, and the “*Banana, Banker, and Oil*” wars in the Americas.

The Foreword to Allen’s book is written by fellow Dallas Chapter Companion and former Congressman, **LTC Allen B. West** (USA-Ret)."

Honoring Fallen Veterans

Plan to assemble in December to lay Wreaths at DFW National Cemetery

It is still early, but plans have begun to join the national effort in laying wreaths on *every* Veteran’s headstone during the Christmas holidays.

Dallas Companion Barbara Butcher has volunteered to take the lead in organizing the event for our chapter.



There are two ways to participate (we hope you will do both)

1. Participate in the laying of the wreaths on 14 Dec 19 at 11:00 am, at the Dallas - Fort Worth National Cemetery. Barbara will publish more information soon.
2. Make a donation of \$15 per wreath (3 for \$30!)

Cash or checks may be given to Barbara Butcher (payable to **Wreaths Across America**) at our September, October or November luncheons, or mailed to her at:

Barbara Butcher, 7 Chisholm Trail, Lucas, TX 75002.

Chapter Activities in the month of August



Region VIII Department Commander LT Walt Laidlaw presented a National Citation to Capt Paul Brown for his years of Exceptional Service to the Dallas Chapter



Paul then presented a National Citation to Hereditary Perpetual Bill Farmer for his Exceptional (and extraordinary) Service to the chapter's Scouting programs.



Paul presented a framed Citation to LCDR Harry Chris, our newest Perpetual Companion. Harry is the owner of the Park City Club, that hosts our monthly Luncheons.



Major Terry Thorsen was inducted as our 356th chapter Companion. Terry's sponsor, and fellow fighter pilot, is USMC LtCol Mike Menefee.



Bill Farmer (c) shared the story of a US flag given to him by the Scouts of Lone Star Council, with Justice Bob Whitehall, Shelby Santangelo, Sen. Bob Hall, and Justice Lana Myers.



Texas Senator Bob Hall received a Citation from Chapter Commander Paul Brown, following his informative and illuminating presentation on the Texas electric grid.



The Value of Labor

On Monday, 2 September 2019, our nation will salute the value of honest work and free enterprise through the observance of **Labor Day**. *True Believers* are more than causally interested in this recognition because they realize the vital relationship of Faith to everyday work.

Most of God's revelations and commissions to man in the Bible are made to workers. People care deeply about their work and spend the greatest part of their lives executing the demands of their vocations. It is unthinkable that God would care nothing about that which occupies most of our time and attention.

Jesus dignified work and elevated it to a royal position by identifying himself with the laboring class. Everyone who believes in honest work and is committed to economic integrity will find his greatest example and friend in Jesus.

We should have strong conviction that the work in which we are engaged is God's will and purpose for our lives. What an exciting perspective to see oneself as being a partner with God in the creative work of the Earth.

Jamie Malakoff
Dallas Chapter Chaplain

EMP and the Texas Electric Grid

Bob Hall raises the red flag

Texas Senator Bob Hall, husband to Kay and father of four boys, is a recognized expert on the vulnerability our country faces from the threat of electro-magnetic pulses which could wipe out our entire electric grid.

Bob graduated from The Citadel in Charleston, SC, and received a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Air Force. He began his active duty as a Systems Engineer, working to develop the Minuteman Missile System at Norton AFB.

After the Air Force, he worked in the Aerospace industry as a systems engineer. In 1982, he left the corporate world and began working as an independent consultant to aerospace and defense corporations. Then, in 1984, he formed his own company, *Professional Proposal Management, Inc.*








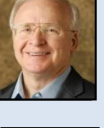


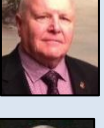

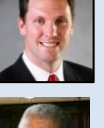
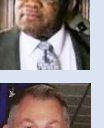
Texas Sen Bob Hall

nation's electrical grid. Experts recently gathered at the Capitol in Austin to discuss the importance of *hardening* the

Today, citizens take utilities for granted. When a light switch is flipped up, power is there. Turn on a faucet and clean water appears.

What happens when those capabilities are disrupted? How long can our citizens access water and food when electricity is gone? Bob's message is that urgent action is required in order to identify vulnerabilities and high-priority assets, as well as prepare for a looming catastrophe should one arise.

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