

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER 234

The Military Order of the World Wars

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Since 1919



Companions,

First, a reminder... Our next Chapter meeting will be Tuesday January 17th 2023 from 1130-1300. at the Bavarian Grill, Plano TX.

Looking back at 2022, our Chapter accomplished quite a bit - Strong Youth Leadership Conference participation, 12 Chapter meetings (some with guest speakers), lots of recognition awards at the National Convention, several new members, strong community outreach and media engagement, excellent National Security program support, and really good individual member involvement. We should all be very proud of our Chapter's ongoing accomplishments.

For our upcoming Chapter meeting, I ask for "maximum participation" from each of you as I'd like to review our Chapter Action Plan/ Report (CAP/CAR). This is an important MOWW tool that we use to evaluate our chapter's operations and identify areas where we need to improve upon.

In addition to the CAP/CAR discussion, I'd like to open the dialogue and discuss our path to Chapter Leadership nominations and elections that will take place in May/June of 2023. Again, each of you has a voice in both the election of a strong new leadership team as well as supporting program coordinators.

I recently became aware of (and am now involved in) something called the "PACT Act" .The PACT Act is perhaps the largest health care and benefit expansion in VA

history. The full name of the law is The Sergeant First Class (SFC) Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act. The PACT Act is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances. The PACT Act adds to the list of health conditions that we assume (or "presume") are caused by exposure to these substances. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve. The PACT Act will bring these changes:

Expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic exposures and Veterans of the Vietnam, Gulf War, and post-9/11 eras.:

- Adds 20+ more presumptive conditions for burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic exposures.
- Adds more presumptive-exposure locations for Agent Orange and radiation.
- Requires VA to provide a toxic exposure screening to every Veteran enrolled in VA health care.
- Helps us improve research, staff education, and treatment related to toxic exposures.

If you're a Veteran or survivor, you can file claims now to apply for PACT Act-related benefits at www.va.gov.

Jacques Loraine, Commander
MOWW North Texas Chapter 234
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Companion Birthdays

2 January — LCDR Richard Belmore USN (Ret)

10 January — LtGen Richard Carey USMC (Ret)

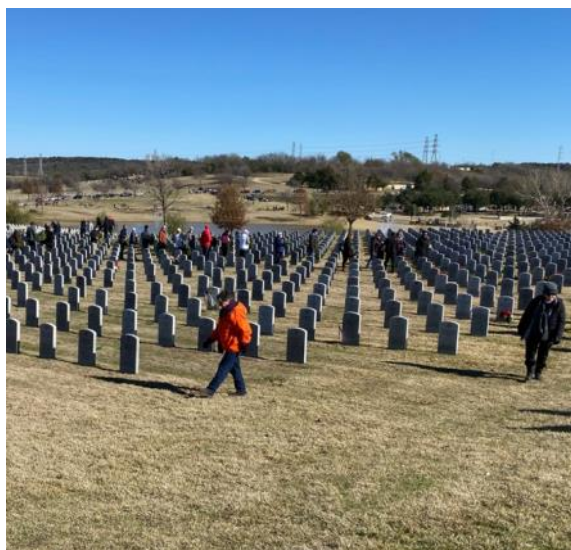
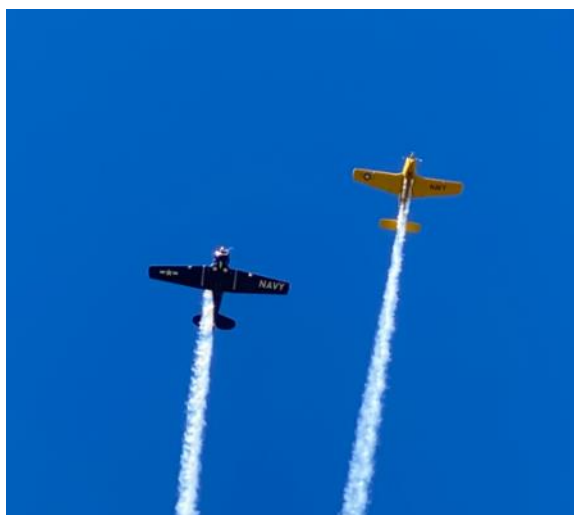
16 January — LtCol Roy Olivier USAF (Ret)



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MOWW North Texas Chapter Support to Wreaths Across America / North Texas Wreaths of Honor



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

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Chaplain's Corner

New Year's Prayerful Poems

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end — Ecclesiastes 3:11

The start of a new year is an ideal time to reflect on the past, take account of your walk with God, and consider the direction God may want to lead you in the coming days. Set aside some time to pause and evaluate your spiritual condition as you seek God's presence with this prayerful collection of New Year's poems...

A New Year's Plan

*I tried to think of a clever new phrase—
A slogan to inspire the next 365 days,
A motto to live by this coming New Year,
But the catchy words fell flat to my ear.*

*And then I heard His still small voice
Saying, "Consider this simple, daily choice:
With each new dawn and close of day
Make new your resolve to trust and obey."*

*"Don't look back, caught in regret
Or dwell on the sorrow of dreams unmet;
Don't stare forward anchored by fear,
No, live in this moment, for I Am here."*

*"I am all you need. Everything. I Am.
You are held secure by my strong hand.*

*Give me this one thing—your all in all;
Into my grace, let yourself fall."*

*So, at last, I'm ready; I see the way.
It's to daily follow, trust, and obey.
I enter the New Year armed with a plan,
To give Him my everything—all that I am.*

-- Mary Fairchild

Just One Request

*Dear Master for this coming year
Just one request I bring:
I do not pray for happiness,
Or any earthly thing—
I do not ask to understand
The way Thou ledest me,
But this I ask: Teach me to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.
I want to know Thy guiding voice,
To walk with Thee each day.
Dear Master make me swift to hear
And ready to obey.
And thus the year I now begin
A happy year will be—
If I am seeking just to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.*

-- Unknown Author

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Historical US Military Events

January 1, 1776 - During the American Revolution, George Washington unveiled the Grand Union Flag, the first national flag in America.

January 3, 1990 - Manuel Noriega, the deposed leader of Panama, surrendered to American authorities on charges of drug trafficking after spending 10 days hiding in the Vatican embassy following the U.S.

January 16, 1991 - The war against Iraq began as Allied aircraft conducted a major raid against Iraqi air defenses as operation Desert Shield became Desert Storm.

January 21, 1954 - The USS Nautilus, the world's first nuclear powered submarine, was launched at Groton, Connecticut.

January 22, 1943 - During World War II in the Pacific, Japanese resistance ended in New Guinea, resulting in the first land victory of the war for Allied forces.

January 23, 1968 - The American ship USS Pueblo was seized by North Koreans in the Sea of Japan amid

January 27, 1973 - U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War ended as North Vietnamese and American representatives signed an agreement in Paris thus ending the longest war in American history.

January 28, 1915 - The U.S. Coast Guard was created by an Act of Congress, combining the Life Saving Service and the Revenue Cutter Service.

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The United States Coast Guard

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) is the maritime security, search and rescue, and law enforcement service branch of the United States Armed Forces[and one of the country's eight uniformed services. The service is a maritime, military, multi-mission service unique among the United States military branches for having a maritime law enforcement mission with jurisdiction in both domestic and international waters and a federal regulatory agency mission as part of its duties. It is the largest and most powerful coast guard in the world, rivaling the capabilities and size of most navies.

The U.S. Coast Guard is a humanitarian and security service. It protects the United States' borders and economic and security interests abroad; and defends its sovereignty by safeguarding sea lines of communication and commerce across vast territorial waters spanning 95,000 miles of coastline and its Exclusive Economic Zone. With national and economic security depending upon open global trade and a rules-based international order, and with ever-expanding risk imposed by transnational threats through the maritime and cyber domains, the U.S. Coast Guard is at any given time deployed to and operating on all seven continents and in cyberspace to save lives; enforce laws; ensure safe and secure commerce; and protect the environment. Like its United States Navy sibling, the U.S. Coast Guard maintains a global presence with permanently-assigned personnel throughout the world and forces routinely deploying to both littoral and blue-water regions. The rise of great power competition and adversarial challenges to rules-based international order through inter-state aggression, economic coercion, and maritime hybrid warfare has cultivated numerous conflict hotspots around the world. The U.S. Coast Guard's adaptive, multi-mission "white hull" fleet is leveraged as a force of both diplomatic soft power and humanitarian and security assistance over the more overtly confrontational nature of "gray hulled" warships. As a humanitarian service, it saves tens of thousands of lives a year at sea and in U.S. waters, and provides emergency response and disaster management for a wide range of man-made and natural catastrophic incidents in the U.S. and throughout the world.

The U.S. Coast Guard operates under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security during peacetime. During times of war, it can be transferred in whole or in part to the U.S. Department of the Navy under the Department of Defense by order of the U.S. President or by act of Congress. Prior to its transfer to Homeland Security, it operated under the Department of Transportation from 1967 to 2003 and the Department of the Treasury from its inception until 1967. A congressional authority transfer to the Navy has only happened once: in 1917, during World War I. By the time the U.S. entered World War II in December 1941, the U.S. Coast Guard had already been transferred to the Navy by President Franklin Roosevelt.

Created by Congress as the Revenue-Marine on 4 August 1790 at the request of Alexander Hamilton, it is the oldest continuously operating naval service of the United States. As Secretary of the Treasury, Hamilton headed the Revenue-Marine, whose original purpose was collecting customs duties at U.S. seaports. By the 1860s, the service was known as the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service and the term Revenue-Marine gradually fell into disuse.

The modern U.S. Coast Guard was formed by a merger of the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service and the U.S. Life-Saving Service on 28 January 1915, under the U.S. Department of the Treasury. In 1939, the U.S. Lighthouse Service was also merged into the U.S. Coast Guard. As one of the country's six armed services, the U.S. Coast Guard has deployed to support and fight every major U.S. war since 1790, from the Quasi-War with France to the Global War on Terrorism. While the U.S. Coast Guard is the second smallest of the U.S. military service branches in terms of membership, the service by itself is the world's 12th largest naval force.



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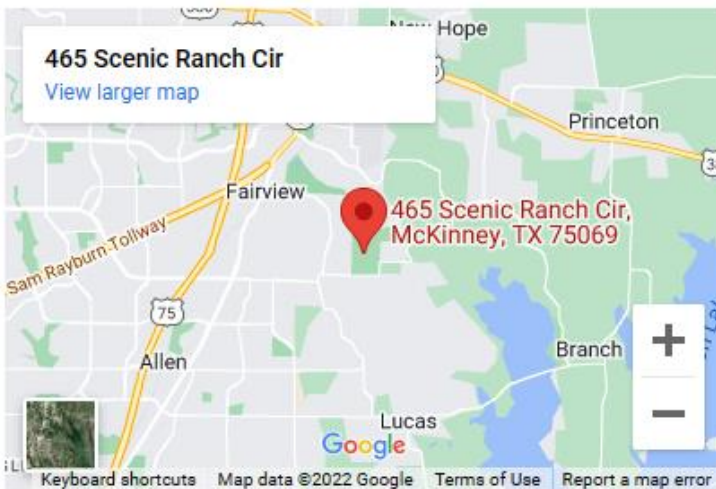
Upcoming Events



AIR AND NAVAL POWER IN THE 21ST (AND 22ND) CENTURY

Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

The 2022 National defense Strategy tasks the U.S military with a list of strategic objectives, for which it appears to be woefully inadequate. Naval and air forces in particular suffer from decades of over-use and under-investment. Investment today will provide not only the force for the remainder of the 21st century, but the platforms for the 22nd century. A panel with Adm James G. Foggo (Ret.), Dean of the Center for Maritime Strategy, Navy League of the United States and Ms. Heather Penney, Senior Resident Fellow at the Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies.



Venue Heritage Ranch Golf & Country Club
Address 465 Scenic Ranch Circle
McKinney TX 75069, US
Starts Sun Jan 29 2023, 5:00PM CST
Ends Sun Jan 29 2023, 7:00pm CST

To reserve your spot, please
visit website at:

www.ndbsinc.org

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Chapter Meeting Location Map



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

Meeting Agenda

17 January 2023

- ◆ Call to Order
- ◆ Invocation
- ◆ Pledge of Allegiance
- ◆ Reading of Preamble
- ◆ Financial Review
- ◆ Program Review
- ◆ Chapter Activity Report Review
- ◆ Retirement of Colors and Adjournment

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

Region VIII Officers (mow-regionviii.org)

Vice CINC, CAPT. Deborah Dombeck,
USCG (Ret)

Commander: LTC Donald Willhouse,
USA (Ret)

Vice Commander, CWO4 Jacques
Loraine, USA (Ret)

**Adjutant/Treasurer/Editor of "The
Bridge" Newsletter**, HPM Patricia
Williams

**Treasurer Patriotic Education
Committee**, COL Robert Gehbauer
USAF (Ret)

Chaplain, CPT James M. Malakoff, USA
(Fmr)

Judge Advocate, LTC David J. Green,
USAR

**Chair of Patriotic Education
Committee**, MG Gary Bunch, USA

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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



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MOWW® | Membership Application

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)

- Credit Card Type: MasterCard VISA Discover American Express
- 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))

C. RECRUITER-SPONSOR'S INFORMATION

- 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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