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Independence Day rocked in Big D, this year. This flag waving City has put the pandemic in its rear-view mirror. Apropos of getting rolling again, your Dallas Chapter inducted a new Commander and Staff to lead us into 2022. (left to right) Bill Coleman (Treasurer), John Wagner (Communications), Chuck Daniels (Immediate Past Chapter Commander and new Texas Department Commander), John Van Buskirk (JAG), Jeff Butcher (Commander), Jamie Malakoff (Chaplain), Brandon Hern (Adjutant), Michael Menefee (Jr Vice Commander), Fred Aurbach (Surgeon), Russ Hooper (Sr Vice Commander), Pat Teipel (Marshal) & Don Munson (Special Ops)

This Month's Speaker, July 2021

The Information Battlefield

COL Myles B. Caggins III serves as Director of Communications and Spokesman for III Corps and Fort Hood, representing nearly 90,000 Soldiers in five separate military installations. He has served three combat tours in the Middle East.



COL (USA) Myles Caggins

In 2014, he served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense as Spokesman for Asia, Guantanamo, Defense Affairs, Human Rights, and Non-proliferation. While at the Pentagon, he was spokesman for military personnel policy, Detainee Policy, and Guantanamo.

In 2016, Georgetown University awarded him the Spirit of Georgetown Alumni Award. In 2017, Hampton University named him Mentor of the Year. In 2018, he returned as a White House Military Aide.

From August 2019-September 2020, he was the official spokesman for the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS (in Iraq and Syria).

Commander's Call

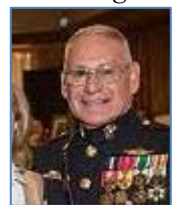
The Commander's Report

Barbara and I had the pleasure of attending the Region VIII Conference, which was held in June, in Fredericksburg, TX – deep in the heart of gorgeous Hill Country. We had a wonderful time! Several other of our companions attended also, so the Dallas Chapter was well represented. As a new chapter commander, I found it greatly beneficial because I began to learn how the chapters integrate into the larger whole. I met several other Companions from elsewhere in the region, to include national staff, which is valuable in building a network within MOWW. And through it all, I was inspired!



Let me share a quote that was mentioned during the remarks of our CINC, BrigGen Frederick R. Lopez. He quoted Colonel Arthur Tulak thus: *“If a chapter is not thriving it cannot serve. If a chapter is not recruiting it will not last.”*

I made note of this comment, as I knew I wanted to share my thoughts with you in this letter. Our chapter is comprised of you - men and women who have dedicated your lives to service. Service to our country, service to the youth, service to other veterans and first responders, and service to each other. It is in your DNA.



CINC Fred Lopez
BrigGen (USMC)

The Commander's Report (continued)

I sense these attributes of “service – thriving – recruiting” are linked in some particularly powerful ways. I believe, with all my heart, that for our chapter to grow, so that it will thrive, we must serve and be excited to invite others to serve with us. Perhaps our recruiting should change. Instead of inviting someone to come and have a nice lunch, hear a great speaker, and meet some amazing Companions, we should instead invite that person to come and see what we do and serve alongside us. In the process we will attract more people with servant's hearts who will find a home with us.

It is a nuanced difference, but I believe a profound one. The **Youth Leadership Conferences**, for example, are a power-



Students at a 2019 YLC aboard the USS Lexington

ful calling card. Had Barbara and I understood that the Dallas Chapter of the MOWW provided this service to the youth of the area, we would have been members 20 years ago, even as we were in the middle of raising our young family. This work – this service - would have drawn us in at a time in our lives when a lunch and speaker would not have.

So, my vision is that we lead with our service. We, boldly and confidently, share with others the amazing service that the chapter provides, and ask them to come and help. I am certain that recruiting in this way will feel normal and natural and will attract many who share our service focus. We will be able to serve more. because we will grow and thrive. And we will grow and thrive because we serve. Focus on our service!

I applaud each of you. You are an inspiration to me, in so many ways. I deem it an honor to be associated with the men and women of the Dallas Chapter of the MOWW because of your examples of selfless service. And because you are just fun to be around!



Never stop recruiting

Let us continue to go out and make a difference!

For the good of the Order,

*Jeffery D. Butcher
Commander, Dallas Chapter
Military Order of World Wars*

Law and Order

Salute the Men and Women in Blue

As if it were not difficult enough to patrol the streets, root out crime, and maintain the peace, today's Police Departments around the nation are under siege by a segment of society that is blind to the contributions these magnificent men and women provide us.

Defund the Police? Tell that to the cities being torn apart by gangs, who think nothing of arson, looting, and assault.

Meanwhile, your Dallas Chapter continues to heap praise and appreciation on Dallas' Finest. As members of the Dallas Community Police Awards Committee (DCPAC), we present MOWW Certificates of Commendation to top Officers.



Officer of the Year, CPL Paul Campo

The pandemic put a halt to these presentations but not to the monthly selection of worthy Officers. After ¾ of a year of being “on hold”, grateful corporations who sponsor DCPAC were finally allowed to gather, in June, to cover the winners for the previous nine months – all in one fell swoop.

Dallas' new Police Chief, Eddie Garcia, was on-hand to express his gratitude to DCPAC for their support. Dallas has the ninth largest Police force in the nation.

To cherish the memories...

James Patterson, Captain, USAAF (1922-2021)

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of one of our Greatest Generation, *James Stephens Patterson*.

Jim was attending Abilene Christian College when Pearl Harbor was attacked in 1941. He volunteered to serve in the US Army Air Corps and took basic training in Shepherd Field, Texas. He soloed in a PT-17, then qualified in multiple engine C-78's. He was pilot of a B-24 *Liberator* bomber. His first assignment was to Palawan, in the Philippine Islands. When the fighting ended in August 1945, Jim had flown over 300 hours of combat time. His final mission was to fly a newly delivered B-24, back to San Francisco with stops at Tinian, Kwajalein, and Hawaii.



He soared above the clouds, reached out, and touched the face of God. Rest in Peace, Jim.

Notice: Next Commander's Staff Meeting will be held Thursday, 15 Jul 2021 at 1:30 p.m., in the Frontiers of Flight Conference Room, 6911 Lemmon Avenue, Dallas, TX.

KNOW YOUR CHAPTER'S LEADERS FOR FY 2022

BG (P) Chuck Aris, US Army

General Chuck Aris is a native of Texas. He is a distinguished military graduate of Texas A&M University with a BA degree in Communication and a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant of Armor.



He later earned a JD degree from South Texas College of Law and an MSS degree in Strategic Studies from

the US Army War College.

Chuck served as a Tank Platoon Leader, Executive Officer and staff officer in the 5th Infantry Division at Fort Polk, LA. He later became Executive Officer of Charlie Company, 4th Battalion, 112th Armor, 49th Armor Division, in Angleton, TX, and then Battalion Executive Officer in Rosenberg, TX.

He commanded Bravo Company, 4th Battalion, 112th Armor and then commanded the Headquarters Company of the Battalion in Bryan, TX. In 2007, he assumed Command of 4th Battalion, 112th Armor, Bryan, TX, and Camp Bondsteel, in Kosovo.

His was XO of the 72nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, in Houston and then its Deputy Commander. Following a year as Assistant Division Chief of Staff (G-3), he became the G-3 of US Division-South, in Basra, Iraq.

He returned home to Command, 72nd Infantry Brigade, 36th Infantry Division, in Houston, TX and then 56th Infantry Brigade in Fort Worth, TX. Following two years as Chief of Staff of the Division, in Austin, he deployed once again and was assigned as the Commander-South of USCENTCOM in Bagram, Afghanistan.

In November 2017, he became the Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver) of the 36th Infantry Division. Since early 2018, he has commanded the Land Component of the 36th Infantry Division.

It is not official yet, so don't tell anybody, but he is certain to be assigned to Command, 36th Infantry Division, Texas National Guard. In his civilian life, he is a Partner in Byrne, Cardenas, and Aris, LLP, a Civil Litigation firm in Dallas.

COL (P) John Michael Wallace, US Army

John "Mike" Wallace grew up in Denver, CO. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, with a BA degree in International History and a commission as a 2nd LT of Infantry. He later earned an MSS degree in Strategic Studies from the US Army War College.



He attended the US Infantry Officer's Basic Course and then Ranger School. The next 5 years included leadership positions in the 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry, at Fort Stewart, GA; and in the 3rd Infantry Regiment (the Old Guard), at Fort Myer, VA. In 2000, he joined the Texas Army National Guard and has held a variety of positions to include Company Commander, Battalion S3, Battalion Executive Officer, Brigade S3, Division G3, and most recently as the Civil Affairs Officer (J5) for HQ, Joint Texas Forces. He currently commands the 56th Infantry Brigade Combat Team of the Texas Army National Guard, in Fort Worth, TX.

COL Wallace deployed to Kuwait as a Company XO and mobilized for the first US-Canadian Operation (*Noble Eagle*). He deployed twice to Iraq as a company commander and once to Afghanistan.

Mike's military education includes the Infantry Officers Career Course, the Command and General Staff College, US Army War College, Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Airborne School, and Air Assault School.

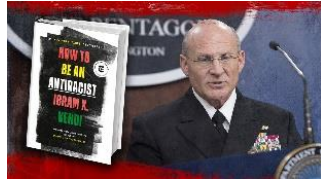
COL Wallace's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Combat Infantry Badge, and several federal and state awards. He is a lifetime member of the Texas National Guard Assn.; the Infantry Assn; and the Military Order of World Wars.

Mike works as the National Sales Director for a Simi Valley (CA) retirement benefits company. He resides in Allen, TX with his wife, Debbie, and three boys, JT (18), Max (16) and William (12).

US Education: A National Security Concern

By LtCol Michael W. Menefee, USMCR (Ret)

Critical Race Theory (CRT) is a hot topic in American education circles. In those states where it is being taught, it is fundamentally changing public school education. CRT is also being taught in over 200 US colleges and universities, in all but three states, and at all the US military service academies.

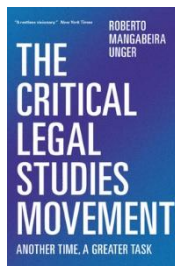


The concept is not entirely new but teaching racism in public schools and colleges *is* new. Teaching racial *equity*, instead of racial *equality*, and instructing white students that they have “white privilege” is unacceptable. Since the 1960’s our society has sought to become non-racist. To most Americans, racism and racial segregation are abhorrent. Racial equality, not equity, should be the goal of a diverse color-blind society. Racial equality supporters advocate for equal opportunities, whereas racial equity supporters want equal outcomes.



Non-racial merit-based outcomes should be the goal of American education. Republican legislators in almost half of the states have planned restrictive laws to prevent CRT instruction of racial equity and white privilege. Many parents of school children are opposing the teaching of CRT because it is a race-focused ideology, and they are against teaching racism in schools.

CRT advocates believe that American law is racist, especially toward black Americans. The predecessor to CRT was the critical legal studies movement, a Marxist-slanted drive which discounted civil rights rulings in the mid-20th century because those rulings were color-blind.



Some of the key beliefs of CRT advocates are -- systemic racism is normal in America; legal progress for people of color primarily serves the interests of white Americans; and white Americans exploit people of color to serve their interests. CRT seems to have more impact in certain fields of study: American studies, education, gender studies, legal studies, sociology, women studies, and minority movement fields.

Generally, CRT advocates oppose police, criminal justice, hate speech, and any restrictions on voting; but are favorable toward affirmative action, increased minority immigration, and additional social welfare.



Cornell University requires a course in systemic American racism, and colonial racism to graduate. A female North Korean defector and recent graduate of Columbia University compared the programs at Columbia to the propaganda being taught in North Korean schools.

This week a senior DOD official claimed in a Congressional hearing the military is not teaching CRT, and later that day a senior military officer defended teaching it. Our colleges, universities, and local governments should focus their education dollars and emphasis on educational merit, rather than on politically correct issues and subjects. By focusing on merit and achievement our schools and universities could regain their lost prominence.



US high schools and universities should require students to take courses in **sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM)**.

Increasing this emphasis on STEM and changing the academic focus from a politically correct agenda may help keep us ahead of our adversaries, who want to overtake, dominate, and replace our global standing as the world’s preeminent superpower.



Perhaps US universities will return to having rigorous undergraduate core curriculum requirements improving the general knowledge of our college and university graduates, especially in the subjects of American history, free market capitalism, economics, and US government.

Maintaining and growing a well-educated populous enhances national security and is essential to maintain a republic; however, undermining our culture, history, and education system with politically correct or false dogma is *dangerous* to national security.



Memes in Uniform



National Security

Quarterly National Security Briefings

Dallas Chapter (MOWW), Seidel Chapter (AFA), and Dallas Council (NLUS) have joined forces in support of strategic briefings on contemporary military topics.

The next of these presentations will occur on **12 Sep 21** with an evening meal and a featured Guest Speaker.

The inaugural National Security Briefing featured **Admiral Patrick Walsh**. It was a roaring success and a *lucrative fundraiser* for the sponsoring chapters.

Please continue to support this outstanding program.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3 July MajGen James Williams

4 July



COL Terrell Hoebeke

4 July

COL Reynaldo Rodriguez

5 July

LTC Michael G. Petridis

6 July

LTC John Bickel

6 July

LTG Rick Lynch

7 July

Capt Richard Arnold

7 July

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7 July

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9 July

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10 July

Col Jack Bryan

10 July

LT Keith L. Griffiths

10 July

CWO4 Jacques Loraine

11 July

Capt Tomasz Nowak

13 July

HPM Jay Minton

14 July

LTC James Brown

15 July

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15 July

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16 July

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18 July

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20 July

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23 July

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24 July

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30 July

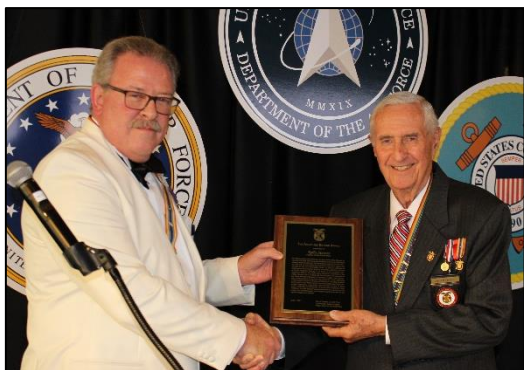
COL Raymond L. Foster



Installation Banquet, June 2021



Following the Installation, former Dallas Chapter Commanders who were present, gathered for a photo op with, Sarah Spivey, Top Student at our 2019 Youth Leadership Conference. Flanking Sarah are: Chuck Daniels, Paul Brown, King Moss, Walt Laidlaw, Rollie Stevens, Sarah, Jeff Butcher, Don Munson, and Ron Forest.



Chuck presented a **Special Achievement** plaque to former CINC, Rollie Stevens



Both Jeff and his wife, Barbara, received **Silver Patrick Henry** awards



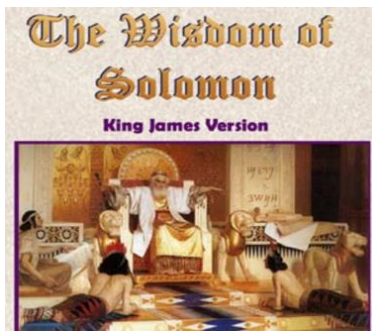
Chuck presented a **Memorial** plaque to Cliff Way's wife, Wendy



Chuck established The **Commander's Eagle** Award for exceptional service. The first recipient is Scott Murray.



Don Munson received Chuck's **Above and Beyond** plaque for contributions to the Chapter and the Order.



The Wisdom of Solomon

Scripture tells us that when Solomon inherited the throne of Israel from his father David, God granted him a request. Solomon asked God for wisdom, so he may rule justly.

God answered him, ““Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart.”

(1 Kings 3:11-12)

The resulting pearls of Solomon’s wisdom are given to us in Scripture’s Book of Proverbs.

As there are 31 chapters in the Book of Proverbs, please consider reading one per day for a month. They will be a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path.

In Proverbs 14:34, we read “*Righteousness exalts a nation; but sin condemns any people.*”

Thank you for serving our nation in its cause of righteousness.

Happy Independence Day!

Chaplain Jamie Malakoff

Goals and Objectives

FY 2022 in Review

Veterans – maintain all existing relationships and add VA Advisory Council, the Veteran Center of North Texas, the Collin County Veterans Center and *Joint* Veteran programs with the Association of US Army, Navy League of the US, Air Force Assn., and the Jewish War Veterans Assn.

ROTC – maintain all JROTC and ROTC unit relationships, even though some Dallas ISD schools still do not allow direct interface.

National Security – expand both Homeland and National Security programs through knowledgeable speakers and professional articles in the Chapter Newsletter and the *Officer Review* magazine.

Scouting – Support BSA and GSA councils to continue to grow, despite Covid pandemic restrictions and to support organizational limitations.

Patriotic Education – Support Region VIII chapters in the transition to new Youth Leadership programs, which will be coordinated at Regional level, with nominations and registrations, *online*. School districts are slowly responding as classes begin to return to normal.

Law and Order – maintain Dallas County Police Awards Committee relationships and support partnership with *One CommunityUSA* in our Law-and-Order awards programs.

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MAIL COMPLETED FORM & PAYMENT TO: HQ MOWW USE ONLY:

HQ MOWW/DA (Membership) • Member Number: _____

435 North Lee St.; Alexandria, VA 22314-2301

• Date Received by HQ: _____; Date HQ Processed: _____

HQ MOWW Form 1, "MOWW Membership Application," with credit card information (11 January 2018)

A. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

1. Full Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix): _____
2. Mailing Address (street, apartment, etc.) _____
3. Mailing Address (city, state, ZIP Code): _____
4. Home Phone: (_____) _____
5. Cell Phone: (_____) _____
6. Email Address: _____
7. Birthdate (Day, Month, Year): _____
8. Spouse's/Partner's Full Name / "Go By" Name: _____
9. Applicant's Service Branch (circle): USA USMC USN USAF USCG USPHS NOAA
10. Applicant's Veteran Status (circle): ACTIVE-DUTY RESERVE NATIONAL GUARD__ RETIRED FORMER STATE
11. Applicant's Dates of Service (MM/YY) From: _____ To: _____; Highest Federal Rank Held: _____
12. Hereditary Membership Linkage (*if applicable*): _____
13. How did you hear of MOWW: Referral (rank, name): _____
Facebook: _____; MOWW website: _____; Chapter Website: _____; Other (e.g., event): _____
14. Membership Categories: | • *NOTE: Applicant pays chapter dues (if any) directly to their chapter treasurer*
 - Veteran Perpetual @ 1 x \$350.00
 - Veteran Perpetual @ 4 x \$87.50 qtrly
 - Veteran Perpetual (1st year commission/warrant) @ 1 x \$200.00
 - Vet Perpetual (1st year commission/warrant) @ 4 x \$50.00 qtrly
 - Hereditary Perpetual (age 21+) @ 1 x \$350.00
 - Hereditary Perpetual (age 21+) @ 4 x \$87.50 qtrly
 - Hereditary Perpetual (age 1-20) @ 1 x \$200.00
 - Hereditary Perpetual (age 1-20) @ 4 x \$50.00 qtrly
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15. Requested MOWW Chapter of Affiliation: _____
16. Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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C. RECRUITER-SPONSOR'S INFORMATION

1. Recruiter-Sponsor's Full Name, Rank, Service: _____ Chapter: _____
2. Recruiter-Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(ONE SPONSOR ONLY; MUST BE AN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE (NOT REPRODUCED))

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