



MOWW Christmas Banquet



*The Companions and Officers of
the Dallas Chapter*

cordially invite

*all MOWW Companions and
their guests to attend the*

Annual Dallas MOWW Christmas Gala Dinner & Entertainment



- ❖ Where: Park City Club 5956 Sherry Lane, Dallas
- ❖ Remarks: 2LT Natan Ton-That, USA (Fmr)
- ❖ Entertainment: Provided by the Ladies Liberty (includes dancing if interested)



COMMANDER'S REPORT



“Tis the Season” to Serve. The month of December is the most joyful and thankful month of the year. Christians and Jews all over the world gather with families, friends and their communities to celebrate and rejoice. On December 3, Tuesday, at 6:00 PM our Dallas Chapter will have our annual Christmas Banquet at Park City Club. It will be an evening of camaraderie and fellowship with companions, families and guests. This year our Christmas Banquet meeting will not have any business programs, such as inductions, awards, and a speaker. We will have the induction and preamble and then dive straight to our Christmas programs of entertainment and fellowship.

In addition to our Christmas celebration, the month of December is also the month that we serve our veterans, youths and communities.

Our Dallas Chapter supports the annual Christmas “Toys for Tots” drive. The North Texas Wreaths of Honor Volunteer Opportunity on December 13, 2024 (Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Pkwy, Dallas, TX 75211), and the North Texas Wreaths of Honor Wreath Placement in December 14, 2024, 11:00AM - 04:00PM (Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery).

Also, there are many service men and women who are serving overseas away from families. You can support our troops by donating or volunteering with the USO (at a USO location or special event near you).

LT Natan Ton-That

DECEMBER KEY DATES

- ❖ Dec. 7th – National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.
- ❖ Dec. 12th – Military History Book Club.
- ❖ Dec. 13th – U.S. National Guard Birthday.
- ❖ Dec. 14th – North Texas Wreaths of Honor Placement.

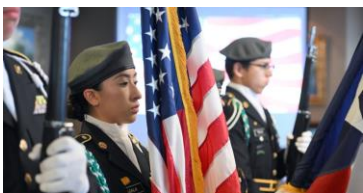
DALLAS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

November Luncheon Speaker

Retired US Air Force Lieutenant General John Campbell discussed about the impacts of military service and presented current recruitment trends and challenges for the armed forces.



Awards and Recognition Ceremonies



NATIONAL & HOMELAND SECURITY REPORT

HOW THE DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY MAY HELP NATIONAL SECURITY AND AMERICA'S FUTURE

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

A new initiative by the incoming Trump administration is creating the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) and will be led by billionaire businessmen - Elon Musk and Vivek Ramaswamy. The goals of DOGE are to cut waste, fraud, inefficiency, and lack of effectiveness from the US government. The US ended the Fiscal Year 2024 with a \$1.8Trillion (T) budget deficit, \$36T in national debt, and interest on the debt of \$1T. These numbers are the highest in the history of our country. DOGE is tasked with cutting some of the 2+ million federal workers, regulations, and some of the \$6.5T of government spending to include eliminating whole departments. These federal organizations could be on the chopping block – the Department of Education, Department of Interior, FAA, IRS, FBI, USPS, and the EPA. President-elect Trump has said he would like DOGE to help the US have smaller government with more efficiency and less bureaucracy, while Musk has said he would like to cut \$2T from the federal budget. Recently, the Pentagon failed its seventh consecutive annual audit and could not account for portions of its \$824 billion budget. DOGE proponents argue the Supreme Court has recently returned some of the power government agencies have acquired to regulate policies, back to Congress.

Critics of DOGE are alarmed with its aim to cut government budgets, policies, and personnel. They oppose the idea of any reduction to the administrative state and may wage a vigorous opposition. DOGE will likely face legal and political opposition from government employees, teacher unions, and political opponents to smaller government. Some have suggested air, water, safety, and other standards could be reduced. Other interest groups will oppose racial, CRT, DEI, gender identity and confusion issues, anti- Jewish, or anti-Christian values, and other radical issues which were rejected by the majority of the electorate in the landslide national election. Still others point to a potential regulatory conflict of interest with several of Musk's companies.

The future of US national security depends upon the US developing a growing economy based upon meritocracy, not woke, artificial, harmful policies based on race. Diversity of ideas is much more important than diversity of skin color or ethnicity. Discrimination should never be tolerated. However, discrimination called affirmative action, or policies based on sex, skin color, or religion continue and highlight it with the imposed artificial barriers of quotas, or having biological men compete in women sports. These radical ideas were soundly defeated by the Trump landslide electoral victory and winning majorities in the House and Senate. US government leaders must become fiduciaries and better stewards of the country's budgets and expenditures. Wasteful government spending and woke policies were punished at the ballot boxes and with companies like Target, Anheuser-Bush, and Blackrock. If the nation's debt is not drastically cut, the interest on the debt will force more money to be spent servicing the debt instead of providing government services. Reducing the tax burden and simplifying the tax code will help all Americans. Having a more efficient and effective government will benefit all US citizens. Reducing bureaucracy will improve education, help end political correctness, return merit to secondary schools and universities, and restore value to US diplomas and degrees. DOGE may have a lasting impact on US national security if it is able to decrease the massive mismanagement of the nation's treasure which has existed for decades by reducing waste, fraud, inefficiency, and inept government.

DALLAS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Greater Dallas and Arlington's Veterans Day Parade Events



This year, MOWW companions participated at both the Dallas and Arlington Veterans Day Parade events.

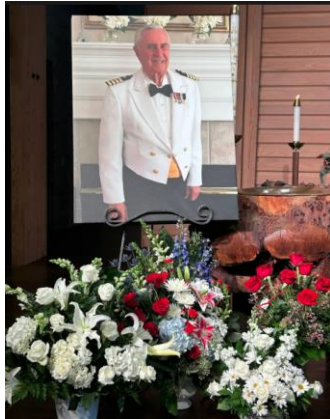
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In Memoriam

Chapter Past CINC

CAPT Rollin "Rollie" M. Stevens II

November 25, 1934 – October 25, 2024



Rollin "Rollie" M. Stevens II of Dallas, Texas, passed away on October 25, 2024. CINC Stevens was given a full military honors funeral, surrounded by family, friends and MOWW companions from the Dallas Chapter, the Fort Worth Chapter and the Pinson Memorial Chapter of the MOWW.

The Memorial service for CAPT Rollin Stevens was held at King of Glory Lutheran Church in Dallas, Texas on November 23, 2024.

CINC Stevens was interred at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery. He is survived by Jean, his wife, his daughter Kyle Vandeven (John), son Jeff Stevens (Stanna), daughter Kim Stevens, three grandchildren Andrea Stevens, Samantha Stevens, Joshua Stevens, and two sisters Nan Keith and Shari DeCook of Iowa.



From Left to Right - Photo 1: Past Commander CPT Allen Clark and wife HPM Linda Clark. Photo 2: Major Robert J. Williams (center in the photo) and wife Patty Williams (left in the photo) and Regional Commander LT Charles Daniels speaking with Jean Stevens and Jeff Stevens.

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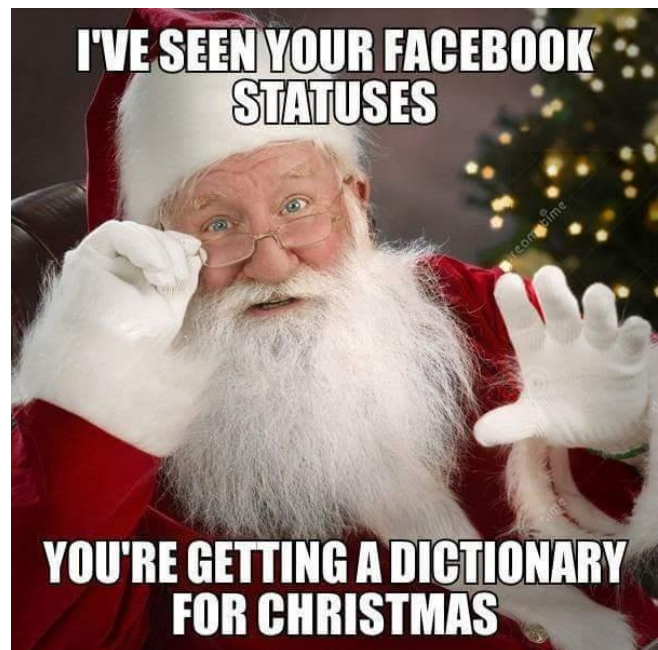
*"People who have the most birthdays –
Live the Longest"*



- 1 December Lt Col Al Johnson
- 2 December LTC Paul Bauereis
- 3 December CPT Paul Sermas
- 4 December HPM David Merton
- 5 December 1LT Marvin Thedford
- 6 December LTC Donald LaGrange
- 7 December LT Joe Applewhite
- 9 December MAJ Marshall Miles
- 10 December 1LT John Gibson
- 11 December RADM Cub Amos
- 12 December MG Willard Latham
- 13 December HPM Jacob Paleschic
- 15 December Adjutant CW3 Ramon Ramos
- 16 December LT Robert Betts
- 17 December HRM Jeff Stevens
- 20 December LT Jon Jackson
- 21 December LTC James Blunk
- 21 December LTC Chuck Chamberlin
- 21 December COL Ron Forest
- 21 December HPM Mary Hayes
- 21 December Maj Terry Thorsen
- 24 December COL Ron Barker
- 24 December COL Gary Hoebeke
- 26 December MAJ Robert Holmes
- 28 December 2LT Brandon Hern
- 28 December LT Tommie Williams
- 29 December LTC Russell Hooper
- 31 December COL Steve Minear



~ Lighten Up ~



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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



The Greatest Gift to Us All

The prophet Isaiah foretold the giving of God's greatest gift – His only begotten son. He said, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a child is given." (Isaiah 9:6)

Jesus of Nazareth is the most notable figure in the pages of history.

His birthday gave the world a new era, dividing the past from the future at a focal point.

His spirit has given the world its most immortal paintings. His love has inspired the world's masterpieces of art, sculpture, and music.

His influence has inspired the world's greatest philanthropies.

More books have been written about Him than have been written about all the Kings who have ruled from earthly thrones.

He is truly God's greatest gift to mankind. Let us celebrate his birth at this season of the year.

Have a very Merry Christmas!

Todd Collier
Chapter Chaplain



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ❖ **December 13th, 2024 – North Texas Wreaths of Honor Wreath Placement**
- ❖ **December 14th, 2024 – Military History Book Club**
- ❖ **December 25th, 2024 – Christmas**