

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER 234

The Military Order of the World Wars

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Companions,

First a reminder... we will not be having a Chapter meeting in December. Our next Chapter meeting will be Tuesday January 17th 2023 from 1130-1300.

During our November Meeting we had the opportunity to hear about from USMC Veteran Mr. Larry Allen of the North Texas Wreaths of Honor / Wreaths Across America. With your generosity we able to honor 40 deceased veterans at the DFW National Cemetery on Saturday the 17th of December. Remember, a veteran can die twice—once when they stop breathing and the second time when we stop saying their name. I ask that you consider donating and/or volunteering to lay wreaths with me. We also heard for author and veteran Capt Colin P. Cahoon USA (Fmr) to discuss his book "Mended Wings". What a great journey Colin took us on about the lives of ten Purple Heart heroes as they relate the Vietnam War experience from the perspective of the helicopter cockpit.

It was my great pleasure to award HPM Robert Epstein with the prestigious MOWW Outreach Service Medal. This award was presented to Robert For his notable individual leadership,

management and service as a member of the Military order of the World Wars North Texas Chapter 234. HPM Robert Epstein singularly created, organized and led the Chapter's National Security Program with associated monthly book reviews. His leadership and "take charge" attitude have opened new outreach doors to other Veterans Service Organizations, Individual & corporate contributors, and community organizations.—Bravo and Thank You Robert!

As we approach a new year, I'd like us all to recommit to our service within the Chapter and our commitment to executing the ideals in the MOWW preamble. In our nation today, it is more important than ever that we "stand tall" and educate our communities and youth of the values we were both taught and as reflected in the motto —"it is nobler to serve than be served". BUT this is not just a motto; it is the way we have taken an oath to live by. So, please take a moment to reflect on this and make a commitment to help us be more successful in fulfilling our Chapter's goals and objectives.

Have a very happy and memorable Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

Jacques Loraine, Commander
MOWW North Texas Chapter 234
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Companion Birthdays

18 December — CWO5 Quint Avenetti USMC (Ret)

27 December — HPM Richard Carlton



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MOWW North Texas Chapter November Meeting



Top Left - HPM Robert Epstein receiving MOWW Outreach Service Medal from North Texas Chapter Commander CWO4 Jacques Loraine USA (Ret). **Top Right** - Capt. Colin Cahoon USA (Fmr) talks to our Chapter about the amazing Purple Heart Veterans from his book "Mended Wings". **Bottom Left** - North Texas Chapter Commander CWO4 Jacques Loraine USA (Ret) presents Check for 40 Wreaths to be placed at DFW National Cemetery on December 17th to Marine Veteran and Marketing Director of North Texas Wreaths of Honor / Wreaths Across America. **Bottom Right** - Chapter Companions enjoying "Lunch and Learn" at our Chapter Meeting.

To all our Companions — Have Happy Holidays and a Joyous New Year!

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Chaplain's Corner

LTC Robert Welch II, USA (Ret)

Celebrating the Season

Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds. Psalm 149:5



It's that time of year again when we are inundated with Christmas music at the stores, malls, elevators and, well, everywhere. The commercialization of Christmas is a bane to many Christians as well as members of other faiths. But this time of year is a marvelous time to remember the reasons for celebrating

three holidays which highlight this season.

Kwanzaa was created in 1966 as a specifically African-American holiday, originally as an alternative to the existing holiday of Christmas and give blacks an opportunity to celebrate themselves and their history. The originators thought that Christmas was a "white" holiday and blacks needed a new religion, but those thoughts have been put away and may Christian blacks celebrate both Christmas and Kwanzaa. Kwanzaa celebrates seven principles: Unity, Self-determination, Collective work and responsibility, Cooperative economics, Purpose, Creativity and Faith. Kwanzaa celebrations include drumming and music, libations, selective readings, candle lightings and finally, a feast of faith. This year, Kwanzaa will be celebrated from December 26 thru January 1.

Hanukkah is the Jewish celebration of the defeat of the Assyrian Greeks in Jerusalem in 162BCE by the Maccabean family. The celebration is to remind the people of the miracle when once the Temple was retaken, the priests found only enough ceremonial oil to light the eternal

light for one day. Tradition says that God burned the light for eight days allowing for more oil to be processed. Hanukkah is celebrated for eight days to commemorate the miracle of the oil lasting the eight days. The feasts of Hanukkah are usually foods fried in oil; a special jelly doughnut, a sufganiyot, is enjoyed but mostly latkes or potato pancakes. The holiday is usually held with carnivals and parties highlighted with games using colorful tops called Dreydis and the lighting of the Menorah, a nine-branched candelabra. Hanukkah is celebrated on the 25th day of the Jewish month of Kislev which usually fall in December and this year falls on December 18 - 26.

Christmas on December 25th is celebrated by Christians to commemorate the birth of Jesus Christ as a fulfillment of the promise to the Jewish nation of a Messiah. The actual date of the birth of Jesus is open to conjecture (possibly between 6 and 4 BCE in March or April) but there is basis in biblical prophecy, historical fact and Jewish traditions about the birth. The story of the birth is highlighted by the Virgin Mother, a manger in a stable, angelic hosts singing and proclaiming the Christ' birth to shepherds and the visit of the three Magi bearing kingly gifts. The Holy Birth is the start of a great journey that Jesus underwent to fulfill ancient prophecies which cumulated in his death and resurrection on Easter Sunday which Christians believe was the removal of sin from mankind by those who believe.

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

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“Serving Youth, Community, and Nation”



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Historical US Military Events

December 1, 1941 - The American Civil Air Patrol (CAP), a U.S. Air Force auxiliary, was founded as Director of Civilian Defense, former New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, signed the formal order.

December 7, 1941 - The U.S. Naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was attacked Japanese aircraft in a raid that left nearly 3,000 Americans dead.

December 16, 1944 - During World War II in Europe, the Battle of the Bulge began as the Germans launched a big counter-offensive in the Ardennes Forest taking American troops by surprise.

December 18, 1916 - During World War I, the Battle of Verdun concluded after ten months of fighting in which 543,000 French and 434,000 German soldiers were killed.

December 20, 1989 - The U.S. conducted Panama Operation Just Cause to capture Manuel Noriega for narcotics trafficking.

December 24, 1943 - General Dwight D. Eisenhower was appointed Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force preparing for D-Day.

December 25, 1776 - During the American Revolution, George Washington took 2,400 of his men across the Delaware River and conducted a surprise raid on British-Hessians (German mercenaries) at Trenton, New Jersey. The victory provided a much needed boost to American morale.

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WHAT IS THE CIVIL AIR PATROL?

The Civil Air Patrol was conceived in the late 1930s by aviation advocate Gill Robb Wilson, who foresaw general aviation's potential to supplement America's military operations. With the help of New York Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia, in his capacity as then-Director of the Office of Civilian Defense, CAP was created with Administrative Order 9, signed by LaGuardia on 1 December 1941 and published 8 December 1941. Civil Air Patrol had 90 days to prove itself to Congress. Major General John F. Curry was appointed as the first national commander. Texas oilman David Harold Byrd was a co-founder of CAP.

During World War II, CAP was seen as a way to use America's civilian aviation resources to aid the war effort instead of grounding them. The organization assumed many missions, including anti-submarine patrol and warfare, border patrols, and courier services. During World War II, CAP's coastal patrol reportedly flew 24 million miles and sighted 173 enemy U-boats, dropping a total of 82 bombs and depth charges during the conflict. Two submarines were reportedly destroyed by CAP aircraft, but later research found there was no basis for this claim. By the end of the war, 68 CAP members had lost their lives in the line of duty.

With the passing of the National Security Act of 1947, and creation of the United States Air Force, the CAP became the auxiliary of the USAF in 1948, and its incorporating charter declared that it would never again be involved in direct combat activities, but would be of a benevolent nature. The "supervisory" USAF organization overseeing CAP has changed several times. This has included the former Continental Air Command in 1959, the former Headquarters Command, USAF in 1968, to the Air University (AU) in 1976. Following Air University's reassignment as a subordinate command to the Air Education and Training Command (AETC) in 1993, USAF oversight of CAP has flowed from AETC at the 4-star level, to AU at the 3-

star level, to AU's Jeanne M. Holm Center for Officer Accessions and Citizen Development at the 1-star level, to a subordinate unit of 1st Air Force at the 3-star level with Civil Air Patrol—U.S. Air Force as a stand-alone unit lead at the Colonel (O-6) level. Since its incorporation charter, CAP has maintained its relationship with the USAF, and has continued its three congressionally mandated missions.

On 14 June 2011, Civil Air Patrol was awarded the Roving Ambassador of Peace by the World Peace Prize Awarding Council for its positive impact in American communities, its lifesaving efforts, and for "preserving liberty for all". During the 113th United States Congress, both the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives voted to pass a bill that would award the Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of Civil Air Patrol. The medal would be presented "in recognition of their military service and exemplary record during World War II."

In October 2021, Civil Air Patrol was awarded the Master's Trophy for the North America Region for that year by the Honourable Company of Air Pilots. The award citation noted the auxiliary's service during the COVID-19 pandemic and disaster relief response to Hurricane Ida.



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Upcoming Events



National Defense Briefing Series

Sponsored by the Dallas and North Texas Chapters

- Air & Space Forces Association
- Military Order of the World Wars
- Navy League of the United States
 - Jewish War Veterans
- Association of the US Army

Heritage Ranch Golf and Country Club
465 Scenic Ranch Cir, Fairview, TX
Check-in starts at 4:30

Program starts at 5pm and includes dinner, the presentation with an interactive Q&A session, and a cocktail reception for sponsors.

See <https://ndbsinc.org/> for registration and more information

Contact Barry Brown
(barry@ndbsinc.org, 972-890-3541) for questions and sponsorship opportunities

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National Defense Briefing Series Space: A Warfighting Domain December 11, 2022

Space no longer is a benign environment and freedom to operate in space is not guaranteed. Space is now a warfighting domain, similar to the familiar air, land, and maritime domains in which military forces have traditionally engaged.



The establishment of the U.S. Space Force in 2019 signals that the United States recognizes the necessity of being ready to conduct global space operations to achieve U.S. national security objectives.

Our speaker is uniquely qualified to address this topic. **General (USAF, ret) Kevin Chilton** was an Air Force fighter pilot and test pilot, and later was a NASA astronaut who flew on two space shuttle missions. His last active duty position was Commander, US Strategic Command, where he oversaw the U.S.'s nuclear forces. Among many other positions, today he holds the Explorer Chair at the Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies Spacepower Advantage Research Center.

This is a unique opportunity for all area YLC students, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadets, and for that matter, all JROTC and ROTC students to hear one of the foremost experts on space and learn more about the Air Force's sister service, the U.S. Space Force. Tickets for this dinner meeting are regularly \$45, but we have a **special student price** of \$35 on the web site. While not required, we encourage all ROTC and JROTC students to wear their uniforms, so we can recognize them at the event.

For a preview of Gen. Chilton's career, check out this podcast <https://mitchellinstituteaerospaceadvantage.podbean.com/e/58/>

General Chilton completed a 34 1/2 year Air Force career as Commander of U.S. Strategic Command from 2007 to 2011, where he was responsible for the plans and operations for all U.S. forces conducting strategic deterrence and the Department of Defense's space and cyberspace operations. Prior to this assignment, General Chilton commanded at the wing, numbered air force, major command and unified combatant command levels including serving as Commander of Air Force Space Command from 2006 to 2007. He flew operational assignments in the R-4C and F-15 and, as an Air Force test pilot, conducted weapons testing in various models of the F-4 and F-15. He also served 11 years as a NASA astronaut, where he flew as the Commander of STS-76, his third Space Shuttle mission, and served as the Deputy Program Manager for Operations for the International Space Station Program.

General Chilton is a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, with a Bachelor of Sciences degree in engineering sciences, a Columbia University Guggenheim Fellow with a Master of Sciences degree in mechanical engineering, and a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force pilot training and test pilot schools. He also was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Creighton University.

General Chilton currently serves as an independent consultant and as a director for Level 3 Communications and Orbital ATK corporations. He is a trustee of the Air Force Academy Falcon Foundation, a member of the Los Alamos and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories Board of Governors and a member of the Sandia National Laboratory Board of Managers. He is a former director of the Aerospace Corp., Anadarko Petroleum Corp., and Schafer Corp.

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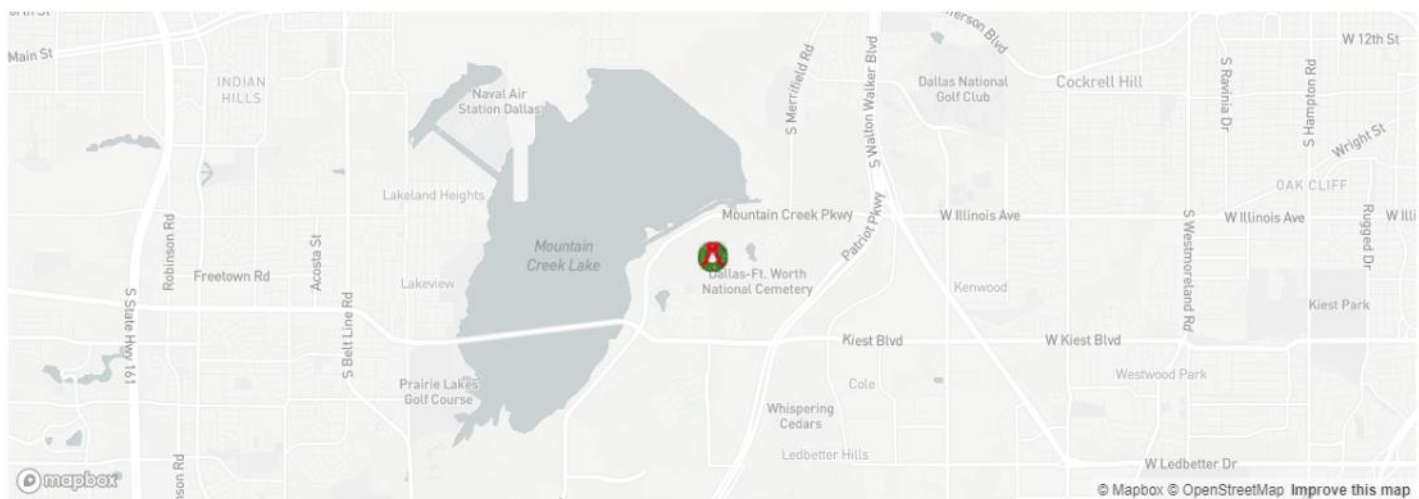
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Upcoming Events



CEREMONY DETAILS



REMEMBER the Fallen. . . **HONOR** those who Serve. . . **TEACH** our children the value of Freedom.

On December 17, 2022 at 11:00 am, North Texas Wreaths of Honor (TX0706P) will be helping DFW National Cemetery to Remember and Honor our veterans by laying Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.

Please help us honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you.

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Chapter Meeting Location Map



Bavarian Grill location address is :
3425 Premier Drive, Plano TX 75023

Chapter Meeting



BAVARIAN GRILL

Tuesday, 18 Oct 2022—1130-1300
Tuesday, 15 Nov 2022—1130-1300
NO MEETING IN DECEMBER
Tuesday, 17 January 2023—1130-1300
Tuesday, 21 February 2023—1130-1300
Tuesday, 21 March 2023—1130-1300

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Our Chapter Core Values

- ATTITUDE** – We maintain a courteous, enthusiastic, friendly, positive, professional and teachable mindset at all times.
- COMMUNITY/VETERANS FOCUSED** – Everything we do as Officers of the Military Order of World Wars is aimed at meeting and exceeding the expectations of the MOWW Keys to Success: supporting veterans, military and military families in our community”, and “MOWW Principles of Excellence action plan”, helping to ensure that our community, veterans and their dependents successfully thrive in the nation, state, community and our region.
- TEAMWORK** – We pull together with cooperation, respect and support toward our common goals; we put the good of the Chapter and Order, and the good of an individual or group of individuals in our nation, state, communities and our region.
- INTEGRITY** – We always do what is ethical and honest as we strive to be dependable, fair, reliable and trustworthy with our Chapter, Order, veterans, communities, region, and each other.
- ONE HUNDRED PERCENT** – We consistently give a maximum effort every day with our Chapter and Order; we go the extra mile to achieve personal and Chapter and Order success with our Companions, veterans, communities, and region.
- NOTHING BUT THE BEST** – We will not be satisfied, neither individually nor as a Chapter and Order as we provide the absolute best service and experience possible for every Companion, veterans, our communities, and region.

Our Mission Statement

To be the Chapter and Order, companions and veterans are satisfied being a part of an exceptional experience through every stage of our fellowship and community engagement. To continually improve our North Texas Chapter and Order through growth, teamwork, and shared vision for the good of the Chapter and Order. To create a professional and positive chapter community environment, where companionship and excellence is recognized and rewarded with successful, chapter growth. Inspiring our chapter to give 100% daily to living, achieving, and believing in the Military Officers of the World Wars, ethos:



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The Military Order of the World Wars

The Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) is the premier Veterans Service Organization (VSO) whose motto is, "It is nobler to serve than to be served." MOWW was founded at the suggestion of General of the Armies John J. "Blackjack" Pershing 1919 to promote good citizenship, patriotic education, and military and public service. The purpose of our Order is found in the 9 tenets described in our Preamble.

MOWW chapters provide opportunities to support veterans of all ranks and service, youth patriotic education, college ROTC and high school JROTC, Scouting, monuments and memorials, law and order, national and homeland security programs, and inculcate and stimulate love of our country and flag.

If you qualify, we want you serving alongside us. Eligibility is open to active duty, retired and former commissioned or warrant officers of the uniformed services of the United States: U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S.



Marine Corps, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S Air Force, and U.S Space Force. It also includes the United States Public Health Service (USPHS), and the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Family members who are directly related to eligible officers within two degrees of consanguinity (i.e., spouse, son/stepson, daughter/step-

daughter, grandson and/or granddaughter) are also eligible as Hereditary Members.

The motto of MOWW is "It is Nobler to Serve than be Served." This

sums up the commitment of MOWW to our Veterans, families, youth, and our country. If you want to continue to serve our nation in a meaningful and impactful way, consider joining our Order.

If you have any questions about MOWW, or want to join us, please go to our Website Homepage Address at www.northtexasmoww.org.

Our Preamble

To cherish the memories and associations of the World Wars waged for humanity; To inculcate and stimulate love of our country and flag; To promote and further patriotic education in our nation; Ever to maintain law and order, and to defend the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our national government and the Constitution of the United States; To foster fraternal relations among all branches of the armed forces; To promote the cultivation of military, naval, and air science and the adoption of a consistent and suitable policy of national security for the United States of America; To acquire and preserve records of individual services; To encourage and assist in the holding of commemorations and the establishment of memorials of the World Wars; and To transmit all these ideals to posterity; under God and for our country, we unite to establish The Military Order of the World Wars.... HERE, HERE!

Humor in Uniform



Why they don't allow fraternization.

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MAIL COMPLETED FORM & PAYMENT TO:

HQ MOWW/DA (Membership)
435 North Lee St.; Alexandria, VA 22314-2301

HQ MOWW USE ONLY:

* Member Number: _____

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

A. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

- Full Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix): _____
- Mailing Address (street, apartment, etc.): _____
- Mailing Address (city, state, ZIP Code): _____
- Home Phone: (_____) _____
- Cell Phone: (_____) _____
- Email Address: _____
- Birthdate (Day, Month, Year): _____
- Spouse's/Partner's Full Name / "Go By" Name: _____
- Applicant's Service Branch (circle):

USA	USMC	USN	USAF	USCG	USPHS	NOAA
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- Applicant's Veteran Status (circle/fill in):

ACTIVE DUTY	RESERVE	NATIONAL GUARD/	RETIRED	FORMER
		STATE		
- Applicant's Dates of Service (MM/YY)
From: _____ To: _____; Highest Federal Rank Held: _____
MM / YR MM / YR
- Hereditary Membership Linkage (if applicable): _____
- How did you hear of MOWW:
Referral (rank, name): _____;
Facebook: _____; MOWW website: _____; Chapter Website: _____;
Other (e.g., event): _____
- Membership Categories: | * NOTE: Applicant pays chapter dues (if any) directly to their chapter treasurer

<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Perpetual @ 1 x \$350.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Hereditary Perpetual (age 18-20) @ 1 x \$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Perpetual @ 4 x \$87.50 qtrly	<input type="checkbox"/> Hereditary Perpetual (age 18-20) @ 4 x \$50.00 qtrly
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Perpetual (1 st year commission/warrant) @ 1 x \$200.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Regular @ \$40.00/year (one-time payment)
<input type="checkbox"/> Vet Perpetual (1 st year commission/warrant) @ 4 x \$50.00 qtrly	<input type="checkbox"/> Hereditary Regular @ \$40.00/year (one-time payment)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hereditary Perpetual (age 21+) @ 1 x \$350.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Perpetual (Veteran & Hereditary) @ 1 x \$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Hereditary Perpetual (age 21+) @ 4 x \$87.50 qtrly	

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- Requested MOWW Chapter of Affiliation: _____
- Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

B. APPLICANT'S CREDIT CARD INFORMATION (Optional initial payment method; applicant may also pay by check)

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- Cardholder Name (as shown on the credit card): _____
- Card number: _____; Expiration Date (MM/YY): _____
Card Verification Number (on back of card): _____; Cardholder ZIP Code (from credit card billing address): _____
- I, _____, authorize The Military Order of the World Wars to charge my credit card above for the agreed upon purchases. I understand that my credit card information will **NOT** be saved.
PRINT FULL NAME AS SHOWN ON THE CREDIT CARD
- Cardholder's (Customer's) Signature: _____ Date: _____
(MUST BE AN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE (NOT REPRODUCED))

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

CHAPTERS MUST MAIL FULLY-COMPLETED INITIAL APPLICATIONS WITH CHECK PAYMENT/CREDIT CARD INFORMATION TO: HQ MOWW/DA (MEMBERSHIP); 435 NORTH LEE STREET; ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314-2301. SUBSEQUENT DUES PAYMENTS MAY BE MADE ONLINE AT: www.moww.org

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