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Best Large Chapter in the Nation



THIS MONTH'S EVENTS & KEY DATES

August 6th Luncheon: KEITH SELF: UPDATE FROM DC



Lieutenant Colonel Keith Self was born in a military hospital in 1953 during his father's service in the United States Army, returning to Texas with their five-week-old son. After graduation from High School in Amarillo, Keith accepted an appointment to The United States Military Academy at West Point, where he graduated in 1975 and began his 25-year career of service to our country.

Keith's Army tours included Airborne Infantry Platoon Leader, Airborne Infantry Company Commander, Special Forces Detachment Commander, and Special Forces Company Commander. His service took him to Europe, the Middle East, and the Pentagon, where he worked on the most sensitive military programs. He deployed to Grenada, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Iraqi Freedom. During his career, Keith received the Master Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Special Forces Tab, and Joint Staff Badge. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Upon retiring from the Army, Keith was elected County Judge in Collin County, TX, in 2006. He served three consecutive terms before retiring in 2018. Register at dallasmoww.org to RSVP.

- **❖** August 4th Coast Guard Birthday
- **❖** August 8th Military History Book Club

COMMANDER'S REPORT



My fellow Companions and Patriots, I began my service to this chapter again as commander in July 2024. August 6-11 is the National Convention in Valley Forge, PA. As you know, the MOWW has been struggling with recruitment for years, and we will have an opportunity to vote to allow NCOs to become members of the MOWW this August at the National Convention. Our chapter will be represented at the national MOWW Convention in Valley Forge, PA, by me, Region VIII Commander LT Chuck Daniels, and Senior Vice Commander CPT Mark Smits.

During our first staff meeting on July 18, we discussed on different approaches that our chapter can do to increase our memberships, especially on recruiting the veterans of the post-Vietnam era. We unanimously passed a few innovative ideas with the goals of Recruitment and Fundraising. Adjutant Ramon Ramos and Steve Suiter are assigned with the task of revamping our website to target young veterans through social media. Webmaster Steve Suiter will redesign our website to increase traffic so that we can identify potential recruits and big donors. We must utilize modern tools such as the internet and social media to help us with recruitment, advertising, fundraising, community outreach and communication. Also, our staff approved Adjutant Ramos of purchasing a new teleprompter to help us with the meetings. The teleprompter will help with keeping our meeting agenda on track and organized.

The MOWW, like many other veteran service organizations, are going through some challenging times. Our Vision and Mission will remain the same, but we must adapt and modernize our approach, such as updating our website and social media, to reach our full potential as the best chapter of the MOWW. As your commander, I am dedicated and excited to implement these changes to meet the challenges we are facing.

"It is better to serve than to be served."

LT Natan Ton-That

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Chaplain's Corner

Your body, your talents, your passions, and your spirit are what make you you.

In heaven, these will be perfected and glorified, but you won't become an angel or someone else.

In heaven, you will become the you God intended you to be.

When we get to heaven, we'll recognize one another.

We'll even recognize saints we've never seen before, as Peter, James and John recognized Moses and Elijah when they appeared with Jesus at his transfiguration.

The relationships we formed on earth will continue in heaven.

But there will be no arguments, envy or misunderstandings.

In heaven all things are made new.

That is something truly to look forward to in that place called heaven.

Captain James Grogan, DDS

Chapter Chaplain

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Dallas Community Police Awards Committee



LT Chuck Daniels USN (FMR) presenting Detective Anthony Barrientos the July DCPAC Officer of the Month award.

Celebration of Freedom Luncheon



1st Generation Americans: Julie Chow from Taiwan recounting her family's story of immigrating to the US.



1st Generation Americans: Amil Imani from Iran.

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Celebration of Freedom Luncheon: First Generation Americans



From Left to Right - Photo 1: LT Hac Nguyen (Army-West Point) from Vietnam. Photo 2: Pastor Dawit Adege from Ethiopia. Photo 3: Arnold Yan from Taiwan.

The full video from the First-Generation Americans program can be viewed at:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKZ-Rc_v9Hq

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"People who have the most birthdays – Live the longest"

1 August CPT David A. Young

2 August Mr Ian Barton

4 August Mr Paul Epply-Schmidt 4 August Lt Col Sid Snedeker

5 August CPT James Runzheimer 8 August LT Thor James Hansen

8 August CPT Chris Kite-Powell

9 August Capt Paul Welch12 August MAJ Doug Gagliano

12 August CPT Tom Garriss

12 August Col Raymond w. Williams

13 August CPT Ira Archer

13 August MAJ Docia Buckner

14 August JUSTICE Lana Myers

14 August Lt Col Don H. Payne, Jr.

14 August Capt William Sweitzer

15 August CPT Bernard Kenan 16 August LTC Fred Holland

16 August CW2 Elizabeth A. McCormick

17 August Capt Stanley Seat

17 August Brig Gen Michael Torma

18 August Lt David Dewhurst

18 August COL Jeffrey M. Breor

19 August MAJ Ivan Wong

21 August Ms. Christine Hogan

21 August CPT Peter Maurer

21 August HPM Scott Murray

23 August Mr. William Farmer

23 August Mr. Louis Felini

25 August MAJ Thomas D. Petrowski

26 August Ms. Catherine Moore

26 August LT Jerry Prater

27 August LT Thomas Meyer

27 August LTC Don Munson

31 August

28 August CPT Katherine Stewart

Mr. Jonathan W. Lennox

LIGHTEN UP



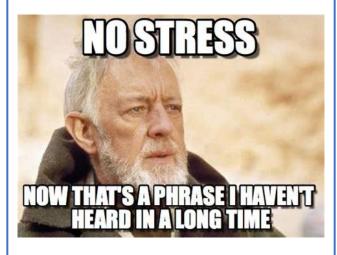
College Student
@FactsOfSchool

Olympic events I could compete in:

- -extreme lurking
- -marathon sleeping
- -rhythmic eating
- -freestyle complaining

When you're late for school but accidentally enter in the wrong classroom





NATIONAL & HOMELAND SECURITY REPORT

INTERNAL THREATS TO THE US REPUBLIC FROM WITHIN ITS RANKS

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

The US republic is being attacked and threatened from within its ranks with lawfare, corruption, and cover-up. Unscrupulous actors within the government are trying to destroy it. Many of these bad actors are either former or current office holders within the US government including elected US House and Senate representatives, senior intelligence officials within the CIA and other intelligence agencies, senior law enforcement officials within the FBI, Homeland Security (DHS), Justice Department (DOJ) and Executive Branch officials. The cover-up not only includes these officials, but also conglomerate and social media. Large billionaire donors, university leaders, professors, and corporate moguls are also attacking the republic.

The Administrative State is the professional and political federal bureaucracy which is composed of influential elites and presidentially appointed political operators. They are unelected and frequently serve longer than most elected officials. Some insiders believe they have replaced the media as the "fourth arm of government." Critics have labeled them the "swamp" or "deep state." Many Constitutionalists consider these managerial elites to be a danger to the republic. These unelected administrators and technocrats oversee many of the federal agencies. Recently, US Supreme Court rulings have curbed some of their power which was intended to be wielded by the legislative branch of the government, not unelected professional bureaucrats. There are numerous examples of bureaucratic overreach, corruption, political interference, and cover-up. This short paper will only highlight some of the most egregious recent examples. Fifty-one former and current CIA intelligence officials signed a letter indicating they believed the Hunter Biden laptop "was likely Russian disinformation," when they knew for a fact that the letter, they signed was false. DHS officials knew they were violating their oath to the protect the US homeland when they knowingly opened the border and allowed over 10 million illegal aliens to cross our border, but stated at Congressional hearings that the border was secure. That cost to American taxpayers is over \$132 billion per year and rising. The Secret Service (USSS) failed to protect former President Trump in a recent assassination attempt. The initial Congressional review shows a definitive lack of leadership, failures with the advance planning, DEI. training, communications, the number of agents at former President Trump's events, and weaknesses in coordination, rules of engagement, and the site plan. The would-be assassin used a drone to survey the grounds, but the Secret Service did not use one. The USSS did not raise the security footprint, nor inform the former president about a specific Iranian assassination threat against him and allowed a 20-year-old would-be assassin within 130 yards of a former president and fire eight shots. The FBI made a raid at the home of former President Trump who kept classified documents in a locked closet and had Secret Service protection. A former president has authority to review classified documents. The FBI had orders to "shoot to kill" if there was any resistance and entered the former president's home without allowing the former president's attorney present. The FBI staged false photos on the floor to make it appear that the classified documents were spread out on the floor. The DOJ has had dissimilar outcomes for the same circumstances "crimes." Former administration officials were convicted and sentenced but current administration officials were not charged. Senators, Vice Presidents, and Secretaries of State do not have permission, or authority to store classified information outside a Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility, but former presidents do. Many current administration officials, cabinet members, and media hid the current president's health circumstances from the American people even though they had a moral and civic obligation to do SO.

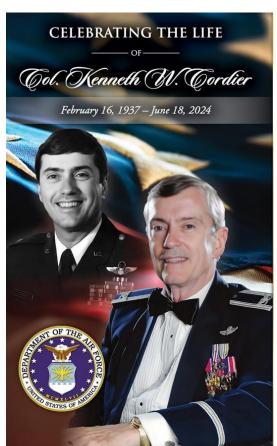
Many Americans have lost faith in the leadership of some of its most esteemed institutions. The USSS, CIA, FBI, DHS, DOJ, media, and Executive Branch are among the institutions Americans have lost faith in their leadership. Lawfare exists when unequal treatment is given to politicians of opposite parties where the accusations of crimes are the same or similar, but the punishment is unequal. Cover-ups occur when people in authority lie to investigators to protect their interests. Corruption occurs where lawfare and cover-ups exist. People who have committed lawfare, corruption, or participated in cover-ups should lose their benefits, clearances, and be prosecuted if applicable.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Memoriam

Events to Honor Past Chapter Commander Colonel Kenneth Cordier USAF-Ret.







Past Commander Col. Cordier (Dallas Chapter MOWW) completed his final mission with us on June 18, 2024.

An interment service with full military honors for Colonel Cordier was held on July 12, 2024 at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery. Reception was followed at Dallas Baptist University, Pilgrim Chapel. His Celebration of Life service was held on, July 13, 2024 at the Frontiers of Flight Museum by Love Field in Dallas.

Ken is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, Barbie; a daughter, Ann Weaver; granddaughters, Hannah and Shelby of Seattle, Nicole; and a great-grandson, Alex of Hawaii. His son, Louie, predeceased him in 2006, leaving their daughter-in-law, Catherine Melby of Missouri. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Roaring Lambs Ministries, 17110 Dallas Parkway, Suite 260 Dallas, TX 75248 or online at www.RoaringLambs.org/donate

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



- Sep 3, 2024 Presentation by Janine Turner: Founder of Constituting America.
- ❖ Oct. 1, 2024 YLC Awards: program for outstanding YLC students.